

**Memorial to the Honorable William Kruse of Floyd County**

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

William Kruse was born in Union County, Iowa, January 23, 1890, and passed away August 22, 1950, at his farm home near Charles City, Iowa. He was educated in the Jasper County schools and moved to Floyd County in 1914 where he was a successful farmer and public spirited citizen. He was married and the father of three sons, all of whom are outstanding men in the community. Mr. Kruse was active in the Methodist Church, Farm Bureau, Lions Club, several lodges and other civic organizations.

His outstanding public service was as Representative from Floyd County where he served with distinction in the Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth, Fiftieth Extra, Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-second Extra and Fifty-third General Assemblies. He was elected Speaker pro tempore in the Fifty-third General Assembly. When his name was placed in nomination for this office of responsibility and trust, the following compliment was given him: "He is fair, honest and reliable, and we know he will serve with honor and dignity."

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable William Kruse, the people of Floyd County and of the entire State of Iowa have sustained a great loss and the House expresses its appreciation of his character and public service and tenders, by this resolution, its sincere and heartfelt sympathy to his beloved family in their great sorrow and 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.

MARTIN E. SAR,  
G. T. KUESTER,  
E. E. POSTON,  
*Committee.*

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**Memorial to the Honorable Don V. McLean of Marshall County**

**MR. SPEAKER:** Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Don V. McLean, of Marshalltown, Iowa, begs to submit the following memorial:

Don V. McLean was born in Marshall County July 7, 1880. He was the son of Henry C. McLean and Emma Jane Roundy. He was graduated from Marshalltown High School and from Iowa State College at Ames.

On December 27, 1906, he was married to Anna M. Packer. To this union were born four children, one son and three daughters.

Mr. McLean was a farmer for many years. He was a widely known stockman, raising purebred Hereford cattle. The family moved to Marshalltown in 1943.

Mr. McLean helped organize the Iowa Farm Mutual Insurance Company in the state and in Marshall County. He was general agent of the company until 1946.

A charter member of the Marshall County Farm Bureau, he was a past president and past director of that organization. At the time of his death he was president of the Lamoille Cemetery Association, and the Iowa Taxpayers Association. He was a past president and past secretary of the Marshall County Taxpayers Association. He was president of the Central Iowa Fair Association for six years.

Mr. McLean was a member of the Lamoille Community Church. He was chairman of the board of trustees for many years.

A Republican in politics, he served as State Representative of Marshall County in the Forty-fifth, Forty-fifth Extra and Forty-sixth General Assemblies.

Mr. McLean was a former master of Damascus Lodge No. 264, A. F. & A. M., at Albion, past patron of Cleo Chapter No. 303, O.E.S., of State Center. He was also a past president of the Lions Club.

He laid out the first miniature golf course in Iowa in 1930 across from his home, and operated it for many years. It is now known as Orchard Park.

Mr. McLean died on September 28, 1947. Besides his wife he leaves a son, Philip P. McLean, Whitten; two daughters, Mrs. E. L. Bailey, West Liberty, and Mrs. Robert Engelbrecht of Waverly. One daughter, Jane, died in 1923.

He was an inspiring example of citizenship, successful and aggressive in his own business, and yet never so busy that he could not take time to lead and direct those community efforts that were dedicated to the public good.

*Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa:* That in the passing of the Honorable Don V. McLean, the state has lost an able and honored citizen and the House tenders, 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.

HOWARD C. BUCK,  
LAWRENCE C. PUTNEY,  
ARCH W. MCFARLANE,  
*Committee.*