

JOHN C. MENDENHALL

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable John C. Mendenhall, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

John C. Mendenhall was born in Ponca, Nebraska, January 20, 1904, the son of Ivan and Lena Mendenhall.

He graduated from high school in 1922. He attended college in Sioux City, majoring in business and commercial law.

Mr. Mendenhall married Margareta Leyh, June 29, 1940. To this union were born two children, Phyllis and Milo.

He owned and operated building material and construction business from 1927 to 1967. Owned and operated concrete products plant from 1934 to 1967 and manufactured and built concrete stave silos from 1934 to 1967.

Mr. Mendenhall was a member of the United Methodist Church, Masonic Order, Historical Society, Farm Bureau, Northeast Iowa Tourism Council and County Civil Defense. He was town councilman twenty-two years, mayor fifteen years, a member of the advisory council to the local school board, church treasurer, finance committee chairman, member of official church board, trustee chairman, lay leader and certified lay speaker as well as past president of the New Albin Community Club and member of Ace Telephone Association Board.

Mr. Mendenhall, a Republican was a member of the Sixty-third, Sixty-fourth and Sixty-fifth General Assemblies, representing Allamakee, Clayton and Winneshiek Counties.

After serving three terms in the Legislature, Mr. Mendenhall served in his community as Director of New Albin Saving Bank, Board member of the New Albin Library, Advocate of Allamakee County, Chairman of Five Counties Commission on Aging and Chairman of Allamakee Commission on Aging.

Mr. Mendenhall passed away October 18, 1976. Surviving are his wife Margareta; a daughter, Mrs. Francis (Phyllis) Ward of Fort Wayne, Indiana; a son, Milo, of Indianola; three sisters, Mrs. Ethel Severance of Ponca, Mrs. Harold (Mina) Schulenberger of Sioux City and Fern Mendenhall of Ponca; two brothers, Lloyd of Ventura, California and Elbert of Kern City, California, and seven grandchildren.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the late Honorable John C. Mendenhall, 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, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family.

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.

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Committee

EDWARD J. MORRISSEY

Mr. Speaker: Your committee, appointed to prepare a suitable resolution commemorating the life, character and public service of the late Honorable Edward J. Morrissey, begs leave to submit the following memorial:

Edward J. Morrissey was born in Warren County, Iowa on June 4, 1888. He attended grade school in rural Iowa, and later graduated from high school in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He received his B. A. degree from LaSalle College, Minneapolis, and later attended Cornell University. He served in World War I with the 276th Air Squadron.

On February 25, 1919, Edward Morrissey married Catherine Gannon, who preceded him in death. To this union were born two sons and four daughters.

He was an active member of the Iowa Swine Association, the American Legion, and the Sacred Heart Church of Valeria, Iowa. He served as President of the Jasper County Farm Bureau, Chairman of the Board of the Productive Credit Association, and was active on the Jasper County Fair Board.

Mr. Morrissey, a Republican, was a member of the Forty-eighth, Forty-ninth, Fiftieth, Fifty-first and Fifty-second General Assemblies representing Jasper County. Thereafter, he served as State Finance Chairman for a number of years. He passed away October 14, 1976. He is survived by his two sons, Joseph E., Colfax, Iowa, and James, Placentia, California; four daughters, Mrs. John Abe (Margaret) Abelan, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Mrs. James (Bernice) Britt, Monterey Park, California; Ms. Alice Collins, Los Gatos, California and Mrs. John (Joann) James, Fullerton, California.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the late Honorable Edward J. Morrissey, 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, and tender its sympathy to the members of his family.