



Iowa Juneteenth Observance

A Program of the Connect Foundation

“21 Years Serving the Iowa Community”

2011 Iowa Juneteenth King & Queen Nomination Form

The Iowa Juneteenth Observance is an official state holiday commemorating the end to slavery and the on-going progress of African Americans. The Iowa Juneteenth King & Queen will begin their reign on June 10, 2011. In addition, the royal couple will represent the Iowa Juneteenth Observance by making several public appearances during their year-long reign. Couples from across Iowa may be nominated and must meet the following criteria: **1) be married to one another for a minimum of 35 consecutive years; 2) have contributed to the betterment of their church; 3) have contributed to the betterment of their community; and 4) all questions must be completed with the information requested** (where the question is not applicable, place “N/A” as the response).

****Please read all of the nomination materials before completing the nomination form.***

First and last names of husband and wife being nominated:

Complete Street address:

City/State/Zip code:

Area Code/Telephone number:

Name of contact person nominating couple:

Email address (optional):

Contact person's Area code/Telephone number:

Has the couple been notified that they are being nominated? ____yes ____no

Please mail completed nomination materials, **postmarked by April 22, 2011**, to:

**Connect Foundation
Iowa Juneteenth King & Queen
P. O. Box 65204
West Des Moines, IA 50265**

****You may also email the nomination materials (copy your completed nomination & paste), by April 22, 2011 to gms2000@aol.com***

Please answer the questions below. You may use additional paper if needed. The information you provide will be used in our selection process.

1. Where (city and state) and when (birthdates) was the couple born?
 - a. Husband
 - i. What city was the husband born in? _____
 - ii. What state was the husband born in? _____
 - iii. When was the husband born (month/day/year)? _____
 - b. Wife:
 - i. What city was wife born in? _____
 - ii. What state was wife born in? _____
 - iii. When was the wife born (month/day/year)? _____
2. In what year was the couple married? _____
3. How many children does the couple have? _____
4. Does the husband belong to a church? Yes _____ No _____
5. If the husband is a member of a church, give the name and 'complete address of the Church:
6. Does the wife belong to a church? Yes _____ No _____
7. If the wife is a member of a church, give the name and 'complete address of the Church:
8. What volunteer work have they done in the church? (include the title of any leadership positions held, if applicable, such as pastor, deacon, committee chair, Sunday school teacher, trustee, etc.)
 - a. husband:
 - b. wife:

9. What volunteer work have they done to better the community? (include the names of the organizations and any leadership positions held, if applicable, such as president, committee co-chair, etc.)

a. husband:

b. wife:

10. Did either of them serve in the military? If so, in which service (Army, Navy, etc.) and what rank did He/she hold when discharged?

a. husband:

b. wife:

Expectations of King & Queen

The nominated couples must be in reasonably good mental and physical health. They are expected to do the following as representatives of the Iowa Juneteenth Observance (based on confirmed schedules):

1. Be present at their coronation ceremony and attend the Iowa Juneteenth Honors Reception.
2. Be driven in the Iowa Juneteenth Parade.
3. Attend a brief portion of the Iowa Juneteenth Neighbors Day activities following the parade.
4. Do several public appearances (banquets, etc.) during their year-long reign.
5. Appear at the Iowa State Fair for a brief period to greet the public.

The King and Queen will be escorted to each event that they attend by the Chair of the Iowa Juneteenth Senior Services Committee (or an appropriate representative). It is an honor to serve as the Iowa Juneteenth King and Queen. The couple is selected to serve as role models for the African American community and they are held in high esteem with respect to demonstrating commendable and enduring 'family values' in the greater Iowa community.

Present any questions regarding the nomination form that you may have to:

Minnie Mallard, Vice Chair
Public Relations
Iowa Juneteenth Observance
(515) 725-3322 or minnie.mallard@iowa.gov

Thank you,

Howard Brown, Chair
Senior Services Committee
Iowa Juneteenth Observance

2010 Iowa Juneteenth King & Queen

Rev. Alex and Vera Crawford are the 2010 King and Queen of the Iowa Juneteenth Observance.

