

Pioneers of Lafayette County, WI Certificate

Sponsored by the Lafayette County Historical and Genealogy Society

The Lafayette County Historical and Genealogy Society will issue a Pioneer Certificate to the qualifying direct descendants of the early settlers of this county. Many of the early pioneers have gone unrecognized by Lafayette County. It is not necessary for the applicant to be a resident or have ever been a resident of Lafayette County.

To qualify, the applicant **must prove descent** from an early pioneer who settled in Lafayette County, Wisconsin during the following years: (The certificate will be awarded accordingly.)

- Before 1847* - Pioneer Certificate with gold seal.
 - 1847 – 1877- Early Settler Certificate with blue seal.
 - 1878 – 1897 - Centennial Certificate with red seal.
- *Lafayette County was organized in the spring of 1847.*

Instructions

1. Complete the application and the lineage chart as fully as possible. Use maiden names for women if known. Designate with a question mark any data that is questionable. The documentation you gather will help you fill out the application.
2. Documented proof of your ancestor's residency **and** your lineage must accompany the application.

At least one official record of residency must be included such as:

- Land Record: Photocopy of Deed with Deed Book number and page number or reference to Public Doman Land Sales Record Book.
- Census Record: Include Township/District, page and dwelling number.
- County Histories: Include title, author and page number.

Other acceptable sources to prove residence or lineage:

- Birth, Marriage and Death Record: include photocopy of the original document.
 - Probate Record: include copy of will or other papers showing relationship to deceased.
 - Obituaries: identify newspaper, date of publication and page number.
 - Church or School Records: give location.
 - Tax Records:
 - Tombstone Inscriptions: give location of cemetery.
3. Additional information on your family may be included as you deem essential. Please **submit only** photocopies of the material as they will not be returned but become the property of the Lafayette County Historical and Genealogical Society.
 4. Mail each completed application and the documentation along with \$5.00 for each certificate. Make checks payable to the Lafayette County Historical and Genealogy Society. Mail all to: Karen Reese, PO Box 281, Dickeyville WI 53808-0281. **For further information contact Karen Reese by mail, phone - 608.568.3124, email - dkreese@tds.net**

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Direct Descent Lineage Chart

Generation:

1. Name of Pioneer Ancestor

2. His.Her Child _____ was my _____

Born _____ at _____

Died _____ at _____

Spouse _____

Married _____ at _____

3. His.Her Child _____ was my _____

Born _____ at _____

Died _____ at _____

Spouse _____

Married _____ at _____

4. His.Her Child _____ was my _____

Born _____ at _____

Died _____ at _____

Spouse _____

Married _____ at _____

5. His.Her Child _____ was my _____

Born _____ at _____

Died _____ at _____

Spouse _____

Married _____ at _____

6. His.Her Child _____ was my _____

Born _____ at _____

Died _____ at _____

Spouse _____

Married _____ at _____

Applicant's Name:

Feel free to make copies of this for additional applications.

Pioneers of Lafayette County, Wisconsin Certificate Application

Applicant's Names (as will appear on certificate) _____

Address _____

Name of Pioneer Ancestor _____

Date/Location Pioneer Settled in Lafayette County _____

Year Town/Village/Township

Date & Place of Birth _____

Day Month Year City/Village/Township County State

Date & Place of Death _____

Day Month Year City/Village/Township County State

Place of Burial _____

Name of Cemetery City/Village/Township County State

Pioneer's Father's Name _____

Pioneer Mother's Name (Maiden) _____

Pioneer's Spouse's Name (Maiden if woman) _____

Spouse's Date & Place of Birth _____

Day Month Year City/Village/Township County State

Spouse's Date & Place of Death _____

Day Month Year City/Village/Township County State

Spouse's Place of Burial _____

Name of Cemetery City/Village/Township County State

Ancestor's Date & Place of Marriage _____

Day Month Year City/Village/Township County State

Name of Ancestor's Children:

Name	Born	Where	Died	Where	Spouse	Year Married
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please list additional children on a separate sheet

Permission Release: I hereby give the Lafayette County Historical and Genealogy Society permission to use this material I submitted for the certificate in their future publications.

Signed this day ____ of _____ 20__

Signature _____ Address _____