

Memorial to the Honorable Albert T. Stokes of Plymouth County

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

The Honorable Albert T. Stokes was born January 1, 1860, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the son of Thomas and Margaret Stokes. During the same year the family moved to Jackson County, Iowa, and in 1872 homesteaded in Stanton Township in Plymouth County, where Albert grew to manhood and subsequently became a successful farmer in his own right. This calling he followed to the time of his retirement in 1929, when he moved to LeMars, where he resided until the time of his death on July 16, 1949, in his 90th year.

On March 19, 1890, Mr. Stokes was married to Jane Anne Eyres, who preceded him in death. Surviving are a daughter, Miss Hazel Stokes of Houston, Texas, three sons, Carleton and Gordon, who operate the home farm near LeMars, Iowa and Thomas of Hot Springs, South Dakota, and two grandchildren, Jimmie and Jean of Hot Springs.

Also surviving are the following sisters: Mrs. George Harker, Emmetsburg, Iowa; Mrs. James Watson, LeMars, Iowa; Mrs. Chris Mikkelson, Bozeman, Montana, and Mrs. Albert Werth, Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Stokes lived a useful and active life and served in various capacities in many community affairs. His genial disposition, his ever readiness to lend a helping hand gained him many friends. He served for many years as director and president of the Plymouth County Farmers Mutual Insurance Company.

He was actively interested in politics and in 1912 was elected State Representative from Plymouth County on the Republican ticket and served with honor in the Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth General Assemblies.

He was a member of the Elks Club and a long time director in the Plymouth County Federal Farm Loan Association, which office he held at the time of his death.

With the attendance of many friends and relatives at the Presbyterian Church services his remains were laid to rest in the peaceful LeMars city cemetery on July 19, 1949.

Therefore, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fourth General Assembly of Iowa: That in the passing of the Honorable Albert T. Stokes the state has lost a faithful and worthy citizen and the House by this resolution expresses its respect and sympathy to the surviving members of the 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.