

Des Moines Advertising Club, and Polk County and Iowa Bar Associations. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

Senator Plymat's political career began in 1968, when he ran for nomination to the U.S. Senate. In 1970 he ran for nomination to the U. S. House of Representatives. In 1972 he was elected to the Iowa Senate in District 30 of Polk County and served in the 65th and 66th General Assemblies. Senator Plymat retired in 1976 after serving four years in the Iowa State Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable William N. Plymat, 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.

O. GENE MADDOX, Chair  
ELAINE SZYMONIAK  
MARY E. KRAMER

Committee

#### RICHARD L. STEPHENS

Richard L. Stephens was born February 8, 1904, in Ainsworth, Iowa, and passed away October 9, 1994, at the age of ninety years at Halycon House, Washington, Iowa. His parents were D. D. and Blanche (Cocklin) Stephens. He married Florence Krause on August 28, 1926. They became parents of two sons, Richard of Washington and Boyd of Crawfordsville and were grandparents of three grandchildren. His wife preceded him in death in 1993.

Mr. Stephens graduated from Ainsworth High School and attended Iowa State University. He lived in the Ainsworth and Crawfordsville communities most of his life, moving to Washington in 1979. He served on the first Soil Conservation Committee of Washington County and was a member of the first Agricultural Adjustment Committee in 1933. He was elected vice-president of the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation serving for nine years and was treasurer of the Iowa Swine Producers Association. He served as school board president, was a past member of National Planning Association, and a trustee and honorary member of the Iowa 4-H Club Foundation. He served on the State Advisory Committee of Blue Cross and Blue Shield. He was also a member of Gamma Sigma Delta honorary National Agricultural fraternity, the Iowa Master Farmer's Club and was designated Master Swine Producer and Master Corn Grower. Other organizations included his memberships in the Masons, Kaaba Shrine and Ainsworth Community Church. He was a farmer and livestock producer.

Senator Stephens's political career began in 1957, when he was elected to the House of Representatives from Washington County until 1962, serving in the 57th, 58th, and 59th General Assemblies. He was elected to the Iowa Senate in 1963 and served until 1972 in the 60th, 60x, 61st, 62nd, 63rd and 64th General Assemblies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE SEVENTY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA: That in the passing of the Honorable Richard L. Stephens, 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.

H. KAY HEDGE, Chair  
RICHARD F. DRAKE  
TOM VILSACK

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