

Agriculture was Walter's life's work. He operated "Springvale", the farm that had been in his family since 1899, where he raised a dairy herd, hogs, and beef cattle. He was in the first Iowa Master Pork Producer class in 1942 and was named an Iowa Master Farmer in 1963. Walter was a lifelong promoter of soil conservation serving as a district commissioner from 1958 to 1970 and as a state Soil Conservation Committee member from 1973 to 1985. He was an Iowa Master Gardener and an Iowa Master Forester and hosted Conservation Education Days for Allamakee County sixth graders at the pond on his farm for over 25 years. He also grew and sold Christmas trees and spearheaded the effort to plant living snow fences in Allamakee County.

Among his many awards were the Conservation District Distinguished Service Award, the Iowa Owner-Operator Soil Conservation Award, the Iowa State Extension Service Award, and many others in community and agricultural service. He was honored to be a member of the first "People to People" tour, sponsored by Wallace's Farmer, which went to Russia in 1959 to share ideas about agriculture.

During his life he was a Boy Scout, a Mason, and an active member of the First Presbyterian Church in Waukon where he served as an elder and a deacon. A talented singer, he was a member of the Iowa State College Men's Glee Club, church choir, barbershoppers, and sang at countless community musicals, events, funerals, and weddings.

Walter Hagen wrote and sponsored the bill that made the oak Iowa's state tree.

A Republican, Mr. Hagen was a member of the Fifty-ninth, Sixtieth, and Sixtieth Extra General Assemblies.

Walter R. Hagen passed away August 7, 2005, at the age of 90.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-first General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Walter R. Hagen, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

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.

CHUCK GIPP
ROGER THOMAS
DAVID LALK
Committee

HARLEY S. HANSON

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Harley S. Hanson begs to submit the following Memorial:

Harley S. Hanson was born June 20, 1916 on a farm south of Vinton, the son of Sven and Belle (McElhaney) Hanson. Harley graduated from Lincoln High School in Vinton

and served his country in the Navy, as a 2nd Class Machinist Mate and was stationed in San Diego from 1935 through 1939. On April 30, 1941 he married Ina Mae Wiese.

The couple farmed south of Vinton until retiring in 1969. They lived in California for three years and returned to Vinton in 1972.

Harley was an active member of the First Christian Church in Vinton, where he served as a deacon and elder. He also served as a member of the Benton County Crop Commission and the Benton County Farm Service Bureau, where he held the offices of treasurer and president.

A Democrat, Mr. Hanson was a member of the Sixty-second General Assembly.

Harley S. Hanson passed away January 2, 2002, at the age of 85.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-first General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Harley S. Hanson, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

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.

DAWN PETTENGILL
LANCE HORBACH
ROB HOGG
Committee

DONALD L. KIMBALL

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character, and public service of the late Honorable Donald L. Kimball begs to submit the following Memorial:

Donald L. Kimball was born February 15, 1933 in Fairbank, the son of Donald Keith and Katherine (Finch) Kimball. He graduated from Stanley High School in 1951 and from Upper Iowa University in Fayette, Iowa in 1960. He was a veteran of the Korean Conflict serving in the Army. Don married Mary E. Moore on May 5, 1957.

He was a history teacher at Manchester and Primghar, an author, and owned and operated the Fayette Leader Newspaper. Don was a member of the Fayette American Legion Post #339 at Fayette, and was a longtime Fayette resident.

A Republican, Mr. Kimball was a member of the Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth General Assemblies.

Donald L. Kimball passed away April 4, 2005, at the age of 72.

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Eighty-first General Assembly of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Donald L. Kimball, the