

JOHN WESLEY GRAHAM

MR. PRESIDENT: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John Wesley Graham, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

John Wesley Graham was born at Ida Grove, January 19, 1902, and lived to be 74 years of age.

A native of Ida Grove, Mr. Graham attended rural and town schools for his elementary education. He attended Cornell College at Mount Vernon, Iowa, for two years and was graduated from the University of Iowa in 1925, receiving a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Mr. Graham farmed near Ida Grove for eight years and was a farm loan agent two years, and the past 30 years managed farms for non-resident owners.

Mr. Graham was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives as the Republican member from Ida County in 1961 and served during the Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, Sixty-first, Sixty-second and Sixty-third General Assemblies and was elected to the Iowa Senate from Cherokee, Ida, Sac and Calhoun Counties and served in the Sixty-fourth General Assembly.

He died in Ida Grove, Iowa, on December 21, 1976, and is survived by one brother, Leonard L. of Ida Grove and one half brother, Earl R. of Ida Grove. His wife, Alice Bassett Turin, preceded him in death. Mr. Graham left a considerable amount of his estate to charity.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable John Wesley Graham, the state has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant and the Senate by this resolution would express its appreciation of his service to his community, state and nation and tender its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of his family.

Be It Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the Journal of the Senate, and that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

C. JOSEPH COLEMAN, Chairperson
E. KEVIN KELLY
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Committee

The resolution was unanimously adopted.