

Dodge County Historical Society Pioneer Certificate Application
(Please Print or type)

Applicant Name _____
As It Is To Appear On the Certificate

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

phone # _____ e-mail: _____

Pioneer Name _____
As It Is To Appear On the Certificate

Pioneer Settled in Dodge County (Date & Location) _____

Date of Birth (Day/Month/Year) _____

Place of Birth (City/County/State/Country) _____

Date of Death (Day/Month/Year) _____

Place of Death (City/County/State/Country) _____

Place buried (Name of Cemetery & Location) _____

Father's Name _____

Mother's Name _____

Spouse (include maiden name) _____

Birth Date (Day/Month/Year) _____

Birth Place (City/County/State/Country) _____

Death Date (Day/Month/Year) _____

Death Place (City/County/State/Country) _____

Buriel Place (Name of Cemetery & Location) _____

Marriage Date(Day/Month/Year) _____

Marriage Place(City/County/State/Country) _____

Pioneers Children(attach additional sheets if easier or necessary)

First Name	Date of Birth	Place	Date of Death	Place	Spouse	Date Married
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2						
3						
4						
5						

I hereby give permission to Dodge Historical Society to use the material submitted for the Pioneer Certificate for their future publications.

Signature _____ Date _____

Dodge County Historical Society Pioneer Certificate Project

To honor the first families of Dodge County, the Dodge County Historical Society is compiling a roster of settlers who were residents here by 1875. Our Society will issue certificates to direct descendants of early settlers of Dodge County.

A numbered parchment certificate, suitable for framing, with the name of the ancestor and descendant will be issued. In addition to receiving the Pioneer Certificate, applicants will be helping to preserve the history of their ancestral pioneers.

Eligibility

To qualify for a Pioneer Certificate, applicant must be directly descended from an ancestor who settled in Dodge County by 1875.

Anyone may apply. Applicants need not be residents of Dodge County, nor ever lived in the county. After proof of direct descent has been submitted and eligibility has been determined, we will then mail a certificate. Separate certificates will be issued for each ancestor properly submitted.

Instructions

1. Please complete the application to the best of your ability.
2. Please use maiden names when applicable. If you are unsure of any dates or information, place a question mark behind the data.
3. **Documented evidence connecting each generation must accompany the application** such as census records; birth, death, and marriage records; school or church records; Bible records; military records; obituaries; estates records; land records; tombstone inscriptions (give location of cemetery); county histories; etc. **Do not send original documents.** Please **submit copies only**, as all applications or verifying material will become the property of the Dodge County Historical Society.
4. Please submit as much additional information about your ancestor as you wish. You may submit additional pages as needed. You may submit more generations on your Ancestor Chart, using additional pages. **You are encouraged to send a picture of your Ancestor.**
5. A check made payable to the Dodge County Historical Society in the amount of \$10.00 for each certificate, plus the application, the straight line lineage chart, and your sources of proof should be mailed to: Dodge County Historical Society, Att: Pioneer Certificate; P. O. Box 433; Mantorville, MN 55955
507) 635-5508 or email dchs@kmtel.com

When requesting additional certificates for members of the applicant's immediate family (mother, father, siblings), proof of descent needs to be sent only once. To request additional certificates, send \$10.00 and a separate completed application and straight-line lineage chart for each additional certificate needed.

Allow 4-6 weeks for processing

For further information or assistance, call (507) 635-5508 or email dchs@kmtel.com