

## PIONEER CERTIFICATE

Adair County Ancestors will issue Pioneer certificates to direct descendants of early settlers living in Adair County, Iowa in 1856 or earlier. Proof of direct descendancy must be submitted.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To qualify for an Adair County Pioneer Certificate, an applicant must submit documented evidence of direct descendancy from an ancestor who lived in Adair County, Iowa in 1856 or earlier.

An applicant need not be a resident of Adair County, Iowa, nor have ever lived in Adair County. Anyone who is a direct descendant of a person who did reside in Adair County in 1856 or earlier may apply for a Pioneer Certificate from Adair County, Iowa. After proof of direct descent has been submitted and eligibility has been determined, the certificate will be given or mailed. For each ancestor for which an application and documented evidence qualifies, a separate certificate will be issued. If an applicant wants additional certificates for one pioneer ancestors, proof of descent need only be submitted once. Cost for each certificate is \$5.00. This covers postage and handling. When more than one certificate is issued, all certificates will be mailed to one address.

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Complete the application as completely as you can.
2. Complete the pedigree chart using maiden names when applicable. If you are unsure of any dates or information, place a question mark after the date.
3. Submit documented evidence with the application. Examples of documented evidence may be census records; birth, marriage or death records; school or church records; Bible records; military records; obituaries; estate records; land records, headstone inscriptions (giving the location of the cemetery); county histories, etc. **DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS.** All applications and accompanying verifying material will become the property of Adair County Ancestors. Only one proof selected from the above is necessary but more may be submitted.
4. The application form and proof of residency should be submitted to Adair County Ancestors, % Greenfield Public Library, P. O. Box 328, Greenfield, Iowa 50849. Include a check payable to Adair County Ancestors for the cost of the certificate or certificates.
5. If you have any questions, call or text the Greenfield Public Library (641-743-6120) or email the library at <https://greenfield.lib.ia.us>.

**ADAIR COUNTY ANQUESTORS  
PIONEER CERTIFICATE APPLICATION**

**NAME OF PIONEER ANCESTOR** \_\_\_\_\_  
(As you wish your ancestor's name to appear on the certificate)

**DATE OF BIRTH** \_\_\_\_\_ **PLACE OF BIRTH** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year City State Country

**DATE OF DEATH** \_\_\_\_\_ **PLACE OF DEATH** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year City State Country

**PLACE BURIED** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Cemetery City County State

**PIONEER'S FATHER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**PIONEER'S MOTHER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**PIONEER'S SPOUSE'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPOUSE'S DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year City State Country

**SPOUSE'S DATE & PLACE OF DEATH** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year City State Country

**PLACE BURIED** \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Cemetery City County State

**DATE OF MARRIAGE** \_\_\_\_\_ **PLACE** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year City State Country

**DATE & LOCATION PIONEER SETTLED IN ADAIR COUNTY** \_\_\_\_\_  
Year City/Township

**NAME OF APPLICANT** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of the person receiving the certificate as you wish it to appear on the certificate)

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

**CELL PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **HOME PHONE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PERMISSION RELEASE**

I hereby give permission to Adair County Anquestors to use my material submitted for the Pioneer Certificate for their publications and other research, now and in the future.

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year