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**THIS WEEK: The Sudden Death of an Iowa Athlete and a Midwest Natural Disaster Marred the 75<sup>th</sup> Iowa General Assembly**

**BACKGROUND: 75TH IOWA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The first year of the Seventy-fifth Iowa General Assembly convened January 11, 1993, and adjourned May 2, 1993—a 112-day session.

The second year of the Seventy-fifth Iowa General Assembly convened January 10, 1994, and adjourned April 20, 1994—a 101-day session.

The Senate had 27 Democratic members and 23 Republican members. The House of Representatives had 49 Democratic members and 51 Republican members.

The President of the Senate was Leonard Boswell and the Speaker of the House of Representatives was Harold Van Maanen.

Terry Branstad was the governor having been inaugurated for his first term on January 14, 1983, at the age of 36.

The Federal census of 1990 showed Iowa's population at 2,776,755.

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### CHRIS STREET:

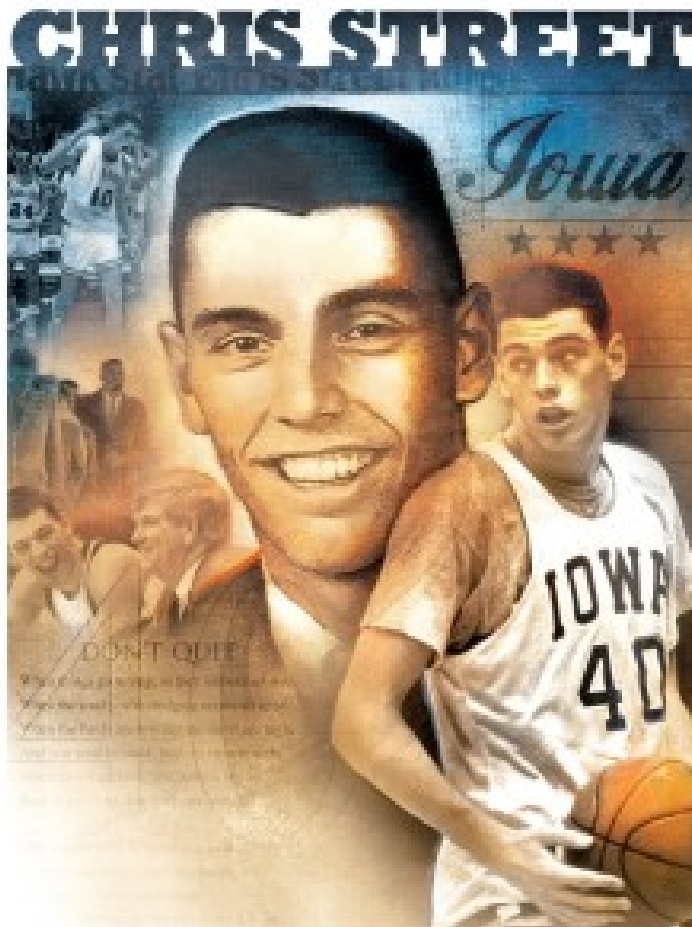
From the 1993 Journal of the Senate and the House of Representatives is a concurrent resolution honoring Iowa college athlete Chris Street just 4 days after his death on January 19, 1993.

Chris Street attended the University of Iowa on a basketball scholarship. In his final game, he scored 14 points and collected eight rebounds.

Chris Street and his girlfriend, Kim Vinton, were leaving a team dinner at the Highlander Inn outside Iowa City when his car collided with a snowplow. Street was killed, but Kim survived the accident.

Street was considered by his coach and teammates “. . . to have represented all that was good about the Midwest and the state of Iowa.”

The following is the concurrent resolution in its entirety:



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<http://hawkcentral.com/tag/chris-street/>

A Senate Concurrent Resolution paying tribute to the memory of Chris Street.

WHEREAS, Chris Street was admired by fans and friends across Iowa for his many accomplishments in high school and collegiate sports; and

WHEREAS, those accomplishments include his years as a standout player at Indianola High School, as an all-state basketball player and an all-state football player in the Central Iowa Conference; as an honorable mention high school all-American who played on the Amateur Athletic Union team that toured the Soviet Union; as a USA Today all-American quarterback; and as an all-conference baseball player; and

WHEREAS, his reputation as an intense, hard-nosed competitive ball player was surpassed only by his capacity for friendship, respect for others, and personal modesty; and

WHEREAS, his contributions to the success basketball program at the University of Iowa by leading the team in rebounding, as a leader in scoring, and by setting a school record for straight free throws will be remembered by his fans across the state, by the Iowa Hawkeye coaching staff, and by his fellow players; and

WHEREAS, Chris represented the best in Iowa college sports, exemplifying the spirit of competitive sports,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the General Assembly express its condolences to the family of Chris Street, that tribute be paid to the memory of Chris Street and his contributions to Iowa high school and collegiate sports, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate forward copies of this resolution to the parents of Chris Street, Michael and Patricia Street, and to his sisters, Sarah and Betsy, of the City of Indianola.

**MIDWEST FLOOD:**

From the 1994 Journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, a concurrent resolution expressing Iowa's gratitude to the Federal agencies that assisted during the record floods of 1993. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Geological and Water Survey states the following:

The Flood of 1993 was the costliest, most devastating flood in U.S. history according to the U.S. Geological Survey. Floodwaters covered as many as 23 million acres of agricultural and urban lands in the Upper Midwest for weeks. The unusual duration and magnitude of this event was triggered by a wet-weather pattern that had persisted since early in the year, followed by a series of intense rainstorms in late June and July. Iowa found itself in the center of the catastrophic flooding that resulted.

A House Concurrent Resolution expressing appreciation and gratitude is copied below:



A Concurrent Resolution expressing appreciation and to agencies of the federal government for their flood-related assistance.

WHEREAS, the spring thaw and record levels of rainfall produced record flooding in Iowa during the spring and summer of 1993; and

WHEREAS, the flooding caused millions of dollars of damage to private as well as public property throughout the state of Iowa; and

WHEREAS, the plight of the flood victims brought help in the form of material and volunteers from across the nation; and

WHEREAS, agencies of the United States government provided material and financial assistance, NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the General Assembly of the state of Iowa expresses its appreciation and gratitude for the flood relief assistance provided by the federal government, in particular the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Economic Development Administration, the Army Corps of Engineers Department of Agriculture, and the Congress of the United States for its passage of the flood relief legislation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, enrolled Copies of the of this resolution be sent by the Chief Clerk House of Representatives to the presiding officers of the Congress of the United States and to the chief administrators of the agencies and departments of provided flood the United States government which relief assistance.