

Mrs. Miller was a housewife who was devoted to her husband and family, and very active in the First Congregational Church, Republican Women's organizations, Farm Bureau, Federated Women's Club, Marshalltown Women's Club, American Institute of Parliamentarians, National Federation of Business & Professional Women's Club and the National Order of Women Legislators.

Senator Miller served in the Iowa Legislature from 1969 to 1980, the first four years as a state representative and then as a state senator for eight years. Her major issues were environmental and agricultural.

She was Parliamentarian of the Iowa Federation of Republican Women, and was in Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in Government and Who's Who in America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable Elizabeth Ruby Miller, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and that the Senate by this Resolution, expresses its appreciation of her service to the State and tenders its sympathy and kindest regards to the members of her 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.

JOHN SOORHOLTZ, Chair  
EMIL HUSAK  
CHARLES BRUNER

Committee

#### JOHN W. PATTON

MADAM PRESIDENT: John W. Patton, 83 of Independence, passed away March 8, 1989. He was born in Ford County, Illinois, on April 27, 1905, to John and Mary Patton.

Mr. Patton was educated in Delaware and Buchanan Counties. In 1932 he married Alma E. Becker. They have one daughter, Lois Jeanne Brimmer of Independence, Iowa, and one son, Douglas John of Washington, D.C. They also have six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Senator Patton was elected to the Iowa Senate in 1964 and served for four years in the 61st and 62nd General Assemblies. He also served as a state representative in 1971 and 1972 in the 64th General Assembly.

Mr. Patton was director and past president of the Buchanan County Rural Electric Cooperative (REC). He was also a voting delegate to Washington, D.C. for the REC. He was owner-operator of a 235-acre farm. He was a Democratic

Committeeman, a past member of the A.S.C. Board, a Township Trustee, and treasurer of the local telephone company. Mr. Patton also was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Methodist Church.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable John W. Patton, the State has lost an honored citizen and a 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.

LARRY MURPHY, Chair  
PAUL PATE  
EMIL HUSAK

Committee

#### FORREST V. SCHWENGELS

MADAM PRESIDENT: Forrest "Frosty" Schwengels, 73, of Fairfield, passed away April 10, 1989. He was born in Sheffield, Iowa, on August 27, 1915.

Mr. Schwengels attended schools in Sheffield, Iowa and Chicago, Illinois. He attended Northeast Missouri State Teachers College; received his B.A. from Parsons College, his M.A. from Georgetown University and did doctorate study at Indiana University. He married Betty Pickett in 1943. They had two sons; Paul, of Takoma Park, MD and Forrest II of Poquoson, VA; a daughter Suzanne Schwengels of Des Moines; and six grandchildren.

Senator Schwengels was first elected to the Iowa Senate in 1972 and served in the 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, and 72nd General Assemblies. During those sixteen years in the Iowa Senate he was an early leader on natural resource issues and led lawmakers in pioneering erosion control. He was author of soil-conservation policies that have set the mark for the nation.

Mr. Schwengels served twenty-three years in the U.S. Air Force. He retired as a Lt. Colonel in 1963. He was a professor at Parsons College from 1963 to 1973.

He was a member of the Farm Bureau, Lions Club, Elks Club, Masons, Retired Officers Association, Air Force Association, Phi Sigma Epsilon, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Chamber of Commerce, Shrine, Indian Hills Community College Foundation, Soil Conservation Society of America, and the Historical Society.