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Greene County senior honored for 71 years as election judge



SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Willard resident Marjorie Shelton was honored with a proclamation on Tues. Mar. 25 for serving 71 years as a Greene County election judge!

At 96, Marjorie has helped citizens cast their local ballots since 1954 when results were tallied by hand at the precinct on a black chalkboard.

Election judges help ensure the fairness and integrity of election results. Over the years, Marjorie witnessed the evolution of voting technology from chalk, to punch cards, to electronic tallying.

“I gratefully accept this recognition on behalf of all election judges who dedicate themselves to this vital work, serving tirelessly so that we may all continue to live in a strong and thriving democracy,” said Marjorie.

“It is an absolute honor to recognize Marjorie Shelton for her incredible dedication and service as a Greene County election judge for over 70 years,” said Greene County Clerk Shane Schoeller. “Her unwavering commitment to election integrity, and her tireless efforts have been an inspiration to all who have had the privilege to work alongside her. Marjorie has played a vital role in ensuring fair and accessible elections for generations of voters, and our community is forever grateful for her service.”

Shelton has lived on the same farm in northern Greene County since she was 17. She is a 1946 Willard High School graduate who worked at Lily Tulip and as a travel agent, as well as served as the president of the Chamber of Commerce Women’s Division. She and her husband, Roy, have two children, five grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

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Greene County is the State of Missouri’s fourth most populous county, serving approximately 295,000 people. Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.

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