Famous Iowans | A partial list of people who were born in, and make Iowa proud.

Julie Adams, actress
Fran Allison, TV personality
Lew Anderson, entertainer
Samuel Z. Arkoff, producer
Tom Arnold, actor
Jack Bailey, TV personality
Bix Beiderbecke, musician
Mildred Wirt Benson, writer
Tommy Bolin, musician
Lara Flynn Boyle, actress
Bill Bryson, writer
Ron Burgundy, news anchor*
MacDonald Carey, actor
Johnny Carson, TV personality
Virginia Christine, actress
William “Buffalo Bill” Cody, entertainer
Max Allan Collins, writer
Stephen Collins, actor
Bill Daily, actor
Dick Dale, entertainer
Don DeFore, actor
Adam Devine, actor
Claire Dodd, actress
Shawn Johnson East, Olympic gymnast personality
Simon Estes, singer
William Frawley, actor
Fred Grandy, actor
Roy Halston Frowick, designer
Don Hall, animator
Peter Hedges, writer
Harry Hershfield, radio personality
Alan J. Higgins, producer
David Anthony Higgins, actor
Steve Higgins, TV personality
Mary Beth Hurt, actress
James T. Kirk, starship captain*
Ashton Kutcher, actor
Priscilla Lane, actress
Perry Lafferty, network executive
Ann Landers, columnist
Harry Langdon, entertainer
Cloris Leachman, actress
Margaret Lindsay, actress
Ron Livingston, actor
Sterling Lord, literary agent
Sue Lyon, actress
Stuart Margolin, actor
Jerry Mathers, actor
Glenn Miller, musician
Michelle Monaghan, actress
Constance Moore, actress
Kate Mulgrew, actress
Conrad Nagel, actor
Harriet Nelson, actress
Randi Oakes, actress
Vivienne Osborne, actress
Neva Patterson, actress
Donna Reed, actress
George Reeves, actor
John Ringling, entertainment executive
Brandon Routh, actor
Lillian Russell, entertainer
Morgan Sackett, producer
Ernest Schoedsack, producer
Jean Seberg, actress
Hugh Sidey, writer
Chris Soules, The Bachelor personality
Andrew Steele, writer/producer
Phil Stong, writer
Corey Taylor, musician
Kent Taylor, actor
Robin Lord Taylor, actor
Sada Thompson, actress
Abigail Van Buren, columnist
Nedra Volz, actress
Marcia Wallace, actress
John Wayne, actor
Patrick Whitesell, talent agent
John Whitesell, director/producer
Sean Whitesell, writer/producer
Christopher Whitesell, writer
Andy Williams, entertainer
Greg Alan Williams, actor
Meredith Willson, composer
Elijah Wood, actor
Grant Wood, artist

*fictional character