

## DEDICATION

We dedicate this book with deep affection

to

Olav Tveter

of

Raelingen, Norway

He is a teacher, scholar, and true gentleman  
without whose encouragement this book might  
not have come into being.

## Preface

Three brothers from Raelingen, Norway--Christian, Thorer, and Jacob (Baardson) Bolson, came to midwestern U.S.A. probably in response to economic pressures at home and in hopes of a more abundant life in the western world.

Norway is three-fourths mountains and most of the other fourth is forest covered. Crops were never plentiful. Land passed to the oldest son, and employment was hard to get. Small wonder thousands of Norwegians came in the 1850's to America, presumed to be a land of opportunity with its vast farming areas and ever expanding labor market.

Maren Tveter, sister of the three brothers, had planned also to come, but it is said she changed her mind while on the pier. She stayed behind, married, and raised three sons, two of whom came also to America.

It has been our purpose to write a narrative history of these emigrants and their descendants. We have set the stage with a short history of their progenitors in Norway. For this portion we are indebted to Olav Tveter's work.

The Bolson brothers came to Northeastern Iowa and settled in Glenwood Township in Winneshiek County and from there progeny has spread widely. Maren Tveter's son, Otto, came to Tacoma, Washington, and moved on to Alberta, Canada, and his descendants have spread out from there into Canada and back into the U.S.A.

We find descendants of these people in every walk of life -- farmers, teachers, printers, nurses, doctors, preachers, military men, pilots, and craftsmen of all kinds. They have proved that this was indeed the land of opportunity when coupled with hard work, integrity, and godliness.

The History Committee, which was named at the Tveter-Bolson Reunion in 1974, consisted of Hubert Bolson, Alma Brynsaas, Norman Brynsaas, and Esther Miller. At the 1977 Reunion Esther Miller was asked to be coordinator for the project.

The Committee now presents for your pleasure this narrative history and wants to thank everyone who cooperated in supplying information. The Committee used as a guide the 1971 edition of the chronological history of the Tveter-Bolson family, which, in turn, was based on an earlier record made in 1950 by Rebecca Bolson, Josephine Stephens, and Evelyn Stephens. We extend our thanks to them for laying the ground work. We also express thanks to Leanne Goettelman, our typist, who has worked with great patience and skill.

The Committee herein passes on to you the stories supplied to them. No attempt has been made to authenticate these stories. It has been the purpose of the Committee to let the personalities of the people in this history be reflected when possible, to accentuate the good and positive, and to let shortcomings and failings go unnoted.

The Committee knows that there is much more that could be written and that errors inevitably creep in despite the care that has been taken. We would urge you to make additions, corrections, and add your own pictures and news clippings. Make this history a growing thing. Keep it updated. Share information with others.

May God continue to bless this family as he has done in the past. May each Bolson descendant live so he is a credit to his heritage.

July 15, 1978

You will note that in the compilation of this book a numbering system has been used which may need a word of explanation. Number 1 has been given to Axel, and since everyone herein is descendant from Axel, each number begins with 1. Baard, being the second son of Axel, has the number 12. All Bolsons and Tveters herein are descendant from Baard, so all have 12 in their numbers. This history concerns itself with only four of Baard's children, Maren, given number 124, she being the 4th child; Christian, given number 128, he being the 8th child; Thorer, given number 12(10), he being the 10th child, and Jacob, given number 12(14), he being the 14th child. The numbering process moves on in this fashion, and when you learn to interpret it, it can at a glance give you much information.



From The  
TVETER-BOLSON FAMILY RECORD IN NORWAY

Trond Anderson 1695-1767  
m. Anne Jensdatter  
had child . . Anders Trondson

Anders Trondson 1723-1773  
m. Magnild Hansdatter  
had child . . Axel Anderson  
Tveter 1752-1809

Baard Christophersen 1617-1701?  
in Fdlingen, had  
Children . . Tallah Westegaard  
Ole Grine  
Christopher Nes  
Knut Baardsen  
Tein (Bolson)

Knut Baardsen Bolson Teien 1660-1732  
m. Kristen Tronds Bye  
had child . . Baard Knudsen Teien  
and 6 other children  
Baard Knudsen Teien 1708-1772  
m. 3 times  
had child . . Kari Baardsdatter,  
b. 1754 and 7 other children

Axel                      m.                      Kari

7 children (see next chart)

1 Axel Beardsen Tveter

Martha  
17

Marie  
16

Hans  
15

Christian  
14

Daniel  
13

Baard  
12

Anders  
11

Jacob  
12(14)

Anne Marie  
12(13)

Johan  
12(12)

Anne Marie  
12(11)

Torer  
12(10)

Brede  
129

Christian  
128

Christian  
127

Axel  
126

Kari  
125

Maren  
124

Nils  
123

Anders  
122

Karen  
121

John  
12(14) 2

Josephine  
12(14)

Theodore  
12(10) 4

Johanna  
12(10) 3

Anton  
12(10) 2

Hannah  
12(10) 1

Marie  
128 8

Carl  
128 7

Edward  
128 6

John  
128 5

Pauline  
128 4

Anna  
128 3

Caroline  
128 2

Johanna  
128 1

Julius  
124 5

Brede  
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Andrine  
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Otto  
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124 1

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I certify, on honor, that Jacob Rolan a Private of  
Captain Califfe Company N of the 38 Regiment of Infantry  
VOLUNTEERS, of the State of Ill., born in Storray, State  
of Ill., aged 26 years; 5 feet 8 inches high, light complexion,  
blue eyes, light hair, and by occupation a Farmer, having joined the company on  
its original organization at Donaldsonville, La., and enrolled in it at the muster into  
the service of the United States at Donaldsonville, La., on the 32<sup>nd</sup> day  
of August, 1863, (or was mustered in service as a recruit, by  
\_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
1863, or was drafted and mustered into the service of the United States from the \_\_\_\_\_

Enrollment District of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1863), to serve in the Regiment, for  
the term of Three years; and having served HONESTLY and  
FAITHFULLY with his Company in Illinois to the present date, is now  
entitled to a **DISCHARGE** by reason of Death. He died on

the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October 1863 while on sick furlough

The said Jacob Rolan was last paid by Paymaster  
Allen's Shannon to include the 31 day of August, 1863, and has  
pay due him from that time to the present date; he is entitled to pay and subsistence for  
TRAVELING to place of enrollment, and whatever other allowances are authorized to volunteer  
soldiers, drafted men, or militia, so discharged. He has received from the United States **CLOTHING**  
amounting to 41 <sup>43</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars, since the 23 day of August,  
1863, when his clothing account was last settled. He has received from the United States  
25 <sup>25</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars advanced **BOUNTY**.

There is to be stopped from him on account of the State of \_\_\_\_\_, or other  
authorities, for **CLOTHING**, &c., received on entering service, \_\_\_\_\_ dollars; and  
for other stoppages, viz: Transportation from Cairo Ill

to Hannibal Ill: \_\_\_\_\_  
fare \_\_\_\_\_ <sup>08</sup>/<sub>100</sub> dollars.

He has been furnished with **TRANSPORTATION** in kind from the place of his discharge to  
\_\_\_\_\_; and he has been **SUBSISTED** for **TRAVELING** to his  
place of enrollment, up to the \_\_\_\_\_, 1863.

He is indebted to \_\_\_\_\_, **SUTLER**, \_\_\_\_\_ dollars.

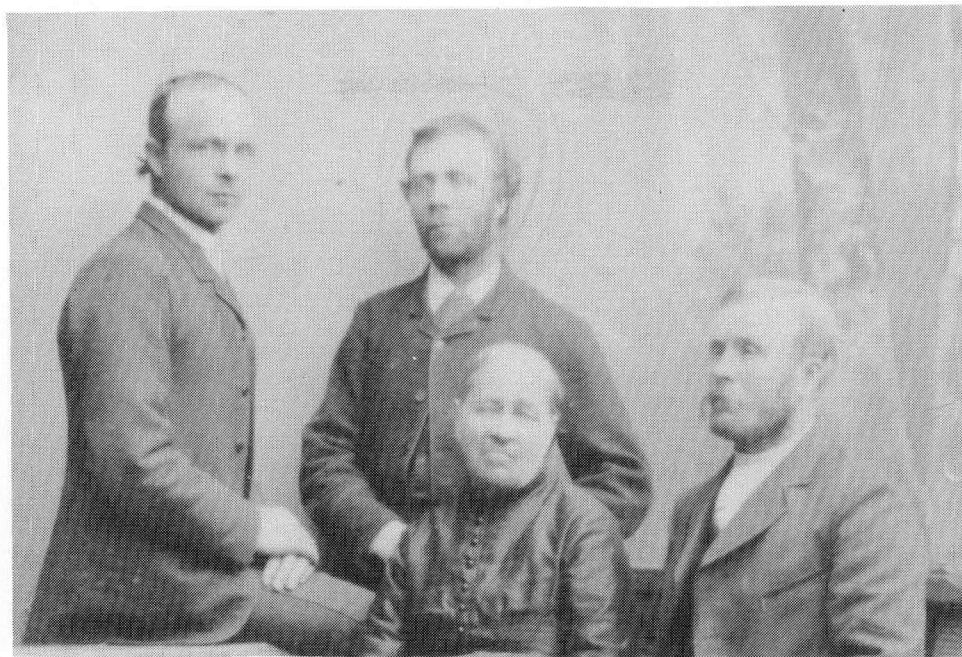
He is indebted to \_\_\_\_\_, **LAUNDRESS**, \_\_\_\_\_ dollars.

Given in Duplicate; at Donaldsonville La, this 17 day  
of Sept, 1864

(Signed) L. Freeman  
1<sup>st</sup> Lieut  
Commanding Company.

Copy to Thomas G. Ash  
[A. G. O. No. 95—First.] In charge Room No 6  
D. & C. H. P.





Maren Tveter and sons, Otto, Brede, Julius



Brede Tveter's sons and daughters  
Jacob, Erling, Anne, Alf, Olav, Johannes, Hilda



Christian and Martha Bolson with children  
 Anna (Helgeson), Pauline (Harris), Caroline (Sorenson), Johanna (Huseby)  
 John, and Edward,  
 Carl



Torer and Guldbjor Bolson and children  
 Theodore, Hannah (Erickson), Johanna (Buer), Anton



1	Axel Anderson Tveter	b. 1752	d. 1809
	m. Kari Baardsdatter		
	Teien, 1774	b. 1754	d. 1809

They were married in Raelingen and in 1785 bought a part of northern Tveter, and the place was called Stua (house) of Tveter. Kari inherited some money from her father, who was a sawyer. Axel liked good brandy wine and came into trouble with the law. When his case came up, Kari appeared instead of (or on behalf of) Axel and argued that it was another who caused Axel to become tipsy. She told her man's case with clarity. The couple had seven children. (Trans. from letter by Olaf Tveter of Raelingen, Norway)

11	Anders Axelson Tveter	b. 1775
	m. Anne Nilsdatter of	
	South Tveter	b. 1789

They had twins, Ole and Christian, born in 1825, both of whom married girls from Sundhagen. They were loggers in Øyeren. Both have many relatives in Sundhagen. Some of their descendants migrated to the U.S.A. in 1880 to 1881. They began to call themselves "Hagen." (Trans. Ibid.)

12	Baard Axelson Tveter	b. 1776	d. 1849
	m. Marte Olsdatter, 1809, a widow lady, who died a year later.		
	m. Johanne Nilsdatter Lund, 1881. She was from Fetsund.		

When he was only 20 years old, Baard took with him two spokesmen and rowed over Øyeren on a courtship trip to Lund. The advocates were two of the best men in the parish, and all three were well received. They were invited at once to eat, but the custom was that they must not eat until they had carried out their errand. The woman in Lund said, "You may as well eat because I have just as big a butter stick which you can have afterwards." When the two advocates had said their piece and had praised Baard Tveter as a fine man and had said that it must be nice to get such a man for a son-in-law, the mother answered, "Man and woman! Man and woman there must be if there is to be a housewife at Tveter." At any rate, it was thus that a wedding came about. To this union were born 14 children. (Trans. Ibid.) Baard leased a farm from 1811 to 1840 when he acquired a king's deed to property with woodland for 550 spd. Baard was among the first to serve in the local government in Fet. Parts of the Tveter woods were sold from time to time, some by Baard and some by his widow. A portion of it was purchased again by the grandson, Brede, and restored to the Tveter homestead. Johanne in 1854 borrowed 600 spd. to buy tickets and sent her three sons to America. She may not have gotten her money back. She saved a letter written in America by son, Thoror, which follows as translated by Norman Brynsaas:

Winneshiek County  
the 27th of February 1868

"Dear Brother and cousins,

"I received your most welcome letter of September 23, the 20th of Feb. and see with joy that you are all well and active to date, and the same can I gladly say again that we are all well to this date, and for this we must give hearty thanks to God. Because our health is the greatest wealth we have in this life. For what help is it to have plenty of everything if our health fails because then one would gladly give all to get one's health again.

"It pleases me to see that you had a reasonably good year and that you are pushing yourself ahead and ahead of many others, but I think also that I can truthfully say about you as Nils Lund said about me that I would be a good American, and his words have not failed him because now you can imagine whether I could have progressed in Norway and raised my family.

"I have 5 children living and one deceased. When I came to Quebec I had 300 dollars, and now you could not buy my farm and my personal property for 3000 dollars.

"And on this I am owing 300 dollars. Wages for the working man pays better here at all jobs. But the best of all here in this land where the pay is so good is that a man can see his children go out and prosper as soon as they are grown.

"A young man if he is reliable and efficient can save enough to buy a little farm when he is full grown 20-25 years.

"I had a young man for 6 months this summer that had not filled his 15th year and for this I gave him 50 dollars. Now I have hired a man for one year and shall give him 165 dollars for this. He has his family back in Norway, a wife and 5 children whom he is expecting later this summer. He has sent them 158 dollars but this will not be more than 98 back in Norsk money. He is from Trondhjem. He was owing on his own fare. He has been here 1½ years. It seems to be a good way for him to get away from his own poverty. Now if his family gets here in good condition, he will be free of worries for the future.

"I must now tell what sort of year we had. It was an average year, but prices have been good. 1.50 dollars per bushel (36 liter) for wheat, 50 cents for corn (maiskornet), 40 cents for oats and 1.21 for barley.

"I got 400 bushels of wheat, 25 bu. oats, 400 bu. corn, and 82 bu. barley. But the corn and oats I have not sold as I need it as feed for the pigs and horses of which I have 5 in number.

"I have no other news to tell other than I must say that we are to build a new church because the one we have is too little.

The new one is to cost 5000 dollars and that sum is levied on the farmers that belong to the congregation according to property. On me it is \$68.25. (The church referred to is Glenwood Lutheran.)

"It is to be built of stone.

"No more to tell this time, but with friendliest greetings from all of us together, but first and last from myself.

T. Baalsen

"I also want to greet all from our brother Christian and his family they are all well and healthy to date.

"My wife was to their home yesterday with this letter to see how it was with them also if they had some news to tell but they had none.

"I must tell that I have bought 40 acres of land more and have made plans to add 3 rooms to my house, they will be plastered and papered and the rest I have painted blue inside and out, so now we have it quite pretty and pleasant. But it cost me over 300 dollars.

"And I bought 24 small apple trees that I planted this spring and plan to buy 30 more this spring which I have made place for.

"It does not say anything about Nils in this letter you sent me. You must greet him and his wife from us all, and greet all my friends of boyhood days.

"Adjø and live well in the name of Christ. These wishes from me.

Faithfully  
Torger Bolson Tveter"

13	Daniel	b. 1780	d. 1809
	m. Marte Grønvoldsdatter		
14	Christian Axelson		
	Tveter	b. 1786	d. 1871
	m. Maren Sofiedal		
	He was a school teacher from 1807 to 1850. He lived and died in Amodt-Tangen. The couple had no children.		

15	Hans Axelson Tveter	b. 1789
	m. Marie Støtterud, 1828	

Hans bought the Tveter farmstead from his brother Ander's widow in 1843 and lived there. He was the authorized musician in Raelingen. He played the violin well. Only he was allowed to play for weddings and funerals as well as for dances. They had five children. (Trans. from letter by Olaf Tveter and from "Slekten Fra Tveter I Raelingen by same author).

16 Marie b. 1792  
 m. Christopher Eriksen Berget, 1817  
 From these two came the Berg relatives and Norman Westegaard  
 of Strum, Wisconsin.

17 Martha b. 1797  
 m. Saltvedt

# CHILDREN OF BAARD AND JOHANNA (LUND) TVETER

121 Karen Mathea b. April 1812

122 Anders Baardson Tveter b. 1813  
 m. Maren Torersdatter Hafsjødalen in Frogen. He was a  
 teacher in As. He took over the Tveter farm in 1856 and began  
 building a barn. He fell from the barn roof and was killed in the  
 fall. His mother, Johanna, became ill soon thereafter and died a  
 little later. The couple had no children. The farm was taken over  
 by Nils, his next younger brother, and Maren, his sister. (Ibid.)

123 Nils Baardsen Tveter b. 1816  
 m. Marie Amundsdatter Narvestad, 1857. They had no  
 children. Nils was a spry man. He could hop and jump to the  
 roof after he was 70 years old. He used tar as a medicine both  
 internally and externally. When a sore would not heal, he heated  
 a tar stick and dripped the heated tar into the sore. Believe it  
 or not, he would get it to heal.

124 Maren Christine Baardsdatter b. 1818 d. 1900  
 m. Johannes Olsen Tomter, 1855.

They had five children, three boys who lived to maturity,  
 a daughter who lived to the age of 22, and a daughter who died  
 in infancy. Maren was a milk maid in her youth. It is said she  
 fought off a bear to save a sheep while at the Tveter saeter. At  
 home on the farm she went out one day to get hay for the cows. She  
 got ahold of the foot of a tramp as she reached into the hay. The  
 tramp had taken up his night's lodging in the barn. He jumped and  
 screamed but the housewife held tight until brother Nils came and  
 knocked out the tramp. (Trans. from a letter by Olaf Tveter) It  
 is said that Maren was to have come to America with her three brothers  
 who were the first to leave Raelingen for the new land, but Maren  
 changed her mind when she reached the pier.

125 Kari b. Mar. 24, 1821  
 126 Axel b. Mar. 24, 1821

127 Christian b. 1823 d. 1823

128 Christian Baardson b. Sept. 10, 1824  
 d. Sept. 1903  
 m. Martha Egge, 1856 b. Mar. 17, 1825  
 d. April 24, 1914

Christian left Norway at 29 years of age and came to America in 1854. He bought land in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa, the same year. He came to be known by the name Bolson. In 1856 he married Martha who had come to America from Brandbu, Hadeland. Martha and her sister, Kari, left Norway on April 17, 1854. They were for 11 weeks on the water encountering terrific storms and icebergs. At one time they counted 70 icebergs and sailed among them for a whole week. They landed safely in Quebec. However, here many passengers contracted cholera and died. Martha and her sister were spared. After three weeks more of travel by water and land, they arrived in Iowa. (Ruen family history) Martha and Christian were married, and they lived on their Glenwood land until the last year of Christian's life when they moved to the home of their son, Edwardt. After Christian's death, Martha went to live with daughter, Caroline (Sorenson). Martha lived for 8 years with the Sorenson family. She was bedridden and nearly blind for years. During her last year she was totally blind. She died of old age in 1914. Both she and her husband are buried in the Glenwood Cemetery. Rev. Otto Schmidt conducted the funeral services for Martha at the Sorenson home, and Rev. Olaf Scarvie officiated at the services at the Glenwood Church.

Christian Bolson gave land for the construction of a school which became known as District #8 and was attended by a great many Bolson off-spring.

129 Brede, died in infancy b. April 7, 1826

12(10) Thorer Baardsen Tveter b. 1827 d. 1900  
 m. Karen Thomasen from  
 Oslo b. ? d. Nov. 27, 1868  
 The couple had four living children.  
 m. Guldbjor Eide b. 1819 d. Dec. 22, 1906

Thorer Baardsen, later known as Bolson, came to America at 26 in 1854 with his brothers, Christian and Jacob. He settled in Winneshiek County, Glenwood Township that same year. He farmed, and it is said he aspired to own a thousand acres of land, and he achieved that goal. He made charcoal, sold cordwood, kept bees, raised an apple orchard, had a horse-powered threshing machine, and built the first Bolson bridge over the Upper Iowa River. He served in the Civil War.

Thorer Bolson's military record shows his name as Toerer Bollson, Private. Sometimes the name appears as "Turren." Company descriptive book records that he was 37 years old, five feet and five and three quarters inches tall, complexion "dark", eyes "blue", hair "brown", born "Norway", a "farmer" enlisted October 20, 1864, at Decorah, Iowa, for one year. He was discharged July 3, 1865.

His detachment arrived at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on November 18, 1865. On March 26, 1865, he was at "Goldsboro, N.C. Recruit from depot." In March and April 1865 and in May and June, as well, he was marked "present." At this time he was docked 62 cents for lost ordnance stores. He mustered out at Louisville, Kentucky, on

July 21, 1865, with \$26.30 due him in pay. From this the Army deducted the 62¢ for lost ordnance and \$6.00 for his Springfield rifle that he retained.

Three years later his wife, Karen, died.

It has been said that Thorer was a slight man, but that he did not permit anyone to shove him around.

He was appointed guardian of his brother Jacob's children. Jacob died in the war, and the appointment was made when his widow remarried.

12(11)	Anne Marie	b. July 20, 1829	d. ?
12(12)	Johan	b. June 30, 1831	d. ?
12(13)	Anne Marie	b. Nov. 24, 1833	d. ?
12(14)	Jacob Baardsen Tveter	b. May 8, 1836	d. Oct. 31, 1863

m. Helena Enga from Hokedal. He came to America in 1854 at 18 with his brothers, Christian and Thorer. He became known as Jacob Bolson. He served in the Civil War, enlisting on August 25, 1862, with Company K, 38th Regiment, Iowa Infantry. He enlisted for three years. At that time he was 26 years old. His military file states that he was a farmer, that he was born in Norway. His Muster-in-Roll was dated at Camp Franklin, Ia., on November 4, 1862. It stated that he was blue of eye, light haired, and light complexioned, and 5'8" tall. He "received \$25 Bounty and \$2 premium."

From November 4, 1862 to February 28, 1863, the roll shows him as "present" and "Received no monthly pay except for one month, termed advance pay."

Through March, April, May, and June of 1863 he was "present." For July and August he is shown "Absent" as he was "sent on board Hospital Boat, 'John J. Roe' at Port Hudson, Louisiana, August 12, 1863, by order of Surgeon." His status was reported the same for September, October, November, and December, January, and February of 1864. (Obviously he was not still on board the hospital ship.) Then in March and April rolls show him as "absent without leave since April 10, 1864", and this report is duplicated for May and June, July and August before they finally learned that he died of dysentery on October 31, 1863. The September and October Muster Roll state "Died at Lansing, Iowa, October 31, 1863. Final Statements made out."

There exists an extensive and interesting Army pension file in Washington, D.C. relative to Jacob Bolson. The old jacket cover for the pension file exists showing the amount of pension granted (\$8.00 per month). The papers have since been placed into newer folders and among the papers one finds Helena Bolson's original application for a pension as a Civil War widow.

To get the pension, it became necessary to prove that she was married to Jacob, that Jacob was in the war, and that he died as

a result of illness or injury incurred while in the service. The application gives her age 23, their marriage date as January 20, 1860, and lists her two children, Josephine and John. Niels and Sam Hanson witnessed the document before an Anthony Rockswold.

The file contains Doctor's death certificate, a copy of the Military Surgeon's original authorization for the furlough on medical grounds, and the furlough granted as a result.

Helena's proof of marriage became something more than routine because Jacob was married using the name "Jacob Huardson." He was probably using the name "Jacob Baardson" and because of poor penmanship on somebody's part, it became corrupted into "Huardson." Documents on this matter infer that the confusion arose because "he is a Norwegian."

The next document is a statement by Nelson Hanson and Bertha Gilbrenson before Notary Nelson Burdick to the effect that they had known Jacob for five years prior to enlistment and could swear that Jacob had two names and that it was he who married Helena Enga under the name of "Huardson." A second such statement appears sworn to by Clerk of Court S.W. Mattison.

Next one finds a standard form record of service from the U.S. Adjutant General's office. Then there appears a statement by Jacob's C.O., Lt. Freeman, who states the circumstances under which Jacob first became troubled with "irregularity."

At this point the claim was obviously accepted, as there are no further documents filed until Helena applied for an increase in the pension. This was probably in response to a new law passed in 1866 which would allow \$2.00 per month more for each dependent child. She had only to prove that she had such children by Jacob and had not remarried. She would then qualify. Her application for increase is on file, accompanied by a sworn statement by Cornelia Hogenson that she witnessed the birth of Josephina and knew Jacob to have been the father; also a statement by Betsy Lewis to the effect that she knew John was Jacob and Helena's child. Apparently Atty. Burdick upset the application because Helena had to make a subsequent statement to prove why her name was not the same as on the original pension. The final acceptance of her application for increase was signed and became effective July 25, 1866.

On December 4, 1868, Helena married Wilhelm Webjornson. She gave guardianship of the children to Thorer Bolson who made application for continuation of the pension in his name. The next document is the Clerk of Court's proof that Thorer was indeed the legal guardian. This is followed by an acceptance of the transfer of pension. There being no more documents in the file, we can assume the pension was paid without interruption until the children reached the age of 16.

Helena had eight children by her second marriage.

# CHILDREN OF MAREN (TVETER) AND JOHANNES OLSEN TOMTER-TVETER

124 1	Anne Marie	b. 1855	d. 1877
124 2	Otto Bernard Johanson	b. Oct. 29, 1856	
	Tveter		d. Nov. 11, 1938
	m. Gunda Janette Kragerud,		
		b. May 9, 1861	d. ? 1915

The couple leased the Tomter farm from Otto's father and later they leased from Arnes. Later Otto became a merchant at Bogstadveien 42 in Oslo and built the building at Bogstadveien 62 which still stands, but then came "et stort krakk" (a big crash) and many had to give up their businesses. For awhile they worked on the farm for Gunda's uncle. In 1905 they went to America with their whole family. They had 10 children of whom only the youngest (Benny) was born in the new world. They came first to Tacoma, and later homesteaded in Alberta, Canada.

(Trans. from "Slekten fra Tveter i Raelingen"  
by Olaf Tveter)

The following was written by Otto and Gunda's youngest son, Bennie Tweter of Arcadia, Neb., and tells of the family life.

"My earliest recollection of my parents was when we lived in Tacoma, Wash. We moved to Tawatinaw, Alberta, Canada, (60 miles north of Edmonton on the C.N.R.) where Dad took up 160 acres of virgin land as a homestead that was offered by the Alberta government. We were pretty poor at that time, but we did buy a cow, some pigs, chickens, plowed up the ground in which we sowed oats and barley. Like others of our neighbors, we ate partridges, rabbits, and sometimes moose meat. I can still remember how we used lard instead of butter, or syrup, on our bread. Butter and peanut butter were a "treat" which we had on occasion. Also we had cranberries and blueberries, and at times apples, made into sauce and jam. Mother was a good provider, canning berries and vegetables we grew for the winter season. I always was happy to have the Lutheran minister visit our community about every other month, for nearly always he stayed with us, and then mother brought out all the good things saved up, butter, jam, cakes, and cookies! Dad was instrumental in getting a church building erected for worship so that we could have Sunday school classes on Sunday. We had a team of horses with which we did all our farm work, as tractors had not yet been invented--or at least not in use in our part of the country! Every summer Dad put up a lot of hay for the herd of cattle and horses that we accumulated through the years.

My memories of mother are few, but what I have are precious. Mother was sick at times and had to enter the General Hospital in Edmonton a time or two. The last time I saw her was when she had me called in from play, had me sit down on her bed as she told me



that she was going to the hospital again. She must have had the intuition that she would go to be with the Lord, for she carefully related to me the story of Jesus' death on the cross for our sins. I was too young to apply its truth to myself, so was not saved till later in life. But as a teen-ager, when I passed into that rebellious stage and gave my father cause for worry, my sister, Ruth, (home at that time) took me aside and gave me a scolding, then informed me that mother had prayed before she died that I would grow up to be a minister of the Gospel. She had gotten the assurance that her prayer would be answered, and it was, even though she did not live to see her prayer answered here on earth! (God did more than call me to the ministry, for he sent me to China for 15 years as a missionary!)

My last recollections of Dad on the farm was his coming from doing chores, then getting out his Bible and reading it and silently praying as he sat at the diningroom table. At times I saw he was in tears, and the sight brought conviction to my heart, for I felt that I must be the cause of it. Later, with spiritual perception, and from what Ruth and Helga told me, I have reason to believe his was a repentant heart for times he had caused mother pain. When I left for China I bade sister Ragna (in New Norway on their farm) good-by; Dad was there too, but he knew from the railway schedule that he could cross country and see me once more at Edmonton where we had our final good-by. He died in Morrin, Ruth and Andrew Kallevig's farm was there, before I got back for furlough."

124 3	Andrine	b. Mar. 2, 1858 d. in infancy
124 4	Brede	b. Dec. 17, 1859 d. Mar. 3, 1917
	m. Bolette Andreasdatter Lotrud	b. 1863

Brede was a farmer and bought Tveter homestead from his father in 1889. The Nordstua (north house) he had purchased two years earlier from his uncle, Nils Baardson. Brede was a clever and ambitious man. It is told that he was the first in Raelingen to acquire "kalosjer" (galoshes). When he was going to get married he bought a carriage which was the finest in the community. It was shiny and "lakkert", with two padded seats with the front seat facing backward. A high driver's seat was placed to the back. On each side at the front of the carriage was a shiny light which lighted up the way well ahead about like on our cars today.

Brede bought in 1880 a thrashing machine (piggmaskin) mounted on wheels and he went about thrashing for the farmers. He had 10 to 12 cows and hauled milk to Oslo each week. In 1900 he built an apartment building with eight units in it in Strømmen. He moved there with his family and worked in real estate. But in 1907 he became ill, and he moved his family back to Tveter again. Brede was among those who built Grini "bedehus" (chapel). In Strømmen he had conducted a Sunday School for children. He was ill for 10 years and died in 1917. He is buried at the Raelingen church. (Trans. from "Slekten Fra Tveter i Raelingen")

b. Dec. 12, 1861 d. 1916

124 6	Anthon	b. Feb. 8, 1864	d. in infancy
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124 21	Anna Marie	b. Dec. 31, 1882	d. Jan. 15, 1951
	m. Hans Tveter	b. 1869	d. 1960

Hans and Anna Marie were married in North Dakota in 1908. They immigrated to Canada in 1913. They stayed one year in the Edmonton area. Then they came up the Edson Trail to Pauze Coupe, B.C., where they homesteaded. In 1923 they came to Valhalla Centre where Hans drove the cream truck between Valhalla Centre and Grand Prairie. Later they started farming at LaGlace and the farm is still in the family being operated by a grandson, Lawrence Tveter, son of Stanley Tveter.

124 22	Jorgen (George)	b. Nov. 15, 1884	d. Nov. 13, 1954
	m. Marie Nelson	b. ?	d. Jan. 13, 1919

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Haug's land on the third side. George kept cattle, chickens, and pigs. He worked for a time in the mines with Olaf in Idaho. Later he moved to Tacoma, Washington, where he had lived before going to Canada. Marie, his wife, died in Tawatinaw during the "flu epidemic." In Tacoma George married a Mormon lady. He did well as a cabinet-maker and his work was much in demand. "My recollection of his first wife, Marie Nelson, is sketchy. She was a good mother. When we kids played outside on the swing she would give us fresh baked bread with jam on it, and did we enjoy the treat." They had one son, Arnold, and one daughter, Georgianne. (Ibid.)

124 23	Helga Pauline m. Trygve Haug.	b. Nov. 7, 1888 d. 1967 b. Jan. 14, 1885 d. 1957
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Helga was born in Oslo, Norway, and came to the U.S.A. with her parents in 1905. They came first to Tacoma, Washington. She met and married Trygve and their first child was born in Tacoma in 1911. Sometime between 1911 and 1914 they moved to Alberta, Canada, where a daughter was born.

"They also homesteaded on 160 acres of land adjoining my father's quarter section." (Olaf Tveter's land in Tawatinaw, Alberta). "After some years he bought a farm near Clyde, Alberta, Canada. When they retired they moved to Edmonton, Alberta, to reside, where he died first and later she did. Helga was an energetic woman, a good worker on the farm, imbued with a good sense of humor." Their children are Toralph and Lilly. (From letter by Bennie J. Tweter) Trygve was born in Norway, and died in Alberta in 1959.

124 24	Olaf Gunerius  m. Freia Skarin m. Margaret	b. March 23, 1890  b. ? b. ?	d. Feb. 24, 1970  d. 1961 d. 1969
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Olaf also homesteaded near the Tveter clan in Tawatinaw, Alberta, Canada. He did not seem to care for farming so went to Edmonton and did carpenter work for a living. He survived both of his wives. He had five children and adopted one daughter. (B.J.T.)

124 25	Carl Peter	b. Feb. 21, 1892 d. 1912
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"He died when I was a little boy in Tacoma, Washington, I heard he became sick while in a logging camp and came home to die. It was said that he had tuberculosis." (B.J.T.)

124 26	Ragna m. Nathan Stromberg (Strøm-Berg)	b. 1895 d. 1951
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Ragna was born near Oslo. Her father (Otto Tveter) owned a farm and a large store in Oslo. Ragna's son, Bennie, writes about his parents as follows:

"My mother often spoke of the beautiful farm in Norway where she grew up. Her father lost all his property due to signing notes for some friends. So the whole family immigrated to Canada to start anew. It seems that her father, Otto, may have become religious about this time. They settled in Alberta where my mother spent her young years. She and her sister, Ruth, often played guitar and sang in churches and became quite well known for it.

"My mother married a farmer - Nathan Stromberg and they resided near a town called New Norway in Alberta. Farming was not easy in those days. A dust storm could come and blow away the seed you had just planted, and I do remember during the Thirties the dune-like piles of dust along the roads. A hail storm could wipe out your crop in a few minutes if the drought or wind didn't get you first. I can remember the year the Army worms came through to eat anything green and another year when we were over run with millions of mice.

"My mother was very active in the New Norway Norwegian Lutheran Church. She was the organist for many years, as well as an active member in the local Ladies Aid. She was also instrumental in organizing the young people of the community to help keep them active and out of trouble. She was a lot of fun and often sponsored heavily attended parties for the local young peoples' religious groups. Later in life when she lived in Camrose she was also active in that Lutheran Church.

"She was also active in missionary organizations.

"Not only was farming a risky undertaking, but it also was often a dangerous one. When my parents first started farming they used horses. My father was twice kicked in the head by horses and my brother remembers the second time particularly well -- my father had lain unconscious for a month in the hospital. My mother was sitting beside him when he suddenly winked at her! That's when she knew he would be well.

"Two children born of this union -- Norman, born 1925, and Bennie, born in 1929.

"My mother died of cancer in 1951 at the age of 58. My father died in 1968."

124 27      Emil Ingvald                      b. 1897                      d. 1957

Emil was footloose for many years, worked in various types of work, in logging camps, as a telephone lineman, in the harvest fields, etc. Late in life he married a widow in New Norway, Alberta, Canada. While in Edmonton he passed away in his sleep. He was always full of fun. He could have been good as an actor for he had a rare ability to impersonate the mannerisms of other people. (B.J.T.)

124 28      Ruth Borghild                      b. Feb. 7, 1899 d. Apr. 14, 1976  
            m. Andrew Kallevig              b. ?                      d. 1963

Ruth was born in Norway, came to America, and married Andrew, who was from Vancouver, B.C. Ruth was very popular with the young

people. After her mother died she helped keep house for the family, until she went out to work as a housemaid, as cook and in a cookie factory. "She was very close to me. So many boxes of chocolates were given her by suitors that she sometimes sent some home to the farm for me. She was very active in her church in Morrin, where she was married to Andrew. They set up a home on a farm on the prairies. When I was 'born again' while working on Nathan Stromberg's farm in New Norway, I naturally wrote to her of my joy in the Savior's forgiveness of my sins. Then I met her at a Fair in Camrose, Alberta, Canada, where I again bubbled over with my joy in salvation. She proceeded to tell me of all her good works in her church: President of the Ladies Aid, teaching Sunday School class, singing in the choir, etc. I insisted that 'good works' and church membership could not save anyone from their sins. A few months later, while I was in Prairie Bible School at Three Hills, Alberta, she wrote to tell me of evangelistic meetings held in Morrin, and that she too had been wondrously saved. From that time she became one of my stalwart prayer warriors as I labored in the China mission field."

"I'll never forget the adventure we had together when she, Andrew, and my father drove over to Three Hills to take me to Morrin for a few days to visit with them. Going back we had to go down the cliffside that led to the Munson ferry. Dad and I sat in the back seat of the car. Suddenly I realized that something had gone wrong with the car, for we accelerated speed at an alarming rate down the grade and around curves. The car brakes had gone out on us! We were coming to a sharp curve, and at such a speed I knew we could never get around the bend, but would careen over the edge to a death about 400 feet below. No time for a long prayer, but I cried out, 'Lord, save us!' Truly God performed a miracle! Just a short distance from the edge of the cliff the car stopped dead . . . shaken, out of breath, we all got out and stared in amazement. There was nothing there to have stopped the car--no stones, no sand to bog down the wheels--just plain hard clay. I burst out in wonder to Andrew, 'Andrew, you were the driver, but the Lord stopped the car!' Andrew, who at the time had not yet come to our Lord and Savior, just stared and never uttered a word. Later as we sat in the house, out of a deep silence he spoke, 'Benny, do you think we could have made that curve?' I replied that it would have been impossible at the speed we were going. Andrew thoughtfully nodded his head in agreement. It is no wonder that later when I and others held evangelistic meetings in a country schoolhouse in Morrin that Andrew made profession of faith in Jesus Christ as his Savior! (Written by Bennie J. Tweter)

Ruth and Andrew had one daughter and two sons.

"Mother passed away suddenly in April 1975 from a stroke. Those who remember her will remember she was very quick and had a positive, jolly attitude. She said she always prayed that when her time came God would take her quickly, and her prayers were answered. The Pastor entitled his sermon that day "It is wonderful to be a Christian." We have good memories of her vibrant

Christian faith . . . now we of the next generation . . . will we leave those memories for our children?" (by Violet Kallevig Hoffman)

"My dad . . . Andrew Kallevig was born Dec. 28, 1887, at Norway Lake, Minnesota. His parents had come from Norway some time before that, their name being 'Kallevik' but I suppose changed to Kallevig to make it sound more Anglicized. Coming from a large family I presume he decided to reach out and try his luck elsewhere . . . namely homesteading in Canada.

"He received his citizenship papers on June 10, 1912, and his application for a homestead was approved by Ottawa June 12, 1913.

"His first house still remains on the home farm, was later turned into a chicken coop. He built a larger house when Ruth, my mom, came into his life. They were married in November 1919, leaving her home and father and brother Bennie behind in Tawatinaw, Alberta. A few years later Grandpa Tweter retired and came to live with us at Morrin until he passed away in 1937. Grandpa was a very quiet person. He was the one the boys ran to if they knew they were in for a spanking. He was the one that rocked and rocked them when they were babies and he was the one for whom we had to learn Norwegian, such as it was, but Grandpa understood it anyway. His hobby, it seemed, was cutting and stacking our wood so neatly, then being annoyed when he ran out of wood. We lived out on the 'bald prairie' so dad had to go in the coulee and scrounge for wood to keep him happy. He'd grumble to mom in Norwegian if he ran out of wood and say, "You'd think Andrew thought that wood was gold" when dad would caution him not to put in such long hours at it.

"Church and school were our main activities. . . ball and picnics in summer, skating and hockey and curling in the winter.

"When dad came out to 'homestead' the nearest town was a good 50 miles or more away, so it was not just 'around the corner' to go for that pound of coffee or bag of flour. He tells of one trip when he came home to find he had company camped beside him. They were just some Indians traveling through and tho' they meant no harm, I imagine it was a sleepless night for that young homesteader. From this marriage 3 children were born, Violet, Morris, and Donald, and in 1937 they added a second daughter through adoption who later passed away at the age of 16 years in Vancouver, B.C. where she had moved with her parents in 1944."

124 29	Trygve Martin	b. Jan 20, 1901 d. May 4, 1974
	m. Pearl Clark	b. 1891

Trygve made local fame playing baseball, for they were both good pitchers and catchers and hard hitters at bat. They interchanged as pitcher and catcher. They lived in Edmonton, working for the railroad company until he retired. He came to an untimely death when he was hit by a car while on his way to a senior citizen's affair in the neighborhood. His wife died afterward. They had one daughter and three sons.

124 2(10) John Benny

b. Nov. 25, 1905

m. Lucille Stokes

John Benny Tweter, born Nov. 25, 1905, in Stiles, Wisconsin. He had ambitions to become a writer and a cartoonist. He did some writing for the children's page for the newspaper Edmonton Journal while a boy on the farm. Later he took a cartoonist correspondence course, planning on its completion to go to the U.S.A. and start on some newspaper staff. God had other plans for him, for he was converted at age 21 while in New Norway, and went to the Prairie Bible School, and graduated from its 4-year course. After some evangelistic work under the auspices of the Canadian Sunday School Mission he went to China, where he served for 15 years. While there he married Lucille Stokes from Hastings, Minnesota. To them was born a daughter, Ruth Janet, on October 29, 1937.

When they came home to retire Benny served several churches: Mission Covenant Church in Mound, Minnesota; Fosston Baptist Church in Fosston, Minnesota; South Isanti Baptist Church in rural Isanti, Minnesota; then accepted the call to be the first resident pastor of a newly organized work in York, Nebraska, the Arbor Drive Baptist Church; presently serving the Calvary Baptist Church in Arcadia, Nebraska.

Since his return from China he has served on Conference Boards, been camp evangelist in Bible Camps, held evangelistic campaigns, withal writing for various religious periodicals.

#### DESCENDANTS OF HANS AND ANNA (TVETER) TVETER

124 211

Alfred Tveter

b. July 15, 1909

Alfred was born in North Dakota. He immigrated with his parents to Canada in 1913. He attended school in Pauce Coupe and Valhalla Centre, Alberta, terminating his formal education when he finished the 8th grade. His first job was at a creamery at Valhalla Centre where he worked as a bottle washer. Later he worked at saw mills and became a steam engineer. For 21 winters he was a steam engineer at the mills and for eight summers he was relief steam engineer at Grande Prairie Hospital. He homesteaded in 1928 north of Valhalla Centre. He bought additional land later. Alfred is unmarried and farmed for many years. He recently sold his farm and retired in Hythe, a town nearby. He belonged to the National Farmers Union and is a Charter Member of South Peace Museum now situated at Beaverlodge. Alfred loved to take off fishing with his buddies, and if there is a stampede in the vicinity you will find him there looking on. The Pauce Coupe school which he and his brothers attended has been moved to the museum site at Dawson Creek, B.C.

His cousin, Violet Hoffman, writes: "I have seen Alfred about three times in my life . . . he is a colorful character . . . made us a good cup of coffee, cookies and ice cream and the whole bit.

124 212

d. July 11, 1970

124 212 1

b. about 1952

124 213

d. 1932

124 214

b. 1916

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construction until the last eleven years when he went into Central Housing and Mortgage of Calgary, Alberta. He says he is a plain ordinary working man.

124 214 1 Royd Tveter b. 1953

124 214 2 Onlo Tveter b. 1957

DESCENDANTS OF JORGEN (GEORGE) AND MARIE (NELSON) TVETER

124 221 Arnold Ingvold Tveter b. April 29, 1907  
m. Joan Pemick

Arnold joined the Navy in his youth. When he was released from service he worked on tug boats, eventually becoming a captain. When he retired as captain, he still loved the water so much that he bought a home just a stones throw away from it where he can watch the large freighters plying back and forth on.

124 222 Georgianna Tveter b. Mar. 15, 1910  
m. Frank Judd b. ?

124 222 1 Norman F. Judd b. April 5, 1934

124 222 2 Carol M. Judd b. Feb. 9, 1936

124 222 3 David T. Judd b. July 5, 1941

124 222 4 Brian T. Judd b. April 17, 1945

124 222 5 Jean T. Judd b. Nov. 15, 1946

124 222 6 Joyanne J. Judd b. Jan. 24, 1948

124 223 Howard Tveter b. June 16, 1918 d. Sept. 17, 1918

(See note at bottom of next page)

CHILDREN OF DENNIS AND \_\_\_\_\_ HOUG

124 231 11	Brenda Houg	b. 1956
124 231 12	Gary Houg	b. 1958
124 231 13	Karen Houg	b. 1959
124 231 14	Mitchel Houg )	
124 231 15	Blair Houg ) twins	b. 1961

CHILDREN OF RONALD AND \_\_\_\_\_ HOUG

124 231 21	Shelly Houg	b. 1961
124 231 22	Tommy Houg	b. 1962
124 231 23	Laurel Houg	b. 1966
124 231 24	Fred ____ Houg	b. 1967

Greta's Children

124 231 31	Randy	b. 1960 (?)
124 231 32	Kenny	b. 1961 (?)

CHILDREN OF CHESTER AND \_\_\_\_\_ HOUG

124 231 41	Kavin Houg	b.
124 231 42	Danny Houg	b.
124 231 43	Jennifer Houg	b.

Ruby Houg's Children

124 231 51	Darcy _____	b. 1959
	m. Bruce Gordon	

They were married June 21, 1978, at Lethbridge, Alberta, where they will make their home.

124 231 52	Gregory _____	b.
124 231 53	Geoff _____	b.

# DESCENDANTS OF TRYGVE AND HELGA (TVETER) HOUG

124 231

Toralph Houg	b. Jan. 10, 1911
m. Annie Sawka	b. Dec. 22, 1913

Toralph was born in Tacoma, Washington, and moved with his parents to Alberta, Canada, where they homesteaded near Tawatinaw, and later bought a farm near Clyde, Alberta. Toralph had elementary education and has been self employed. On Nov. 25, 1932, he married Annie who had been born in Edmonton, Alberta. She too had elementary education. She has been a busy wife and mother. They have five children. Toralph bought a farm near Clyde and farmed until 1947 when he moved to Edmonton where he started a construction business. He also started a saw mill operation and Tourist Facilities at Jasper National Park, at Jasper, Alberta. Toralph writes, "Our last project was a discovery of a mail deposit at Clyde, Alberta, and the building of a cement plant. My son, Ronald, and I are now building an 800-unit apartment in Phoenix, Arizona." His recreational interest is baseball.

124 231 1

Dennis Houg	b.
m.	b.

Dennis lives in Prince George, B.C.

124 231 2

Ronald Houg	b.
m.	b.

Ronald lives in Edmonton and is associated with his father in several business activities.

124 231 3

Greta Houg	b.
m.	b.

Greta and her husband live in Stockton, California, where he is a business man.

124 231 4

Chester Houg	b.
m.	b.

Chester is an engineer in charge of electrical operations at Syncende Fort McMurray.

124 231 5

Ruby Houg	b.
m.	b.

Ruby's husband is an engineer doing pipeline construction.

(Refer to preceding page for offspring of the above five children)

124 232

Lillie Hazel Mildred Houg      b. April 4, 1914  
m. Evon Richard Lee      b. Nov. 12, 1907

Lillie was born in Canada. She was educated through the tenth grade. She and Evon were married at Glendale, California, on August 12, 1964. Lillie worked in cosmetics for the Hudson Bay Co. Store in Edmonton, Canada. She later worked for Thrifty Drug Stores in Los Angeles, California. Evon finished high school and has worked for fifteen years as an x-ray technician in a hospital in Los Angeles. Lillie's primary interests are homemaking, sewing, and organ playing, while Evon enjoys amateur radio, golfing, and fishing.

124 232 1

Audrey Lee Thompson

Audrey is a step-daughter who lives at Arcadia, California.

DESCENDANTS OF OLAF AND TREYA (SKARIN) TVETER

124 241

Gilbert Tveter      b. May 1, 1921    d. June 4, 1955

It is said he died suddenly from a blood clot while hauling lumber by truck.

124 242

Lloyd Allen Tveter      b. Jan. 7, 1924    d. Oct. 23, 1944

Lloyd joined the Canadian Air Force and was shot down over Germany in World War II.

124 243

Mae Adele Tveter      b. April 15, 1927  
m. Walter Chesker      d. 1957

124 244

Rita Ann Tveter      b. Aug. 1, 1932  
m. Arnold LeBlanc

124 245

Gerald Tveter      b. Sept. 17, 1928

Lives in Lethbridge, Alberta.

124 246

Marie Tveter      b. July 27, 1941  
m. Jack Berry

DESCENDANTS OF NATHAN AND RAGNA TVETER STROMBERG

124 261

Norman Stromberg  
m. Ruth Simonson

b. Aug. 23, 1923  
b. Jan. 5, 1928

Norman was born at New Norway, Alberta. He graduated in 1949 from the Institute of Technology and Art at Calgary, Alberta. From 1949 to 1951 he worked as an airlines electrical technician. For the next ten years he worked as electrical instructor at the Institute at Calgary. In 1951 through 1967 he worked as a life insurance agent for Lutheran Brotherhood. He became the Superintendent of Canadian Operations for that same company and later the Corporate Secretary for a new merged company, the Lutheran Life Insurance Society of Canada. He gave up life insurance work in 1975 to head his own business known as "Stromberg Enterprises." Norman became the first layman ever elected president of the Provincial Lutheran Student Foundation which supervises and supports work of Lutheran student chaplains. He is past president of Faith Lutheran Church, Calgary; past vice-president and member of board of directors of Lutheran Welfare and Hospital Society of Alberta; he served on board of directors of Canadian Bible Society (Manitoba District); he is member of Division of Congregational Life, E.L.C.C., member of Messiah Lutheran Church Council (L.C.A.), member of Central Canadian Synod Board of Christian Education and member of Division of Educational Service L.C.I.C. Despite his busy life, he manages to enjoy photography and woodworking.

Norman married Ruth Simonson on March 30, 1951, at Vancouver, B.C. She graduated from high school and became a dental assistant, a mother, and busy homemaker. Ruth's parents had come to Canada from Florø, Norway, in 1927. Ruth was born the next year at Elbow, Saskatchewan, Canada.

124 261 1

Linda Stromberg

b. Dec. 24, 1954

Linda was born in Calgary, Alberta. She graduated with honors as Bachelor of Music from Wilfred Laurier University in Waterloo, Ontario.

124 261 2

Brenda Stromberg

b. May 12, 1957

Brenda is in her second year at University of Waterloo in the Fine Arts program. She was born in Calgary.

124 261 3

Curtis Stromberg

b. 1960

d. 1963

Lukemia claimed the life of this child at the age of about 3.

124 262

Bennie Stromberg                      b. 1927  
m. Jacqueline Ouellet                b. Feb. 17, 1962

Bennie was born at New Norway, Alberta. He tells his own story as follows:

"After growing up on my father's farm and finishing high school there in New Norway, I went to Calgary, Alberta, where I worked for a customs broker and studied commercial art at Alberta Tech. From there I went to work for another customs broker in Vancouver, British Columbia. Getting nowhere in this I tried a number of other jobs, most notably in construction and a salt warehouse. That salt warehouse was a 'salt mine' for me!

"While doing this I was learning photography, and was eventually offered a job in New York with a commercial motion picture film maker. This was a very exciting and progressive place to work with the craziest boss you could imagine. They fired someone every day, but I managed to survive until the company got into financial trouble and I was offered a job with the motion picture film unit of the United Church of Christ, for whom I still work. During this period of time in New York I studied photography at the New York School of Fashion and at the New York Institute of Photography.

"I am also co-publisher of an Editorial Cartoon Magazine 'On The Line.' I married a registered nurse, Jacqueline Ouellet, in 1952, in Ottawa, Canada, while she was still in the Royal Canadian Air Force. To date her I used to drive up to Ottawa from New York for Saturday night--about a ten hour drive. She spoke only French, while I spoke only English, so we had to converse with a dictionary in our hands. People in restaurants used to get quite a kick out of seeing us with our dictionaries trying to talk to each other. Jackie now works in New York with the Veterans Administration."

124 262 1

Pierre Stromberg                      b. July 6, 1964

Pierre is a fine pianist.

124 262 2

Monique Stromberg                      b. July 29, 1969  
(adopted in 1969)

#### DESCENDANTS OF ANDREW AND RUTH (TVETER) KALLEVIG

124 281

Violet Lilly Kallevig                b. Dec. 7, 1920  
m. Edward Paul Hoffman               b. Sept. 16, 1908

Violet lived on the home farm at Morrin, Alberta. She went to the country school down the road a half mile, attended high school, and then entered the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute at Camrose,

Alberta, from which school she graduated. As a child, she had always planned to become a teacher until the year the teacher boarded at her home and she saw the amount of homework the teacher had to do. She then decided "no thank you" to teaching.

On July 25, 1941, Violet and Edward were married at the Morrin Lutheran Church, a church which her father had helped to build. Ed was born in Rosenhart, Manitoba. He had a grade school education only and by hard work and experience has become a successful man. He went into the construction work beginning while a teenager working for his dad. He worked at ship building during World War II. Then he did house building at Vancouver, B.C., until the Lutheran Church called him to do a building for them. He then went into church building, designing and supervising same for over 20 years under the Canadian Home Mission. He built for other denominations in the four Western Provinces, including the Catholic, United Church, Church of the Nazarene, and the Evangelical Free Church. Meanwhile he and Violet lived in Vancouver. In 1964 they moved to Camrose, Alberta, where Ed built the Bethany Lutheran Nursing Home.

Edward has worked with Boy Scouting. He is now on the Village Council of their town, Bawlf, Alberta. He serves as deputy mayor and sits on the Battle River Planning Commission for the Central Area of Alberta.

Violet has always been active in the Lutheran Church Women's work. She served on the executive committee of the Pacific Conference when the women's organization was known as Women's Missionary Federation and was started anew in British Columbia. She served in various offices of the local organizations of the Lutheran Church Women in the various places she has lived.

Violet and Ed have lived in Bawlf for one and a half years. It is a small town that had laid down to die but is now taking a second look at life and is up and coming again. They built a new store here for their business, "Ed Hoffman, LTD" which sells floor covering, ceramic, and mosaic tile, builders' hardware, factory built kitchen cabinets, and the like. The two older sons, Lyle and Leonard, have taken over running the store.

Violet worked for a time at Camrose Lutheran College and later at the office "Ed Hoffman, LTD." for Ed and the boys. She and Ed enjoy fishing in the summer, traveling and exploring the warmer climates in the winter, plus visiting their children and grandchildren in the U.S.A. They are retired but very busy. Ed spends time helping son Lance get a foothold in construction work, and Violet spends time with her grandchildren and helping at the store. She says, "The three girls tended toward office work. . . the boys tend to follow in their father's footsteps toward construction type of work. Two girls decided on the U.S.A., so it is fun to visit there . . . God has indeed been good to us, given us a fine family, loving parents, a rich heritage in a free country. May we always remember how fortunate we are." (Based on "Some Notes on Our History" by Violet Hoffman)

124 281 1

Lynne Hoffman b. Oct. 13, 1942  
m. Edwin Janke on Aug. 24, 1963  
They live in Davisburg, Michigan.

124 281 12

Kristin Janke b. June 26, 1968

124 281 2

Melody Hoffman b. June 24, 1944  
m. Michael Moher

They were married on June 20, 1970, and live in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

124 281 21

Colleen Moher b. Mar. 4, 1973

124 281 3

Judy Laverne Hoffman b. Sept. 17, 1947  
m. Heinz Peter Petschulat b. Jan. 2, 1944

Judy was educated through the 11th grade in British Columbia. She attended Camrose Lutheran College for her 12th grade. She has lived in Winnipeg, Manitoba; Calgary, Alberta; Victoria, British Columbia; and Edmonton, Alberta. She first worked as a secretary for a number of companies, then as a continuity writer for T.V. in Calgary, and for radio in Victoria. Finally she became a Life Underwriter for Lutheran Brotherhood Life and Health Insurance in Edmonton and Western Alberta to Jasper.

On October 9, 1971, she married Peter, who was born in Laugzaargen, Germany. He was an able seaman in the Merchant Marines for seven years. His home base was Kirchkein, West German. He traveled all over the world. He came to Canada in 1966 and became a Heat and Frost Insulator. He often does insulation for power and gas plants.

Judy and Peter are active members in Messiah Lutheran Church in Camrose. They have a home in Camrose and a farm ten miles east of Two Hills, which they attend to as weekend farmers. Their crop is alfalfa. They have two children. They enjoy the out-of-doors and enjoy hiking in the mountains and biking.

124 281 31

Salina Petschulat b. Dec. 13, 1972

124 281 32

Stephen Petschulat b. Sept. 21, 1974

124 281 4

Lyle Hoffman b. May 12, 1953  
m. Maureen Honig

They live in Bawlf, Alberta, and Lyle helps his brother run "Ed Hoffman, LTD."



124 281 41

Carina Honig Hoffman      b. Mar. 5, 1969  
(adopted)

124 281 42

Candice Hoffman      b. Feb. 2, 1977

124 281 5

Leonard Hoffman      b. Dec. 11, 1955  
m. Gloria Alm on May 22, 1976

Leonard shares the responsibility of running the business of  
"Ed Hoffman LTD." in Bawlf, Alberta.

124 281 51

Paul Hoffman      b. June 17, 1977

124 281 6

Lance Hoffman      b. July 21, 1957  
m. Patti Jacobson

They were married on June 3, 1978. They live in Bawlf,  
Alberta, and Lance is in construction work.

124 282

Morris Lydon Kallevig      b. Sept. 29, 1926  
m. Kay Humphreys

Morris was born in Alberta near Morrin. He lived on the  
farm. He attended high school and at the age of 20 he moved to  
Vancouver, B.C. Canada. He was married in London, England on April  
27, 1946. He settled in Minneapolis and is a plastering contractor.  
He is a member of Mount Olivet Lutheran Church. He is interested  
in golf. He vacations for the three winter months in California,  
where he and Kay own a recreational home. Morris has been a  
Shriner for many years. The couple have three children.

124 282 1

Kenneth Kallevig      b. 1948  
m.

124 282 12

Erik Kallevig      b.

124 282 13

Heather Kallevig      b.

124 282 2

Gary Kallevig      b. 1948

124 282 3

Cheryl Kallevig      b. 1954

124 283

Donald Kallevig      b.  
m. Ingrid Viste      b.

124 283 1

Sandra Kallevig      b. 1952

124 283 2 Mark Kallevig b. 1957

124 283 3 Carmen Kallevig b. 1966

124 284 Donna Ellouise Kallevig b. Aug. 23, 1942 d. 1956

DESCENDANTS OF TRYGVE AND PEARL (CLARK) TVETER

124 291 Robert

124 292 Orville

124 293 Donald

124 294 Bernice

DESCENDANTS OF BENNIE JOHN AND LUCILLE (STOKES) TWETER

124 2(10) 1 Ruth Tveter b. 1937  
m. David Hasselblad b. Dec. 27, 1936

Ruth Janet married David Hasselblad of Denver, Colorado on September 18, 1959. They are very active in a new church recently begun in Aurora, Colorado, where they now reside. Ruth is an R.N. and works part-time in a hospital. David is employed by the Colorado Highway Dept. as an engineer. They have three children.

David and Ruth (Tweter) Hasselblad Children

124 2(10)1 1 Sharon Joy b. Sept. 29, 1962

124 2(10)1 2 Janet Beth b. 1964

124 2(10)1 3 John Bennie b. Dec. 3, 1967

DESCENDANTS OF BREDE AND BOLETTA (ANDREASDUTTER) TVETER

124 41 Josef Tveter b. Apr. 13, 1891 d. 1955  
m. Ingeborg Tomter b. Mar. 24, 1899  
Josef was a shopkeeper. He married Ingeborg in 1924.

- 124 42  
 Anna Tveter b. Sept. 1, 1893  
 m. Johan Stensrud Jahr b. 1885 d. 1950  
 Johan was a farmer.
- 124 43  
 Olav Tveter b. Aug. 11, 1895  
 m. Agnes Ruud b. May 25, 1892 d. 1956  
 Olav has been a teacher. He married Agnes in 1920.
- 124 44  
 Johannes Tveter b. June 30, 1897  
 d. May 23, 1966
- 124 45  
 Hilda Tveter b. May 22, 1899 d. Feb. 1, 1974
- 124 46  
 Alf Tveter b. July 18, 1901 d. Sept. 1968  
 m. Aagut Fjerdingsby b. Sept. 18, 1900  
 Alf was a teacher and married Aagut in 1934.
- 124 47  
 Erling Tveter b. Mar. 25, 1903  
 d. June 1967  
 m. Astrid Nerbraaten b. Oct. 10, 1905  
 Erling married Astrid in 1934. He was a taximan.
- 124 48  
 Jacob Tveter b. Feb. 2, 1907  
 m. Marie Kolbu b. 1915 d. 1962  
 Jacob was a farmer, married Marie in 1959. He lives on  
 Tveter homestead.

#### DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPH AND INGEBORG (TOMTER) TVETER

- 124 411  
 Berit Tveter b. July 5, 1926  
 m. Sigmund Buestad b. Jan. 12, 1925  
 Berit is a nurse and Sigmund is a lecturer. They have two  
 children.
- 124 411 1  
 Ingjerd Buestad b. May 2, 1954
- 124 411 2  
 Jon Buestad b. Feb. 16, 1956
- 124 412  
 Ingrid Tveter b. Oct. 20, 1935  
 m. Kjill Sulveson b. Sept. 24, 1933  
 Ingrid is a nurse and Kjill is a teacher. They have two  
 children.

124 412 1

Kjetilg

b. Aug. 24, 1964

124 412 2

Torgeir

b. Sept. 25, 1967

DESCENDANTS OF JOHAN AND ANNA (TVETER) JAHR

124 421

Esther Jahr

b. Oct. 26, 1922

m. Eivind Krogstad

b. Feb. 9, 1918

Eivind is a railroad man. The couple have one child.

124 421 1

Grete Ingunn Krogstad

b. Sept. 22, 1954

124 422

Karen Jahr

b. Aug. 21, 1924

m. Karre Bergskaug

b. Sept. 20, 1923

Karre is a carpenter. The couple have two children.

124 422 1

Anne Kristin Bergskaug

b. Aug. 19, 1954

124 422 2

Jan Petter Bergskaug

b. April 2, 1959

Jan is a shopman.

124 423

Annie Jahr

b. June 10, 1926

m. Harold Engelbert

b. May 24, 1920

Annie is clerk for policeman, and Harold is a bookkeeper.  
They have two children.

124 423 1

Kari Engelbert

b. Nov. 9, 1953

124 423 2

Baard Engelbert

b. April 23, 1956

Baard is a waiter on shipboard.

124 424

John Jahr

b. Mar. 7, 1930

m. Inger Johanne Bergerson

b. May 13, 1936

John is a farmer. The couple have five children.

124 424 1

Henrik Jahr

b. Nov. 13, 1961

124 424 2

Brede Jahr

b. Nov. 6, 1962

124 424 3

Torer Jahr

b. Dec. 5, 1963

124 424 4  
 Johan Jahr b. May 29, 1965  
 Johan is a violinist.

124 424 5  
 Hanne Jahr b. May 14, 1968

CHILDREN OF OLAV AND AGNES (RUUD) TVETER

124 431  
 Odd Tveter b. Dec. 9, 1921 d. June 15, 1971  
 m. Randi Baarstad b. Jan. 16, 1923 d. Sept. 4, 1976  
 Odd was a surgeon, and Randi a nurse.

124 431 1  
 Eirik Tveter b. Sept. 26, 1950  
 Eirik is a doctor.

124 431 2  
 Sven Tveter b. May 9, 1953

124 431 3  
 Heidi Tveter b. May 15, 1957

124 432  
 Eldbjorg Tveter b. Feb. 3, 1926  
 m. Jonas Sandve b. Mar. 12, 1925  
 Both Eldbjorg and Jonas are teachers.

124 432 1  
 Gunnar Sundve b. Dec. 3, 1951

124 432 2  
 Astrid Sandve b. July 23, 1953

124 432 3  
 Ellen Nora Sandve b. Feb. 24, 1955

124 432 4  
 Kari Sandve b. Mar. 19, 1957  
 m. Jan Eie

124 432 5  
 Per Harold b. Feb. 23, 1967

124 433  
 Audun Tveter b. Feb. 25, 1935  
 m. Astrid Fjerdingsby b. Jan. 16, 1937  
 Audun is an atomic scientist, and Astrid a teacher.

124 433 1  
 Marianne Tveter b. Nov. 22, 1963

124 433 2  
 Ojvind Tveter b. Nov. 19, 1965

# CHILDREN OF ALF AND AAGUT (FJERDINGBY) TVETER

124 461

Aud Tveter b. Oct. 2, 1938  
 m. Haakon Nordbo b. Oct. 13, 1935  
 Aud is a teacher, and Haakon is a dentist.

124 461 1

Turid Nordbo b. Mar. 1, 1963

124 461 2

Knut Nordbo b. Sept. 9, 1965

124 462

Unn Tveter b. Dec. 8, 1943  
 m. Syver Gabrielson b. 1943  
 Syver is a teacher for prisoners.

124 462 1

Svein Gabrielson b. Mar. 15, 1965

124 462 2

Tor Gabrielson b. Dec. 25, 1968

## CHILDREN OF ERLING AND ASTRID (NERBRAATEN) TVETER

124 471

Age Erlingsen Tveter b. June 7, 1935  
 m. Inger Lie b. 1941  
 Age is an auto mechanic

124 471 1

Geir Lie b. July 17, 1964

124 471 2

Kjersti Lie b. June 15, 1968

124 472

Bjorg Tveter b. Aug. 10, 1938  
 m. Jacob Varsin b. 1934  
 Both are teachers in Harstad.

124 472 1

Svanhild Varsin b. Nov. 9, 1968

124 472 2

Alf Erlind Varsin b. Dec. 12, 1970

124 473

Egil Tveter b. Dec. 24, 1942  
 He is in the Peace Corp in Iran.

124 474

Baard Tveter b. Feb. 20, 1949

# CHILDREN OF CHRISTIAN (BAARDSON) AND MARTHA (EGGE) BOLSON

128 1

Johanna Bolson	b. June 19, 1858 d. Feb. 1949
m. John Huseby	b. Oct. 19, 1858 d. 1906

Johanna spent her youth in Winneshiek County, Iowa. She worked as a hired girl until she married John. They lived in Glenwood Township. Johanna moved to Williston, North Dakota about 1914 where she proved up a homestead claim. This was after John had passed away in Decorah. She moved to Seattle to live with her daughter, Tilla Morris. She died and is buried in Seattle.

128 2

Caroline Bolson	b. Jan. 10, 1859 d. Oct. 23, 1950
m. Hans Sorenson	b. Mar. 9, 1856 d. ?

Caroline and her sister, Pauline, went as young ladies to Chicago to work. They were there for two years and met their future husbands. Caroline married Hans, who was born in Skein, Norway. He had come to America at the age of 10. The couple moved to Glenwood Township where he bought a farm. There he lived until he passed away. This farm is still in the family. A granddaughter lives there now (1977). She is Gertrude Seegmiller, daughter of Martha Sorenson Malli.

128 3

Anna Bolson	b. Dec. 10, 1860 d. Dec. 25, 1935
m. Lars Helgeson	b. Aug. 27, 1863 d. Aug. 24, 1952

Lars and Anna lived in Decorah for several years. Lars was a carpenter. In 1906 some members of Big Canoe and Glenwood Lutheran Congregations felt the distance to go to church was too great, so they formed a new congregation, The Canoe Ridge Evangelical Lutheran Church. Lars Helgeson got the bid for building the church. He also made the altar. They rented out their house and went to North Dakota to homestead on 160 acres in Dunn County. This was in April of 1907. Four horses, a cow, and some chickens and farm machinery had been purchased. These, together with household furnishings, were packed into a freight car. Henry Sorenson and August Huseby (nephews) accompanied the freight car, while Lars and Anna and two of their three sons took a passenger train. During that summer the oldest son, Claud, came to join the family. Lars and son, Claud, went to Dickinson, N. Dakota, to do carpenter work to earn some money. In the fall Lars returned to the homestead. He purchased an adjoining 160 acres. In the fall of 1914 Anna and Lars (sometimes called Lewis or Louie) returned to Decorah to their same house, and that is where they spent their remaining days.

128 4

Pauline Bolson	b. Oct. 2, 1862 d. Jan. 20, 1950
m. Paul Harris	b. Sept. 1, 1839 d. Sept. 11, 1923

Pauline (Lena) Bolson Harris, daughter of Christian and Martha Bolson, was born in Decorah, Iowa. As a young woman, Lena went to Chicago to work as a maid in the household of Capt. Standard. In

1887 she married Capt. Standard's step-son, Paul B. Harris. Paul and Lena purchased 160 acres from a homestead family in Davies County, Mo. With the exception of two years in Illinois (1894-95), Lena spent her life on this same farm. It was here she raised her five daughters, and upon the death of her daughter, Elizabeth Medley, in the flu epidemic in 1919, she took her three grandchildren to raise. She has nine grandchildren, who recall her telling of the Indians coming to the farm to get water from the well, and encounters with the Jesse James gang. Lena was a widow the last 27 years of her life. She died at her home in 1950 at the age of 87 and is buried at Winston, Mo.

128 5

John Bolson	b. July 5, 1864	d. Mar. 10, 1928
m. Ann Marie Olette Helgeson	b. Mar. 13, 1874	d. April 12, 1924

John was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, grew up on a farm in Glenwood Township. Anne Marie was born in Green Bay, Wisconsin. She studied dressmaking and did a lot of sewing. She worked for some time for Peter Johnsons. Johnson was an early heating and plumbing man in Decorah. John and Marie were married on October 3, 1894, at Decorah Lutheran Church by Pastor Huus. The couple lived most of the time on their small farm in Glenwood, and John supplemented their income by working at carpentry. John was one of the original trustees of the Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church formed in 1906.

128 6

Edward Bolson	b. Jan. 25, 1867	d. May 22, 1951
m. Marie Jammerdal	b. 1878	d. 1889
m. Ellen Jammerdal	b. ?	d. ?
m. Mathilda Lindseth	b. ?	d. Sept. 1951

Edward farmed on Clay Hill, an area northeast of Decorah. He had a son by his first wife and a daughter by his second wife.

128 7

Carl Bolson	b. June 16, 1870	d. ?
m. Martha Basoll	b. Nov. 19, 187	d. Oct. 21, 1951

Carl and Martha lived for a time in Pleasant Township. They moved to Glenwood Township where they lived on an acreage which his mother (Caroline Sorenson) gave him. There Carl lived and died. He did day labor.

128 8	Marie Bolson	b. Dec. 7, 1874	d. Nov. 6, 1897
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#### CHILDREN OF JOHN AND JOHANNA (BOLSON) HUSEBY

128 11

Julia Huseby	b. July 11, 1878	d. May 18, 1961
m. Albert Rustvold	b. Aug. 16, 1877	d. July 26, 1950

Julia spent part of her childhood with her grandmother, Martha Egge Bolson. She and her husband homesteaded in Williston, North



Dakota. At about retirement age they came to live on a small acreage in southern Minnesota on Highway 44 between Prosper and Mabel. There she lived until her death.

128 12

Carl Huseby                      b. Sept. 14, 1879    d. ?  
m. Hannah Haakenson            b. Aug. 11, 1884    d. ?

They lived near Decorah for a time and then moved to Williston, North, Dakota.

128 13

Caroline Huseby                b. Oct. 2, 1881    d. Mar. 23, 1966  
m. Albert Stewart              b. Aug. 17, 1871   d. Nov. 21, 1921  
m. Simon Simonson              b. Sept. 6, 1866   d. Feb. 27, 1928

Caroline and Albert lived in Glenwood Township until Albert passed away. Caroline moved to Williston, North Dakota. There she met and married Simonson, who was a farmer.

128 14

August Huseby                 b. Aug. 25, 1883   d. ?  
m. Clara Haakenson             b. Nov. 2, 1881    d. ?

August went with Helmer and Henry Sorenson and Lars Helgeson to homestead in North Dakota. He died in Idaho.

128 15

Helen Huseby                  b. Mar. 8, 1887    d. ?  
m. Emmet Landis                b. Dec. 3, 1884

This couple lived in Williston, North Dakota for awhile. Later they moved to Seattle. Emmet was a carpenter and built a beautiful home in that city.

128 16

Minnie Huseby                 b. May 23, 1888    d. Aug. 1972  
m. Alfred Haakenson            b. Nov. 2, 1881    d. ?

This couple also lived in Williston, North Dakota. Minnie lived her last years in a rest home in that town.

128 17

Anna Huseby                    b. Mar. 4, 1889    d. 1898

128 18

Leonard Huseby                b. July 19, 1893   d. July 4, 1968  
m. Nellie Soblinka             b. July 11, 1900

Lived in Decorah as a child, went to Williston, North Dakota, then moved to Seattle, where he met and married Nellie.

128 19

Clara Huseby                   b. Dec. 10, 1896   d. ?  
m. William Clark

Clara went with her cousin, Minnie Sorenson, to keep house for Henry and Helmer Sorenson at Dunn Center, North Dakota. She married a cook, moved to Williston, North Dakota.

128 1(10)

Grace Louise Huseby      b. Dec. 10, 1896    d. June 1977  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ Jorgenson      b. Feb. 2, 1899

Lived in Decorah for awhile, left and married. Her husband died. Then she married Jorgenson and lived in Williston, North Dakota.

128 1(11)

Anna Matilda (Tilla) Huseby      b. Feb. 2, 1899  
m. John Norris      b. Jan. 7, 1894

Lived in Decorah, went with mother to Williston. Married and moved to Seattle. She still lives there.

#### CHILDREN OF ALBERT AND JULIA (HUSEBY) ROSTVOLD

128 111

Arthur Rostvold      b. Sept. 16, 1913  
m. Frances Kirkbride      b. Aug. 20, 1910

128 112

Johnnie Rostvold      b. Dec. 20, 1920  
m.

#### CHILDREN OF CARL AND HANNAH (HAAKENSON) HUSEBY

128 121

John Henry Huseby      b. Nov. 15, 1905    d. 1976  
m. Alga Marsh      b. Sept. 22, 1917

128 122

Silas Melford Huseby      b. Oct. 12, 1908  
m. Elsie Soholt      b. Oct. 15, 1910

128 123

Gladys Thelma Huseby      b. Feb. 12, 1914  
m. William Yuill      b. June 11, 1911

128 124

June Kristine Huseby      b. June 11, 1917  
m. Oscar Diede      b. Sept. 10, 1916

128 125

Doris Elenore Huseby      b. Aug. 18, 1920

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN AND OLGA (MARSH) HUSEBY

128 121 1

Emma Magdalena Huseby      b. Feb. 4, 1934

128 121 2

Helen Ruth Huseby      b. Sept. 12, 1936

128 121 3

Daniel John Huseby      b. Nov. 6, 1943

128 121 4  
Carol Jean Huseby                      b. Dec. 19, 1945

CHILDREN OF SILAS AND ELSIE (SOHOLT) HUSEBY

128 122 1  
Neil Huseby                              b. Sept. 28, 1931  
m. Mary Callwell                      b. April 17, 1934  
m. Ann Boise                              b.        ?

128 122 2  
Darlene Huseby                              b. Nov. 2, 1935  
m. Duane McNary                              b.        ?

128 122 3  
Allen Huseby                              b. Aug. 17, 1936

128 122 4  
Mary Huseby                              b. Mar. 1, 1943

CHILDREN OF NEIL AND MARY (CALLWELL) HUSEBY

128 122 11  
Richard Huseby                              b.        ?

CHILDREN OF DUANE AND DARLENE (HUSEBY) MCNARY

128 122 21  
Duane McNary

128 122 22  
Ronald McNary

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM AND GLADYS (HUSEBY) YUILL

128 123 1  
William Duane Yuill                              b. Aug. 18, 1936  
m. Madonna Youngreen

128 123 2  
John Albert Yuill                              b. Aug. 31, 1941

CHILDREN OF OSCAR AND JUNE (HUSEBY) DIEDE

128 124 1  
Kay Joy Diede                              b. Aug. 18, 1936

128 124 2  
Sharon Reese Diede                              b. Sept. 23, 1940

128 124 3  
Kenneth Diede b. Nov. 1, 1946

128 124 4  
Christian Diede b. Oct. 27, 1949

CHILDREN OF ALBERT AND CAROLINE (HUSEBY) STEWART

128 131  
Clifford E. Stewart b. Oct. 10, 1902 d. April 28, 1964  
m. Ingeborg Vinger b. Dec. 22, 1909

128 132  
William J. Stewart b. Apr. 10, 1903 d. Aug. 26, 1962  
m. Mabel Semler b. Mar. 16, 1908

128 133  
Violet Stewart b. Mar. 27, 1908  
m. Ludvig Nelson b. Feb. 27, 1901

128 134  
Raymond C. Stewart b. Nov. 5, 1910  
m. Lena Pankowski b. ?  
m. Blanch Urdahl b. Aug. 10, 1924

128 135  
Leo Stewart b. May 22, 1914  
m. May McDonald b. May 13, 1916

128 136  
Leona Stewart b. May 22, 1914 d. July 27, 1954  
m. Melvin Knutson b. Aug. 29, 1907

128 137  
Helen Anna Stewart b. Feb. 23, 1916  
m. Allen Long b. June 9, 1914

CHILDREN OF WILLIAN AND MABEL (SEMLER) STEWART

128 132 1  
William E. Stewart b. Jan. 1, 1931  
m. Sheila Sprigg

128 132 11  
Vanessa Stewart b. Dec. 22, 1954

128 132 12  
Sharon Stewart b. June 12, 1958

128 132 2  
Lois A. Stewart b. June 6, 1934  
m. Edward Bratcher  
m. John Percy

128 132 21	Debra Bratcher	b. April 7, 1955
128 132 22	Steven Bratcher	b. Dec. 24, 1956
128 132 23	Susan Bratcher	b. May 4, 1958
128 132 3	Larry Stewart	b. June 6, 1936
	m. Jerri Blackstock	b. Aug. 6, 1938
	m. Mary Holm	b. Aug. 28, 1944
128 132 31	Mary Stewart	b. Feb. 27, 1969
	(daughter of Larry and Mary)	
128 132 4	Donald Stewart	b. Mar. 31, 1939
	m. Elizabeth Fenster	b. May 22, 1942
128 132 41	Dawn Stewart	b. May 24, 1963
128 132 42	Mark Stewart	b. July 4, 1964
128 132 43	Scott Stewart	b. May 3, 1968
128 132 5	Roger Stewart	b. June 22, 1942
	m. Marilyn Baldner	b. Oct. 31, 1944
128 132 51	James David Stewart	b. Mar. 1964
128 132 52	Jon Edward Stewart	b. Feb. 15, 1966
128 132 53	Sara Lynn Stewart	b. July 9, 1968

#### CHILDREN OF LUDVIG AND VIOLET (STEWART) NELSON

128 133 1	Louise J. Nelson	b. Mar. 27, 1927
	m. Clarence Aldrich	b. Mar. 27, 1917 d. Aug. 1977
	m. Earl Dokken	b. July 22, 1925

Earl Dokken and Louise Nelson were married June 9, 1956, in Glendive, Montana, and have made their home in Ray, N.D. Both are

employees of Northwest Mutual Aid Telephone Corporation at Ray. Earl serves as a combination man and area service man. He has been employed at this job for 24 years. Louise worked for Williams County Mutual Telephone Company at Ray and transferred to employment with Northwest when they purchased the old company. She has been Service Representative for 25 years.

128 133 11

Dayle P. Aldrich

b. Nov. 30, 1950

Dayle Aldrich is a graduate of Ray High School and the State School of Science at Wahpeton, North Dakota, and is employed by Northern Tank Lines as a truck driver.

128 133 12

Janet K. Aldrich  
m. Wesley Johnson

b. Nov. 20, 1951

Janet Aldrich and her family reside at Tioga. She is a graduate of Ray High School, State School of Science at Wahpeton. She is a Licensed Practical Nurse and is employed at the Tioga Clinic and is visiting nurse for the Williams County Social Services. Wesley is employed for R. A. Prather and Sons, a roustabout service in the oil fields.

128 133 121

Heidi Ann Johnson

b. Aug. 22, 1973

128 133 122

Jeremy James Johnson

b. Oct. 20, 1975

128 133 13

LeAnn Rae Dokken

b. April 1, 1957

LeAnn is a graduate of Ray High School and attended University of North Dakota - Williston Center. She is employed at a drug store in Williston.

128 133 2

Marlene J. Nelson  
m. Alfred Norman McCrery  
m. Robert Tinnes

b. Feb. 7, 1931

b. May 15, 1925 d. April 1954

b. d. 1959

Marlene is a graduate of Ray High School and attended Minot State College. Her first husband was killed in a truck accident in 1954. They were living at Glendive, Montana, at the time. Marlene returned to Ray for a few years and then moved back to Glendive where she married Robert Tinnes. He died in 1959. Marlene has worked as a cafe cook and waitress, and as a librarian at the Ray Schools. She is a member of the Ray Lutheran Church and has been a Sunday School teacher for several years.

128 133 21

Lynwood McCrery  
m. Harumi  
m. Juli

b. Dec. 3, 1951

b. d. 1976

b.

Lynwood is in the U.S. Navy and stationed in Rhode Island. His first wife was of Japanese descent. She died of a heart attack. His present wife is from the Philippines.

128 133 22

Stephanie McCrery                      b. May 8, 1954  
m. Larry LaRaque

Stephanie is a medical secretary and is employed at the Clinic of Glasgow, Montana, where she and Larry moved after they were married. Larry is a brakeman for the Burlington-Northern Railroad.

128 133 23

Arlinda McCrery                      b. Nov. 2, 1957  
m. Mark Reger

Mark is an employee of Northern Pipe Line Co., and he and Arlinda expect to be living in Iowa (May 1978).

128 133 3

Marjorie Nelson                      b. March 6, 1933  
m. Dale Anderson                      b. May 22, 1928  
m. Richard Anderson                      b. Dec. 21, 1923

Marjorie and Richard are operators of the S & L Hotel in Williston. Richard was born in Ward County, N.D. He has a daughter and two grandsons by a previous marriage. Marjorie and Dale had seven children.

128 133 31

Jimmy Dale Anderson                      b. July 25, 1954  
m. Beth Fairbanks

Jimmy is in the U.S. Navy and stationed in Hawaii.

128 133 32

Jackie LaVern Anderson                      b. Aug. 13, 1955

Jackie is a service station owner in Minot, N.D.

128 133 33

Jerry Wade Anderson                      b. March 6, 1957

Jerry works and lives in Minot.

128 133 34

Jeffery Mark Anderson                      b. March 13, 1958

Jeffery works and lives in Minot.

128 133 35

Jay Timothy Anderson                      b. April 14, 1959

Jay is in the U.S. Navy.

128 133 36

Jody B. Anderson                      b. May 28, 1960

Jody lives in Minot and attends school.

128 133 37

Jan Caroline Anderson                      b. Jan. 18, 1963

Jan attends Williston High School.

128 133 4

Noral Nelson                      b. Oct. 29, 1937  
m. Margaret J. Ruhlke      b. Sept. 18, 1950

Noral and Margaret live in Ray where Noral is employed as a welder's helper for Air Heaters, Inc. Margaret will graduate this spring (1978) from Minot State College with a degree in Business Administration.

CHILDREN OF RAYMOND AND LENA (PANKOWSKI) STEWART

128 134 1

Fern Louise Stewart              b. March 31, 1933  
m. Ray Colebank

128 134 2

Dorothy L. Stewart              b. Jan. 1, 1935

128 134 3

Robert D. Stewart              b. Feb. 14, 1938

CHILDREN OF RAYMOND AND BLANCHE (URDAHL) STEWART

128 134 4

Joann Stewart  
m.

128 134 5

Judith Stewart  
m.

128 134 6

Gerald Stewart  
m.

128 134 7

Troy Stewart

CHILDREN OF LEO AND MARY (MCDONALD) STEWART

128 135 1

Leslie Lee Stewart              b. May 31, 1941  
m.

128 135 2

David L. Stewart              b. Oct. 20, 1944  
m.

128 135 3

Richard L. Stewart              b. Oct. 13, 1948  
m.



# CHILDREN OF MELVIN AND LEONA (STEWART) KNUTSON

128 136 1  
 Carrol Fay Knutson b. April 19, 1937  
 m. Harry Gress

128 136 2  
 Paul D. Knutson b. Dec. 20, 1942  
 m.  
 m.

## CHILDREN OF ALLEN AND HELEN (STEWART) LONG

128 137 1  
 Shirley Ann Long b. Aug. 19, 1937  
 m. John Martinez b. Feb. 27, 1938

128 137 11  
 Craig Martinez b. Mar. 19, 1956

128 137 2  
 Wilbur A. Long b. Aug. 1, 1938  
 m. June Smith b.  
 m. Patricia Elliot b. Feb. 26, 1940

128 137 21  
 Darla Long b. Mar. 14, 1963  
 (daughter of Wilbur and June)

128 137 22  
 Kevin Long b. Jan. 21, 1961

128 137 23  
 Kristy Long b. Aug. 12, 1963

128 137 24  
 Misty Long b. Aug. 12, 1963

128 137 25  
 Allen Long b. May 5, 1966

128 137 3  
 Daniel Stewart Long b. Aug. 22, 1946  
 m. Judy Howen b. Feb. 23, 1945

128 137 31  
 child (?)

128 137 4  
 Janell Beth Long b. Jan. 13, 1952  
 m. David Larson b.

# DESCENDANTS OF AUGUST AND CLARA (HAAKENSON) HUSEBY

128 141 Raymond Huseby b. Sept. 16, 1915  
m. Delores (?) b.

128 141 1 Peggy Huseby b. Aug. 15, 1949

128 142 Viola Huseby b. Aug. 26, 1917  
m. Elmer Johnson b. Jan. 12, 1908

128 142 1 Gary Johnson b. Sept. 21, 1937

128 142 2 Mary Johnson b. June 8, 1940

128 142 3 Caroline Johnson b. Feb. 25, 1945

128 143 Dora Huseby b. July 24, 1928  
m. John Sorenson b. Nov. 14, 1918

128 144 Hazel Huseby b. May 24, 1924  
m. Oliver Peterson b. Jan. 27, 1922

128 145 Kenneth Huseby b. Dec. 28, 1926

(Note: Huseby line continues on page 46.)

## DESCENDANTS OF JOHN AND MARTHA (SORENSEN) MALLI

128 271 Ivadel Kathryn b. Jan. 18, 1918  
m. Earl Ferguson b. Nov. 18, 1918 d. June 9, 1963

Kathryn went to school for awhile in Iowa. The family moved to Chicago in 1927 where she went to Grammar School, High School, and started Business College. She writes: "Jobs were scarce, but fortunately I got one with the R.D. Donnelly Co. in Chicago where I was trained as a proof-reader. I stayed with that work until World War II when I went to work for the U.S. Army Transportation Corp. There I met Earl Woodrow Ferguson. We were married on Dec. 18, 1943. Earl was a physical education major and a professor at Wright Junior College." Kathryn continued to work in Chicago. She is presently living in Decorah.

128 271 1 Earl William Ferguson b. Dec. 4, 1944 d. June 20, 1966  
Earl attended Joan of Arc Grammar School in Skokie and George H.S. (Evanston, Ill.) and Niles H.S. (Skokie, Ill.) He enlisted in the Army in 1963. There he became ill and passed away.

128 272 Colletta Ann Malli b. d. in infancy

128 274 Leo Malli b. d. in infancy

Gertrude Caroline Malli b. Jan. 24, 1926  
 m. Jules Fretheim  
 m. Floyd Seegmiller

Gertrude tells her story as follows:

"I was born in Decorah, Iowa, and at the early age of one my parents moved to Chicago, Illinois, where my father was manager of Jefferson Ice Co. in Chicago. I attended high school in Chicago. Then I went to work for the National Cash Register Co. in that city. While I was on vacation at Decorah, Iowa, I met a boy from Decorah. He was Jules Fretheim. He and I were married and lived on a farm in Glenwood Township. We had three children, Linda, Martha, and Gary. We all lived on the farm eight years, after which time we decided to end the marriage. The children and I moved to Decorah. A few years later I married Floyd Seegmiller, also of Decorah. A year later Floyd adopted my three children. This is how they now have the name of Seegmiller.

"Floyd served in the Second World War in the Air Force. After the war, he came home to resume his business in construction. He is in sand, gravel, and lime business. He, Linda, and I live on the farm which was my Grandmother Caroline Sorenson's home. The house is about 97 years old. We are having lots of fun restoring it. We live on the Upper Iowa River. It is truly God's Country with a beauty unique to each season.

"My father lives in a rest home in Waukon, and we bring him back to visit often.

"My Grandmother, Caroline Bolson Sorenson, was a wonderful person. She was so sweet, understanding, and loving and we are grateful she picked such a beautiful place to live.

"We thank God for our wonderful children and grandchildren and hope they will enjoy our home for generations.

"In the beginning there is life--this is called birth, and at the end is death. So I have told you of what is in between. Life is like a big house and we go from room to room. When we have gone through all the rooms there are no more. This is what is called death. Then we go on to receive our rewards for what we have or have not done in this house."

Gertrude worked at Luther College in the Post Office for several years.

Linda Ann Seegmiller b. Jan. 27, 1947

Gertrude Malli Seegmiller says of Linda, "She is our oldest whom we call our 'child of love.' Linda is still at home living with us. She attended grade school in Decorah, at which time she became very ill. After her illness she attended the special education school. Linda has brought much love and happiness into our lives."

128 273 2

Martha Kay Seegmiller    b. Sept. 24, 1948  
m. Jim Carlson

Martha was named after her grandmother, Martha Sorenson. She attended grade school and high school in Decorah. She attended Luther College and after graduation she moved to Rochester, Minnesota, where she was employed at Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., and where she is still a service representative. At that time she met a young man from Kenyon, Minnesota, Jim Carlson, whom she married on May 6, 1972. Jim was in the U.S. Army and spent one year in Germany. He is now the manager of the Barbers at Valhalla in Rochester, Minn. They have two children.

128 273 21

Nicole Carlson                      b. Aug. 18, 1974

Nicole's grandmother writes, "I remember Jim (the daddy) called and said, 'It is a girl.' I asked what color hair she had, and Jim didn't think she had any. He went to check and came back to report that it was kind of red. But she had blonde hair and blue eyes. He did know the color of her eyes. When she wanted her grandmother to play with her and was told 'Grandma's getting too old,' Nicole looked at her grandmother and asked, 'When were you new then?'"

128 273 22

Joshua Carlson                      b. Feb. 10, 1978

It is said he had such a set of lungs he could be heard all over the hospital. Grandma Gertrude asks, "Will he some day become a speaker of the House? in Washington?"

128 273 3

Gary Seegmiller                      b. May 2, 1952  
m. Jane Yerhat                      b.

Gary attended school in Decorah and graduated from Decorah High School. During his second year of high school he went to Europe and visited France, Germany, England, and Venice, Italy. He attended college at Rochester, Minnesota. After college he went into the field of medicine. He studied at the Mayo Foundation in Rochester. Meanwhile, he met Jane Yerhat, whom he married on September 19, 1976. Jane was from Austin, Minnesota, graduated from high school in Austin, and later received her degree as a lab technician in Minneapolis, Minnesota, at the Medical Institute there.

Gary and Jane moved to Jacksonville, Florida, where he was in charge of the respiratory department of the University of Jacksonville. A year later they moved back to Chatfield, Minnesota, and Gary went into partnership with his father, Floyd, who will want to retire and wants to pass his business on to Gary so the Seegmiller name will go on in this field.

128 273 31

Jessie Seegmiller

b. April 22, 1977

Jessie was born at 7:22 on a Friday morning. When Gary, his dad, got Jane, his mother, to the delivery room some time after 2:30 a.m., there was Gary without his shoes on. He wasn't nervous, was he?

CHILDREN OF BEN AND AMELIA (SORENSEN) CARLSBORG

128 2(10) 1

Alvida Carlsborg

b. July 27, 1923 d. March 14, 1928

CHILDREN OF LARS AND ANNA (BOLSON) HELGESON

128 31

Claud Helgeson

b. Aug. 17, 1889 d. April 18, 1934

m.

m. Gertrude Johnson

b. March 29, 1900

Claud was baptized and confirmed in the United Norwegian Lutheran Church in Decorah. He attended the Decorah Schools and when he was 17 near the close of 1906 he left high school and enrolled in business college to study bookkeeping and shorthand, which courses were not offered in public schools at that time. He remained in Decorah until June of 1907 until the end of the school year. He then made his way to North Dakota appearing at his parents' home one day late in June, having walked 40 or 45 miles from the railroad at Taylor, N. Dakota. He worked in Dickinson with his father that late summer and in the fall went to Minneapolis, Minn., where he studied bookkeeping some more. (From letter to Susan Helgeson by Laurence Helgeson 1963)

Claud married and entered the service in World War I. His wife died. He lived in Minneapolis and married Gertrude Johnson. He worked in the Augsburg Publishing House there. He lived in Alaska for a time.

128 32

Laurence William

b. Jan. 9, 1895 d. April 24, 1969

m. Gladys Kerr

b. Dec. 5, 1908

Laurence was born on River Street in Decorah, Iowa. he was baptized and confirmed at the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of Decorah. On April 11, 1907, he moved with his parents to North Dakota where he stayed until January 1913 when he went to Minneapolis. Later Laurence lived in California and worked as a supervisor of city playgrounds. Laurence passed away suddenly from a heart attack. They had made a trip to Norway and a trip to Canada, where his wife was from. He was planning another Norway trip but died before he made it.

128 33

Arthur Gjorgen

b. June 10, 1897 d. Feb. 1, 1966

m. Evelyn Espeseth

b. Oct. 16, 1895 d. Sept. 16, 1960

Arthur was born in Decorah in the family home on River Street. He was baptized and confirmed in the United Lutheran Church. On April 11, 1907, he moved with his parents to North Dakota. Seven years later he returned to Decorah when his parents returned to their former home. (From letter by Laurence Helgeson 1963)

He was a jeweler at Soukops Jewelry. Then he had a jewelry store in West Union. He moved to Sioux Falls in 1939 where he opened his own shop, and lived there until he died. He served as custodian for a Lutheran Church in his last years. He and Evelyn were married on May 19, 1937. Arthur was buried in the Decorah Lutheran Cemetery.

(Note: For Children of Claud and Lawrence Helgeson, see pp. 53-54)

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN AND DORA (HUSEBY) SORENSON

128 143 1	Jimmy Sorenson	b. April 1, 1940
128 143 2	Ricky Sorenson	b. July 14, 1944

#### CHILDREN OF OLIVER AND HAZEL (HUSEBY) PETERSON

128 144 1	Dean Peterson	b. Dec. 28, 1943
128 144 2	Ardis Peterson	b. Dec. 5, 1944
128 144 3	Loren Peterson	b. Aug. 17, 1947

#### CHILDREN OF ALFRED AND MINNIE (HUSEBY) HAAKENSEN

128 161	Velma Haakenson m. Sidney Penman	b. Aug. 3, 1904 b. Aug. 26, 1901
128 162	Carl Haakenson m. Elsie Campbell	b. Aug. 21, 1905 b. Jan. 13, 1903
128 163	Edwin Haakenson m. Bernice Hofgengen	b. May 24, 1912 d. April 1971 b. Sept. 27, 1911
128 164	Marian Haakenson m. Paul Fredfrick	b. Nov. 19, 1921 b. Aug. 20, 1922
128 165	Robert Haakenson	b. May 16, 1935

# CHILDREN OF SIDNEY AND VELMA (HAAKENSEN) PENMAN

128 161 1	Sidney Penman	b. July 30, 1924
128 161 2	Richard Penman	b. Jan. 30, 1927
128 161 3	Virginia Penman	b. 1929

# CHILDREN OF EDWIN AND BERNICE (HOFGENGEN) HAAKENSEN

128 163 1	Terence Edwin Haakenson	b. Sept. 10, 1942
128 163 2	Janet Rea Haakenson	b. Oct. 22, 1943
128 163 3	David Alfred Haakenson	b. Feb. 20, 1945

# CHILDREN OF EMMET AND HELEN (HUSEBY) LANDIS

128 151	Esther Landis m. Patrick Delaney	b. April 17, 1906 b. Sept. 20, 1898
128 152	Ruth Landis m. Martin Syverson	b. Dec. 23, 1908 b. Jan. 15, 1908
128 153	Lillian Landis m. Carl Thorstenson	b. March 19, 1913 b. Dec. 19, 1904
128 154	Violet Landis m. Martin Anderson	b. Feb. 3, 1915 b. Mar. 10, 1908
128 155	Marguerite Landis m. Melvin Smith	b. July 18, 1916 b. April 2, 1913
128 156	Ruby Landis m. Robert Forest	b. Sept. 27, 1918 b. June 16, 1917
128 157	Doris Landis m. Roy Skogmo	b. Dec. 5, 1919 b. Feb. 14, 1915
128 158	Emmet Landis m. Charlotte Nillson	b. Jan. 17, 1925 b. Mar. 22, 1926

128 159

Donna Landis  
m. Leo Hill

b. May 26, 1926  
b. May 19, 1926

CHILDREN OF PATRICK AND ESTHER (LANDIS) DELANEY

128 151 1

Larry Delaney

b. Dec. 22, 1922

128 151 2

Thomas Delaney  
m. Midge (?)

b. Sept. 17, 1932  
b. April 9, 1930

128 151 3

Kathleen Delaney

b. July 6, 1933

CHILDREN OF MARTIN AND RUTH (LANDIS) SYVERSON

128 152 1

Sally Syverson

b. June 19, 1937

128 152 2

Stephen Syverson

b. Feb. 6, 1940

128 152 3

Daniel Syverson

b. Jan. 15, 1944

CHILDREN OF CARL AND LILLIAN (LANDIS) THORSTENSON

128 153 1

Margie Thorstenson

b. July 1, 1935

128 153 2

David Thorstenson

b. Mar. 15, 1943

128 153 3

James Thorstenson

b. May 2, 1947

CHILDREN OF MARTIN AND VIOLET (LANDIS) ANDERSON

128 154 1

Jerry Anderson

b. April 28, 1932

128 154 2

Richard Anderson

b. Aug. 2, 1934

128 154 3

Marilyn Anderson

b. Sept. 14, 1936



# CHILDREN OF MELVIN AND MARGUERITE (LANDIS) SMITH

128 155 1 Vivian Smith b. Dec. 4, 1941

128 155 2 Landis Smith b. Aug. 2, 1944

128 155 3 Richard Smith b. Oct. 2, 1946

# CHILDREN OF ROBERT AND RUBY (LANDIS) FOREST

128 156 1 Mary Forest b. Feb. 14, 1940

128 156 2 Michael Forest b. June 2, 1942

128 156 3 Sussane Forest b. Feb. 29, 1944

# CHILDREN OF RAY AND DORIS (LANDIS) SKOGMO

128 157 1 Linda Skogmo b. Feb. 27, 1940

128 157 2 Karen Skogmo b. May 19, 1943

# CHILDREN OF LEE AND DONNA (LANDIS) HILL

128 159 1 Timothy Hill b. May 18, 1949

# CHILDREN OF JOHN AND ANNA (HUSEBY) MORRIS

128 1(11) 1 Donald Morris b. April 24, 1921

m. Lorraine Taylor b. Dec. 28, 1926

128 1(11) 2 Ruth Joan Morris b. Jan. 22, 1933

# CHILDREN OF HANS AND CAROLINE (BOLSON) SORENSON

128 21 Henry Carl Sorenson b. Dec. 31, 1883 d. Sept. 11, 1969

m. Aline Johnson b. July 24, 1882 d. 1967

Henry went to North Dakota near Dunn Center to homestead.

His brother, Helmer, accompanied him and they each proved up a

claim. Henry moved to Portland, Oregon, and worked at the pier. He met and married a widow lady, Aline Johnson, in Portland. The couple lived there until their last years when Henry went to a rest home in Salem and Aline went to live with a daughter in Eugene, Oregon.

128 22

Helmer Sorenson                      b. Dec. 1883              d. Dec. 24, 1961

Helmer moved back to Decorah from North Dakota and lived on the home farm for awhile and worked as a farm hand. Then he lived with Alma and Arthur Brynsaas until he entered the retirement home, the Aase Haugen Home.

128 23

Melvin Sorenson                      b. 1885                      d. 1902

128 24

Alfred Sorenson                      b. Feb. 24, 1887 d. Apr. 20, 1965

Alfred was known as Fred. He served in the First World War in France and then farmed the Sorenson home place in Glenwood Township.

128 25

Minnie Sorenson                      b. Nov. 24, 1888  
m. Joakim Aasen                      b. Sept. 23, 1891 d. May 17, 1975

Minnie went to North Dakota to keep house for her brothers Henry and Helmer who were homesteading out there. Later she went to work for a Mrs. Aasen, met Joakim, the son, and married him in Miles City, Montana, on June 22, 1914. The couple moved to Sidney, Montana in 1922, where the husband worked in the sugar beet factory. Joakim had worked his way on a boat from Norway to New York, then settled in North Dakota and farmed at Dunn Center and Emerson, N. Dakota. The family moved to Portland, Oregon, during the Korean War. Joakim worked in the shipyard. After the war they moved back to Montana, where he did construction work and sugar factory work.

128 26

Hans Otto Sorenson                      b. Feb. 22, 1890 d. May 23, 1927

Otto was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was a member of the United Lutheran Church. He was a farmer and farmed in Iowa, North Dakota, and Washington State. In March of 1926 he left Decorah and went to Dunn Center, N.D., to visit his brother, Henry, and from there he went to Monroe, Washington, where he was taken sick just three days before he died.

128 27

Martha Margaret  
Sorenson                      b. Aug. 8, 1893 d. May 14, 1956  
m. John Malli

Martha worked in Decorah, married John who was from the Decorah area. The couple farmed for awhile in Winneshiek County. Later they moved to Chicago.

(Note: Children of Martha (Sorenson) and John Malli  
out of order. Please refer to Pages 42-45)

128 28

Cornelia Sorenson                      b. Mar. 3, 1895 d. Dec. 22, 1919  
m. Alfred Rosendahl                      b. Mar. 2, 1966

Cornelia worked in the Decorah area, married, and moved to a farm in Glenwood Township. She died in child birth.

128 29

Walter Christian                      b. 1897                      d. 1940

Walter never married. He lived most of his life on the home place. He did attend school for awhile in Detroit, Michigan.

128 2(10)

Amelia Sorenson                      b. Feb. 24, 1898  
m. Ben Carlsborg                      b. June 4, 1896 d. Aug. 1, 1953

Amelia lived in Decorah, married Ben, and moved to Chicago where they lived for a number of years.

128 2(11)

Alvin Sorenson                      b. May 6, 1900                      d. 1901

Alvin died of pneumonia at 18 months of age.

128 2(12)

Alma Alice                      b. May 6, 1900  
m. Arthur Brynsaas                      b. July 6, 1905

Alma was Alvin's twin. She grew up on the farm, attended rural school, and taught country school. She married Arthur and they went to live in Charles City where Arthur worked at the Oliver Tractor factory. Later they moved back to Decorah and farmed in Winneshiek County. Alma has been active in the community, serving as county chairman for the Extension Service and the Farm Bureau, as cancer chairman and member of the Cancer Board from its beginning until 1976. She served in Decorah Lutheran Church in many capacities. She was president of the Ladies Aid, the first secretary of the congregation, a Bible Study leader every year since that program was initiated. Alma and Arthur retired from the farm in 1969 and moved to the Porter House Museum on Broadway in Decorah where they served as caretakers. They bought a house on West Main later where they now live. Arthur served for awhile as caretaker at the Decorah Campground and enjoyed meeting people from all over, as they stayed at the camp site.

128 2(13)

Emma Sorenson                      b. Mar. 20, 1902

Emma lived at home and cared for her mother until she died. Then she worked for several families in the area and at the Winneshiek Hotel and at the Aase Haugen Home. She is now retired and lives in Decorah.

CHILDREN OF JOAKIM AND MINNIE (SORENSEN) AASEN

128 251

Selma Melvina Jeanette Aasen    b. Nov. 22, 1914  
d. March 1933  
m. Roy Knudson

Selma was married in North Dakota on May 20, 1932, and died less than a year later. She was born at Decorah, Iowa.

128 252

Cora Hansina Amanda Aasen    b. Nov. 21, 1916  
m. Robert Caryl Sharbono    b. Aug. 3, 1916

This couple live at Sidney, Montana. They ran a cafe. Cora was born at Dunn Center, N.D. on Uncle Henry Sorenson's homestead. She and Robert were married on August 14, 1937. Robert was born at Gettsburg, Mont. Robert (Bob) was born on his father's homestead and Cora and he farmed most of his life. He worked in shipyards as a welder during the Korean War and then went back to farming. Then for seven years he was a bar owner until health problems made it necessary to quit.

128 253

Andrew Severine Aasen    b. Mar. 1, 1929  
m. Deliah Austin    b. July 2, 1932

He grew up in Montana, where he worked in the sugar works. He moved to Salem, Oregon, where he is a building contractor. He and Del were married September 17, 1945. Andrew joined the Army soon after graduating from high school. He served three years in Texas and was discharged. He served his active service time in the National Guard, during which time he took up carpentry apprentice under the G.I. bill. He then got a Journeyman's Card and became a first class carpenter and cabinet maker and has done that kind of work ever since. Andrew and Del have dissolved their marriage.

CHILDREN OF ROBERT AND CORA (AASEN) SHARBONO

128 252 1

Robert Dale Sharbono    b. May 20, 1938  
m. Sharon Hazenphag    b. Sept. 15, 1943

Robert served in the Air Force for four years 1955 to 1959 in Texas and in the National Guard until his active service time was in. Since then he has done a number of different kinds of work, mostly construction work, work in oil fields, and mostly driving truck.

128 252 11

Jay Dean Sharbono    b. Jan. 1, 1961

128 252 12

Angela Kay Sharbono    b. May 11, 1965

# CHILDREN OF ANDREW AND DEL (AUSTIN) AASEN

128 253 1

Gerald Duane Aasen b. May 6, 1947

Born at Thompson Falls, Montana. Gerald (Jerry) is in Portland, Oregon, working for the State Highway Department. He has worked on remodeling a house there.

128 253 2

Dallas Virginia Aasen b. Oct. 12, 1949

m.

3

m. Bill \_\_\_\_\_

Dallas was born in Thompson Falls, Montana. She worked for a time at the Salem (Oregon) Police Department. Her husband, Bill, works for the Fire Department in North Bend, a 4-hour drive from Salem.

128 253 3

Julie Ann Aasen b. Oct. 11, 1952

m. Rudi \_\_\_\_\_

Julie was married in August of 1977. Julie works for an attorney's office in Salem, and Rudi works at the State Hospital in Salem. He would like to become a doctor and is taking night classes toward that goal. He will eventually quit work and go back to school full time.

128 253 4

Lisa Marie Aasen b. Dec. 3, 1961

Lisa completed high school in the spring of 1978. She participated in gymnastics and in dance and drill team called the Saxonette. In the summer of 1977 she worked for the Family Court Juvenile System. She hopes to go to college.

## CHILDREN OF CLAUD AND GERTRUDE (JOHNSON) HELGESON

128 311

Claud Leonard b. Mar. 3, 1923

m. Rita \_\_\_\_\_ b. d.

128 312

Robert Maurice b. April 26, 1925

m. Jean Foote b. July 4, 1924

128 313

Susan Jan b. Jan. 30, 1928

m.

## CHILDREN OF LAWRENCE AND GLADYS (KERR) HELGESON

128 321

Margaret Joanne b. Dec. 17, 1943

m. Lane Peterson

128 321 1      Ross Own Peterson      b. 1966

128 321 2      Janine Lee Peterson      b. Aug. 16, 1968

128 322      Robert Lawrence      b. Mar. 12, 1945  
                  m. Karen

128 322 1      Cindy Helgeson      b.

128 322 2      Robert David Helgeson      b. May 18, 1968

128 323      Eric George      b. June 14, 1946  
                  m. Elizabeth Ann Hanson      b.

#### CHILDREN OF PAUL AND PAULINE (BOLSON) HARRIS

128 41      Elizabeth Harris      b. Nov. 14, 1887      d. Mar. 23, 1919  
                  m. Walter Medley      b. July 5, 1889      d. May 16, 1924  
     Both are buried in Graceland Cemetery, Cameron, Mo. Elizabeth  
     was a teacher. Died of the flu in 1919.

128 42      Blanche Martha Harris      b. Jan. 25, 1889      d. Sept. 2, 1974  
     Buried in Winston, Mo. Cemetery. She helped her mother raise  
     Elizabeth's three children.

128 43      Myrtle Lena Harris      b. July 21, 1891      d. Jan. 7, 1972  
                  m. Elliot Bell      b. Aug. 5, 1884      d. May 19, 1964  
     Both buried in Winston Mo. Cemetery. She was a teacher before  
     her marriage and during World War I while Elliot was in service.

128 44      Bessie Anna Harris      b. Jan. 12, 1893      d. Oct. 13, 1953  
                  m. Edwin Grieve      b. Nov. 18, 1892  
     Edwin lives in Cameron, at 506 S. Chestnut, Zip 64429

128 45      Mabel Lennetta Harris      b. Aug. 10, 1895      d. June 30, 1975  
                  m. John O'Connor      b. Nov. 8, 1883      d. Oct. 28, 1958

Mabel was born in Maywood, Illinois, but came to Missouri as an infant. Mabel attended the Kidder Institute and became a teacher. She married John O'Connor in 1920. They had one son and three daughters. John and Mabel were farmers, democrats, Catholic, hard-working, and fun-loving. Upon John's death in 1958, Mabel moved to Kidder, Mo., and enriched the lives of her 12 grandchildren. Mabel died at the age of 79 years and was buried at Hamilton, Mo.

# DESCENDANTS OF ELIZABETH (HARRIS) AND WALTER MEDLEY

128 411

William Paul Medley      b. Aug. 8, 1912  
m. Mildred Shunds      b. Aug. 29, 1920

128 412

Iva Mae Medley      b. Sept. 1, 1913

Iva Mae was born in Davies County, Missouri. She graduated from Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, Mo., with a B.S. Education. She is a retired teacher.

128 413

Lois Elizabeth Medley      b. Dec. 27, 1914  
m. Kenneth Curtis      b. May 29, 1915

Lois was born in Davies County, Missouri. She attended college at Northwest Missouri State University at Maryville. She was a teacher for some years. She and her husband are engaged in a farming operation together with their three sons in DeKalb County. They are all affiliated with the First Christian Church at Cameron.

128 411 1

Nancy Mae Medley      b. April 25, 1951  
m. Bruce Bridgman

128 411 11

Thad Eugene      b. Aug. 9, 1972

128 411 2

Martha Elizabeth Medley      b. Dec. 18, 1953  
m. Dick Proult

128 413 1

William Kent Curtis      b. July 30, 1947

William, graduated from Cameron High School, in 1965, and went to Central Missouri State University at Warrensburg for three years. Then he went into the Army for two years. He is now farming with his dad and two brothers. He is very interested in sports and very active in the American Legion.

128 413 2

David Lynn Curtis      b. Feb. 11, 1952

David (Dave) graduated from Cameron High School in 1970 and went to Colorado State University. He graduated with a degree in Agriculture in 1975. He is active in Young Farmers Organization and other agriculturally related affairs. He farms with his dad and brothers.

128 413 3

Max Allen Curtis      b. Jan. 28, 1955

Max graduated from Cameron High School in 1973. He attended Missouri University at Columbia and graduated with a degree in Agriculture in 1977. He was on the livestock judging team of the University in 1976.

DESCENDANTS OF EDWIN AND BESSIE (HARRIS) GRIEVE

128 441

Vera Eleanor Grieve b. April 16, 1919  
m. Joseph Adams b. Aug. 29, 1916

Vera was born in Davies County, Missouri. She graduated from the University of Missouri, in Columbia, Mo., with a B.S. in Home Economics. She was employed in the Home Economics field before marriage on March 15, 1947, in Boone City, Mo. Her husband, Joseph, was born in Jackson County, Mo. He is a graduate of the University of Missouri also and has his M.S. in Agriculture. He is an Agronomy and Horticulture Specialist with the University Extension Division. He is a board member of the Booneville Methodist Church. Vera is the office secretary of the church, as well as secretary of its official board.

128 442

Dorothy Aleene Grieve b. March 23, 1922  
m. Victor Sheldon b. Sept. 24, 1921

Dorothy was born in Davies County, Missouri. She graduated from the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., with a B.S. degree in Home Economics. Before her marriage, she worked in Home Economics Research Division of Swift and Co. in Chicago. In August of 1946 she married Victor in Jackson County, Mo. Victor is a graduate of the University of Missouri also and has a Ph.D. in Agriculture. He is a professor at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Ill. As an agricultural specialist for Esso Oil Co., he and his family lived in Pakistan in 1968-70. During the summer of 1978 Dr. and Dorothy are tour conductors for Western Illinois University European Agriculture Field Study Tour. They live at 221 Wood Chuck Lane, Macomb, Ill. 61455

128 442 1

Linda Carol Sheldon b. Oct. 17, 1948  
m. James Cox b. Nov. 28, 1949

Linda was born in Boone County, Missouri. She is a student at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., and graduates in August of 1978 with a B.S. in Home Economics. She married James, who was from Bergen City, New Jersey. Their address is E-2 Country Aire Mobil Manor, Route 4, Macomb, Ill. 61455

128 442 11

Kristin Michelle Cox b. Jan. 27, 1971

Kristin was born in Boone County, Missouri.

128 442 2

Victor Lawrence Sheldon b. May 19, 1951  
m. Jewell Everett b. Mar. 13, 1950

Victor was born in Boone County, Missouri. He is a graduate of Purdue University, W. Lafayette, Indiana, with a B.S. in Engineering. He was a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in Germany and returned to the states in December of 1977. He is employed by Catapillar Co. in Peoria, Ill. His wife, Jewell, was born in Porter City, Indiana. She is a graduate of Purdue also. She has a B.S. Education and was a civilian instructor on Army Base in Germany. The couple live at 1624 North Santa Fe, Chillicothe, Ill. 61523.



128 442 21

Victor Bruce Sheldon II b. May 1, 1977

Victor was born in Germany where his father was in the Army.

128 442 3

Robert Lee Sheldon b. Dec. 14, 1957

Robert was born in St. Louis County, Missouri. He is a student at Western Illinois University at Macomb.

128 442 4

Marilyn Sue Sheldon b. June 30, 1961

Marilyn was born in St. Louis County, Missouri.

#### CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND VERA (GRIEVE) ADAMS

128 441 1

Joyce Anne Adams b. Feb. 7, 1954

m. Charles Lee Burner b. Feb. 4, 1955

Joyce was born in Jackson County, Missouri. She graduated from Booneville High School where she was a finalist in the Merit Scholarship Competition. She is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, Mo., with a B.S. in Education. She has taught but is presently a librarian in Junior High in Spring Hill, Kansas. She finds library work more to her liking--no homework and less discipline problems. She married Charles on June 11, 1977, in Cooper County, Missouri. He is a graduate from the same University with a B.A. degree. He is educated in Graphic Art and is a process artist employed at Hallmark Card Co. in Kansas City, Mo. They live at 209 South Pine Street, Olathe, Kansas 66061.

128 441 2

Mark Charles Adams b. Sept. 7, 1958

Mark was born in Barry County, Missouri. He is a student at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo., and lives at 1009 Pendleton, Booneville, Mo. 65233 with his parents.

#### DESCENDANTS OF MABEL (HARRIS) AND JOHN O'CONNOR

128 451

John James O'Connor b. Sept. 6, 1922

m. Pauline Alden b. July 28, 1921

d. May 11, 1961

m. Donna Springstube b. Sept. 11, 1921

John was born in Davies County, Missouri and lives at Independence, Mo. 64050. He served in the U.S. Army. He and Pauline had two children, Neal and Connie. Pauline died while the children were small. Jim married Donna, and they live at 16100 Sea, Independence, Mo. 64050. Jim is in the sheet metal business.

128 452

Helen Pauline O'Connor b. Dec. 14, 1923  
m. Herbert Williams b. Oct. 30, 1920

Helen was born in Davies County. They live at 7406 East 109th Street, Kansas City, Mo. They are members of the Ruskin Heights Lutheran Church. Herb is in finance and insurance for an automobile company. Helen works in real estate.

128 453

Mildred Nadine O'Connor b. March 31, 1928  
m. Earl Baker b. Sept. 21, 1928  
d. Jan. 7, 1962  
m. Murl Gentry b. Nov. 21, 1927

Mildred was born in Davies County, Missouri. She and Earl had five children. Earl died and Mildred married Murl Gentry who is in the automobile business. They live in Hamilton, Mo.

128 454

Norma Ruth O'Connor b. Oct. 24, 1930  
m. Robert Harpster b. April 28, 1928

Norma was born in Davies County, Missouri. Her husband Robert (Bob) is a retired military officer. They live at 904 Anderson, Warrensburg, Mo.

#### CHILDREN OF JOHN AND PAULINE (ALDEN) O'CONNOR

128 451 1

James Neal O'Connor b. Jan. 28, 1951  
m. Patricia Antle

Jim followed in his father's line of business, sheet metal work. He and Patricia live in Independence, Missouri.

128 451 2

Connie Lue O'Connor b. Feb. 9, 1956

Connie is a florist and a student at University of Missouri in Independence, Mo.

#### CHILDREN OF HERBERT AND HELEN (O'CONNOR) WILLIAMS

128 452 1

Janet Elizabeth Williams b. Aug. 9, 1951

Janet was born in Jackson County, Missouri. She is a graduate of Southwest Missouri State University at Springfield, Missouri. She has a B.S. in Home Economics. She works in dietary purchasing department of St. Lukes Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

128 452 2

John Herbert Williams      b. May 11, 1954

John was born in Jackson County, Missouri. He is director of Christian Education in St. Peters Lutheran Church in Afton, Minnesota. This year (1978) he is one of a group of gospel singers presently on tour sponsored by the Missouri Synod Lutheran. The group is called "Brethern." It was formerly known as "Friends."

CHILDREN OF EARL AND MILDRED (O'CONNOR) BAKER

128 453 1

Stephen Earl Baker      b. Oct. 25, 1950

Steve served in the Army and was wounded in Viet Nam. He lives in Cameron, Mo.

128 453 2

James Dale Baker      b. April 30, 1951  
m. Marilyn Snyder      b. Jan. 1, 1958

Jim served in the Army. He and Marilyn live at St. Joseph, Mo.

128 453 3

Karen Ann Baker      b. April 1953  
m. Thomas Price

Karen and Thomas live in Cameron, Mo.

128 453 31

Katee Elaine      b. May 4, 1973

128 453 4

Thomas Joseph Baker      b. Oct. 18, 1956

Thomas lives in Hamilton, Mo.

128 453 5

Donald Eugene Baker      b. April 17, 1958

Don lives in Hamilton, Mo.

CHILDREN OF ROBERT AND NORMA (O'CONNOR) HARPSTER

128 454 1

Julia Ann Harpster      b. July 2, 1954

Julia is a medical technologist at Research Hospital in Kansas City, Mo.

128 454 2

Gary Conrad Harpster      b. Aug. 9, 1956

Gary is an accountant with Arthur Anderson Co. in Kansas City, Missouri.

128 454 3

Douglas James Harpster b. May 1958

Doug is a student at Central Missouri State University.

#### DESCENDANTS OF JOHN BOLSON

128 51

Myrtle Clarissa Bolson b. Jan. 20, 1896

d. Dec. 17, 1977

Myrtle was born in Winneshiek County, Glenwood Township, attended the Bolson School District #8. The story is told that she and her cousin, Lawrence Bolson, decided one day to play hooky from school so they played all day up until 2:00 in the corn field, ate their school lunch from their pails, and went home arriving long before the hour for school to let out. This was the give away, and the two children received appropriate punishment.

As a young woman, Myrtle worked at the Aase Haugen Home when it was first built, and she worked for Pastor Schmidt, who managed the Home. She also worked for the Meritol Drug Factory which was in its day located behind the Rosenthal Store, now the site of the People's Natural Gas Co. She lived for several years in Williston, North Dakota, where she worked as a seamstress in the Williston Steam Laundry. Myrtle moved to Minneapolis and worked at making custom drapery. In 1939 she attended the Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis. She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the same city. When she became old and began to realize she could no longer live alone, she inquired about entering the Aase Haugen Home, but it had been closed. She went to the Ebenezer Home, where she lived until her final illness. She was buried in the Canoe Ridge Cemetery near Decorah, Iowa.

128 52

Clarence Herbert Bolson b. Aug. 21, 1897

d. Oct. 26, 1897

Clarence was baptized on October 3, 1897, and died just 9 weeks later from a seige of diptheria. He is buried in Glenwood Lutheran Cemetery.

128 53

Hilda Cornelia Bolson b. Aug. 25, 1898

m. Iver Spilde b. July 8, 1900

Hilda was born at home in Glenwood Township. She attended the Bolson School, District #8. She went to Valder Normal School and taught school for nine years in Winneshiek Township. She taught the Nordness School south of Decorah, Iowa, and met Iver, who grew up in the Nordness-Washington Prairie area. They were married on December 17, 1924, and farmed in Springfield Township until 1963 when they purchased a home on Leif Erikson Drive, Decorah, where they are still living. Iver worked at the Decorah Retirement Center for eleven years after he left the farm. He is now retired.

128 531

Vernon Lester Spilde      b. Feb. 12, 1926  
m. Kathryn Hovey      b. Dec. 27, 1930

Vernon was born in Decorah Hospital, lived in Springfield Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa, during his youth. He was baptized and confirmed in the Washington Prairie Church, attended rural school and graduated from Decorah High School in 1944. He was active in 4-H work, served as a leader in that organization and became a youth assistant under E. J. Weigle, who was for many years the County Extension Director in Winneshiek County. Vernon sold Farm Bureau Insurance. He worked on the Aase Haugen Home dairy farm. He worked for Farm Service and was later employed on the Luther College farm and later became manager of the farm and has served in that capacity for many years. He married Kathryn Hovey on April 18, 1950, at Orleans Lutheran Church. She came from Orleans Township, graduated from Cresco High School. She worked for the Decorah Newspapers before her marriage and has held a number of office positions since, including the last nine years with John S. Sproatt.

128 531 1

Cheryl Wanda Spilde      b. July 6, 1951

Cheryl was born in Decorah and educated in the Decorah School System, graduated from High School and from Luther College. She was a social worker at Milaca, Minnesota, until September of 1976 when she went to the University of Minnesota to work on her Masters in Social Work.

128 531 2

Linda Spilde      b. Sept. 14, 1952  
d. Sept. 15, 1952

This child was baptized by her nurse, Christine Hoyme, at the Decorah Hospital.

128 531 3

Craig Alan Spilde      b. Aug. 21, 1954  
m. Jeanette Nelson      b. Dec. 28, 1953

Craig was born in Decorah, educated in the Decorah School System, and graduated from Luther where he met Jeanette. They were married on August 23, 1975. The couple live in Decorah. Craig is employed at the Post Office, and Jeanette is a part-time teacher in the Decorah Schools where she teaches orchestra. Craig has been active in 4-H work and assists with work on the Luther College farm.

128 531

Corinne Lois Spilde      b. Nov. 30, 1958

Corrine was born in Decorah, Iowa, attended the Decorah Schools, graduated from High School, attended Luther College, and is now in Elkader working as a nurse's aide. She was very active in 4-H work, in choir, and served as President of Luther League at Washington Prairie Church.

128 531 5

Diane Kathryn Spilde      b. Mar. 15, 1961

Diane was born in Decorah and is a junior in High School (1978). She is active in 4-H work and President of Luther League at Washington Prairie.

128 532

Roger Harlan Spilde      b. Oct. 8, 1929  
m. Barbara Nesset      b. Dec. 7, 1934

Roger was born at the Decorah Hospital, grew up on a farm in Springfield Township, attended school in the Village of Nordness, and graduated from Decorah High School. He attended Luther College a year before going into the army. He spent most of the time in service in Germany. Afterward he returned to Luther College and graduated. Barbara came from Clear Lake, Iowa, and also attended Luther. They were married on June 19, 1955, and were both graduated from Luther the next year. The couple moved to Iowa City for two years where Roger graduated from the State University of Iowa, getting his Masters Degree in Economics and Business Administration. Roger and Barbara moved to Moorhead, Minnesota, where Roger teaches at Concordia College. Barbara is very active in 4-H work and in Sunday School. She is a fine seamstress and a clarinet player.

128 532 1

Kristi Marie Spilde      b. Oct. 13, 1958

Kristi was born in Fargo, N.D. She was very active in 4-H. She attends Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. She is very active in music. She went to Rumania with her High School string ensemble in which she played cello. She sings in choir and plays piano and organ in her church.

128 532 2

Peter John Spilde      b. Dec. 13, 1961

Peter was born in Iowa City, while his father was taking advanced studies at the University. He has been active in 4-H and in Boy Scouting. He has studied piano and is very interested in photography. He has his own dark room and takes pictures at weddings.

128 532 3

Erik Karl Spilde      b. July 16, 1963

Erik was born in Fargo, N.D. He studies piano and french horn. He is in 4-H.

128 532 4

Paul Iver Spilde      b. June 21, 1966  
Paul was born in Fargo, N.D. He is active in 4-H.

128 532 5

Karen Marie Spilde      b. Aug. 19, 1970  
Karen was born at Fargo, N.D.

128 54

Lina Alice Bolson  
m. Elmer Kimber

b. Aug. 16, 1900  
b. Sept. 3, 1894  
d. Oct. 1946

Alice was born in Winneshiek County and graduated in the rural school. She attended Valder Normal School in Decorah and Upper Iowa University at Fayette, Iowa. She taught in the county for a number of years. She married Elmer, also a native of Winneshiek County in the spring of 1924. Elmer was a World War Veteran. The couple farmed in Pleasant Township and later in Burr Oak Township where they later bought a small farm.

Alice, along with her brothers and sisters, all attended the Bolson School District #8 through the eighth grade. They all attended Canoe Ridge Church, went to church summer school, and were confirmed there. Alice recalls how Pastor Scarvie would conduct Sunday School. He would have the older children of the congregation line up in the aisles and then he would ask them questions from the lesson he had assigned the week before. After Pastor Scarvie's death, they had regular Sunday School.

Elmer served two years in World War I, from April 1918 to the 12th of June, 1919, when he was honorably discharged. He was wounded by a bullet in the right hip on September 1, 1918, in Battle A.E.T. St. Michael Front. He was a member of Burr Oak Lutheran Church, where the whole family has been members since the church began in 1928. Elmer belonged to the V.F.W. He passed away at home from a heart attack on October 30, 1946.

128 541

Charles Miller Kimber  
m. Alice Muchow

b. Sept. 6, 1925  
b. May 25, 1936

Charles attended rural school and graduated from Canton Minnesota High School in 1945. He and Alice were married in 1954. Alice attended rural school and Ossian High School. They have been farming. They are members of Burr Oak Lutheran Church.

128 541 1

Debra Jean Kimber  
m. Michael Moore

b. Jan. 14, 1955  
b. April 4, 1956

Debra was baptized and confirmed in Burr Oak Lutheran Church. She attended North Winneshiek School. She taught in Sunday School and Vacation School. She graduated as valedictorian of her class in North Winneshiek High in Class of 1973. She went to University of Northern Iowa at Cedar Falls one year. She worked during summer vacation in Walker, Minnesota, at a factory in Spring Grove, Minnesota, and one year in Decorah. She was married in Burr Oak Lutheran on August 17, 1974, to Michael, who came from Lanesboro, Minnesota, where he was foreman of Lanesboro Produce. He attended rural school and high school. They now live in St. Charles, Minnesota.

128 541 11

Christopher Michael Moore b. Nov. 26, 1975

128 541 2

Barbara Ann Kimber                      b. June 29, 1956

Barbara attended rural school until the school was closed by consolidation. She finished grade school and high school at North Winneshiek in 1974. She worked for two years in Minneapolis and then in 1977 completed cosmetology training at Austin Area Vocational-Technical Institute. She is currently employed at J.C. Penny Beauty Salon at Apache Mall in Rochester, Minnesota. She was in band and active in 4-H.

128 541 3

Loren Irvin Kimber                      b. June 5, 1957

Loren graduated from North Winneshiek High School in 1975 and since then has been working in a factory at Decorah and helping with the farm work. He is very interested in farm work. He was active in sports and Future Farmers of America.

128 541 4

Steven Kimber                              b. Feb. 15, 1959

Steven attended North Winneshiek High School and graduated in 1977. He is a construction and service man for Mabel Lumber Co. of Mabel, Minnesota. He helps with farm work in his spare time. He was active in sports in school and in F.F.A.

128 541 5

Alvin Dean Kimber                      b. Mar. 25, 1960

Alvin is a student at North Winneshiek and graduates in the spring of 1978. He is interested in sports, in farming, and in mechanics.

128 541 6

Linda Marie Kimber                      b. Nov. 18, 1961

Linda is a student at North Winneshiek currently (1978) is in 10th grade. She is on the Honor Roll, is active in band, in basketball, and in 4-H. She does babysitting and helps at home.

128 542

Irvin John Kimber                      b. Sept. 22, 1928

Irvin was born in Hesper Township. At the age of 6 he started school in Burr Oak District #6 where he finished eighth grade. He had one year at Canton High School. He was inducted into the army during the Korean War on December 12, 1950. He got his basic training at Camp McCoy in Wisconsin and was then transferred to Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He received an honorable discharge on December 13, 1952. Since then he has been farming on the home farm and doing custom work and helping others with farm work.



128 55

Walter Gaven Bolson            b. Nov. 12, 1902  
m. Ida Petronella Spilde       b. April 13, 1906

Walter was born in Decorah and baptized on January 11, 1903. He was confirmed at Canoe Ridge Church northeast of Decorah, Iowa. Prior to 1936 he worked on bridge construction, working on West Decorah Bridge and the Bolson Bridge in Glenwood Township. It was about 1927 when they worked on the Bolson Bridge. Workers lived that winter in unheated tents at the site. Only the cook tent was heated. On August 8, 1936, he married Ida at Washington Prairie Church. Ida attended school at Nordness, Iowa, graduated from Decorah High School, and attended Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa. She taught for several years in one school at Bode, Iowa, and some of the rural schools in Winneshiek County.

Walter and Ida moved to Minneapolis in 1936 where he worked at Minneapolis Moline until 1948. Then the family moved to a small farm near Beldenville, Wisconsin. Walter retired a few years ago and lives one-half mile from the farm. He works part time at the Farmers Union in Ellsworth, Wisconsin. His address is Route 1 Beldenville, Wis. 54003.

Ida had poor health for several years due to heart trouble. She died April 3, 1957, at the hospital in Red Wing, Minnesota, and is buried at South Rush River Lutheran Cemetery, Beldenville, Wisconsin.

128 551

Keith Ernest Bolson            b. Sept. 11, 1937    d. Mar. 4, 1944

128 552

Duane Russell Bolson           b. Dec. 31, 1939  
m. Mary Ann Ogawa              b. Mar. 1942

Duane was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and baptized in 1940. He was confirmed at South Rush River Lutheran Church, Beldenville, Wisconsin, in May 1954. He received his B.A. Degree from Luther College in 1963. He taught at Kimberly, Wis. for two years and then went to the Philippines on a Peace Corps Assignment from 1965-67. Then he taught at the elementary level at military dependents schools in the Philippines, in Germany, and since 1970 at the Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines. He has attained his Masters Degree.

Duane and Mary Ann were married on August 16, 1970, at Honolulu. Mary Ann was born in that city in March of 1942. She has many interests and talents, including orchestra (violin) and dance (ballet). She has traveled quite a bit. She met Duane in Germany where they were both teaching. She earned her B.A. in Hawaii and is currently working on her M.A. Their address is PSC #1, Box 4396, APO San Francisco 96286.

128 552 1

Laurie Ida Bolson               b. Aug. 18, 1972

Laurie has a great opportunity to travel since she lives in

the Philippines. She has been to Hawaii and to parts of the U.S.A. several times, as well as to Japan.

128 553

Joane Eileen Bolson      b. Nov. 7, 1942 d. May 26, 1947

128 554

Janice Elaine Bolson      b. Nov. 7, 1942  
m. John Myron Holte      b. April 16, 1943

Janice was born in Minneapolis, and baptized at home on November 22, 1942, because of bad weather and because she and her twin sister were so small. Janice was 5 when she moved with her parents to Beldenville, Wisconsin, where she was raised. She was confirmed on May 7, 1956. She graduated from Ellsworth, Wisconsin High School in 1961. She attended Luther College for three semesters and then transferred to the University of Wisconsin in Madison where she got her B.A. in 1965. Janice worked as a social worker for eight years (four years in Madison, one year in Rock Island, Illinois, and three more years in Madison). Janice and John were married at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Beldenville, on December 22, 1968. John was born in Devil's Lake, North Dakota, where his father was a Lutheran pastor. John was baptized in June of 1943 in North Dakota and confirmed in 1958. His family moved several times, as the father served various parishes.

Since their marriage they have lived in Madison, Wis., Rock Island, Ill., where John taught in Augustana College, in Albany, N.Y., where John taught at R.P.I. in Troy, N.Y., and now they live at St. Peters, Minn., where John teaches at Gustavus Adolphus College.

John received his B.S. at California Institute of Technology, his M.S. and Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin, in Madison. His field is mathematics.

Janice tells of their experiences on their wedding day as follows:

"The worst blizzard of the year closed down everything. Church was canceled, roads were blocked, and our wedding was postponed 3 hours while local farmers plowed us out. My brother had come from Germany and had reached Milwaukee only to be snow bound. He eventually did make it to Minneapolis and then rode with my uncle to our church. My dad had gone to the Minneapolis airport to meet Duane at 6 a.m. and it took him 6 hours to drive back (60 miles). John's family had all come from the West Coast the day before so they were at least present. I was the last person to be plowed out and arrived at church in blue jeans to find everyone else (all 30 guests) sitting waiting for me. To make matters more interesting, John and I both had the Hong Kong flu - temperatures of 102 degrees and 103 degrees. So we didn't look or feel too great. At the reception (food enough for 200!) which lasted only 15 minutes, (everyone wanted to get home because of the weather) we had just time to give a present to everyone who kissed the bride. The present? -- the Hong Kong flu!

128 554 1

Rebecca Lynn Bolson      b. Jan. 21, 1973

Rebecca has the distinction of living in 5 different homes in 3 states by the age of 4. Her parents hope to stay put for awhile. Becky has had 2 years of nursery school and will be in kindergarten this fall (1978).

128 56

Alfred John Bolson      b. June 18, 1908  
m. Evelyn Wolby      b. Jan. 16, 1909

Lived in Minneapolis. Retired in 1971 in Arkansas, where he lives next to Beaver Lake near Springdale, Arkansas. Their address is: Box 336, Route 2, Lowell, Arkansas 72745.

128 561

Gloria Lavonne Bolson      b. May 8, 1933  
m. John Steenberg      b. Sept. 3, 1928

Gloria lives at 5625 - 34th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55406. She and John are separated.

128 561 1

Mark John Steenberg      b. Dec. 24, 1960

12 8 561 2

Susan LaVonne Steenberg b. Feb. 25, 1963

128 562

Beverly Joyce Bolson      b. May 30, 1934  
m. Earl Wohl      b.

Beverly and Earl were married on July 19, 1953. They live at Route 2, Box 333, Lowell, Arkansas 72745.

128 562 1

Kevin Earl Wohl      b. April 22, 1954

128 562 2

Kimberly Joyce Wohl      b. Sept. 18, 1959

128 562 3

Michael Donald Wohl      b. Feb. 12, 1962

128 563

Roger Kenneth Bolson      b. July 18, 1935  
m. Ruth Corrine Bakken      b. Oct. 30, 1936

Roger is said to have been born in a taxi-cab at Seven Corners in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He graduated from Vocational High School in 1954. Roger and Ruth met at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They were married in this church on April 4, 1959. They are still members in this same church. They both attended Augsburg College in Minneapolis for a year. Roger graduated from the Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis in 1960.

Roger works in Supervision in Machine and Tool Shop, which is now specializing in the manufacture of machines which, in turn, manufactures Formica countertops. Both Roger and Ruth worked in Boy Scouting the years their sons, Keith and Kent, were involved. Ruth worked also with Campfire Girls and Pioneer Girls groups. She has worked with the American Cancer Society. Roger has held various church offices and been a Bible Study Leader, and Ruth is in choir and teaches Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. They enjoy camping, biking, and swimming.

128 563 1

Keith Roger Bolson                      b. June 11, 1960

Keith was born in Minneapolis, will graduate June 8, 1978, from Richfield High School in the Scholastic Honors Group. His interests are science, math, computer, science-fiction, and chess. He is enrolled at the University of Minnesota for fall quarter of 1978.

128 563 2

Kent Daniel Bolson                      b. July 21, 1961

Kent was born in Minneapolis. Will graduate in 1979 from Richfield High School. His interests are architecture, music, school band, church singing groups, drama, landscaping, and gardening.

128 563 3

Kristi Joy Bolson                      b. Jan. 16, 1963

Kristi was born in Minneapolis on her grandmother Bolson's birthday. She will graduate in 1981. She is interested in music, both band and chorus, sports, and writing.

128 564

Ronald Alfred Bolson                      b. June 29, 1941  
m. Marie Dawson                      b. May 31,

Ronald was born, baptized, and confirmed in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as was Marie, whom he married in that city in 1967. Ronald has a 4-year degree from the University of Minnesota, and Marie attended the University for two years. Presently they live at Downers Grove, Illinois, on 1610 Bolson Drive, 60515. Ron buys men's clothing for Sears and Roebuck from their Chicago Headquarters. Marie is interested in sewing and they are both active in youth work in their church. Ron is a sports fan. He likes fishing, camping, racquet ball, traveling, baseball, and football. They belong to a bridge club, work in the Indian Guides Program and in Newcomers Club. They recall with pleasure living in Minneapolis and going north to fish and camp. Ron also remembers traveling with his parents to Iowa to attend the Bolson reunion.

128 564 1

Ronald Matthew Bolson                      b. July 1, 1970

Mat is in grade school and likes sports.

128 564 2

Kristina Marie Bolson b. Dec. 15, 1975

Kristina is busy just growing.

DESCENDANTS OF EDWARDT AND MARIE (LARSON) BOLSON

128 61

Lawrence Carlyle Bolson b. Dec. 20, 1896  
m. Violet Young b. Dec. 29, 1897

Lawrence was born in Glenwood Township. He was baptized at Glenwood Lutheran Church and confirmed at First Lutheran Church of Decorah. He attended county rural schools and Valders' Business College at Decorah, Iowa. He married Violet Young on September 5, 1917, at St. John's Lutheran Church at Locust, Iowa. Rev. K. Seehus was pastor. She, too, attended country school and then went to Valders' Normal School in Decorah. Her parents were George and Minnie Gutzka Young. She was born on a farm near Jackson Junction. She was baptized by H. J. Stub at Decorah on March 29, 1898, and confirmed by Rev. Seehus at St. John's at Locust, Iowa, on July 20, 1913.

Lawrence and Violet farmed in Decorah Township for a few years and some time before 1924 they moved to the edge of the City of Decorah and began a poultry farm and hatchery business. In 1927 they began manufacturing feed and selling it under the trade name of L. C. Bolson. The first dealership for the feed was set up at St. Olaf, Iowa. The business prospered and dealerships were scattered all over in Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Times changed and individual farmers gave up raising flocks of chickens so the poultry business was phased out and the emphasis put on the feed business along with an active farming business with purebred cattle and hogs.

Both Lawrence and Violet are active church members. He served as Chairman of the Finance Committee for the new church construction at Decorah Lutheran Church, both for the parish hall and the new sanctuary. Violet was Vice-President of A.L.C.W., active in circles, served on Board of Deacons, and taught Sunday School for more than twenty years. Lawrence has served on the Winneshiek County Fair Board many years and just resigned in 1978. He has been on the Board of Directors of the Security Bank and Trust Co. and on the Board of Directors for Decorah Jobs, Inc. He says he likes baseball, fishing, chickens, and farming. Violet enjoys gardening and out-door work, school concerts, and attending meetings of the Sons of Norway. She also likes to take an occasional trip. She has been a very busy housewife, church worker, mother, and help-mate at the office of the Bolson Feed Business.

128 611

Ransome Lawrence Bolson b. Aug. 14, 1918  
m. Constance Harriet Hexom b. May 10, 1924

Ransome was born at Decorah, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at

Decorah Lutheran Church. He attended Decorah School and graduated from Decorah High. Constance, better known as Connie, was born at Virginia, Minnesota. She is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Hexom, who lived at Hawkins, Wisconsin, before moving to Decorah, Iowa, in 1939. Connie attended Hawkins grade school and high school. She graduated from Decorah High in 1941. She attended Luther College one year and then worked at J. C. Penny Co. for a year before she and Ransome were married on July 12, 1943. Ransome has been employed with his father and brother in the L. C. Bolson Feed Co. He drives school buses for the Decorah Community Schools. They are active members of Good Shepherd Church in Decorah. Connie plays organ for various churches and gives piano and organ lessons which have kept her too busy for outside activities. Since April 1976 she has been proprietor of a music shop known as "Music Land" in Decorah, Iowa. Connie and Ransome are charter members of Good Shepherd Church.

128 611 1

Cheryl Louise Bolson      b. Dec. 27, 1945  
 m. Philip Bergan          m. on Nov. 27, 1964  
 m. Michael Schroeder m. on Aug. 6, 1977

Cheryl and Michael were married at Decorah Lutheran Church on August 6, 1977. Michael is employed by the Milwaukee Railroad.

128 611 11

Christopher Bergan      b. April 30, 1965

128 611 12

Jennifer Bergan          b. Jan. 8, 1966

128 611 2

Daryl Loren Bolson      b. June 19, 1948  
 m. Christine Wolford

Daryl was born at Decorah, baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church and confirmed at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. He attended Luther College in 1972. He is manager of the Lansing Feed Service in Lansing, Iowa. He and Christine were married on September 25, 1976. She is a graduate of Decorah High School.

128 611 21

Brett Daryl Bolson      b. Feb. 27, 1978  
 Baptized April 9, 1978.

128 611 3

Joeyl Lawrence Bolson    b. Aug. 21, 1952

Joeyl was born at Decorah, baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church, and confirmed at Good Shepherd Lutheran at Decorah. He attended Decorah Schools. He is in business in Decorah, Iowa.

128 611 4

Terry Lynn Bolson      b. Jan. 1, 1958

Terry was born at Decorah, Iowa, baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church, and confirmed at Good Shepherd Church. He is

graduated from Decorah High School and presently a student at University of Northern Iowa.

128 611 5

Loryl Leie Bolson                      b. Jan. 8, 1962

Loryl was born at Decorah, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Good Shepherd Church and is presently a student at Decorah High School (1978).

128 612

Marlin Algernon Bolson    b. March 25, 1924  
m. Syvilla Mae Tweed      b. August 8, 1928

Marlin was born at Decorah, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at the Decorah Lutheran Church. He was educated in the Decorah Community Schools, graduating in 1942 from Thomas Roberts High School. Marlin graduated from Luther College in Decorah in 1949 with a major in Economics and minors in Chemistry and Biology. He served for three years in the United States Army during World War II, spending two and one-half years in the European Theatre (Northern France and Rhineland) where he was awarded two Bronze Battle Stars. On March 25, 1951, he married Syvilla at the Beaver Creek Lutheran Church near Joice, Iowa, with the Rev. L. F. Scheie as pastor.

Syvilla was born near Joice, and was baptized and confirmed at the Beaver Creek Lutheran Church. She graduated from the Joice High School, Joice, Iowa, in 1945, and from Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, in 1949, with a major in Bible and minors in Music Education and Elementary Education. She taught in the Forest City Public Schools, Forest City, Iowa, from 1949-51. She received a major in 1961 in elementary education from Luther College and is the holder of a current Professional Teaching Certificate from the State of Iowa. She has pursued further studies at Luther College in piano, organ, art, elementary education, and continuing education courses. She has taken graduate courses from the University of Iowa, Iowa City in elementary education, and is a substitute teacher in the Decorah Community Schools.

Syvilla is keenly interested in the arts and has been a private piano instructor, church organist, church choir director, and a private spinning teacher. She participates and exhibits in arts and crafts shows and is a member of the Oneota Weavers, Decorah, Iowa, the Midwest Weavers, and the Amateur Iowa Artists. She also belongs to the Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners, and Handweavers Guild of America, the Winneshiek County and National Federation of Republican Women, and the National Women's Political Caucus. She is a volunteer demonstrator at the Norwegian-American Museum, at Luther College, and for the Girl Scouts. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Decorah Regional Arts Council (1978-80).

Syvilla is very active in the American Association of University Women, serving the Decorah Branch, the Iowa Division, and the Northwest Central Region in many capacities.

Marlin and Syvilla belong to the Sons of Norway, Valdres Samband, Norwegian-American Museum, and the American-Scandinavian

Foundation. They enjoy winter skiing and boating.

Marlin has lived all his life on Locust Road, Route 2, Decorah, Iowa, except when he was in the service of his country. He has been the manager of L. C. Bolson Co., Inc., a feed manufacturing firm at Decorah. He has served on the Building Committee of Decorah Lutheran Church, as well as being a Sunday School teacher, an assistant superintendent, and superintendent of Decorah Lutheran Sunday School.

128 612 1

Priscilla Jane Bolson b. January 20, 1952  
m. Bertram Reid Carraway, Jr. b. March 7, 1950  
(Divorced, no children)

Priscilla was born at Decorah, Iowa, and was baptized and confirmed at the Decorah Lutheran Church. She attended the Decorah Community Schools, graduating in 1970. She attended Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas, and Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, graduating from there in 1976 with a degree in Applied Arts. She is employed at Todd and Sargent, Inc., in Ames, Iowa, in accounting, and is a graduate student in Applied Arts at ISU. She is a member of the Tau Sigma Delta Honor Society in Architecture and Allied Arts, Kappa Chapter, ISU. Priscilla enjoys playing the piano and the troubadour harp, as well as skiing and horseback riding.

128 612 2

Loren Marlin Bolson b. November 21, 1953 (twin)

Loren was born at Decorah, Iowa, and was baptized and confirmed at the Decorah Lutheran Church. He attended Decorah Community Schools, graduating from Thomas Roberts High School in 1972. He attended Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Des Moines Community College in Ankeny, Iowa. He is employed as a foreman in the shipping department of Iowa Glass Depot, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Loren enjoys skiing, horseback riding, canoeing, hunting and fishing.

128 612 3

Lynn Martin Bolson b. November 21, 1953 (twin)

Lynn was born at Decorah, Iowa, and was baptized and confirmed at the Decorah Lutheran Church. He attended Decorah Community Schools, graduating from Thomas Roberts High School in 1972. He attended a short course at Kirkwood Community College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and is employed by the L. C. Bolson Co., Inc., in distribution. Lynn enjoys skiing, horseback riding, canoeing, hunting, and fishing.

128 613

Vernetta Helen Bolson b. June 27, 1928  
m. Robert Cline b. May 12, 1922

Vernetta was born at Decorah, Iowa. She was baptized, confirmed, and married at Decorah Lutheran Church. She graduated from Decorah High School. Vernetta and Robert were married on



September 23, 1950. Robert was born in Canton, Minnesota, lived there until he was 8. The family moved to West Union, Iowa, where he went to school and graduated there. Robert and Vernetta are busy farmers concentrating mostly on dairy cattle. Robert also drives bus for the Decorah Community School System.

Both have been active in the Winneshiek County Dairy Association and in 4-H work.

128 613 1

Debra Dene Cline	b. Nov. 26, 1952
m. Roy Prestsater	b. Nov. 27, 1949

Debra was born in Winneshiek County, baptized, confirmed, and married at Decorah Lutheran Church. She graduated from Decorah High School. She studied interior decorating at Area I Vocational-Technical School at Calmar, Iowa.

She married Roy, who grew up in Glenwood Township. He was baptized and confirmed in Glenwood Lutheran Church. He graduated from Decorah High School. Roy attended Area I also, where he studied Building Construction Technology. Debbie and Roy enjoy bowling. They live in their newly constructed home a few miles east of Decorah which Roy built. Both Roy and Debbie are certified material inspectors who test and inspect rock used in road building and construction.

128 613 11

Elly Sue Prestsater	b. Nov. 9, 1975
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Elly was born at LaCrosse, Wisconsin, and baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church.

128 613 2

Dennis Lee Cline	b. Jan. 28, 1953
m. Cheryl Sersland	b. Oct. 10, 1953

Dennis was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. He graduated from Decorah High School. He got a major in Dairy Science from Iowa State University at Ames. He was very active as a youth in 4-H and F.F.A. He has acted as coach for the 4-H judging team for dairy cattle and serves on the Winneshiek County Dairy Council. He is secretary of the Ushers' Club at Decorah Lutheran.

Cheryl was born and baptized at Waterloo, Iowa. Her family soon moved to Harmony, Minnesota, where she lived until she was six. She moved to the Washington Prairie area near Decorah. She graduated from Decorah High School. She attended Iowa State University for one year. She is very interested in sewing and has been real active in 4-H work.

128 613 21

Jason Judd Cline

b. Feb. 18, 1974

Jason was born in Ames, Iowa, while his parents were at the University. He was baptized at Washington Prairie Church.

128 613 22

Nathan Greg Cline

b. Feb. 6, 1978

Nathan was born at Winneshiek County Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs. 14 oz. He was baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church by Pastor Hovda. All four grandparents and three great-grandparents attended his baptism.

128 613 3

Mark Wayne Cline

b. March 5, 1954

m. Dianne Sivesind

b. July 28, 1959

Mark was born in Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized, confirmed, and married at Decorah Lutheran Church. He graduated from Decorah High School as did his wife, Dianne. They were married on June 17, 1978. Dianne was born in Waukon, Iowa, baptized at St. John's Lutheran in Waukon. Her family moved to the Canoe Ridge area. Dianne was confirmed at Canoe Ridge Lutheran. She worked at Ben Franklin Store in Decorah. Mark works at Ronningen Motors in Decorah, Iowa.

128 613 4

Gary Cline

b. Nov. 14, 1958

Gary was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. The confirmation took place at the J.C.K. Preus Gym where the Decorah Lutheran Congregation was meeting while their new church was being built. Gary graduated from Decorah High School. He is a DHIA Supervisor and helps his dad on the farm. As a student he was active in 4-H and F.F.A.

128 613 5

Julie Cline

b. March 5, 1963

Julie was born at Decorah, Iowa, baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church. She is a sophomore at Decorah High School. She is very active in 4-H, F.F.A., and in softball.

#### DESCENDANTS OF EDWARD AND ELLEN (JAMMERDAL) BOLSON

128 62

LuVerne Bolson

b. Nov. 14, 1913

d.

m. Walter Matter

b. Feb. 9, 1909

d.

128 621

Verdell Frances Matter

b. Nov. 11, 1936

m. Jerry Lou Lyons

b. July 30, 1940

128 621 1

Gregory John Matter      b. Oct. 2, 1959

128 621 2

Tracy Lynn Matter      b. Oct. 25, 1961

128 621 3

Terry Teress Matter      b. Aug. 10, 1963

DESCENDANTS OF CARL AND MARTHA (BASOLL) BOLSON

128 71

Louise Bolson  
m. Oscar Aaby

b. Sept. 2, 1893    d. Jan. 12, 1974  
b. July 5, 1889    d. Sept. 24, 1970

Louise was born in Glenwood Township at Decorah, Iowa. She married Oscar on March 31, 1915. Oscar was born in Brooking, South Dakota. As a child, his family moved to Decorah where he lived until 1912, when he went to Montana to homestead near Glendive. He came back to Decorah where they were married. After the birth of their son, they went to Montana where they lived until 1920 when they moved to Austin, Minnesota, where a daughter was born. The family made a series of moves -- to Fosston, Minnesota, Decorah, Iowa, Austin, Minnesota, Rose Creek and Grand Meadow, Minnesota. They returned to Austin in 1968 where Oscar passed away two years later. Louise passed away at the Burr Oak Manor Nursing Home four years later.

128 711

Hartvick Aaby  
m. Thelma Olson  
m. Ellen Bierbaun

b. Aug. 24, 1916  
b. Mar. 21, 1920    d. 1947

128 711 2

Susan Aaby

b. Oct. 19, 1951

128 712

Geneva Aaby      b. Aug. 4, 1920  
m. Leonard Norman Haugland    b. Dec. 24, 1915

Geneva was born in Austin, Minnesota. She and Leonard live there. He works as a Parts Manager for Holiday Dodge, and Geneva works for J. C. Penny. Geneva and Leonard were married January 30, 1941, at the Lutheran parsonage at Lyle, Minnesota. Geneva was baptized and confirmed at St. Olaf Lutheran Church in Austin. She graduated from Austin High School in 1938. She has lived at Fosston, Minnesota, Decorah, Iowa, and Austin, Minnesota. She worked at Hormel's before she and Leonard were married. She worked with Luther League at Lyle, Minn. for six years and with Cub Scouting in Austin and in Lyle for fifteen years. Leonard was baptized and confirmed at Six Mile Grove Church, Lyle, Minn. He has been a Lions Club member for 21 years and on the Boy Scout Board for 21 years. He is a past member of the City Council and has served as parish treasurer of the church for one year.

128 712 1

Gene Haugland                      b. Sept. 24, 1941  
m. Suzanne Pusateri

Gene is the vice-president of Ravenhorst Corporation in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Suzanne is an airline stewardess for Northwest Airlines. They were married on January 6, 1973. The couple live in Minneapolis. Gene was baptized at St. Olaf Lutheran Church, Austin, Minnesota, and confirmed at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Lyle, Minnesota. He graduated from Lyle High School in 1959 and from Luther College at Decorah, Iowa in 1963. Suzanne came from Park Ridge, Illinois.

128 712 2

Elaine Janice Haugland   b. Mar. 13, 1945  
m. Archie Fountain

Elaine graduated from Lyle, Minnesota High School. She graduated from the University of Minnesota in June of 1964 as a medical technician. Elaine and Archie live in Fort Worth and are in General Contracting. They were married March 9, 1968, at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Lyle, Minnesota. Elaine was confirmed in that church also.

128 712 3

David Haugland                      b. Aug. 25, 1951

David was baptized at St. Olaf Lutheran Church at Austin, Minnesota, and confirmed at Our Savior's Church at Lyle, Minn. David lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and works for the Upper Midwest Regional Arts Council. He graduated from Austin High School and from Lawrence University at Appleton, Wisconsin, in 1973.

128 72

Clarence Bolson                      b. Feb. 6, 1895   d. Dec. 26, 1957  
m. Luella Rickgrauer              b. Mar. 2, 1902

Clarence was born in Winneshiek County and attended rural schools. He served in the Army in World War I. He married Luella when he was in South Dakota where he worked for an electric company. They moved to Glenwood Township and he operated the Upper Dam on the Upper Iowa River for several years. They moved to Pekin, Ill., where Clarence worked for a large electrical company until his death.

128 721

Marvin Bolson                      b. Oct. 6, 1923  
m.

Marvin was born in Winneshiek County. His special interest is fishing. He lives at 1401 South 7th Street, Pekin, Illinois.

128 722

Norman Bolson  
m.

b. Dec. 25, 1924

Norman was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed at Pekin, Illinois.

128 722 1

                     Bolson                      b.  
m. Sam Jones                                      b.

Lives at 406 North 6th, Pekin, Illinois 61554.

128 722 2

                     Bolson                      b.  
m. George Weyhrich                              b.

Lives at San Joe, Illinois 61552

128 722 3

Jim Bolson                                      b.  
m.    b.

Lives at 13th Willer Street, Pekin, Illinois 61554.

128 722 4

                     Bolson                      b.  
m. Jimmy Appel                                      b.

Lives at 611 West Mothlues St., Chillicothe, Illinois 61523.

128 722 5

                     Bolson                      b.  
m. West Britt                                      b.

Address is General Delivery, Derues Elbow, Mo. 65457.

128 722 6

                     Bolson                      b.  
m. Rick Cardy

Live in Pekin, Illinois 61554.

128 723

Alice Bolson                                      b. Mar. 29, 1927  
m. Marlowe Caulkin                              b. April 25, 1927

Alice was born at Pekin Memorial Hospital, Pekin, Illinois. She was baptized in Decorah, Iowa, and confirmed in the United Church of Christ, Pekin. She and Marlowe were married there also. They live on Route 2, Manito, Illinois.

128 723 1

Susan Caulkin                                      b. Nov. 14, 1947  
m. Joe Woodward

128 723 11

Craig Woodward                                      b. Dec. 28, 1968

128 723 12  
Chris Lunsford b. June 5, 1969

128 723 13  
Holli Lunsford b. May 9, 1972

128 723 14  
Shad Lunsford b. Mar. 22, 1975

128 723 2  
Christy Caulkin b. July 25, 1956

128 723 3  
Marla Caulkin b. Jan. 25, 1961

128 724  
Geraldine Bolson b. April 25, 1928  
m. Floyd W. Thomas b. August 27, 1921

Geraldine and Floyd were married at St. John's Lutheran Church in Pekin, Illinois.

128 724 1  
Michael Floyd Thomas b. April 7, 1952  
m. Laura Phillips

128 724 11  
Brandy Careen Thomas b. July 22, 1977

128 724 12  
Mindy Sue Thomas b. Nov. 6, 1976

128 724 2  
Vicky Lynn Thomas b. May 8, 1955

128 73  
Emma Cornilia Bolson b. Mar. 23, 1899 d. May 7, 1944  
m. Andrew Olson b. Sept. 23, 1887 d. Oct. 23, 1948

Emma was born in Glenwood Township, attended rural school. She went to work at the Aase Haugen Home. There she met Andrew Olson, who was a hired hand at this rest home.

128 731  
Marcella Olson b. Oct. 23, 1922  
m. Raymond Thompson b. Aug. 1, 1920

Marcella was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa, and attended rural school at Drake School. She married Raymond. They moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa. They adopted a little boy. They moved to Aloha, Oregon.

128 731 1  
Garry Linn Thompson b. Sept. 21, 1956

128 732

Karl Orville Olson      b. May 11, 1925

128 733

George Erlin Olson      b. July 21, 1927

128 734

Lily Iola Olson      b. April 19, 1929  
m. Leo LaGrange      b. Sept. 4, 1931

Lily was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. Attended rural school at Drake School. She married Leo and they lived in Cedar Rapids where they owned a lovely home.

128 734 1

Frederick Andrew LaGrange      b. Mar. 17, 1949

128 735

Dorothy May Olson      b. Aug. 11, 1932  
m. Merrill Berg      b. Mar. 14, 1928

Dorothy was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. Attended county rural school. Merrill was graduated from Minot State College, had his Masters at University of North Dakota, and has done graduate work at North Dakota State University. He was appointed president of Lake Region Junior College at Devil's Lake, N.D., where he had been Dean for six years. He received the Bush Foundation Grant enabling him to take a year's leave of absence, so he went to Colorado and got his Ph.D. He and Dorothy spent three months in Europe studying in Germany and England.

128 735 1

Linda Doreen Berg      b. April 23, 1949  
m. George Ziegler      b.

George is an Army man, and they live in Florida.

128 735 11

Pamela Ziegler      b.

Pamela was injured at birth and has had care at Grand Forks, North Dakota, and has made good progress.

128 735 2

Rene Annette Berg      b. March 5, 1953  
m. Larry \_\_\_\_\_      b.

128 735 3

Pamela Jean Berg      b. April 3, 1956      d. Sept. 3, 1959

Pamela died while having a tonsilectomy at the hospital.

128 736

Raymond Lowell Olson      b. June 13, 1934

128 737

Shirley Joyce Carol Olson      b. Mar. 11, 1935  
m. Rene Luledjian

128 737 1

Karl Andrew Luledjian b. Aug. 2, 1957

128 737 2

George Arthur Luledjian b. Oct. 2, 1957

128 74

Julia Bolson b. Oct. 28, 1900 d. Dec. 28, 1919

128 75

Alfred Bolson b. Oct. 31, 1901  
m. Rose \_\_\_\_\_ b. Dec. 6, 1906

Worked as a hired hand on farms in Winneshiek County, Iowa. He moved to Portage, Wisconsin, where he worked in a shoe factory. He then went to Pekin, Illinois, to join his brother and probably worked for the same electrical company as Clarence did. He died and was interred in the Lutheran Cemetery in Decorah, Iowa.

128 76

Clifford Bolson b. Jan. 9, 1904  
m. Emma Clarissia Vick b. April 4, 1910

Clifford was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, on a farm. He and Emma were married on May 12, 1927. The couple went to farming and farmed many years. Then Clifford went to work for L. C. Bolson until he retired. Emma attended rural schools, married, and became a homemaker.

128 761

Darlyne Lou Yvone Bolson b. Aug. 4, 1930  
m. Raymond Eugene Stoen b. May 27, 1925

Darlyne married Raymond on May 29, 1948. She has been a homemaker, a nurse's aid, and a factory worker. Raymond has been a carpenter, a maintenance worker for Winneshiek County, Iowa Department of Transportation. The couple lived in Winneshiek County until he was transferred as foreman to Allamakee County. They now live in Waukon, Iowa.

128 761 1

Gregory Gene Stoen b. May 15, 1950 d. June 9, 1969

128 761 2

Peggy Ann Stoen b. Dec. 31, 1951  
m. Walter Pushmore b. Dec. 31, 1951  
m. Soren Larsen b. 1939

Peggy graduated from Decorah High School. She worked as a telephone operator for Bell Telephone. She then worked as a switchboard operator at Decorah Hospital. She married Walter on May 29, 1970. They were separated in 1974. She married Soren on May 1, 1976. He was born in Denmark and is a diesel mechanic.



128 761 3

Robert Kim Stoen                      b. Sept. 18, 1953  
m. Cheryl Thorson                      b.  
m. Lisa Ann Waters                      b.

Robert is a twin. He is a construction worker.

128 761 31

Candida Marie Stoen                      b. Feb. 13, 1972

Candy is the daughter of Robert and Cheryl.

128 761 32

Heather Marie Stoen                      b. Aug. 25, 1977

128 761 4

Kathy Dawn Stoen                      b. Sept. 18, 1955

Kathy works as a bakery helper.

128 761 5

Kyle Shawn Stoen                      b. Dec. 29, 1963

Kyle is a student.

128 762

Donald Allen Bolson                      b. Nov. 5, 1934  
m. Ila May Fleming                      b. May 4, 1935

Donald and Ila were married Nov. 11, 1956. Donald is a District Manager of the People's Natural Gas of Anamosa and Monticello, Iowa. Ila May was a beautician at Mason City and Decorah, Iowa.

128 762 1

Crystal Dawn Bolson                      b. Dec. 27, 1957  
m. Robert VanDola                      b. Dec. 8, 1959

They were married in September of 1977.

128 762 2

Collett Doe Bolson                      b. Sept. 8, 1960

128 762 3

Carla May Bolson                      b. Dec. 7, 1965

128 763

Gaylen Bolson                      b. Oct. 20, 1941  
m. Elaine Suzanne Noecker                      b. Jan. 11, 1942

Gaylen and Elaine were both born in Winneshiek County and have always lived in that county. Gaylen finished eighth grade in a county rural school near Decorah. Elaine graduated from Decorah High School. She worked as a teller in the Decorah State Bank from graduation until 1972. She and Gaylen were married November 12, 1960, at Decorah. They were both baptized as Jehovah's

Witnesses on April 14, 1974, at Charles City, Iowa. Elaine assists with the family business.

Gaylen worked for a time as Production Control Manager at Deco Products in Decorah, Iowa. He is presently the owner and operator of a Floor Cleaning Service.

They both enjoy gardening, walking in the woods, golfing, and camping, in mountains whenever possible. Since 1974 they have been proclaiming the good news of God's Kingdom as Jehovah's Witnesses.

128 763 1

Wade Garret Bolson                      b. Nov. 21, 1972

Wade was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, and will begin school this fall (1978).

128 764

Beverlyne Orletta Joyce Bolson      b. April 15, 1943  
m. Tyronne Albertson                  b. Jan. 12, 1943

Beverlyne was a beautician, and owned and operated her own shop in her home at Waterloo, Iowa. Tyronne was formerly an art teacher at Waterloo and Decorah. They currently own and operate a floor care service. They were married on January 25, 1964

128 764 1

Aaron Edward Albertson (adopted)   b. Mar. 11, 1968

128 764 2

Daniel David Albertson   b. Dec. 30, 1968

128 764 3

Jamen Jared Albertson    b. March 18, 1976

128 77

Hilda Bolson                              b. Dec. 6, 1906      d.  
m. Herb Baker                            b. Sept. 17, 1906

Hilda was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. She attended Drake School in Winneshiek County. Herb was born in Winneshiek County also. They farmed in this county. Later they moved to Cedar Rapids.

128 771

Lyle Baker                                  b. July 23, 1927  
m. Patty Reid                              b. Nov. 25, 1928

Lyle was born in Winneshiek County. They lived in Portland (1971). Lyle works in insurance.

128 771 1

Steven Baker                              b. April 30, 1949

128 772

Lavon Baker	b. Feb. 13, 1929	
m. Caulin Markham	b. Sept. 27, 1930	d.
m. Frank James Foster	b. July 10, 1903	

Lavon was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa. She was confirmed and baptized at First Lutheran Church in Decorah, Iowa. She attended Decorah grade school, and Wilson Junior High at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She moved from Cedar Rapids to Portland, Oregon, after her first husband died. She achieved a General Education Diploma from Portland Community College. She married Frank Foster, who was educated and worked in Chicago before moving to Portland. He has worked 20 years at Northwest Schools 1221 N.W. 21st Avenue, Portland. He has a son, Stephen J. Foster, a professor at University of British Columbia in Vancouver, and two grandchildren, Susan and Bruce.

128 773

Rita June Baker	b. Sept. 17, 1939
m. James V. Head	
m. John G. Haveles	b. April 4, 1937

Rita was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church in Cedar Rapids. She attended elementary and high school and went to Portland State College for two years. She attended night school. She has lived in Iowa, Oregon, Washington, and California. She worked as a secretary for various car dealerships. She helped her first husband, James Head, (whom she married on May 24, 1962) start and run five businesses in the irrigation field. She later married (on June 9, 1977) John Haveles, who is a native Californian. He is the general manager of a bowling alley. Rita and John are both interested in bowling and golf and both head the list in both sports. They have served the Children's Home Society for five years. They live at 9122 Colbreggan Drive, Huntington Beach, California 92646.

128 773 1

Mike Head	b. 1963
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Mike is a star soccer player.

128 773 2

Terri Head	b. 1962
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Terri is a straight A student and a dancer.

128 773 3

Kristin Head	b. 1968
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Kristin is a pitcher in girls softball.

128 78

Celia Bolson	b. March 1909	d.
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128 79

Edva Bolson  
m. Theodore Nesteby

b. Jan. 24, 1912      d.  
b. Mar. 27, 1897      d.

128 791

Kenneth Nesteby  
m. Marlene  
m.

b. Sept. 8, 1930  
b. June 1935      d. Nov. 11, 1955

128 791 1

Theresa Nesteby

b. Feb. 1955

128 792

Ernest Nesteby

b. March 12, 1932

# THORE & KAREN (THOMASON) BOLSON DESCENDANTS

12(10) 1 Hannah Bergete Bolson b. Sept. 20, 1855 d. April 25, 1924  
m. Erick Erickson b. Sept. 16, 1851 d. Sept. 9, 1934

Hannah Bolson was born on a farm in the Decorah, Iowa, area. Her husband, Erick, was born in Norway and migrated to the United States at the age of 18. He came to the Decorah area and settled in the same vicinity as the Thore Bolson family lived. Erick and Hannah were married and lived on a farm near Decorah. While living here, they had three children, Karen Bertine, Amanda, and Theodore. With their three children, Erick's sister, Ellen, and an unidentified man, they migrated by covered wagon to the Dakota Territory, settling near Kindred, North Dakota. The following year the infant son, Theodore, died. He was buried in the Norman Church Cemetery. While living in North Dakota, they were blessed with five more children. Their next move was to Ottertail County in Minnesota, where their ninth and tenth children were born. They returned to Decorah, Iowa. Here their youngest and eleventh child, Maylo Elvina, was born in 1898. Erick worked for other farmers until 1900 when the family again returned to North Dakota where they purchased land in Cass County near Leonard. Karen remained in Decorah, while the rest of the family members began establishing their homes in North Dakota. In 1911 with two children at home, Erick filed a homestead in Canada near Winnipeg. After about four years he sold his land there and returned to North Dakota, where he built a house in Leonard. Erick and Hannah lived in Leonard, North Dakota, until Hannah died at the age of 68. After Hannah's death, Erick divided his time living at the homes of his children. He died at St. John's Hospital, Fargo, North Dakota, seven days before his 83rd birthday. Erick and Hannah are buried in the Helendale Lutheran Church Cemetery, Leonard, North Dakota.

## ERICK & HANNAH (BOLSON) ERICKSON CHILDREN

12(10) 11 Karen Bertina Erickson b. Dec. 8, 1876 d. Oct. 23, 1935  
m. Hans Johnson Brynsaas b. April 27, 1864  
d. Jan. 5, 1956

Karen was born on a farm in Glenwood Township and later moved with her parents to a farm near Devils Lake, Minnesota, where she spent some of her childhood. Later she moved back to Iowa and settled on a small farm in Pleasant Township where she lived with her parents until she married Hans Brynsaas, an immigrant from Norway who was working for Thore Bolson. This couple was married at the Decorah Lutheran Church in Decorah, Iowa. They lived on a small farm in Glenwood Township, and Hans worked as a butter maker in the creamery owned by Gustave Johnson. Their first child, a girl named Pearl Henrietta, was born on May 14, 1901. Sometime later Hans and Karen and their first born moved to a larger farm in Glenwood which is known as the Brynsaas farm. They lived there until their death. They were the parents of seven children. Hans and Karen belonged to the Glenwood Lutheran Church all their married life. Their children were all baptized and confirmed in this same church. Karen Brynsaas died at the hospital in Iowa City on October 23, 1935, and was buried in the

Glenwood Cemetery. Hans Brynsaas died at his home on the Brynsaas farm on January 5, 1956, and is also buried in the Glenwood Cemetery. Nels and Anton Brynsaas, brothers of Hans Brynsaas, are also buried in the Glenwood Cemetery.

12(10) 12 Amanda Erickson b. March 12, 1878 d. May 2, 1905

12(10) 13 Theodore b. d. in infancy  
about 1 year old

12(10) 14 Ella Frederika Erickson b. Dec. 25, 1881  
d. Mar. 19, 1908  
m. Olaf John Swiggum b. April 9, 1873  
d. Sept. 15, 1944

They were married in 1901.

Ella and Ole lived on a farm some years. Then they had a restaurant, and Ole operated a pool hall in Leonard, North Dakota.

12(10) 15 Theodore Erickson b. Feb. 15, 1884  
d. July 14, 1950  
m. Martha Gralum b. Mar. 22, 1889 d. May 26, 1977

Theodore married in 1914. The first years of their married life they ran a hotel in Leonard, North Dakota; later operated a creamery and still later went to farming. They sold out in 1941 and moved to Leonard again. They were semi-retired. In 1942 the couple moved to the State of Washington. Ted went to work again to help in the 2nd World War. He worked for the Boeing Airplane Co. Three of his four daughters also worked with him to participate in the efforts for the war. His wife is living in Renton, Washington, age 87 (written in 1976). Ted worked for the Government Housing Authority after the war. He was a very happy man, full of fun and liked his jobs.

12(10) 16 Hulda Emily Erickson b. Sept. 21, 1886  
d. Feb. 13, 1959  
m. Clarence Wills b. March 20, 1888  
d. March 4, 1926  
m. Arthur Prinzing b. Nov. 24, 1891

Hulda's first husband was a rural mail carrier and her second husband a rancher.

12(10) 17 Gina Bestine Erickson b. Sept. 14, 1888  
d. Oct. 3, 1966  
m. Henry Larson b. Nov. 1, 1886 d. Nov. 26, 1955

Henry was a rural mail carrier out of Sheldon, North Dakota.

12(10) 18 Julia Otthilda Erickson b. July 26, 1890 d. 1966  
m. Leonard Kjolso b. Mar. 6, 1889

Julia was born in Decorah, Iowa, married Leonard in 1912. Her son, Milton, writes, "My mother was a Christian, a faithful wife and mother, and a farm girl at heart. She died at age 76 of

a stroke. My father was born in Norway in 1889 and came to America at the age of 18. He worked as an interior decorator and studied high arts at Minneapolis to learn oil painting. He has since painted many beautiful pictures and murals. He still paints and is active though partially blind." (1976) Leonard painted the altar picture in the Helendale Church near Leonard, North Dakota.

12(10 19 Nicoline Augusta Erickson b. Aug. 27, 1892  
m. Joseph Bervin Nystul b. Aug. 3, 1890  
d. Oct. 31, 1977

Nicoline was born in Ottertail County, Rothsay, Minnesota. She married Joseph in Fargo, North Dakota, on October 30, 1911. Joseph was born at Maple, Cass County, North Dakota. Joe managed a pool hall in Leonard, North Dakota. His work as a store clerk and restaurant operator took him to several towns in North Dakota. They moved to Kindred to operate a restaurant. While at Kindred, their first son was born in 1912. The family moved to Leonard where a job of clerking in a mercantile store had opened for Joe. A second son was born in 1914. In 1917 Joe began work as territory salesman for John Morrell Meat Packing Co. in Fargo. He covered several counties. Achild Francis, was born in 1918 and another, Kathryn, in 1921. In September 1925, Joe and Nicoline, with their four children and Grandpa Erick Erickson, left in their Model T Ford for Lake Alfred, Florida, where Julia (Erickson) and Leonard Kjolso were living. There was a land boom going on and Joe took over the management of a restaurant. Picking oranges and grapefruit from the trees was a new experience for this North Dakota family. The presence of alligators in the swamp waters was something new also. Erick Erickson remained in Florida for one month--then went to Houston, Texas, to visit a sister. The land boom collapsed in a few short months, so it was to pull up stakes and off to Chicago, Illinois, in January 1926. There Joe worked as a city salesman for John Morrell Meat Packing Co. The big city wasn't to their liking so they moved to Moorhead, Minnesota, in September 1926 where Joe was salesman for Hannaker O'Neil Wholesale Grocery Co. The family lived there until 1936 when Joe and Nicoline together with their daughter went once more to Chicago to work for Joe's brother, Dr. Oliver Nystul at the Nystul Sanitarium. Joe became a licensed Physical Therapist, and Nicoline became an X-ray Technician. They stayed in Chicago until October 1965. The urge to get out of the city and back to where they could enjoy the fresh air and blue sky of Minnesota caused them to move to Alexandria, Minnesota, where their son, Ernest, was living. On October 31, 1977, Joe passed away. Nicoline continues to live there.

12(10) 1(10)  
Fredrick Tideman Erickson b. July 13, 1894 d. June 14, 1922

12(10) 1 (11)  
Maylo Elvina Erickson b. Jan. 29, 1898 d. Dec. 16, 1972  
m. Victor Emanuel Swanson b. Aug. 12, 1890 d. April 8, 1971

Maylo was born at Decorah, Iowa, and at the age of 2 went with her parents to North Dakota where they purchased land in Cass County near Leonard, N.D. She married Victor, who went to

the University of Minnesota and studied agriculture and journalism. He was a printer and journalist for 50 years and retired at 74. He had a print shop in Leonard which burned about 1922. He then moved to LaBolt, South Dakota, where Victor and his brother tried raising pigs. That year pigs were a drag on the market, so he gave up and moved his family in 1923 to Cawker City, Kansas, where he had the Cawker City Ledger. The family moved again to Ottawa, Kansas. The next move was to Summit, S.D., where he had a print shop and weekly newspaper. The bank went broke and so did Victor's business.

They moved to Martin, S.D. between Black Hills and Wounded Knee and 28 miles north of Valentine, Nebraska. Maylo's fourth child and only daughter was born here. Victor ran the Bennett County Review. The family next moved to Marmarth, N.D. On May 29, 1929, Victor's business was destroyed by flood and the family moved to Burlington, Washington, on July 3, 1929, where business did not go good so they moved to California where he had always wanted to go. He settled in Crescent City, California, just 20 miles south of Oregon, so he just barely made it to California. During the war years Crescent City was almost a ghost town, but it became home to the Swansons.

Victor was born in Pierre, South Dakota, and both he and Maylo died in Bremerton, Washington.

#### HANS & KAREN (ERICKSON BRYNSAAS DESCENDANTS)

12(10) 111

Pearl Henrietta Brynsaas

b. May 14, 1901

d. Aug. 18, 1967

m. Gilbert Rosendahl

Pearl was born at the Brynsaas farm in Glenwood Township in Winneshiek County, rural Decorah, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. She received her education at a rural school called the Baker school. On November 30, 1921, at the Glenwood Church, she married Gilbert Melvin Rosendahl. They farmed in Glenwood Township until 1946, when they moved to a farm in Burr Oak Township and continued farming until their retirement in 1961. On August 18, 1967, Pearl's life was ended in a boating accident on the Mississippi River near Lansing, Iowa. While fishing in a small boat, the motor failed and the boat was run over by a barge. She and two companions drowned in the accident.

12(10) 111 1

Charles Horace Rosendahl

b. May 9, 1923

m. Martha Iola Rohm

b. Dec. 25, 1921

Charles was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized at Glenwood Lutheran Church and confirmed at Canoe Ridge Lutheran. He attended rural grade school at Glenwood #8, and finished High School at Decorah, Iowa. He farmed, worked as a carpenter, became a pilot, and served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army in 1945 and 1946. He and Martha were married in 1946. Martha was born at Decorah. She graduated from Decorah High School. She finished Nurse's Training



in Chicago, and served in the U.S. Navy as an R.N. Charles worked as a Flight Instructor at Decorah and at Tulsa, Oklahoma. In 1952 he went with Braniff Airlines and has been stationed at Sioux City, Iowa, Minneapolis, Minnesota, and at Dallas, Texas, where he now lives at 6218 Shadycliff, Dallas, TX 75240. Charles is Vice-President of the Norwegian Society of Texas, belongs to the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla #59. He enjoys woodworking. He and Martha are members of Glory Lutheran Church, Dallas, where Charles has served on the Building Committee and the Council. He has served on the local council of the Airlines Pilot Association.

12(10) 111 11

Marsha Rosendahl                      b. Dec. 6, 1947  
m. Fred Andrew Wolf                      b.

Marsha works for Bell Telephone Co. and lives in Dallas, Texas.

12(10) 111 111

Kristen Wolf                              b.

12(10) 111 12

Gregory Rosendahl                      b. Oct. 27, 1948

Gregory is a pilot for Braniff International and lives in Dallas. He is unmarried.

12(10) 111 13

Paul Ove Rosendahl                      b. Sept. 27, 1956

Paul is unmarried, is a pilot, and lives in Dallas.

12(10) 111 2

Merlin Phillip Rosendahl                      b. July 22, 1927  
m. Elsie Lavonne Moen                      b. Sept. 25, 1926

Merlin was born in Winneshiek County. He was baptized at Glenwood Lutheran Church and confirmed at Canoe Ridge Lutheran. He attended county rural school and graduated from Decorah High School in 1944. He grew up on a farm in Glenwood Township. He worked at a gas station and at Baker's Lumber Yard at Decorah. He works for Northeast Farm Service in the Burr Oak area. He farmed for a time. He and Elsie were married on April 21, 1946. Elsie attended the Decorah Schools and graduated from High School. She was a sales clerk in Decorah stores and is presently a cook at North Winneshiek School. Merlin has coached 4-H softball for girls and his team has been county champions five times. He was a member of the Decorah Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is usher and treasurer of Burr Oak Lutheran Church at Burr Oak, Iowa. Elsie is involved in church, Bible study circles, and in Ladies Aid.

12(10) 111 21

Gerald Phillip Rosendahl                      b. Aug. 29, 1949  
m. Jacklyn Sue Onsager                      b.

Gerald attended rural grade school and graduated from North Winneshiek High School in 1967. He attended Area I Vocational-

Technical School at Calmar, Iowa, studying accounting. He and Jackie were married at Decorah on June 7, 1968. Gerald served in the Air Force for four years. He worked at the Radio Station KFIL Preston, Minnesota, and WMIN, St. Paul, Minnesota. Presently he works for 3-M Company in St. Paul, Minnesota. They live in Woodbury, Minn., a suburb of St. Paul where Gerald is a volunteer fireman and a reserve police man. Jackie is secretary to a CPA in St. Paul.

12(10) 111 211

Tina Marie Rosendahl b. Nov. 18, 1971

12(10) 111 212

Tammi Lynn Rosendahl b. Dec. 21, 1972

12(10) 111 22

Harold Lester Rosendahl b. Jan. 15, 1952  
m. Marlys Diane Barth

Harold attended rural grade school and graduated from North Winneshiek High School in 1970 where he was very active in most sports, particularly in baseball, basketball, track, and cross country. In his senior year he was selected for "Who's Who in American High Schools" and was awarded Boy Athlete Award of the Year. He attended Winona State College for a year. He was on the baseball team there. He and Marlys were married on April 15, 1972. They farm near Burr Oak, Iowa. Harold raises a lot of hogs and does milking. For a few years he played guitar with advance band. In the summertime he plays softball in the Decorah area. The couple are members of Burr Oak Lutheran Church.

12(10) 111 221

Kari Lea Rosendahl b. Nov. 19, 1973

12(10) 111 222

Jodi Sara Rosendahl b. Aug. 3, 1977

12(10) 111 23

Marc Wayne Rosendahl b. July 10, 1955  
m. Kathleen Marie Engelhardt

Marc attended rural grade school and graduated from North Winneshiek School in 1973 where he participated in most sports. He, like his brother before him, was selected for "Who's Who in American High Schools" and received the Boy Athlete Award of the year. He graduated from Area I Vocational-Technical School at Calmar, Iowa, taking a brick laying course. He married Kathleen of rural Decorah on May 4, 1974. They lived at Mabel, Minnesota, where Marc worked for a construction crew and Kathy worked at the Mabel Bank. In September of 1977 they moved to a farm near Burr Oak, Iowa, where they raise hogs and cattle. Kathy continues to work for the bank. They have no children. Both play softball. Marc is President of the Burr Oak Lutheran Church Council, and Kathy is an assistant Sunday School Superintendent.

12(10) 111 24

Marlene Marie Rosendahl b. April 27, 1959

Marlene went to North Winneshiek School, graduating in 1977 as salutatorian of her class. She was interested in sports, especially softball and basketball. She also sang in chorus, girl's glee club, and madrigal. She was chosen for "Who's Who in American High Schools" during both her Junior and Senior years. Her softball team won the championship for three years in the Upper Mississippi Conference. Marlene was very active in Luther League and served as President one year. She was also in church choir and helped with Bible school. At present she is secretary for the Department of Natural Resources of Minnesota in St. Paul. She lives in Woodbury, Minnesota, where she is summer softball coach. She also enjoys golfing, swimming, canoeing, and other sports.

12(10) 111 3

Hazel Catherine Rosendahl  
m. Howard Lester Gullickson

b. Dec. 9, 1931  
b. Jan. 22, 1929

Hazel was born in Winneshiek County, was baptized and confirmed at Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church. She graduated from Decorah High School in 1949. She grew up in Glenwood Township. She worked as a waitress and as High School Principal's secretary.

She and Howard were married on February 12, 1950, at Burr Oak Lutheran Church, Burr Oak, Iowa. Howard graduated from high school in 1947. The couple farm on Route 3, Decorah, Iowa. Hazel is President of Burr Oak ALCW and sings in the choir.

12(10) 111 31

Darryl Alan Gullickson b. Dec. 27, 1950  
m. Brenda Idele Wennes b. Feb. 8, 1953

Darryl graduated from college in 1973. He lived in Colorado for four years. At present he and Brenda live in Minneapolis. He is an insurance consultant for Aetna Ins. Co.

12(10) 111 311

Amber Leslie Gullickson

b. Aug. 13, 1976

12(10) 111 32

Dennis Howard Gullickson

b. Sept. 21, 1973  
d. Jan. 15, 1974

Dennis died from a defective heart.

12(10) 111 33

Duane Gene Gullickson b. Aug. 15, 1956  
m. Stacy Frana

Duane graduated from North Winneshiek School. He was featured in "Who's Who Among High School Students" in 1973-74. He was active in basketball, cross country and track, band and speech. He won for two years the "President's Physical Fitness Award." He was Senior Class President. He and Stacy were married on June 4, 1977. Duane graduated from college on May 27, 1978. The couple are living in Winona, Minnesota, but will move to Colorado in July of 1978.

12(10) 111 34

Connie Lynn Gullickson b. Aug. 10, 1966

Connie attends North Winneshiek School, is active in band, chorus, 4-H, and Junior choir. She also plays the piano.

12(10) 112

Emma Josephine Brynsaas  
m. Elmer Vick  
m. Ned Brown

b. April 27, 1909  
d. 1931  
b. Sept. 18, 1900

Emma was born in Glenwood Township, baptized and confirmed in the Glenwood Church and attended rural school. She married Elmer Vick. Three children were born to this union. The couple lived on a farm in Glenwood Township. Elmer died in 1931. Later Emma married Ned Brown of Decorah, Iowa. Ned was a carpenter and did some farming. They had four children. In 1966 Ned and Emma retired and bought a home on East Broadway in Decorah, where they now live. (1978)

12(10) 112 1

Harriet Clarrisse Vick  
m. Ben Sweet  
m. Lester Leidahl

b. April 20, 1927  
d. 1952

Harriet was baptized and confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. She married Ben Sweet and lived in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They had five children. Ben died in 1952. Harriet married Lester Leidahl and they have one daughter. Harriet has been a long-time employee at Mabe's Pizza Restaurant in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 112 11

Linda Ellen Sweet  
m. Duane Roney

b. Oct. 31, 1946

The Roneys have three children and make their home in Charles City, Iowa

12(10) 112 111

Robert Allen Sweet

b. Oct. 21, 1968

12(10) 112 112

Tommy Duane Roney

b. Nov. 16, 1971

12(10) 112 113

John Ralph Roney

b. May 14, 1974

12(10) 112 12

Clifford K. Sweet  
m. Paula Verchow

b. Jan. 6, 1948

Clifford and Paula live in Salt Lake City, Utah. They have two girls.

12(10) 112 121  
Misty Lee Sweet b. Feb. 22, 1970

12(10) 112 122  
Heather Dawn b. Oct. 28, 1971

12(10) 112 13  
Elaine Ruth Sweet b. June 19, 1949  
m. Wayne Dow

The Dows live in Des Moines, Iowa, and have two children.

12(10) 112 131  
Kimberly Alice Dow b. Aug. 23, 1971

12(10) 112 132  
Mathew Wayne b. Dec. 28, 1974

12(10) 112 14  
Wanda Lee Sweet b. Sept. 2, 1950  
m. Duane Garden

Wanda and Duane live in Colwell, Iowa. They have two children.

12(10) 112 141  
Michelle Lea Garden b. Nov. 23, 1969

12(10) 112 142  
Chad Duane Garden b. May 21, 1972

12(10) 112 15  
Diane Lynn Sweet b. <sup>JUNE</sup> Jan. 21, 1952  
m. Kenneth Berry

The Berrys live near Sparta, Wisconsin, and have two children.

12(10) 112 151  
Tonya Sue Berry b. Aug. 22, 1971

12(10) 112 152  
Trevis John Berry b. Mar. 9, 1974

12(10) 112 16  
Sharon Ann Leidahl b. June 10, 1959

12(10) 112 2  
Harris Emmet (Vick) Brown b. June 4, 1929  
m. Clara Kennedy b. Aug. 21, 1931

12(10) 112 21  
Douglas Allen Brown b. June 2, 1955

12(10) 112 22  
Susan Kay Brown b. Dec. 6, 1956

12(10) 112 3

Dorothy Mae (Vick) Brown  
m. William Brooks, Jr.

b. June 26, 1931  
b. Jan. 3, 1925

Dorothy was baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church, and confirmed at First Lutheran Church. She has lived all her life in Winneshiek County. After high school she worked at Darling Drug Store, McNeil's Clothing Store, the Decorah Bakery, later in the Decorah High School Principal's Office, and for the past ten years in the Soil Conservation Office, where she is presently. She was honored with a service award at the 31st annual conference of Soil Conservation Commissioners on November 29, 1977.

She and William were married at First Lutheran Church on August 28, 1949. William attended Decorah High School and spent four years in the Army. He is employed at Ray's Tobacco Company.

Dorothy has served as a Brownie leader in Girl Scouting and has taught in Sunday School.

12(10) 112 31

Bruce Duane Brooks  
m. Jacqueline Griffin

b. Aug. 31, 1951

Bruce spent four years in the U.S. Navy after finishing High School. He has graduated from Chabot Jr. College and attended one year at California State at Hayward. In March of 1978 he graduated from the Police Academy and is now a Deputy Sheriff of Alameda County. Their address is: 17007 Via Magdalena, San Lorenzo, CA 94580.

12(10) 112 311

Michelle Ann Brooks

b. April 5, 1974

12(10) 112 312

Mathew William Brooks

b. April 6, 1978

12(10) 112 32

Rebecca Ann Brooks  
m. Merlin Tangen, Jr.

b. Jan. 11, 1954

The Tangens live at 2836 Magnolia Drive, Bettendorf, IA 52722. They have one daughter. "Butch" is employed with Iowa-Illinois News Co.

12(10) 112 321

Tamara Ann Tangen

12(10) 112 33

Beth Elaine Brooks

b. April 15, 1958

Beth attends college at Waldorf, Forest City, Iowa.

12(10) 112 4

Lorraine Phillis Brown  
m. Elmer Severson

b. April 20, 1934  
b. Dec. 14, 1933

Lorraine was educated in Decorah Public Schools and married Elmer, who came from Waukon, where the family lives. They have five children.

12(10) 112 41

Janet Collen Severson  
m. Robert Garden

b. Oct. 27, 1954

The Gardens live in Colwell, Iowa, which was Robert's home town. They have two sons.

12(10) 112 411

Shane Robert Garden

b. Nov. 8, 1973

12(10) 112 412

Cassade Charles Garden

b. Aug. 30, 1977

12(10) 112 42

Mark Allen Severson

b. Nov. 20, 1956

12(10) 112 43

Juanita June Severson

b. Aug. 3, 1959

12(10) 112 44

Gary Lee Severson

b. Sept. 13, 1960

12(10) 112 45

Sandra Rene

b. Mar. 18, 1964

12(10) 112 5

Shirley Ann Brown  
m. Carl Fredrick Schick

b. Mar. 4, 1936

b. Sept. 27, 1928

Shirley was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Decorah. The Schicks live on a farm in Canoe Township. They have ten children. Shirley graduated from Decorah High School on May 27, 1954. She worked at F. W. Woolworth Co., at a factory in Decorah, and at custodial work. She and Carl were married at First Lutheran Church on August 29, 1954. Carl was born in Chicago, Ill., and graduated from Calumet High School, Chicago, in 1945, and from Iowa State University at Ames, Iowa, in 1954. He served in the Army during the Korean Conflict. The couple has farmed for 24 years. The family enjoys camping.

12(10) 112 51

Susan Marie Schick  
m. Douglas Baker

b. June 14, 1955

The Bakers live in LaCrosse, Wisconsin.

12(10) 112 52

Michael Allen Schick  
m. Jackie Hastings

b. Nov. 8, 1956

b.

They live in Elkader, Iowa.

12(10) 112 521

Jennifer Schick

b. Oct. 13, 1977

12(10) 112 53	Carl Fredrick Schick, Jr.	b. April 12, 1958
12(10) 112 54	Gary Marvin Schick	b. Dec. 22, 1959
12(10) 112 55	Steven Lee Schick	b. April 21, 1961
12(10) 112 56	David Paul Schick	b. Sept. 17, 1962
12(10) 112 57	John Nathan Schick	b. May 17, 1964
12(10) 112 58	Mary Ann Schick	b. Oct. 18, 1966
12(10) 112 59	Nancy Jane Schick	b. Aug. 5, 1968
12(10) 112 5(10)	Rosemarie Arlene Schick	b. June 17, 1972
12(10) 112 6	Sadie Alberta Brown	b. July 6, 1938
	m. Robert Sersland	b. Nov. 9, 1935
<p>Sadie was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Decorah and spent her childhood in a rural home in Winneshiek County, Iowa. Robert was baptized and confirmed in Washington Prairie Church near Decorah. Both were graduated from the Decorah High School. The couple have lived on farms in the Washington Prairie area all their married life. They have four children. Robert is serving the Decorah Community Schools as board member. Both have been active in community affairs. Both have been leaders in 4-H work. Robert has served his church as a trustee and Sadie has been active in the A.L.C.W. (American Lutheran Church Women)</p>		
12(10) 112 61	Keith Robert Sersland	b. Feb. 1, 1958
12(10) 112 62	Cheryl Lynn Sersland	b. Mar. 17, 1959
12(10) 112 63	Bonnie Sue Sersland	b. June 6, 1962
12(10) 112 64	Dianna Marie Sersland	b. June 6, 1966



12(10) 112 7

William Robert Brown  
m. Karen Grindeland

b. Aug. 9, 1940  
b. Jan. 3, 1943

William was born in Decorah Township and went to Decorah Schools. He and Karen were married on December 8, 1962, at St. John's Lutheran Church at Locust near Decorah, Iowa. William has been employed by Berge Incorporated, a construction firm, since his graduation from Decorah High School in 1959. They bought a home at 612 West Water Street on June 1, 1964. In 1977 they sold this and acquired a fine home on Pleasant Hill in Decorah. They have three children. Their youngest was born on their wedding anniversary. William has served Decorah Lutheran Church in many ways, as member of the church council, as president of Decorah Lutheran Church, as usher, and as carpenter.

12(10) 112 71

Todd Alan Brown

b. June 10, 1964

12(10) 112 72

Pamela Jo Brown

b. Dec. 24, 1966

12(10) 112 73

Cynthia Ann Brown

b. Dec. 8, 1969

12(10) 113

Arthur Cornelius Brynsaas  
m. Alma Sorenson

b. July 6, 1905  
b. May 6, 1900

Arthur was born in Glenwood Township, Baptized and Confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. He attended Baker School. As a young man he worked as a farm laborer. In 1927 he and Alma were married. They moved to Charles City and worked for the Fischer Company, maker of church and office furniture. The couple moved back to the Decorah area and started farming in 1930.

In 1968 they retired from the farm. They lived in the Porter House Museum for a couple of years and helped clean and put this residential museum in order. Museum board members say they were the finest museum attendants the board was ever able to employ. Arthur then went to work for the Decorah Park Commission and became the first attendant in the Decorah City Campground. He worked diligently to help make it one of the nicest city campgrounds for miles around. Arthur and Alma enjoyed very much meeting people from far and wide who used the campground. Meanwhile, they bought a home on West Main Street, Decorah, where they presently reside.

12(10) 114

Henry Brynsaas

b. April 27, 1907

d. June 28, 1975

m. Mildred May Ames

b. Feb. 18, 1908

Henry was born at the Brynsaas farm home in Glenwood Township near Decorah, Iowa. He attended the country school near his home. He was confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church on May 7, 1922. During his younger years he worked for neighboring farmers. At a

later date he worked in North Dakota in late summers shocking and threshing grain. In the late fall he would come back to western Iowa and pick corn.

On November 12, 1930, he and Mildred were married at the Little Brown Church at Nashua, Iowa. They farmed until 1957 when they moved to Decorah. Henry worked for a construction company after he moved to Decorah. The couple had two children, Arlin and Irene. Henry died in June of 1975 and is buried in the Lutheran Cemetery in Decorah.

12(10) 114 1

Arlin Henry Brynsaas      b. Jan. 9, 1936  
m. Elaine Baumler      b. March 2, 1936

Arlin was born at his parents' farm in Winneshiek County, Iowa. He was educated in the Decorah School System and graduated from Decorah High. He served in the U.S. Army for two years from December 1954 to December 1956. He married Elaine on December 11, 1954. Elaine was born in Fayette County, Iowa. When she was about a year old her parents moved to Winneshiek County. Elaine graduated from Canton High School in Canton, Minnesota. The couple have farmed most of their married lives up until about 1964 when Arlin became involved in the selling of Patz Silo and Barn Equipment. They continue to live on their farm home south-east of Decorah.

12(10) 114 11

Randall Arlin Brynsaas      b. July 20, 1955  
m. Kristi Klotzback      b. March 4, 1958

Randall was born at Decorah, Iowa. He was educated there and graduated from the Decorah High School. He and Kristi were married in 1977. Randall works for his father in the sales of silos and barn equipment.

12(10) 114 111

Melisa Ginae Brynsaas      b. Oct. 20, 1977

12(10) 114 12

Patricia Irene Brynsaas      b. Sept. 7, 1957  
m. Jimmy Tollefson      b. Mar. 31, 1952

Patricia and Jimmy were married in 1972. They make their home at the Haugen-Hummel Trailer Court near Decorah, Iowa. Jimmy is employed at Camcar Screw and Manufacturing Co.

12(10) 114 121

Bonnie Marie Tollefson      b. Sept. 22, 1975

12(10) 114 2

Irene Kay Brynsaas      b. Nov. 25, 1937  
m. Richard Lee Zuck      b. June 21, 1935

Irene was born in Winneshiek County, baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. She attended Decorah School System and graduated from Decorah High. Irene was secretary for the Norwegian Mutual Ins. Assn. in Decorah, Iowa. She also has worked as a check out girl at Jack and Jill Grocery in Decorah and at Super Valu at Humboldt. She is presently secretary for Frit Industries at Humboldt. On August 16, 1959, she was married to Richard, who was a graduate of Nashua High School and an employee of Bell Telephone Co. While she lived in Decorah, she was active in Decorah Lutheran Church Women's work. Irene's special recreational interest is bowling. Richard (Dick) has worked for 25 years for Northwestern Bell. They have lived in Decorah, Dubuque, and presently (1978) at 510 North 9th Street, Humboldt, Iowa.

12(10) 114 21

Kevin Lee Zuck                      b.  
m. Kathy

Kevin and family live on a farm near Decorah.

12(10) 114 211

Jason Zuck                              b.

12(10) 114 22

Doyle Richard Zuck                      b. Feb. 6, 1960

Doyle is a senior at Humboldt High School (1978). He plans to enter college and study architectural drawing.

12(10) 114 23

Todd Alan Zuck                              b. July 7, 1963

Todd is in 8th grade at Junior High School this year (1978). His main interest is sports.

12(10) 114 24

Brenda Kay Zuck                              b. July 8, 1968

Brenda is in 4th grade. She likes sports and horses.

12(10) 115

Edwin Brynsaas                              b. Aug. 12, 1909  
m. Leona Borseth                              b. Feb. 14, 1910

Edwin tells his story as follows:

"As a small boy of 7 or so, I was often sent to my grandparents home to bring Uncle Anton to help. When I was older I helped with the farm work.

"We often trapped for small animals. In the winter there were muskrats, mink, and other small fur-bearing animals and in summer there were pocketgophers and woodchucks to trap.

"There was a creek running through the farm which offered much enjoyment. How nice it was to clean off in the waters of the creek after a hard day in the hayfield and in winter, where better to learn to ice skate?

"To learn to read and write I attended two rural schools. The Baker School was near our farm and the Lakeview School I attended while staying with my sister, Pearl, and her husband.

"For my Christian education I attended a summer school taught by Oscar Lovstuen. I also read for the minister and was confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. Leona attended the Rocksvold School in Glenwood Township and graduated from 8th grade.

"On November 12, 1930, Leona Borseth and I were married at the Little Brown Church near Nashua, Iowa. My brother, Henry, and Mildred Ames were married there at the same time. After the double ceremony, we four took off for North Dakota for our honeymoon. We planned to visit some of our aunts and uncles and while there experienced a severe snow and ice storm which downed many electric and telephone wires.

"The depression of the 30's hit hard in our locality the spring after we were married. We rented a farm house, and I took whatever work was to be had. Wages were as low as 50¢ a day. Eggs sold for 8 to 10 cents a dozen. The winter of 1931-32 was very hard, as there was no work to be had.

"By this time we were also expecting our first child. In February of 1932 we moved onto a small farm and I started hauling milk to the Freeport cheese factory. Freeport is a small village (much bigger now) near Decorah, Iowa. On March 8, 1932, our first child, a daughter, was born. We named her LaVerne Evelyn. On July 3, two years later, a second daughter, Marian Ethel, was born.

"In December of 1934 we moved to my parents' home and helped with the farming. I also continued to haul milk.

"I purchased a small filling station in October, 1935, and we moved to Ostrander, Minnesota. We had been there just a week when mother passed away. Then on March 6, 1937, twin sons were born. We called these boys Roger Arnold and Ronald Dean. They were very premature, and Ronald passed away a few hours after birth.

"The two winters we spent in Ostrander were so bad at times there was no traffic at all. There were many blizzards which lasted as much as three days at a time. At one time there was no train service for a week.

"In October of 1937 we decided to return to Decorah. The next spring we again moved into a farm house. I, again, started to haul milk to the Freeport cheese factory. The next year we rented a farm. It was small, but gave me a start in farming again and along with this I continued to haul milk.

"December 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor was bombed and the United States was at war. About a year later, on November 12, 1942 (our 12th wedding anniversary) we moved to a larger farm and I quit hauling milk. While we lived on this farm another son, Wesley Ernest, was born on December 13, 1945.

"In 1947 I purchased my father's farm and moved there in late February, 1948. My father stayed with us a lot. He also spent some time with the other children, but always returned to us. At the age of 86 he broke his hip. After getting out of the hospital, he lived in different homes of his children who cared for him. A few years later he had a stroke and spent much of his last years in bed. He died on January 5, 1956, at the age of 91.

"We continued living on the home place until the fall of 1968 when we sold the farm and purchased a home in Decorah at 506 Vernon Street. I work for the Aase Haugen Homes, Inc., as a custodian for the Decorah Retirement Center and have been there for 10 years.

"We participate in church activities, and I have served on the Church Council. We enjoy fishing."

12(10) 115 1

LaVerne Evelyn Brynsaas b. Mar. 8, 1932  
m. Raymond Orin Ramsey b. Nov. 21, 1927

LaVerne was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa. When she was less than three years old her family moved to Ostrander, Minn. It was there she started school. The family moved from there in November 1937 to Decorah, Iowa, and LaVerne was transferred to West Side School in Decorah. In March of 1938 they moved to a farm near the Upper Dam in Glenwood Township east of Decorah where LaVerne went to Glenwood District 8 School, also known as Lakeview School.

In 1942 the family moved again and she went to District #2 or the Drake School, where she graduated from eighth grade in May of 1946. Graduation exercises for all eighth graders in Winneshiek County rural schools were held in the J.C.K. Preus Gymnasium at Luther College. (This structure was destroyed by fire in 1950.) LaVerne writes as follows:

"That fall (1946) I started to Decorah High School. During that year the War, as we talked of it, ended and with it the end of rationing and other things that had made life a little different. That war did not affect my life much, as I was too young and with my dad a farmer he did not have to enter the service. I enjoyed my high school years and found them passing all too fast. I managed to take part in a few of the activities but my talents did not fall in the music department or sports nor was I very good at speaking.

"After graduating in 1950 I worked as a mother's help for Mrs. Bernard Howland, whose husband was a chiropractor. Later I found a position as secretary-typist at Anundsen Publishing Co. (publishers of Decorah Posten)

"On Palm Sunday, April 6, 1952, Raymond Ramsey and I were married at the home of my parents. (It was the house my grandparents, Hans and Carrie Brynsaas, built.) I continued working until September of that year. Raymond, son of Gilbert and Olga Ramsey, worked for L. C. Bolson Co. He is still with them.

"Our first child, Rosalyn Louise, was born by Caesarian section on February 9, 1953. The others followed in quick succession (all Caesarian). Ronald Dean on March 15, 1954; Beverly Lynn on February 14, 1956 (also her grandmother Brynsaas' birthday) and finally David Alan on October 22, 1957. By this time we had purchased our home on Iowa Avenue in West Decorah.

"In 1958 we changed our church membership from Decorah Lutheran to Good Shepherd Lutheran (a new congregation) which was closer to our home. There we participated in various church activities, the children going to Sunday School and Bible School. They were all confirmed at this church. I became a member of the ALCW and a circle. I also taught Bible School for three summers and was a member of the Altar Guild. Raymond did some ushering and also sang with the choir.

"As the children grew up and entered school, expenses became greater and I had to find a job outside the home. My first full-time job was as Nursing Aide at the Decorah Retirement Center. In 1970 I was given a job at Luther College, eventually working in the Alumni Office.

"As for my paternal grandparents, I can't say very much as my grandmother died right after we moved to Ostrander, Minnesota. After we moved back I do remember Grandpa coming to visit, usually a day or two at a time. I don't recall him ever telling us stories of his boyhood or when dad was growing up. But I do recall him giving us candy from a bag of peppermint lozenges he carried in his pocket. (I wonder if any of his other grandchildren remember him for that?) As we moved to larger houses he was able to stay for longer periods of time. We usually enjoyed and looked forward to his visits. He made no demands on the grandchildren, never correcting our faults that I remember or any of the other things that some grandparents do. And, of course, Mom had the care of him at the time he died and she can probably tell many more things about living with them.

"My great-grandparents I don't remember at all, though I know that great-grandpa Erickson died sometime after I was born as I have a snapshot of him with three great-grandchildren with him, of which I am one."

12(10) 115 11

Rosalyn Louise Ramsey b. Feb. 9, 1953

In 1971 Rosalyn graduated from Thomas Roberts High School and has been working at the Area I Media Center since August of that year. Prior to that job she worked part time as a Nursing Aide at the Retirement Center in Decorah (Aase Haugen Homes). She also

belonged to the Candy Stripers while in High School. Rosalyn was one of the few from her original Brownie troop to continue through Scouting until her senior year of high school.

12(10) 115 12

Ronald Dean Ramsey	b. Mar. 15, 1954
m. Roxanne Nelson	b.

Ronald and Roxanne live in Freeport. Ronald is shop foreman at Ronningen Motors and Roxanne is a beauty operator.

12(10) 115 121

Rachael Sue Ramsey	b. Jan. 7, 1978
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12(10) 115 13

Beverly Lynn Ramsey	b. Mar. 14, 1956
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12(10) 115 14

David Alan Ramsey	b. Oct. 22, 1957
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12(10) 115 2

Marian Ethel Brynsaas	b. July 3, 1934
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The following is Marian's account of her life's history:

"I was baptized in Decorah Lutheran Church.

"As I began to grow I developed a quiet personality, although I had a tendency for getting into mischief.

"We moved to Ostrander, Minnesota, when I was about a year old. We first lived in an upstairs apartment and then moved into a bungalow. One fall day Mom was going to wash pillow covers. She had emptied the feathers into a tub and set them in the sun to air out. Suddenly Mom heard me squealing gleefully and coming to see what I was doing discovered me tossing the feathers in the air and squealing 'Whee-e-e! it's raining.'

"Shortly after this we moved back to Decorah. The following spring we moved to a farm near the Upper Dam in Glenwood Township. From there I eventually started school in the Lakeview School (District #8). School days were uneventful. I enjoyed reading and other subjects, but I never did like to play ball or other games.

"We moved to another farm when I was 8, and I attended school at District #2 or Drake School, as it was called.

"When I was in 8th grade we moved to Dad's home place. I graduated from 8th grade while attending the Baker School (District #3). From there I started to high school in Decorah. LaVerne and I shared a room in town. The year I was a senior the school bus started going by our farm, so I stayed home and rode the bus back and forth. I was confirmed in Decorah Lutheran Church, June 5, 1948.

"High school was very uneventful except for one phy. ed. period. It was spring and we were warming up to play softball. A cousin was in my class and we were supposed to be tossing the ball back and forth. As usual, I wasn't paying much attention when she tossed the ball towards me. Not seeing the ball coming, I didn't duck and WHAM-O, right in the face. Result - a broken nose! Me!! who had never had a broken bone in my life.

"Graduation from high school was June 1, 1952. Right after the county fair, in August, I started working for the L. C. Bolson Co. in the office. I roomed with my sister and her husband.

"I learned to drive a car through Adult Driver's Ed. and was able to transport myself to the country on weekends and spent the summers there, driving back and forth to work. Later when the folks moved into town I moved into their house as well.

"I now teach Sunday School 12 weeks every year, attend circle meetings, etc. To help keep me busy I do some fancy work, such as embroidery and crocheting. I do quite a bit of reading, and I like to travel.

"I still work for the L. C. Bolson Co. (1978)"

12(10) 115 3

Ronald Dean Brynsaas      b. Mar. 6, 1937 d. Mar. 6, 1937

12(10) 115 4

Roger Arnold Brynsaas      b. Mar. 6, 1937  
m. Beatrice Wellman      b.                      d. Jan. 1974

Roger Brynsaas writes as follows:

"I was born in Ostrander, Minnesota, on March 6, 1937, the older of identical twins. My brother, Ronald Dean, died a few hours after he was born. Before I was a year old we moved back to Decorah and then to a farm near what was known as the Upper Iowa Dam. Later we moved to what was known as the Bleka Farm. There I learned to work with Dad on the farm. I started school in the Drake School or Glenwood, District #2.

"At the age of 11 we moved to Dad's home place, the Brynsaas estate, now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Austin Newcombe. While living there I attended the Baker school and graduated from 8th grade. I also helped dad and some of the neighbors with farm work.

"I moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where I worked at Henderson Manufacturing Plant for a year and a half. In April 1957 I enlisted in the U.S. Navy as a Seaman Recruit.

"I made Fireman Apprentice in July of that year and graduated from recruit training. From there I attended machinery repairman class 'A' school from July through October, then in October of 1957, I was made Machinery Repairman Fireman. During my first years in the Navy I served on board the USS Prairie AD-15 (Oct. 1957) and USS Dixie AD-14, home ported at San Diego, Calif.



While on the USS Prairie, I was made Machinery Repairman, third class. This was in December of 1958. Then on the Dixie I received the Machinery Repairman second class in May of 1960. My travels took me to ports in the Philippines, Japan, Hong Kong, Okinawa, Taiwan, and Wake Island.

"Next I was stationed on the east coast and on the USS McCaffery DD-860. It was on this ship that I made Machinery Repairman first class in November 1962. I made two cruises to the Mediterranean, visiting Spain, France, Italy, Greece, Turkey, Jordan, Sudan, Aden, Berian & Massawa. One cruise was made to Northern Europe visiting Germany (transiting the Kiel Canal), Sweden and Holland. During these cruises I also transited (passed through) the Suez Canal. We also visited Bermuda and Puerto Rico in the Carribean. I was also in the Cuban Blockade in the fall of 1962.

"I was married April 19, 1963 to Beatrice Wellman, a native of Michigan. The wedding took place in the Navy chapel at Mayport, Florida. We lived first at Jacksonville Beach, Florida. In December 1964 we moved to Millington, Tenn., while I was stationed at the naval air station in Memphis. From there we moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, where I served aboard the USS Satyr ARL-23. This was in August of 1967.

"In March, 1968 we left New Orleans for San Diego transiting the Panama Canal. Traveling to Viet Nam for the first time in June 1968 we sailed to the Mekong Delta. It was on this trip that I received my final rating of Chief Machinery Repairman in October, 1968. Leaving the ship in Viet Nam, I flew back to the base in San Diego in February, 1969.

"My next ship was the USS Bryce Canyon AD-36 (ported in Long Beach), where I was for three months. The USS Isle Royale AD-29, also stationed at Long Beach was next. I spent two years there, and Bea and I had our mobile home at Huntington Beach.

"From there I was transferred to Detroit, Michigan, where I served as Navy recruiter. We lived in Adrian, Michigan from March 1971 to March 1972.

"Moving back to the west coast, we lived in Vallejo, Calif. I was transferred to the USS Ranger CVA-61 home ported at Alameda, California. We made a cruise to Viet Nam in November of 1972 just prior to the final bombing before the U.S. withdrew. I visited Singapore and crossed the equator on this cruise. As we crossed the equator, I was one of those who were initiated a Shellback (this is for the ones who were crossing the equator for the first time.) We returned from that cruise in August 1973.

"We moved from Vallejo south to Imperial Beach in September 1973. Bea died there in January 1974 and I was transferred from the Ranger to the USS Prairie AD-15. She was home ported in San Diego and I was transferred in May 1974. This was my first ship and would be the one I retired from. We made a final cruise in

January of 1975 and returned in August 1975. Most of our time was spent in the Philippines. We were there during the evacuation of Viet Nam.

"I was retired from the Navy on March 19, 1976, and have been traveling through the United States since."

12(10) 115 5

Wesley Ernest Brynsaas b. Dec. 13, 1945  
m. Susan Frances Rouster b. Nov. 8, 1952

Wesley tells his story as follows:

"It was the winter of 1945 and Second World War was just over. On Thanksgiving Day Mom, Dad, and the rest of the family were invited into town for dinner. Because of the difficult driveway to our farm home, it had been decided Mom would stay in town until I was born. The night of December 13 I finally made my appearance. On January 13, 1946, I was baptized in the Decorah Lutheran Church.

"Living on the farm was a good life, but it soon was discovered I wasn't quite like the others. I developed an allergy to milk and for quite a while had to have a special formula. Gradually I was able to eat other foods.

"We moved to another farm while I was a toddler. Grandpa stayed with us quite a bit of the time, and we enjoyed each other's company. By this time I was having a problem with asthma, which caused me to miss school often. I did well in my subjects, however, and graduated from 8th grade. I had been attending Baker School, the same one my dad attended, going on to the Decorah High School. I joined the FFA (Future Farmers of America Club). I graduated in the spring of 1965.

"My first full-time job was with Deco Products of Decorah. Later I joined the Navy and had my training in California. After my discharge I returned to Decorah and went back to work at Deco.

"About a week after returning to work I was involved in a one-car smashup. I was badly injured and fortunate to be alive. I spent several months in the hospital in Iowa City. At one point I was returned to intensive care where a fight was made for my life.

"Later, after my strength came back, I moved to Cedar Rapids with some buddies and got a job there with Weyerhaeuser Company - Shipping Container Division.

"I started going with a girl from Mabel, Minnesota. She was Susan Rouster, who graduated from Mabel-Canton High School, and shortly before we were to be married, I was in another car accident. This time I wasn't in the hospital for such a long time, but my leg was in a cast again (It will never be the same) and my jaw was wired shut again.

"Susan and I were married in the Catholic Church in Mabel. My leg was still in a cast. This was a Saturday (a beautiful day) the 12th of April, 1969. After a short honeymoon I moved back to Cedar Rapids and Sue stayed at home to help until her little sister was born in May. We lived in Cedar Rapids.

"Sue started taking instructions in the Lutheran Church, and I served the church by being an usher. While in Cedar Rapids, we had two daughters. Both girls were baptized in Trinity Lutheran Church of Cedar Rapids.

"I decided I should try Deco again, so we moved back to Decorah. We found a farm house to rent. We both went to work for Deco, leaving the girls with one of the neighbors.

"We joined Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Decorah, eventually becoming active in Sunday School, etc. I was elected to the Decorah Cemetery Board and served on the church council. I also serve as an usher. Sue helped teach vacation church school.

"We wanted to be in the Decorah School District when Tlisa started school, so we found a mobile home for rent a short distance from town.

"In 1974 we had another daughter. She was baptized in the Good Shepherd Church. Sue did babysitting to help out, and I changed jobs, going to work for A. Y. McDonald, a plumbing wholesaler, where I am still working.

"I joined the local I.O.O.F. Lodge and became active there. I also have been active in a bowling league."

12(10) 115 51

Tlisa Marie Brynsaas      b. Sept. 19, 1969

12(10) 115 52

Karrie Sue Brynsaas      b. Oct. 11, 1970

12(10) 115 53

Amy May Brynsaas      b. Oct. 14, 1974

12(10) 116

Nina Evelyn Clerise      b. Oct. 15, 1914

m. Durwood Borseth      b. Nov. 29, 1911

Nina was born in Glenwood Township on the Hans Brynsaas farm where she lived until she was married on September 9, 1934 to Durwood Borseth. They lived in or near Decorah the first seven years of their married life and their first four children were born in Decorah. On their 7th anniversary, September 9, 1941, they moved to Arizona where Durwood began working for the Southern Pacific Railroad and continued for 33 years. He retired on January 1, 1975. Four more children were born in Tucson City.

12(10) 116 1

Carrie Nellie Borseth    b. Mar. 15, 1935  
m. Barry Cason

Carrie was born in Decorah, Iowa, and spent the first six years of her life in Winneshiek County. Her family then went to Arizona. She married Barry on February 14, 1953. Barry worked for the Railroad for two years and then bought a gasoline station in Show Low, Arizona. He ran that for fifteen years. He is now working for a copper mine near Globe, Arizona. They have five children.

12(10) 116 11

Barry Dee Cason, Jr.    b. Nov. 30, 1953  
m. Mary Martinez

Barry, Jr. joined the Army on January 1, 1975, went to Germany in July 1976. Mary planned to join him as soon as possible. They have two children.

12(10) 116 111

Brian Dee Cason    b. Sept. 30, 1974

12(10) 116 112

Christopher Lee    b. Feb. 3, 1976

12(10) 116 12

Val Marie Cason    b. June 12, 1955  
m. Paul Hintze

Val and Paul were married on December 18, 1973. Paul is in the Armed Services and spent four to five years in Germany. He returned to the states in July 1976. They have one son.

12(10) 116 121

Jonathan Aragon Hintze    b. July 13, 1975

First child of Val and Paul Hintze. He was born in Germany where his father served in the Armed Forces.

12(10) 116 2

Rose Arlene Borseth    b. Dec. 17, 1936  
m. Edward Mack    b. Jan. 22, 1927

Rose and Edward were married on August 27, 1955. Edward was in the mining business in Arizona but sold out and went to Ohio in 1961 and went into the business of drilling oil wells and later with two partners organized the Mack Oil Co. of Ohio.

12(10) 116 21

Edward Anthony Mack    b. Mar. 31, 1956

Edward, known as Eddy, Jr., attended Ohio Kent College.

12(10) 116 22

Willard Dean Mack b. April 4, 1957

Willy is working for the Mack Oil Co.

12(10) 116 23

Joseph Lee Mack b. April 18, 1960

12(10) 116 24

Linda Rose Mack b. Sept. 10, 1961

12(10) 116 25

Betty Jane Mack b. Sept. 8, 1968

12(10) 116 26

Jerry Alan Mack b. Aug. 25, 1970

12(10) 116 27

Rose Mary Mack b. July 30, 1971

12(10) 116 3

Mary Jane Borseth b. Aug. 10, 1938

m. Lark Fielden b. Oct. 3, 1936

Mary married Lark on December 18, 1955.

Lark works for Duval Copper Mine south of Tucson, Arizona.

Mary and Lark have four children.

12(10) 116 31

Richard Lark Fielden b. Oct. 31, 1936

Richard has studied law enforcement in college in order to become a policeman.

12(10) 116 32

Ronald Dean Fielden b. May 31, 1959

12(10) 116 33

Constance Marie Fielden b. Mar. 10, 1965

12(10) 116 34

Traci Jane Fielden b. Oct. 1, 1966

12(10) 116 4

Howard Elvin Borseth b. Mar. 18, 1940

d. Mar. 23, 1940

12(10) 116 5

David Neal Borseth b. Feb. 25, 1943

m. Martha ?

David joined the Navy in 1962 and served on the USS Enterprise. After four years in the Navy, he went directly to Alaska where he worked as a driller with an oil company for two years when he came back to Tucson. He was married on September 4, 1969. They have one child, and Martha had two children by a previous marriage. David is now working as a mechanic in Globe, Arizona.

12(10) 116 51

David Adolph Borseth      b. Dec. 28, 1970

Martha's children:

Michael Bruce              b. March 9, 1964  
Christine Marie            b. May 6, 1965

12(10) 116 6

Alice Fay Borseth          b. Dec. 16, 1946

Alice graduated from University of Arizona in 1970 and has been teaching since in Patagonia, Arizona. She also tutors slightly retarded children.

12(10) 116 7

Nina Mae Borseth           b. May 16, 1948  
m. Dennis Halter           b. ?

Nina and Dennis were married December 23, 1966, and have three children. Dennis worked as a diesel mechanic at the mines around Tucson until April of 1976, when the family moved to Ohio to join the Mack Oil Company where Dennis works as a mechanic.

12(10) 116 71

Samantha Maxine Halter    b. May 27, 1968

12(10) 116 72

Cassandra Marlene Halter b. Feb. 25, 1971

12(10) 116 73

Kurt McNeal Halter        b. Mar. 26, 1973

12(10) 116 8

James Durwood Borseth    b. Aug. 28, 1949  
m. Gail Sims

James has been a construction carpenter in and around Tucson until January 1975 when he joined the Air National Guard. He took his training at Lakeland Field, San Antonio, Texas; then at Shepherd Field in Wishata City, Texas. Then he worked in Tucson for six months; then he moved to Globe, Arizona and began working for the state as a carpenter. He is still in the Air National Guard Reserve. They have three children.

12(10) 116 81

Irene Maxine Borseth      b. Nov. 19, 1967

12(10) 116 82

James Wendel Durwood Borseth    b. May 16, 1971

12(10) 116 83

Adam Edwin Borseth        b. July 27, 1973

12(10) 117

Norman Brynsaas           b. Oct. 2, 1916  
m. Mae Rasmussen        b. Dec. 5, 1916

Norman Brynsaas writes of his life:

"I was born on October 2, 1916, on the Brynsaas farm in Glenwood Township east of Decorah, Iowa, son of Hans and Karren Brynsaas, where I spent all of my boyhood days and attended the county grade school. Each summer I attended three or four weeks of Norwegian Parochial school which was provided by the Glenwood Lutheran Church. Oscar P. Lovstuen was the teacher. In April of 1931 I was confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church in the Norwegian language which was still used there at that time.

"During my early days I also experienced the depression when prices were very low, both wages and farm prices. When I was 15 years old I helped with the daily farm work at a neighboring farm for 25 cents a day. A grown man worked long, hard days to earn 50 cents a day. Hogs brought \$1.50 per hundred weight, so a nice hog would bring about \$3.00. I can remember our neighbor had a cow they planned to sell but they were offered 1/2 cent per pound so decided not to sell the cow but butchered it for their meat instead, which was very common in those days, and they also shared this meat with their neighbors. Cream was selling 10 to 20 cents per pound butterfat, eggs were from 6 to 10 cents per dozen. At that time you could buy gas for your car for 15 or 20 cents per gallon, and also buy a new tire for about \$3.00.

"As my older brothers, Henry and Edwin, married and left home I was expected to stay on the farm and help with the farming, and also to help drive the car for my folks. I started driving at the age of 14, and in 1934 I bought my first car, a 1925 Model T Ford Roadster and this cost \$45.00.

"My mother died in October of 1935, so my Dad and I stayed on the farm. On August 18, 1937, I married Mae Rasmussen and we farmed the home farm and my Dad lived with us. We have two children, Nancy was born on August 19, 1938, and Robert was born on February 16, 1941. Then in 1943 we moved to a farm on Highway 9. There we had electric lights and paved roads, so we thought that was really great. Two years later we moved again to a larger farm in Pleasant Township and farmed until 1953 when we had a farm sale and moved to Decorah.

"I worked two years as a carpenter's helper, then accepted a job as a cabinet maker at the Calmar Manufacturing Co., in Calmar, Iowa, and worked there for eight years. At this time we built our house on Pershing Avenue in Decorah, where we are still living. In 1963 I began work as caretaker of the Decorah Retirement Center and later became Maintenance Supervisor of the building. After working there about fifteen years, I felt that I would like to start building cabinets and some furniture for people in and around Decorah, so I am now self employed doing carpenter work, also installing carpets for Sherwin Williams Paint Store of which my son, Robert, is manager. I also sand floors.

"We also like to travel, and have taken two trips to Norway, the first one in 1967 and again in 1971. In 1969 we took a trip to Jamaica on the ship 'Starword' along with our best friends,

the Erling Innviks of Norway, who were living in Decorah at that time. We have also traveled by airplane to Mexico, Arizona, California, and Washington, D.C., but each time have been thankful to come back to Iowa, the best place of all."

12(10) 117 1

Nancy Brynsaas

b. Aug. 19, 1938

m. William Spilde

b. Nov. 17, 1938

Nancy was born in Winneshiek County, Glenwood Township, and lived on her grandfather's farm with her parents, who ran the farm and cared for grandpa. She was baptized at Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church and on May 18, 1952, was confirmed there also.

Nancy writes about herself and her family as follows:

"I had the most wonderful parents any child could have, Norman and Mae Brynsaas. I was raised on the farm and loved all the animals, except the stinky pigs. A baby brother, Robert Dean, joined the family in 1941 in February. I guess we had our fights. I remember us swinging very high on a swing set, and it tipped over. I screamed and cried because I thought I was really hurt. Bob didn't say much, but he was the one who was injured with a broken leg, not me. Along with neighbor children, we walked about two miles to school in warm and cold weather. I remember walking on drifts right over the fences. I recall that in January 1947 when my Grandfather Rasmussen died we had a big snow storm. We followed the snow plow into town to the funeral home and the snow banks were as high as the snow plow.

"When I was in fifth grade a new boy moved into the neighborhood and attended our school. I sort of fell for him. He would give me a ride home on his bike. But then he moved away again the next year. When I was a sophomore in high school we moved from the farm into Decorah. It was really great to be living in town. That year I met up with my grade school boyfriend, Wm. (Bill) Spilde and we dated through high school. In my senior year I worked for Blanche McArthur.

"In 1956 I graduated from high school and continued to work for Blanche through the summer. In the fall I started a new job at the ASC Office in Decorah. I worked there for four years and continued dating Bill. We were married August 24, 1958. He was a dairyman at the Winneshiek County Farm, and we moved into a cute little house there at the farm and we loved it. In October 1960 our first daughter, Luann, was born and I quit work to raise a family. In June 1962 our second child was born, a boy, Mark. In the fall of 1963 we decided the County Farm was no place to raise children, so Bill got a job at the K & S Super Valu Store, which was a brand new grocery store. He started out with \$80 a week and we bought a new 3-bedroom home near K & S. I started babysitting for children whose mothers worked. In October 1965 our third son, Steve, was born. Then in April of 1968 tragedy hit our family. Bill's brother, Fritz Leonhardt, and his wife were killed in a car accident and left two children. In November we acquired custody of these two children, Deana, age 2, and



Daniel, age 1. Because our family had grown with the addition of these two, we needed more room, so we added a large addition to our house. To our surprise, in February of 1974 our fourth child, a girl, Lisa Mae, was born. As of 1978, Bill is produce manager at Jack & Jill Food Market. I'm still a homemaker but do work a couple of hours a day decorating cakes at a bakery. We have six children, Luann, 17; Mark, 15; Steve, 12; Deana, 11; Danny, 10; and Lisa Mae, 4. And God has been very good to us."

12(10) 117 11

Luann Ranee Spilde b. Oct. 31, 1960

Luann was born in Winneshiek County, lived a couple of years at the Winneshiek County Care Center, where her father was employed. She is currently attending Decorah High.

12(10) 117 12

Mark William Spilde b. June 23, 1962

12(10) 117 13

Steve Allan Spilde b. 1965

12(10) 117 14

Deana Leonhardt

12(10) 117 15

Daniel Leonhardt

12(10) 117 16

Lisa Mae Spilde b. February 1974

12(10) 117 2

Robert Dean Brynsaas b. Feb. 16, 1941  
m. Marleen Louise Dearhammer

Robert was baptized and confirmed at Canoe Ridge Lutheran Church. He writes about himself and family as follows:

"We lived on a farm in Pleasant Township near Canoe Ridge Church. While on this farm, I started school in the one room school house known as The Matter School. In 1953 we moved to town. Every summer until 1959 when I graduated from High School, I worked on a farm.

"After graduating, I worked at various jobs. They are as follows: McArthur's Bottle Gas & Appl., Russ Nelson Appliance Repair Service, and Norman Berg Construction Co.

"In 1961, after a short session at Weaver Airline School in Kansas City, Missouri, I got a job with American Airlines in Chicago, Illinois. I started as a Baggage and Freight Handler and eventually was promoted to Ticket Sales. While working there, I had the privilege of taking many free trips around the United States on the Airliners.

12(10) 117 21

12(10) 117 22

12(10) 141

12(10) 142

12(10) 143

12(10) 144

12(10) 144 1

12(10) 144 11

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12(10) 144 13

Linda Ann Corcoran b. Sept. 21, 1947  
m. Floyd Eugene Knobel b. April 30, 1944

They were married on September 18, 1965.

12(10) 144 131

Tommy Lee Knobel b. Aug. 19, 1966

12(10) 144 132

Debbie Marie Knobel b. Aug. 7, 1969

12(10) 144 133

Cindy Ann Knobel b. Sept. 14, 1969

#### THEODORE AND MARTHA (GRALUM) ERICKSON DESCENDANTS

12(10) 151

Harriet Theodora Erickson b. Mar. 8, 1918  
m. Clarence Grandgaard

They live in Moorhead, Minnesota

12(10) 152

Alta Marcella Erickson  
m. Roger Edwards  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ Unsderfer

12(10) 152 1

Bonnie Kay Edwards b. Feb. 22, 1947  
m. Terry Sheffington

12(10) 152 11

Robb Sheffington b. 1966

12(10) 152 12

Janice Sheffington b. 1973 (?)

12(10) 153

Charlotte Lavina Erickson b. Feb. 13, 1928  
m. Craig Murdock b. ?

12(10) 153 1

Colleen Harriet Murdock b. Jan. 29, 1947  
m. Jo Asuchak

12(10) 153 11

Craig Asuchak

12(10) 153 12

Jo, Jr. Asuchak

12(10) 153 13

Angela Asuchak

12(10) 153 14

Danny Asuchak

12(10) 153 2  
     John (Jackie) Murdock  
     m. Anita

12(10) 153 3  
     Claudia Murdock  
     m. Alcot

12(10) 154  
     Phylis Genevieve Erickson   b. Aug. 22, 1925  
     m. Hjalmer Bratten           b. ?

12(10) 154 1  
     Linda Louise Bratten       b. ?  
     m. Mr. Zugschwerdt

12(10) 154 11  
     Jill Zugschwerdt           b. 1971

# HENRY AND GINA (ERICKSON) LARSON DESCENDANTS

12(10) 171  
     Ephriam Larson              b. Jan. 12, 1916   d. ?  
     m. Hazel Larson  
     m. Doris Medford           b. Dec. 22, 1924

12(10) 171 1  
     Janene Darlene Larson       b. Aug. 31, 1947  
     Daughter of Doris and Ephriam.   Lives in Texas.

12(10) 181  
     Edwin Erickson              b. Jan. 20, 1911  
     m. Clara Olson              b. May 5, 1910  
     Son of Julia, who was eighth child of Erick and Hannah  
     (Bolson) Erickson.

12(10) 181 1  
     Joan Erickson               b. July 20, 1935  
     m. Sherman Vangsness       b. May 6, 1928

12(10) 181 11  
     Lynn Vangsness              b. June 12, 1957

12(10) 181 12  
     Bradley Vangsness           b. July 25, 1958

LEONARD AND JULIA (ERICKSON) KJOLSO DESCENDANTS

12(10) 182

Harold Loyd Kjolso b. Feb. 1, 1914

Harold was born in Enderlin, North Dakota. He is a painting contractor in Seattle Washington. He was married to Ione Able. They had two children, Raymond and Dennis. Later he was married to Alice Bunderstedt and they had two children, Darlene and Larry. Harold lives at 17011 14th Avenue N.E., Seattle, WA 98155

12(10) 182 1

Raymond Harold Kjolso b. Mar. 1, 1937

Born in Seattle and is a Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine. He married Martha Schinn on the 27th of January, 1958, and has two children. He currently (1977) lives in Arlington, Washington.

12(10) 182 11

Michael Raymond Kjolso b. Oct. 20, 1960, in Seattle

12(10) 182 12

Tamara Sue Kjolso b. Nov. 17, 1959

12(10) 182 2

Dennis Loyd Kjolso b. Jan. 18, 1943

Born in Seattle. Works for U.S. Postal Department and is unmarried. He lives in Arlington, Washington.

12(10) 182 3

Darlene Maria Kjolso b. Jan. 17, 1948, in Seattle

Married Ray Austin on Aug. 6, 1964, was separated and was remarried to Richard Sandoval in 1973. She has three children. She lives in Vancouver, Washington.

12(10) 182 31

Trina Marie Austin b. Nov. 18, 1966, in Seattle

12(10) 182 32

Donna Rita Austin b. April 15, 1971, in Japan

12(10) 182 33

Jason Richard Sandoval b. Nov. 5, 1975, in Phoenix,  
Arizona

12(10) 182 4

Larry Alaska Kjolso b. Aug. 18, 1949

Larry was born on the U.S.S. Alaska Steamship in Alert Bay, Canada. He is unmarried and is in the Retail Fruit and Produce Business. He lives in Lynwood, Washington.

12(10) 183

Norman Roland Kjolso b. June 15, 1915

d. Jan. 10, 1976

Norman was a painting contractor. He married Leona Trager in 1937 and had three children.

12(10) 183 1

Larry Lee Kjolso b. Dec. 12, 1937

Larry was born in Seattle, married Mona on May 1, 1959, and is a cabinet shop owner. He has three children.

12(10) 183 11

Lynn Marie Kjolso b. Sept. 28, 1961

12(10) 183 12

Kristine Kjolso b. March 9, 1970

12(10) 183 13

Shaun Erick Kjolso b. April 20, 1971

12(10) 183 2

Norman Tomar Kjolso b. Sept. 31, 1939

Norman is married and lives in Seattle. He is a cabinet shop owner. He has three boys.

12(10) 183 21

Ricky Carl Kjolso b. Oct. 5, 1966

12(10) 183 22

Corey Tomas Kjolso b. July 22, 1968

12(10) 183 23

Bradley Paul Kjolso b. April 23, 1970

12(10) 183 3

Jame Allyn Kjolso b. Sept. 23, 1944

Jame was born in Seattle. He is unmarried and is a school teacher.

12(10) 184

Milton Kjolso b. Nov. 29, 1916

m. Mina Gest b. April 15, 1921

m. Gwendolyn Hope b. ?

Milton was born in Kindred, North Dakota. He married Mina Gest, by whom he has one daughter, Linda Darlene Howland. He married Gwendalyn Hope. He is a cabinet maker by trade and owns his own business. He lives in Bothell, Washington. He has two adopted daughters, Nancy Annette born 1948 and Gayle Leanne born 1947, and a natural daughter, Darcy Anne born 1964. He lives at 23525 49th S.E., Bothell, WA 98011

12(10) 185

Wilford Kjolso b. Oct. 21, 1918

Wilford was born in Leonard, North Dakota. Moved and lived in Florida for seven years. Then went back to North Dakota for one year at the age of eight. Then went to Edmonds, Washington, where he lived for seventeen years. He married Evelyn in 1940. In 1947 they moved to California when he returned from serving in the Army in World War II. They lived at Ventura, California, for about ten years, then moved to Oregon and lived at Eugene for seventeen years. Then back to Washington. They bought a small farm in Arlington, Washington. Had four children.

12(10) 185 1

Kathrin Kjolso b. Feb. 25, 1940

Kathrin married Don Reed. Don is a doctor, and they live in Bishop, California.

12(10) 185 2

Patricia Kjolso b. Jan. 25, 1941

Patricia married Roger Simons. Roger is a painter. They have three daughters and live in Fonta, California.

12(10) 185 3

William Kjolso b. July 5, 1946

William is married and has one son. He is an auto mechanic and lives in Loma Linda, California.

12(10) 185 4

David Kjolso b. ?

David lives at home and goes to school in Arlington, Washington.

#### NICKOLINE AND JOSEPH NYSTUL DESCENDANTS

12(10) 191

Ernest Garfield Nystul b. June 19, 1912

m. Lila Davenport b. Nov., 1908

Ernest was born in Kindred, North Dakota, where his parents had a restaurant. He moved with his parents to Leonard, North Dakota, to Fargo, on to Florida, and on to Moorhead. When his parents moved to Chicago in 1936, he stayed in Fargo, North Dakota. He married Lila on November 9, 1935, and worked in the Retail Store of Fargo Glass & Paint Co. Lila was a compometer operator with the Standard Oil Co. They had two daughters, Shiela Jasene and Erlene Kay. In January 1947 the family moved to Mayville, North Dakota. In December of 1953 they moved to Jamestown, where Ernest worked in Home Decorating. Lila worked as a nurse's aid and clerked in a children's ready-to-wear store. In 1958 Ernest and Lila bought an interest in the Alex Glass & Paint Co. in Alexandria, Minnesota. They continued in this business until 1974 when they sold out.

12(10) 191 1

Sheila Jasene Nystul b. Jan. 18, 1940

Sheila was born in Fargo and moved with her parents to Mayville, to Jamestown, to Alexandria. After she graduated from high school in 1958, she attended the Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and then became a Nurse's Aid in Retirement and Nursing Homes. She is presently (1977) a Nurse's Aid in the Knute Nelson Memorial Hospital in Alexandria.

12(10) 191 2

Erleen Kay Nystul                      b. March 22, 1942  
m. Terry J. Keating

Erleen was born in Fargo, accompanied the family as they moved from there to Mayville, Jamestown and finally to Alexandria. She was graduated from St. Cloud State University in 1964 and taught in the elementary grades. On December 26, 1964, she married Terry, an Ensign in the Navy Air Force. Erleen continued teaching while Terry continued his training and service in the Viet Nam War, piloting a Reconnaissance Plane. After Terry's discharge, they settled in Fort Collins, Colorado, and went into partnership in the tire business.

12(10) 192

Roger Walter Nystul                      b. July 25, 1914  
m. Ruth Dragland                      b. Oct. 3, 1912    d. 1956  
m. Anita Hanson

Roger was born in Leonard, North Dakota. He moved with the family as they went from there to Fargo, to Florida, to Chicago, and to Moorhead. When his parents moved again to Chicago in 1936, Roger remained in Fargo, working as city salesman for Hannaker O'Neil Wholesale Grocery Co. He married Ruth Dragland on June 3, 1937. In 1940 they moved to Chicago where their son, Bradley, was born. Roger worked for the Nystul Sanitarium and later for Stewart Warner Manufacturing Co. Ruth died in 1956. Roger was married a second time to Anita Hanson in June of 1961.

12(10) 192 1

Bradley Michael Nystul    b. April 17, 1942  
m. Genny Maegdfen

Bradley was born in Chicago, married and has two sons, Michial August and Bryan Wilhelm.

12(10) 192 11

Michael August Nystul    b. Mar. 22, 1966

12(10) 192 12

Bryan Wilhelm Nystul    b. Aug. 12, 1969

12(10) 193

Francis Wilson Nystul    b. Dec. 31, 1918  
m. Helen Fredinhall    b. Aug. 14, 1914    d. June 30, 1975  
m. Lorraine Stearman

Francis was born in Fargo and went with his parents to Florida, Chicago, Moorhead, and back to Chicago in 1936. He married on February 29, 1940. He worked at the Nystul Sanitarium. During W.W. II he enlisted in the Army, serving in the Hospital Corp in the U.S. and Hawaii. Upon his discharge he returned to Chicago and attended Radio School. On becoming an announcer he worked in Buckley, West Virginia. Their daughter, Linda, was born there. The family returned to Chicago and Francis became an x-ray technician with a government hospital. Helen, Francis' wife, died June 30, 1975, and Francis remarried on April 17, 1976, to Lorraine Stearman.



12(10) 193 1  
 Linda Diane Nystul b. July 17, 1951  
 m. Dennis Schuldt  
 Linda was born in Buckley, West Virginia. She went with her  
 parents to Chicago. She was married on February 14, 1974.

12(10) 194  
 Kathryn Isabella Nystul b. March 6, 1921  
 m. George DuWaldt b. Sept. 12, 1920  
 Kathryn was born in Fargo, went with her parents to Florida,  
 Chicago, Moorhead, and back to Chicago where she graduated from  
 high school. She went to work for Stewart Warner Manufacturing  
 Co. On February 14, 1941, she married George DuWaldt, a tool  
 designer with the Registry Co. They had six children.

12(10) 194 1  
 Gary Francis DuWaldt b. Aug. 11, 1943  
 m. Sue Ann Davis  
 Gary served in the Viet Nam War. He and Sue have two children.

12(10) 194 11  
 Scott Joseph DuWaldt b. May 13, 1968

12(10) 194 12  
 Christine Kathryn DuWaldt b. June 1, 1970

12(10) 194 2  
 Georgean Kay DuWaldt b. June 13, 1945  
 m. James Jarecki  
 Georgean and James have three children.

12(10) 194 21  
 Susan Kay Jarecki b. June 23, 1963

12(10) 194 22  
 Anthony James Jarecki b. June 19, 1968

12(10) 194 23  
 Christopher James Jarecki b. Feb. 25, 1974

12(10) 194 3  
 Susan Laurel DuWaldt b. May 25, 1947  
 m. Charles Antol  
 Susan and Charles have three children.

12(10) 194 31  
 Laura Kay Antol b. Dec. 31, 1968

12(10) 194 32  
 Craig Charles Antol b. Jan. 28, 1971

12(10) 194 33  
 Kari Kathryn Antol b. Aug. 30, 1976

12(10) 194 4  
 Thomas George DuWaldt b. May 5, 1951  
 m. Pamela Cyman (Thomas and Pamela have two children)

12(10) 194 41

Kimberly Marie DuWaldt b. July 28, 1969

12(10) 194 42

Thomas George DuWaldt, Jr. b. April 21, 1971

12(10) 194 5

Patricia Ann DuWaldt b. Dec. 31, 1954

12(10) 194 6

Kathleen Judy DuWaldt b. Dec. 31, 1958

#### MAYLO (ERICKSON) AND VICTOR SWANSON DESCENDANTS

12(10) 1 (11) 1

Drexel Byron Swanson b. April 2, 1918

m. Betty Aileen Cassel b. May 24, 1921

Drexel was born in Leonard, North Dakota, and writes that his earliest recollections are of that town and of his father's print shop burning, of moving to LaBolt where his father and uncle had the Willow Brook Stock Farm for a short time, and of moving to Cawker City, Kansas, where he began his education in the first grade and skipping to second grade at the second semester. In 1925 brother, Kirby, started first grade and Drexel third grade in Ottawa where the family had moved. That summer they came to Decorah to visit. "I remember the home place quite well, and Norman and Nina, the creek and the crowdads and the nightmares they generated, a big collie dog, and a blind mare. I remember rotten egg fights (they buried my clothes) and mites in my hair from the chicken house. I remember going to the Little Brown Church in the Wildwood, and Dad getting lost on the Skyline Road in the Model-T, and mother screaming that we couldn't turn around there." He moved with his parents to Summit, South Dakota, and then to Martin, South Dakota. At one time he recalls living across the street from Sitting Bull's daughter, who was in her sixties then. "I remember seeing teepees in the morning that were not there the night before and were gone in the night later." The family moved next to Marmarth, North Dakota. They started out on Valentine's Day in a truck loaded with everything, even the dog." We made it only as far as Minot due to the snow drifts. We nearly froze to death for four hours waiting for the late train to come so we could take it to Marmarth, another Railroad town with a Roundhouse. That summer (at Marmarth) was memorable from prairie towns to hikes up and down the Little Missouri and Beaver Creek to picking gooseberries, chokecherries, fishing, and frog hunting, and finding quick sand.

July 3, 1929, the family moved to Burlington, Washington, by way of the Great Northern Railroad, through Glacier National Park, following the Yellowstone River for miles. They stopped enroute to visit Aunt Hilda Prinzing at Great Falls, where there was a grasshopper plague and the only creatures who were happy were the chickens who laid green-yolked eggs.

When the family got settled in Burlington, they were not far from Aunt Julia Kjelso's home in Edmond. "Mother and Aunt Julia traded kids from time to time that summer and we all had fun. We ran wild, and ate delicious applies, cherries, black berries, pears, and plums."

When they moved to Crescent City, "Dad sent for us in July of 1930. We spent July 4th on the road, a disaster for kids who couldn't set off their firecrackers. July 5th we set up house-keeping in a hotel right on the beach. Again we kids went wild, playing in the waves and tidal pools and fishing off the docks. Here was home! We settled in and did the usual things. In Boy Scouting we brushed a trail to Boy Scout Tree, a redwood 33½ feet around. I went to high school, had my first car and my first girl who turned out to be the first and last after a courtship of four years. Betty and I were married October 27, 1940. She is German-Scotch-Irish. I worked in saw mills in Oregon, and Betty got her first telephone company experience. She recently retired from General Telephone Co., where she has been manager of the business office here."

"In 1943 we moved to Kingston, Washington, and both worked in the torpedo station at Keyport, just out of Bremerton. The day the war ended we packed up for Crescent City again. We found no place to live. I wanted to build my own home and found I knew exactly nothing about it, so I asked a building contractor for a job and I've been at it ever since. I had my own home by 1952 built in two year's spare time. Now I do remodeling and additions mostly. Last year I finished two apartments over my 25 x 50 shop.

"We became deeply involved in square dancing from 1949 to 1961, teaching the last six years. I handled the square dancing and pattern dancing while Betty did the ballroom and folk dancing. She also taught in the schools all over the county. She also was recreation director for a couple of years, then went to managing Six Rivers Savings and Loan, then to the Telephone Co.

"From dancing we went to playing duplicate bridge. To those interested, we have played in Nationals in Portland, Oregon, three times, also San Francisco and Las Vegas. We've played in many Regionals in Oregon and Northern California. I just got back from the Mexico City Bridge Nationals. I spent eight days in Mexico and had a fantastic time, bullfights and all.

"In 1964 on Good Friday when the Alaskan earthquake caused tidal waves which demolished downtown Crescent City, the waters came within two blocks of where we now live and up four blocks into town. Crescent City is known as 'Come-Back Town'."

12(10) 1 (11) 11

Byron Ralph Swanson  
m. Sophia Mullinex

b. Dec. 25, 1941  
b. March 11, 1945

Byron, known as Barney, was born at Seaside Hospital, Crescent City, California, just three weeks after Pearl Harbor. The Emidio had just been torpedoed off shore. The wreckage could be seen from the hospital. It came in on a rock by a light house and was broken in two in a storm. The bow drifted around the jetty into the harbor and fell over in the bay the day before Christmas. They all had full gas tanks and evacuation routes in case of attack. The only bombing of the U.S. Mainland was done just north of Crescent City by a plane from off a sub with fire bombs trying to set the forest afire at Brookings, Oregon.

Barney is a qualitative engineer at a particle board plant. He spent nearly five years in the Navy. They kept him in during and after the "Bay of Pigs" incident in Cuba. He learned radar, some electronics, and scuba diving. He is an avid hunter, fisherman, and backpacker. He has a 4" gold dredge and drives a Jeep Cherokee.

He and his dad have a 22-foot commercial fishing boat they play around with during the summer. They fish for Silver and King Salmon, snappers, cod, and turkey rock. Summer of 1977 while out one day they found themselves nearly surrounded by basking sharks --36 of them somewhere around 35 feet long and weighing 8 ton.

Their best catches were 38 salmon one day and 1,380 lbs. of bottom fish another day.

Byron's wife is French-Canadian. She was born at Fort Dick, California. They were married July 11, 1964. They have two children.

12(10) 1 (11) 111

Eric Drexel Swanson b. Aug. 3, 1967

Eric was born at Seaside Hospital.

12(10) 1 (11) 112

Nicole Aileen Swanson b. Dec. 24, 1969

Nicole was also born at Seaside in Crescent City.

12(10) 1 (11) 12

Karen Louise Swanson b. January 3, 1946  
m. Dale Cathey b. July 12, 1948

Karen, known as Kandy, was born in Seaside Hospital, Crescent City, California. She was a sickly child and the old family doctor suggested her parents get her a horse to get her outside and help her forget her problems. In 1961 her parents leased 200 acres and had 17 horses for kids to hire. One of the children who frequented the stables was Dale Cathey, whom Kandy married on July 30, 1966.

Dale and Kandy now live on 460 acres near Rosebury, Oregon, training and breeding horses. Dale is a quarter-horse cutting-horse trainer. They go to the Nationals in Texas each year and travel all up and down the coast. Dale has two Pacific Northwest Champions to his credit and three Reserve Championships. He is getting into judging of late. They have one son.

12(10) 1 (11) 121

Corey Dale Cathey                      b. March 29, 1972  
Corey was born at Salem, Oregon.

12(10) 1 (11) 13

Kristi Lynn Swanson                      b. September 20, 1952  
m. Steve Anderson                      b. February 15, 1950

Kristi was born in Seaside Hospital, Crescent City, California. She works for the General Telephone Co., trained by her mother who is now retired from the company. She is a CRT operator, that is a computer report transmitter to the Regional Office in Everett, Washington.

Steve is Swedish, was born in Minneapolis. He spent some time in Viet Nam after they were married on October 24, 1970, in Colorado Springs, where he took his Army boot training.

12(10) 1 (11) 2

Kirby Winslow Swanson                      b. Dec. 19, 1919  
m. Gretchen Ann Page                      b. Oct. 6, 1924

Kirby was born in LaBolt, South Dakota, and grew up in Crescent City, California. He married Gretchen Ann Page on October 12, 1943, and joined the Army Air Force the same year. He was discharged in 1946. He returned to Crescent City where he lived until 1949 when he moved to Seattle. He operated service stations until 1969. Then he formed an automotive parts business. In 1971 he moved his business to Ellensburg, Washington, where he presently lives (1978). He is very active in Lions Club and the Moose Lodge.

12(10) 1 (11) 21

Melody Ann Swanson                      b. July 4, 1953  
m. Dale Burson                      b. ?  
They were married May 10, 1975.

12(10) 1 (11) 3

Victor Dean Swanson                      b. Feb. 22, 1922  
m. Anne Mary DeLyle                      b. ?                      d. 1965  
m. Hazel Evelyn Hatt                      b. ?

Victor was born in Fargo, North Dakota, and spent his early years in North and South Dakota and Kansas. He came to Crescent City, California, in 1939 and graduated from high school there in 1939. He went to San Diego, California in 1940 and worked for Consolidated Aircraft Co., which was building PBY Aircraft at that time. He enlisted in U.S. Navy April of 1942 and went through boot camp and gunnery school at San Diego. He then served fifteen months in West Indies on patrol duty and mine sweeper. Returned

to the states for more schooling February 1944 at St. Thomas College at St. Paul, Minnesota; Advanced Gunnery, Washington, D.C.; Naval Mine Warfare, Yorktown, Virginia, and assigned to new ship USS Grimes, APA 172, at Astoria, Oregon, October 1944, and served in Pacific area until October of 1945. He was discharged in Bremerton, Washington, with rating of GMM 2/C. He saw service at Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Re-enlisted in U.S. Naval Reserve 1948-1959 but was not called back to active duty during Korean conflict.

He worked at Todd Pacific Shipyard, Seattle, Washington, as a painter for a year before returning to Crescent City, California October 1946. Worked next ten years as a truck driver for a dairy and bakery. Then for two years he was a U.S. Postal Clerk. He was employed at Pacific Power & Light Company July 1957 as Customer Clerk and Credit Manager, still there (1977). He received special recognition for twenty years of service with the Power & Light Co. in the Crescent City office of the firm. He married Anne Mary DeLyle October 1944 in St. Paul, Minnesota. She died in 1965. No children. Married Hazel Evelyn Hott in 1965. No children, but was presented with an "instant" family consisting of son and daughter, ten grandchildren and to date (1977) three great grandchildren.

12(10) 1 (11) 4

Barbara Hughline Swanson b. Oct. 4, 1927  
m. James Lewis Riddle b. Jan. 29, 1922

Barbara was born at Martin, South Dakota. She graduated from high school in Ashland, Oregon, in May, 1944, at 16 years of age. The following year she married Jim on August 12, 1945, in Ashland. Jim was born in Sandpoint, Idaho. He graduated from high school there. He went into the Army in September of 1940 and got out in June of 1945. Three of these years (March 1942 to April 1945) were spent fighting the Japanese in the South Pacific. He received the Bronze Star Medal. In July 1945 he began a 4-year apprenticeship as a machinist in the Bremerton Navy Yard. He retired in August, 1974, as general foreman. Jim and Barbara have done a lot of traveling since. They have lived at their present address for 27 years (3214 Preble St., Bremerton, Oregon)

Barbara writes, "My growing up years were spent at Crescent City, California, and my youngest brother, Lyle, was born there. I remember great times playing by the ocean and long walks with Dad and Mom.

"My mother was a very quiet little person and did a lot for us but for a few years she went through some troubled times. In those years we didn't know much about mental health problems--she had a nervous breakdown and in the summer of 1939 went to the State Hospital in California about 250 miles from home. I took care of Lyle (2½) in the summer, and Dad hired housekeepers during the school years. We went down to see Mom as often as possible. In the winter of 1942-43 Dad, Lyle, and I moved to Seattle, Washington, for better work for Dad in his brother's print shop. Summer of 1943 Lyle and I moved to a small town in Oregon (Ashland) because I didn't like living in Seattle. Drexel and his wife, Betty, were

living there then, but they moved a few months later. Lyle and I stayed because I was finishing my senior year of high school. I married Jim in August of 1945 and moved to Bremerton, Washington, where he went to work in the Naval Shipyard. He had just finished 5 years in the Army.

"Shortly after we married, Mom was able to come home to Seattle. She wanted to have a job to keep busy and everyone agreed it was best for her, so Lyle (8) stayed with Jimmy and me and Mom worked in the Olympic Hotel. She retired from there the same time Dad retired from his job. She was 68 at the time. When they retired they moved to Bremerton and it was real nice having them so much closer."

Jim has had some jobs since he retired, presently he is selling mobile homes. (From Barbara's letter Feb. 1978) Jim is very active with the local sea scout group. He is the skipper, and he teaches boys and girls how to handle a 45-ft. boat and all the chores that go with it. Barbara never had a job in the business world but did a lot of babysitting, both in her home and in other people's homes bringing in money for the extras the family wanted.

12(10) 1 (11) 41

Roberta Carol Riddle      b. June 3, 1946  
m. Jim Carnahan

Roberta married Jim in 1964. Their marriage was terminated in 1968.

m. Paul Stone      b. May 30, 1945

Roberta married Paul on March 25, 1978. Paul was born in Illinois.

12(10) 1 (11) 411

James Allen Carnahan      b. Oct. 8, 1964

James was born in Bremerton, Washington.

12(10) 1 (11) 412

Teresa Archelle Carnahan      b. June 6, 1967

Teresa is known as "Traci." She was born in Bremerton, Washington.

12(10) 1 (11) 42

Danny Wayne Riddle      b. Dec. 30, 1947

Danny was born in Bremerton, Washington. Danny is in Maryland (1978) going to the Seamen Union School for upgrading. He is planning on being an assistant cook and to get his "A" book which will allow him to ship just about whenever he wants to.

12(10) 1 (11) 43

Shirlee Jean Riddle      b. June 22, 1949

m. Michael Russo      b. Jan. 27, 1943

Shirlee and Michael were married in 1971, on January 14 in Seattle, Washington.

12(10) 1 (11) 5

Wesley Lyle Swanson      b. Jan. 29, 1937  
m. Elinor Joyce Howard   b. Jan. 30, 1940

Lyle was born in 1937 on his mother's birthday in Crescent City, California, where he spent the first 5½ to 6 years of his life. He started school at Crescent City. Mid-year he and his sister moved to Seattle and spent the second half of the year living and going to school with their cousins, the Kjolsos. He and his sister, Barbara, then moved to Ashland, Oregon, where Barbara finished high school, met her husband, and was married. Lyle writes, "I remember we lived in a small apartment right across the street from my school. My sister's life and mine remained entwined. I moved with her and her new husband to Poulsbo, Washington, where we lived in one of the project houses built to house the many people who came to work in the Navy Yard at Bremerton during the war years. Here I attended 4th grade. Next we moved to Bremerton to be closer to my brother-in-law's job. He had begun an apprenticeship at the Naval Shipyard there. Here I went through 5th grade and on to graduate from high school. After graduating I moved to Seattle, Washington, where I live with my parents. It is sad, but inevitable that my Mother and I were not too close. She had spent six years in a State Hospital in Mendocino, California, during my formative years (2½ to 8½). While she lived with father in Seattle, I stayed on with my sister and her family across Puget Sound at Bremerton. I visited quite often on weekends, but it was not the same as living with my parents.

"I worked at my brother's service station from June 1954 until March 1955 when I joined the Army. I was sent to Fort Ord, California, for basic training, then to Fort Devens, Mass., for processing, and then to Language School at Presidio of Monterey, California. I was in the Army Security Agency and am still not at liberty to divulge my duties. After 6 months concentrated course in the German language, I spent about 2½ years of overseas service most of the time in Berlin. I came first to Frankfurt a/Main, Germany, the day after my 19th birthday. After six months I was transferred to Berlin, 110 miles behind the Iron Curtain. I enjoyed my time in Germany and though travel was restricted, I was able to see some of Europe while I was there. My tour of duty would have been completed in March of 1958. However, the World's Fair in Brussels was due to begin in April of that year. Not wanting to miss the opportunity of seeing my first World's Fair, I voluntarily extended my service time by six months. Taking two weeks leave, I toured Amsterdam, Holland, then spent 3 or 4 days in Brussels. I was discharged in September of 1958 at Fort Lewis and stayed with my parents while looking for a job."

Lyle's work experience has been varied. During 1949, 1950, and 1951, he went for the summers to work for his brother, Dean, at Crescent city, who was delivering dairy products between Crescent City, California, and Brookings, Oregon. Lyle helped bringing in orders of milk, butter, cheese, etc., to stores and restaurants



and lugging out cases of empty milk bottles. In 1952 Dean switched to delivering bread along the same route and Lyle assisted that summer. Between his junior and senior year he began working for his brother, Kirby, who owned a gas station at Northgate, north of Seattle. He commuted from Bremerton on Friday nights, staying with his folks, working at the station on Saturdays, and perhaps Sunday mornings. In the afternoon he would catch a ferry back to Bremerton and prepare for school the next morning. After his tour in Europe he found work with Boeing and worked the swing shift for six months at the Renton Plant where he installed electrical cableways on the KC-135 jet tankers. Boeings' contract was up in March of 1959 and Lyle was laid off. He "kicked around" town for 6 or 7 months, drawing rocking-chair wages, exercising at the Y, drinking gallons of coffee. He took a trip with his folks and his sister and her family, eight in a station wagon with about 500 pounds of camping gear and clothes in a cartop carrier for a two-week trip to Idaho, Montana, North and South Dakota, to visit relatives and sight see. In the fall of 1959 Lyle went to work for Sweden Freeze Manufacturing Co., which made soft ice cream machines. Usually a batch of ice cream was made to test out the machine and everyone joined in to sample the results. When this job was terminated, Lyle soon got a call to report to the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard where he had taken an apprenticeship exam. He started as apprentice ship fitter. The program consisted of 4 years schooling and on-the-job training. He graduated as a full-fledged journeyman and had ample opportunity to try out his skills as he worked in the shipyard where they built destroyers, sub-tenders, destroyer-tenders, and supply ships. He also worked on several ships that come in for over-haul or conversion. One such ship was the U.S.S. Pueblo, now being held by the North Koreans. Gradually the yards shifted from a construction yard to a submarine overhaul yard and Lyle has worked several years on various nuclear powered submarines. In 1974 he was promoted to ship scheduler which job he now holds. His duties include originating and maintaining various schedules of projects assigned to Puget Sound Naval Shipyard. Lyle has almost 22 years of Civil Service time toward retirement, 3½ years of military, and almost 18½ years in the Navy Yard.

Lyle says, "I had been a loner and had never dated during my school years. A friend of mine mentioned there was an interdenominational youth meeting in one of the churches across town and attending might afford opportunity of meeting some girls . . . I figured, 'Why not, it was better place to meet girls than the local bars.' The Lord worked on me in the atmosphere of Christian fellowship, love, and concern and He won me back to Himself, for which I am eternally grateful. Eventually I became president of the youth group and it was at one of the meetings I met my future wife. She was Elinor Joyce Howard, born in Gunnison, Colorado. She had come to Bremerton to be with an aunt who had lost her husband. She had begun her education in a small two-room school in Lake City, Colorado, a small resort town about 60 miles south of Gunnison. Her grandparents lived in Lake City and had a store there. Ellie went to school there and in Gunnison, her home town, and eventually graduated from Gunnison County High School in 1958. During the 8 or 9 months she spent on the coast, she and I became fairly well acquainted. About June of 1961 she returned to attend her grand-

parents 50th anniversary and to continue her college education at Western State College, Gunnison. I was sort of dejected. Then one day I seemed to hear a voice say, 'Dummy, you've got plenty of annual leave, go get her!' So about the end of July with my parents I drove to Gunnison. We spent about a week visiting, then Ellie came back with us and spent a couple of weeks here before school started. When she left for Colorado a second time she was wearing my ring. We were separated for two years while she completed her education except for two or three weeks visit between her junior and senior years. She graduated early and returned to Bremerton about March 1963. We were married June 3, 1963, at the First Baptist Church where I had been baptized and joined in September 1961." Lyle has served for 12 years on board of deacons. He and Ellie served for 12 years as junior high counselors for the youth group. Ellie is choir director, and Lyle is church moderator, chairing all business meetings. The family loves camping. Lyle is interested in hunting, fishing, and back packing.

12(10) 1 (11) 51

Andrew Glenn Swanson      b. May 4, 1971

Andrew was named for his paternal great-grandfather and for the Biblical disciple who brought his brother to the Lord. His father expects to take him on his first backpacking trip this summer (1978).

12(10) 1 (11) 52

Matthew Henry      b. Nov. 4, 1974

Matthew was named for his maternal great-grandfather (Henry T. Hoffman) and for the writer of the first of the four Gospels.

12(10) 2

Anton Julius Bolson	b. July 24, 1857	d. July 29, 1941
m. Anne Guldselien	b. Mar. 30, 1857	d. July 29, 1941

Anton was born on his father's farm in Glenwood Township where he lived until he married Anne Guldselien, who came with her parents from Hadeland, Norway, in 1863, when she was six years old. They were married about 1883, and moved to a farm by the Upper Iowa River near the Bolson Bridge. He was given this farm by his father (Torer). They have seven children, one died in infancy and the rest all lived and grew up on that farm. To quote their daughter-in-law, Rebecca Bolson, widow of Stephen Bolson, "Anton was a good Christian man, kind to everybody, a man of few words. Anne was a good wife and mother. She was a wonderful cook. She made the best chicken dinners baked with cream. She made the loveliest Angel Food Cakes, and she taught me how to make them. I'd never made them before, though I baked pies, cookies, lefsa, and so forth. Son, Stephen, helped his mother with bread baking and household duties."

Their first house on the farm was a two-story log building which they replaced with a frame house.

#### DESCENDANTS OF ANTON AND ANNE (GULDSELIEN) BOLSON

12(10) 21

Carl Melvin Bolson	b. Dec. 3, 1882	d. Feb. 3, 1960
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Carl was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa. As a young man he moved to South Dakota in about 1911. He came with the John Buer family. He spent the winter and returned to Decorah. Later he and his brother Gilmer came to South Dakota and each filed on homesteads. He lived for years in his prairie shack. After years of drought, Carl decided to sell all his belongings and work in the Homestake Mine in Lead, South Dakota, only to find after disposing of his property that he was too old to work in the mine. He found employment as a farm hand on a large cattle ranch. In 1936 he accompanied the Gilmer Bolson family on a trip to Iowa to visit Grandpa Bolson who had become seriously ill. He never married. His sister, Emma, helped with his housekeeping until she married. In 1938 he moved to Oregon and found work in the timber at Kenzua. He retired from this work and bought a chicken farm in Hermiston, Oregon, about 20 miles from Boardman, Oregon, and lived there until he passed away. His hobby was reading. He spent many lonely hours reading books and magazines during the pre-TV era.

12(10) 22

Emma Theodora Bolson	b. July 9, 1887	d. May 3, 1957
m. Gordon Whitmore	b. Nov. 1, 1883	d. Oct. 27, 1960

Emma was born on the home farm in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek

County, Iowa. She went to rural school. She came to Decorah to work as a house maid, then as a cook at Luther College. About 1913 she went with her cousin, Josephine Buer, out to take a claim in South Dakota. Both young women had brothers who had preceded them into the Wild West. There Emma met and married Gordon, more commonly called "Gordie."

Gordon was a freight hauler and drove the freight line to Baker, Montana. He experienced lots of rigorous weather on his job. Once he had great difficulty getting through the snow drifts but on his way back he found the hundred mile an hour wind had swept the roads clean.

Emma had many adventures in the west. Once she awakened to pounding on the side of her shack. An Indian was out there hitting the building. The Indians would come begging for milk for "sick papoose."

She once found a rattlesnake in the cellar, pinned it down with a forked stick, and snapped its head off. Once she was ironing in the kitchen and looked up and saw a white-faced cow looking in at her. Emma would ride over to do housekeeping for her brother, Carl, who had a homestead shack near by. Once on one of her trips to Carl's her horse was frightened by a rattlesnake, so she got off, got a stick, and killed it.

Carl bought Emma's section of land. The shack was covered with imitation brick.

In the early 1920s Emma and Gordie gave up the rigors of life on the prairie and moved to Decorah, Iowa. They made the trek in an old pickup with their three little children, tenting along the way. It took eleven days to make the trip, and one of the little girls said upon getting out of their vehicle when they reached Decorah, "I don't want to go bye-bye any more!"

They lived with Grandpa Bolson awhile, moved to Decorah where Gordie did painting, then moved to Calmar, Iowa, and later to Cedar Rapids. After a number of years there, they went to Delhi, where they lived until they passed away.

#### DESCENDANTS OF EMMA (BOLSON) AND GORDON WHITMORE

12(10) 221

Ellen Annette Whitmore	b. Mar. 11, 1917
m. Frank Dolley	b. Oct. 21, 1910

Ellen was born at Baker, Montana, and when she was six weeks old the family moved to her mother's homestead in South Dakota. Her folks tried farming, but summers were too hot and dry. Very little grew and winters were hard and cold. There were plenty of rattle snakes, lizzards, and cactus on the homestead. Ellen writes, "When I was a year and a half old I fell in a cactus patch. The folks said they picked cactus out of me for a whole day. Lora and Irma, my

two sisters, were born in Dakota too. Irma had been born in May of 1921, and in October of that same year we left for Iowa. I have only a vague recollection of the trip and our life in Dakota since I was only 4½ when we left. The weather must have been nice, as we came back in an open, one-seated Model-T Ford, with a box built on the back. This held whatever belongings we could pack into it. The trip took ten days. A tent was put up every night, meals were cooked over an open fire. I remember that some horses walked around our tent one night. I do recall our arrival at Decorah and driving up to the John Buer home. In all the commotion of unpacking a few things Lora, who was a little past two, disappeared. She was found near the Albert Stevens home down the street a ways. Emily Stevens saw her and wondered where that little Indian girl had come from. She had gotten so dark skinned from the trip she could well have passed as an Indian.

"Our whole family has many happy memories of time spent with Grandpa (Anton) and Grandma (Anne) Bolson. There were always many goodies on hand to eat--cookies, cake, plum jam, summer sausage, dried beef, cheese, and chocolate cream drops. Few were the times when Grandma's house wasn't overflowing with aunts and uncles and cousins. With all of the youngsters around, we had a barrel of fun. Sometimes this fun wasn't up to par; for example, when we chased the chickens until they would fall over, throwing the cats in the rain water tank to see if they could swim, throwing handfuls of oats or corn out to the chickens so we could catch them by the tail as they came to eat. Of course, we weren't always doing bad things.

The 4th of July was always gooseberry picking time. We'd go to Grandma's the night before. After breakfast next morning a lunch was packed and it was off to the berry bushes. It seemed that it took us days to pick them all. To keep us at the job at all, we would get a penny a quart when the job was done.

"One third of July prior to our berry picking task, Lora had the end of her finger taken off in the pump. The handle was down. She and I were going to fix it. I held the handle up, she was to put the bolt in. I didn't know she had her finger in the hole instead of the bolt. Down went the handle! Off went the finger!

"Dad became a painter and paper hanger after moving to Decorah. A few years later we moved to Calmar, Iowa. Dad painted the courthouse steeple in Decorah and several church steeples around the country.

"Our family grew. There were eight children and with a family like this to raise during the depression years, much gardening and canning was done. We all had a hand in the work. By fall hundreds of quarts of canned food was put away with bins of potatoes which always saw us through the winters.

"As time passed, one by one we were married and had our own families.

"My husband, Frank and I, worked a number of years at the Wilson Processing Plant. We now live at Delhi, Iowa."

12(10) 221 1

Gordon William Dolley b. Oct. 28, 1938  
m. Jewel Ann Schneider b. June 22, 1939

Gordon has been a policeman for several years.

12(10) 221 11

William Brad Dolley b. June 29, 1957  
m. Cynthia Ackenback b. Mar. 13, 1958

William (Billy) is in the Marines. He was top man in his platoon of seventy-two men. He is now a Corporal. He is in Secret Intelligence.

12(10) 221 111

Brad William Dolley b. Aug. 2, 1976

12(10) 221 12

Bart Franklin Dolley b. Sept. 29, 1959

He is a student.

12(10) 221 13

Scott Warren Dolley b. April 7, 1961

He is a student.

12(10) 221 14

Chad Allen Dolley b. Dec. 27, 1967

He is a student.

12(10) 221 2

Walter Charles Dolley b. June 14, 1941  
m. Ruth Marie Bascom  
m. Janice Besta b. Nov. 29, 1932

Walter is a maintenance mechanic for service stations. He had a very narrow escape at a station he was servicing. He was draining a gas pump for repairs and an electrical spark caused an explosion, the fire blowing up directly on him. He was not too seriously injured, but the station was completely demolished. No one else was injured.

12(10) 221 21

Sandra Jo Dolley b. Oct. 3, 1963

12(10) 221 22

Christine Marie Dolley b. Dec. 18, 1965

Sandra and Christine are children by the first marriage.

12(10) 221 23

Tina Marie Dolley b. May 31, 1973

Lora Emily Whitmore  
m. Robert Kessel

b. Aug. 4, 1919  
b. Nov. 26, 1916

Lora was born in Northwestern South Dakota. When she was about 2 years old her family moved to Winneshiek County, Iowa. They lived for awhile with Grandpa Bolson (Anton). Then she lived on Decorah Avenue in Decorah, Iowa, and later in Calmar, Iowa.

Lora writes, "I met Robert when I was 17, on October 4, 1936. I still had a year to finish in high school. Robert was working at Marsh Music Store in Decorah while continuing his education by correspondence course. It was the height of the depression and the future looked dim. Through the next four years we struggled to get our feet on solid ground. Robert finished his studies and went to Chicago to do his lab work. I spent most of my time taking care of sick relatives and helping with new babies.

"In December of 1940 while we were planning our wedding, I slipped and fell on some ice and broke an ankle. We decided to continue our plans, and we were married by the light of the Christmas tree in my home on December 31, 1940. Robert and his family were late for the wedding because the roads were covered with ice.

"Six weeks later we went to Chicago with no job and only a hundred dollars between us. In two days Robert had been placed in a job through the school he had attended. Pay was small, but the cost of living was low. I remember spending \$3 for groceries and having enough money left so I could hire a boy to haul them home for me in his wagon for a cost of 5¢.

"On January 7, 1943, Norma Kay was born during one of Chicago's great snow storms. We couldn't get out, so they brought doctors in on a snow plow and they used the kitchen table for the delivery. A few weeks later Robert had to leave for service in World War II. We got \$50 a month for allotment and \$10 extra for one child. I moved to a Government Housing project. It seemed forever for those of us who waited, but the war finally came to the end and Robert returned a nervous wreck. His gentle disposition had not adjusted easily to war. A year later our daughter, Suzanne, was born.

"Robert was back to work at his pre-war job and struggling to readjust. When Suzanne was six we bought a piece of land in Indiana. By this time Robert was the foreman in the Radio Dept. of Sonora Radio. He continued to work there, commuting on weekends. After another year's time Sonora, like many small businesses, folded and we were pretty upset. But, the small crops we had put in sustained us along with the help of God and many friends and relatives. By early fall Robert had a job in the Electrical Engineering Dept. of Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., where he still works, although he is fast approaching retirement.

"Here on this little farm in Indiana we raised our children and enjoyed the great out-of-doors. Robert drove back and forth to the steel mills each day. When the children were grown and driving

so far became a burden, we moved closer to Robert's work to the Smoky City of East Chicago, where we still live. It is home to us and we have become accustomed to its dirt and grime.

"Since the children were gone, we had more freedom. We spent our vacations in traveling. We have been from coast to coast, from Keys of Florida to Northern Canada and last spring we flew to Mexico City and found a whole different world. I can only say, despite all the struggles, 'What a wonderful World the Great God has created for us.'"

12(10) 222 1

Norma Kay Kessel                      b. Jan. 7, 1943  
m. Mohammed Khrushid Alam   b. Dec. 29, 1932

Norma was born in her parents' home in Chicago. A big snow storm prevented her mother going to the hospital. She went to Indiana State Teacher's College on a Scholarship. Here she met her future husband, who was a teacher. A year later Norma and Alam were married. Norma continued her schooling until it was interrupted by the arrival of a son and 18 months later a daughter.

Norma and Alam lived a few years in Buffalo, New York, and then in Indianapolis, Indiana, where Norma finished her degree at Purdue University. Later she and Alam moved to East Chicago where Alam teaches. The family live right next door to Norma's parents.

12(10) 222 11

Anver Alam                              b. Dec. 10, 1963

Anver's grandmother writes, "Anver is a good boy. He is bigger than his father and not the least bit afraid of hard work."

12(10) 222 12

Mariam Alam                              b. Aug. 5, 1965

Mariam's grandmother says, "Mariam is still a delicate young girl. She has a great talent for art and even at her young age has done some outstanding work. She is a bit of a dreamer, but aren't we all?"

12(10) 222 2

Suzanne Kessel                              b. Aug. 4, 1946  
m. Charles Berge

Suzanne and Charles lived after their marriage only a few blocks from her parents' home. They had two daughters. When the youngest was 18 months old the family moved to Iron Mountain, Michigan, where Charles took a position in the T.V. Industry. There Charles met reverses, emotional and financial. Meanwhile he lost his father who had been a stabilizing influence in his life. So he left job and home and family. This was a trauma for all concerned. On their 10th anniversary he divorced Suzanne. Suzanne and her daughters live in an apartment in her parents' home.



12(10) 222 21  
Deborah Berge b. Nov. 16, 1969

12(10) 222 22  
Christine Marie Berge b. Oct. 26, 1971

12(10) 223  
Irma Sofia Whitmore b. May 12, 1921  
m. Neil Jenkins b. May 17, 1903

Irma was born in South Dakota and came with her parents to Iowa when she was five months old. She lived in Decorah, Calmar, and Cedar Rapids, Iowa. She went to work for Neil in a restaurant in Waukesha, Wisconsin. She married her boss and together they have owned and operated cafes for many years. Neil is known as Bob. He is very active in Barber Shop Quartets. Irma and he are very interested in antiques. Bob also enjoys lapidary work.

12(10) 223 1  
Robert Allen Jenkins b. Mar. 18, 1944

Robert is an archaeologist.

12(10) 223 2  
Donna Lea Jenkins b. Mar. 27, 1948  
m. Gordon Cummings b.

12(10) 224  
Benjamin Anthony Whitmore b. Mar. 15, 1923  
m. Hedwid Prommer b. Nov. 12, 1924

Benjamin was born in Decorah, Iowa. He spent several years in the service, nine of them in Germany. There he married Hedwid (Hedi). They came to the states and Hedi received her naturalization papers. Later her mother joined them here. Benjamin has worked at Kellogs Cereal Mill in Battle Creek, Michigan, for some time.

12(10) 224 1  
Betty May Whitmore b. April 23, 1952  
d. May 24, 1952

12(10) 224 2  
Linda Rose Whitmore b. Nov. 9, 1953

12(10) 225  
Norman Daniel Whitmore b. Sept. 4, 1924  
m. Joyce Ellingson b. Sept. 27, 1927

Norman has been a railroad employee for many years and has had many adventures in his work. He had a very close call once when two engines were coming head on and he saw what was happening, so he jumped out of the window of the moving engine. Fortunately, there was a good snow bank on which he landed.

12(10) 225 1  
Carol Marie Whitmore b. July 2, 1945  
m. Gary D. Thayer b. June 18, 1942

12(10) 225 2  
 Norman Daniel Whitmore, Jr. b. Jan. 1, 1948

12(10) 225 3  
 Stephen Wayne Whitmore b. July 3, 1951  
 m.

12(10) 225 31  
 Christian Wayne Whitmore b. 1975

12(10) 226  
 Mary Jane Whitmore b. May 6, 1927  
 m. John Valandingham b. Oct. 9, 1917 d. July 27, 1970

12(10) 226 1  
 A son d. in infancy

12(10) 226 2  
 Sharon Ann Valandingham b. Nov. 29, 1947  
 m. Ronald Edward Laird b. July 22, 1940  
 m. Edward A. Brown b. Nov. 30, 1943

12(10) 226 21  
 Todd Edward b. July 23, 1971

12(10) 226 22  
 Dallas John b. Oct. 7, 1976

12(10) 226 3  
 Wendy Lea Valandingham b. June 3, 1952  
 m. Russell Hurley, Jr. b. Mar. 25, 1953

12(10) 226 31  
 Russell Lee Hurley b. Feb. 19, 1968

12(10) 226 32  
 Janice Allen Hurley b. Sept. 7, 1973

12(10) 226 33  
 Brian Christopher Hurley b. Mar. 20, 1977

12(10) 227  
 Mabel Irene Whitmore b. Dec. 3, 1929  
 m. Kenneth Lintz b. June 20, 1928  
 m. Charles Keller b. Oct. 31, 1929

Mabel married Charles who has had a big struggle with life but with a lot of will power and determination has come a long way. At the age of 20, while serving in the Marines, he was stricken with a cerebral hemorrhage. He was completely paralyzed and speechless. He regained his speech and use of his left side. He has attended many schools and colleges and received many degrees. He has had a number of jobs, perhaps the most interesting is teaching underprivileged in West Virginia. The school is mostly black and the students range from very young children to adults, many of whom could not read or write. Charles is able to tie his own shoes and tie a tie.

12(10) 227 1  
Irene Louise Lintz b. Aug. 25, 1946  
m. John Lawrence

12(10) 227 2  
Karen Denice Keller b. Jan. 24, 1955  
m. James Vail b.

12(10) 227 21  
Charles William Vail b. Mar. 7, 1975

12(10) 227 3  
Karl Dennis Keller b. Aug. 12, 1957

Karl is serving in the Marines.

12(10) 228  
Hazel Vivian Whitmore b. Sept. 9, 1932  
m. Leonard Tuel b. Feb. 12, 1930  
m. Orville Campbell b.

Hazel has five children. Orville is a high steel construction worker.

12(10) 228 1  
Terrie Lynn Tuel b. Aug. 27, 1957

12(10) 228 2  
Ellen Vivian Tuel b. Mar. 12, 1959

12(10) 228 3  
Barbara Ann Tuel b. Sept. 20, 1960

12(10) 228 4  
David James Tuel b. 1962

12(10) 228 5  
Kevin Wayne Campbell b. June 21, 1964

12(10) 23  
Gilmer Thonius Bolson b. Apr. 7, 1891  
m. Helen Thompson b. Mar. 15, 1894 d. Mar. 19, 1971  
d. June 8, 1956

Gilmer was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. He attended rural school. He was a sickly child and was often out of school. He told his children about having to do many exercises for therapy. About 1912 he went to South Dakota with his brother, Carl, and took up a homestead.

Helen Thompson, whose father had a ranch on the Little Missouri River just across the Montana line, filed on a homestead adjacent to Gilmer. They met and were married October 6, 1915. Before her

marriage Helen was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church. Carl and Gilmer both farmed and had beef cattle. Carl remained a bachelor and lived alone. After years of drought, Carl decided to sell all of his belongings and work in the Homestake mine in Lead, South Dakota, only to find, after disposing of his property, that he was too old to work in the mine. He found employment as a farm hand on a large cattle ranch.

One traumatic event the family experienced occurred on a visit to the Buers, who had just installed natural gas in their home. After dinner the house became very warm. When Teddy Buer went to check the furnace, it exploded, demolishing the house. Those present, Teddy, Rae, and Glendon Buer, Helen, Gilmer, Opal, and Art Bolson, all escaped without injury. The house was completely destroyed by fire after the explosion in a matter of minutes.

Gilmer never returned to Decorah to visit his parents and family until 1929. In 1936 the whole family came back to Iowa when Grandpa Bolson (Anton) became seriously ill. In 1937 the family moved to Oregon in their 1929 Essex taking with them only what they could carry in the car. Gilmer found work in Oregon felling timber.

At the beginning of World War II Gilmer and Art found work in the Portland Shipyards. Art joined the Navy early in World War II. Helen and Gilmer lived in Portland until 1944 when they moved to Boardman, Oregon, where they had a dairy farm and later a chicken farm.

12(10) 231

Opal Fay Bolson b. Oct. 8, 1918

m. Ralph C. Tabasinske b. June 8, 1914

d. Feb. 19, 1977

Opal was born in South Dakota. She graduated from high school in 1937. It was not until 1929 when she was 14 years old that she saw her Grandpa and Grandma Bolson (Anton and Anne). She writes, "I envied all my cousins for being so near them while I lived so far away. I remember my cousin, Ellen Whitmore, and her brothers and sisters 'showing me the ropes' while visiting and Grandpa Bolson's farm in Glenwood. Among other things we would slide down the cellar door and chased the chickens until they dropped. My father (Gilmer) often talked to me about his parents, brothers and sisters. Anton, my Grandpa, was a very good swimmer. He would take one of the children on his back and swim across the Upper Iowa River. I remember my Uncle Julius Bolson carrying me around on his shoulders. He was so tall it looked a long way to the ground."

After her graduation in 1937, she moved with her family to Oregon. After living in KENZUA for a year, she moved to Portland and became a secretary. She met Ralph there. "At the beginning of World War II he found his first engineering job in Salt Lake City, Utah, where we were married. He transferred to Richland, Washington, in 1943, where we have lived ever since."

12(10) 231 1

Gary Wayne Tabasinske b. Feb. 6, 1944  
m. Ann Louise Albertowicz b. Oct. 8, 1945

Gary is an architect in Seattle, and Ann is an art teacher. They have one daughter.

12(10) 231 11

Mira Ann Tabasinske b. Jan. 31, 1973

12(10) 231 2

Loren Ralph Tabasinske b. Oct. 29, 1947  
m. Sandra Kay Weaver b. July 22, 1950

Loren is an officer in Pacific Movers in Anchorage, Alaska. His wife, Sandra, is a secretary. They have one daughter.

12(10) 231 21

Cara Marie Tabasinske b. March 8, 1975

12(10) 231 3

Anne Marie Tabasinske b. Jan. 19, 1952  
m. Timothy Watts Heidcamp b. Feb. 18, 1947

Anne received a degree in Speech Therapy and is starting graduate work this summer (1978). Anne is licensed and works in speech therapy in Richland. Her husband is employed by Rockwell International at Hanford Atomic Works. They have one son.

12(10) 231 31

Matthew Timothy Heidcamp b. March 13, 1978

12(10) 232

Arthur Claud Bolson b. Dec. 7, 1921  
m. Jeanette Parker b. Dec. 1, 1917

Arthur was born in South Dakota. At the age of 15 he moved with his family to Oregon. At the beginning of World War II he and his father found employment in the Portland Ship Yards. He joined the Navy early in World War II. He worked in the automotive industry in Detroit. He now lives in California.

12(10) 232 1

Linda Jane Bolson b. Jan. 20, 1950  
m. Edmond Weitzeil b.

12(10) 232 11

Kevin Scott Weitzeil b. Jan. 21, 1975

12(10) 232 2

Philip Arthur Bolson b. Aug. 21, 1952

12(10) 232 3

Karen Jean Bolson b. April 8, 1954

12(10) 24

Selma

died in infancy

12(10) 25

Stephen Benjamin

b. Oct. 28, 1894

d. Nov. 30, 1970

m. Esther Rebecca

Lovestuen

b. Sept. 7, 1896

Stephen was born in Glenwood Township, was baptized by Pastor Clevjord and confirmed by Pastor S. A. Scarvie, both of Glenwood Lutheran. He lived on the farm until his marriage. He was a sickly child and staying about the house helping his mother a lot. In 1919, on Thanksgiving Day, November 27, he married (Esther) Rebecca at the Glenwood Lutheran Church. Rev. Olaf Brevik officiated. The couple lived on the farm with Anton and Anne Stephens' parents for a few years.

Prior to his marriage he served in World War I. He left Decorah on September 18, 1917, for Camp Dodge, was sent to Camp Pike, Little Rock, Arkansas. He became a Sergeant in the 87th Division, 345th Infantry and left from New Jersey for overseas service. Before they left, this group had a picture at Wrightstown, N.J. taken posing in the shape of a living Liberty Bell. This picture hangs on the wall of Rebecca's home. Stephen is seen positioned in the upper part above the bell. On August 24, Stephen went across on an English ship which was torpedoed on its next trip. He arrived in Liverpool, England, in September of 1918, went to South Hampton from where he crossed the English Channel to LeHavre, France. From LeHavre he was sent to Bordeaux, France, where he stayed six months and was then sent back to the states on the ship "Sedrick." He landed on March 9, 1919, and was honorably discharged at Camp Dodge on March 22, 1919.

Stephen became a painter and an interior decorator. His four living sons followed in his profession. They are Hubert, Raymond, Kenneth, and Spencer. Two sons died in infancy. Stephen developed a bad heart and passed away on November 30, 1970. Like his father, Anton, he was a Christian and a dear husband and father.

Rebecca, his wife, was born in Glenwood Township also. She studied music, taking lessons from her brother, Oscar, well known parochial school teacher in the Lutheran communities of Winneshiek County, and from Mrs. B. O. Marsh in Decorah. She attended school in Decorah, but spent most of the time prior to her marriage at home with her parents. She and Stephen, after leaving the Bolson parental farm, lived on Oak Street, then on Terrace Street, and in 1927 bought a home on Day Street, which is still Rebecca's home.

Hubert Anthony	b. Dec. 1, 1920
m. Angela Stortz	b. Dec. 25, 1922
m. Avis Smith Nelson	b. Mar. 14, 1921

Hubert was born on December 1, 1920, in his grandfather Bolson's farm home in Glenwood Township where his parents were temporarily living. When he was two years old the family moved to Decorah. Hubert writes about his life as follows: "We moved to Decorah where my father became a painter. We lived on Oak Street, first, then on Terrace, and in 1927, we moved to Day Street. I can remember my father riding a bicycle to work, going sometimes as far as Luther College.

"Living with my Norwegian-speaking parents and grandparents, I naturally spoke that language and it wasn't until we moved to town and I had playmates that I learned to speak English.

"Some of my fondest memories are of vacations spent at my grandmother and grandfather Bolson's home. As a child, I tagged behind grandpa and his walking plow in what we called the 'long field.' This field had been an Indian campsite and the plowshares yielded up many Indian artifacts.

"For some reason insects never seemed to bother grandpa. He could go for hours without water and never took a thirst quencher to the fields with him.

"One day I went with grandpa in search of a new born calf which we found across the creek and up in the side hill. The calf was too fresh and wobbly to walk so grandpa picked it up and carried it home. After such an excursion as this, my hunger was appeased with grandma's cookies--2 big brown ones and 2 big white ones, carefully broken into a big cup of milk.

"I remember in the summer helping grandpa and grandma milk the cows in a little fenced-in area by the barn; grandpa always finished his meals with a spoonful of jam, sugar, or honey; grandma telling me about the time a bear came up on the northwest porch and finally wandered around to the south porch scaring grandma half to death before he went off into the woods; grandpa going to town for supplies, which to me consisted of bananas and pink and white peppermint candies with 4 x's on them.

"My mother was not in the best of health during the depression years, and I frequently went grocery shopping for her.

"With 4 small boys to feed and keep in clean clothes she had more than enough to keep her busy and yet she always found the time to do my father's book work.

"I went to school in Decorah, graduating in 1939. I worked for my father in the decorating business until I was inducted into the Army on July 3, 1942. After spending a year stateside, I served in the European theatre of operations for 2½ years, receiving two Bronze stars. I was discharged December 14, 1945, and returned to

my family in Decorah where I continued to work with my father. Later my 3 brothers joined us and the business became known as S. B. Bolson & Sons. My father was not only a good business man but a man of high principles. He taught us all to not only put in an honest day's work for our customers, but to try to do the job better than it was done before. He believed 'It's the skill behind the brush that counts' and this phrase is still printed on the bottom of our statements."

12(10) 251 1

Margeen Lynn Bolson	b. Dec. 17, 1946
m. Stephen Mau	b. April 1946

Margeen was born at Decorah, Iowa, was baptized, confirmed, and married at the First Lutheran Church in Decorah. She graduated from Decorah High School and Luther College (1969) and became a teacher. She taught school in Caledonia, Minnesota, and Rock Island, Illinois. Stephen was also a Luther College (1968) graduate. He came from Janesville, Wisconsin. They were married on May 31, 1969. Stephen got his Master's Degree from Augustana College, Rock Island (1973). He is a teacher and coach in Tipton, Iowa Public School. Their two children were born in Rock Island. Margeen is a Mary Kay Beauty Consultant.

12(10) 251 11

Michelle Lynn Mau	b. Jan. 9, 1973
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12(10) 251 12

Eric Stephen Mau	b. Feb. 12, 1975
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12(10) 251 2

Steven Anthony	b. Mar. 16, 1948
m. Ann Wulfsburg	b. Sept. 14, 1951

Steven was born in Decorah, was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church in Decorah. He graduated from Decorah High School, attended Waldorf College at Forest City, Iowa, for two years, and attended Dana College in Blair, Nebraska. Steven was in the service and was stationed in Texas most of the time.

He married Anne on September 1, 1974. She is graduated from Luther College and afterward studied nursing and has become an R.N. They established their home in Davenport, Iowa. Steven was for a time an insurance adjuster for Travelers Insurance and is presently selling insurance for Northwestern Mutual Life. Anne is following her nursing profession in Davenport. They have one son.

12(10) 251 21

Anthony Paul Bolson	b. Dec. 24, 1976
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12(10) 251 3

Robert Wayne Bolson

b. Sept. 27, 1949

Robert was born in Decorah, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed in First Lutheran Church of Decorah, Iowa. He attended Luther College one year, and had three years at the University of Iowa, Iowa City. He worked for his father for a time at interior decorating but now devotes his time to wood carving, making fine art objects from walnut, rosewood, cherry, ash, and butternut and exotic woods like padouk and zebra wood. He designs, carves, and sculptures in wood and has found a market for his works in several places in the Midwest.

12(10) 252

Arnold Bolson

b. Jan. 17, 1922 d. Jan. 18, 1922

12(10) 253

Milford Bolson

b. July 16, 1923 d. July 16, 1923

12(10) 254

Raymond Ernest Bolson

b. March 17, 1926

m. Marilyn Nesseth

b. April 26, 1930

Raymond and Marilyn Bolson established their family on August 16, 1947. At this writing they are still living in the same house they moved into in September of 1947. They became the parents of four children. Raymond attended the Decorah Public Schools. He graduated from High School in 1944 and served in the Army from 1944 to 1946. He served in the Armored Infantry in the European Theatre of Operation. After leaving the service, he rejoined his father and brother in the painting and wallcovering business. Marilyn was born on April 26, 1930, daughter of William and Cora (Finholt) Nesseth. She attended Decorah Public and High Schools. She worked at Grahams Department Store for 2½ years as Assistant buyer in Fabrics and as a store clerk. In 1969 she joined the J.C. Penny Company as a catalog clerk and teletype operator. Marilyn has been active at First Lutheran Church as a Sunday School teacher, ALCW President and in circles.

12(10) 254 1

Karen Elaine Bolson

b. March 16, 1948

Karen Elaine was born in Decorah, Iowa, 3½ hours after her cousin, Steven, entered the world in the same hospital. She attended school in Decorah, graduating from High School in 1966. While in High School she was active in Marching and Concert Bands. She was also active in choir and Luther League at First Lutheran. She attended the University College of Cosmetology at Iowa City, graduated and received her license. She lived in Madison, Wisconsin, for five years, working as a Bank Teller and later as an Apartment Manager and Rental Agent. In 1972 she moved to Houston, Texas, employed as an Apartment Manager for two years. She then rejoined the banking profession at the Main Bank of Houston. In 1977 she returned to Decorah and at this writing is employed at Dahly Motors, Inc., as a bookkeeper.

12(10) 254 2

Mark Randall Bolson      b. Dec. 9, 1950  
m. Diane M. Grochala      b.

Mark Randall was born in Decorah, Iowa. He attended Decorah Public Schools, graduating in 1968. While in grade school, he was a member of the Decorah Drum and Bugle Corps. In Junior High School he went out for wrestling and in High School he was manager of the football team for two years and active in Dramatics. He attended the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, working his way through college by working with his Dad painting. He graduated in 1973 majoring in Geology. On June 10, 1972, he married Diane M. Grochala in Des Moines, Iowa. They live in Denver, Colorado, where Mark is a Commuter Analyst and Diane works for the Postal Department.

12(10) 254 3

Kristi Lea Bolson      b. April 7, 1953  
m. Randy E. Brooks      b.

Kristi Lea was born in Decorah, Iowa. She attended Decorah Public Schools, graduating from High School in May of 1971. On October 30, 1970, she married Randy in Decorah. While Randy was in the Armed Forces they lived in Georgia and, for almost two years, in Weisbaden, Germany. Returning to the United States they moved to Mason City, Iowa, where Randy went to North Iowa Area Community College. Randy works as a Mechanical Draftsman, and Kris keeps busy as a wife and mother. They have two children. At the present time they are contemplating a move to St. Louis, Missouri, to further Randy's career.

12(10) 254 31

Melissa Elizabeth Brooks      b. June 6, 1971

12(10) 254 32

Nathan Blake Brooks      b. Aug. 8, 1976

12(10) 254 4

Kathi Ann Bolson      b. Jan. 18, 1957

Kathi Ann was born in Decorah, Iowa. She attended Decorah Public Schools, graduating from High School in 1976. She works at Deco Products in Decorah.

12(10) 255

Kenneth Mahlon Bolson      b. Mar. 18, 1928  
m. Grace Vine      b. Dec. 28, 1927

Kenneth was born in Decorah, Iowa. He was confirmed at First Lutheran Church. He graduated from Decorah High School. He worked as an attendant about the Russell Baker home and then went into painting with his father and brothers and is still in that work. He and Grace were married on June 15, 1949, at First Lutheran Church. They have made their home in Decorah all their life. Grace was born in Winneshiek County and attended school at Decorah. Grace worked at Ronnie's Cafe in Decorah before she was married and just afterwards and now that the children are grown, she has resumed her work there.

12(10) 255 1

Linda Kay Bolson	b. Oct. 21, 1950
m. John Steffes	b. July 20, 1948

Linda Kay was born in Winneshiek County. Attended the Decorah School System. John is a mechanic and Linda helps by doing baby sitting.

12(10) 255 11

Rodney John Steffes	b. Nov. 20, 1975
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12(10) 255 12

Steven James Steffes	b. Oct. 24, 1977
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12(10) 255 2

Kenneth Junior Bolson	b. Sept. 29, 1951
m. Ruth Marie Swiggum	b. Mar. 4, 1954

They were married July 15, 1972. Kenneth Jr. works for his dad as a painter. Ruth works at the Retirement Center in Decorah and is a teacher part-time.

12(10) 255 21

Rachel Marie Bolson	b. Feb. 6, 1973
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12(10) 255 22

Nicole Ann Bolson	b. April 4, 1976
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12(10) 255 3

Veronica Arlene Bolson	b. Oct. 21, 1952
	d. Oct. 21, 1952

12(10) 255 4

Julie Ann Bolson	b. June 23, 1954
m. Terry Scheidel	b. Oct. 24, 1953

They were married September 17, 1977, at First Lutheran Church in Decorah by Pastor Paul Christianson. Terry works at Ridgeway Lumber.

12(10) 255 5

Pamela Lou Bolson	b. March 28, 1956
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Pam works at the Cliff House in Decorah, Iowa, as a salad cook.

12(10) 255 6

Jane Wanda Bolson	b. Jan. 2, 1958
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Jane was born in Winneshiek County. She works at the Collins Plant in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 255 7

Wayne Darrell Bolson	b. Sept. 24, 1960
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Works as painter for his Dad.

12(10) 255 8

Scott Rodney Bolson      b. May 29, 1969

Scott goes to school at John Cline in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 256

Spencer Benjamin Bolson b. Sept. 25, 1933  
m. Carol June Peterson b. May 31, 1937

Spencer was born at home in Decorah, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church. He attended the Decorah Schools and graduated from Decorah High School in 1952. He worked with his father at house painting and interior decorating. He entered the service in the U.S. Army serving from 1953 to 1955. Upon his discharge he returned to Decorah and resumed work with his Dad and three brothers. They are known as S. B. Bolson & Sons. He married Carol, who was born on a farm in Winneshiek County, daughter of Oliver and Anne Peterson. She attended rural school and three high schools, in Waukon, Decorah, and Ridgeway. She worked for Anundsen's Book Store in Decorah and later for Dr. Kloster at Luther College. Spencer and Carol have five children and live on an acreage on the edge of Decorah. Spencer enjoys bow hunting and furniture making, and Carol enjoys sewing and baking. She is a busy homemaker.

12(10) 256 1

Stacy Benjamin      b. April 8, 1959  
m. Kathleen Schulte      b. Sept. 12, 1959

Stacy was born in Winneshiek County Memorial Hospital, and baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran Church. He attended Decorah Schools and graduated from high school in 1977. He participated in band and played trumpet. Since graduation he has worked with his father at painting. He enjoys bow hunting. Stacy married Kathleen on May 6, 1978. Kathleen is the daughter of Andrew Jr. and Mabel Schulte of the Frankville area. She is a graduate of Decorah High School.

12(10) 256 2

Gail Janae      b. Nov. 30, 1961

Gail was born in Winneshiek County Memorial Hospital, baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran. She is a student in Decorah High School. She participates in orchestra, playing the violin. She also plays piano. She is interested in art as well.

12(10) 256 3

Lance Evon      b. July 10, 1963

Lance was born in Winneshiek County Memorial Hospital. He was baptized and confirmed at First Lutheran. He is a student in Decorah Junior High. He participates in band, playing trombone and in the Decorah Kilties, a drum and bugle corp, where he plays bass baritone.

12(10) 256 4

Daren Spencer

b. Sept. 26, 1973

Daren was born in the Winneshiek County Hospital and was baptized at First Lutheran Church in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 256 5

Annette Rebecca

b. June 23, 1977

Annette was born in the Winneshiek County Hospital and was baptized at First Lutheran Church in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 26

Julius Alert Bolson

b. March 2, 1897

d. July 6, 1961

m. Clara Lansrud

b. Oct. 28, 1900

Julius was born on his parents' farm in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. He attended the Baker School, Glenwood #3. He helped on the home farm until he was old enough to hire out. He worked as a farm hand in Bluffton Township for a time. He was drafted into the Army late in World War I and spent his period of service at Camp Dodge, Iowa. He was discharged in 1919. Julius homesteaded in South Dakota, Camp Crook, Harding County in 1920 staying about one year. His brothers, Carl and Gilmer, lived in that area, as well as his sister, Emma Bolson Whitmore.

Clara was born in Decorah, Iowa. She was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. She attended Decorah grade schools and had one year of high school. She worked at the Meritol Factory in Decorah. This concern made drugs and perfumes.

Julius and Clara met at the home of Anna Paine, who was later married to Carl Buer, Julius' cousin. Julius and Clara were married on November 22, 1922. They lived for a short time on the home farm, then moved to Decorah where he worked for A. R. Coffeen. Except for a short time that he worked at painting with his cousin, Albert Stevens, he was employed by A. R. Coffeen until 1944.

In 1936 Julius' parents became ill and they came to live with Julius and Clara in their home on Vernon Street, Decorah, Iowa, where they were cared for until their death in 1941 when both died on the same day.

Julius and his family moved onto the home farm in 1946. He rented the farm on shares and raised dairy cattle and hogs. He continued his carpenter work also. On July 6, 1961, as he was helping a trucker load hogs for market, he was stricken with a fatal heart attack. He died at once.

Clara moved to town for a year at the insistence of friends and relatives, but she concluded to move back to the farm because she liked it better. There she lived with her big white dog until 1975 when she again moved to Decorah, where she still resides.

12(10) 261

James Matthew                      b. Nov. 15, 1934  
m. Marlene Ann Zecherle b. Oct. 23, 1937  
m. Luann Bade Hurlbut    b. Nov. 11, 1934

James was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was baptized on February 8, 1935, and confirmed June 5, 1949, both events at Decorah Lutheran Church. He attended the Decorah grade schools until his family moved to the home farm in Glenwood Township. He had his 7th and 8th grade at the Baker School, Glenwood #3. He graduated from Decorah High School in 1952. That summer he worked for his dad until October of 1952, when he went to Waterloo where he worked for a construction company and then for Titus Manufacturing Co. until September of 1958 when he enrolled at Luther College. He attended one semester and then enlisted in the Marines on January 25, 1954. He retired as Captain on February 1, 1974.

After his retirement, Jim moved to the Decorah area. He met Luann Hurlbut. They were married on January 4, 1975, and they moved to the home farm in June of that year and are presently residing there.

Luann was born in Waverly, Iowa. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Waverly and took her grade school education in St. Paul's Parochial School. She graduated from West Union High School in 1952. She attended Luther College for one year, the same year Jim was enrolled, though they didn't know one another then.

Luann has two children by her first marriage, and they live with Jim and Luann on the old farm. Luann is secretary for the District Manager of the Interstate Power Co. in Decorah. She plays piano and has many interests which she is now too busy to pursue.

Jim serves on the Church Council at Decorah Lutheran Church. He is presently the President of the V.F.W. and President for the Bolson Reunion from 1977-1980.

12(10) 261 1

Matthew Lloyd Hurlbut    b. May 25, 1960

Matthew was born in Iowa City, Iowa, and was baptized when he was two days old. He was confirmed in Decorah Lutheran Church in 1976. He attends Decorah High School, plays football, and enjoys the farm where he has cattle.

12(10) 261 2

James Fredrick Hurlbut   b. June 2, 1963

James was born in Cedar Rapids and baptized at Mount Vernon, Iowa. He is to be confirmed in October of 1978. He attends Decorah Junior High. He is active in sports and enjoys fishing.

12(10) 27

Alfred Hilmen

b. Aug. 14, 1900

d. Nov. 29, 1966

m. Clara Blegen

b. Sept. 29, 1903

Alfred was the youngest of four brothers and one sister. He attended school in Glenwood Township. He worked on farms for a few years. Later he worked in a garage in Decorah. He married Clara on February 22, 1922. In 1925 the couple moved to the Blegen farm in Glenwood Township. He farmed for about four years. He also hauled cream to Canoe Creamery. The family then moved to Decorah, and Alfred bought a truck and hauled livestock to the local market and also to packing plants in Austin, Minnesota, and Albert Lea, Minnesota. He also would move farmers from one farm to another on moving day.

About 1941 the family moved to Wisconsin. Alfred worked at Badger Ordinance Plant for a few years, where they made powder for the Army. After that he worked in a cheese factory where they made cheddar cheese. He became a licensed cheese maker. He was a hard working man, hauling milk in the morning and making cheese the rest of the day seven days a week. He stayed at this work for a number of years. Later he worked at Decar Plastic Corp. He worked there until the day he died, which was November 29, 1966.

12(10) 271

Corrine Adeline Bolson

b. Oct. 8, 1922

m. Johnny Bolson

b. April 5, 1913

m. Lester Powers

b. Dec. 7, 1926

12(10) 271 1

Roger Alvin Brown

b. July 10, 1940

m. Judith Madeline Joyce

b. April 4, 1942

m. Faye Crabtree

b. May 26, 1937

12(10) 271 11

James Roger Brown

b. Nov. 28, 1961

12(10) 271 12

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b. May 20, 1963

12(10) 271 2

Marie Brown

b. Nov. 4, 1942

m. Karl Tollefson

b. Aug. 7, 1941 d. June 21, 1962

m. Robert Borman

b.

12(10) 271 21

Karl Tollefson Junior

b. January 1961

12(10) 271 22

Karla Tollefson

b. July 4, 1962

12(10) 271 23

Paul Raymond Borman

b. Sept. 14, 1964

12(10) 271 24  
Steven James Borman b. Nov. 8, 1965

12(10) 271 3  
John William Brown b. April 16, 1953  
m. Linda Lou Gray (separated)

12(10) 271 4  
Janet Clare Brown b. April 11, 1955  
m. Christopher Thomas

12(10) 271 41  
Christopher Allen Thomas b. July 6, 1976

12(10) 272  
Arnold Lester Bolson b. Oct. 16, 1925  
m. Arlene Sheldon b. Oct. 16, 1920  
m. Joyce Elaine Egdorf b. July 19, 1929

12(10) 272 1  
Sandra Kay Bolson b. Aug. 8, 1960

12(10) 272 2  
Scott Allan Bolson b. Jan. 25, 1964



12(10)3

Johanna Bolson

b. June 1, 1859

d. Feb. 27, 1944

m. John Buer

b. July 18, 1858

d. June 22, 1947

Johanna was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa, on the Thorer Bolson farm. She attended rural school. She married John Buer, who had come with his parents from Toten, Norway, when John was three years old. The couple began farming on a parcel of land Thorer set out for them adjoining his farmstead. They lived there until about 1911 when they went to South Dakota to take up land under the Homestead Act. Their oldest son had preceded them and wrote home about the fertile open prairie just awaiting them. In the spring of that year they set forth with three sons and two of their daughters, who ranged from 6 to 16 years of age, and took up land near Theodore, their oldest son. They remained in South Dakota until 1918 when they moved back to Iowa and took up residence at 508 East Main, Decorah, Iowa. Interesting sidelights on their life in South Dakota can be found under 12(10) 31 where Mary Rae Buer, Theodore's wife, writes more extensively about life on the prairies. In 1919 the Buers welcomed home their two sons, Carl and Emil, who had been through the thick of World War I. The children and grandchildren gathered at this home for years for Christmas Eve celebrations, birthdays, and other festivities. Grandma (Johanna) was famous for her lefsa, her hickory nut cake. In her declining years she took to using lots of red food coloring in her frostings. She was a quiet, stolid woman, who rarely raised her voice. She belonged to Decorah Lutheran Church and was active in the "Kvinde forening." She enjoyed good health all her life, was never in a hospital, and in her last year just slowly took to her bed and slept away at almost 85 years of age.

John, her husband, was a more aggressive man. He liked innovations. It is said he had one of the first telephones and one of the first Victrolas in the area. He took good care of his farm, avoiding erosion as best he could on his hilly land and was intrigued by the flat land of Dakota, but he returned to Iowa. He worked for A. R. Coffeen Construction Co. and for the Decorah Gas Co. laying gas mains. It was real concern to the family that he might sometime be overcome by the gas. When electricity replaced gas lights, he was quick to make the change. He worked hard, delighted in his work, and often helped others. He shoveled walks late and early. He had gardens. He was a patient person and long suffering. His granddaughter, Esther Stephens Miller, recalls once when she was about 12 she served him applesauce and fresh bread for lunch on an afternoon that he had been hoeing potatoes. Unfortunately she had inadvertently put one cup of salt into the quart jar of unsweetened applesauce instead of sugar and poor grandpa patiently ate it down. The granddaughter felt terrible when the mistake was discovered by her father who was not so slow to let it be known that the sauce was inedible. John lived to be 89 years of age and was active almost to the last.



12(10) 332 11

Dianne Aspenson

b. May 30, 1950

Dianne attended Luther College for two years and transferred to Iowa State University where she graduated. She taught school in Libya, Africa, for four years and is presently (1977) going to a Lutheran Seminary.

12(10) 332 12

Gary Lee Aspenson

b. April 11, 1952

m. Marlene Fagner

b.

Gary graduated from Luther College. He married Marlene in November of 1975 and they make their home in Cresco, Iowa. Gary is manager of "Moser Door Co." which makes airport doors in Riceville, Iowa.

12(10) 332 13

James Michael Aspenson b. Aug. 21, 1953

James graduated from Luther College in 1975 and is presently employed at Anamosa, Iowa.

12(10) 332 14

Julie Kay Aspenson

b. April 16, 1955

Julie is a graduate of Luther College and is now in Nurse's Training at Forest City, Iowa (1977).

12(10) 332 15

Mark Allen Aspenson

b. July 27, 1957

Mark lives in Cresco, Iowa, and works for his father in real estate and home building.

12(10) 332 16

Janet Lea Aspenson

b. Aug. 3, 1959

Janet is a student at Augustana College in Rock Island, Illinois (1977).

12(10) 332 2

Keith Hegtvedt Lee

b. Nov. 7, 1930

m. Gertrude Kugel

Keith graduated from Decorah High School and then farmed with his father for a few years. In August 1954 he married Gertrude. They make their home near Monona, Iowa, where they farm and deal in Pure Bred Livestock.

12(10) 332 21

Jacob William Lee

b. Sept. 23, 1955

After graduating from high school, Jacob attended Texas Lutheran College and is now in Missionary Training (1977).

12(10) 332 22

John Knudt Lee

b. Dec. 29, 1956

After high school graduation he became associated in business with his father.

12(10) 332 23

Jacqueline Jane Lee

b. June 30, 1960

She will graduate from high school in the spring of 1978.

12(10) 332 24

Jeffrey Keith Lee

b. Aug. 18, 1962

He is enrolled in high school as a freshman (1977-78)

12(10) 332 25

Jens Lee

b. April 1972

Jens came to bless the Lee home ten years later than his next older brother. He is much loved and is the "gem of the household." He is in his first year of school (1977-78)

12(10) 332 3

LaRue Jacqueline Lee  
m. M. Dean Hagen

b. Aug. 24, 1933

After graduating from high school, LaRue worked in a jewelry store until in 1952 when she married Dean. Dean served in the Army for a time. He is now a Certified Public Accountant, and has an office in Cresco, where he and his family reside.

12(10) 332 31

Constance Jean Hagen

b. Jan. 15, 1954

Connie attended Waldorf College at Forest City, Iowa, for two years and completed her college work graduating from Luther College.

12(10) 332 32

Richard Lee Hagen

b. April 14, 1956

Richard attended Luther College. Later he went to a Vocational School at Sheldon, Iowa. He is now working in construction as a lineman.

12(10) 332 33

Georgiann Dee Hagen

b. Nov. 13, 1957

She is a second year student at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa (1977-78)

12(10) 332 34

David Dean Hagen

Feb. 8, 1963

David is very interested in Boy Scouting. He is in his first year of high school. (1977-78)

12(10) 333

Selma Theressa Hegtvedt b. June 24, 1910  
m. Leonard Tyler b. Jan. 4, 1908

Selma was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, attended country rural schools. In 1933 she married Leonard. They farmed near Decorah for a couple of years and then moved to Rock Island, Illinois, where Leonard was employed until his retirement. They continue to live in Rock Island.

12(10) 333 1

Ronald Dean Tyler b. Jan. 4, 1934  
m. Rosemary Dahl b.

After high school graduation, Ronald attended Tool & Dye School. Then he served in the Armed Forces for several years. Ronald presently is employed with the John Deere Co. in East Moline, Illinois, where the family now resides.

12(10) 333 11

Teresa Ann Tyler b. April 24, 1959

12(10) 333 12

Sandra Lynn Tyler b. Mar. 23, 1962

12(10) 34

Theodore Julius Buer b. Feb. 6, 1888 d. May 1972  
m. Mary Rae Hipenstill b. May 1, 1889

Theodore, commonly called Teddy, was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa. His wife tells their story as follows:

"Teddy left Iowa in 1910 and located on a homestead near Gustave, South Dakota, 50 miles north of Belle Fourche and 20 miles south of Camp Crook. He built a shack and began residence there that year.

"The next spring, 1911, his parents moved out to South Dakota and secured a homestead near him. With them were sons Emil, Alfred, Oscar, daughters Nellie and Carrie. All attended the school I taught. Carl Bolson, son of Anton Bolson, also came about this time. He homesteaded near 'The Buers.'

"In 1909 and 1910, I had taught school in eastern South Dakota and was then wanting a school, farther west, where there was homestead land. I was at my home in Indiana, summer of 1911, when I saw a small ad in a newspaper.

"The ad read: 'I locate people on government land. Send 25¢ for particulars.' Anchor Sorenson, Gustave, S. Dak. I answered the ad sending the 25¢ and asked him to send me the Co. Supt. of School's name and address. I mentioned that I wanted a school in September.

"Soon I received a letter from Mr. Sorenson. He said that he was Treasurer of the School Board, they were building a school

house and needed a teacher. If I would send him some recommendations, he thought that he could get the school for me. I was promised the school, with information, as to when I should arrive and how to reach the vicinity.

"I left my Indiana home, rather sorrowful, but quite excited. I traveled by train to Belle Fourche. From there, by a motor stage, I went to Harding--a village of a few homes, a post office, and General Store, a distance of 60 miles. From Harding, I rode with the mail carrier to Gustave, about 12 miles. He was the father of five children, whom I would have in school.

"It was in an old ox-cart, with large wooden wheels, that we rode, but he drove horses instead of oxen. We bounced over the rough, rutty, and rocky roads, which wound around and over small mountains, called the 'Short Pine Hills', then on the prairies for miles.

"The day was beautiful and we dined on wild plums and cookies.

"We finally arrived at Gustave which was a little post office in an 'Old Settler's' home. The mail was delivered to Mr. Sorenson and we drove to the mail carrier's home. I met his wife and children and then he took me to a Norwegian girl's shack 10' x 12'--where I was to board and room.

"The Norwegian girl's shack was dark, so he took me back to his home. There we met the girl and other neighbors who had come to pick up their mail. With my new found friends, I walked back to the shack, over sagebrush and cactus.

"School had to be delayed for one week, as the school house wasn't finished. It was being built by the fathers of the fifteen children who were to attend the school. These men plowed up the sod and cut it into large blocks. They laid these up, one on top of the other, for the walls. There was no frame to the building, so when the walls reached a certain height, wooden window frames were set in and then the walls continued on. There was a gabled roof of rough boards, covered with tar paper and sod on top of it. The floor was of rough boards and in the center of the building was a sturdy post, fastened securely to the floor below and to the roof above. It had a door at one end and two windows on each side of the building. It was quite comfortable even in sub-zero weather. When the children rubbed against the walls, clods of dirt fell to the floor, so that the sweeping raised a great cloud of dust. With a program and Box-Social at Christmas time, we were able to buy corrugated iron to cover the walls, which Teddy painted white. The children and I collected some pictures and made it look real cozy.

"My Norwegian girl married a neighbor homsteader in November and I was left alone in her shack. She could chop wood like a

man, but I found it quite difficult. I wondered how I would be able to chop enough wood to keep warm. To my wonder and surprise (as I approached the shack) there was a big pile of wood, all sawed and cut, ready to use. Dad Buer and a neighbor had turned the whole wood pile into stove wood.

"December, 1911, I filed on a homestead one mile from the school house, had my shack built and began living there in March. My dream had finally come true, to live on my own homestead and teach school nearby. As long as there was snow to melt, I had water for drinking, cooking, etc., but when warm weather came, I carried water from the nearest well, which was about one-fourth mile from my shack. The well hadn't been cleaned out for quite awhile, as the owner had gone east. The cover consisted of some loose boards laid over the top. I used a pail with a weight on it and a rope attached to draw up the water. I kept getting dead rabbits, snakes, mice, etc., in each pailful and kept pouring out the water. Finally, I decided that would have to be my water and by boiling it, knew that it would be safe to drink. You just know though, it didn't go down so well.

"I remained on my homestead all summer and taught the school again the next year. This was 1912, and I believe it was that year that Gilmer Bolson, Carl's brother, came and lived on a homestead, near Carl.

"The next year (1913) Teddy and I were married and decided to make our home on my homestead. We bought a building 16' x 24' from a neighbor, who had proved up his land and gone east. During the next few years, when time and money permitted, this building and my shack, with other lumber and supplies, Teddy converted these into a nice three-room house with full basement, inside stairway to the basement, wash room, and closets.

"I think it was the summer of 1914 that Teddy took a job, herding sheep, for three brothers who were ranchers five miles from our home. One Sunday, very lonely, I decided to try and walk over to see Teddy about six miles away where he was living in a sheep-wagon located on a big lonely tract of land called Beaver Dam Flat. The brothers' ranch, about four miles away from the wagon, was the nearest home. We had a happy visit while the sheep were on water. When it became cooler and the sheep moved out to graze, Teddy and his dog followed and it became cloudy and soon began to rain. I had gotten two apple pies into the hot oven and had a large kettle of food cooking on the stove when the wind began to blow briskly and it began to rain real hard.

"The wheels on the sheep-wagon had been taken off to be repaired and the wagon was resting on two large saw horses. Teddy could see the wagon rocking in the wind and hurried back just in time to pull me out the door, as it toppled over. The dog and I found a little shelter beside it as Teddy grappled with the hot stove. Soon it was quite dark and raining and hailing very hard. When the storm subsided, by flashes of

lightning, we saw that there were several feet of water in the wagon, pies and other items of food, butter, bread, kerosene, etc., were all mixed up together, with my beautiful panama hat, floating on top. There was nothing to eat and we didn't have a stitch of dry clothing on, nor any to put on.

"There seemed nothing left to do but try to find our way to the ranch across the miles of gumbo, sagebrush, and cactus. We waded streams and struggled through mud and arrived about ten o'clock where we received food, dry clothing, and a place to sleep. About three a.m. Teddy was aroused by one of the brothers. He with the rancher, saddled over the 'Flat', found that the sheep hadn't been visited by the coyotes, for this often happened early in the morning. There was much to be thankful for.

"Teddy and his Dad rigged up a telephone line between our places, so we were the first ones to have a telephone. He and his Dad dug a number of wells by using shovels and a windlass. Some were over 30 feet deep, producing plenty of good soft water.

"In the City of Lead, in the Black Hills, about 80 miles away, we heard of many idle windmills. City water had replaced them. Teddy and his Dad, with team and wagon, drove to Lead and purchased two 40-foot tower windmills. They took them apart, piece by piece marking them, brought them home, and reassembled them. What a blessing it was to be able to irrigate our gardens, water the stock, etc.

"One of the first years of our marriage, Teddy purchased a lovely team of Clydesdale horses, named Star and King, hoping to raise some heavy draft horses. Star's first colt, at 8 months old, was killed by a gray wolf and not long after that, Star was killed by lightning. King was all we had left.

"That summer an old settler, ten miles away, was building a lovely new home and hired Teddy to paint, so I was alone. On a beautiful but lonely Sunday morning I decided to go down to see Teddy and see how the work on the house was progressing. My neighbor had a white pony, which I borrowed and hitched up with King, to the buggy. King was gentle, but so large and tall that I had to get on a chair to bridle and get the harness on him. What a nice buggy ride I had. King was ahead most of the time, sort of pulling the pony along. How I wish that I had a picture of this!

"It was in 1917 that we purchased our first car, a Model T Ford. I hadn't learned to drive it when Teddy went to Omaha with stock. He would be gone a week or ten days, and how I wished that I could drive the car. I began studying the instruction book and realized that my first problem was to get the car safely out of the garage. A rancher asked to borrow our car. He had broken down his car and needed to get repairs. I asked him to leave our car out in the barnyard when he returned the next day. I really studied the instruction book that night and as soon as the rancher



delivered the car and left, I was able to crank the Model T and got it started. I practiced driving awhile and then called up a neighbor lady and invited her to go with me to Belle F'ourche. By the time we got to town and back (100 miles), I felt quite efficient at the wheel.

"About 1916 or 1917, we bought a small band of sheep and continued with sheep until about 1933. From then on until we moved to California we raised cattle.

Our son, Glendon, was born in the fall of 1919. The next spring, one day not long before 'lambing time', we started for Belle F'ourche, to get supplies and also hoped to get our baby's picture taken. It began raining and by the time we reached the heavy gumbo roads, it was difficult to get the car up the hills. At the foot of a hill, as Teddy scraped mud from the wheels, I would carry the baby to the top of the hill, lay him on a blanket, beside the road, and go down to help push the car to the hilltop. We would pick up the baby and ride happily down the hill and on until we reached another hill. After a few miles in this way and still about 10 miles from town, the car broke down and we were left afoot. It was raining quite hard and we were happy to get into a spring wagon with a man driving to town. We had gone a couple of miles when a car came and we were offered a ride into town. Soon this car was having trouble in the mud and the man in the spring wagon overtook us. With the baby, I got in with him again and got into town. Teddy remained in the car to help push, so he and the man also arrived in town. It was late in the evening and we stayed with friends that night. It kept raining all night, so the next day Teddy purchased hip boots and a raincoat and walked home the 50 miles. I didn't get the baby's picture taken by the photographer, as he died the night we arrived in town. Where I was staying, their teenage daughter was practicing on taking pictures and finishing them. How happy we were for some that she took of our son, as they turned out quite well and were the only baby pictures we had of him. It was about two weeks before the baby and I arrived home.

"Through the years, Teddy built 13 earthen dams to store the water from rain and melting snow. These were built with a fresno and four horses. One day he was repairing and enlarging one of these dams and I was herding the sheep. He had set up a Teepee tent so that we could eat our lunch in the shade, and I would have protection from the hot sun while the sheep were on water. A neighbor, in a field nearby, was burning Russian Thistles when a strong wind came up and started a prairie fire. It was traveling fast and we wondered how we could stop it. Finally the men grabbed the tent between them hoping to find rocks or something for a weight to drag along the fire line. There seemed to be nothing to find, so I hurriedly jumped into the tent for weight. They dragged me swiftly over the fire line, sagebrush, cactus, and rough ground. How thankful we were to get the fire stopped, and I was alright in about two weeks, though bruised and battered, at the time.

"In the fall of 1928, a natural gas pipeline was installed between Glendive, Montana and the Black Hills. We had it piped

3,200 feet from the main line to our house. The day before Easter, spring of 1929, we attended a neighbor's auction sale. The Gilmer Bolsons were there and came home with us to visit and have dinner. About 8 o'clock there was a terrible gas explosion and our house was bursted and blown apart. There was fire over us, under us, and around us, but all seven of us escaped safely. The house and all contents burned quickly and we found refuge in our bunk house. How thankful we were to be safe, and I often think it was like the Hebrew children who were thrown into the fiery furnace, 'Not a hair of our head singed. . . nor the smell of fire on us.' That Scripture is Daniel 3:27.

"Teddy spent 26 years in South Dakota, and I 25 years. We found it a healthy and delightful climate, and where we were the soil was very rich and good. The Buffalo grass on the prairies was rich and stock fattened on it. However, in all the years that we were there, I can remember of only three good years when we harvested good crops of grain. Often the rain didn't come when needed or hot winds or hail destroyed the crops. We also had a seige of army worms that ate everything in their path. Finally in 1936, the grasshoppers ate everything, so everyone had to sell their stock. It was very difficult getting the stock to the railroad and on to Omaha, Neb. We received 2½¢ for our veal and, of course, much less for the older animals.

"We decided to go to California for the winter and bought an acre and just forgot to go back to South Dakota. We paid the taxes on our 2,200 acres of land there for two years and then decided to forget about it. We really had to start all over again in California but the Lord was good to us. In 1966 we purchased a home in Leisure World, Laguna Hills, California, where I still live. Teddy passed away in May, 1972. Our son, a retired Lt. Col., lives about 40 miles from me."

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Glendon Jay Buer	b. Oct. 7, 1919
m. Elnor Benson	b. Dec. 28, 1922
m. Mildred Wood	b. d. 1975
m. Mary Lois Dossett	b.

Glendon was born in Belle Fourche, South Dakota. He finished the grades in the country school near the Buer Ranch and attended high school in Belle Fourche. In 1936 the Buers moved to California and Glendon graduated from Narbonne High School in Lomita, California. After high school he worked in the office of the Van Camp Sea Food Company on Terminal Island, California. In 1940 he became interested in the Flying Cadet program of the Army Air Corps. He took the qualifying two-year college equivalent examination in June of 1941 and was awaiting the results when the attack on Pearl Harbor occurred. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps and shortly after was notified of his acceptance as an Aviation Cadet. After pilot training in California and Arizona, he received his commission and "wings" at Luke Field, Arizona, on September 29, 1942. He served as a fighter pilot in Oregon, Washington, and California before going to England in October 1943.

On March 20, 1943, he married Elnor Jane Benson and he rejoined her in Nevada after completing his combat tour in the 8th and 9th Air Forces flying the long range version of the P-51 (Mustang). A son, Timothy John Buer, was born to them on October 21, 1945, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Glendon received a regular commission in the Air Force in 1947 and decided to make the service his career. He served nearly two years in the Far East, before and during the Korean War and at many bases in Arizona, Illinois, and Texas. He spent nearly three years in Ankara, Turkey accompanied by his family and returned to be stationed in Wisconsin in 1959. After three years there he was reassigned to Santa Monica, California, where he served until his retirement from the Air Force as a Lt. Col. in 1965 after nearly 24 years service. His marriage was dissolved in 1966 and in 1967 he married Mildred Wood. Mildred passed away in 1975, a few months after cancer was discovered. Since his retirement from the Air Force, Glendon has worked for the State of California in Santa Monica. He and Mary Lou Dossett were married in Switzerland on November 2, 1977.

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Timothy John Buer	b. Oct. 21, 1945
m. Melissa Clifford	b.

Timothy was born in Las Vegas, Nevada. He attended school in various places (California, Illinois, Texas, Turkey, and Wisconsin) because of his father being a career officer in the United States Air Force. He graduated from high school in Palos Verdes Estates, California in 1963 and then attended Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona. He graduated from there in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science degree in construction. He attended Air Force ROTC while at Arizona State and following graduation he entered Pilot Training in Texas. He received his "Wings" in 1969 and served as a pilot in the Air Force for five years. He was in the Strategic Air Command as a pilot of an aerial tanker which included two periods of temporary duty in Thailand, Okinawa, Taiwan, and the Phillippines. He also served a complete tour in Viet Nam flying electronic surveillance missions. On February 24, 1973, he was married to Melissa Clifford in Norwich, Connecticut. Following his separation from the Air Force as a Captain, Timothy joined a construction firm in Texas as a construction engineer on a large power plant being built near Longview. He is presently with a large construction company in Pasadena, California, as a cost engineer associated with improving the mining facilities of the 20 Mule Team Borax Company at Boron, California.

12(10) 35

Herman Adolph Buer	b. Jan. 23, 1890
	d. June 14, 1929
m. Anna Helgeson	b. July 17, 1885
	d. Sept. 1, 1971

Herman was born on a farm in Glenwood Township. He farmed most of his early years. On March 20, 1910, he married Anna who was born in Lincoln Township near Ridgeway, Iowa. She attended

rural schools in that township. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lincoln Church. The couple was married at the home of Pastor Nelson, who served that congregation. Before her marriage Anna worked as a household maid in Decorah. She never worked outside her home after she married.

Herman and Anna moved from the Buer home farm in Glenwood for a year or so. Then they moved to South Dakota and homesteaded there for about 18 months. They returned to Decorah where Herman worked as a construction worker and a farm hand. He served in the Armed Forces in World War I.

In 1925 Herman moved his family to Charles City, where he worked at the Hart Parr Tractor Co. for about two years. They returned to Decorah to work at construction and painting until he was killed accidentally by electricity on his job. They had two children, one who passed away when only a day old.

12(10) 351

Alice Jeanette Buer	b. Jan. 28, 1917
m. Clarence Smith	b. Dec. 1, 1914
	d. Sept. 7, 1974

Alice was born in Decorah, Iowa, at home on Montgomery Street and was educated in the Decorah Schools. She was baptized, confirmed, and married by the same pastor, Rev. O. Glesne of Decorah Lutheran Church. She was married on July 4, 1941, to Clarence Smith, who had come to Decorah to work in the Civilian Conservation Corp in 1934. He was born in Diagonal, Iowa, and had lived in Algona until he came to Decorah. He served in World War II in the European theatre, was wounded in action, and received the Purple Heart. He was in the Army for 2½ years, leaving his wife and daughter, Phyllis, behind. He returned to Decorah and went on a job training program at Vick's Heating and Plumbing under the V.A. educational program. In 1950 he went into partnership with Martin Luren in the heating and sheet metal business. In 1952 he took over the business on his own and stayed in it until 1962 when he had heart surgery, after which he retired and lived a quiet life until he passed away in September of 1974.

Alice has worked as a bookkeeper ever since she graduated. She served as president of the women's organizations of Decorah Lutheran Church on several occasions and has been Treasurer of that congregation for many years. She has served the V.F.W. Auxiliary both as its president and also as its secretary. In 1977 she was President of the Business and Professional Women of Decorah, Iowa. Presently she is bookkeeper for James Ronan and Carl's Tour & Travel Service and a cashier at the Colonial Kitchen Restaurant in Decorah.

12(10) 351 1

Phyllis Jean Smith  
m. John Kolaas

b. April 12, 1943

Phyllis was born at the Decorah Hospital, educated in the Decorah Schools. She worked in the Development Department at Luther College during the year of Luther College's 100th Anniversary. Then she went to work for the Interstate Power Company office in Decorah where she worked until she was married on March 22, 1964, to John Kolaas from Calmar, Iowa, where he was raised on a farm near there. He graduated from the South Winneshiek Schools and worked for a year for Deco Products in Decorah. In 1965 in June he went to Rochester to work for the I.B.M. Corporation and is still there (1978).

Phyllis worked as parish secretary for a year for the United Redeemer Lutheran Church in Zumbrota, where the couple live. John commutes to Rochester. Phyllis has worked as a Puvo Technician at the Mayo Clinic, which involves treatment for psoriasis, the last two years. This work brings her in contact with people from all over the nation who fly in to Rochester for treatment.

John is an ambulance driver in Zumbrota Voluntary Ambulance System. He took special training, both basic and advanced. He is on call days and works nights at I.B.M.

The couple have four children, and the whole family are snowmobile enthusiasts.

12(10) 351 11

Julianne Kolaas

b. Oct. 1964

12(10) 351 12

Melanie Lynn Kolaas

b. Dec. 13, 1965

12(10) 351 13

Jeffrey Neal Kolaas

b. Mar. 30, 1968

12(10) 351 14

Matthew John Kolaas

b. July 30, 1971

12(10) 351 2

Donald Robert Smith  
m. Judith Teslow  
m. Myrtis Jenks

b. April 12, 1947

b. May 26, 1952

Donald was born in the Decorah Hospital, educated in the Decorah School System, and graduated from its high school. On June 21, 1965, he married Judith Teslow from Waukon. They were married at Glenwood Lutheran Church. They had two children and were later separated.

Donald was remarried on August 12, 1972, at Zion Lutheran Church, West Union, Iowa, to Myrtis Jenks from Alpha, Iowa. She

graduated from North High of West Union and from the Area I Cosmetology School at Calmar, Iowa. She has had a beauty shop in St. Lucas and in Lansing, Iowa.

Donald is an electrician and works under the Electrical Union in Dubuque, Iowa. The Union assigns him to jobs in various places of the country. He worked on the Interstate Power Plant in Lansing, Iowa, for two years while that was being constructed. Then he went to Atlanta, Texas and then to Orange, Texas in 1977. This year (1978) he is at Clear Lake, Iowa. The couple have one child.

12(10) 351 21

Ronda Leigh Smith b. Jan. 28, 1966

12(10) 351 22

Donald Robert Smith b. July 17, 1967

12(10) 351 23

Kristoffer Smith b. Dec. 28, 1976

12(10) 351 3

Mary Jane Smith b. Feb. 11, 1951

m. Dale Francis Maas b. Dec. 15, 1946

Mary was born in the Decorah Hospital, educated in the Decorah Schools, was baptized, confirmed, and married in the Decorah Lutheran Church. After high school graduation she worked a number of years for the law firm of Miller, Pearson & Gloe in Decorah. She left and went to Hawaii for almost two years and worked for the Kaiser Medical Foundation in Honolulu in the X-ray Department. She returned to the mainland and works for the O'Connor Law Firm in Dubuque. She and Dale were married on September 11, 1976. Dale is an electrician in Dubuque and affiliated with the Electrical Union. Dale is a native of Dubuque.

12(10) 351 4

Betty Ann Smith b. May 9, 1953

m. Alan Delbert Martins b. Aug. 8, 1950

Betty was born at the Decorah Hospital, educated in the Decorah schools, baptized, confirmed, and married in the Decorah Lutheran Church. After high school she worked in the Treasurer's Office at Luther College. On September 29, 1973, she married Alan. Alan was born in Postville, Iowa. He is a dairy and hog farmer near Luana. He graduated from Postville High School. He served in the Viet Nam War. His father had a heart attack and was hospitalized for three months, so Alan was recalled to work the farm. The couple have two children.

12(10) 351 41

Mindy Leah Martins b. July 21, 1975

12(10) 351 42

Jason Alan Martins b. Sept. 17, 1977

Josephine Gunilda Buer b. Oct. 11, 1891

m. Melvin Theodore Stephens b. Nov. 7, 1885

d. Dec. 6, 1960

Josephine was born in Glenwood Township and attended the Baker School in that township. She was confirmed in the Pontipodan Church. As a young woman she came to Decorah and worked in a number of households as maid, cook, or babysitter. Then she went to work as assistant cook for the Luther College Boarding Club. The young women who worked there lived on the campus and were instructed not to entice the boys in the "College for Men" away from their studies.

In about 1913 she and her cousin, Emma Bolson, decided to go to South Dakota where other members of both the Bolson and the Buer families were already living. Josephine took up a homestead claim, lived in her shack on weekends and rode horseback to a job in the nearest town for the week days. Melvin Stephens, who had also grown up in Glenwood Township, moved west also and took up a claim adjoining Josephine's and on August 11, 1914, they were married. They moved their shacks side by side and had a two-room home. Melvin worked for Peter Bonfield helping build dams to conserve moisture. He would go to the Short Pine Hills for his wood supply. He corraled horses that ran wild in the land and would break them to ride and to drive. He became a skillful horseman. He helped Mr. Bonfield build the first Lutheran Church in the area, and it so happened that he was the first man to be married in the church, Mr. Bonfield the first to be buried from the church, and Josephine and Melvin's daughter, Esther, the first child to be baptized in the church.

Late in 1918 Josie and Melvin decided to return to Iowa with their two small children. As Josephine has often said, "We got out while we still had money enough so we could." The winter of 1918-19 was cold and rugged. Melvin worked on the railroad section and hauled coal for Ingvaldstad Lumber Co. It was rigorous and unpleasant work. That winter the "flu" was rampant and Josephine was ill with it for a time. The quarantine imposed on households where people were ill was not too effective because after dark neighbors would help one another out and smuggle in hot food to whomever needed it the most. In the spring the family moved to a farm in Springfield Township, there followed several tenant farm jobs up until 1925 when Melvin bought a home in Decorah on Winneshiek Avenue. He also bought a cream route with an old truck and a pair of mules. Besides hauling cream for years, he bought and hauled cordwood, plowed gardens, spliced ropes for farmers, and trimmed trees in his spare time. In 1942 Melvin and Josie sold their home and purchased the old Buer home on East Main Street in Decorah. There they lived until Melvin died in 1960. Josephine moved to Center Street and lived next to her daughter and family. Later she moved to Viewlawn Apartments where she lived seven years, after which she came to live with her daughter, Esther Miller, in her home two miles south of Decorah and lived there four years until the spring of 1978 when she entered the Eastern Star Rest Home at Decorah.

12(10) 361

Esther Ruby Jeanette Stephens b. May 23, 1915

m. Frank Roy Miller b. Sept. 20, 1915

d. Mar. 29, 1977

Esther was born in Capitol, Montana. Her parents were living in Harding County, South Dakota, but in order to have the services of a midwife, her mother, Josephine Stephens, went to Capitol to await the child's birth. At the age of 3 she came with her parents and a younger sister to live in Decorah, Iowa. The family lived that first winter (1918-19) on Washington Street. She then lived with her parents on several farms in Winneshiek County where her father was a tenant. In 1925 her family moved to Decorah to a home purchased on Winneshiek Avenue. Esther attended several rural schools, and finished her elementary and high school education in the Decorah School System graduating in 1933 as Valedictorian. In high school she met Frank Miller from Burr Oak Township. They both entered Luther College. That fall Esther worked in the Woolworth Store at 19¢ an hour to pay for her books and tuition. After a year and a half she gave up for financial reasons and taught school in Frankville Township one year and Burr Oak Township two years. Frank graduated from Luther in 1937 and entered Law School at Iowa University. A year later on June 8, 1938, Frank and Esther were married in Decorah Lutheran Church by Pastor O. Glesne. The couple lived in Iowa City until Frank graduated in 1940, after which they returned to Decorah and Frank began to practice law with Judge C. N. Houck. Frank was active in many civic and educational affairs, serving on the Luther College Board of Regents for 25 years, on the Decorah Hospital Board and the Decorah Retirement Board for many years, as well as numerous other boards. He served as mayor of Decorah for four years and was active in the church. He taught several classes at Luther College at times.

Esther and Frank had five daughters. In addition to raising her family, Esther served her church as Ladies Aid President for two terms, spent 15 years in Girl Scouting, and 6 years on the Decorah Community School Board. She enjoyed travel with her husband, visited Alaska and Hawaii. Frank became ill with a heart condition in 1974 and struggled with that illness until March 29, 1977. Esther continues to live in her home on Middle Calmar Road. She has become interested in rug hooking, attended the Decorah Rug School several times and the McGown Rug Workshop at Ft. Ripley, West Virginia, and has become a teacher of this craft working through the Adult Education Program.

12(10) 361 1

Marilyn Miller

b. Dec. 13, 1939

m. Albert Anderson

b. Nov. 5, 1935

Marilyn was born in Iowa City, Iowa, at Mercy Hospital. She was baptized, confirmed, and married in the Decorah Lutheran Church.



Marilyn grew up on Center Street near Luther College and near the city swimming pool, which she enjoyed all her younger days. She graduated from Decorah High School and attended Luther College one year. She was married in September of 1960, and continued at Luther for part of a second year. Albert worked for the Bell Telephone Company and was transferred to Waterloo, Iowa, so Marilyn transferred to the University of Northern Iowa at Cedar Falls, where she graduated. She then taught in the Orange Township School near Waterloo. Their son Andrew was born in Waterloo in 1964. The family moved to Oelwein, Iowa. Marilyn taught in the Oelwein High School in 1964-65. The family then moved to Decorah, and Marilyn taught in the Decorah School System for two years. A second son, Eric, was born in 1968. They live two miles south of Decorah on an acreage where they have cattle, horses, dogs, and cats.

Albert is a splicer for the telephone company, and the worse the weather is, the busier he is. He is very fond of collecting tractors and manages in his spare time to keep five or six in working order. He is teaching his sons how to take care of machinery.

Marilyn and Al were the first couple married in the new Decorah Lutheran Church building completed in 1960.

Marilyn is very active teaching English as a second language to Laotian and Vietnamese people.

Marilyn as a child literally grew up on the Luther College Campus. Her parents' home adjoined the college grounds. On the campus was located the Egge Cabin, a log school, and a log smoke house, now all part of the Vesterheim complex of the Norwegian-American Museum. She and her sisters respected these buildings as something special, but that did not stop them from using these buildings as playhouses. They romped and played about the buildings, put the littlest one in the cradle and played house in great style. They stored their books in the school house, but they carried their game too far when they started a fire in the smoke house to cure their make-believe venison.

12(10) 361 11

Andrew Richard Anderson b. October 19, 1964

Andrew was born in Waterloo, Iowa. Moved to Oelwein, Iowa, when about a year old. Then he came with his parents to Decorah, Iowa, where he lived at Viewlawn Apartments for almost a year. His family moved to an acreage two miles south of Decorah where Andrew has ponies, a horse, dogs, and cats. He is in Junior High School at Decorah. He likes farm machinery.

12(10) 361 12

Eric James Anderson b. November 6, 1968

Eric was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church. He loves his pets. He is in grade school and helps with lawn mowing.

12(10) 361 2

Donna Miller  
m. Daryl Bergan

b. Dec. 10, 1941  
b. Sept. 29, 1940

Donna was born in the Smith Memorial Hospital. Baptized and confirmed in the Decorah Lutheran Church. Donna and Daryl were married in the Washington Prairie Church, Daryl's home church. The bride belonged to the Decorah Lutheran Church, which was being newly built at the time (August of 1960). Donna and Daryl farmed for Erlin Lomen near the Washington Prairie Church a couple of years. Then they moved to a farm near Hesper, Iowa, which Donna's father purchased from Ole Rotvold. They have had a big milking operation for some 15 years on this farm. They plan to move to Daryl's home farm in 1978.

Daryl likes baseball, bowling, and fishing as recreation. Donna sews, weaves, does woodworking, quilts, and helps with the farming operation.

They have four children, Steven, Michael, Kari, and Donald. The family has belonged to Hesper Lutheran Church where Donna serves as a Sunday School teacher and is active in ALCW--president for two years.

Donna owns a large loom which has occupied a corner of the master bedroom. She has woven hundreds of yards of rugs--many for the church bazaars in the area.

Donna was a Merit Scholar finalist from Decorah, Iowa, and was very active in Girl Scouts. She attended the Region G.S. Camp at Trenton, Mo., in 1958 and the national encampment at Colorado Springs in 1959. Donna played first chair flute in the Decorah High School Band.

12(10) 361 21

Steven Orval Bergan      b. July 28, 1961

Steven was born at Decorah Hospital, baptized at Washington Prairie Church near Decorah, and confirmed at Hesper Lutheran Church. He has attended North Winneshiek School every year except one when he came to Decorah Junior High School. He likes sports, has worked hard on the farm at all field work and with the dairy herd. Presently he is employed at the Jack & Jill Grocery Store in Decorah. He took part in 4-H and in Future Farmers of America. He has coon dogs and likes hunting.

12(10) 361 22

Michael Roy Bergan      b. August 16, 1962

Michael was born at Decorah Hospital, baptized at Wash. Prairie Church, and confirmed at Hesper Lutheran. He has attended North Winneshiek except for one year at Decorah Junior High. He likes to play chess. He has been a good helper on the farm. He has been in 4-H and Future Farmers.

12(10) 361 23

Kari Ann Bergan                      b. February 5, 1964

Kari Ann was born at Decorah Hospital and was baptized at Hesper Lutheran Church. She is presently in Confirmation Class there. Kari studies piano and flute, helps on the farm, likes horses and works in 4-H.

12(10) 361 24

Donald Frank Bergan                      b. August 17, 1967

Donald was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Hesper Lutheran Church. He is in grade school at North Winneshiek.

12(10) 361 3

Elaine Miller                              b. Nov. 29, 1942  
m. Emory Fretheim                      b. Feb. 2, 1942

Elaine was born in the Smith Memorial Hospital. Baptized, confirmed, and married at Decorah Lutheran Church in August of 1963. They lived on Emory's father's farm. Two sons, Mitchell and Christopher, were born while they lived there. The family moved to Viewlawn Apts. and then bought a house on Mound Street in Decorah. Another son, Daniel, was born. Later they moved to Minowa Heights, where they purchased a home.

Emory and Elaine run several mail routes--one to Prairie du Chien, one to Dubuque, and one to Des Moines. Elaine enjoys sewing and bridge. Emory is a devotee of car racing and drives in many races in the midwest.

12(10) 361 31

Mitchell Keith Fretheim                      b. August 13, 1964

Mitchell was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Madison Lutheran Church. He likes his dog, is fond of cars and motors, rides his dirt bike all over Minowa Heights. He goes to Junior High in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 361 32

Christopher Jo Fretheim                      b. September 21, 1966

Christopher was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Madison Lutheran Church west of Decorah, Iowa. He is in grade school in the Decorah School System. He likes cooking and bike riding.

12(10) 361 33

Daniel Lee Fretheim                      b. March 29, 1968

Daniel was born at Decorah Hospital, baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church. He is in grade school.

12(10) 361 4

Mary Jo Miller	b. July 7, 1945
m. Stanley Finholt	b. June 6, 1943

Mary Jo was born in the Smith Memorial Hospital. Baptized, confirmed, and married in the Decorah Lutheran Church. Mary and Stan were married in 1964 while Mary was a student at Luther College. They lived on Leif Erickson Drive, and Stan worked at Deco Manufacturing of Decorah. Stan went to work for Decorah Builders, a house construction firm owned by Miller & McKernan. The couple built a home on Minowa Heights. Mary Jo graduated from Luther College in 1966 and taught one year in the South Winneshiek Schools at Calmar, Iowa. A daughter, JoLynn, was born in 1968. Mary Jo went back to teaching and taught in Decorah Jr. High for two years. The family moved to Sheridan, Wyoming in the spring of 1970 where Stan worked at construction. A second daughter, Kristin, was born in 1970 in Wyoming. In the fall of 1971 they came back to Decorah and Stan started his own construction business which he continues to the present. Mary and Stan have built themselves a beautiful home in Minowa Heights and Stan has built fifteen to twenty homes in that area besides a large number scattered through Decorah. A son, David, was born in 1975. Stan enjoys hunting, fishing, and golfing. Mary enjoys golfing, bowling, and camping.

12(10) 361 41

JoLynn Finholt	b. February 5, 1968
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JoLynn was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church. She studies piano and likes horseback riding. She is in grade school.

12(10) 361 42

Kristin Elaine Finholt	b. September 9, 1970
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Kristin was born in Sheridan, Wyoming, and baptized in the Lutheran Church there. She is in grade school. She likes horseback riding.

12(10) 361 43

David Stanley Finholt	b. May 16, 1975
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David was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church.

12(10) 361 5

Diane Miller	b. Oct. 19, 1948
m. David Borness	b. Oct. 26, 1946

Diane was born at Decorah, lived on Center Street until after she graduated from Decorah High School. After one semester at Luther College, she went to work as a secretary in her father's law office until she and David were married in 1969 at Decorah Lutheran Church.

David lived on a farm south of Decorah, graduated from South Winneshiek School and served in the Army in Viet Nam. He had his Rest & Recreation break from the battle field duty in Hawaii and was joined by Diane, her parents, and his parents for a nice visit in 1968.

Diane and David farmed for five years on his father's farm, then moved to a farm in Glenwood Township, where they now live with their two children.

From her early childhood Diane was very fond of horses and still has as great interest in them. They have a number of fine horses and raise several colts each year, and are planning to eventually have a riding stable and boarding service. David has Borness Construction and does earth-moving work.

12(10) 361 51

Shanna Leigh Borness      b. June 16, 1970

Shanna was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Springfield Lutheran Church south of Decorah. She is a horse lover and helps take care of the horses and ponies on the farm. She is in grade school.

12(10) 361 52

Keith David Borness      b. Dec. 9, 1971

Keith was born at Decorah Hospital and baptized at Springfield Lutheran Church. He likes his dogs, cats, and ponies. He is in grade school.

12(10) 362

Marcella Josephine Stephens      b. June 20, 1918  
m. Rev. Richard Emile Bey      b. August 20, 1915  
d. Sept. 1974

Marcella was born in Harding County, South Dakota. She was baptized in St. John's Lutheran Church in that county. She came with her parents and one sister to Winneshiek County, Decorah, Iowa. She moved with her family to a series of farms until 1925 when the family bought a home in Decorah. Marcella attended the Decorah schools and graduated from high school in 1936. She worked for a year at the Woolworth Store at 19¢ per hour to save money to go into nurses training. Her boss told her on one occasion "if you can't wrap that package better than this, remember there are 23 people out there waiting for your job. Maybe one of them can do a better job of it." It was during this year that she met at Luther League in Decorah Lutheran Church a college student named Richard Bey. Marcella went to Minneapolis to attend the Eitel School of Nursing where she graduated in 1940. She then went to Monticella, Illinois, to serve as a medical-surgical supervisor and to set up the operating room and surgical station in a new hospital. In the meanwhile, Richard finished his work at Luther College and began his studies at the Lutheran Seminary in St. Paul.

On September 6, 1941, Marcella and Richard were married at Decorah Lutheran Church. They moved to Minneapolis where they lived while Richard finished his last year in the Seminary while Marcella was the breadwinner continuing her nursing. Richard was ordained at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis in June of 1942. He accepted a call to New England, North Dakota, where he served four parishes for \$100 a month, scarcely making enough to pay for the gas to go from one church to the other. Their two sons were born while they were in New England. They moved to Cando, North Dakota, where they lived for 6 years, again serving four parishes. The next move was to Nashwauk, Minnesota, where they served two parishes for ten years. Here Richard had the largest number of baptisms at one time ever recorded in the Lutheran Herald, publication of the Lutheran Church.

While living at Nashwauk, Marcella returned to Minneapolis to attend the University of Minnesota. Richard had been ill and it began to appear that it might be well for Marcella to further her education, because she might well have to become the breadwinner. She went to Baylor University in Dallas, Texas, for a course in Operating Room Technique and Management. In 1964 she went to the Margaret Hague Maternity Center in Jersey City, N.J., where she studied Obstetrical Nursing Management. Richard continued his work next at Spooner, Wisconsin, and then at Carlos, Minnesota. Marcella became director of nursing in a 73-bed nursing home at Osseo, Minnesota, during 1964 and 1965. In 1966 she began work for the Minnesota Department of Health in the Medicare Service Unit. In 1971 Richard took a parish in Finland, Minnesota, and Marcella went to U.C.L.A. where she took a course in Health Facility Surveyor Training. Richard served the Finland parish for three years until his death in September of 1974. Marcella commuted from Finland to her office in Duluth, Minnesota. During 1974 she took a course in Management in Oklahoma University in Norman, Oklahoma, and in 1975 a course in Advanced Management at Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

During 1970 Marcella set up the first district office for the State of Minnesota for the reorganized Division of Health, now named Health Facilities Unit, which combined licensing of facilities and certification for Federal Programs, i.e., Medicare, and Medicaid. This office was in Fergus Falls, Minnesota. She is presently Supervisor of the Northeast District of Minnesota, with office and staff in Duluth, Minnesota, where she resides.

12(10) 362 1

Theodore Otto Bey                      b. Sept. 8, 1943  
m. Marlene Van Roekel

Theodore, known better as Ted, was born in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. His father was pastor at New England, North Dakota. He moved with his parents from parish to parish as his father served several Lutheran Congregations in N. Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. He attended school at Cando, N.D., Nashwauk, Minn., Augustana Academy where he graduated from high school. He entered the Air Force and served in the Secret Intelligence and was stationed for a time on the island of Attu off Alaska. Then he

studied the Czechoslovakian language and was sent to Germany where he served until his discharge. He attended Radio and Broadcasting School in Minneapolis. Was employed by the KWMT Broadcasting Station in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for a number of years until he joined the sales force of I.B.M. in the giant computer division. He married Marlene, who was from Pella, Iowa. She had graduated from college, was trained to teach, but became a secretary instead and worked for a Commissioner in the City Government in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, until her first child was born.

12(10) 362 11

Stephanie Bey

b. Feb. 14, 1976

12(10) 362 12

Zachary Alan Bey

b. December 29, 1977

12(10) 362 2

David Warren Bey

b. August 7, 1944

m. Judith Lee Rasundick b. October 2, 1944

David was born in Dickinson, North Dakota. Being a pastor's son, he came to call many places home. From 1944-1948 he lived in New England, N. Dakota; from 1948 to 1953 in Cando, N. Dakota; and from 1953 to 1961 in Nashwauk, Minnesota. He then came to live with Daryl and Donna Bergan on a farm near Decorah from 1961-1963. He attended many schools, 1st-3rd grades in Cando, N. Dakota; 4th-8th in Nashwauk, Minn.; 9th grade at Augustana Academy in Canton, S. Dakota; 10th and 11th grades at Nashwauk High School; 12th grade at Decorah, Iowa.

He attended Luther College in 1963, University of Texas in 1964, University of Minnesota in 1965, and Augsburg College, Minneapolis in 1969, 1970, and 1971.

His job experiences have been varied. In 1961 he worked for Rowe Funeral Home in Grand Rapids; in 1962 he worked on an Iowa farm (for Daryl and Donna Bergan); from April 1963 to November of 1964 he was in the U.S. Air Force. He worked as bartender at Driscall Hotel in Austin, Texas, Aug. 1964 to Jan. 1965, and at White House, Inc. of Minneapolis, Minn. from Feb. 1965 to October 1965. He then became a laboratory technician for Archer Daniels Midland, Inc. for three years 1965-68, and for Cargill, Inc., (1968 to 1969) both of Minneapolis. He moved to Hibbing, Minn., and was a self-employed service station owner (1972-73).

From that time on he has been Metalurgical Quality Control Foreman for United States Steel Corporation near Hibbing, Minn.

Judith was born in Grand Rapids, Minn., and graduated from Nashwauk High School. She took her nurse's training in Minneapolis. She and David were married at Nashwauk, Minn., on August 13, 1966.

They have two children and they took a foster daughter into their home in 1971. She is Lynn Renee' Hawkinson, born January 25, 1955. She lived with the Bey family until her marriage on January 21, 1977, to David Sefcovik.

David is an avid fisherman and enjoys the north woods of Minnesota with its fish and game.

David relates an unusual experience as follows:

"In December of 1963, while bartending in the Bergstrom Air Force Base N.C.O. Club one night a group of officers assigned to the new President Lyndon Johnson came into the club. They inquired about all the bartenders Air Force jobs. Because I was an Intelligence Operations serviceman with a top secret security clearance, I was one of two chosen to tend bar for Lyndon Johnson at his ranch about 60 miles from Austin, Texas. I had the opportunity to meet Senators H. Humphrey, J.J. Pickle, and others including some nationally known newsmen."

12(10) 363

Evelyn Julia Stephens    b. July 16, 1924

Evelyn was born at her parents' home in Madison Township. When she was only three months old her family moved to a home they had purchased in Decorah on Winneshiek Avenue. She was baptized and confirmed in the Decorah Lutheran Church. She graduated from Decorah High School, after which she worked in town as a bookkeeper for James Ronan, cattle buyer, and for Harold Ellickson, photographer. She joined the Nurse's Cadet Program and took training, but due to illness had to give it up and spent several months at the hospital in Iowa City. Her fiance was killed in a bomber over Italy in World War II. She returned to Decorah and lived with her mother until August of 1974, and has made her home in Cedar Rapids with her sister, Vernell Haugen, since then. She has regular employment as a sitter for a pre-school child.

Evelyn writes, "Memory is a strange and unusual part of our lives. Mine is clouded with haze, dense fog, and a dash or two of pure imagination. Childhood memories are precious. Included in mine are generous amounts of love and attention from relatives, neighbors, friends, ministers, teachers, and Luther College students. Two Luther graduates became members of our family. The children and grandchildren of these people are bright and shining lights in my life.

"I recall that as a child I enjoyed going with my Dad on his cream routes. Visiting on the farms and meeting people of all age levels taught me a great deal.

"Buer and Stephens reunions made a lasting impression upon my mind. My favorite girl friend lived across the street from my Buer grandparents. Years later my folks bought that home.

"Music has enriched my life. I remember Grandpa Stephens playing his accordian. There is a fuzzy memory of an old fashioned organ followed by vivid recollections of a piano and a violin. My sisters play piano for pleasure. One of them was a good violinist. I studied piano from two different teachers, both top notch pianists.



"I remember a neighbor lady, Ida Oxley, who had gardening and flowers as a hobby. Many people including me learned to appreciate beautiful and unusual flowers, plants, bushes, trees, and weeds from her."

12(10) 364

Vernell Lavonne Stephens  
m. Merlin Haugen

b. April 21, 1928  
b. July 12, 1925

Vernell was born at her parents' home on 704 Winneshiek Avenue, Decorah, Iowa. She was baptized, confirmed, and married in the Decorah Lutheran Church. She attended Decorah Public Schools and graduated from high school in June of 1946. During these years she babysat for 10¢ an hour and worked as a clerk in Marsh Music Shop after she was 16 for 50¢ an hour. Vernell had trained for secretarial work, but instead of going to work she entered college and completed her four years of liberal arts. The first, second, and fourth years were spent at Luther College. The third year she spent at Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota. She graduated in 1950 with a composite English and Speech Major and Minors in Sociology and Religion.

Vernell was employed as a social welfare worker for Fayette County in West Union, Iowa, and later moved from this area to Fargo, North Dakota, to work for the Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota. She made studies of childless couples who wished to adopt children and helped place children in suitable homes. In this work she traveled all over the state and in all kinds of weather.

In 1958 Vernell received a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Minnesota specializing in Psychiatric Social Work. Following her graduation she went to Lutheran Social Services at Appleton, Wisconsin, and from there to the Northeast Iowa Mental Health Clinic at Decorah.

A more complete use of her educational background occurred at the Out-Patient Department of the Mental Health Institute at Independence, Iowa, where she served several years.

She married Merlin Nordeen Haugen of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on August 26, 1962. Merlin comes of third generation Norse parentage, the son of Ted and Alma (Twenge) Haugen of Decorah. As an infant he contracted poliomyelitis, which affected his leg muscles, crippled his left foot and affected one hip and one shoulder. When he was 12 his mother died and he lived with his grandmother until his father remarried during Merlin's senior year at high school. Merlin graduated from Decorah High School in 1943 and was an apprentice in the printing trade at the Decorah Journal working sixty hours a week for \$15.00 per week. He learned to run the press. In 1945 he was pressman at the University of Iowa for the Daily Iowan. After 18 months he returned to Decorah and became a linotype operator. In 1954 he became a hot metal linotype operator for the Cedar Rapids Gazette and worked in that capacity until 1970 when the Gazette began conversion to a computerized system of printing for which he has trained and he continues working for the Gazette.

Merlin and Vernell have two children. The family enjoys camping, fishing, and bicycling. Vernell was involved in Boy Scout and Girl Scout leadership for eight years and is active in church work, serving as president of the woman's group one year and as a member of committee for worship, for adult education, for Sunday School, and family life education.

12(10) 364 1

Eric Theodore Haugen      b. July 24, 1963

Eric was born in Cedar Rapids, is presently in Junior High School and has been active in Boy Scouting several years and is involved in instrumental music and drama. He has been a member of his church choir and is to be confirmed in 1978.

12(10) 364 2

Julie Ann Haugen      b. Feb. 24, 1965

Julie was born in Cedar Rapids and is in Junior High. She has participated in Girl Scouting since Brownie Days, is active in church choir and in instrumental and vocal music in Junior High.

12(10) 37

Carl Bernhard Buer      b. July 29, 1893  
m. Anna Paine      d. April 25, 1969  
                         b. Nov. 22, 1901

Carl was born in Glenwood Township, attended school at Baker School in that township. Carl remained in Iowa while his parents and younger brothers and sisters moved to South Dakota. He served in World War I, spending time on the front line and his company was almost wiped out.

Carl and Anna were married in Decorah in 1921. They lived in Charles City for awhile where he worked for the Hart Parr Tractor Co. In 1941 they moved to Minneapolis, where he worked in a munition factory. Anna was born and baptized in Oelwein, Iowa. She was confirmed in Decorah, Iowa, attended the Decorah School System. She clerked for several years during the 1950s in Donaldson's and Dayton's Department Stores in Minneapolis. They lived in Minneapolis from 1940 to 1960. Then Carl retired from factory work, and the couple moved to Rogers, Arkansas. Anna suffered from arthritis and was given the drug Aralen which subsequently robbed her of most of her sight. This was unfortunate, because reading and craft work were her hobbies. She was very active in sewing, metal craft, flower arranging, and belonged to a craft group in Minneapolis for 18 years and continued these pursuits in Rogers, Arkansas, until the side effects of the drug hit her sometime in 1967. She lives at 400 Popular Avenue, Apt. D., Rogers, Arkansas. Anna has served as a President of American Legion Auxiliary and the P.T.A. She has served in many church activities. She enjoys bridge and dining out.

While Carl lived in Minneapolis his hobby was gardening. He had a large collection of hybrid iris which was a joy to see.

12(10) 371

Carl Fredrick Buer	b. Nov. 7, 1926
m. Betty Ann Benson	b. Dec. 2, 1928
m. June A. _____	b. June 16, 1937

Carl was born and baptized in Charles City, Iowa. He moved to Minneapolis with his parents. He graduated from high school there and attended the University of Minnesota. He acquired his Ph.D. in Psychology in 1958. He has worked at V.A. Hospitals in Minneapolis, St. Cloud, and North Chicago from 1955-61. He went into private practice from 1961 to 1972 at Racine, Wisconsin. From 1972 to the present (1978) he served a V.A. Hospital at Canandaigua, New York. Carl and Betty had four children. They were separated. On May 23, 1969, Carl and June were married at Waukegan, Illinois. June graduated from high school. They are interested in tennis, skiing, sailing, and other sports and outdoor activities.

12(10) 371 1

Sandra Buer	b. July 3, 1949
m.	

Sandra lives in San Francisco, California.

12(10) 371 2

Christine Buer	b. July 9, 1951
m.	

Christine lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

12(10) 371 3

Douglas Allen Buer	b. Nov. 6, 1953
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Douglas lives in New York.

12(10) 371 4

Richard Carl Buer	b. 1958
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Richard is in the Navy.

12(10) 38

Emil Arthur Buer	b. Mar. 15, 1895
m. Ella Fisher	d. Dec. 1, 1959 b. Jan. 17, 1892

Emil was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. He moved with his parents to South Dakota about 1911. He homesteaded in Harding County. He sold out and returned to Iowa. He served in World War I. He married Ella Fisher, who grew up north of Decorah on a farm. Emil and Ella moved to Charles City, where he worked for the Hart Parr Tractor Co.

He moved back to Winneshiek County and started farming. He and Ella lived on the farm until they sold it and retired in Decorah. They bought a house on 1005 Mechanic where Emil lived until his death and Ella until a couple of years ago when she went to live in the Mathilda Barthell Eastern Star Rest Home.

12(10) 39

Nellie Jeanette Buer      b. Aug. 13, 1897

m. Roy Barth      d. May 15, 1951  
b. Mar. 20, 1894 d. Oct. 1, 1957

Nellie was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. She attended rural school. She went with her parents when they moved to Harding County, South Dakota. She attended school in the sod school in which Mary Rae Hippensteel was teacher. (She became Nellie's sister-in-law a year or two later.) Nellie returned to Iowa and in 1918 on November 7 married Roy who grew up in the Locust, Iowa, area. The couple farmed for several years until Roy decided there had to be more to life than shoveling manure on a farm, so he began hauling cream and doing carpenter work. Twice they suffered the loss of their farm home by fire and each time they set about re-establishing their home. The Barth children have many pleasant memories of their parents even though the lives of both were short. Nellie passed away at 54 and Roy at 61.

June Barth Anderson writes, "Grant, Rosemar, and I and our children will always remember Dad for his good nature, always ready to play games and entertain. Often he would have three grandchildren on his lap as he played the mouth organ for them. Mother, Nellie, was a very busy person. Her crocheting and handwork is still being used in the homes of her children. We remember the good home made bread and cinnamon rolls waiting for us when we came home from school and on special occasions her black walnut cake, but these did not take priority over her potato salad. She always made her own dressing. We all have her recipe but somehow it just doesn't taste quite like hers. Saturday was a day to bake and have all kinds of good things for the children and grandchildren when they came home for Sunday dinners. Her son-in-law, Palmer, says her roasted chicken was his favorite.

"The children and grandchildren of Roy and Nellie are fortunate in that they all live in or near Decorah and are able to spend much time together."

12(10) 391

Grant Jewell Barth      b. Oct. 10, 1919

m. Vivian Erickson      b. Oct. 25, 1921

Grant was born in Pleasant Township, baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church. He attended rural school. As a young fellow he enjoyed hunting, baseball, and other sports. He also enjoyed some of the activities that his sisters liked, such as making doll clothes and baking. His wife, Vivian, appreciated the fact that he was very handy with needle and thread and helped her sew on buttons, shorten garments, and mend for their six boys and one girl. Grant and Vivian farmed for awhile and later purchased a restaurant which they have operated for several years in Decorah. Grant enjoys making all the pies. The meringue on his pies is "something else"! When asked how to achieve such super meringue he says, "You have to beat the heck out of the egg whites."

Vivian, who came from the Springwater area, is famous for her delicious sweet rolls which are recognized all over Decorah as a delicacy. They were featured in an issue of the Better Homes and Gardens Magazine.

Grant and Vivian perform a fine service for people around town with their restaurant serving good home cooked meals.

12(10) 391 1

Otis LeRoy Barth

b. May 28, 1940

d. Dec. 25, 1961

Otis was talented in drawing, especially doing horses and animals. He became ill when he was about 16 years old. He had been baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church at Locust, Iowa. He was a gentle and kindhearted individual and always ready to help others.

12(10) 391 2

Norma Mae Barth

b. Aug. 8, 1941

m. Dale Lundy

b. June 15, 1940

Norma was baptized and confirmed at St. John's Lutheran at Locust, Iowa. She attended rural school and graduated from Decorah High School. She and Dale were married at Decorah Lutheran Church. The couple have two daughters. Norma attended Area One Vocational School for awhile and then went to Minneapolis where she trained to be an optometrist's assistant. She has been employed at Medical Associates of Decorah, Iowa, as an assistant to Dr. Dynes. Dale has a carpet and floor covering business at Postville, Iowa.

12(10) 391 21

Suzanne Marie Lundy

b. Mar. 27, 1962

Suzanne was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. She is currently a student at Decorah High School.

12(10) 391 22

Krisanne Marie Lundy

b. May 26, 1967

Krisanne was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. She is a grade school student at Decorah.

12(10) 391 3

Glendon Jewell Barth

b. Oct. 15, 1944

12(10) 391 4

Gary Dean Barth

b. Oct. 15, 1944

Glendon and Gary were baptized at home because there was concern about their survival for the first few days. They were confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. Neither have married and both served in the U.S. Air Force. Glendon has worked in the clothing business, and Gary is in the restaurant work with his parents in Decorah.

12(10) 391 5

Daryl Wayne Barth  
m. Shelly Olson

b. June 6, 1952  
b. June 21, 1950

Daryl was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran. He attended Luther College for awhile. He met Shelly while both were students at Luther. Shelly graduated and became a teacher and is presently employed as an elementary teacher in Waukon. Daryl is employed with the Norwegian Mutual Ins. Co.

12(10) 391 51

Andrea Barth  
Andrea was baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church.

b. April 8, 1971

12(10) 391 52

Sara Lynn Barth  
Sara was baptized at Decorah Lutheran Church.

b. Dec. 1, 1977

12(10) 391 6

Dwayne Allen Barth

b. July 12, 1955

Dwayne was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran. He attended Decorah Schools and graduated from High School. He is employed as a construction worker in the Decorah area.

12(10) 391 7

Terry Lee Barth

b. July 29, 1960

Terry was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. He is currently a student in Decorah High School and is president of his class. He is very active in sports, particularly football and wrestling. He is also active in Future Farmers of America.

12(10) 392

June Helma Barth  
m. Palmer Anderson

b. June 16, 1921  
b. Feb. 12, 1918

June was baptized and confirmed and married at St. John's Lutheran at Locust, Iowa. She attended rural school, and graduated from Decorah High School. She married Palmer on April 7, 1940. Palmer was born in Winneshiek County, attended rural schools, worked on his parents farm as a youth. They lived in Springwater, Locust area for five years. Palmer went into the U.S. Army and served for two years in the Japan theatre. The couple rented a farm which they later purchased and operated until the fall of 1969. Palmer is now in road construction work.

As a child, June was always trying to create something out of nothing with fabrics. This interest in fabrics carried over into her adult years and after leaving the farm, she owned and operated a drapery shop. When she sold the shop she went to her present job, as office manager and sales clerk for a Decorah fabric shop.

As June reminisces with her brother, Grant, and sister, Rosemar, about their grandparents, John and Johanna Buer, they recall the good times they had at the grandparents' home. She says, "Grandma spoke very little English. We would often find her sitting in her rocker with the Bible in her lap. She would be wearing a dark dress with a very pretty brooch at the neckline. When we came to their home, Grandpa would suddenly disappear. In 15 or 20 minutes he would come in the back door with a white sack in his hand in which were big molasses ginger cookies and huge white sugar cookies. We would then have a treat of cookies and milk. He not only fed us, but he would go to the back porch, rap on the floor with his knuckles, and his pet squirrel would appear to eat from his hand. This seemed strange to us because all the squirrels we saw in the country were very wild. Grandpa loved to play cards and we children loved to play with him, but we were not allowed to play on Sunday, so if we came to visit on the Sabbath, we would spend our afternoon looking at pictures with the stereoptican viewer.

12(10) 392 1

Wanda Jean Anderson	b. Nov. 22, 1941
m. John Lillegraven	b. Oct. 16, 1939

Wanda was baptized and confirmed and married at St. John's Lutheran Church at Locust, Iowa. She attended rural school and Decorah High School. She worked at the Decorah Creamery until the time of her marriage. She married John on August 28, 1961. He was born in Decorah Township and was a graduate of Decorah High School. He is manager of Winneshiek Co-Op in Decorah. Wanda is employed in the office of Wapsie Produce. She is an excellent cook and is a very busy housekeeper, enjoys a good time, and possesses a hearty laugh which she inherited from her father.

12(10) 392 11

Paul John Lillegraven	b. Mar. 29, 1970
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Paul was baptized at First Lutheran Church, Decorah, Iowa. He is a typical Norwegian toe-head with freckles which his grandmother calls angel kisses.

12(10) 393

Rosemar Barth	b. Feb. 19, 1923
m. Glenn Rilling	b. June 10, 1919

Rosemar was baptized and confirmed and married at St. John's Lutheran. She attended rural school and graduated from Decorah High School. She married Glenn September 23, 1941. Glenn operated Chrysler-Plymouth garage in South Decorah. He is now semi-retired. Glenn grew up at Fort Atkinson and attended school there. Rosemar and Glenn have a trailer at Marquette, Iowa. They are avid boaters and enjoy the river a great deal.

12(10) 393 1

Geraldine Ruth Rilling	b. Dec. 27, 1943
m. Gary Frye	b. Oct. 14, 1942

Geraldine was baptized at St. John's Lutheran and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran Church. She attended Decorah Schools.

She worked in Hunt's Variety Store. She married Gary, who works for Farm Service as an L.P. gas distributor. Geraldine is a seamstress and does alterations for a local dress shop. This, along with three active children, keeps her very busy.

12(10) 393 11

Dean Stephen Frye                      b. May 9, 1965

12(10) 393 12

De Ann Rosemarie Frye                  b. Feb. 9, 1967

12(10) 393 13

Daniel Paul Frye                      b. Jan. 5, 1972

12(10) 393 2

Paul Rodney Rilling                    b. Oct. 14, 1958

Paul was baptized and confirmed at Decorah Lutheran. He graduated in 1977 and has worked at the Deco Manufacturing Plant in Decorah since that time. Paul is interested in horseback riding and is very artistic, expressing himself by sketching.

12(10) 3(10)

Karen Johanna                          b. Mar. 8, 1900  
m. Milton Hiller                      b. Sept. 1, 1899

Karen, better known as Carrie, was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. She attended rural school, moved with her parents to Harding County, South Dakota, where they homesteaded. She attended school in the sod school taught by her future sister-in-law, Mary Rae Heppenstul. She returned to Iowa when her parents gave up their venture in the west. As a young woman she worked in some of the finest homes in Decorah as a valued domestic. She was a fine cook and housekeeper. She married Milton Hiller. He graduated from Decorah High School.

Milton and Carrie were fond of the out-of-doors and often took canoe camping trips on the Upper Iowa River. Milton was a well read man. He served his country in the U.S. Army in World War I and in the U.S. Navy in World War II. He is a retired electrician and mail man.

The couple reside in Decorah in the summer time and go to Marianna, Florida for the winter time.

12(10) 3(10) 1

Raymond Horace Hiller, Sr.  
b. Nov. 23, 1924  
m. Emily Walton                      b. July 30, 1925

Raymond was born in Decorah, Iowa. He attended Decorah Schools and graduated from Decorah High School in 1942. He graduated from Iowa State University in 1946. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 to 1947. He is a manufacturer's representative in electrical products. He married Emily, daughter of A. O. Walton and Viola Cash Walton, born in



Coweta City, Georgia. Emily graduated from Starr High School in Turin, Georgia in 1943. She has been a full-time mother and housewife.

12(10) 3(10) 11

Kimberly Hiller b. May 15, 1956

Kimberly, born in Atlanta, Georgia, and known as Kim, graduated from Lakeside High School in DeKalb County, Georgia in 1976. She is attending Georgia Southern College at Statesboro, Georgia.

12(10) 3(10) 12

Raymond Horace, Jr. b. Dec. 17, 1959

Raymond, born in Atlanta, Georgia, known as Chip, is currently attending Georgia Southern College in Statesboro, Georgia. He graduated from Lakeside High School, DeKalb County, Georgia in 1977.

12(10) 3(10) 13

Carol Jeanne Hiller b. Jan. 11, 1964

Carol was born in Atlanta, Georgia. She is a student at Lakeside High School.

12(10) 3(10) 2

Robert James Hiller b. Dec. 27, 1932

m. JoAnn Reed b. Oct. 18, 1935

Robert was born at Decorah, Iowa. He graduated from Decorah High School and is a college graduate in electrical engineering. He is a sales representative and realtor. He is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force in the Korean Conflict. He married JoAnn on January 2, 1955. She was born in Green County, Missouri. She is a High School graduate and works as a telephone operator and a school bus driver. The couple live in Mesa, Arizona. They lived for a number of years in California.

12(10) 3(10) 21

Kenneth Alan Hiller b. June 21, 1962

Kenneth was born on his grandparents' wedding anniversary day in Inglewood, California. He is a student.

12(10) 3(10) 22

Kristina Annette Hiller b. Oct. 25, 1963

Kristina is a student. She was born in Inglewood, California.

12(10) 3(10) 23

Kevin Eugene Hiller b. April 7, 1970

Kevin was born in Tempe, Arizona. He is a student.

12(10) 3(11)

Alfred Hilman Tonius Buer

b. Sept. 19, 1902

m. Amelia Soriede

b. Mar. 13, 1900

Alfred was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. He went with his parents to Harding County, South Dakota,

as a young lad. There he attended school in a sod schoolhouse in which his future sister-in-law, Mary Rae Hippensteel, was teacher. He returned to Iowa when his parents gave up their venture into the west and after school he became an apprentice at the Decorah Posten, a Norwegian printing company. His nieces and nephews delighted in the privilege of visiting him while he was on his job. It was a great thrill to see the huge press spewing forth the newspaper and a greater thrill to ride on the elevator in the building. All were impressed by the enormous rolls of news print. Alfred married Amelia, a Glenwood farm girl, about 1927. They bought a home on Winneshiek Avenue in Decorah, Iowa, where they lived until Alfred gave up his work at the Decorah Posten and moved to Redwood City, California, where he continued working in the printing business. He is retired now. His daughter, Bethine, cares for him in his home.

12(10) 3(11) 1

Barbara Jean Buer b. Nov. 19, 1928

m. Melvin Halvorson b. May 11, 1926

Barbara was born in Decorah, Iowa, attended Decorah School and was active in Girl Scouting. She married Melvin, who also grew up in Decorah.

12(10) 3(11) 11

Craig Allen Halvorson b. July 4, 1947

12(10) 3(11) 12

Mark Wayne Halvorson b. May 4, 1950

12(10) 3(11) 2

Bethine Louise Buer b. Sept. 21, 1931

m. Olle Gilbert b.

Bethine was born in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 3(11) 21

Susan Gilbert b. March 11, 1950

12(10) 3(11) 22

Paulette Gilbert b. April 30, 1953

12(10) 3(11) 23

Steven Gilbert b.

12(10) 3(12)

Oscar Tolvinues Buer b. Aug. 31, 1904

d. June 1923

Oscar was born in Glenwood Township, moved with his parents to Harding County, South Dakota. There he went to school for Rae Hippensteel, who later became his sister-in-law, by marrying Theodore Buer. He returned to Iowa when his parents died. He attended school in Decorah, worked part time in a bakery, and later at the Decorah Greenhouse. He died at the early age of 19.

12(10) 4

Theodore Bolson	b. 1863	d. 1921
m. Ingeborg Brynsaas	b. 1869	d. 1932

Theodore was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. He attended rural school. He married Ingeborg, who had come from Norway. They spent their entire life on the home farm. All his children were born there.

DESCENDANTS OF THEODORE & INGEBORG (BRYNSAAS) BOLSON

12(10) 41

Karen Pernelle Genneta Bolson	b. May 12, 1897
m. George Hill	b.

Karen, better known as Carrie, was born on the Thorer Bolson farm in Glenwood Township. She attended the Baker School. They were farmers and owned a farm south of Glenwood Lutheran Church. Carrie presently resides in a rest home in Postville, Iowa. She and George were married in 1921. They had four children.

12(10) 411

Tilman John Hill	b. Oct. 16, 1922
m. Marie Wikan	b. Feb. 27, 1922

Tilman and Marie were married on March 30, 1949. Tilman works for Carlson Construction Co. and is on the road all summer. Marie is a housewife. They live about five miles from the Glenwood Church in a farm house.

12(10) 411 1

Gary Hill	b. Sept. 19, 1949
m. Mary Ann Reed	

Gary and Mary Ann were married on April 8, 1971, at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. They live in a trailer home. Gary works for Holland Bros. Construction, and Mary Ann works at Norb's Tru Value Hardware in Decorah. They have two sons.

12(10) 411 11

Ronald Dean Hill	b. Dec. 8, 1973
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12(10) 411 12

Scott Richard Hill	b. Nov. 28, 1974
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12(10) 411 2

Catherine Louise Hill	b. Sept. 6, 1951
m. Gary Compston	

Cathy graduated in 1969 from Thomas Roberts High School in Decorah. On August 19, 1973, she and Gary were married at the Glenwood Lutheran Church. They live in Forest City on the edge of town in a nearly new home. Gary is owner and manager of the Forest Theatre. Cathy is a housewife and helps at the theatre when needed. They enjoy travel and in the last few years have been to Canada, California, Florida, and Mexico.

12(10) 411 21

Catina Marie Compston      b. April 5, 1973

12(10) 411 3

Thomas Hill                      b. Sept. 13, 1952  
m. Kathleen Drew                b.

Thomas and Kathy were married on November 22, 1975, at the First Lutheran Church in Decorah. They live in a trailer house about seven miles northeast of Decorah. They bought about 2½ acres of land in March 1977. It was a cornfield and so they are spending most of their time trying to fix it up. It will take several years to get the site the way they want it. Thomas is a mechanic at Decorah Implement, and Kathy is a housewife.

12(10) 411 31

Tod Richard Hill                b. March 11, 1978

12(10) 411 4

Tracey Murrie                    b. Feb. 27, 1958  
Tracey is living at home with his parents.

12(10) 411 5

Lynn Ann Hill                    b. Nov. 22, 1965

Lynn Ann is in grade school and enjoys it. She has many pets --cats, dogs, rabbits, and a lamb.

12(10) 412

Howard Hill                      b. May 16, 1926  
m. Elizabeth Knight              b.

Howard was married to Elizabeth (Betty) on March 30, 1947, and lived in McGregor and in Clayton, Iowa, the first few years of their marriage. Howard worked in the silica sand mine at Clayton. Betty tells their story as follows: "In September of 1949 we went farming on halves. We started out on a shoe string with four cows, four sows, and a team of horses. Howard went to G.I. School for which he got about \$90 a month. In January 1952 we began farming on halves for Leonard Ryan, who had heard that Howard was a hard worker and a good farmer. This was a big move for us. We would have electricity instead of kerosene lamps and gasoline engines. We had had three very hard years behind us. These things sound silly now 27 years later, but we had a Brown Swiss heifer calf we almost lost with the scours. Our barn was so cold we took the calf into the house. We used old newspapers on the floors and walls and tied the calf to the leg of the heating stove. We fed it raw eggs (a remedy of Grandpa Hill's) and medicine. The children were in their glory having a baby calf to play with. The house wasn't much warmer than the barn. I couldn't wash the floor if it was below zero or we would have a skating rink. The calf became well. We took it to the barn and tied it in front of the cows. Later we found it had hung itself. I was so sick I cried, and Howard thought we were fighting a losing battle.

"When we moved to the Ryan farm in January of 1952 we milked about 22 cows and raised pigs and chickens. Our third daughter, Vicki, was born on September 6, 1953. By this time we were adjusting to many hours of hard work in a day. When Vicki was six days old I took her to the barn in a wooden apple box where she slept while I milked cows. Then Joyce, our oldest, convinced me she was big enough to watch the baby. I made so many trips from the barn to the house I almost wore out a pair of shoes the first week. It wasn't long until she could feed, burp, and change Vicki.

"On October 30, 1954, our first son was born. We named him Ronald. He grew up fast and lived on the John Deere tractor with his father. By 1960 we had three more children, two girls and a boy, Marvin. That year we quit farming, and I had surgery when Marvin was born. We had no hospital insurance, so it was a good thing we were having a farm sale because my hospital and doctor bills were almost \$700. We had a real good sale, thanks to our many good neighbors.

"Howard began to work at Berg Implement and then got on at HyGrade at Postville (a meat plant). In March of 1961 he was laid off. We lived on \$35 a week unemployment for awhile, but took a farm job, because with seven children and \$40 a month rent we couldn't live on that. In February of 1962 a cow jumped on Howard's leg while he was milking and fractured his ankle. He was in the hospital ten days, had surgery, and had a pin put in his ankle. The man we worked for told us we would have to pay rent and buy our milk until Howard could work. On the first of April we moved to a farm house south of Monona. After some argument with Howard, I got a job at the turkey plant in Postville. In December of 1962 we rented a house west of Postville which had a bathroom. This was a big deal because it was the first one we'd had. (Howard thought the outside one was better because he didn't have to stand in line for that one.) In April of 1963 Howard got back on at Hy-Grade. Then in March of 1964 he had a nervous breakdown. He was hospitalized until August, went back to work for two or three days, but couldn't take it. He went back to the hospital until Thanksgiving when they released him but told him he could not go back to work until March. It was the most wonderful Thanksgiving the kids and I ever had. We had Howard home after one awfully long year. Hy-Grade had kept his job open for him, and he has been there ever since.

"We bought an old house in Monona in June of 1965. In 1974 we built a new house. We tore down the old one and put up a split foyer. We moved in in September of that year. We are pretty proud of our family and our home. It took many struggling years, but it's been worth it. We are so thankful our children are all so close to home. We love to have our grandchildren come and stay with us. They may go home a little spoiled, but I tell the parents that's what Grandpas and Grandmas are for."

12(10) 412 1

Joyce Hill  
m. Jerry Lestina

b. March 16, 1948

Joyce was six months old when Grandpa Hill died. She and Jerry were married on April 8, 1967. They live near Burr Oak on a small acreage. They have sheep, chickens, and pigs. Jerry drives a United Parcel Service semi-truck from Decorah to Des Moines every night.

12(10) 412 11

Troy Lestina

b. March 6, 1971

Troy was adopted by Joyce and Jerry when he was ten days old.

12(10) 412 12

Cindy Lestina

b. September 23, 1973

Cindy was adopted when she was eight days old.

12(10) 412 13

Dawn Lestina

b. June 21, 1975

Dawn was a special child since God decided Joyce could carry her through a pregnancy. Troy and Cindy love her very much. Troy nicknamed her "Spike."

12(10) 412 2

Georgiene Hill  
m. Dean Anfinson

b. February 8, 1949  
b.

Georgiene and Dean were married September 22, 1968. Dean is a bookkeeper at Frudden Lumber in Decorah. They have Timmy and a pair of identical twins, Kristi and Kari, who have fun confusing their grandparents. Timmy can always tell them apart.

12(10) 412 21

Timmy Anfinson

b. May 7, 1973

12(10) 412 22

Kristi Anfinson

b. Feb. 7, 1975

(Twins)

12(10) 412 23

Kari Anfinson

b. Feb. 7, 1975

12(10) 412 3

Vickie Hill  
m. Grant Mork

b. September 6, 1953  
b.

Vickie and Grant were married on December 23, 1972. Vickie has her own beauty shop in their home in Postville. Grant is a lineman for R.E.C.

12(10) 412 31

Lacey Mork

b. April 19, 1975

Lacey tries very hard to be a little mother to her baby sister, Stephanie, whom she lifts from the couch into her doll buggy much to her mother's consternation. Mother will be relieved when baby is too big for Lacey to lift.

12(10) 412 4

Ronald Clark Hill

b. October 30, 1954

Ron went to carpenter school at Area I in Calmar, Iowa. He works for Great Plains and lives at home with his parents.

12(10) 412 5

Wendy Jo Hill

b. March 6, 1957

She works for Iowa Turkey Products at Postville, Iowa.

12(10) 412 6

Sandra Fay Hill

b. June 4, 1958

m. Randy Kruse

b.

Randy works on a farm a few miles out of Monona.

12(10) 412 61

Joseph Kruse

b. July 19, 1977

Cousins Timmy Anfinson and Troy Lestina were very pleased that this baby was a boy.

12(10) 412 7

Marvin Alpha Hill

b. January 27, 1960

Marvin is a senior in high school and works in Wilkes Sure Save Store in Monona.

12(10) 413

Grace Clarice Hill

b. October 20, 1929

m. Myron Erickson

b.

Grace was born in Winneshiek County, baptized and confirmed at Pontipodan Lutheran Church in Glenwood Township. She was blessed with the only red hair in the family. She takes after her grandmother, Ingeborg Bolson. This doubtful blessing was not transmitted to her children. She and Myron were married on February 23, 1947. They live on a farm in Frankville Township. Grace is a line supervisor at the Food Service at Luther College. The couple have three children, the eldest born on Christmas Eve 1955 after nine years of married life, making this a very happy occasion. Last, but not least, are the family pets. Three cats run the home, efficiently kept in line by Nipper the dog. Though not related to the Bolson clan, they are perhaps the best-loved in the Erickson family.

12(10) 413 1

Julie Ann Erickson

b. December 24, 1955

Julie Ann was born at Waukon, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. She attended school at Decorah High and graduated there. She worked at the V & S Variety Store in Decorah. Presently she works at Liberty Mutual Ins. Co. in Minneapolis, Minnesota (1978).

12(10) 413 2

Alan Dale Erickson

b. April 2, 1957

Alan narrowly missed being born on April Fool's Day. He was born in Waukon, Iowa. He was baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran. He attended school at Decorah and graduated from high school. He is living at home and doing the work on the farm.

12(10) 413 3

Lori Jean Erickson

b. May 21, 1961

Lori was born at Waukon, Iowa, and baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran. She attends school at Decorah High School as a senior (1978-79) and plans to enter college at Luther College in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 414

Bernell Erickson

b. August 10, 1934

m. Dean Decker

b. July 24, 1934

Bernell was born in Winneshiek County, baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. On October 27, 1951, she and Dean were married. They lived in Waukon for several years. Nine years ago they bought an 80-acre farm in Ludlow Township, seven miles from Waukon. Dean farms the land and raises beef cattle. He also has an Auto Body Shop on the farm. Bernell works at Northern Engraving in Waukon, Iowa. The couple have four children.

12(10) 414 1

Debra Sue Decker

b. August 19, 1952

m. Cletus Joseph Mettille b. Dec. 7, 1950

The couple live in Omaha, Nebraska, where Cletus is a Staff Sergeant in the Air Force at the Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha. Cletus has been in the Air Force for seven years. He entered the service on May 25, 1970.

12(10) 414 11

Jeffrey Joseph Mettille

b. February 14, 1972

12(10) 414 12

Brian Andrew Mettille

b. April 24, 1975

12(10) 414 2

Gayle Eugene Decker

b. Sept. 6, 1953

m. Carol Ann Haas

b. July 21, 1954



Gayle served three years in the Air Force in Columbus, Mississippi from November 1972 to December 1975. He attends the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa, and graduates in June of 1978.

12(10) 414 21

Kyle Decker

b. Aug. 2, 1974

12(10) 414 22

Kelly Ann Decker

b.

12(10) 414 3

Scott Dean Decker

b. Nov. 27, 1957

Scott lives at home, works as a mechanic at Mark Mauss Motors in Waukon. He also helps his father in the Body Shop and with the farm work.

12(10) 414 4

Gregg Dwane Decker

b. June 22, 1962

Greg attends high school in Waukon. He works in the Body Shop and helps with the farm work.

12(10) 42

Thomas Bolson b. Sept. 11, 1882

d. June 13, 1900

12(10) 43

Thomas Joseph Bolson b. Sept. 17, 1900

d. Sept. 26, 1954

Thomas was born on the Tore Bolson farm in Glenwood Township. He was baptized and confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. He was baptized and confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. He attended the Baker School, Glenwood #3. In 1921 his father died, and Thomas at 21 years of age took over the running of the farm with the help of his brother, Arthur, and his three sisters, Theresa, Julia, and Lillian. Together they cared for their mother in her declining years. The five of them stayed together on the farm until 1942 when the younger brother was drafted into the Army. The farm was sold to Lawrence Krambeer and Thomas and his three sisters moved to Decorah, where he worked as a carpenter's helper with Julius Bolson. He became ill and died in 1954 at the age of 54.

12(10) 44

Alma Beatha Bolson

b. June 26, 1902

m. Osmund Torresdal

b. April 5, 1904

Alma was born in Glenwood Township on the Bolson farm. She was baptized and confirmed at the Glenwood Lutheran Church and attended rural school at the Baker School, Glenwood #3. Alma at age 19 came to Decorah to work for Walter Adams. On January 19, 1927, she married Osmund Torresdal, who was a farmer in Springfield Township, where they operated a 160-acre farm near Ossian, Iowa.

In 1962 they turned the operation of the farm over to their oldest son and they moved to Decorah. They purchased a home at 303 Leif Erickson Drive, where they are still living.

12(10) 441

Lester Theodore Torresdal b. Aug. 24, 1927  
m. Grace Ohmstad b. April 3, 1927

Lester was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed in Washington Prairie Lutheran Church in Winneshiek County. He graduated from Luther College in 1950. On December 15, 1950, he married Grace, who was born and raised in South Dakota. She graduated from the Lutheran Bible Institute in Minneapolis in 1949 and came to Decorah to serve as a parish secretary at Decorah Lutheran Church. Lester purchased his father's farm near Ossian and has operated it since 1962. Their address is Route 1, Ossian, Iowa.

12(10) 441 1

Carmen Grace Torresdal b. died in infancy

12(10) 441 2

Raymond Lester Torresdal b. July 3, 1952  
m. Pamela Gregg b. Feb. 13, 1952

Raymond was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church. He attended Luther College, and as a member of the Luther College Band, he toured Europe. He and Pamela were married on November 23, 1974. Raymond attended the Iowa State University. Pamela is a Luther College graduate and is a graduate student at Iowa State University.

12(10) 441 3

Greta Kay Torresdal b. Sept. 28, 1953

Greta was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church. She graduated from Gustavus Adolphus, St. Peters, Minnesota in 1975 and is in the Accounting Department of Augustana Homes in Minneapolis.

12(10) 441

Raymond Donald Torresdal b. Sept. 14, 1929  
d. Dec. 22, 1938

Raymond was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church. He was killed in an automobile accident.

12(10) 443

Irene Marie Torresdal b. Feb. 1, 1934  
m. Walter Jewel, Jr.

Irene was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church. She went to school at Ossian, Iowa. She is a graduate of the University of

Iowa College of Commerce with a degree in accounting. She later became a Certified Public Accountant. She married Walter on December 21, 1957, and they have four children. She works in an accounting office in Oakland, California. She and the children live at Orinda, California, Box 503, Zip Code 94563.

12(10) 443 1

Susan Phyllis Jewel b. Nov. 23, 1961

12(10) 443 2

Eric Osmund Jewel b. April 3, 1964

12(10) 443 3

Sara Ann Jewel b. April 17, 1967

(twins)

12(10) 443 4

Karen Ann Jewel b. April 17, 1967

12(10) 444

Alice Olivia Torresdal b. April 19, 1936

m. William Broderick b. June 19, 1931

Alice was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, baptized and confirmed at Washington Prairie Lutheran Church. She attended school at Ossian Public Schools, Ossian, Iowa. She graduated from Allen Memorial School of Nursing in Waterloo, Iowa. She is a registered nurse and is employed at Medical Associates in Decorah, Iowa. On September 9, 1957, she married William, who came from Ossian, Iowa. He has been a linotypist at Anundsen's Publishing Co. in Decorah. They live at 1107 Division Street in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 444 1

Tamera Sue Broderick b. Sept. 17, 1958

Tammy was recognized for outstanding achievement in the State of Iowa Scholarship Program. In 1976 she was band president at Decorah High School. She was chosen to join the I.O.O.F. Lodge's United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth and had the opportunity to visit Washington D.C. and New York and the United Nations. Tammy is a pianist and organist and plays at church. She is enrolled in the University of Iowa. She won the Chemistry Faculty Award to an outstanding freshman chemistry major. She was initiated into the Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society.

12(10) 444 2

Timothy James Broderick b. April 12, 1960

Graduated from Decorah High School. He likes football and baseball and is now (1978) working at the Coast to Coast Store in Decorah, Iowa.

12(10) 444 3

Terry Thov Broderick b. April 8, 1963

Terry is a sophomore at Decorah High.

12(10) 45

Ida Theresa Bolson b. Sept. 16, 1904 d.

12(10) 46

Theresa Idella Bolson b. June 2, 1906

Theresa was born in Glenwood Township on the Tore Bolson farm. She was baptized and confirmed in the Glenwood Lutheran Church. She attended rural school at Baker School, Glenwood #3. She worked at home on the farm. She was 15 when her father died. She stayed on the farm to help her family with the work. About 1947 the farm was sold and Theresa, together with her two younger sisters, Julia and Lillian, and brother Thomas, moved to Decorah. She worked for two years at the Cozy Tea Room. Then she began doing weekly cleaning for several families in Decorah. She keeps a neat household for herself and her two sisters at 508 West Main Street. She is a good cook and a clever seamstress. She embroiders and knits with great skill. Her specialty is knitting Norwegian design sweaters.

12(10) 47

Julia Amanda Bolson b. May 29, 1908

Julia was born in Glenwood Township, baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. She attended rural school at the Baker School. She helped on the farm until the family moved to Decorah. She worked at the Decorah Laundry for 22 years, until the day it closed. Since then she has been employed as a housekeeper at the Winneshiek County Hospital. She has been there five years and is still employed there.

12(10) 48

Arthur Hilman Bolson b. May 10, 1910 d. Apr. 2, 1960  
m. Lydia Webber b. Nov. 23, 1908

Arthur was born on the home farm in Glenwood, was baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. He attended the Baker school. His father died when he was 10 years old. He lived with his three youngest sisters and his older brother until he was drafted into the Army in 1942. He served for 44 months. He drove heavy trucks and was stationed in the Philippines in Northern Solomons, and in New Guinea. He received the Asiatic Pacific Service Medal, the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Star, the GO 23 Hq. USA FFE45 Good Conduct Medal and the American Service Medal. The story goes that the Bolsons had a couple of mules that were so attached to Arthur that they neither ate nor drank water for several days when he left for the Army. One of the mules took care of their blind horse who would winnie when he got into some corner and could not find his way out. The mule would come and lead the horse out.

When Arthur returned from service he married Lydia in 1947. They lived in Decorah, and Arthur worked for L. C. Bolson for several years and later for John Deere Co. until they moved to the farm in 1957. They bought the Stanton Erickson farm and they lived there until 1960. Because Arthur had become ill, they moved back to Decorah. He was ill for eight months. He died at the age of 49.

12(10) 481

Linda Emily Bolson	b. May 17, 1948
m. Robert Wedmann	b. 1948

Linda was born in Winneshiek County. She was baptized and confirmed at United Methodist Church of Decorah. She attended the Decorah Schools and graduated from high school. She worked as a bookkeeper at the Northeast Iowa Mental health Center and at the Decorah Produce Co. and for a few months at the Decorah State Bank. On August 24, 1969, she married Robert, who had moved to America with his parents at the age of 9. He was born in Germany. They live northeast of Decorah on a farm in the Satre area.

12(10) 481 1

Elsa Wedmann	b. July 25, 1971
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12(10) 481 2

William Wedmann	b. Oct. 11, 1972
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12(10) 481 3

Friedrick Arthur Wedmann	b. May 8, 1978
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12(10) 49

Lillian Nicoline Bolson	b. Oct. 21, 1915
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Lillian was born in Glenwood Township, Winneshiek County, Iowa. She attended rural school at the Baker School. She went to high school at Decorah for a year and then returned to live on the farm with her sisters and brothers. She was baptized and confirmed at Glenwood Lutheran Church. She moved with her brother, Thomas, and her sisters, Theresa and Julia, to Decorah. Lillian worked at the Decorah Laundry many years until it closed. She presently works for the Winneshiek County Hospital in its linen department where she keeps linens washed, mangled, folded, and stored. She does very fine embroidery in her spare time and helps keep the home which the three sisters share. She is a member of the Decorah Lutheran Church and its Women of the Church organization.

## JACOB BOLSON AND HIS DESCENDANTS

12(14)

Jacob Bolson	b. May 8, 1836    d. Oct. 31, 1862
m. Helene Engen	b. June 16, 1841

Jacob was born in Raelingen, Lillestrom, Norway, came to America in 1854. In 1862 he enlisted in the Civil War. Details are given under section on Baard Tveter's children. He is buried in Glenwood Lutheran Church and Helene in Decorah Lutheran Cemetery. Helene's parents were Gulbjor and Hans Engen. She came to America in 1868.

12(14) 1

Josephine Gustava Bolson	b. Oct. 20, 1860
	d. March 19, 1928
m. Joe Counsel	b. Feb. 1, 1868    d. Sept. 6, 1923

Josephine was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa. In due time Josephine went to Chicago to work. She found employment in a tailor shop. It was in Chicago she met Joseph (Joe) Counsel. He had come from England as a very young boy as a stowaway on a ship with only 25 cents in his pockets. He learned to read and write. Later he started a teaming business which became known as "J. T. Counsel Teaming Company." He often bought horses in Decorah, and his wife's relatives would bring them to Chicago by train. He became head of "The Advance Printing Co.", 2328 So. Madison St., Chicago. He became president and business manager and publisher of the West Town Advance, a weekly newspaper. He was director of the West Town State Bank.

Joseph drove the first car ever to be seen in Decorah. The story goes that he bought it one day in Chicago and started for Decorah the next.

In June of 1923 he wanted to see his home land once more. Against his doctor's advice, he, his wife, and a niece sailed for England. On September 7th a cablegram arrived to relatives in the states saying Joe had died in Vichy, France. He was brought to Chicago and buried on September 28 at Forest Home Cemetery. Newspaper accounts stated that West Town's leading civic leaders attended the funeral to honor him.

12(14) 11

Violet Helen Counsel	b. Nov. 18, 1899
m. Arthur Breen Roche	b. March 20, 1896
m. John Sheely	b. June 1, 1906

Violet was born in Chicago, Illinois. So were both of her husbands. Violet and Arthur had two children. There are no children by the second marriage. Address: 5258 Washington Blvd. Chicago, Illinois.

12(14) 111

Irene Mary Roche Sheely      b. Nov. 18, 1922  
m. Dr. Warren T. Smith      b. July 11, 1922

Dr. Smith finished high school in Peoria, Illinois. He earned his B.S. Degree at Bradley University in Peoria. He attained his M.A. and Ph.D. with scholastic honors at the University of Illinois. He was Supervising Psychologist at Peoria State Hospital. He also served at North Dakota State Prison at Bismark, and was Chief Psychologist at Woodward State Hospital and School at Woodward, Iowa. He is Clinical Psychologist at the Tulsa Psychiatric Foundation. Irene and he live at 1741 South Evanston Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

12(14) 111 1

Susan Leslie Smith                      b. June 26, 1951

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Sandra Leslie Smith      b. Sept. 6, 1957

12(14) 112

Counsell Breen Roche      b. Sept. 22, 1925  
d. May 21, 1927

Counsell was born in Chicago, died there, and was buried in Mount Carmel Cemetery in Chicago.

12(14) 2

John Bernhardt Bolson Jacobson b. Sept. 27, 1862  
d. April 7, 1934  
m. Marie Paulson b. April 16, 1869  
d. August 1963

John was born in Winneshiek County, Iowa, and died at Kindred, North Dakota. Marie was born at Drammen in Norway. John's children changed their name to Jacobson.

12(14) 21

Helena Jacobson                      b. June 22, 1889  
m. Dr. Axel Juyl                      b. May 3, 1879      d. Jan. 3, 1941

Helena was born at Kindred, North Dakota. Her husband was a dentist at Fargo, North Dakota. He is buried at Kindred.

12(14) 22

Ovidia Pauline Jacobson      b. Jan. 7, 1891

Ovidia was at Kindred, North Dakota. She moved to Chicago, lived at 5258 Washington Blvd. Chicago, Illinois. She worked as a housekeeper for a Dr. Ladd.

12(14) 23

Delores Juanita Jacobson	b. Mar. 21, 1903
m. John Johnson	b. April 7, 1898
	d. Oct. 30, 1929
m. Julius Sundby	b. Dec. 30, 1895
	d. Mar. 14, 1941

Julius died at Aloha, Oregon.

12(14) 231

John Daryl Johnson Sundby  
m. Elizabeth Duncan

b. April 19, 1927  
b. Oct. 3, 1925

John took the name Sundby. He is a regional supervisor for  
Sears and Roebuck for the Western States.

12(14) 231 1

John David Sundby

b. Mar. 1, 1947

12(14) 231 2

Douglas Paul Sundby

b. August 30, 1948

12(14) 231 3

Bruce Allen Sundby

b. Dec. 3, 1952

12(14) 231 4

Laurie Ann Sundby

b. Nov. 30, 1957