 **Dolores Mertz**

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* **Farmer**
* **Served 5 years on the Kossuth County Board of Supervisors**
	+ - **(Vice Chair/2 yrs)**
	+ **Ia. State Association of Counties Steering Committee**
	+ **Vice President District 2 elected officials**
	+ **First woman to serve on County Board**
* **Served 22 years Iowa House of Representatives**
	+ **Iowa House Agriculture Committee for 22 years**
		- **(Served 4 years as first woman Chairperson)**
	+ **Longest serving woman in the Iowa Legislature**
	+ **Served on numerous committees and boards**
	+ **Ia. House liaison for Women in Government**
	+ **National Chairperson for the American Legislative Council (2007)**
* **Catholic Daughters**
	+ **Past State Regent of the Catholic Daughters,**
	+ **Past President of the Council of Catholic Women, Sioux City Diocese**
* **Local Boards, Commissions & Memberships**
	+ **Chairman of National Health Care Task Force for American Legislative Executive Council (ALEC)**
	+ **Farm Bureau member (Legislator of the Year)**
	+ **BPW of Humboldt**
	+ **Soroptimist International**
	+ **Governors’ AG Studies Council**
	+ **DNR Farm Advisory Board**
	+ **Iowa Pork Producers (Master Pork Producer Award, 2014)**
	+ **Agribusiness Association of Iowa (Legislator of the Year)**
* **State Boards & Commissions (Appointed by the Governor)**
	+ **Environmental Protection Commission**
	+ **Racing and Gaming Commission (currently serving)**
* **Individual Accomplishments**
	+ **Helped with legislation & funding in numerous areas including:**
		- **Kossuth County Care Team**
		- **Worked with candidates seeking public office**
		- **Women and Agriculture**

**Personal**

**Born May 30, 1928, Bancroft, Iowa**

**Parents: John & Gertrude Erickson Shey**

**Education: St. Johns High School – A.A. Briar Cliff College**

**Spouse: H.P. Mertz (deceased)**

**Children: Peter Mertz, Mary Simpson, David Mertz, Ann Marie Cornicelli, Helen Kay Powell, Janice Mertz (deceased), Carol Eischeid**