

**HENRY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
P.O. Box 346
Kewanee, Illinois 61443**

PIONEER CERTIFICATE OF HENRY COUNTY ILLINOIS

The purpose of this project is to gather, preserve, and publish genealogical facts. Through this endeavor the history of the HENRY COUNTY PIONEERS, which might otherwise go unrecorded, will be preserved.

Direct descendants of a Henry County pioneer will be awarded a "Pioneer of Henry County Illinois Certificate." by the Henry County Genealogical Society upon completion of the requirements set forth below.

Being or to have ever been a resident of Henry County, Illinois is not necessary for the applicant. To qualify for a certificate, one must be a direct descendant of an ancestor settling in Henry County as follows:

Before 1837- Certificate with gold seal and ribbons Date: Henry County was organized

1837 – 1865 Certificate with a gold seal

1866 – 1885 Certificate with a seal

TO RECEIVE YOUR PIONEER CERTIFICATE- APPLICATION FEE \$10

Mail 1. Copies of proof of Direct Descent

Acceptable sources of proof Birth, Death, Marriage Records, Census Records, Tax Lists, Bible, Church and School Records, Military Records, Estate and Land Records, Obituaries and Tombstone Inscriptions (include cemetery and location), and County Histories.

DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS.

We cannot return the documents, please send copies of your documents

2. Signed Permission Release

3. Completed application and lineage chart accompanied by a check for \$10.00, made payable to the:

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- Instructions:
1. Complete application as fully as possible- fee of \$10
 2. As you fill data on lineage chart, use birth names if applicable
 3. Designate any information you feel is questionable
 4. Recheck to make sure you have enclosed copies of your proof
 5. Be sure to include phone number and e-mail if available