

*Our **promise** began when we first opened our doors in 1868. Our founders were leaders that understood the significance of economic prosperity and the importance of bettering the community. They offered more than a bank—they enabled a means to grow businesses, build homes and start families.*

That was over 150 years ago. Since then, we have built on a tradition of outstanding service through close relationships and broad financial capabilities. Today, Busey is a leading financial institution serving Illinois, Indiana, Florida and Missouri.

We occupy a unique position. We are large enough to provide innovative products and services while making local decisions and knowing our customers by name. Looking back, we've come a long way, yet the core values—dedicated associates, strong customer partnerships and thriving communities—instilled years ago are still the cornerstones of Busey.

Today, First Busey Corporation is an approximately \$7.9 billion financial holding company, headquartered in Champaign, Illinois—providing a full range of financial services to more than 150,000 households. Van A. Dukeman, President & CEO, and the executive team lead over 1,300 Busey associates and remain dedicated to ensuring the **Busey Promise** is fulfilled for each of our **4 Pillars**—*associates, customers, shareholders and communities.*

# HISTORY & HERITAGE

## MILESTONES

**1868**

**Busey Brothers & Company Bank opens its doors on January 13, 1868** in Urbana, a young county seat with a population of approximately 2,000. The financiers took in \$9,555.60 that first day.

**1903**

Trevett-Mattis Banking Company, founded in 1861, is incorporated in Champaign, Illinois.

**1922**

Trust powers are granted to the Shelby Loan & Trust Company in Shelbyville, Illinois.

**Pulaski Building and Loan Association** opens to assist the St. Louis community with saving money and purchasing homes.

South Side Bank, created through the partnership of more than 200 local investors, businessmen and stockyard managers, opened its doors on January 4, 1922.

**1926**

Farm Management Services is founded to meet the needs of the deep agricultural roots in Central Illinois.

**1935**

Busey State Bank joins the FDIC. After weathering the stock market crash and depression, the bank continues without a penny of deposits being lost.

**1945**

The bank receives its federal charter on September 1, 1945, becoming Busey First National Bank, the day before World War II ended.

**1963**

Celebrating a century of service in Champaign, **Trevett-Mattis becomes Bank of Illinois.**

**1968**

On the **100<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of Busey First National Bank, assets exceeded \$34 million.

**1971**

Busey First National Bank changes ownership. For the first time, the bank is controlled by someone outside the Busey family.

**1975**

Busey inaugurates Champaign-Urbana's Sweetcorn Festival, an event that continues to this day.

**1980**

Busey First National Bank organizes **First Busey Corporation as a bank holding company.**

**1984**

FirsTech, Inc. opens to offer lockbox processing services to large, utility firms. Today, FirsTech processes millions of transactions in 43 states.

**1987**

Busey First National Bank, Champaign County Bank & Trust and City Bank merge to form Busey Bank, a state chartered bank.

**1991**

Pulaski Building and Loan Association renamed to **Pulaski Bank**—reflecting its broad array of consumer financial services.

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**1993**

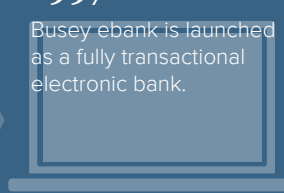
**Busey Bank celebrates its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary.** Thanks to customer loyalty, Busey remains an independent financial institution committed to bettering the communities we serve.

**1995**

Trevett-Mattis, now known as BankIllinois, merges with Champaign National Bank, keeping the name BankIllinois.

**1997**

Busey ebank is launched as a fully transactional electronic bank.

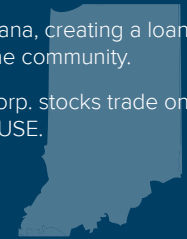


**1998**

Busey Bank expands to Indianapolis, Indiana, creating a loan production office to serve the needs of the community.

Pulaski Financial Corp. and First Busey Corp. stocks trade on NASDAQ under the symbols PULB and BUSE.

Busey Farm Brokerage is established.



**1999**

Busey Investment Group forms and opens First Busey Trust & Investment Company to more fully serve the wealth management needs of customers.

First Busey Corporation's total assets, for the first time in its history, **exceed \$1 billion.**

**2000**

Main Street Trust, Inc. forms as a result of the merger of BankIllinois Financial Corporation and First Decatur Bancshares, Inc. Main Street operates 19 banking centers and is the parent company of BankIllinois, First National Bank of Decatur, First Trust Bank of Shelbyville and FirsTech, Inc., a telecommunications bill processing company.

Today, FirsTech continues to process millions of transactions in 43 states.

**2001**

Fort Myers, Florida becomes headquarters for Busey Bank Florida.

**2004**

BankIllinois and The First National Bank of Decatur merge, taking the name Main Street Bank & Trust.

First Community Financial Bank of Joliet is founded, Will County's only true community bank.

**2005**

Main Street Bank & Trust acquires Citizens First Financial Corporation.

**2007**

**First Busey and Main Street Trust merger is finalized on July 31, 2007**—Van A. Dukeman is named President and Chief Executive Officer. A new Busey brand is introduced representing the strength and stability of the combined organizations.

**2009**

Busey becomes one of the first in the banking industry to launch mobile banking—text messages, mobile web browsers and Busey's Mobile App—allowing customers the ability to manage their finances anytime, anywhere.

First Busey Corporation merges with its subsidiary, Busey Bank, N.A., headquartered in Fort Myers, Florida, becoming Busey Bank.

# HISTORY & HERITAGE

## 2011

Busey engages audiences through social media.



## 2012

The Busey family of financial services expands its offerings by founding **Trevett Capital Partners**, a boutique firm dedicated to serving the wealth management needs of high net worth families.

Busey associates and their families give back to the community during the inaugural **Community Promise Week**—a tradition of service to local organizations that has since expanded to a month-long event.

## 2013

First Community Financial Bank merges with sister banks and becomes wholly owned by First Community Financial Partners—an SEC-registered holding company.

## 2014

Since 2013, Busey is among *Forbes'* list of **America's Most Trustworthy Companies**—a tribute to our model of openness and integrity.

## 2015

Herget Bank of Pekin joins the Busey family of financial services on March 13, 2015.

Busey is recognized by the *Independent Community Bankers of America*® among the **Top 50 Community Bank Leaders in Social Media** for the second consecutive year.

First Community Financial Partners stock trades on NASDAQ under the symbol FCFP.

## 2016

Busey welcomes **Pulaski Bank** of greater St. Louis, Missouri on April 30, 2016.

## 2017

First Community Financial Bank of Chicagoland joins the Busey family of financial services on November 3, 2017.

For a second consecutive year, Busey is among the **Best Banks to Work For** in the U.S. by *American Banker* and *Best Companies Group*. Busey also receives the **Best Award** by *Association for Talent Development* and is a **Healthiest Employer** finalist by the *St. Louis Business Journal*.

## 2018

Busey is grateful for a storied history of 150 years—**fulfilling dreams since 1868**.

Busey welcomes South Side Trust & Savings Bank of Peoria on March 16, 2018.

Busey is among the **2018 Best-In-State Banks** for Illinois by *Forbes* and **2018 Top Workplaces** by the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *Best Companies Group* and additional partners have also consistently recognized Busey among **Best Places to Work in Illinois** since 2016 and **Best Companies to Work For in Florida** since 2017.