

ROBERT P. MUNGER

Robert P. Munger was born on November 2, 1909, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Robert H. and Kathryn Belle Prentis Munger. He passed away on October 23, 2001, at the age of 91. He is survived by three sons, Robert G. and his wife Alice of New Orleans, Louisiana, Clark W. of Tucson, Arizona, and John F. and his wife Roseann of Tucson, Arizona; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a brother, Stanley Prentis Munger of Vermillion, South Dakota, who passed away in 2005; and a cousin, Mrs. E. H. Sibley of Sioux City, Iowa.

Munger attended the Sioux City public schools and graduated from Sioux City Central High School. He received a bachelor of arts degree from Morningside College in 1931 and a law degree from the University of South Dakota in 1933. He was engaged in business and in the practice of law from 1933 until 1941. He first married Kathryn Bryce Gantt, who passed away in 1940 after the birth of their son. In 1941, he married Charlotte Watkin, with whom he shared life for 58 years.

Munger was elected to the Iowa Senate in 1940. He resigned from the Senate in 1942 to go on active duty with the United States Army Air Corps. In 1945 after serving his country during World War II, he resumed his law practice and was engaged in several business enterprises. He was elected to the Iowa House in 1948. He served as vice-chair of the Governmental Reorganization Commission and was appointed to the Board of Regents.

Munger was an active businessman and entrepreneur throughout his life, as well as a lifelong participant in Republican politics. He was a member of the Lions Club, Masonic Lodge, Elks Club, Delta Tau Delta fraternity, Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and the First Congregational Church. Munger was an avid reader and a student of economics. He was an accomplished water colorist. He enjoyed fishing and sailing on Lake Okoboji, and in later years, in the coastal waters off Washington and British Columbia. He and his wife moved to Tucson in 1965 where he resided until his death in 2001.

Munger was a Woodbury County Republican. He served in the Senate in 1941 and 1942 during the 49th General Assembly and in the House from 1949-1952 during the 53rd and 54th General Assemblies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable Robert P. Munger, the State has lost an honored citizen and faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this resolution expresses its appreciation of his service to the State and tenders 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 instructed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

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Committee