

KEO-MAH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC
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The Keo-Mah (Keokuk and Mahaska Counties) Genealogical Society Pioneer Certificate is issued to any person who directly descends from an ancestor living in Keokuk or Mahaska County in 1896 or earlier.

ELIGIBILITY: The applicant (you) must furnish proof of direct descent from the ancestor who settled in either county in 1896 or earlier. It is not necessary that the applicant (you) live in or ever have lived in either county of Keokuk or Mahaska. Your Pioneer need not to have remained in either county.

STEP 1: Fill in the application, (print or type in blue or black ink only) giving all the desired information for the Iowa Pioneer and his/her family. Applications may be submitted for more than one pioneer ancestor as long as the application, along with the required fee for each is paid, and a copy of documentation is included for each pioneer.

STEP 2: Fill in the pedigree chart included with the application. Begin with yourself as number one. Number two is your father, number three is your mother. Continue backwards in the same manner to your PIONEER Ancestor. If you need additional space to show your descent, please use another chart for continuation. (If you have a genealogy program, you may print your generation pedigree chart from the software). (Only the pedigree charts, nothing else). Please note which county your Pioneer is from if you use a genealogy program.

STEP 3: Submit with your application: a filled out pedigree chart, a copy of one documentation and the required fee in the amount of \$7.00. **DO NOT BEND YOUR ORIGINAL RECORDS. THESE ARE NOT RETURNABLE.**

Different copies of documentation you may send:

- A. Census Record (Federal or State of Iowa), be sure year and page number is on the microfilm print out. Census Index is **NOT** acceptable.
- B. Land Record - Copy of the land deed showing county, state, book and page number it came from.
- C. County History - copy of page with full name of the history, publication date and page number it came from.
- D. Marriage Record - Copy of page, what county, giving book and page number from court house book it can be found.
- E. Will - copy showing county, book and page number it came from.
- F. Probate - copy showing county, book and page number it came from.
- G. Tax Record - copy of record, book and page number it came from.
- H. Church Record - copy of the record and name of church and location in county.

STEP 4: Mail your completed application, proof of descent and a check in the amount of \$7.00 for each pioneer certificate requested (payable to Keo-Mah Genealogical Society, Inc) to:

PIONEER CERTIFICATE
KEO-MAH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY, INC.
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REMEMBER: You must furnish proof that your ancestor was in Mahaska or Keokuk County, IA (which ever county your pioneer lived in by 1896).

Please allow 30 days for processing. Thank You