

CFR 0763

Jeffrey H. Davidson



# APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

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Deadline for filing applications - May 1, 1985

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Your name (Mr., Mrs., Ms.) JEFFREY H. DAVIDSON  
 Your address: 27930 DANNEB RD HALEY ORE 97348  
~~28998 Hwy 99E~~ ~~SHEDD ORE~~ ~~97377~~  
 Street, Route, or Box Town Zip  
 Location of Farm: 28998 Hwy 99E SHEDD ORE LINN  
 Address County

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have not less than 10 acres with a gross income from farm use of not less than \$500 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding application for Century Farm Honors. Does your farm meet this qualification? yes

Name of family member who was founder or original owner of farm HENRY THURSTON DAVIDSON

Year founder settled on farm 1852 Where did he come from? MISSOURI

Who farms the land today? JEFFREY H. DAVIDSON

Relationship to original owner? GREAT GRANDSON

Are any of the original buildings still in use? If so which ones? YES NO

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list:

What do you raise on farm today? GRASS SEED, SHEEP

How many generations live on the farm today (Names)? ROBERT DAVIDSON, JOSH DAVIDSON, CLOUD DAVIDSON, JEFF DAVIDSON

How many times has the original farm been divided? NONE

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? yes

Please return form to:

Elizabeth W. Buchler, Field Historian  
 Oregon Historical Society  
 1230 S.W. Park Avenue  
 Portland, Oregon, 97205

Jeffrey H. Davidson  
 Signature of Owner

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 5/8/85



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Please type or print:

Your name: Mr. Jeffrey Davidson Ms. Shireen Malpass Ms. Jo Lyne Walton  
27930 Dannen Rd. 25108 Malpass Rd. Box 1409  
Halsey, Ore. 97348 Harrisburg, Ore. Kamuela, Hawaii  
(brother and sisters)

Location of Farm: 31390 Davidson Dr., Shedd, Ore. Linn  
County

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Name of family member who was founder or original owner of farm.

Henry Davidson

Year founder settled on farm 1859 Where did he come from? Ohio, Wayne Co.

Who farms the land today? Jeffrey Davidson

Relationship to original owner. Henry was my great-great grandfather

Are any of the original buildings still in use? If so which ones? No

If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list.

What do you raise on farm today? grass seed, sheep

How many generations live on the farm today? None

How many times has the original farm been divided? None

Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? Yes.

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Jeff H. Davidson  
Signature of Owner



May 7, 1985

Jeffrey H. Davidson  
27930 Dannen Road  
Halsey, Oregon 97348

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Thank you for sending the two applications for Century Farm honors received today. We appreciate your interest in the program.

We do have a couple of questions we hope you can clear up for us.

First, we do need to know if you are applying for two separate farms. As far as we can tell from your applications, both are for the farm at 28998 Hwy. 99E in Shedd.

If both applications are in fact for the same farm, we really only need one application and only one certificate would be given. We would need to know if the founder of the farm is Henry Davidson or Thurston Davidson.

\* Also, we do require some form of documentation as to the original date of the farm. This can be the "Certification of Ownership" form which you sent, but it would have to be signed by your county clerk. Other forms of documentation would also be acceptable, such as a copy of the original deed or donation land claim. Your county clerk might be able to give you some guidance with this.

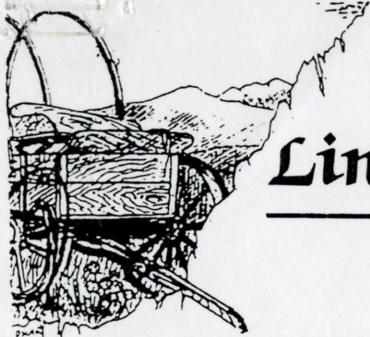
Sinceryour application was postmarked May 1 and received near enough to the deadline, we will extend a few more days for you to complete the application and clarify these questions for us. Many thanks!

Sincerely,

Charles F. Wellman  
Coordinator, Century Farm Program

\* returned herewith





# Linn Benton Genealogical Services

1111 S.E. Bain  
Albany OR 97321  
(503) 928-2582

June 12, 1985

Mr. & Mrs. Robert H. Davidson  
28998 Highway 99E  
Shedd, Oregon 97377

Re: Application for Century Farm Honors on your present farm.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Davidson,

Henry & wife, Sarah Montgomery Davidson, arrived in Oregon Territory according to their application for a Donation Land Claim on the 6th of October 1852 and settled on their Claim on the 27th of November 1852. The original claim consisted of 320.06 acres and was located about 3 1/2 miles Northwest of Halsey, Oregon.

On October 24, 1865 Certificate No. 640, Notice No. 2595 and Claim No. 69, being parts of Sections 13 and 24 in T 13S, R 4W was issued from the United States to Henry Davidson, N. 1/2 and Sarah Davidson, his wife S. 1/2.

On November 10, 1875, Henry Davidson and Sarah Davidson, his wife, gave a Warranty Deed to Thurston Davidson (their son), a portion of land adjoining their original claim that they had acquired in 1865.

Thurston married Susan Elizabeth Briggs on October 31, 1876 and died on April 25, 1889. They had two children: Cloud H. (son) and Addie B. (daughter).

Cloud H. Davidson remained on the farm of his father and upon his mother's death (Susan Elizabeth Davidson) received a Deed executed on September 9, 1910 and also eventually acquired his sister's interest in the property by a Warranty Deed that was executed on September 9, 1910.

Cloud H. Davidson passed away on February 11, 1950 and his widow, Laura V. Davidson, passed away on March 18, 1953. Their only child, Robert H. Davidson, survived them.

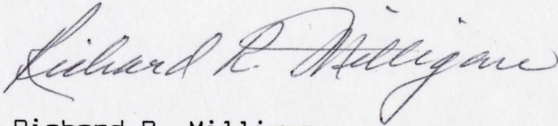
Robert H. Davidson and wife, have three children, Jeffery Davidson (son), who presently farms the property; Shireen Malpass (daughter); and Jo Lyne Walton (daughter).



The farm is still owned and occupied by this family.

The attached documents should prove that you are entitled to "A Century Farm Honor" in Linn County, State of Oregon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Richard R. Milligan". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Richard R. Milligan

enc: Documents - copies of maps and legal descriptions, documents showing real property transactions.



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note re both dates same

28998 Hwy. 99E  
Shedd, Ore. 97377

June 13, 1985

Oregon Historical Society  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Mr. Buckler:

Thank you for your second letter in regard to our applications to become Century Farms. We were away <sup>and</sup> by the time we returned to see the letter, I assumed it was too late to apply.

After visiting with Margaret Carey, she suggested I contact Mr. Milligan. You will find the enclosed literature about The Davidsons that he researched <sup>and</sup> put together for our applications.

Yes, our three children are applying for their Century Farm as well as my husband <sup>and</sup> I are applying for our Century Farm.

We have already learned some family history that we had not known before.

Thanks again for your consideration.

Yours truly,  
Mrs. Robert Davidson