

He died April 20, 1950, at the age of 96, and was interested in business and civic affairs until that time.

Surviving him are his wife, Elizabeth; one daughter, Mrs. F. L. Clark, of Iowa City, Iowa; and one son, Lynn, of Humeston. One daughter and one son preceded him in death.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of this honored citizen the House wishes to tender, by this resolution, its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow.

*Be It Further Resolved:* That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

GENE POSTON,  
FRED STIFFLER,  
JOHN BROWNLIE,  
RAY E. SHEPARD,  
*Committee.*

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#### Memorial to the Honorable George C. Figgins of Union County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable George C. Figgins, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

George C. Figgins was born in Montgomery County, Iowa, October 17, 1868. He spent his boyhood in that county, afterwards living for a time in Adams County, then moving to Union County in the year 1886. He attended the public schools in the counties in which he resided, graduating from the Afton Normal and Business College in 1892. He taught school a short time in Union County. He was elected clerk of the district court in 1922, which office he held two terms. He filled numerous township and county offices until elected to the position of Representative to the legislature. He served in the Forty-third and Forty-fourth sessions of the General Assembly.

Since leaving the legislature he had operated a real estate and insurance business in Creston, and served as justice of the peace for many years.

He retired from the office and business on January 1, 1949, and passed away March 20, 1950. He was a life-long Republican, a member of the Masonic and I.O.O.F. Lodges, and the Presbyterian Church.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable George C. Figgins, the people, not only of Union County, but of the entire State of Iowa, have sustained a great loss.

*Be It Further Resolved:* That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

JOHN E. YOUNG,  
GRANT SHIFFLETT,  
KIRK R. NICHOLSON,  
*Committee.*

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Memorial to the Honorable Charles W. Files of Cerro Gordo County

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Charles W. Files, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Charles W. Files, son of James and Mary J. Files, was born in Johnson County, Iowa, November 25, 1871. He spent his early years on the family farm in Johnson County and graduated from the Shueyville High School. In 1910 he migrated to Portland Township in Cerro Gordo County where he continued to spend the remainder of his life. His first wife, Bessie Warner Files, died in 1942, and his parents and two sisters preceded him in death.

Mr. Files was united in marriage in October of 1943 to Blanche O'Neal, who survives him. He is also survived by a son, Wade W. Files of Blanch, North Carolina, and two grandsons, Douglas Wade Files and Donald Ray Files. In addition to his immediate family he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Myrtle M. Simmons and Stella C. Files of Boone, Iowa, and three brothers, J. Ray Files of Los Angeles, California, E. Wayne Files of Chicago, Illinois and Lee D. Files of Horicon, Wisconsin.

He was active in the Community Church of Portland for many years and was active in religious and civic movements for the betterment of the community. He continued his interest in agricultural activities throughout his life.

Mr. Files served in the House of Representatives in the Forty-third General Assembly from Cerro Gordo County, was active in Townsend clubs and a member of the Mason City Rotary club for many years.

A beloved member of his community, his passing on July 10, 1950, at a Mason City hospital following a lingering illness, bereaves the state and his county of a respected and beloved citizen.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Charles W. Files, the state has lost a valued and honored citizen and the House expresses its sincere sympathy to the surviving members of his family in their sorrow.