

CFR 0822

James H. Charlton

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for filing application - May 1, 1990

(please type or print)

telephone: Redacted for Privacy

Your name (Mr., Mrs., ~~Ms.~~, ~~Miss~~) James H. Charlton

Your Address Redacted for Privacy  
Street, Route or Box \_\_\_\_\_ city \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code \_\_\_\_\_

Location of farm Sauvie Island

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have no fewer 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: Joseph and Margaret C. Charlton

Founder gained ownership of farm in (year) DLC #1913 (Reg. Dec. 1848)  
(ATTACH VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION, see rule 9).

Founder came to Oregon from 1845 from Missouri (Member of the "lost" Meek wagon train)

Who farms the land today? James H. Charlton

Relationship to original owner Great-grandson

Are any of the original buildings still in use? No  
If yes, which ones? \_\_\_\_\_

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

What do you raise on the farm today? Hay crops, beef cattle

How many generations live on the farm today? One (fourth)

Please list names: James H. Charlton

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

James H. Charlton  
(signature of owner)

Please return forms to:

Century Farm Program  
Oregon Historical Society  
1230 S. W. Park Avenue  
Portland, OR 97205

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STATEMENT FORM

I, James H. Charlton, hereby affirm  
(print name)

and declare that the farm which I own at Redacted for Privacy  
(full address)

Portland Oreg 97231, in Mult County,

shall have been owned by my family as specified in Rule 2 of the  
RULES FOR 1990 CENTURY FARM PROGRAM for at least one hundred years by  
no later than December 31, 1990.

James H. Charlton  
Signature

----- Acknowledgement (for use of Notary Public) -----

STATE OF OREGON

County of Mulnomah

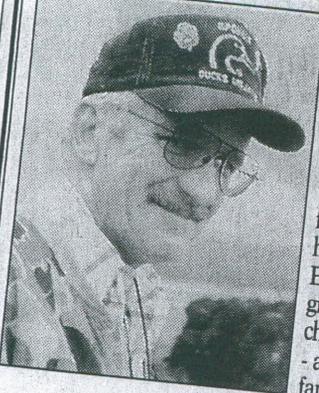
BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 27 day of April,  
1990, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for  
said County and State, personally appeared the within named  
JAMES H. CHARLTON

known to me to be the identical individual described in and who  
executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he  
executed the same freely and voluntarily.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto  
set my hand and affixed my official  
seal the day and year last above written.

Kelly Murphy  
Notary Public for Oregon

Commission Expires 11-15-93



### James H Charlton 1934-2004

 Jim Charlton was a man who finished his life standing tall and with few regrets. His favorite word to share with his friends was 'gratitude'. Every day was treated as a gift, every man, woman or child he met a friend, and - at least to his friends and family - every word he uttered a beatitude.

Jim's very early years were difficult until his Danish mother met and married a wonderful man, Dewey Charlton. Dewey and Lilly raised Jim to be a kind and considerate human being. Jim's love of the outdoors, animals and farming came as a natural extension of his father, Dewey. As a youth Jim was constantly bringing stray mutts home and so his relationship with dogs began. He went to college at Oregon State University where he 'crewed' for OSU, was a member of ROTC and of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. The most life-altering aspect of college was meeting Eleanor Izatt, his one, true love. They met and married in 1957.

After college Jim and Ellie, and their baby girl, Charisse Kelly, moved to Ft. Benning, Georgia, where Jim completed his Airborne Ranger training as a 1st Lieutenant. Jim was proud of his service as a Ranger and felt it prepared him well for his life ahead. Their daughter, Betsy, was born in an army hospital while in Ft. Benning.

After his period of service was over, he returned to the Northwest to work for U.S. Pipe. He worked in the corporate world for six years. He enjoyed the people he met and the work, yet longed to return to the family farm on Sauvie Island. In 1967 Jim, Ellie, and their two daughters returned to Sauvie Island. Founded in 1845, the Charlton farm is one of the oldest 'Century' farms in the state. Jim shared farming duties with his father, Dewey, while at the same time he and Ellie began working on plans to build a boarding kennel and gun dog

training facility. They opened their doors in the summer of 1967. Jim began a career in dog training that would last over 35 years until his retirement in 2002. Over that time he gained a national reputation as an effective, gentle trainer of retrievers. He was always more interested in training a dog to be more than just a retrieving machine. His golden retrievers were friends and companions with which to share a sandwich and keep company on a tractor ride.

In the years following his retirement from dog training he spent his time doing the things he loved most. Elk hunts and fishing trips with his closest friends and his dear wife, Ellie, farming, and duck hunting at the Charlton Duck Club on Sauvie Island. He also had great fun driving around in his beautifully restored 1956 Ford Sunliner.

Jim Charlton collapsed suddenly after a long, wonderful day fishing with one of his closest friends. It happened on the fourth day of a fun-filled week fishing in British Columbia. He was fishing, eating, laughing and making new friends.

He was happy and excited until the last moment. He leaves behind in this world his loving wife, Eleanor (Ellie) Izatt Charlton; his dear sister, Jeanne Charlton Omara; daughters, Kelly Charlton, and Betsy Charlton Powell; son-in-law, David Powell; five beloved grandchildren, Lindsay, Jimmie, Mack, Jeremy, and Jessica; also countless dear friends - old and new. Over the years he mentored and counseled many very special young people. He was a surrogate father, uncle, and brother to many.

No words can express how much he will be missed. One of his favorite things to say to people when they were discouraged or sad was, "Let go and let God." May God comfort each of you at this sad time.

A memorial service for Jim Charlton will be held at the family farm, Sunday, August 22 at 1 p.m. Casual dress - no suits!

If you wish, you may make donations in memory of Jim to:

Ducks Unlimited, Sauvie Island Chapter  
Mail to: 13825 NW Charlton Rd.  
Portland, Oregon 97231

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October 12, 1990

Mr. & Mrs. James H. Charlton  
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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Charlton:

We are so pleased to know you will be able to attend the Oregon Historical Society's ANNUAL MEETING of Sunday, November 4th, 1990, as our honored guests.

A feature of the meeting will be the recognition of your Century Farm and the presentation to you of your certificate.

As noted on the attached, the meeting will be held in the new Oregon Convention Center, Ballroom Three and Ballroom Four. We expect 350 to 400 members will be present.

Please return the attached r s v p at your earliest convenience and we will can confirm your reservation.

Sincerely,

Ron Brentano, Coordinator  
Century Farm Program

**The Charlton Kennels and Farm**

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