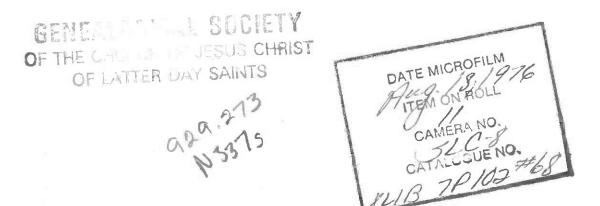
TORGER AND GERTRUDE NELSON

Their Ancestors, Descendants and Related Families (1685-1976)



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PREFACE

Because of an interest in our family, its history and genealogy, I began collecting information on ancestors and relatives in the fall of 1972. My search has included visiting with relatives; checking graduation, wedding and birth announcements; reading obituaries; examining courthouse and church records; exploring cemeteries; writing scores of letters; and culminating in a trip to Norway the summer of 1975.

Searching for relatives in Norway has been interesting, to say the least. Besides their casual spelling of names, brothers didn't necessarily carry the same surname. Sometimes the father's surname was used, sometimes the name of the land where they lived became their last name, and at times a man would adopt his wife's last name, especially if they lived on land belonging to her father. The spelling of names and places is compounded by the fact that the Norwegian alphabet has three more letters than ours--æ which I have written as "ae," ϕ or ö, and a which becomes the English "aa."

Immigrants to the United States often changed their last names upon arriving here. For example, Torger Nilsen Skauge became Torger Nelson; Ole Kleiven became Ole Kleaveland while his nephew Ingolf Kleiven spelled his last name Cleveland upon settling here. A child's middle name was usually the given name of his or her father with "sen" or "datter" (sometimes spelled "dotter") added to it, signifying son or daughter as in the name Engel Torgersdatter Reknes. However, this practice has been discontinued to a large extent.

Although I have tried to make this account as accurate as possible, a few errors are inevitable. For these I am truly sorry and hope they will be brought to my attention. In cases where there was a variance of a name or date, I have tried to search out the correct one. But where that was impossible, both have been included.

I am deeply grateful to all who contributed information and pictures for this book, especially to Nellie Skouge with her remarkable memory and to Bernhard Refsdal who did extensive research on ancestors in Norway.

Perhaps I should include a paragraph on how this book has been arranged so that you can more easily identify the various families and generations. At or near the beginning of each chapter is an outline for that chapter with the first generations shown in Roman numerals, their children in capital letters, their grandchildren in Arabic numbers, great grandchildren in small letters, etc. The chapter follows the outline exactly. The families of Refsdal, Nelson, Kleiven (Kleaveland or Cleveland), and Sundsbø have been given separate chapters as more knowledge was obtained about their descendants. In the last pages of this book is a complete index, listing the pages on which every person is mentioned.

> May you find within this book From first page to the last, The joys of sweet nostalgia as you Reminisce the past.

> > Twila R. Schroeder Kanawha, Iowa March 1, 1976



(Cartoon is from the March, 1976, issue of Farm Journal magazine.)

INTRODUCTION

Since all of us in this family have our roots in Norway, it might be interesting to know a little more about that rugged and beautiful land and its people.

Norway has been inhabited for several thousand years. Historians believe that after the last great Ice Age about 10,000 years ago, two distinct races came to live there: the fair "Nordic" race which settled mainly in the eastern valleys, and the dark-haired and dark-skinned race which settled along the western coast. As time went on, the two intermingled and gradually became one people with basically the same language and customs. But even today, the people of Bergen have a reputation for gaiety, while their countrymen in the east are more serious.

Life has been difficult for these people. In western Norway where the terrain is very rugged and mountainous, only two percent of the land can be plowed. Small farms of only a few acres each can be seen perched on mountain ledges, nestled in narrow valleys, or bordering on the fjords. Ancient glaciers deposited innumerable rocks which had to be grubbed from the soil by hand and resulted in the building of miles of stone fences.

Most of the farm work in western Norway is still done by hand. The hay is cut with a scythe, raked, then carried in armfuls and spread to dry on wires which have been strung between poles. One can easily see why many of our ancestors came to America. Opportunities on these small farms were severely limited, and richer lands beyond the sea appealed to adventurous and penniless young people. By contrast, the land of eastern Norway is less rugged, the farms are larger, and small grains are grown with the aid of modern tractors and combines. Besides farming, the people of Norway fish extensively, leading the world in fishing and whaling, plus having the world's third largest merchant fleet.

The waterway inlets, or fjords, which have been gouged out of the shoreline by massive glaciers, indent the coast so deeply and so frequently that the actual length of the coastline equals the distance around the earth at the equator. Sogne Fjord, Norway's longest and deepest fjord, wends its way 120 miles inland and in one place is 3,966 feet deep.

Because of the countless waterfalls resulting from glaciers melting high in the mountains, Norway has ample water power and electricity. The beautiful Seven Sisters falls which tumble into Geiranger Fjord fall from a height of 1500 feet. Nearly all of Norway's trains are powered with electricity.

Trains on the Oslo-Bergen Railway are hidden for almost one-seventh of the distance by the nearly 200 tunnels, the longest of which is 32 miles, and by numerous timber snow-sheds which protect the tracks from heavy snows. The village of Finse, roughly half way on the rail line, is the highest train depot in Europe, and even in the month of August ice chunks can be seen floating in the lakes of that region.

If it weren't for the Gulf Stream controlling the climate of Norway, the northernmost counties would be covered by eternal ice and snow. The Gulf Stream brings rain and warmth from the southwest, resulting in a rainy and mild climate for the west coast, while in the eastern part of the country it is colder and drier. Because of the Gulf Stream, temperatures at a depth of 300 feet in Sogne Fjord are 45.5 degrees Fahrenheit winter and summer. It has been said, and rightly so, that America's most important export to Norway is the Gulf Stream.

The early history of Norway centers around the adventurous Vikings. Between the 8th and 11th centuries some of these brave people sailed westward and established colonies on Iceland, Greenland, and even the continent of North America. The ruthless Viking commandos struck terror throughout western Europe where church services often added an extra line to their prayers: "From the fury of the Northmen deliver us."

Norway was first united as a nation in the 800's under the rule of King Harold the Fair-Haired after having been ruled by a number of petty chieftains. However, his realm soon fell apart and local kings again ruled. The country was reunited by Olaf Haraldsson the Saint in the 1000's. He made the whole country Christian and later became the patron saint of Norway.

In the 1300's Norway had many serious epidemics, causing it to lose much of its power and importance. In 1375 the heir apparent of Norway was elected king of Denmark, and gradually Norway was brought under Danish rule. During the time of the Napoleonic wars, Denmark was an enemy of Great Britain, and when Denmark fell to defeat in 1814, Great Britain forced Denmark to cede Norway to Sweden. This union was not successful. As Norway's shipping and industries grew, so did the desire for independence.

In 1905 the Storting (Norway's parliament) elected Prince Carl of Denmark as Norwegian king, and the Norwegian people voted almost unanamously in his favor. He accepted

the crown under the name Haakon VII.

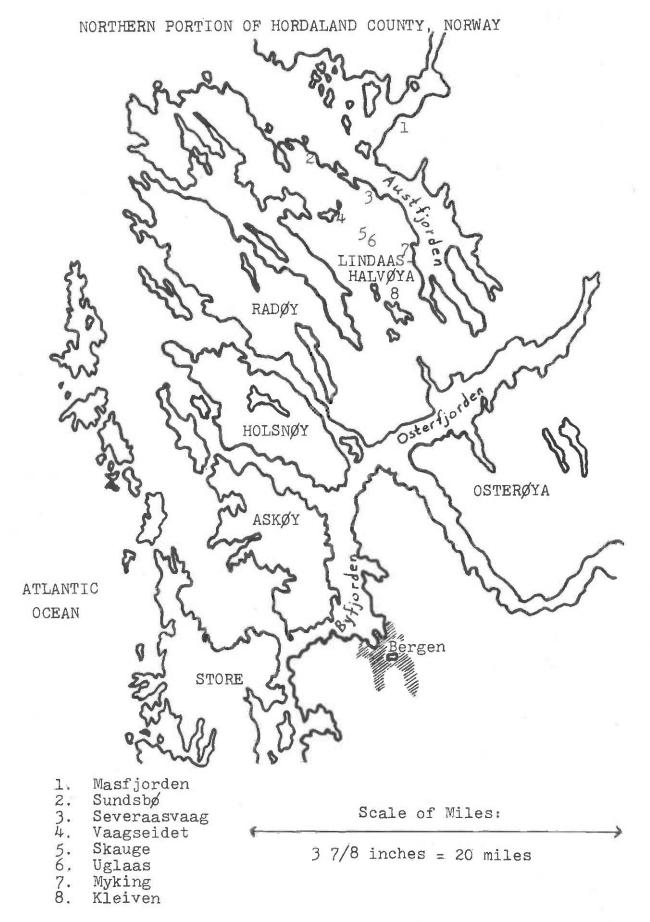
The country made steady progress between 1905 and 1940. It remained neutral during World War I and tried to do so in World War II. But on April 9, 1940, the Germans attacked all the major Norwegian ports at the same time. Norway declared war on Germany, and detachments of British, French and Polish troops came to Norway's aid.

The German oppupation of Norway was a very trying period for all Norwegians. Instead of peacefully submitting as the Germans had expected them to do, they took every opportunity to fight back. Thousands of young people escaped to Britain or Sweden where they joined Norwegian forces which were organizing. Much of the Norwegian Air Force received training in Canada.

The country remained in Nazi hands until 1945. On June 7 of that year, the fortieth anniversary of Norway's independence, King Haakon VII returned to Oslo from exile. King Haakon died in September 1957 and was succeeded by his son Olav V who is presently on the throne.



Information for the Introduction was obtained in part from the <u>World Book Encyclopedia</u>, <u>The Land and People</u> of <u>Norway</u> by John Dent, <u>Norway</u> by the Norwegian Travel Information Office in New York, and <u>The National Geographic</u> <u>Magazine</u> for January 1957. Cartoon is from the Sons of Norway <u>Viking</u> magazine, No. 10, Vol. 72.



CHAFTER I

TORGER NELSON'S ANCESTORS and Related Families

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TORGER NELSON'S ANCESTORS AND RELATED FAMILIES

Section 1

Torger Nelson's Great Grandparents:

Johannes Johannessen Reknes m. Anna Torgersdatter Totlandsdal and Anders Olson Bakke m. Engel Guttormsdotter Andvik

Torger Nelson's Paternal Grandparents:

Torger Johannessen Reknes m. Brita Andersdatter Sandnes

- I. Nils Torgersen Reknes (Skauge) m. Maria Torsdatter Gjelsvik
 - A. Brita Skauge m. Martin Refsdal

(See Chapter II for their descendants)

B. Torger Nilsen Skauge (Nelson) m. Gertrude Olsdatter Severaas (See Chapter III for their descendants)

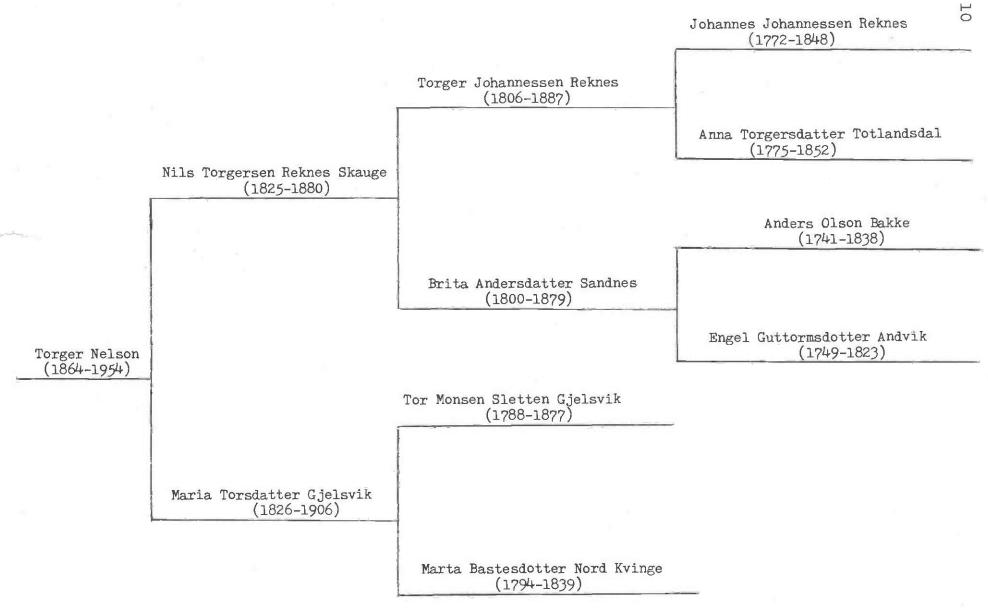
II. Engel Torgersdatter Reknes m. Lars Jonsen Solheim (Solem) III. Anna Reknes m. Hans Hansen Hauge

A. Andrea Hauge (not married)

IV. Alet Reknes m. Ola Gjelsvik

V. Johannes Reknes m. Elisabet Ericksdatter Mollandseid

ANCESTORS OF TORGER NELSON



CHAPTER I, Section 1 Torger Nelson's Great Grandparents:

JOHANNES	JOHANNESSEN	REKNES	married	ANNA TORGERSDATTER
b. 1772			1798	TOTLANDSDAL
d. 1848				b. 1775
				d. 1852

Johannes and Anna were Torger Nelson's great grandparents who farmed in Masfjorden, Norway. Among their children was Torger Johannessen Reknes, Torger Nelson's grandfather, who married Brita Andersdatter Sandnes. (see below.)

Children:

Torger Johannessen Reknes b. 1806

Torger Nelson's Great Grandparents:

ANDERS OLSON BAKKE	married	(1)
b. 1741 d. 1838	1785	(2) ENGEL GUTTORMSDOTTER ANDVIK b. 1749 d. 1823

Anders was from Store-Sleire, but probably farmed at Sandnes (near Masfjorden) as that was the name used by his daughter Brita. Engel was Anders second wife whom he married in 1785. They were Torger Nelson's great grandparents. Their daughter Brita married Torger Johannessen Reknes. (See above.)

Children:

Brita Andersdatter Sandnes (Reknes) b. 1800

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

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TOF	RGER JOHANNESSEN	REKNES	married	BRITA	ANDERSDATTER	SANDNES
b.	1806		1825	b. 180	00	
d.	1887			d. 187	79	

Torger and Brita, Torger Nelson's grandparents, farmed the Reknes place in Masfjorden, Norway.

Brita's parents were Anders and Engel Bakke, apparently of Sandnes; and Torger's parents were Johannes and Anna Reknes.

Children:

	Nils Torgersen Reknes (Skauge)		1825
II.	Engel Torgersdatter Reknes (Solem)	b.	1828
	Anna Torgersdatter Reknes (Hauge)	Ъ.	1829
IV.	Alet Torgersdatter Reknes (Gjelsvik)		1833
ν.	Johannes Torgersen Reknes	b.,	1836

I.	NILS TORGERSEN	REKNES	married	MARIA TORSDATTER
		(SKAUGE)		GJELSVIK
	b. 1825		1860	b. October 13, 1826
	d. 1880			d. May 5, 1906

Nils was the first child born to Torger and Brita Reknes. When he moved from his parents' home in Masfjorden to Skauge, he adopted the name Skauge as his last name.

Nils and Maria lived at Uglaas near the village of Skauge where they had a little farm and also did other work for their livelihood. Nils's trunk is now in the home of his grandson, Bernhard Refsdal, in Vaagseidet, Norway. The trunk is beautifully decorated with rosemaling and on it is printed "Nils Torger Sen Skauge 1864." Maria's father was Tor Monsen Sletten. (See section 2 of this chapter.)

When their son Torger was 15 years old, Nils died of brain fever. Maria died May 5, 1906, and was buried nine days later. The house where Torger and Brita were born is still in use, but no relatives live there now.

Children:

- A. Brita Skauge (Refsdal) b. February 15, 1861 (See Chapter II for her descendants.)
- B. Torger Nilsen Skauge (Nelson) b. September 19, 1864 (See Chapter III for his descendants.)

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER I, Section 1 Descendants of Torger Johannessen Reknes, continued

II, ENGEL TORGERSDATTER REKNES married Lars Jonsen Solheim (Solem)

b.	February	16,	1828	July 14,	Ъ.	November	11, 3	1827
d.	November	17,	1919	1861	d.	April 21,	189'	7

Engel was a sister of Nils Torgersen Reknes, Torger Nelson's father. She was born in Masfjorden, Norway, to Torger and Brita Reknes. Engel and Lars were married before they emigrated to America at which time their name was modified to Solem. They chose to settle near what is now the town of Jewell, Iowa, because Lars had a relative, Beren Pedersen, who was a carpenter in that area. Later, Beren and his family moved to Canton, South Dakota. The town of Jewell was begun about 1880 with the building of the east and west railroad to Webster City, Iowa, which intersected with the north and south railroad. At that intersection David T. Jewell laid out a town and the locality was named Jewell Junction.

Engel sewed all her dresses by hand since she didn't own a sewing machine. All were in the same style, and she always had a black dress for "good." She also made many lovely pieced quilts.

On March 3, 1880, Lars and Engel bought 54 acres of land off the north end of the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of $NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$ of section 35, township 87, range 25 in Hamilton Township, Hamilton County, Iowa. Then on July 8, 1881, they bought the remaining 26 acres of the south end of the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of $NW_4^{\frac{1}{4}}$. Both pieces of land were purchased from J. L. Kamrar and wife, and D. D. Miracle and wife. These transactions are recorded in Deed Book 16, page 375, and Deed Book 18, page 193, at the Hamilton County Courthouse in Webster City.

On August 22, 1890, Gertrude and Torger Nelson were married in the Solems' home where they continued to live for about two years, their first two children being born there.

Lars and Engel sold their land on September 17, 1895, to Knut Godmonson. Probably it was at that time that Lars and Engel moved into Jewell where Lars died April 21, 1897.

Engel suffered a broken hip about 1906. Ida Nelson cared for her in her home for three weeks before Engel moved into the Torger Nelson home. Since the boisterous children disturbed her, she was given a room upstairs. The children called her "Besta," meaning grandmother. Later, she made her home with another lady in Jewell, a Mrs. Borgen.

Engel died of bronchitis on November 17, 1919, at the age of 91. She was buried November 19 in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell beside her husband. She and Lars had no children which CHAPTER I, Section 1 Descendants of Torger Johannessen Reknes, continued Engel Torgersdatter Reknes (Solem), continued

perhaps is the reason the tombstone states only Lars's name and his birth and death dates. Apparently nobody took the responsibility to have Engel's name inscribed.

Nellie Skouge possessed the trunk that Engel had brought to America. Following Nellie's death, her grandson, James Skouge, and his wife obtained the trunk.

(Sources: Nellie Skouge, Ida Skouge, Hamilton County land and death records, Lars Solem's tombstone)

III. ANNA TORGERSDATTER REKNES married Hans Hanson Hauge b. 1829 April 23, d. 1866

Anna, the third child born to Torger and Brita Reknes, married Hans Hauge who was from Myking.

Anna and Hans had only one child, a daughter Andrea, who never married.

Only child:

A. Andrea Hauge b. May 27, 1867

IV. ALET REKNES married Ola Gjelsvik b. 1833 d.

Nothing is known about Alet, Torger and Brita's fourth child, except her birth date and that she married Ola Gjelsvik.

v.	JOHANNES	TORGERSEN	REKNES	married	Elisabet	Eriksdatter
	b. 1836			June 24,		Mollandseid
				1870		

Johannes was born in 1836 in Masfjorden, Norway, and was the fifth and youngest child of Torger and Brita Reknes. On June 24, 1870, he married Elisabet Eriksdatter Mollandseid.

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

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TORGER NELSON'S ANCESTORS AND RELATED FAMILIES

Section 2

Torger Nelson's Maternal Grandparents:

Tor Monsen Sletten (Gjelsvik) m. Marta Bastesdatter Nord Kvinge

I. Brita Gjelsvik m. Ole Rasmussen Hindenes

II. Baste Gjelsvik m. Marta Magnesdatter Rødland

III. Mons Gjelsvik m. Brita Kristiansdatter Hindenes

IV. Maria Torsdatter Gjelsvik m. Nils Torgersen Reknes (Skauge)

A. Brita Nilsdatter Skauge m. Martin Andersen Refsdal (See Chapter II for their descendants)

B. Torger Nilsen Skauge (Nelson) m. Gertrude Olsdatter Severaas

(See Chapter III for their descendants)

V. Anders Torsen Gjelsvik (Indatebo) m. Brita Bastesdatter Kvingedal

A. Martha Sletten m. ____ Christopherson

1. (son)

2. (son)

B. Adolph A. Sletten m. Nettie Lee

1. Alfred Jack Sletten (adopted)

2. (an adopted girl)

VI. Ole Torsen Gjelsvik

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TOR MONSEN SLETTEN (GJELSVIK) married (1) MARTA BASTESDATTER 1816 NORD KVINGE b. 1788 d. 1872 or 1877 1840 (2) Guri Olsdatter Stall b. 1806

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Tor and Marta were the parents of Torger Nelson's and Brita Refsdal's mother Maria. One can reason from Tor's name that his father was Mons Sletten. When Tor bought the farm at Gjelsvik, he then used that as his surname. LaVonne Lockhart now has possession of a paper written by Torger Nelson on which he gives his maternal grandfather's name as "Thor M. Gelsvik," apparently using the English spelling.

Bernhard Refsdal reports that Tor worked as a hired hand on a farm when he was young. He had to work for six years, saving all his wages, before he could afford to buy a Bible. In addition to his wages, he received some clothing and two pairs of shoes.

After Marta's death in 1839, Tor married Guri Olsdatter Stall and they had four children between the years 1841 and 1851.

Children:

Ι.	Brita Torsdatter Gjelsvik (Hindenes)	b.	1817	
II.	Baste Torsen Gjelsvik	b.	1820	
III.	Mons Torsen Gjelsvik		1824	
IV.	Maria Torsdatter Gjelsvik (Skauge)	b.	October 13,	1826
ν.	Anders Torsen Gjelsvik (Indatebo)	b.	1829	
VI.	Ole Torsen Gjelsvik	b.,	1831	

I. BRITA TORSDATTER GJELSVIK married Ole Rasmussen Hindenes b. 1817 1846 d.

Brita, born on the Gjelsvik farm in Norway, was the oldest child of Tor and Marta Gjelsvik.

II. BASTE TORSEN GJELSVIK married Marta Magnesdatter Rødland b. 1820 d.

Baste's parents were Tor and Marta Gjelsvik.

(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Adolph Sletten's death certificate)

CHAPTER I, Section 2 Descendants of Tor Monsen Sletten (Gjelsvik), continued III. MONS TORSEN GJELSVIK married Brita Kristiansdatter 1848 b. 1824 Hindenes d. Mons was the third child born to Tor and Marta Gjelsvik. IV. MARIA TORSDATTER GJELSVIK married NILS TORGERSEN REKNES (SKAUGE) b. October 13, 1826 1860 b. 1825 d. 1880 d. May 5, 1906 Maria and Nils were Torger Nelson's parents. (See the account of Nils Torgersen Reknes Skauge, page 12.) Children: A. Brita Skauge (Refsdal) b. February 15, 1861 (See Chapter II for her descendants)

B. Torger Nilsen Skauge (Nelson) b. September 19, 1864 (See Chapter III for his descendants)

ν.,	ANI	DERS	TORSEN	GJELSVIK	married	Brita	Bastesdotter	
				(INDATEBO)			Kvingedal	
	b.	1829	9		1860		-	
	d.							

Anders was the fifth child of Tor and Marta Gjelsvik. This writer obtained Anders' last name from information given on the death certificate of his son Adolph. It is not known if there were more than two children, but the two mentioned here both came to the United States and used the name Sletten.

Children:

A. Martha Sletten (Christopherson)

b. August 26, 1874

b.

B. Adolph A. Sletten

(See the following page for accounts of Martha and Adolph.)

VI. OLE TORSEN GJELSVIK b. 1831 d.

Ole's parents were Tor and Marta Gjelsvik.

(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Adolph Sletten's death certificate)

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Descendants of Anders Torsen Gjelsvik (Indatebo)

Α.	MARTHA	SLETTEN	married		Christopherson
	Ъ.			b.	
	d.			d.	

Born on Lindaas near Bergen, Norway, Martha was a daughter of Anders and Brita Indatebo. Apparently when Martha came to the United States, she chose to use the name Sletten from her grandfather Tor Monsen Sletten (Gjelsvik).

For a time, about 1895, Martha lived with Torger and Gertrude Nelson. She had a room upstairs and reportedly didn't help with the work, just took care of her own needs. Once while ironing, little Edward Nelson was being a nuisance and she accidentally set the hot iron on his hand. Gertrude hurried for the ink bottle and poured ink on the burn.

Martha later married a man named Christopherson who was a tailor. They lived in Denver, Colorado, for many years and had two sons.

Children:

(1) (son) (2) (son)

(Sources: Nellie Skouge, Ida Skouge)

ADOLPH A. SLETTEN	married	Nettie Lee
b. August 26, 1874	1903	b.
d. November 26, 1931		d.

Adolph's father and Torger Nelson's mother were brother and sister, making them first cousins. They were always very close and addressed each other as "brother." Adolph's parents were Brita Bastesdotter Kvingedal and Anders Torsen Gjelsvik (Indatebo).

Adolph and Nettie were both born on Lindaas near Bergen, Norway, where Adolph was a sailor before his emigration to America. Nettie came to the United States after her graduation from high school in 1891.

In 1903 Adolph and Nettie were married and lived for a time in Denver, Colorado, before moving to Muskegon, Michigan, where they resided at 1557 Lake Shore Drive. Adolph owned and operated a meat market in Muskegon. As they had no children of their own, they adopted a boy and a girl, but nothing is known about either of them.

During World War I, Adolph did defense work on the West

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Coast, and Nettie became a nurse. Later, Nettie began writing poetry, having at least nine books to her credit. She was also active in church and welfare work as well as taking part in the activities of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

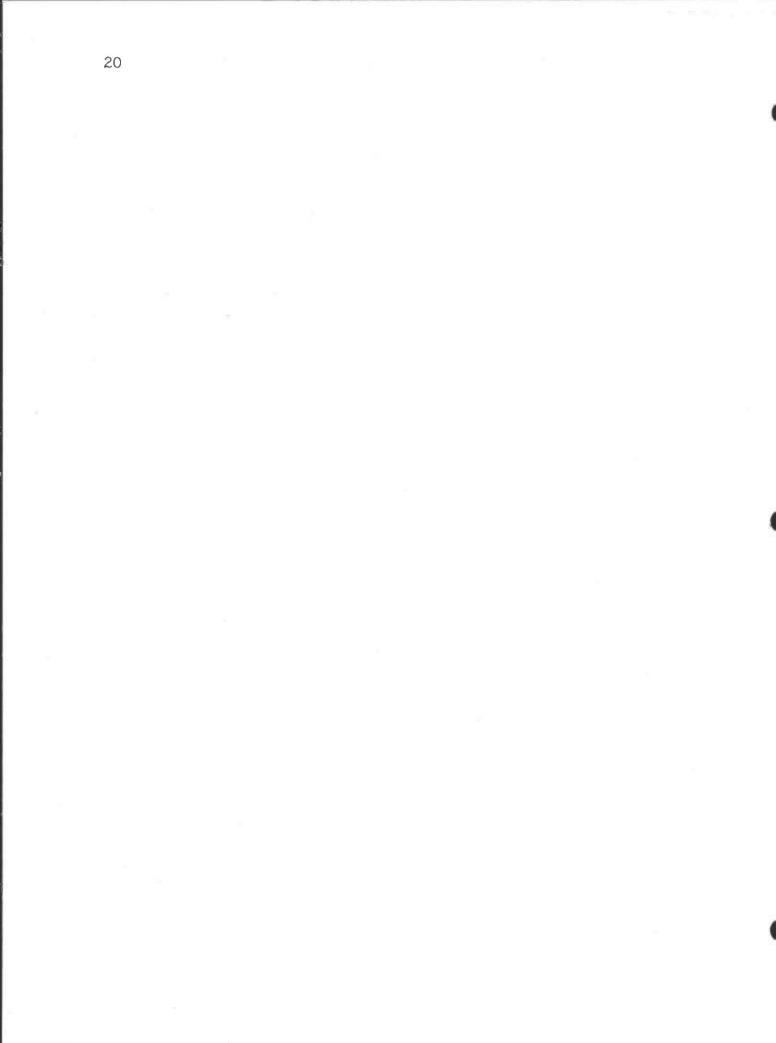
Cancer of the stomach caused Adolph's death at the age of 57 years. He died at 4:30 p.m. on November 26, 1931. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Muskegon. Adolph is remembered as being a very pleasant and optimistic person. Nettie was over 80 years of age when she died.

Children:

1. Alfred Jack Sletten (adopted

2. (an adopted girl)

(Sources: Nellie Skouge, Ida Skouge, George Nelson, Adolph Sletten's death certificate)





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Maria Gjelsvik Skauge, mother of Brita Refsdal and Torger Nelson



Adolph and Nettie Sletten 1903



Martha Sletten





Marie Refsdal Markhus

Martin and Brita Refsdal 1883



Bernhard Refsdal Hans Markhus, Nels Refsdal, Tilla Totland, Emilie Grimstad Taken in 1966 after the funeral of Marie Refsdal Markhus.

BRITA SKAUGE REFSDAL and Descendants

BRITA SKAUGE REFSDAL AND DESCENDANTS

A. Brita Nilsdatter Skauge m. Martin Andersen Refsdal

1. Ida Marie Refsdal m. Hans Olai Markhus

a. Asbjørn Hanssen Markhus m. Ruth Terese Olsen

(1) Svein Markhus m. Wencke Mabel Andersen

(a) Heidi Markhus

(b) Anette Markhus

b. Hans Annanias Markhus m. Randi Fjeld

(1) Grethe Markhus m. Thor Lyder Andersen

c. Birger Martin Markhus m. Irene Riedardotter Krogh

(1) Torunn Markhus m. Magne Refsdal

(a) Tone Merete Refsdal

(b) Øystein Magneson Refsdal

(2) Bjorn Arne Markhus m. Anne Lise Hokholt

d. Ingrid Marie Markhus m. Oskar Aabel Bandlien

(1) Aud Marie Bandlien m. Ragnar Bjartvik

(a) Geir Ole Bjartvik

(b) Signe Bjartvik

(c) Brynjar Bjartvik

(2) Einar Hans Bandlien

(3) Karl Øyvind Bandlien m. Linda Sanny

e. Ruth Edith Markhus m. Knut Hagen

(1) Tove Hagen m. Frank Nilssen

(a) Paal Nilssen

(b) Rune Nilssen

f. Odd <u>Helge</u> Markhus m. Randi Grønn Hansen

g. Anne Betsy Markhus m. Cato Lindquist

(1) Terge Lindquist

h. Aagot Helene Markhus m. Finn Tveter

(1) Vigdis Tveter

(2) Nina Tveter

2. Nils Martinson Refsdal

3. Anders Martinson Refsdal

4. Ingeborg Martinsdotter Refsdal

Brita Skauge Refsdal and Descendants, continued

- 5. Augusta Henrietta Refsdal m. Gudmund Gudmundsen
 - a. Johan Gudmundsen m. Berit Karlsdotter Pofler
 - (1) Henning Gudmundsen
 - b. Berit Gudmundsen m. Artur Bendiksen
 - (1) Johnny Bendiksen
 - (2) Anita Bendiksen
 - (3) Gunnar Bendiksen

6. Tilla Gunhilde Refsdal m. (1) Knut Totland (2) Anders Eide

7. Bernhard Martin Refsdal m. Ida Malene Kjenes

a. Magne Bjorne Refsdal m. Torunn Birgerdotter

Markhus

- (1) Tone Merete Refsdal
- (2) Øystein Magneson Refsdal
- b. Ingunn Anna Refsdal m. Magnor Monsson Hauge
 - (1) Rune Magnorson Hauge
 - (2) Aage Magnorson Hauge
 - (3) Britt Helen Hauge
 - (4) Atle Magnorson Hauge
- c. Aashild Bernharddotter Refsdal m. Osvald Flagtvet
 - (1) Frank Ove Flagtvet
 - (2) Jarle Osvaldson Flagtvet
- d. Kaare Bernardson Refsdal m. Aasta Hjalmardotter Kleiveland
 - (1) Kjartan Kaareson Refsdal
 - (2) Anne Karen Refsdal
- e. Helge Bernardson Refsdal m. Karin Karsteindotter Gjelsvik
 - (1) Kenneth Helgeson Refsdal
 - (2) Monica Refsdal

Emilie Birgitte Refsdal m. Ola Martin Janson Grimstad
 a. Hildur Oladatter Grimstad m. Erling Arefjord

- (1) Oddvar Arefjord
- (2) Kjell Arefjord

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Brita Skauge Refsdal and Descendants, continued

- (3) Jonny Arefjord
- (4) Elin Bente Arefjord
- b. Bjørg Oladatter Grimstad (not married)
- c. Jan Grimstad m. Inger Anne Sundby
 - (1) Morten Grimstad

Α.	BRITA NILSDATTER SKAUGE	married	Martin Andersen	Refsdal
	b. February 15, 1861	May 29,	b. December 29,	1863
	d. August 12, 1923	1.883	d. February 26,	1940

Brita, Torger Nelson's sister, was Nils and Maria Skauge's only daughter and the elder of the two children. (See Chapter I, Section 1, for Brita's ancestors.)

On May 29, 1883, she married Martin Refsdal whose occupation was farming. He reportedly was the letter writer of the family also. Brita and Martin lived at Uglaas, the farm of her parents, for twelve years (from 1883 until 1895) before buying the Refsdal farm.

Bernhard Refsdal said that when his father, Martin, was first earning his own living as an adult, he had to work twelve hours a day at the daily wage of kr. 0.80 plus food. At today's dollar value in Norway, that would be about 16ϕ . Those were his earnings for several years.

When Martin could no longer farm the land, his son Bernhard took over the operation. Then in January, 1973, the farm was purchased by Bernhard's son Kaare.

Brita died August 12, 1923, of cancer. Martin lived until February 26, 1940, and was buried on March 4. This writer has a letter written on January 28, 1923, by Martin Refsdal to Torger Nelson (Brita's brother) and family in which Martin describes Brita's illness. Although quite difficult to read because of its age, the letter was translated by Oskar Bandlien, the husband of Brita's granddaughter Ingrid. Most of that letter is copied on the following pages.

Children:

	Ida <u>Marie</u> Refsdal (Markhus)		September 28, 1884
2.	Nils Martinson Refsdal	b.	December 13, 1887
3.	Anders Martinson Refsdal	b.	March 29, 1891
4.	Ingeborg Martinsdotter		
	Refsdal	b.	August 1, 1893
5.	Augusta Henrietta Refsdal		
-	(Gudmundsen)	Ъ.	November 24, 1896
6.	Tilla Gunhilde Refsdal		
	(Totland, Eide)	b.	May 5, 1902
7.	Bernhard Martin Refsdal		December 25, 1904
8.	Emilie Birgitte Refsdal		2
	(Grimstad)	Ъ.	March 19, 1908

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Letter from Martin Refsdal to Torger Nelson and family:

Refsdal, 28 January 1923

Dear Brother-in-law and family,

Thousand thanks for the check you sent me for accounts of Mrs. Lars Solem (perhaps the division of her estate). I immediately sent the check to Rasmus Leivestads.

I came to that worry that my dear wife had to be brought to a doctor at that time. She was in a state that for a long time she had a kind of tumor on her left side which had started to grow so seriously. We went to Bergen. I went to the Privatebank and wanted to have the check paid. I couldn't get it then. Either the money is to be deposited in the bank or collection agency. I chose the latter when I understood that there would be a question of much money (for doctor bills). We got it at Christmas 160 kr. 44 øre, the amount of the check. Many thanks.

Then we went from the bank to the quay and on board "Johan Jebsen." We decided to go to Arne to Dr. Kolldrup. Brita was hopeful as always. I asked my way to the doctor. She was examined, but he didn't dare to do anything because he was afraid that it could be in connection with internal organs. He asked us to go to a surgeon doctor of women's diseases. The Red Cross Clinic in Bergen is the best place for us. We were allowed to stay at the hospital over night. Then we returned to Bergen on the first of November, and then to Dr. Friele where she was examined and he did make some tests, but there was not place for her in the hospital until Friday. . . . She wanted me to go home and that I did with a heavy heart for I knew that the situation was serious. Friday was penitence (or prayer) day and the operation had to be postponed until Saturday the 4th at 7:00 a.m.

On the 7th Ingeborg visited her. Saturday the 11th I was there and we spoke together from 10 o'clock to 12 o'clock. We were hopeful and without complaint. Then I talked to the doctor. It was a dangerous and very difficult operation. The pieces removed showed that it was cancer, but the doctor hoped that she would be sound again. Saturday, 21 days after the operation, I got the idea to go to town. Anders went and was told that mother could go home. . . . So she came home at 7:30. Then she thanked God with a loud voice for His good She had some food and slept well in the night. She gift. was up for a while almost every day. She improved past hopes. She had some work to do with her hands now and then so we hoped that she by and by could get well again. But then on Christmas evening started _____ beneath the wound night and day and then we had to go to the doctor. We were supposed to use onion poultice and she got 12 pills, then she was a bit better. . . .

CHAPTER II Letter from Martin Refsdal, continued

The eternal values of life are clear. I have just now stood by the bed and asked what I should write from her and she said, "I had in mind to write a little letter to my dear brother this time and thank him for the money and all good things Greet him from me. If we don't meet any more here, then we shall meet at home with God where it is good to stay. Goodbye dear brother, until we meet again there." Then she dried my tears away and asked me not to cry as we were not sure yet who would be the first to leave to go home. That is in His hand. We know nothing. Life and death are in His power. "Make us ready, make us worthy for the New Jerusalem." If we are so happy that the cancer was cut out, everything may be well. But it has proved so often that the cancer is so difficult to get rid of when it has come.

The Lord give a happy ending. I prayed God in Jesus name . . . about healing if it is His will. It will be heavy for me to be parted from my dear wife but I must say as he said, the parson, Rev. Hodneland, "There are many who must do that." God's will be done. Pray for us. It was too long since I wrote to you this time. First we wanted to see what would come out of this, the before-mentioned, but I was so unhappy . . . I hurt my right side and broke a rib. So I wasn't able to write before now . . . It hurt so that it was impossible to move my right hand to do anything so I hope you will excuse.

Will you please send some words to Nils so that he may know something from Refsdal. I wrote there once to him when Brita came home but I have not got any answer back. You must be kind and write home at once So I wish you everything good from God in the New Year. We others live well. Augusta and Tilla had to stay at home. Live well. Loving greeting, friendly, Martin and Brita Refsdal.

What a bad letter this time. Almost perturbed in my head out of sorrow and working during nights. I ought to have written another, but I shall have to do it better next time. My powers are small and get by and by ever less when I must see on my dear wife's suffering. But she can say, "There is a little time and then I have won. Then the whole struggle is suddenly disappeared. Then I can rest in rose valleys and all the time talk with Jesus." Yes, God gather us there for Jesus sake. Amen. February 3.

CHAPTER II Descendants of Brita Skauge (Refsdal)

IDA MARIE REFSDAL married Hans Olai Hansen Markhus
 b. September 28, 1884 1912
 d. January 27, 1966
 Hans Olai Hansen Markhus
 Hans Olai Hansen Markhus
 July 19, 1885
 June 26, 1967

Marie was the first born child of Brita and Martin Refsdal.

Bernhard Refsdal reported that for many years Hans Markhus was "stallmester" (stablemaster) on the Grefsen farm where he tended 32 horses. Their main occupation was digging sand which they hauled to Oslo with the horses. Later, trucks took over the hauling job. Hans worked at the Grefsen farm until 1937, then spent his last working years repairing roads in Oslo. Marie and Hans lived at Grefsen in Oslo.

Children:

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		b.	June 5, 1912
b.	Hans Annanias Markhus	Ъ.	October 4, 1913
	Birger Martin Markhus	Ъ.	July 12, 1916
d.	Ingrid Marie Markhus (Bandlien)	b.	August 17, 1918
e.	Ruth Edith Markhus (Hagen)	b.	March 7, 1920
	Odd <u>Helge</u> Markhus	b.	July 12, 1921
g.	Anne Betsy Markhus (Lindquist)		January 29, 1923
h.	Aagoth Helene Markhus (Tveter)	b.	January 5, 1926

a. ASBJØRN HANSSON MARKHUS married b. June 5, 1912 June 2 1945

married Ruth Terese Olsen June 23, b. March 8, 1906 1945

Asbjørn, the eldest child of Marie and Hans Markhus, was born at Rygge about 70 kilometers south of Oslo. He works in a stationery store in Oslo.

Address: Jens Bjelkesgate 43, Oslo 5, Norway

Only child:

(1) Svein Markhus b. April 7, 1946

Svein married Wencke Mabel Andersen. They live in Oslo where he is foreman in a mechanic shop. Address: Ujelsisvein 100, Oslo, Norway Children: (a) Heidi Markhus b. December 24, 1968

(a) Heidi Markhus b. December 24, 196 (b) Anette Markhus b. March 30, 1971

(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Ingrid Bandlien)

Descendants of Ida Marie Refsdal (Markhus), continued

b.	HANS ANNANIAS	MARKHUS	married	Randi Fjeld
	b. October 4,	1913	March 22,	b. April 14, 1920
			1941	

Hans is the second child of Marie and Hans Markhus. He was born in Rygge about 70 kilometers south of Oslo. Previously he did iron melting; but since having a stroke, he works in the archives in Oslo.

Address: Frysjavein 17, Oslo, Norway

Only child:

(1) Grethe Markhus b. October 27, 1948

Grethe is married to Thor Lyder Andersen who was born August 6, 1945.

C .	BIRGER MARTIN MARKHUS	married Irene Riedardotter Kro	gh
	b. July 12, 1916	June 5, b. November 1, 1921	_
	d. November 10, 1975	1943	

Birger's parents were Marie and Hans Markhus. Between the ages of 14 and 18 he lived at the Refsdal farm, helping his uncle Bernhard with the work. More recently, he was manager at a place where they maintained materials and equipment for building houses.

Their lovely "hytta" (vacation house) in the mountains near Oslo was designed by Irene and built by Birger with the help of Magne Refsdal, his son-in-law. Irene works part time in a flower shop and also does beautiful needlework, having made many lovely wall hangings.

Birger died suddenly of a heart attack on November 10, 1975.

Address: Otto Sognsveien 11, Oslo 6, Norway

Children:

(1) Torunn Markhus (Refsdal)
 (a) Tone Merete Refsdal
 b. December 12, 1943
 b. February 28, 1969

(b) Øystein Magneson Refsdal b. June 20, 1973

(Regarding Torunn, see the account of Magne Refsdal on page 35.)

(2) Bjorn Arne Markhus

b. December 18, 1947

Bjorn married Anne Lise Hokholt. They have no children.

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Ida <u>Marie</u> Refsdal (Markhus), continued

d.	INGRID	MARIE	MARKHUS	married	Oskar Aabel	Bandlien
	b. Augu	ist 17,	, 1918	December 23. 1944	b. July 16,	1920

Ingrid, born on the Grefsen farm near Oslo, was the fourth child born to Marie and Hans Markhus. On December 23, 1944, she married Oskar Bandlien. Oskar was born at Bratsberg near Trondheim. His father Karl was from Frostad, and his mother Marit was from Selbu.

Oskar is an elementary school principal and also teaches English. He plays the piano very well and occasionally plays the organ at church. Both Ingrid and Oskar like to sing and to ski. Ingrid also enjoys knitting, crocheting and sewing.

They visited the United States in the summer of 1973 when they attended the wedding of their son Karl in St. Paul, Minnesota.

Address: Skolemesterveien 7a, 1482 Nittedal, Norway

Children:

(1) Aud Marie Bandlien (Bjartvik) b. February 6, 1946

Aud married Ragnar Bjartvik, born November 16, 1945. They live in Sandfjord and have three children, two boys and one girl.

Children:

(a) Geir Ole Bjartvik
(b) Signe Marie Bjartvik
(c) Signe Marie Bjartvik

(c) Brynjar Bjartvik b. November 3, 1975

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(2) Einar Hans Bandlien

b. February 15, 1948

Einar is a geologist, living in Oslo, He is not yet married.

(3) Karl Øyvind Bandlien

b. August 16, 1949

While attending medical school in Austria, Karl met Linda Sanny of St. Paul, Minnesota. She was born January 13, 1951, a daughter of Lee and Dorothy Sanny. Karl and Linda were married August 4, 1973, in St. Paul. At the present time they are in Austria where Karl will graduate this year, 1976, as a doctor of medicine.

(Source: Ingrid and Oskar Bandlien)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Ida Marie Refsdal (Markhus), continued

e.	RUTH EDITH MARKHUS	married	Knut Hagen
	b. March 7, 1920	November 8, 1941	b. August 20, 1918

Ruth is a daughter of Marie and Hans Markhus. Knut is a janitor in a dairy in Oslo where they sell milk and milk products as well as orange juice which is shipped in from Florida in frozen, concentrated blocks, then is reconstituted.

Knut built their "hytta" (mountain home) and he enjoys wood carving as a hobby.

Address: Dalenenggate 20, Fellesmeieriet, Oslo 5, Norway

Children:

(1) Tove Hagen (Nilssen) b. April 27, 1942

Tove is married to Frank Nilssen, born March 24, 1941. They live in Oslo where Frank is a salesman for a clothing factory, and they have two children.

(a)	Paal	Nilssen	b.	March 2,	196	53
(b)	Rune	Nilssen	b.	November	6,	1972

f. ODD <u>HELGE</u> MARKHUS b. July 12, 1921 married February 28, 1962 Randi Grønn Hansen b.

Helge was the sixth child born to Marie and Hans Markhus.

Randi has two daughters by a previous marriage, one of whom is a teacher. Helge had operated construction and digging equipment, but about 1960 he lost his right hand in an accident. Now he and Randi live in Oslo where he is maintenance man and gardener in Oslo's largest hospital, Ullevaal Sykehus. Randi works in the office of a plumbers' store.

Address: Chr. Michelsensgate 57, Oslo 4, Norway

g.	ANI	VE BETSY	MARF	KHUS	married	Ca	to Lind	quis	st
-	b.	January	29,	1923	October 15, 1949	Ъ.	March	18,	1919

Anne's parents were Marie and Hans Markhus. Cato owns large construction equipment which he rents out. They live in Oslo, and have one son.

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Descendants of Ida <u>Marie</u> Refsdal (Markhus), continued Anne Betsy Markhus (Lindquist), continued

Address: Grefsenveien 114, Oslo 4, Norway

Children:

(1) Terge Lindquist

b. September 20, 1952

h.e	AAGOT HELENE MARKHUS	married	Finn Tveter	
	b. January 5, 1926	October 8, 1955	b. February 26,	1927

Aagot, the youngest child of Marie and Hans Markhus, was born at Grefsen, near Oslo, where her parents were living. She did sewing before her marriage to Finn on October 8, 1955.

Finn is a sales manager for Scanda in Norway, specializine in auxilliary power plants and marine engines. From 1948 to 1960, he was chief engineer for dry cargo ships. Previous to that, he had been an oiler, and before that he had gone to business school and worked in an office. Aagot and Finn have two daughters. They enjoy their lovely mountain "hytta" on summer weekends and vacations.

Address: Ørvindsvei 14, Aarvoll, Oslo 5, Norway

Children:

(1) Vigdis Tveter

b. October 24, 1956

After Vigdis graduated from high school in 1975, she attended a university where she studied logic, psychology and philosophy. Her plans are to return to school and become a teacher. Vigdis likes to knit and embroider.

(2) Nina Tveter

b. March 2, 1959

As Nina was born blind, she attended a special school. In the fall of 1975, she entered a regular high school where she is doing well. Her interest is in music.

(Source: Aagot and Finn Tveter)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Brita Skouge (Refsdal), continued

2, NILS MARTINSON REFSDAL

b. December 13, 1887 d. January 2, 1974

Born in Norway, Nils (or Nels) was the first son of Brita and Martin Refsdal. He came to America in the spring of 1906, and worked for a time on the railroad section between Jewell and Stanhope, Iowa. He also did tiling and drainage work in the area and later worked in the timber near Duluth, Minnesota.

During World War I, Nels was in the United States Army. He served in France where he was taken prisoner by the Germans after a battle in which he was the only one of his group left alive. He reportedly was terribly thin when he returned to this country.

From April 1950, until July 1953, he worked on an air field in Guam. Later, he bought a forty-acre farm near Hayward, Wisconsin, cleared some acres and planted potatoes and oats. Nels returned to Norway for visits several times during his life.

His last years were spent in a nursing home in Hayward where he died on January 2, 1974. Services were conducted by Pastor Ronald Pechauer at the Anderson Funeral Chapel in Hayward on January 4 with military honors accorded by V.F.W. Post 7233. Interment was in the Veterans' Square of Greenwood Cemetery in Hayward.

(Sources: Nellie Nelson Skouge, Bernhard Refsdal, Nels's funeral folder)

3. ANDERS MARTINSON REFSDAL

- b. March 29, 1891
- d. September 16, 1953

Anders, the second son born to Brita and Martin Refsdal, never married.

He was in the army for a time, as all able-bodied men were required to do, taking three months basic training, then returning to camp for a week or so every year. But his chief occupation was farming at Refsdal.

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Brita Skauge (Refsdal), continued

4. INGEBORG MARTINSDOTTER REFSDAL

b. August 1, 1893

d. October 16, 1949

Ingeborg was the fourth child, second daughter of Brita and Martin Refsdal. When she was about 14 or 15 years old, she had infantile paralysis which affected her left arm and left foot. Her foot recovered its use, but she never regained full strength in her arm. She was educated as a teacher in needlework and was occupied with that for many years. Her crippled arm was no hindrance in doing her job very well.

Nellie Skouge reported that Ingeborg did beautiful embroidery. During one of Nels Refsdal's visits to Norway, Ingeborg died. When Nels returned to this country, he brought with him some of the lovely embroidery that Ingeborg had done.

5.	AUGUSTA HENRIETTA REFSDAL	married Gudmund Gudmundsen
-	b. November 24, 1896	November b. November 17, 1890
	d. March or April 1975	11, 1933

Augusta was a daughter of Brita and Martin Refsdal. On November 11, 1933, she married Gudmund Gudmundsen, son of Peder Johan Gudmundsen. Gudmund was a fisherman, having his own fishing boat.

Address: Eide pr. Kopervik, Norway

Children:

a. Johan Gudmundsen b. March 23, 1935

On August 4, 1961, Johan married Berit Karlsdatter Pofler from Denmark. She had a son Jimmy, born December 4, 1959, before her marriage to Johan. They now live in Denmark where he is a sailor on a small freighter. Children: (1) Henning Gudmundsen b. November 1, 1967

b. Berit Gudmundsen

b. November 27, 1939

Berit and Artur Johnson Bendiksen were married April 23, 1962, in America where he had been a shell fisherman. He now works in a mechanic shop in Norway, repairing ships. Artur's father is Jon Bendiksen.

Address: Eide pr. Kopervik, Norway

Children:

(1)	Johnny Bendiksen	b. September 8, 1964
(2)	Anita Bendiksen	b. June 2, 1968
(3)	Gunnar Bendiksen	b. October 7, 1971

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Brita Skauge (Refsdal), continued

6.	TILLA GUNHILDE b. May 5, 1902	married June 18, 1938		Knut Larson Totland b. January 19, 1896 d. January 31, 1961
		December 7, 1968	(2)	Anders Hansson Eide b. April 25, 1895 d. December 19, 1974

Tilla, daughter of Brita and Martin Refsdal, had no children by either marriage. She and Knut lived at Refsdal for eight years. When she was married to Anders, they lived for seven years at Ostereidet. Tilla now resides with her brother Bernhard Refsdal and his wife.

Address: 5156 Vaagseidet, Via Bergen, Norway

7.	BERNHARD MARTIN	REFSDAL	married	Ida Malene Kjenes
	b. December 25,	1904	August 7, 1937	b. September 1, 1916

The seventh child of Brita and Martin Refsdal was named Bernhard. He took over farming the family farm when his father was no longer able to operate it. The farm at Refsdal consists of about 30 acres which is considered a large farm in western Norway.

Bernhard raised foxes on his farm for a time when the children were small. In 1935 he built his present house, constructed a short distance from the original house where his brother Anders was living. Bernhard's son Kaare and his family now reside in the original house which has been enlarged and remodeled. Bernhard and Kaare have about 13 cows, a milking machine and stainless steel bulk tank.

As Bernhard says: "We now make our living by the pension fund." He also states, "We belong to the Lutheran Church. Besides, J am foreman in a local Christian organization which is called the Indremisjon. My wife and I came to faith in God and joined the mentioned Christian organization in 1950."

Address: 5156 Vaagseidet, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

a.	Magne	Bjorne Refso	lal	b.	October 21, 1938
b.	Ingun	n Anna Refsda	al (Hauge)	b.	July 17, 1940
С.	Aashil	ld Bernhardso			
				Ъ.	July 12, 1942
d.	Kaare	Bernhardson	Refsdal	b.	June 28, 1945
e.	Helge	Bernhardson	Refsdal	Ъ.	May 22, 1951

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Bernhard Martin Refsdal

a.	MAGNE BJARNE REFSDAL	married	Torunn Birgerdotter
	b. October 21, 1938	June 5,	Markhus
		1965	b. December 12, 1943

Magne, eldest child of Bernhard and Ida Refsdal, is married to a distant relative: Torunn's grandmother, Marie Refsdal Markhus, was a sister to Magne's father, Bernhard Refsdal.

Magne and Torunn live in Oslo where Magne is foreman in a clothes cleaning establishment and Torunn works in a sales office. They have a small "hytta" in the mountains where they enjoy many summer weekends.

Address: Kristins. Vei 42, Oslo 6, Norway

Children:

(1)	Tone Merete Refsdal	b.	February	28, 1969
(2)	Øystein Magneson Refsdal	b.	June 20,	1973

b.	INC	GUNN	ANNA	REFSDAL	married
	þ.	July	17,	1940	August 20. 1960

Ingunn is the second child of Bernhard and Ida Refsdal. She and Magnor live at Hauge in Myking. Magnor is a cabinetmaker and Ingunn is busy with their home and four children.

Magnor Monsson Hauge b. July 13, 1934

Address: 5167 Dalsgrend, Norway

Children:

	Rune Magnorson Hauge	b, September 8, 1961
	Aage Magnorson Hauge	b. August 25, 1964
	Britt Helen Hauge	b. July 28, 1971
(4)	Atle Magnorson Hauge	b. April 13, 1973

С.	AASHILD	BERNHARDDOTTER	REFSDAL	married	Osvald Flagtvet
	b. July	12, 1942			b. February 3,
				11, 1967	1936

Aashild's parents are Bernhard and Ida Refsdal. She and Osvald live at Hylkje in Aasane near Bergen. Osvald is a carpenter while Aashild tends their home and two small children.

Address: Hylkje, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1) Frank Ove Flagtvet
(2) Jarle Osvaldson Flagtvet
b. March 24, 1969
b. March 19, 1973

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Bernhard Martin Refsdal, continued

-	KAARE BERNHARDSON	REFSDAL	married	Aasta Hjalmardotter
	b. June 28, 1945		January	Kleiveland
			8, 1972	b. May 1, 1944

Kaare, son of Bernhard and Ida Refsdal, is farming the Refsdal farm which he purchased from his father in 1973. This farm of 30 acres has been in the Refsdal family for many years. Kaare has a tractor, which he uses part of the time for road work, and he and Bernhard have 13 cows which they milk by machine.

Aasta works as a secretary at the office of central administration in the municipality of Lindaas. It is probable that she is related to the Kleavelands mentioned in this book as she has a picture of Ole Kleaveland's children. Aasta said that an uncle of hers came to the United States and that he died about five years ago.

Address: 5156 Vaagseidet, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1)	Kjartan Kaareson Refsdal	b.	March 8,	1974
	Anne Karen Refsdal	Ъ.	December	26, 1975

e. HELGE BERNHARDSON REFSDAL married Karin Karsteindotter b. May 22, 1951 September Gjelsvik 19, 1972 b. April 24, 1953

Helge is the youngest child of Bernhard and Ida Refsdal. He and Karin live at Godvil near Bergen where he works on road construction, driving heavy tractors and bulldozers.

Karin is occupied with their home and young children. Address: Severaasvaag, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1)	Kenneth Helgeson Refsdal	b.	June 25, 1974
(2)	Monica Refsdal	b.	August 20, 1975

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Brita Skauge (Refsdal), continued

8.	EMILIE BIRGITTE REFSDAL	married	Ola Martin Janson
	b. March 19, 1908	September	Grimstad
		29, 1934	b. September 9, 1908

Emilie is Brita and Martin Refsdal's youngest child. She and Ola live by a lake near the Refsdal farm. Since the farm is small, Ola used to do road work in addition to farming, but he now has heart trouble so just works a little on the farm. Emilie enjoys sewing and raising flowers.

Address: 5156 Vaagseidet, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

a.	Hildur Oladatter Grimstad	b.	March 7, 1937	
b.	Bjørg Oladatter Grimstad	Ъ.	June 4, 1941	
c.	Jan Grimstad	b.	September 18,	1945

a. HILDUR OLADATTER GRIMSTAD married Erling Arefjord b. March 7, 1937 February b. April 21, 1935 21, 1960

Hildur is the first born child of Emilie and Ola Grimstad. She and Erling live on an island west of Bergen. Before his marriage, Erling was a sailor; now he works with plastics in a factory.

Address: 5350 Brattholmen, Norway

Children:

	Oddvar Arefjord	b.	June 17, 1960
(2)	Kjell Arefjord	b.	August 30, 1961
(3)	Jonny Arefjord	b.	December 17, 1963
(4)	Elin Bente Arefjord	Ъ.	February 13, 1967

b. BJØRG OLADATTER GRIMSTAD b. June 4, 1941

Bjørg, daughter of Emilie and Ola Grimstad, is head of an office of economics.

Address: Nordre Toppe 11, Mjølkeraaen, Bergen, Norway

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER II Descendants of Emilie Birgitte Refsdal (Grimstad), continued

c. JAN GRIMSTAD married b. September 18, 1945

Inger Anne Sundby b. August 15, 1947

Jan is the youngest child of Emilie and Ola Grimstad. He teaches mathematics, physics, Norwegian and swimming in high school, besides teaching a mathematics class in the prison. Inger works in an office where they make precut buildings, but she enjoys painting pictures as a hobby.

Address: Hellaasvain 7B, Bodø, Norway

Children:

(1) Morten Grimstad b. March 21, 1968

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(Sources: Jan and Inger Grimstad)

CHAPTER III

TORGER AND GERTRUDE NELSON

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TORGER AND GERTRUDE NELSON AND DESCENDANTS

B. Torger Skauge Nelson m. Gertrude Olsdatter Severaas

- 1. Edward Martin Nelson m. Elfreda Johanna Mickelson
 - a. Ellen Lorraine Nelson m. Lewis Donald Munzenmaier
 - (1) Janet Lorraine Munzenmaier m. David Rolland Cleveland
 - (a) Brent Edward Cleveland
 - (b) Brian David Cleveland
 - (2) Robert Nelson Munzenmaier m. Jeanette Rachelle Young
 - b. Edward Donald Nelson m. Mary Jane Cole
 - (1) Heidi Ann Nelson
 - (2) Hollie Sue Nelson

2. Ida Oliva Nelson m. Gerhard Martin Skouge

- a. June Gertrude Skouge
- b. Geraldine Ione Skouge m. Harold Willard Sorenson
 - (1) Jacqueline Ann Sorenson m. Gary John Hoffman
 - (a) Colleen Lynnae Hoffman
 - (b) Gregory John Hoffman (adopted)
 - (c) Darrin J. Hoffman
 - (d) Jessica Anne Hoffman (adopted)
 - (2) James Harold Sorenson
- c. Avynelle Rachel Skouge m. Truman Dale Jeppesen
 - (1) Irene Olivia Jeppesen m. Pierce William Krohn
 - (a) Timothy Dean Krohn
 - (b) Julie Ann Krohn
 - (2) Jill Annette Jeppesen
 - (3) Barbara Joy Jeppesen
 - (4) Gaylene Marie Jeppesen
 - (5) Thomas Dale Jeppesen
- 3. Nellie Marie Nelson m. Mons Skouge

a. Oren Tenner Skouge m. Mary Elizabeth Sias

- (1) James Richard Skouge m. Sharon Eloise Lynn
- (2) John William Skouge
- b. Grace Marilyn Skouge m. Neil Earl Irwin
 - (1) Julie LaVonne Irwin

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Descendants of Marilyn Skouge (Irwin), continued

- (2) Michael James Irwin
- (3) David Neil Irwin
- 4. Arthur Olai Nelson m. (1) Merle Janette Brooks (2) Elizabeth Emelia Schmidt

a. Betty Lou Nelson m. Donald William Drewes

(1) Elizabeth Ellen Drewes

(2) Graham Nelson Drewes

- b. Arthur Oren Nelson m. Kathleen Ethel Scully
- 5. Ludwig Emanuel Nelson m. Marian Josephine Sicard, Smith
- 6. Minnie Amelia Nelson m. (1) Carroll Edgar Eckstrom (2) Claude Green Ellsworth

a. Twila Ruth Eckstrom m. William David Schroeder

- (1) Steve Alan Schroeder m. Cynthia Lee Stalheim
- (2) Karen Sue Schroeder m. Larry Charlie Lang
 - (a) Kathryn Christine Lang

7. Bessie Mabel Nelson m. Neilius Nelson

a. Blanchard Noel Nelson m. Mavis Lovena Warren

- (1) LuAnn Kathryn Nelson
- (2) Arlene June Nelson
- (3) Orin Lyn Nelson

8. Thelma Gertrude Nelson m. Melvin Lloyd Husby

- a. LaVonne Travelle Husby m. Wilfred Wesley Lockhart
 - (1) Lloyd Wesley Lockhart
 - (2) Joyce LaVonne Lockhart m. Benny Ray Bickness
 - (a) Terry Ray Bickness
 - (b) Todd Matthew Bickness

b. Lenore Grace Husby m. Donald Marvin Vee

- (1) Marvin Donald Vee
- (2) Michael Allen Vee
- (3) Ann Marie Vee

9. George Theodore Nelson m. Viola Sylvia Teufer

a. Janet Viola Nelson m. Roland George Whalen

(1) Randall George Whalen

- (2) Bradley Nelson Whalen
- (3) Kristen Jan Whalen

10. Melvin Olean Nelson m. Eleanor Beatrice Sicard, Drewes

a. Donald William Drewes m. Betty Louise Nelson (See #4-a, above, for their children) CHAPTER ITT

Β.	TORGER NILSEN SKAUGE	married	GERTRUDE OLSDATTER
	(NELSON)		SEVERAAS
	b. September 19, 1864	August	b. December 26, 1867
	d. December 10, 1954	22, 1890	d. November 20, 1954

Torger Nelson was born in Lindaas, county of Hordaland, Norway, the only son of Nils and Maria Reknes (Skauge). (See Chapter I for his ancestors.) Torger grew up on Uglaas near the village of Skauge, and was 15 years old when his father died. As a young man, he learned the carpenter trade in Bergen.

Seeking better opportunities, Torger left Norway for the United States on March 19, 1887, at the age of 22. When he landed at Ellis Island in New York, he had only five dollars in his pocket and that had been borrowed. On April 8, 1887, he arrived in Jewell, Iowa, and very likely made his home with his aunt and uncle, Engle and Lars Solem who lived 4 3/4 miles west of Jewell.

Upon coming to this country, Torger dropped the last name of Skauge, a practice which was not uncommon. He was an expert carpenter and worked first at that trade, earning 75ϕ a day. Three years later, he wrote to Norway to his fiancee, Gertrude Severaas, asking her to join him here. Gertrude arrived in Jewell on May 1, 1890, and they were married on August 22 of that year by Rev. Board Mikkelson in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Solem. Due to a shortage of beds, the bride and groom slept on the floor the first night. Torger and Gertrude lived with the Solems for about two years and their first two children were born there.

(For information regarding Gertrude's ancestors and girlhood days, see Chapter IV.)

On January 27, 1891, Torger purchased from Thode Stonsen the $E_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of $SE_4^{\frac{1}{2}}$ of section 35, township 87, range 25 (80 acres) in Hamilton Township, Hamilton County, Iowa for the sum of \$1500.00. That transaction is recorded in Deed Book 29, page 446, at the Hamilton County Courthouse in Webster City, Iowa. He bought an additional 40 acres on September 29, 1900, from Laura Hinds. This piece of land adjoined Torger's land on the west and was south of the railroad track. Evidently the buildings on the farm weren't completed for several years as the family lived on the Gastrin place across the intersection to the southeast while Torger was building the house, and their third child, Nellie, was born there in June, 1894.

The house on the "home place" was added onto several times as the family grew. The parlor and an upstairs bedroom were started in 1909 and completed in 1911. The present kitchen was added later with a room above in which the boys slept. For a time the stairway going up to this room was on the outside of the house, but later an entry-way was added to the kitchen,

CHAPTER III Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

enclosing the stairway.

The ten children were all baptized and confirmed in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church with the exception of George who was baptized at home because he was ill. Torger was "klokkar" in the church--the man who stood in front and led the hymn singing. Ida said that a special offering was taken twice a year for the klokkar and the organist. The money was divided between them, usually amounting to about five dollars each. Ida also reported, "When it wasn't possible for us to attend church, or if the itinerant pastor couldn't come, the folks called us children together for a religious service. We had to sit still and be attentive while Dad read from a book of sermons. Afterward, we sang a hymn or two."

"Mother seemed to possess a sixth sense, Also from Ida: so to speak. She seemed to know when one of her children was in danger, and at least several times she came to their rescue in the nick of time. Once at dinner-time Mother missed twoyear-old Minnie, and her psychic feelings took her outside the house where she found that Minnie had fallen into a washtub used to collect rain water. She was lying on her back in the tub, covered with water. Again, when Bessie was about two years old, she slipped from her highchair one noon and disappeared. Upon noticing this, Mother became excited, but Dad said, 'Don't worry, she is around.' But Mother couldn't rest. Outside, she happened to look north to the railroad track where she spotted Bessie's bright red dress. She ran as fast as she could and picked up the sleeping child from the track shortly before a freight train rumbled by. Bessie had been picking flowers. Another time, Dad came home from the harvest field for a cool drink. When he left to return to the field, Mother discovered that George, age four, was missing. She hurried to the harvest field where Dad stopped his horse-drawn binder and they both looked for George, finding him asleep in some uncut oats,"

One day one of the boys came home with a Jew's harp and was attempting to play it. Torger came in and asked if he could try it. To the amazement of the children, he played tune after tune on the simple instrument. When they asked how he knew how to play it, he said that as a boy in Norway he was so poor that the Jew's harp was the only musical instrument he could afford. Torger loved music and generously supplied his family with musical instruments--piano, accordians, violins.

At one time when the children were small, Gertrude was ill with a "water tumor" in her abdomen. She had to stay in bed while Torger applied poultices of warm oats. Apparently this illness left her quite weak because she was required to drink a case of beer before she got her appetite and strength back.

CHAPTER III Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

An itinerant Swedish painter came one day and asked to do rosemaling on the woodwork. Torger and Gertrude agreed, so he proceeded to decorate the kitchen cupboards, all the doors, and all the woodwork in the living room.

In 1912 Torger bought a 240-acre farm in Belmond Township of Wright County, Iowa, for the sum of \$27,246.00. This transaction was finalized on February 28, 1913, and recorded in Deed Book 57, page 98, in the Wright County Courthouse in Clarion, Iowa, as the " E_2^{\pm} of SW¹/₄ and the SE¹/₄ of section 30, township 93 north, range 24 west of the 5th p.m., except for one acre of said SE¹/₄ used for school purposes." Edward Nelson and Gerhard Skouge farmed this for a time with Ed's sister Nellie keeping house for them.

Before Torger left for a visit to Norway in May, 1914, a family picture was taken. (See page 48b.) When he returned, Ingeborg and Emma Severaas, two of Gertrude's nieces, returned with him.

In 1937 Torger and Gertrude bought a house in Jewell located one block east of the post office. Before moving in that summer, George and Minnie redecorated the whole interior. In August of 1940, Torger and Gertrude's 50th wedding anniversary was celebrated with an Open House on the home place where Melvin was farming. Their 60th anniversary was celebrated in Story City with a family reunion and pot-luck dinner.

After retiring, Torger enjoyed fishing, going to the largest lakes in northern Minnesota nearly every summer. Gertrude took pride in her house plants and flowers. She also enjoyed piecing and quilting beautiful quilts as well as crocheting. After her family was grown, she didn't do any more knitting, perhaps because she had supplied them with stockings, mittens, caps and scarves for so many years.

Several years before their deaths, Gertrude became very ill and Torger feared that she was dying. That night while praying long and earnestly, he saw Jesus standing at the foot of the bed. When Minnie questioned him later, Torger insisted that it had not been a dream; he had been unable to sleep that night and was wide awake. From then until the time of her death, Gertrude was never seriously ill.

Ed and Elfreda Nelson stayed with Torger and Gertrude the last few months of their lives. Torger passed away just forty-one days after Gertrude's death. They were laid to rest in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell, Iowa.

Their children are listed on the following page.

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Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

Children	n:		
1.	Edward Martin Nelson	b.	May 10, 1891
2.	Ida Oliva Nelson (Skouge)	b.	July 17, 1892
3.	Nellie Marie Nelson (Skouge)	b.	June 9, 1894
4,	Arthur Olai Nelson	b.	December 28, 1895
5.	Ludwig Emanuel Nelson	b.	September 2, 1897
6.	Minnie Amelia Nelson (Eckstrom, Ellsworth)	b.	January 3, 1900
7.	Bessie Mabel Nelson (Nelson)	Ъ.	January 28, 1902
8.	Thelma Gertrude Nelson (Husby)	b.	February 24, 1904
9.	George Theodore Nelson	b	December 20, 1905
10.	Melvin Olean Nelson	b.	December 22, 1906

(Sources: their children, Hamilton County land records, Wright County land records)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

State of Lowa, Hamilton County, 55:

Before me, the undersigned Clerk of the District Court in and for said Hamilton County, personally appeared

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and makes solemn outh that it is bona fide his intention to become a

CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES,

and to renounce and abjure FOREVER all allegiance and fidelity to every Foreign Power, Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly allegiance to King of Smedin & Amag of whom he was heretofore a subject. Sworn to and subscribed before me by Jorna Julian this 11 the day

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

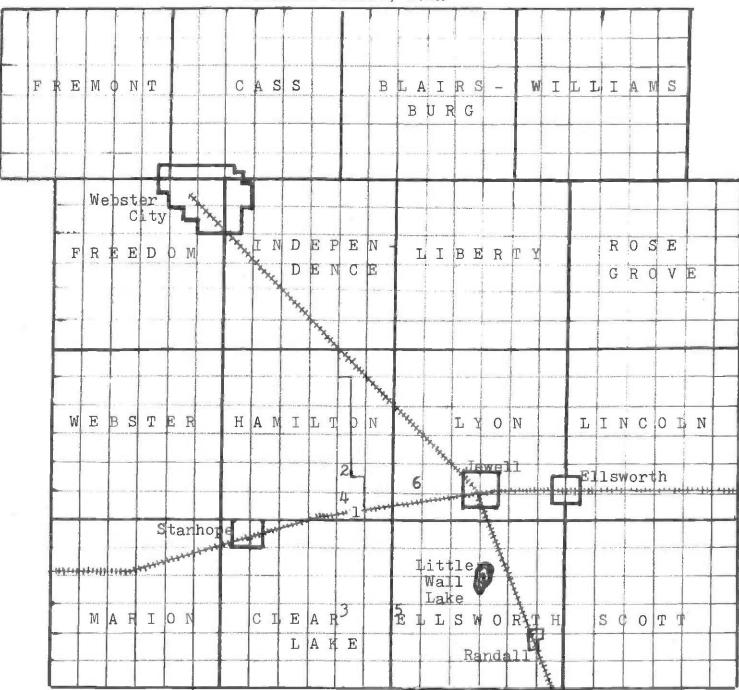
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STATE OF ID. NA.) Lefer 26 - Jerm, 1893 Indist Court,_ Hamilton County. a Native of Tran Nelson and at present residing within said State, appeared in open court and makes application to be admitted to become a CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES, and it appearing to the satisfuction of the court that he had John Robusson declared on oath before (a court of Record, having common law jurisdiction and using a seal), two years at least before his admission, that it was bona fide his intention to become a Citizen of the United States, and to renounce forever all allegiance to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly to King of Homany

Said applicant having declared on both before this court that he will support the constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State of Sovereignty whytsoever, and particularly to

The court being satisfied that said applicant has resided within the United States for the term of five years next preceding his admission, without being at any time during the said five years out of the territory of the United States, and within this State one year at least; and it further appearing to the satisfaction of this court that during that time he has behaved as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same. Thereupon the court admitted the said applicant to become a Citizen of the United States, and ordered all the proceedings aforesaid to be entered of record, which was accordingly done by the Clerk of this court. HAMILTON COUNTY, 10WA

j.



1. Torger Nelson's farm (home place)

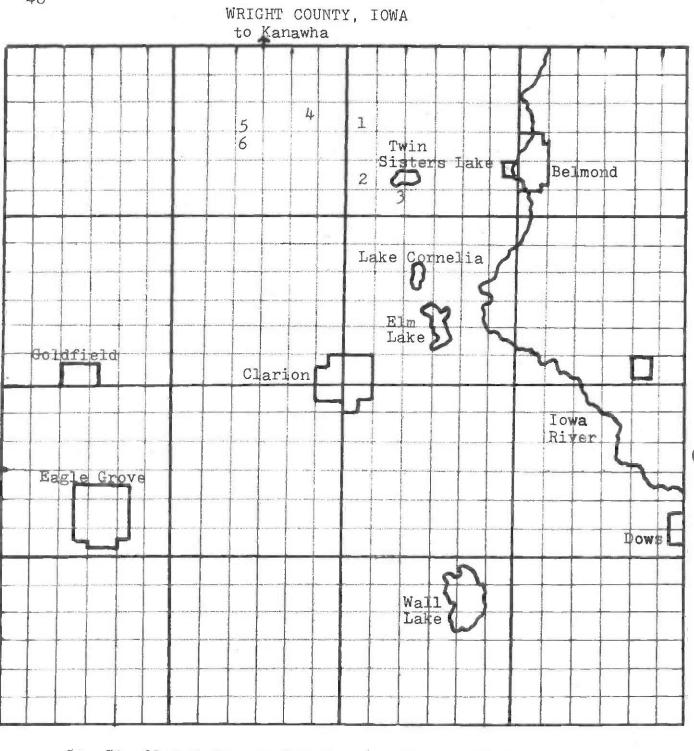
2. Lake View School #1

3. Lloyd Husby's farm

4. Lars Solem's farm

5. St. Paul's Lutheran Church

6. Anton Peterson's farm



- 1. St. Olaf Lutheran Church
- 2. Farm owned by Torger Nelson
- 3. Farm owned by Tom Brooks Ida & Gerhard Skouge and Art & Merle Nelson lived there
- 4. Where Elfreda Nelson grew up
- 5. George Skouge's farm Ida & Gerhard Skouge lived there
- 6. St. John's Lutheran Church

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(Note: The Twin Sisters Lake was often called Morris Lake.)



Torger and Gertrude Nelson 1890



The Torger Nelson farm home west of Jewell, Iowa

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The Torger Nelson Family, May, 1914 Edward, Arthur, Ludwig, Ida, Nellie, Minnie, Thelma, Bessie, George, Melvin Torger and Gertrude CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson

l.	EDWARD	MARTIN	NELSON	marı	ried	Elf	freda	Johanna	Mickelson
	b. May			Febru		b.	Octob	per 14,	1894
	d. Octo	ber 19	, 1972	23,	1916				

Edward, the oldest child of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, was born at the farm home of his great aunt and uncle, Engel and Lars Solem, 4 3/4 miles west of Jewell, Iowa. He was baptized June 14, 1891, at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church by Rev. Nehem Christensen with Hans Tynning, Elates Iverson and Brithe Johns as sponsors. On October 22, 1905, he was confirmed by Rev. M. N. Knutsen. Ed attended Lake View School, District #1, and also Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa.

In 1913 Ed began farming the 240-acre farm in Wright County which his father had purchased. Ed's sister Nellie kept house for him, and later that year Gerhard Skouge joined in the farming operation. They all attended the nearby St. Olaf Lutheran Church as did the Lars Larson family, Elfreda Mickelson's mother and step-father.

Ed and Elfreda were married February 23, 1916, at the St. Olaf Lutheran Church at high noon. Elfreda's only full brother Erling, and Edward's sister Nellie were their attendants; Ed's sister Minnie played the wedding march, and Rev. Holm performed the ceremony. Following the wedding a dinner was held in the Larson home. Elfreda was born in Chicago, Illinois, to Emelia and Engvold Mickelson.

Edward continued to farm Torger Nelson's farm for about four more years and their first child, Lorraine, was born there. In 1920 they moved to a farm east of Belmond where they lived for about one year, and in 1921 they moved in with the Lars Larsons who then lived two miles south of Kanawha, Iowa. They resided there for about a year before moving into Kanawha in the fall of 1922. Ed was employed with putting in tile ditches to drain farm land, assisting with work on the Robert Hoadley farm near Kanawha, and serving as janitor of the Kanawha Lutheran Church for many years.

Ed was in two tornados, the first being when he was about 20 years old. He and Nels Refsdal were walking home from Stanhope (a town about four miles east of the home farm) when a storm came up and they took refuge in an old barn. The building was demolished and Ed lost his hat, but the men were unharmed. The second time was on June 19, 1931 while he and two other men were working on a drainage project near Hayfield, Iowa. They were living in an old house near their work, and when the tornado struck, it carried the house about 150 feet into the air. Somehow Ed was thrown clear and landed on his feet without serious injury, but one of the men was killed. CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Edward Martin Nelson, continued

In November, 1970, it was discovered that Ed had lung cancer. He entered the nursing home in Kanawha on August 29, 1972, and died there at 5:30 p.m. on October 19, 1972. Burial was in the Kanawha cemetery.

Elfreda continues to live in their home in Kanawha, but enjoys extended vacations with her children in Lafayette, California, and Des Moines, Iowa. She takes a vital interest in the work of the church and also enjoys gardening, raising flowers, sewing, crocheting and baking.

Address: Kanawha, Iowa 50447

Children:

a.	Ellen L	orraine	Nelson					
			(Munzenmaier)	þ.	January	8, 3	1919	
b.	Edward 1	Donald	Nelson	b.	January	18,	1923	

a. ELLEN LORRAINE NELSON married Lewis Donald Munzenmaier b. January 8, 1919 September b. July 25, 1913 10, 1939

Lorraine was born at the home of her parents, Edward and Elfreda Nelson on a farm north of Clarion, Iowa, with Dr. Sams as the attending physician. She was baptized by Rev. Holm on April 6, 1919, in the St. Olaf Lutheran Church with Mr. and Mrs. George Skouge and Anna Larson as sponsors.

When Lorraine was two years old, the family moved to a farm east of Belmond, Iowa, where they lived for about a year before moving to the Kanawha area in 1922. She was confirmed in the Kanawha Lutheran Church by Rev. Gangsei and graduated from the Kanawha High School on May 19, 1936.

Following graduation, Lorraine went to Des Moines where she found employment at the F. W. Grant store. Margaret Munzenmaier, who worked at the counter next to her, introduced Lorraine to her brother Don and also accompanied them on their first date. Lorraine and Don became engaged on Christmas Eve, 1938. Don is a son of Rudolph Gotthilf Munzenmaier (b. April 26, 1877, d. October 30, 1960) and Henrietta Carolin (Stierle) Munzenmaier (b. January 21, 1881, d. August 10, 1955). Don's occupation was drafting and millwork estimating.

On September 10, 1939 Lorraine and Don were married in St. John's Lutheran Church in Des Moines, Iowa. Oren Skouge,

CHAPTER III Descendants of Edward Martin Nelson, continued

Lorraine's cousin, sang "Because" and "O Perfect Love," and Don's sister-in-law, Agnes Munzenmaier, was the organist. Attendants were Don's brother Raymond and his sister Margaret. They were at home in a new small brick home at 2715 41st Street Place where they have continued to live. An extra room and a porch were added in 1953.

During World War II, Don served in the United States Navy from March, 1944, until the spring of 1946. He received his basic training in Chicago, Illinois; college training in Brian, Texas, and was then stationed at Norfolk, Virginia. He received the Good Conduct Medal and was discharged with the rank of Seaman First Class.

In 1948 the polio epidemic was severe, and in September of that year Don was striken with the disease. He was hospitalized in the Veterans' Hospital in Des Moines for nearly two years, the first week of that time being spent in an iron lung. Although he never did regain the full use of his legs, strength returned to his arms and hands enabling him to return to work for nineteen more years before retiring.

Since 1963, Lorraine has been working in Elsie's Gift Shop near their home in Beaverdale, a suburb of Des Moines.

Address: 2715 41st Street Place, Des Moines, Iowa 50310

Children:

(1)	Janet Lorraine				
		(Cleveland)	b.	July 3, 1942	
(2)	Robert Nelson	Munzenmaier	b.	March 12, 1947	

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Descendants of Lorraine Nelson (Munzenmaier)

(1)	JANET LORRATNE MUNZENMATER	married	David Rolland
	b. July 3, 1942	June 15,	Cleveland
		1963	h. May 28, 1940

Janet was born in Des Moines, lowa, on July 3, 1942, the older of the two children born to Lorraine and Donald Munzenmaier. She was baptized in October, 1942, by Dr. Frederick J. Weertz.

On January 28, 1960, Janet graduated from Theodore Roosevelt High School in Des Moines, and continued her education at Drake University, Des Moines. She graduated with honors from Drake in 1963 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education; was a member of Kappa Delta Pi honor society, and has been a local officer of the Kappa Beta Kappa National Education Society. She taught Kindergarten in Rose School in Des Moines during the 1963-64 school year, in the Stowe School in Des Moines from 1964 to 1971, and taught summer school at Bird and Moulton Schools between 1965 and 1970.

Janet married David Cleveland, son of Alvina Cecil and Max Oliver Cleveland, on June 15, 1963, in the St. John's Lutheran Church in Des Moines. Both Janet and Dave have been active members in that church. They met there as members of the Luther League, and both are members of the senior choir. More recently, Dave has been a soloist with the choir. He has also served on the Church Council, and is chairman of the Electronics Committee of St, John's, plus being an officer in the men's organization, The Christmen.

Dave graduated from Drake University in 1968 with a Bachelor of Science in Education degree. He received his Master's degree in 1973, and has taught United States history at Hillside Junior High School in West Des Moines since 1968.

From September 1972, to June 1973, Janet was manager for Project MOTIVATE, a federally funded educational project designed to train volunteers to assist in the public schools. At present, she is quite involved in the development of the library at St. John's Lutheran Church as well as being active in the Lutheran Women's organization.

Janet enjoys reading, music, working in her yard and entertaining. Dave and Janet annually conduct tours of Washington, D.C. for eighth grade students in West Des Moines, the tours being handled through Lakeland Tours in Lake Forest, Illinois. Dave also likes golfing and flying. He took flying lessons briefly, but would like to continue them some day.

In January 1976, Dave and Janet purchased a lot on Lake

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Descendants of Lorraine Nelson (Munzenmaier), continued Janet Munzenmaier (Cleveland), continued

Marie in Mercer, Missouri, and look forward to many years of water pleasure for the family. They plan to begin developing the land and constructing a summer home this year.

Address: 8409 Horton Avenue, Urbandale, Iowa 50322

Children:

(a)	Brent	Edward Cleveland	b.	March 17, 1971
(b)	Brian	David Cleveland	Ъ.	November 4, 1974

 (2) ROBERT NELSON MUNZENMAIER married Jeanette Rachelle Young
 b. March 12, 1947 June 1, b. May 11, 1947 1973

Born in Des Moines, Iowa on March 12, 1947, Robert is the son of Lorraine and Donald Munzenmaier. He attended Byron Rice Elementary School, Franklin Junior High School, and Roosevelt High School from which he graduated June 10, 1965. That fall he enrolled in Drake University in Des Moines, graduating from there in 1969 with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Robert was inducted into the United States Army in 1969. After receiving basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, he was on active duty in Viet Nam and Fort Hood, Texas. He was awarded the Bronze Star and the Good Conduct Medal, and was discharged from the Service on June 8, 1971.

Upon returning home, Robert was employed in the actuarial science department of Equitable Life Insurance of Iowa in Des Moines where he continues to work. It was there that he met Jeanette Young, daughter of William Edward and Goldie Elizabeth Young of Creston, Iowa. Jeanette attended Simpson College in Indianola, graduating in 1969 with a Bachelor of Music degree.

Robert and Jeanette were married in the chapel of St. John's Lutheran Church on June 1, 1973. Robert's sister, Janet Cleveland, was the matron of honor, and Janet's husband David was the best man.

"Bob" and Jeanette are members of the church family at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Urbandale. Both of them enjoy music; Bob also likes archery, tennis, and attending plays. Jeanette is busy with gardening, ceramics and sewing in addition to her employment at Equitable Life.

Address: 3009 Hillsdale, Urbandale, Iowa 50322

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Ъ.	EDWARD DONALD NELSON	married	Mary Jane Cole
	b. January 18, 1923	August	Mary Jane Cole b. July 17, 1933
		31, 1957	

Edward was born in Kanawha, Iowa, the only son of Edward and Elfreda Nelson. He was baptized by the Rev. P. B. Trelstad, and confirmed in the Kanawha Lutheran Church by Rev. M. N. Peterson in 1937. Often referred to as "Sonny" by his family, Edward attended the Kanawha schools, graduating from high school on May 23, 1940.

Following graduation, he went to Des Moines where he worked for an insurance company for a year, during which time he lived with his sister and her husband, Lorraine and Donald Munzenmaier. He then went to a sheet metal and mechanics school in Omaha, Nebraska, and in 1942 obtained a job with the Curtis Wright Aircraft Corporation in Buffalo, New York. After being there for six months, he went back to Des Moines and enlisted in the United States Navy in December, 1942.

While in the Navy, he served in the Mediterranean theater with a P.T. boat squadron. He was also in North Africa, participated in the invasion of southern France and Elba, and for a time was stationed on the island of Corsica. They attacked German shipping along the coasts of Italy and France. Edward was discharged in February, 1946, with the rank of Motor Machinist Mate Second Class. He received the Good Conduct Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Edward moved to California in July of 1946, and during the next few years worked at various jobs including raising chinchillas. He met Jane Cole on New Year's Eve, 1956. They were both flying back to San Francisco and happened to sit together on the plane. During their conversation, Edward found that she was originally from Eagle Grove and that her father's farm was adjacent to a farm he used to visit often. They became engaged in April, 1957, and were married the following August 31. Jane, a registered nurse, is a daughter of William and Amy Cole.

While in California, Edward learned the printing trade, and in 1959 he and Willard Robinson started their own printing business in San Francisco, calling it Service Litho. Edward's hobby is painting pictures as well as tending and riding his horses. The whole family is very active in the work of the Lutheran Church as well as Bible Study Fellowship.

Address: 3406 Shangri La Road, Lafayette, California 94549. Children:

(1) Heidi Ann Nelson
 b. October 29, 1960
 Born in Burlingame, California, Heidi was baptized Dec ember 25, 1960, at Grace Lutheran in San Mateo, and confirm ed October, 1975, at Our Savior's Lutheran in Lafayette.

(2) Hollie Sue Nelson
 b. August 24, 1964
 Hollie was born in Burlingame, California and baptized
 January 3, 1965.





Edward and Elfreda Nelson February 23, 1916

Gerhard and Ida Skouge February 25, 1915



Mons and Nellie Skouge June 28, 1916 CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

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2. IDA OLIVA NELSON	married	Gerhard Martin Skouge
b. July 17, 1892	February	b. December 25, 1886
	25, 1915	

Ida, daughter of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, was born on the Lars Solem farm west of Jewell, Iowa. On August 21, 1892, she was baptized by Rev. Board Mikkelson, the sponsors being Lars and Engel Solem, Ole J. Oppedal, Ingeborg Oppedal and Ole Sotter. She was confirmed December 9, 1906, in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church by Rev. M. N. Knutson.

Since the Norwegian language was spoken at home, her entrance into school was her first major contact with the English language. She attended Lake View School #1, Hamilton County, finishing the eighth grade, then went to Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, for one and one-half years where she studied music. She served as organist in St. Paul's Lutheran Church southwest of Jewell for two years before her marriage.

Ida says: "I remember going to Lars Solem's funeral in April 1897. It was impossible to go by road because of the mud, so we walked the railroad track to Jewell. Dad carried Nellie, and Mother carried baby Arthur while Ed and I trailed behind. Ed was five and I was four. I remember being frightened by the many different snakes encountered along the way and how tired my legs were. The undertaker lifted Ed and me up to see Uncle Lars in the coffin. We were dinner guests of Aunt Engel and then walked the five miles home to the farm.

"At an early age I learned to crochet lace trim for pants and slips. This was made of regular spool sewing thread. I crocheted booties, caps and sacques of wool yarn for the babies. To get this accomplished, I took the yarn to school and crocheted at recess and at noon. Other school girls did this also."

In her parents' home on February 25, 1915, Ida married Gerhard Skouge who had emigrated from Norway in 1907. His parents were Ole Skouge and Johanna (Kvalvaag) Skouge. Ida's sister Nellie was bridesmaid; Alfred Skouge, Gerhard's brother, was bestman, and Rev. Omar Brenne of St. Paul's Lutheran Church performed the ceremony. A color scheme of pink and white was carried out, and the bride's bouquet was of pink roses. Gerhard's brother, Mons Skouge, married Ida's sister Nellie the following year. Ida and Gerhard started married life on the 240-acre Brooks farm west of Belmond, Iowa. (See map of Wright County on page 48.) They lived there four years and their first daughter was born there. In the spring of 1919 they moved to a 120-acre farm owned by Gerhard's uncle, George Skouge. That farm was five miles south and three-fourths mile west of Kanawha, Iowa. Their second daughter was born there.

Gerhard and Ida bought a 173-acre farm in Murray County, Minnesota, near the village of Hadley in 1919, but rented it out CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Ida Olivia Nelson (Skouge), continued

until they moved there on March 1, 1921. In 1926 a new house was erected on the farm.

Ida enjoys raising flowers and her yard is abloom with color.

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Children:

- a. June Gertrude Skouge b. December 6, 1915
- b. Geraldine Ione Skouge (Sorenson) b. March 5, 1920

c. Avynelle Rachel Skouge (Jeppesen)

b. March 12, 1925

CHAPTER III Descendants of Ida Oliva Nelson (Skouge)

a. JUNE GERTRUDE SKOUGE b. December 6, 1915

June, the oldest of three daughters born to Ida and Gerhard Skouge, was born on the Brooks farm west of Belmond, Iowa, where her parents were farming. On March 12, 1916, she was baptized in the St. Olaf Lutheran Church west of Belmond by Pastor C. H. Holm. Mr. and Mrs. George Skouge of Clarion, Edward Nelson, Arthur Skouge and Minnie Skouge were sponsors. When June was three years old, her parents moved to a farm five miles south and three-fourths mile west of Kanawha, Iowa, then in 1921 they moved to a farm on the edge of Hadley, Minnesota.

June was confirmed October 12, 1930, in the Hadley Lutheran Church by Pastor O. Gunstenson. She attended the Hadley Public School, and graduated from Slayton High School, Slayton, Minnesota, on June 2, 1933. During the school year 1933-34, she was trained to become an elementary school teacher at the Teacher Training Department (equivalent of teachers' college) in the Slayton High School. The following year she took a correspon-dence course in business administration from the American Technical Society, Chicago, Illinois, for which she received a certificate. She attended the Minneapolis Business College, Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she took a nine months secretarial course, receiving a diploma on April 13, 1937. June attended the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis intermittently from 1946 to 1964, taking courses leading to a degree in journalism with a minor in English. She left the University while a senior in good standing. From July 7, 1969, to November 10, 1969, she took a Manpower Development and Training Program stenography course at the Minneapolis Vocational High School for which she received a certificate.

June has held many interesting and responsible office positions in Slayton, Redwood Falls, Minneapolis, and St. Paul, Minnesota; Chicago, Illinois, and Washington, D. C. In 1945 she worked for six months in the immediate office of U. S. Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes as clerk-stenographer. In 1960 and 1961 she was employed as secretary to Dr. Paul C. Rosenbloom, one of the ten top mathematicians in the United States, at the Minnesota School Mathematics Center at the University of Minnesota.

Hobbies that June likes include embroidering, reading and letter writing.

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CHAPTER III Descendants of Ida Oliva Nelson (Skouge), continued

b. GERALDINE IONE SKOUGE married Harold Willard Sorenson b. March 5, 1920 April 25, b. April 28, 1913 1942

"Gerry" was born when her parents, Ida and Gerhard Skouge, were living on the farm owned by George Skouge, Gerhard's uncle, south and west of Kanawha, Iowa. She was baptized in the nearby St. John's Lutheran Church. The next year she moved with her family to their farm in Hadley, Minnesota, where she attended the Hadley School through the eighth grade, and graduated from high school in Slayton, Minnesota, on June 10, 1937. After a short secretarial course at the Minneapolis Business School, she worked first as a secretary for an attorney, Henry Whitney, in Slayton, then as chief clerk at the Murray County Local Selective Service Board in Slayton.

Gerry and Harold live on their 160-acre farm one mile northwest of Hadley. Gerry says: "We were married on a Saturday night, April 25, 1942, about nine p.m. in the study of the Lake Wilson Lutheran Church by Pastor A. M. Nelson. My sister Avynelle and her fiance, Truman Jeppesen, were witnesses. No fuss, no muss! Afterward we had cake and ice cream with the folks and drove home to the farm. H. W. carried me over the threshold and I haven't been off the place since (hardly, that is)!

"My interests are many and varied. However, I do believe that gardening and nature study take precedence. I'm a bird watcher and a lover of wild flowers as well as tame. I enjoy the study and identification of plants. African violets grace my window sills, and through the years I've enjoyed raising a variety of house plants. I can remember as a child being fascinated by Grandfather and Grandmother Nelson's farm home, especially the bay window filled with well-cared-for and beautiful plants. I share my husband's interest in reading, and can become engrossed in anything from books on nutrition or astrology to the latest novel." Gerry also likes to embroider and crochet.

Harold's parents were Nella Beatrice and Columbus Peter Sorenson. He was born in Custer Township near Balaton, Minnesota, one of a family of six children. In 1931 Harold graduated from Balaton High School. He enjoys reading and raising a small herd of registered Hereford cattle.

Address: Route 1, Box 3, Hadley, Minnesota 56133 Children:

(1) Jacqueline Ann Sorenson

 (Hoffman)
 (2) James Harold Sorenson
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 (7) Jacqueline Ann Sorenson

CHAPTER III Descendants of Geraldine Skouge (Sorenson)

(1)	JACQUELINE ANN SORENSON	married	Gary John Hoffman
	b. November 10, 1943	June 10,	b. February 7, 1944
		1965	

"Jacqui" was born in Slayton, Minnesota, the older of two children born to Geraldine and Harold Sorenson of Hadley, Minnesota. She attended the Slayton Public Schools, graduating from high school in 1961, a member of the Honor Society. She also studied piano and organ and was organist at the Lutheran Church in Hadley for one year before going on to college.

Jacqui graduated Cum Laude from Mankato State College in Mankato, Minnesota, on March 25, 1966, with a Bachelor of Science degree. Following graduation, she taught English and speech for one year at Madelia, and home economics for one-half year at New Ulm, both in Minnesota.

The marriage of Jacqui to Gary Hoffman, son of Marcella and Peter Hoffman of Albert Lea, Minnesota, took place on June 10, 1965, at Mankato, Minnesota. Before her marriage, Jacqui joined the Catholic Church. At the present time, she and Gary live in the village of Tonka Bay, near Excelsior, Minnesota, where Gary teaches English and speech in West Minnetonka High School.

Jacqui enjoys playing the piano, reading, gardening, sewing and studying nature. Gary's interests include carpentering, directing plays, gardening, and doing volunteer work on the state and local levels for M. E. A. (Minnesota Education Association).

Address: 180 Lakeview Avenue, Tonka Bay, Minnesota 55331

Children:

(a)	Colleen	Lynnae	Hoffman	Ъ.	September	15,	1968
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(b) Gregory John Hoffman

(adopted) b. June 3, 1970

- (c) Darrin J. Hoffman b. July 11, 1974 Darrin will be allowed to choose his own middle name when he is older.
- (d) Jessica Anne Hoffman (adopted) b. October 11, 1975

The two older children enjoy canoeing, hiking and swimming with their parents. Soon they will be introduced to camping and cross-country skiing. CHAPTER III Descendants of Geraldine Skouge (Sorenson), continued

(2) JAMES HAROLD SORENSON b. April 26, 1951

Jim, son of Geraldine and Harold Sorenson, was born in Slayton, Minnesota, on April 26, 1951. He attended the Slayton Public Schools and graduated from high school in 1969.

For four years after graduation, Jim was employed by United Parcel Service in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He left there in the spring of 1974 to return to Hadley and establish a farm-oriented business. Jim and four associates incorporated under the name of Hadley Steel. Their business is selling, erecting and servicing steel bins and drying equipment for elevators and farmers.

At present, Jim is living with his parents. He is engaged to be married to Kathleen Marie Nepp of Lake Wilson, Minnesota, daughter of Carol and Derald Nepp. Kathleen is employed at the Murray County Courthouse where her duties are that of Assistant Registrar.

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CHAPTER III Descendants of Ida Nelson (Skouge), continued

с.	AV	YNELLE	RAC	HEL	SKOUGE	married	Truman	Dale	Jeppesen
	b.	March	12,	192	25	March 25,	b. July	y 11,	1921
						1945			

"Avy," the youngest daughter of Ida and Gerhard Skouge, was born in Slayton, Minnesota, on March 12, 1925. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church in Hadley, Minnesota, attended elementary school in Hadley, and graduated from the Slayton High School on June 3, 1943.

After graduation, she was hired as a clerk-typist for the Farm Security Administration, a government office located in the Courthouse in Slayton which served the counties of Nobles, Rock and Murray. She worked in that capacity until March, 1945.

Avy married Truman Jeppesen, son of Holger and Marie (Koster) Jeppesen of Avoca, Minnesota, on March 25, 1945. The wedding took place in the Lutheran Church in Hadley with Rev. Hinderlie officiating. The couple made their home near Avoca where they farmed Truman's father's farm which they bought in 1962. They continue to live on the farm, but the land has been rented out since 1973 when ill health forced Truman to retire from farming.

Avy has always enjoyed music, particularly playing the piano. Following her marriage, she served as organist at the Lutheran Church in Avoca. Her interests also include reading and needlework.

Truman has always enjoyed working in community affairs, having served on his church board as well as on the Murray County Fair Board for several years. He has also been an R.E.A. (Rural Electrification Association) board member since 1959.

In August, 1970, Avy took a job as secretary at the R. E. Hagen Agency, insurance and real estate office, in Slayton, working there until May, 1973, when she obtained the position of Deputy Clerk to Judge John D. Holt at the Murray County Court Office in Slayton,

Address: Avoca, Minnesota 56114

Children:

- (1) Irene Olivia Jeppesen (Krohn)
- (2) Jill Annette Jeppesen
- (3) Barbara Joy Jeppesen
- (4) Gaylene Marie Jeppesen
- (5) Thomas Dale Jeppesen

- b. September 20, 1947
- b. July 21, 1949
- b. September 6, 1958
- b. April 2, 1960
- b. July 26, 1961

CHAPTER III Descendants of Avynelle Skouge (Jeppesen)

(1)	IRENE OLIVIA	JEPPESEN	married	Pierce William Krohn
	b. September	20, 1947	1965	b. February 17, 1947

Irene is the oldest child of Avynelle and Truman Jeppesen. She was born in Slayton, Minnesota, and was baptized and confirmed in the Lime Lake Lutheran Church in Avoca, Minnesota.

Her first three years of elementary school were in School District #78, a country school located one-half mile north of her home. Because of school consolidation, she started her fourth grade in the Slayton Public School, graduating from high school in 1965. While in high school, she took part in many school activities such as plays and declamatory contests. She played a cornet in the school band, and was also very active in 4-H work.

Irene and Pierce, son of William and Yvonne Krohn, were married in Faith Lutheran Church, Avoca, Minnesota, by Pastor Glen Oman. They moved to Farmington, Minnesota, in the fall of 1967. Pierce is employed by the Dakota County R.E.A. (Rural Electrification Association) in Farmington. For recreation, he enjoys hunting, fishing and golfing.

In the fall of 1975 Irene began to think in terms of going back to school, and in December she started college at Inver Hills Community College, Inver Grove, Minnesota, planning to become an elementary teacher.

Irene's hobbies are knitting, crocheting, sewing and working with various crafts. One of her specialities is rosemaling.

Address: Farmington, Minnesota 55024

Children:

- (a) Timothy Dean KrohnTim was born in Worthington, Minnesota.
- (b) Julie Ann Krohnb. October 18, 1968She was born at Northfield, Minnesota

CHAPTER III Descendants of Avynelle Skouge (Jeppesen), continued

(2) JILL ANNETTE JEPPESEN
b. July 21, 1949

Jill, born at Worthington, Minnesota, is the second daughter of Avynelle and Truman Jeppesen. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lime Lake Lutheran Church in Avoca, Minnesota.

Jill enjoyed six weeks of kindergarten at the Avoca elementary school, and her first year of school was at the District #78 country school one-half mile north of her home. Schools were consolidating at that time and her second year of school was begun in the Slayton Public Schools from which she graduated in 1967. In high school she took part in class plays and declamatory contests, played a flute in the band, and was active in the county 4-H activities. She attended Mankato State College, Mankato, Minnesota, graduating in June, 1971, with a double major in speech and theater arts and English. Her practice teaching from September through December of 1970 was done in Mexico City, Mexico, at one of the large American schools there. While she was in college, Jill worked part-time at the "Sugar and Spice" gift shop in Mankato.

From January to May of 1972 she taught at Bricelyn, Minnesota, and that fall she began teaching speech and English at the Franklin Public School in Franklin, Minnesota. The summer of 1975 was spent working for the Scott County Treasurer in Shakopee, Minnesota, and in the fall she moved to Faribault, Minnesota, where she teaches speech and English in the Senior High School.

In her spare time, Jill likes to knit, crochet and read.

Address: 409 Northwest 8th Street, Faribault, Minnesota 55021

(3) BARBARA JOY JEPPESENb. September 6, 1958

Avynelle and Truman Jeppesen's third daughter, Barbara, was born in Worthington, Minnesota, and was baptized and confirmed in the Lime Lake Lutheran Church in Avoca, Minnesota.

Barbara attends the Slayton Public School in Slayton, Minnesota. She enjoys playing the piano, reading, and playing a trumpet in the Slayton Senior Band. In her junior year of high school she was selected as a member of the National Honor Society. CHAPTER III Descendants of Avynelle Skouge (Jeppesen), continued

(4) GAYLENE MARIE JEPPESEN b. April 2, 1960

Gaylene, born in Worthington, Minnesota, is the fourth daughter of Avynelle and Truman Jeppesen. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lime Lake Lutheran Church in Avoca, Minnesota.

"Gay" attends the Slayton Public School in Slayton, Minnesota. She likes cooking, playing a flute in the Slayton Senior Band, and doing oil paintings. At the present time, she has a large landscape painting traveling with an art show.

(5) THOMAS DALE JEPPESEN b. July 26, 1961

Thomas, also born in Worthington, Minnesota, is the youngest child and only son of Avynelle and Truman Jeppesen. He was baptized in the Lime Lake Lutheran Church in Avoca, Minnesota.

Tom attends the Slayton Public School in Slayton, Minnesota. He enjoys drawing, hunting, and playing a bass horn in the Slayton Junior Band.

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

3.	NELLIE MARIE NELSON	married	Mons Skouge
	b. June 9, 1894	June 28,	b. October 23, 1884
	d. July 10, 1973	1916	d. August 29, 1963

Nellie was the second daughter, third child born to Torger and Gertrude Nelson. She was born on the Gastrin farm across the road to the southeast from the "home place," with Mrs. Ole Oppedahl acting as midwife. Nellie was baptized in the St. Paul Lutheran Church on July 29, 1894, by the Rev. Board Mikkelson, the sponsors being Ole and Ingeborg Oppedal and Britha and Michal Kringlen. She was confirmed October 11, 1908, by Rev. M. N. Knudson, and finished the eight grades of school in Lake View School #1 which was two miles from home.

From 1913 to 1915 she kept house for her brother Edward who was farming the land in Wright County purchased by their father in 1912. Nellie said that she used to hitch up the horse and buggy and go to Belmond or Clarion to shop.

Nellie met Mons Skouge while he was doing drainage work in the area. Nellie and Mons were married at high noon on June 28, 1916, in the home of her parents. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Omar Brenne, pastor of the St. Paul Lutheran Church, and the wedding march was played by Nellie's sister Minnie, who also sang "O Promise Me." Following the wedding, a three-course dinner was served. The couple went on a wedding trip to Chicago, Illinois, and Muskegon, Michigan. Mons was born in Skauge, Norway, a son of Ole Skauge and Johanna (Kvalvaag) Skauge. Before his marriage, Mons was employed for four years as a sailor on the Great Lakes.

On July 17, 1916, Nellie and Mons moved into their home in Kanawha, Iowa, where Mons was a drainage surveyor and contractor. He had gone to Des Moines, Iowa, bought a transit, and taught himself to survey. When the drought came, people jokingly said that Mons had drained off all the water. In the summer of 1923, when their son Oren was six years old, they camped out from May to October northeast of Kanawha, where Mons was operating a large ditching machine, having contracted the job from the county.

In the depression Mons bought an oat huller and began hulling oats which the farmers used for baby-pig feed. In the severe drought year of 1936, Mons hulled only one load of oats. He was also town constable for several years; he sold DeKalb seed corn, sold subscriptions for the Des Moines Register, and worked in ordinance plants in Des Moines and Minneapolis. In 1942 he worked on the Alcan Highway; in 1943 he was firing boilers at an air base in Hudson Bay; and CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Nellie Marie Nelson (Skouge), continued

in 1944 he worked at an air base in Fairbanks, Alaska. Part of 1943 was spent at Hanford, Washington, at an atomic plant, and in 1945, he was in Seattle, Washington, as a longshoreman.

Nellie's niece, Twila Eckstrom, daughter of Nellie's sister Minnie Nelson Eckstrom, made her home with them during the school months from November, 1934, until her graduation from high school in May, 1943.

For a total of fifty years Nellie sang in church choirs, first at St. Paul Lutheran west of Jewell, then at St. Olaf, north of Clarion, and finally in the Kanawha Lutheran Church. She served as secretary for the Ladies'Aid of Kanawha Lutheran for ten consecutive years and never missed a meeting.

Mons had a stroke on May 25, 1946, which left him partially paralyzed. Several light strokes followed, and on August 29, 1963, he died at the age of 78 years. Nellie passed away July 10, 1973, in the hospital in Sac City, Iowa, of an abdominal aneurysm. She and Mons are buried in the Kanawha Cemetery. Nellie will long be remembered for her remarkable and accurate memory, especially regarding birth dates.

Children:

a.	Oren Tenner Skouge	1	о.	June 17,	1917	,
b.	Grace Marilyn Skouge	(Irwin) h	o".	September	.4,	1929

CHAPTER III Descendants of Nellie Marie Nelson (Skouge)

a.	ORE	EN TER	INER	SKOUGE	married	Mary Elizabeth Sias	
	b.	June	17,	1917	June 12,	b. July 19, 1916	
					1942		

Oren, son of Nellie and Mons Skouge, was born in Kanawha, Iowa, on June 17, 1917, with Dr. A. L. Judd as the attending physician. On July 29, 1917, he was baptized by Rev. Jensen from Belmond and was confirmed by Rev. N. A. Gangsei at the Kanawha Lutheran Church on September 4, 1932.

At the age of nine, Oren began taking piano lessons from Bertha Thormann; he continued them through high school. He played a saxaphone in the town band, and sometimes the bass horn and drums. Oren was a Boy Scout for five years and attained the rank of Eagle Scout at the age of 15. When he was 16 years old, he was graduated from the Kanawha High School.

In the fall of 1934, he entered the University of Iowa in Iowa City, graduating on June 2, 1941, from the College of Medicine. Oren essentially worked his way through college by doing janitor work, washing windows, and any other job he could find. He used to hitch-hike home to Kanawha for vacations.

The summer of 1940 found Oren employed in Yellowstone National Park where he met Mary Sias of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who was employed in a Haynes souvenir shop. Following Oren's internship, they were married on June 12, 1942, in a chapel in Iowa City. Mary, daughter of Harry and Fannie Sias, was graduated from South High School in Minneapolis, in 1934, and from the University of Minnesota in 1938, with a Bachelor of Science degree and a major in English. She taught in the high school in LeRoy, Minnesota, for one year, and in the junior high school in Bayport, Minnesota, for three years before her marriage.

Oren was a First Lieutenant in the Army Reserves at the time he finished his internship. It was during World War II that he reported for duty June 30, 1942, at Carlysle, Pennsylvania. The first week in December, 1943, he sailed for Europe, and Mary returned to the home of her parents in Minneapolis. Oren was in active service for three and one-half years, two of which were in the European theater of operations. He returned to Minneapolis and was discharged on December 24, 1945, with the rank of Major.

On February 1, 1946, he began a residency in Internal Medicine at the Veterans' Hospital in Minneapolis. Oren and Mary moved to Helena, Montana, July 1, 1949, where Oren was Chief Medical Officer in the V. A. Hospital. He was certified by the American Board of Internal Medicine in June, 1950. The year 1955, found them moving to Denver, Colorado, where Oren

CHAPTER III Descendants of Nellie Marie Nelson (Skouge), continued Oren Tenner Skouge, continued

was appointed Chief of Professional Services in the V. A. Hospital.

In 1957, they moved to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where Oren assumed his duties as Director of the Veterans' Hospital. He was also an associate professor of Medicine on the faculty of the University of Oklahoma Medical School.

Washington, D.C. was the next move which was made April 1, 1966. Here Oren was Deputy Chief Medical Director of all the V. A. Hospitals in the United States. This was during Lyndon Johnson's administration. However, with the coming of the next administration in government, changes were made, and August of 1970, found them moving to San Francisco, California, where Oren was Director of the V. A. Hospital.

In 1974 Oren retired from the administrative side of medicine and returned to practice. He is currently on the staff of the State Veterans' Hospital in Yountville, California, and an associate professor of Medicine on the faculty of the University of California Medical School at San Francisco.

Oren and Mary enjoy traveling. Among places visited by them are Norway, Sweden, France, Germany, Switzerland, Spain, Mexico, Hawaii, Finland and Russia. Mary has studied and taught Spanish for a number of years, and at the present time is enjoying taking classes in various crafts as well as teaching part-time in the Napa Community College.

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Children:

(1) James Richard Skouge b. August 26, 1947 (2) John William Skouge b. November 2, 1951

CHAPTER III Descendants of Oren Tenner Skouge

(1)	JAMES RICHARD	SKOUGE	married	Sharon Eloise Lynn
	b. August 26,	1947	October	b. July 28, 1946
			14, 1972	

Jim, the elder of Oren and Mary Skouge's two sons, was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, August 26, 1947. Since his family moved several times, Jim attended schools in Helena, Montana; Denver, Colorado, and graduated from high school in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, in 1965. In the summer of 1962, Jim and his brother John attended a boys' camp in Shattuck, Minnesota.

Jim won the Oklahoma State High School Debate Tournament in March, 1964, and the following summer he placed 7th in the National Debate Tournament. He was president of his senior class in high school, also was number one man on the tennis team for several years.

From September, 1966, to March, 1967, he attended an extension of Stanford University in Florence, Italy. He was in Florence during the floods of 1966, and worked with other students to rescue priceless manuscripts and works of art.

In 1969 Jim graduated Magna Cum Laude from the School of International Service, American University, Washington, D. C. He was on the Dean's List with a grade average of 3.9. From June to August, 1969, he studied Spanish at the University of Valencia in Spain. Then from September of that year to January, 1970, he attended Howard University, a predominently non-white institution, taking courses in teaching minority groups.

During the summers of 1970, 1971 and 1972, Jim worked as housing supervisor and social worker for the Green Giant Company in Ripon, Wisconsin, where he dealt with several hundred non-English speaking Mexican migrant families.

Jim met Sharon Lynn in San Francisco in 1972 while they were both taking a course in sailing. Sharon, born in Los Angeles, California, to Rachel Elizabeth Allinger and Bill Melvin Lynn, grew up in Pasadena, California, where she graduated from high school in 1964. She attended the University of California in Santa Barbara for three years, majoring in biology and anthropology, then took three years of nursing at the University of California Medical Center in San Francisco. After receiving her B. S. degree in Nursing in 1970, she worked in Pediatrics and Obstetrics.

Jim and Sharon were married at the home of her mother in Pasadena on October 14, 1972. They live in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, where Jim is teaching and Sharon is a Public Health Nurse.

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(2) JOHN WILLIAM SKOUGEb. November 2, 1951

Born in Great Falls, Montana, John is the second son of Oren and Mary Skouge. He started to school in Denver, but finished the first grade in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. At an early age he began taking piano lessons, later winning state competitions in Oklahoma. In the summer of 1962, John and his brother James attended a boys' camp in Shattuck, Minnesota.

John received his last three years of high school in Arlington, Virginia. During that time, he studied piano and theory at American University in Washington, D. C. For the four summers following grades eight, nine, ten and twelve, he attended music camp at Estes Park, Colorado, where he won a \$100 scholarship after the 10th grade music camp and had the honor of performing on graduation night. The summer of 1968 he lived with a family in Valencia, Spain, for six weeks while he studied Spanish in the University of Valencia. In the 12th grade he gave a piano recital at American University in Washington, D. C.

John entered the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Maryland, on September 14, 1969, and was graduated in the spring of 1973. The summer after his freshman year at Peabody, he worked in Ripon, Wisconsin, for the Green Giant Company; following his sophomore year, he studied chemistry and the operas of Mozart at Berkley, California, and after his junior year he studied German at California State University in San Francisco. During his junior and senior years at Peabody, he was president of the student body. In his senior year he gave recitals at four colleges and universities in the Washington, D. C. area, plus two concerts in San Francisco. Mrs. Freundlich was John's piano teacher at Peabody where he received his Master's degree in Music in June, 1975.

As John decided not to pursue Music as a career, he began taking courses in Pre-Medicine at the California State University at Hayward in 1973. He was accepted into Medical School at the University of California at Irvine in Southern California; his training there begins July 1, 1976.

John has travelled with his parents to Mexico many times. Time permitting, he enjoys skiing and ping-pong in addition to his chief pass-time, that of playing his Steinway Grand piano.

CHAPTER III Descendants of Nellie Marie Nelson (Skouge), continued

b. GRACE MARILYN SKOUGE	married	Neil Earl Irwin
b. September 4, 1929	August	b. June 16, 1927
	23, 1953	

Marilyn was born in Kanawha, Iowa, at the home of her parents, Nellie and Mons Skouge, with Dr. Judd in attendance. She was baptized at home on December 1, 1929, by Rev. Reitan. Marilyn always enjoyed sports and outdoor activities. Once at a large picnic there was to be a foot race among the children. Marilyn was going to take part, but happened to be looking elsewhere when the signal was given to start. A moment later she noticed that the others were already running, but she dashed off and won the race!

On May 21, 1944, Marilyn was confirmed by Rev. Axel Shevland in the Kanawha Lutheran Church. She attended the Kanawha schools, graduating from high school with the class of 1946. For several years during grade school and high school, she took piano lessons, first from Bertha Thormann, and later from Pauline Kubicheck. She also played an oboe in the high school concert band.

Marilyn entered Iowa State Teachers' College in Cedar Falls, Iowa, in the fall of 1946, graduating May 20, 1950, with a major in Physical Education. She taught for two years in the schools at Sac City, Iowa, and one year at Marshalltown, Iowa, where one of her pupils was Jean Seberg who later became a movie star.

While teaching in Sac City, Marilyn met Neil Irwin on a blind date. They became engaged in September 1952, and were married August 23, 1953, in the Lutheran Church in Kanawha. Floyd Schnirring, a friend of the groom, was bestman; Twila Schroeder, Marilyn's cousin, was matron of honor, and Barbara Rankin, a friend and neighbor, was organist. Neil had graduated from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, in January 1951, majoring in Industrial Education. His parents are Earl and Olga Irwin of Sac City.

Marilyn and Neil live on a farm owned by his parents and located three and one-half miles west of Sac City on highway 20. They have a large milking operation, averaging about 100 cows, and they sell grade A milk.

Address: Route 3, Box 136, Sac City, Iowa 50583

Children:

(1) Julie LaVonne Irwin(2) Michael James Irwin(3) David Neil Irwin

b. November 12, 1955 b. August 28, 1958 b. August 25, 1960 CHAPTER III Descendants of Marilyn Skouge (Irwin)

(1) JULIE LAVONNE IRWIN b. November 12, 1955

Julie, born in Sac City, Iowa, is the oldest child and only daughter of Marilyn and Neil Irwin.

At an early age she began taking piano lessons, and later, organ lessons. While in high school she accompanied many solos and musical groups, was an organist at church, and played a baritone horn in the high school band. In 1973 she was named to the National Honor Society because of her scholastic achievements and character.

Julie graduated from Sac City High School in May 1974, and this year (1976) is her second year at the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

(2) MICHAEL JAMES IRWIN b. August 28, 1958

Born in Sac City, "Mike" is the second child and first son of Marilyn and Neil Irwin.

Mike will graduate from Sac City High School in the spring of 1976 and plans to enroll in the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. He plays a trombone in the high school band, is active in F. F. A. (Future Farmers of America), and likes hunting and riding his motorcycle.

(3) DAVID NEIL IRWIN b. August 25, 1960

David is the youngest child of Marilyn and Neil Irwin. He was born in Sac City, Iowa, on August 25, 1960.

Dave, a ninth grader this year (1976), is active in F. F. A. (Future Farmers of America) and choir, and he plays a baritone horn in the band. One of his favorite activities is riding the motorcycle. Both Dave and Mike are a great help to their father in the milking operation.

CHAPTER III

Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

January (2) Elizabeth Emili 4. 1936 Christiar	4. ARTHUR OLAI NELSON b. December 28, 1895	December b.	rle Janette Brooks October 3, 1899 January 25, 1921
b. May 13, 1904		4, 1936 b.	Christiana Schmidt

Arthur was born December 28, 1895, at the farm home of his parents, Torger and Gertrude Nelson, west of Jewell, Iowa. On February 28, 1896, he was baptized by Rev. Olaus Qualen, with Lars and Engel Solem, Claus Iverson, and Mrs. G. J. Nelson as sponsors. He was confirmed in the Norwegian language by Rev. M. N. Knutson on October 9, 1910. As with his older sisters and brother, he could not speak English at the time he started to school at Lake View #1 in Hamilton County. Art tells that as a boy he used to stand on his head on top of the windmill.

Art's sister Ida said that their great-aunt, Engel Solem, was fond of the children and they would visit her often. One time she gave four-year-old Art a toy watch with a chain. Thinking he would break it, she hung it on the wall. Art was disturbed by the fact that he was given a toy that he couldn't play with. One morning as he walked back and forth in the room, gazing repeatedly at his watch on display, he suddenly climbed on a chair, took down the watch, went to the old coal heater and threw it into the stove. When Mrs. Solem asked why he did that, Art replied, "If I can't play with it, I might as well burn it." Mrs. Solem always chuckled heartily when telling of the incident.

On December 25, 1917, Art married Merle Brooks, daughter of Thomas and Nellie (Anderson) Brooks of near Belmond, Iowa. They were married at the St. Paul Lutheran parsonage by Rev. Omar Brenne, with Art's sisters Minnie and Bessie as witnesses. Art and Merle lived on a 240-acre farm owned by her father. It was located about one-fourth mile south of Morris Lake west of Belmond. For one year Merle taught in the school near their farm.

In 1919 Merle gave birth to a premature baby girl who lived only a few hours. On Friday, January 21, 1921, Art and Merle were to have gone to a dance, but since Merle didn't feel well, they stayed at home. She died the following Tuesday of scarlet fever. Because it was a communicable disease, graveside funeral services were conducted the next day. Burial was in the Franklin Grove Cemetery in Belmond beside her little daughter. A portion of Merle's obituary is being copied here because of its beauty and inspiration: CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Arthur Olai Nelson, continued

"Her parting words to all were that they live so that they would meet her in heaven, and her last words were, 'I see Jesus, I am going to heaven to be with Jesus.' Then she smiled and her face shone with a heavenly light as she passed on to her reward. As she lived, so she died, quietly, cheerfully."

After Merle's death, Art sold his farm equipment, and in March 1921, went to Central America where he joined a crew of ironworkers. He returned to the United States in July of that year. The following year he went to Joliet, Illinois, where he was employed as an ironworker. He helped to build many of the buildings and bridges in the Joliet and Chicago area. His brother George joined him after a time and they lived in a new house on Osage Street in Joliet.

Art was critically ill for several weeks in 1933, having undergone surgery in September of that year. His faithful special duty nurse was Elizabeth Schmidt, whom he later married in St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Joliet. Art's brother George, and Elizabeth's sister Louise were their attendants. Elizabeth's parents were Charles Frederick Schmidt and Christiana Emilya Elizabeth (Schulz) Schmidt. She received her R. N. degree on November 10, 1927, from the St. Joseph School of Nursing in Joliet.

In 1941 the family moved to Osage Street (Ridgewood) in Joliet, and then to 13 Lockport Street, Plainfield, Illinois, in 1942. In 1945 Art purchased an 82-acre farm two miles east and two and one-half miles north of Story City, Iowa, where they moved in November, 1946. In later years Art became unable to farm because of heart trouble, so the land was rented out, but they continued to live in the house. After Elizabeth's death September 13, 1970, of a kidney ailment, Art moved into Story City where he rented an apartment. He now resides in Bethany Manor in Story City. Elizabeth was laid to rest in the Story City Cemetery.

Address: Bethany Manor, Story City, Iowa 50248

Children:

a.	Betty Lou Nelson (Drewes)	b	June	26,	1936
b.	Arthur Oren Nelson	b.	May	23,	1940

CHAPTER III Descendants of Arthur Olai Nelson

a. BETTY LOU NELSON	married	Donald William Drewes
b. June 26, 1936	September	b. March 26, 1930
	26. 1954	

Betty, born in Joliet, Illinois, is the older of two children of Arthur and Elizabeth Nelson. She was baptized July 26, 1936, in St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Joliet. At an early age she moved with her family to Plainfield, Illinois, then to a farm near Story City, Iowa, where she graduated from high school May 27, 1954.

On September 26, 1954, in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Story City, Betty married Donald Drewes, son of August Frederick and Eleanor (Sicard) Drewes. Donald was also her Uncle Melvin Nelson's step-son. Following the wedding, the photographer took a picture of Torger and Gertrude Nelson and their immediate family of ten children. That sitting proved to be the last time they were all together. (See photograph on page 98a.)

Don first went to college at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Economics in 1952. From 1952 to 1954, he served in the United States Army Finance Corps. In 1956 he earned his Master's degree in Labor and Management from the University of Iowa in Iowa City. His Ph.D. degree in Industrial Psychology was from Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana, in 1959.

Don has been teaching graduate psychology at North Carolina State University in Raleigh since 1959; recently, he has also been active in government-sponsored research.

While Don was in college, Betty often took art courses and has painted many beautiful pictures. She also attended Meredith College in Raleigh for over two years.

Both Betty and Don share a liking for music. Don is also interested in Indian arts and crafts, Japanese gardening and landscaping, art, photography and model-building. Betty keeps busy with sewing, art, decorating, crafts, house plants, and caring for her family and home.

Address: 3205 Kenly Ct., Raleigh, North Carolina 27607

Children:

(1)	Elizabeth Ellen Drewes	b.	April 9,	1964
(2)	Graham Nelson Drewes	b.	July 25,	1967

CHAPTER III Descendants of Betty Lou Nelson (Drewes)

(1) ELIZABETH ELLEN DREWES b. April 9, 1964

Elizabeth, born in Raleigh, North Carolina, is the first of two children born to Betty and Donald Drewes. She was baptized at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Raleigh on May 24, 1964.

Elizabeth likes social studies and arts and crafts; she also enjoys reading and coin collecting, and has a love of animals, especially horses. Being very interested in music, she has begun taking lessons on the violin her Greatuncle Lud Nelson had purchased in 1918.

A former Brownie Scout, Elizabeth is currently a member of the Y.M.C.A. Youth Program.

(2) GRAHAM NELSON DREWESb. July 25, 1967

Born in Raleigh, North Carolina, to Betty and Donald Drewes, Graham was baptized November 26, 1967, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Raleigh.

His interests include sports, especially N.F.L. football. He is currently learning to swim at the Y.M.C.A., likes to read, and is looking forward to taking lessons on a musical instrument when he reaches the sixth grade.

CHAPTER III Descendants of Arthur Olai Nelson, continued

Ъ.	ARTHUR	OREN NELSON	married	Kathleen Ethel	Scully
	b. May	23, 1940	August	b. January 12,	1947
			22, 1970		

Arthur, the second child and only son of Arthur and Elizabeth Nelson, was born at St. Joseph Hospital in Joliet, Illinois, and was dubbed "Little Art" by his family.

He began school in Plainfield, Illinois, attended the second semester of the first grade in Randall, Iowa, then completed the elementary grades and high school in Story City, graduating on May 27, 1958. He graduated from the State University of Iowa, Iowa City, in June of 1963, majoring in Sociology.

On August 21, 1963, Art enlisted in the United States Navy. After attending radio school in Norfolk, Virginia, he was assigned to the Guantanamo Naval Base at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, where he was supervisor of a communication relay center. He was separated from active duty on August 21, 1965, a recipient of the National Defense Medal and the Good Conduct Medal.

Art met Kathleen Scully in Burlington, Iowa, where she was dating his best friend. Fourteen months later, Art and Kathy were married, with the "best friend" acting as bestman. The wedding took place at Saint Patrick's Church in Burlington on August 22, 1970. Kathy, daughter of William and Ethel (Horn) Scully of Burlington, teaches eighth grade social sciences and girls' physical education in the Argyle School District, where she also coaches junior high girls' track and basketball. She is an accomplished seamstress; she also enjoys gardening, furniture refinishing, swimming, playing softball and reading.

Art is employed as local office manager of the Iowa State Employment Service in Fort Madison, Iowa. For recreation, he likes hunting, fishing, boating and photography.

As yet, Art and Kathy have no children, but enjoy the companionship of their English Pointer, Cindy.

Address: 3923 Avenue L, Fort Madison, Iowa 52627

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

5, LUDWIG EMANUEL NELSON	married	Marian Josephine Sicard,
b. September 2, 1897	June 24,	Smith
	1941	b. January 22, 1903

Lud was born September 2, 1897, at the "home place" west of Jewell, Iowa, the fifth child, third son of Torger and Gertrude Nelson. He was baptized October 10, 1897, by Rev. Olaus Qualen in the St. Paul Lutheran Church southwest of Jewell; sponsors were John and Anna Jacobson and T. S. Oppedal. On October 1, 1911, he was confirmed in the same church by Rev. M. N. Knutson.

Since only the Norwegian language was spoken at home, Lud's entrance into school at Lake View #1 was his first contact with English. As a youth, he taught himself to play the accordian, and in 1918 he bought a violin which is now being used by his great-niece, Elizabeth Drewes, to take lessons.

Lud and his brother Art used to trap rabbits, skunks and muskrats along the dredge ditch on the way to and from school, then sold the furs. One time while Lud was hunting near the dredge ditch northeast of the farm, he was climbing over a fence while his right hand was placed on the muzzle of the gun. The gun discharged, shooting off his little finger. For many years Lud stayed at home and assisted his father and brother Melvin on the family farm.

Through a "lonely hearts" club, Lud met Marian Sicard who had previously been married to Walter Smith. Lud and Marian were married on June 24, 1941, and made their home in Ackley, Iowa. William Sicard, Marian's father, lived with them until his death in 1947.

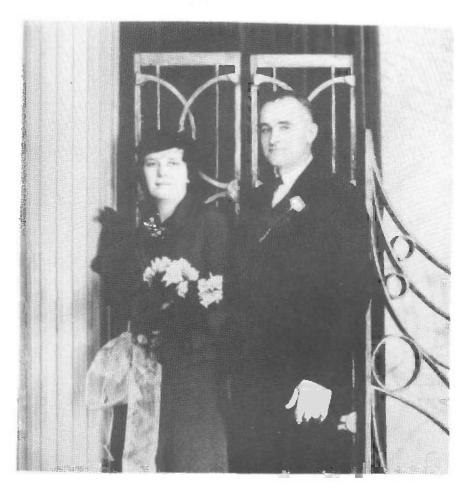
On May 22, 1942, during World War II, Lud was inducted into the United States Army and was sent to California for training. He was discharged March 10, 1943.

From October 1943, until his retirement in 1962, Lud worked at the Ralston Purina Company in Iowa Falls, Iowa, where soy beans were processed.

Lud and Marian enjoy raising a large garden every year. They have no children of their own, but have been like a second set of parents to Donald Drewes, son of Eleanor Drewes Nelson, Marian's sister.

Address: 1001 South Mitchell Street, Ackley, Iowa 50601





Arthur and Elizabeth Nelson

Arthur and Merle Nelson





Carroll and Minnie Eckstrom September 1, 1920

Ludwig Nelson

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CHAPTER III

Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

6.	MINNIE AMELIA b. January 3,	married September 1, 1920		Carroll Edgar Eckstrom b. September 5, 1892 d. April 10, 1959
		November 9, 1936	(2)	Claude Greene Ellsworth b. February 9, 1885 d. January 3, 1962

At the farm home of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, their sixth child, Minnie, was born on January 3, 1900, with Mrs. Ingeborg Oppedahl as the midwife. She was baptized February 4, 1900, at the St. Paul Lutheran Church southwest of Jewell, Iowa, by Rev. J. H. T. Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Ole Satre and Adolph Sletten acted as sponsors. She was confirmed in the same church on November 15, 1914, by Rev. Omar Brenne.

Minnie attended Lake View School, District #1, in Hamilton County as did her brothers and sisters. She taught herself to play the piano, going into the cold parlor in the winter-time to figure out the lines and spaces of the notes. She also became an accomplished seamstress. Her sister Ida reports that at the age of ten, Minnie fashioned dresses out of crepe paper for herself and her younger sisters, Bessie and Thelma. Dressed in their finery, they went across the road to model them for Mrs. Gastrin. The next time Mrs. Gastrin saw Gertrude Nelson, she remarked, "Minnie is going to be a dressmaker."

In the fall of 1918 she went to Des Moines to work. While there, she met Carroll Eckstrom, a sergeant in the United States Army who was stationed at Camp Dodge near Des Moines, Iowa. Carroll's parents were Oliver and Caroline (Farber) Eckstrom of Moline, Illinois. Minnie and Carroll became engaged in May of 1920, and were married September first of that year in the home of her parents. Minnie's brother Arthur and his wife Merle were their attendants, and Minnie's sister Bessie played the wedding march. Performing the ceremony was Rev. Hans Oppedal.

After honeymooning in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Minnie and Carroll made their home at 1710 16th Avenue in Moline, Illinois, for one year before moving to Ames, Iowa, where Carroll was employed at the Carr Hardware Store as a sheet metal worker, installing furnaces. At first they lived in the Lincoln Apartments in Ames, then in 1927 began building a home which was completed the following year, the address being 518 13th Street. The family moved to Mason City, Iowa, in 1931 and on October 31st of that year the marriage was dissolved.

Minnie and her daughter spent the next three years in part in Kanawha, Iowa, with Minnie's sister and her husband, Nellie CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Minnie Amelia Nelson (Eckstrom, Ellsworth), continued

and Mons Skouge; in Hadley, Minnesota, due to the illness of Minnie's sister Ida, and in Joliet, Illinois where Minnie kept house for her brothers, Arthur and George, while they were employed as ironworkers in the Joliet and Chicago area. On November 10, 1934, Minnie took her daughter Twila to Kanawha, Iowa, to live with her aunt and uncle, Nellie and Mons Skouge, while Minnie went to Des Moines to seek employment.

In May of 1936 she met a Des Moines physician, Dr. Claude G. Ellsworth, a widower with three grown children. They were married on November 9, 1936, in Liberty, Missouri, by the pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Dr. Ellsworth's mother lived with them at 1057 40th Street in Des Moines. Minnie studied and became a laboratory technician, assisting her husband in his office. Due to family problems, the marriage was terminated on November 29, 1939.

Between 1938 and 1954 Minnie underwent three major surgeries, a series of x-ray treatments, and a serious bout of pneumonia.

In the summers of 1956 and 1959 she made two trips to Europe with her nephew, Dr. Oren Skouge, and his wife Mary. They visited relatives in Norway and toured other countries including Germany, France, Switzerland, Austria, Denmark and Sweden.

Minnie was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church in Des Moines. She was employed by Broadlawns Polk County Hospital in Des Moines in 1940, and served as housemother in the Nurses' Residence until illness forced her to retire in 1960, a victim of cancer. That fall she moved to Kanawha, Iowa, where she lived with her daughter and family until it became necessary for her to be hospitalized. She entered the hospital in Britt, Iowa, on July 10, 1961, and died there at 12:30 a.m. on Sunday, July 30, 1961. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Perry Sampson on August 2, 1961, in the Kanawha Lutheran Church and she was laid to rest in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell, Iowa, beside her parents.

In spite of misfortunes and illnesses, Minnie never lost her cheerful disposition. Part of a tribute to her written by a Broadlawns supervisor for the <u>Alumni</u> <u>Newsletter</u> is as follows:

"It would seem to me that this newsletter is an appropriate place for me to voice my sense of loss of a true friend and loyal helpmate. I am sure that each of you who lived in the Residence and felt the warmth of her personality and was the recipient of her many thoughtful and helpful gestures join me in paying tribute. Many of you will

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued Minnie Amelia Nelson (Eckstrom, Ellsworth), continued

recall her individual kindnesses and favors--even words of wisdom--which helped make your three years in the school happy ones. Her passing has been a great loss and each day we realize all the extra things she did beyond her 'job description.' We miss her vivacious manner, ready laughter, pitter-patter down the hall, and let's not forget her 'answering the telephone before she got there.'"

Regarding the last phrase, Minnie often would sing out, "Yes, yes, I'm coming," while hurrying to answer the telephone.

Only child:

a. Twila Ruth Eckstrom (Schroeder) b. July 16, 1925

a,	TWILA	RUTH	ECKSTROM	married	William	David Schroeder
	b. Jul	y 16,	1925	September 15, 1946	b. July	6, 1926

Twila was born at 5:20 a.m. on a Thursday morning July 16, 1925, at the Mary Greeley Hospital in Ames, Iowa, with Dr. McFarland in attendance. Her parents were Carroll and Minnie Eckstrom. She was baptized at the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Ames by Rev. Lester A. Pierson on October 11, 1925.

(For some of the details regarding Twila's childhood, see the account of her mother just previous to this.)

A big event while living in Joliet, Illinois, was visiting the 1932-33 World's Fair in Chicago entitled "A Century of Progress."

In November of 1934 she went to Kanawha, Iowa, to live with her aunt and uncle, Nellie and Mons Skouge. The following January she began taking piano lessons from Miss Bertha Thormann, continuing them for four years. She was confirmed at the Kanawha Lutheran Church on June 11, 1939, by Rev. M. N. Peterson. Twila completed the fourth through the twelfth grades in Kanawha, graduating from high school on May 11, 1943. She and a classmate, William Schroeder, were tied for being the second highest in the class.

Following graduation, Twila went to Des Moines, Iowa, where she was employed by Central Life Assurance Society. During the three years and three months that she worked there, she was promoted from mail clerk to a secretarial position. While in Des Moines, she lived with her mother at the Broadlawns Nurses' Residence where Minnie was housemother. CHAPTER III Descendants of Minnie Amelia Nelson (Eckstrom, Ellsworth) Twila Eckstrom (Schroeder), continued

Twila became engaged to classmate William Schroeder, son of Otto and Edith (Eliason) Schroeder of Kanawha, Iowa, on September 5, 1945, in Chicago, Illinois, where he was stationed at Navy Pier. Bill had enlisted in the Navy in February, 1944. Besides Chicago, he attended schools in Minot, North Dakota, and Seattle, Washington. He was also stationed in Gulfport, Mississippi; Shoemaker, California; Bremerton, Washington, and Attu in the Aleutians. He was discharged in May of 1946.

On September 15, 1946, Twila and Bill were married in the Kanawha Lutheran Church by Rev. F. R. Lien. Their attendants were Marilyn Skouge (Twila's cousin) and Richard Thompson (friend of Bill). Twila was escorted to the altar by her cousin, Dr. Oren Skouge. After a short honeymoon, the couple made their home on his parents' farm three and one-half miles north of Kanawha where they still reside. Besides farming his parents' farm, Bill purchased his uncle Fred Schroeder's farm of 156 acres in 1966.

Bill has served on the Board of Deacons of the Kanawha Lutheran Church for six years, and taught eighth grade and high school students in Sunday School for a total of eleven or twelve years. At this writing (1976), he is in his fourth year as president of the congregation.

Twila has been an organist in the church since 1948; she was also a teacher of the Bethel Series, an adult educational program. For seven years she gave piano lessons in her home to over 20 pupils, having taken more lessons herself at Drake University while she was working in Des Moines, then at Britt, Iowa. From June 1, 1968, to November 1, 1975, she was employed as office assiant for the local physician, Dr. L. W. Eller.

Twila enjoys knitting, crocheting and sewing, while Bill is an avid reader.

Address: Route 1, Kanawha, Iowa 50447

Children:

(1) Steve Alan Schroeder b. July 31, 1948

(2) Karen Sue Schroeder (Lang)b. October 12, 1951

CHAPTER III Descendants of Twila Ruth Eckstrom (Schroeder)

(1)	STEVE ALAN SCHROEDER	married	Cynthia Lee Stalheim
	b. July 31, 1948	June 19,	b. January 26, 1951
		1971	

Steve, the first child and only son of William and Twila Schroeder, was born at the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Mason City, Iowa, on Saturday, July 31, 1948, at 11:30 p.m. He grew up on the family farm three and one-half miles north of Kanawha, Iowa. On September 5, 1948, he was baptized by Rev. N. R. Wogen in the Kanawha Lutheran Church; he was confirmed there on June 2, 1963 by Pastor Perry Sampson.

At the age of five, he went to kindergarten in the country school one-half mile south of their home. The following year the schools were consolidated and he went from the first grade through high school in the schools in Kanawha, graduating on May 17, 1966. He played a cornet in the junior high and high school bands, was active in the F. F. A. (Future Farmers of America), and was on the high school football team.

In the fall of 1966, Steve entered Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, graduating from there in May of 1971 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Landscape Architecture.

During several summers of his high school and college years, he was employed as a carpenter at Marting Manufacturing in Britt, Iowa, where hog feeders were constructed. The summer of 1970 was spent working for the Forest Service in the Black Hills of South Dakota where he met Cindy Stalheim of DeSmet, South Dakota, daughter of Larry and LaVerne (Bockelman) Stalheim, who was employed in Custer State Park. They became engaged on January 29, 1971, and were married on June 19 of that year in the Lutheran Church in DeSmet. Their first home was a rented duplex in Des Moines, Iowa, at 4600 Forest Avenue. Then in 1973 they bought a brick duplex on Polk Blvd. where they continue to live.

Shortly before his graduation from college, Steve obtained employment with Smith, Voorhees and Jensen, an architectural firm in Des Moines. Soon he started working evenings for Environmental Design Group, Ltd., and finally went to work for them full time, achieving the status of associate in 1974.

Cindy attended Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota for two years before her marriage, and completed her last two years at Drake University in Des Moines where she graduated in the spring of 1973 with a Bachelor of Music Education degree. In January 1974, she was hired as instrumental instructor in the schools of Mingo, Iowa, a small community near Des Moines. At the present time she is doing substitute teaching in the Des Moines Schools. CHAPTER III Descendants of Twila Ruth Eckstrom (Schroeder), continued Steve Alan Schroeder, continued

Steve and Cindy enjoy collecting and refinishing antique furniture, and Steve has a large collection of antique swords and guns. Cindy likes to sew, embroider, and do needlepoint. In 1975 they purchased one-third interest in an 80-acre farm about sixty miles south of Des Moines.

Address: 1024 Polk Blvd., Des Moines, Iowa 50311

(2)	KAREN	SUE :	SCHRO	DEDER	married	Larry Charlie Lang
	b. Oct	ober	12,	1951	July 1,	b. May 7, 1949
					1972	

Karen was born in the Belmond hospital at 2:55 a.m. on October 12, 1951, the second child of William and Twila Schroeder. She was baptized on November 25, 1951, in the Kanawha Lutheran Church by Pastor Perry Sampson, with Marilyn Skouge and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Thompson as sponsors. On June 5, 1966, she was confirmed by Pastor Bernard Oebser.

Karen attended the schools in Kanawha, Iowa, and graduated from high school May 20, 1969. She was second highest in her class and also received a National Merit Scholarship Commendation. During her last two years of high school, she played tympani in the concert band, besides being on the track team. The summer of 1968, she worked as a car-hop at the A & W Drive-in in Britt, Iowa. She also "walked" soy bean fields for several summers, chopping out the weeds and corn.

In September 1969, she enrolled in Mankato State College in Mankato, Minnesota, where she took two years of general education and one year of secretarial courses.

When Karen was home for Easter vacation the latter part of March, 1970, she met Larry Lang who was home on leave from the Navy where he was a member of the "Sea Bees," stationed in California. After several trips to Kanawha by Larry and two trips to California by Karen, they became engaged on September 22, 1971.

Larry served in Viet Nam for six months where he helped drill water wells; he was in the Philippines for a short time, and was discharged from active duty in December of 1971.

CHAPTER III Descendants of Twila Ruth Eckstrom (Schroeder), continued Karen Sue Schroeder (Lang), continued

Larry's parents are Gottlieb and Elsie (Schaeffer) Lang of Corwith, Iowa.

Karen and Larry were married July 1, 1972, at the Kanawha Lutheran Church with Rev. Charles Hulsether officiating. Bridesmaids were Cindy Wicks (friend), Julie Irwin (second cousin), and Cindy Schroeder (sister-in-law). The groomsmen were Ron Byman (friend), Allen Lang (brother), and Steve Schroeder (Karen's brother). Lloyd Lockhart, Karen's second cousin, was the organist.

After honeymooning at Itasca State Park in Minnesota, they were at home first in a trailer house in Mason City, Iowa, before building a new home in Sheffield, Iowa, that fall. Larry is employed as a diesel mechanic for Gibbs-Cook Caterpillar Company in Mason City, and Karen worked for a time in the office of Sukup Manufacturing Co., a factory for graindrying equipment, in Sheffield.

Karen enjoys doing needlepoint, sewing, gardening and cooking. She also teaches Sunday School in the United Methodist Church in Sheffield where she and Larry are members.

Address: P. O. Box 255, Sheffield, Iowa 50475

Children:

(a) Kathryn Christine Lang b. September 13, 1973

Kathy was baptized in the United Methodist Church in Sheffield by Rev. James A. Davidson on March 3, 1974. Mr. and Mrs. John Lang were her sponsors. CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

7. BESSIE MABEL NELSON	married	Neilius Nelson
b. January 28, 1902	October	b. September 20, 1896
	8, 1924	d. March 1, 1973

Bessie, the fourth daughter, seventh child of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, was born on her parents' farm west of Jewell, Iowa, with Mrs. Britha Kringlen as midwife. She was baptized April 20, 1902, by Rev. J. H. T. Lee, her sponsors being Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobsen and Lawrence Jacobsen. On October 15, 1916, she was confirmed in the St. Paul Lutheran Church by Rev. Omar Brenne.

Bessie attended Lake View School, District No. 1, finishing the eighth grade. One winter day when she was on her way to school, she became lost in a snow storm and took refuge with a neighbor where she stayed the rest of the day.

For two years, 1921 and 1922, Bessie was employed in Ames, Iowa.

On July 7, 1924, she met Neilius Nelson of Story City, Iowa. Three months later, on October 8, 1924, they were married at the Lutheran parsonage in Ames by Rev. Lester A. Pierson. Their attendants were Minnie and Carroll Eckstrom, Bessie's sister and brother-in-law. They made their home on the farm where Neilius had been born and reared, one and one-half miles west of Roland, Iowa. Neilius and Bessie purchased the 160-acre farm in 1935 after the deaths of his parents, Ellen (Jensen) and Nels Nelson.

For years before his death, Neilius was plagued with illnesses and allergies. He died March 1, 1973, of an apparent heart attack. Funeral services were held in the Salem Lutheran Church in Roland, Iowa, with burial in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell, Iowa.

Bessie continued to live on the farm for nearly two years after Neilius' death, but sold it and moved into an apartment in Story City, Iowa, in December, 1974.

Address: 934 Maple Street, Apartment 3, Story City, Iowa 50248

Only child:

a. Blanchard Noel Nelson b. December 10, 1927

CHAPTER III Descendants of Bessie Mabel Nelson (Nelson)

a.	BLANCHARD NOEL NELSON	married	Mavis Lovena Warren
	b. December 10, 1927	February 27, 1955	b. October 14, 1928

On December 10, 1927, Noel was born at the farm home of his parents, Bessie and Neilius Nelson, with Dr. Snyder of Roland, Iowa, as the attending physician. He was baptized in the Salem Lutheran Church in Roland, and was confirmed there on May 5, 1942.

Being an only child, Noel was very attached to his dog and pony. At the ages of eight and nine, he took piano lessons; he had violin lessons for three years while in high school, and graduated from the Roland High School May 16, 1946.

In 1951 Noel was inducted into the United States Army and served in Korea for one and one-half years. He was in a searchlight outfit in the front lines. One time while driving an Army vehicle, he became lost. When he discovered his position, he was 50 miles behind enemy lines. Noel received the Good Conduct Medal upon discharge in 1953.

Noel met Mavis Warren, the oldest daughter of Otis and Bertha Warren, while she was teaching in Story City, Iowa. Mavis was born in Newark, South Dakota, but grew up near Ames, Iowa, and graduated from Milford Township Consolidated School in 1946. That summer she attended Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa, and in the fall began teaching country school near Boone, Iowa. The next seven or eight years were spent attending summer school and teaching during the school terms. She has taught in Gladbrook, Story City, South Hamilton in Jewell, and in Webster City, all of which are in Iowa. She has taught for 17 consecutive years, mainly in the first grade. In 1952 she graduated from two years at Simpson College in Indianola, Iowa, but continued to attend Saturday classes at Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, and Community College classes in Webster City, Iowa.

Noel and Mavis were married in the Bethesda Lutheran Church (now called Ascension Lutheran) in Ames on February 27, 1955. That same day they moved to their farm one-half mile south of Ellsworth, Iowa. In addition to farming, Noel began driving a school bus in 1969. In 1975 they sold their farm near Ellsworth and purchased one near Clare, Iowa. Time permitting, Mavis likes to read, sew and work with crafts.

Address: Rural Route, Clare, Iowa 50524

Children:

- (1) LuAnn Kathryn Nelson
- (2) Arleen June Nelson(3) Orin Lyn Nelson

b. November 21, 1955
b. June 26, 1964
b. June 29, 1970

CHAPTER III Descendants of Blanchard Noel Nelson

(1) LUANN KATHRYN NELSON b. November 21, 1955

LuAnn, Noel and Mavis Nelson's first child, began taking piano lessons at the age of six. She also plays clarinet and organ. LuAnn was confirmed in 1971 in the Lutheran Church in Ellsworth, Iowa.

While in high school, she did baby-sitting, worked parttime in the nursing home, and worked as a waitress in Jewell, Iowa.

In the spring of 1974 LuAnn graduated from South Hamilton High School in Jewell as valedictorian of her class. That fall she enrolled at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, aiming for a major in computer science. In this, her second year of college (1975-76), she is serving as organist at Ascension Lutheran Church in Ames.

(2) ARLEEN JUNE NELSON b. June 26, 1964

Arleen is the second child of Noel and Mavis Nelson. She was baptized in the Lutheran Church in Ellsworth, Iowa, in July 1964, her sponsors being William and Twila Schroeder of Kanawha, Iowa.

Like her sister, Arleen began taking piano lessons when she was six years old. At the age of nine, she started taking flute lessons.

(3) ORIN LYN NELSON b. June 29, 1970

Orin is the third child and only son born to Noel and Mavis Nelson. He was baptized in August 1970, in the Lutheran Church in Ellsworth, Iowa.



Lloyd and Thelma Husby



Neilius and Bessie Nelson



George and Viola Nelson 1975



Melvin and Eleanor Nelson 1938

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

8.	TH	ELMA	GERTH	RUDE	NELSON	married	Melvin <u>Lloyd</u> Husby
	þ.	Febr	ruary	24,	1904	September 9, 1925	b. July 22, 1903

Thelma, the eighth child of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, was born at the home of her parents on February 24, 1904. The name "Thelma" was suggested by Mrs. Gastrin, a neighbor across the road who had just read a book with that title. Mr. and Mrs. Ole Oppedal were the sponsors at her baptism on June 19, 1904, in the St. Paul Lutheran Church by Rev. M. N. Knutson. She was confirmed in the same church by Rev. Omar Brenne on November 3, 1918, and she attended Lake View School #1 in Hamilton County, Iowa. Before her marriage she worked in Ames and Story City, Iowa.

On September 9, 1925, Thelma became the bride of Lloyd Husby, son of Martin and Lottie Husby. The marriage took place in the Lutheran Church in Ames with Minnie and Carroll Eckstrom, Thelma's sister and brother-in-law, as attendants. Their "wedding picture" was taken about a year later after the birth of their first daughter. Thelma and Lloyd made their home on the Husby farm, the NW¹/₄ of section 23 in Clear Lake Township, Hamilton County, Iowa. Lloyd's father had died when Lloyd was 17 years old; his mother lived with them until her death in 1935. In 1932 a new house was erected on the farm.

Lloyd had a series of unfortunate accidents and illnesses beginning on February 14, 1930, when a truck he was cranking went into gear. As he jumped to get out of the way, he slipped on some ice, falling in front of a rear wheel which passed over his head. In 1933 his right leg went through the times of a manure spreader; he sustained two broken legs--the first in 1935 and again in 1961; underwent three surgical operations; and in the spring of 1972 suffered a severe heart attack.

Thelma worked beside her husband in his farming operation, except during the years from 1950 to 1962 when she was severely striken with arthritis. She took treatments for years and finally regained her health.

In the fall of 1972 Lloyd and Thelma began building a new home in Story City for their retirement. Their daughter La Vonne and her husband, who had been living on a nearby farm, moved onto the Husby farm in the spring of 1974.

Address: 421 Fretto Drive, Story City, Iowa 50248

Children:

a. LaVonne Trevelle Husby (Lockhart) b. August 26, 1926 b. Lenore Grace Husby (Vee) b. April 21, 1933

CHAPTER III Descendants of Thelma Gertrude Nelson (Husby)

a. LAVONNE TREVELLE HUSBY married Wilfred Wesley Lockhart b. April 12, 1919 b. August 26, 1926 September 9, 1945

LaVonne was born August 26, 1926, the elder of the two daughters born to Thelma and Lloyd Husby. She was baptized October 3, 1926, and confirmed October 20, 1940, in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church west of Jewell, Iowa.

She attended elementary school at Clear Lake District #5, a rural school, and graduated from the high school in Randall, Iowa, on May 17, 1945. While in grade school, LaVonne took piano lessons. In high school she took part in a class play, plus a number of vocal groups.

On September 9, 1945, LaVonne was married to Wilfred Lockhart, son of Allan and Evaline Lockhart of Jewell, Iowa. The wedding took place in the country church where LaVonne was baptized and confirmed, with her cousin Twila Eckstrom provising piano music for the occasion. LaVonne and "Billy" farmed in section eleven of Clear Lake Township, Hamilton County, until in 1974 when they moved to the Husby farm after her parents moved into Story City, Iowa.

LaVonne has always lived near St. Paul's Lutheran Church and has always been an active member. Before her marriage, she was involved in Sunday School, Luther League and L.D.R. (Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation); after her marriage she taught the kindergarten class of Sunday School for 24 consecutive years as well as participating in the work of the "Ladies' Aid." For the past five years she has taught the primary class in Vacation Bible School for one week in June.

Bill suffered a tragic experience in the fall of 1955 when he lost his right hand in a corn-picker accident.

LaVonne, a motherly person, enjoys cooking and gardening.

Address: Stanhope, Iowa 50246

Children:

(1) Lloyd Wesley Lockhart b. November 29, 1946 (2) Joyce LaVonne Lockhart (Bicknese) b. January 5, 1948

CHAPTER III Descendants of LaVonne Husby (Lockhart)

(1) LLOYD WESLEY LOCKHARTb. November 29, 1946

Lloyd, son of LaVonne and Wilfred Lockhart, was born in Jewell, Iowa, on November 29, 1946. He attended the elementary school and Bible School in Randall, Iowa, and South Hamilton High School in Jewell, graduating from there in 1965. Lloyd has been a faithful member of the Lutheran Church since birth. He was baptized in the St. Paul Lutheran Church west of Jewell on January 19, 1947, confirmed there May 13, 1962, and was always active in the Sunday School, choir and Luther League.

Lloyd played a tenor saxaphone in the elementary and high school bands; also studied piano and organ, his parents providing both instruments for him. He accompanied many instrumental and vocal solos as well as two high school musicals, "Oklahoma" and "The Music Man." Other high school interests were speech contests, and being basketball manager and student librarian.

In the fall of 1965 he entered the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore, Maryland, to study organ. After one year at Peabody, he transferred to Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, where he studied organ and church music. While there, he played an alto saxaphone in the Drake University Band. His organ recital was presented at the University Christian Church in Des Moines. On weekends he often went home where he worked on the assembling of a harpsichord.

In the summers of 1970 and 1973, Lloyd joined the Parish Mission Builders of the American Lutheran Church where he served as a "Slave for Christ," traveling through Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Florida and California. In 1971 he was the recipient of a scholarship to the California Lutheran Bible School at Los Angeles which he attended for one year, also experiencing the Los Angeles earthquake of 1971. For a time, he was director of music at Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in Whittier, California.

Lloyd attended Drake University the last semester of 1972 and graduated on May 12 of that year with a Bachelor of Music degree. He majored in Organ with minors in Piano and Voice. An important highlight in his life was his 10-day study tour of the Holy Land, January 3 to January 12, 1973. Later that year he accepted a Letter of Call as music director and lay assistant at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in Alpena, Michigan. Recently he accepted a call as Music Director and Administrative Assistant at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Royal Oak, Michigan and began work there February 2, 1976. In addition, he is a Congregational Development Program consultant for the Michigan District of the American Lutheran Church. In his spare time, Lloyd enjoys traveling, camping and gourmet cooking.

Address: c/o Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 814 N. Campbell Road, Royal Oak, Michigan 48067 CHAPTER III Descendants of LaVonne Husby (Lockhart), continued

 JOYCE LAVONNE b. January 5,		Benny Ray Bick b. May 5, 1944	

Joyce, LaVonne and Wilfred Lockhart's daughter, was baptized March 7, 1948, confirmed April 7, 1963, and was a faithful member of the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Sunday School, choir and Luther League.

She attended elementary and Bible school in Randall, Iowa, played a flute in the band and studied piano during her grade school years. She was graduated from South Hamilton High School in Jewell, Iowa, with the class of 1966. Some of her high school activities included vocal and instrumental music, senior pompettes, Annual Staff and basketball. She was a member of the cast in two musicals--"Oklahoma" and "My Fair Lady." Joyce was a member of the Randall Rosebuds 4-H Club for eight years, won a blue ribbon at the Iowa State Fair for her yeast rolls, and was awarded a trip to Chicago for top honors on her Record Book.

Following high school, she attended the Americana Academy of Beauty in Des Moines, Iowa, graduating on July 10, 1967, after which she was employed at the Finesse Beauty Salon in Ames, Iowa.

On May 12, 1968, at the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell, Joyce was united in marriage to Benny Bicknese, son of Ira and Louise Bicknese. Benny is employed by the Iowa Electric Light and Power Company of Iowa Falls, Iowa. Joyce has been active in church activities, including choir member, Circle chairman, primary Sunday School superintendent, and a member of the board of the Lutheran Church Women. Currently, she is serving as secretary for the church.

Joyce enjoys her family and likes to sew, knit, paint, crochet, decoupage, and do macrame and crewel work. Recently she has begun taking guitar lessons.

Address: 519 Bliss, Iowa Falls, Iowa 50126

Children:

- (a) Terry Ray Bicknese
 b. February 25, 1969
 Terry was baptized May 27, 1969, at St. Paul's
 Lutheran Church west of Jewell. He enjoys ice skating, swimming, bicycling, and is looking forward to starting piano lessons soon.
- (b) Todd Matthew Bicknese b. July 6, 1970 He was baptized at Bethany Lutheran Church in Iowa Falls. He likes music and is interested in anything on wheels.

CHAPTER III

Descendants of Thelma Gertrude Nelson (Husby), continued

Ъ.	LENORE GRACE	HUSBY	married	Donald Marvin Vee
	b. April 22,	1933	1955	b. September 21, 1924

Grace, the younger of two daughters born to Thelma and Lloyd Husby, was baptized and confirmed in the St. Paul Lutheran Church west of Jewell, Iowa. She graduated from Randall High School with the class of 1950.

After high school, Grace worked for Dr. Drummond, an optometrist, in Ames, Iowa, then moved to Albert Lea, Minnesota where she was employed as a bookkeeper for a garage.

While in Albert Lea, she met Donald Vee whom she married in the Lutheran Church in Bricelyn, Minnesota. Don's parents are Sam and Ida (Dahl) Vee. Sam was born in Aardalsogen, Norway, and Ida in Bricelyn, Minnesota.

Grace and Don continue to live in Albert Lea where he is custodian for the new high school.

Address: 1402 W. Clark Street, Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007

Children:

- (1) Marvin Donald Vee b. February 24, 1956 Marvin graduated from high school in 1974 and is now attending junior college in Austin, Minnesota. He enjoys band, sports, stamp collecting, music, history and reading.
- (2) Michael Allen Vee b. August 22, 1957 Michael's interests are band, wrestling, sports, fishing, hunting and all kinds of music. He graduated from high school in 1975, and is attending junior college in Austin, Minnesota.
- (3) Ann Marie Vee
 b. December 26, 1958
 Ann is a pom-pom girl with the band this year.
 She plans to go on to college following her high school graduation in 1977. Her interests include music, drama, sports, and crocheting.

All of the children were baptized and confirmed in Grace Lutheran Church in Albert Lea, Minnesota.

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

9.	GEORGE	THEODORE	NELSON	married	Viola Sylvia Teufer	
	b. Dece	ember 20,	1905	April	b. December 9, 1907	
				16, 1942		

Born on the home place west of Jewell, Iowa, George was the ninth child born to Torger and Gertrude Nelson. Because of a sudden severe illness, he was baptized at home at the age of 52 days. Rev. M. N. Knutsen performed the baptism on February 10, 1906; the sponsors were Carrie, Mabel and Lawrence Jacobson. He was confirmed with his brother Melvin in the St. Paul Lutheran Church by Rev. Hans Oppedal on October 10, 1920.

Years later, the illness which George had suffered as an infant was diagnosed as a ruptured appendix when he had an appendectomy in a Webster City, Iowa, hospital in 1935.

George attended Lake View School as did his brothers and sisters. George reports that when he and Melvin drove their father's Model T Ford to confirmation classes, they usually went at the brisk clip of 55 miles per hour, the car's top speed. As George enjoyed music, he taught himself to play the "fiddle," Jews harp, harmonica, accordian, and to chord on the piano.

The first time that George tasted ice cream was at the wedding reception for his sister Ida when he was nine years old. He thought that he had never before eaten anything so delicious, and he felt that he'd be very happy if that was all he had to eat for the rest of his life.

On March 12, 1928, he started out for Joliet, Illinois, in his Model T Ford, but when he was about one-fourth mile from home, he got stuck in the mud. Nevertheless, he made it to Joliet and began work the next day as an ironworker. The wages were \$1.50 per hour, and George was sure that he'd soon be wealthy. At first he lived in a hotel on Jefferson Street, then his brother Art bought a house on Osage Street where the two lived together. They worked on the construction of many buildings and bridges in the Joliet and Chicago area. George also worked on power houses, the Argonne National Laboratory, and the Stateville Penitentiary. Later, he became a foreman and at one time supervised the construction of 26 buildings simultaneously.

In 1931 George met Viola Teufer, an employee of the First National Bank in Joliet, and a daughter of Christian and Anna Teufer. Vi had begun working in the bank in 1928 and continued there for 17 years. She became supervisor of the bookkeeping department in 1935.

George and Vi were married at Palmyra, Missouri on April

CHAPTER III Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued George Theodore Nelson, continued

16, 1942, and made their home at 1017 Kelly Avenue in Joliet. For many years, Vi's mother and her sister Edna lived with them. Vi's mother died in 1948 and Edna passed away on November 5, 1967. George was rebaptized by immersion in a rock quarry near Joliet in April, 1939.

On March 29, 1967, George had a severe heart attack. When he had recovered sufficiently, he went to work as secretary for the business agent of Ironworkers Local 444. He retired on July 30, 1975, after 47 years with the ironworkers.

In 1974 George and Vi built a home in Florida where they enjoy spending the winters.

Addresses: 1017 Kelly Avenue, Joliet, Illinois 60435

or

709 East Putt Lane, Poinciana, Kissimmee, Florida

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Only child:

a. Janet Viola Nelson (Whalen) b. March 16, 1943

a.	JANET VIOLA	NELSON	married	Roland George	Whalen
	b. March 16,	1943	May 26,	b. January 3,	1939
			1962		

Janet, the only child of George and Viola Nelson, was born in Joliet, Illinois. She graduated from Joliet Township High School in 1961 after which she was employed at the Joliet Federal Savings and Loan.

On May 26, 1962, "Jan" married Roland Whalen, adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Whalen. The marriage took place in the First Assembly of God Church in Joliet. "Rollie" was graduated from North Central College in Naperville, Illinois, then went to night school and summer school to earn his Master's degree which he received from Illinois State College at Normal, Illinois in 1970.

Jan continued working for Joliet Federal Savings and Loan until 1964 when she and Rollie moved to Lockport, Illinois, where they bought a home. Rollie taught elementary school at Kelvin Grove in Lockport before getting his Master's degree. At the present time, he is a football and baseball coach, also CHAPTER III Descendants of George Theodore Nelson, continued Janet Viola Nelson (Whalen), continued

department chairman of the reading lab at Romeoville High School in Romeoville, Illinois, which is near Lockport.

Janet and Rollie were baptized in the Judson Memorial Baptist Church in Joliet on April 30, 1967.

In 1974 Jan and Rollie installed a swimming pool in their back yard.

Janet enjoys working with ceramics, knitting and crocheting, while Rollie likes to play golf and is interested in all sports.

Address: 1040 McKinley Street, Lockport, Illinois 60441

Children:

(1)	Randall	George Whalen	b.	November 8, 1964
(2)	Bradley	Nelson Whalen	b.	August 6, 1967
(3)	Kristen	Jan Whalen	\mathbf{b}_{0}	February 17, 1970

The boys enjoy baseball and swimming in the summer, and basketball and wrestling in the winter. Both boys have achieved high scholastic recognition and have been awarded trophies in various sports.

Kristen takes ballet and tap dancing lessons and has been in four dance recitals.

CHAPTER III

Descendants of Torger and Gertrude Nelson, continued

10,	MELVIN OLEAN NELSON	married	Eleanor Beatrice Sicard,
	b. December 22, 1906	February	Drewes
	d. May 7, 1969	14, 1937	b. March 21, 1910

Melvin was born December 22, 1906, at the farm home of his parents west of Jewell, Iowa, where he lived his entire life. He was the youngest of Gertrude and Torger Nelson's children and was baptized in the St. Paul Lutheran Church by Rev. M. N. Knutson on March 31, 1907, with Mr. and Mrs. Ole Kleaveland, Mr. and Mrs. August Kleaveland, and Nels Refsdal as sponsors. On October 10, 1920, he was confirmed by Rev. Hans Oppedal.

At the age of three, Melvin had the misfortune of falling from the corn crib and breaking his right arm. The family doctor, C. J. Christenson of Jewell, set the broken bone. When Melvin returned home, he told his brothers and sisters, "The doctor tried to kill me, but I was pretty hard to kill."

Melvin attended Lake View School #1 in Hamilton County. He also learned to play the "fiddle" and the accordian.

At Hubbard, Iowa, on February 14, 1937, he married Eleanor Drewes of Ackley, Iowa. Eleanor had one son Donald by her former marriage to August Drewes.

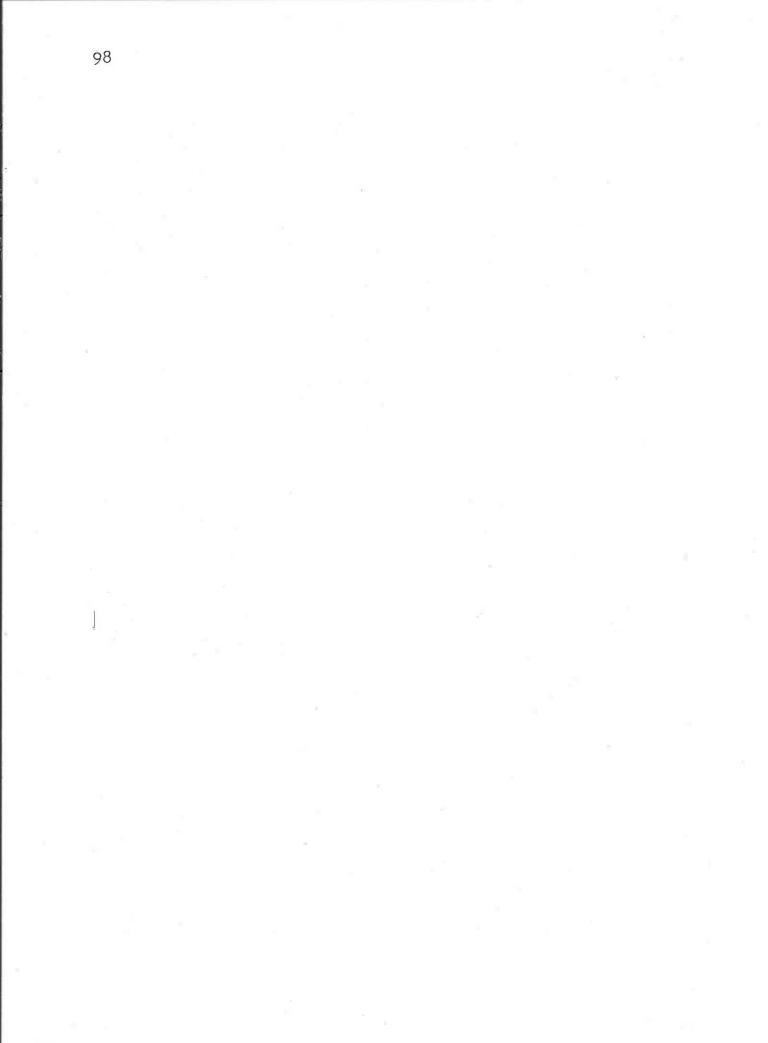
After his father's death in 1954, Melvin bought 80 acres of the home place; his brother George bought the remaining 40 acres. Melvin continued his farming activities until May 7, 1969, when he died suddenly of a heart attack. He was a softspoken, pleasant man with a winning smile. After Melvin's death, Eleanor rented out the farm, then built a house in Ackley, moving in on February 9, 1970.

On December 17, 1974, Eleanor married Gail Groves of Jewell, Iowa. Melvin and Eleanor, and Gail and Joyce Groves had always been close friends and neighbors. Joyce died a couple of years after Melvin's death. Eleanor and Gail live in Jewell.

Address: Jewell, Iowa 50130

Only child:

a. Donald William Drewes (step-son) b. March 26, 1930 (For account of Donald, see Betty Lou Nelson, page 75.)





The Torger Nelson Family, September 26, 1954 Back row: Melvin, George, Arthur, Ida Skouge, Edward, Ludwig Front row: Thelma Husby, Minnie Ellsworth, Gertrude, Torger, Bessie Nelson, Nellie Skouge

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Gertrude and Torger Nelson Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary August 1950

GERTRUDE SEVERAAS NELSON'S ANCESTORS

and Related Families

ANCESTORS OF GERTRUDE SEVERAAS NELSON

The names with the asterisk (*) are Gertrude Nelson's direct forefathers.

*OLE OLSEN	SEVERAAS	married	ANNA IVARSDATTER FJELLSENDE
b. 1685			b. 1685
d.			d. 1757

Ole and Anna were Gertrude Severaas Nelson's great, great, great, great, great grandparents.

Ole's father was Ole Magnesen Severaas.*

Anna's father was Ivar Larsen Fjellsende.*

Children:

*Ole Olsen Seven Ivar Severaas	raas			in Severaas in Hodneland; probably died young as another
				child was later named Ivar.
Magne Severaas Ivar Severaas			1710 1715	1 · C 1 ·
Marta Severaas	(Vaage)			m. Baste Monsen Vaage in 1745
Karie Severaas	(Lygren)	b.,	1723,	m. Mons Larsen Lygren in Ullygra in 1750
Eli Severaas Brita Severaas	(AEse)		1726 1729,	m. Mons Olsen AEse in Eidsheim in 1747

*OLE OLSEN SEVERAAS married b. 1706 d. 1767 ANNA b. 1710 d. 1763

Ole was born in Severaas, the first child of the above Ole. Ole and Anna were Gertrude Severaas Nelson's great, great, great grandparents.

Children: Nils Severaas *Ole Olsen Severaas Anna Severaas (L1) Siri Severaas Bertel Severaas Nils Severaas b. 1740, m. Anna Gudmundsdatter Hopland in 1762 b. 1743, m. Brita Andersdatter Li in 1765 b. 1745, m. Hans Halvorsen Li in 1763 b. 1748, d. at age of 8 Bertel Severaas b. 1750, m. Agata Monsdatter Nataas in 1773

(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

Ancestors of Gertrude Sev	veraas Nels	son, continued
*OLE OLSEN SEVERAAS n b. 1743 d. 1785	narried 1765	BRITA ANDERSDATTER LI b. 1743 d.
This Ole Olsen Seven Nelson's great, great gra		is wife Brita were Gertrude
Children: Ole Severaas	þ. 1766,	probably died young as another son was named Ole 9 years later
Anna Severaas (Fjellsende	e)b. 1766,	m. Ole Larsen Fjellsende in 1796
Marta Severaas (Hodneland)	b. 1770,	m. Ole Ivarsen Hodneland in 1794
*Ole Olsen Severaas	b. 1775,	m. Ingeborg L. Fjellsende in 1806
Eli Severaas	b. 1777,	
Anders Severaas	b. 1779,	m. Anna Olsdatter Myking- hella in 1806
Eli Severaas	b. 1782,	m. Fuse Mikkelsen Nataas in 1806

*OLE OLSEN SEVERAAS	married	INGEBORG LARSDATTER FJELLSENDE
b. 1775	1806	b. 1783
d. 1858		d. 1843

Ole and Ingeborg were Gertrude Severaas Nelson's great grandparents.

Children:

TTULEU:		
Marie Severaas		
(Kolaas)	b.	May 17, 1807, m. Bertel Olsen Kolaas in 1828
*Ole Olsen Severaas	Ъ.	October 6, 1808, m. Marta Monsdatter Nedretveit in 1836
Lars Severaas	b.	October 25, 1810, m. Siri Olsdatter Hauge in 1840
Anders Severaas	b.	March 13, 1813, d. 1881, unmarried, was a shoemaker
Ingeborg Severaas	b.	March 15, 1816, d. 1843
Brita Severaas (Skauge)		January 8, 1821, m. Annanias Monsen Skauge in 1842
Siri Severaas		
(Leikvoll)	b.	May 31, 1819, m. Martin Gudmundsen Leikvoll in 1854
Lars Severaas	b.	July 22, 1823, m. Johanna Jons- datter Kaland in 1858
Ole Severaas	b.	February 18, 1825
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(Source: Bernhard Refsdal)

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CHAPTER IV

GERTRUDE SEVERAAS NELSON'S ANCESTORS AND RELATED FAMILIES

Descendants of

Ole Olsen Severaas and Marta Monsdatter Nedretveit b. 1808 b. 1809

I. Ingeborg Severaas (died young)

- II. Ole Olsen Severaas m. Ingeborg Olsdatter Hodnekvam
 - A. Ola Olsen Severaas m. Marta Olsdatter Myking

1. Olai Severaas m. Ida Andersen

- a. Ole Martin Severaas m. Amanda Løtvet
 - (1) Olaf Severaas m. Reidun
 - (2) Jon Severaas m. Ales
 - (3) Aastri Severaas
 - b. Emma Andrea Severaas m. Nils Grimstad
 - (1) Kjell Grimstad
 - c. Sverre Severaas m. Borghild Nataas
 - (1) Ingunn Severaas m. Harald Kolaas Lindaas

(a) Helge Lindaas

- (2) Aud Severaas m. Skaala
 - (a) Linda Skaala
 - (b) Grethe Skaala
- d. Marta Severaas m. Bernhard Gunderson
- e. August Severaas (not married)
- f. Ingeborg Severaas m. Johannes Økland
 - (1) Terje Økland m. Reidun
 - (a) Mona Økland
 - (b) (a son)
- g. Ingrid Severaas m. Ragnar Meland
- h. Olga Severaas (not married)

2. August Severaas m. Oline Severaas (a neighbor)

- a. Marta Oliva Severaas m. Paal Mork Haaskjold
 - (1) Fredrik Haaskjold
 - (2) Trond Haaskjold
 - (3) Arne Haaskjold
 - (4) Olav Inge Haaskjold

Descendants of August and Oline Severaas, continued

b. Olaug Severaas m. Haakon Solheim

(1) Arne Lauritz Solheim

(2) Geir Ove Solheim

(3) Torbjørn Solheim

(4) Kjersti Solheim

c. Solveig Severaas m. Sverre Jegerstedt

(1) Kari Jegerstedt

3. Martin Severaas (Nataas) m. Oline F. Nataas

a. Fredrik August Nataas

b. Olga Nataas

c. Martha Nataas

4. Ingeborg Severaas m. Paul Mickelson

a. Torvald Mickelson

b. Arnold Mickelson

5. Ingvold Severaas

B. Marta Severaas m. Jacob Mjøs

1. Isak Mjøs m. Martha

2. Ole Mjøs (Soltvedt) m. Nora

a. Kaare Soltvedt

b. Jan Soltvedt

C. Andreas Severaas

D. Mons Severaas

E. Gertrude Olsdatter Severaas m. Torger Nilsen Skauge (Nelson)

(See Chapter III for Gertrude and Torger's descendants)

F. Martin Severaas m. Brita Rødland

1. Emma Oliva Severaas m. (1) Paul Holmelund (2) Børre Schroeder

a. Mary Ann Schroeder m. William Samuel Perle

(1) Linda Bjørg Perlé

(2) Paul Alexander Perle

2. Ingeborg Severaas (died about age 14)

3. Olga Amalie Severaas m. Haakon Dorph Andersen

Descendants of Olga Severaas (Andersen), continued

a. Britt Dorph Andersen m. Ørnulv Dannevig Hauge

- (1) Hilde Hauge m. Steinar Henriksen
 - (a) Stein Otto Henriksen
 - (b) Tore Henriksen
 - (c) Siri Henriksen
- (2) Torbjørn Hauge
- b. Turid Dorph Andersen m. Finn Just Gading

(1) Eva Gading

- (2) Nina Gading
- 4. Borghild Sofie Severaas m. Johan Fredrik Nielsen
 - a. John Norman Nielsen m. Alice Ruth Matthews
 - (1) Eric John Nielsen
 - (2) Janice Ruth Nielsen
 - b. Norma Borghild Nielsen m. Douglas Lindsley

Dickerson

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- (1) Susan Louise Dickerson
- (2) Brian Lindsley Dickerson

5. Bjarne Martin Severaas m. Klara Helle

a. Greta Irene Severaas m. August Konow

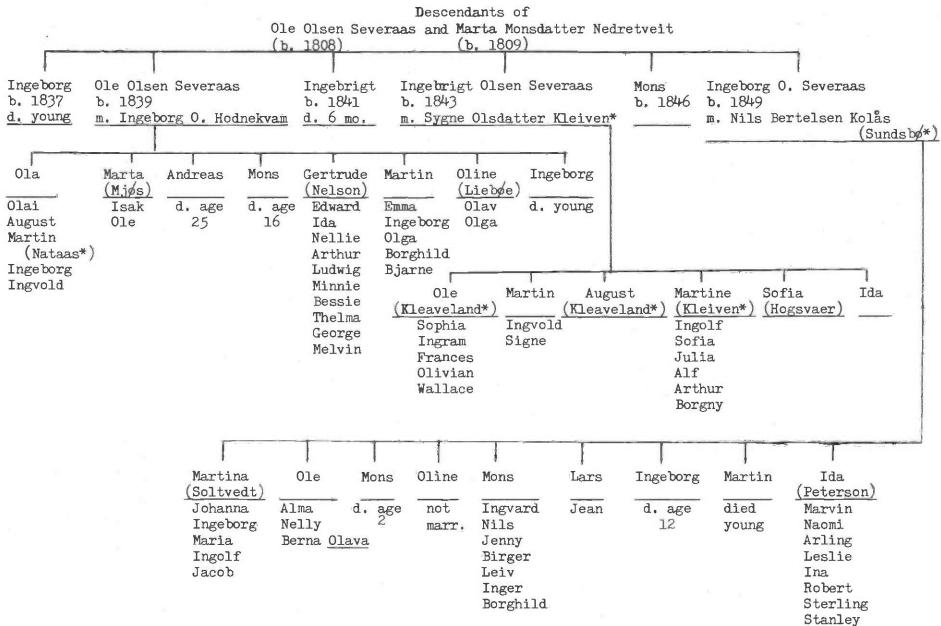
- (1) August Konow
- (2) Irene Konow
- (3) Tom Konow
- b. Marit Severaas m. Rolf Pihl
 - (1) Anne Marit Pihl
 - (2) Jannicke Pihl
 - (3) Torstein Pihl

G. Oline Severaas m. Christian Liebøe

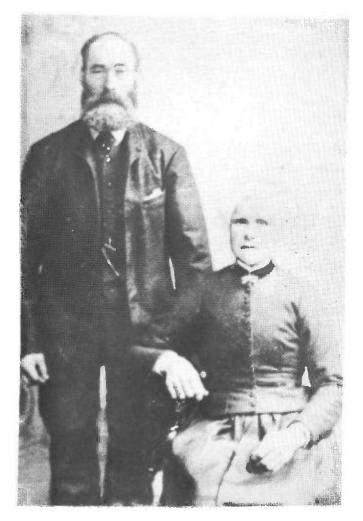
- 1. Olav Johannes Liebøe (died at age 5)
- 2. Olga Sofie Liebøe (not married)
- H. Ingeborg Severaas (died in infancy)
- III. Ingebrigt Severaas (died young)
- IV. Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas m. Sygne Olsdatter Kleiven (See Chapter V for descendants of Ingrbrigt and Sygne
 - V. Mons Severaas
- VI. Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas m. Nils Bertilsen Kolaas Sundsbø

(See Chapter VI for descendants of Ingeborg and Nils Sundsbø

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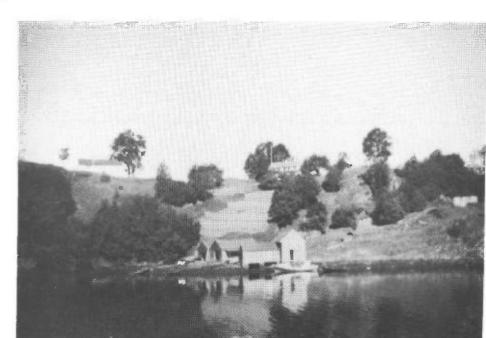
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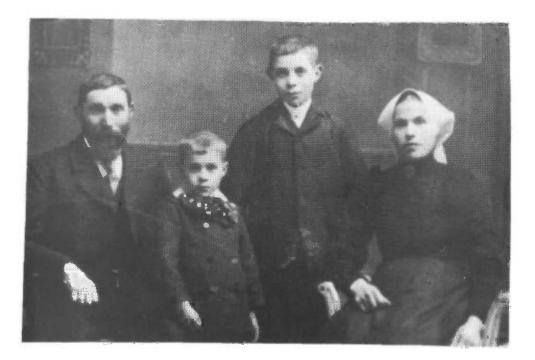
Ole and Ingeborg Severaas, parents of Gertrude Severaas Nelson and her sisters and brothers.



View from the Severaas farm



The Severaas Farm The Severaas home is in the center, top of picture. Note the hay-drying fences between the house and boathouses.



Jacob Mjøs, Ole, Isak, Marta Severaas Mjøs

CHAPTER IV Gertrude Severaas Nelson's ancesto	ors and related families:
OLE OLSEN SEVERAAS married b. 1808 1836 d.	MARTA MONSDATTER NEDRETVEIT b. 1809 d.
This Ole Olsen Severaas was (grandfather. (See outline of his 103.) He farmed the Severaas farm	descendants, pages 101 to
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II. Ole Olsen Severaas b. Ja	nuary 23, 1837 (died young) nuary 30, 1839 tober 5, 1841 (died young)
(Kleiven) b. No	vember 11, 1843 ptember 21, 1846
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Ingeborg, the first child bo died at an early age. II. OLE OLSEN SEVERAAS married b. January 30, 1839 d. 1911	rn to Ole and Marta Severaas, INGEBORG OLSDATTER HODNEKVAMME b. December 28, 1833 d. August 19, 1908
Ole was a son of Ole Olsen S Nedretveit Severaas. Nellie Skou sons were quite tall. On Ingebor "Elsket og savnet" (loved and mis	g's grave stone are the words:
Children: A. Ola Olsen Severaas B. Marta Severaas (Mjøs) C. Andreas Severaas D. Mons Severaas E. Gertrude (or Gjertrud) Olsdatter Severaas	 b. March 7, 1859 b. September 1, 1862 b. June 5, 1865 b. November 10, 1866
(Nelson) F. Martin Severaas G. Oline Severaas (Liebøe) H. Ingeborg Severaas	b. December 26, 1867 b. September 30, 1870 b. June 24, 1873 b. August 24, 1877
(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Olge	Tichdo Nollio Chouse Ido

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1839)

A. OLA OLSEN SEVERAAS	married	Marta Olsdatter Myking
b. March 7, 1859		b. October 8, 1858
d. May 8, 1921		d. April 25, 1902

Ola was the first child born to Ole Olsen Severaas and Ingeborg Olsdatter Hodnekvamme. He was Gertrude Severaas Nelson's oldest brother. On his grave stone are the words: "Tak for Alt" (thanks for everything).

Marta's trunk is currently in the house at Severaas. It is beautifully decorated with rosemaling and bears the inscription "Martha Olsdatter Myking 1882." Although her trunk states her name as Martha, her tombstone and other sources have it as Marta.

Children:

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1.	OLAI SEVERAAS	married	Ida Andersen
	b. July 27, 1881		b. August 19, 1880
	d. February 18, 1969		d. September 24, 1970

Olai was the eldest son of Ola and Marta Severaas. He lived on the Severaas farm.

Olai and his brother August were in the United States for a few years doing timber and carpenter work in Montana. August died two days before Olai passed away.

Children:

	Ole Severaas		November 4, 1905
		b.	
с.	Sverre Severaas	b.	July 22, 1911
d.	Martha Severaas		
	(Gunderson)	b.	May 24, 1913
e.	August Severaas	b.	September 17, 1914
f.	Ingeborg Severaas (Økland)	b.	May 21, 1917
g.	Ingrid Severaas (Meland)	b.	August 16, 1919
h.	Olga Severaas	b.	February 22, 1921
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(Sources: Tombstones, Gerhard Skouge, the children of Olai Severaas)

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Olai Severaas

a. OLE MARTIN SEVERAAS married Amanda Løtvet b. November 4, 1905 d. March 19, 1975

Ole was the oldest son of Olai and Ida Severaas. He was a carpenter in Bergen before moving back to the Severaas farm, perhaps when he retired.

Children:

(1)	Olaf Severaas	married Reidun
(2)	Jon Severaas	married Ales
(.3.)	Aastri Severaas	not married

b. EMMA ANDREA SEVERAAS b.

married

Nils Grimstad b.

Emma, born on the Severaas farm, is the second child of Olai and Ida Severaas. Her husband Nils is in the Navy, stationed at the NATO Base near Bergen.

Emma likes to fish and ski, but her home and family take up most of her time. She has visited the United States several times.

Address: Professor Dahlsgate 24, 5000 Bergen, Norway

Only child:

(1) Kjell Grimstad b. 1952

Kjell lives at home with his parents.

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Olai Severaas, continued

°C	SVERRE SEVERAAS	married	Borghild Nataas
	b. July 22, 1911	April 10,	b. April 26, 1915
		1937	

Sverre, son of Olai and Ida Severaas, is now farming the Severaas farm with the help of his brother August. On the seven-acre farm they have one horse, three cows and a few pigs. Their chief crops are potatoes and hay. The hay is cut with a scythe and hung on fences to dry, after which Sverre carries it up the hill on his back and puts it in the barn. When this writer asked why he didn't have the horse carry the hay to the barn, he said that the hill was too steep for the horse.

Sverre has a fishing boat and does some fishing for mackerel and halibut. He and a neighbor own a nearby uninhabited island, the trees of which are used mainly for paneling and fuel for their own use, but some of them are sold.

Address: Severaasvaag, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1) Ingunn Severaas (Lindaas) b. June 28, 1939

Ingunn married Harold Kolaas Lindaas. They have one son:

(a) Helge Lindaas

(2) Aud Severaas (Skaala)

b. January 31, 1942

Aud married a man named Skaala, which possibly is his surname. They have two children:

(a) Linda Skaala

(b) Grethe Skaala

d. MARTHA SEVERAAS b. May 24, 1913 married 1944 Bernhard Gunderson b. October 18, 1900

Martha is a daughter of Olai and Ida Severaas. Her husband was a miller in Bergen, but is now retired. He is not very well. Martha and Bernhard have no children.

Address: Krohnengsgate 21, Bergen, Norway

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Olai Severaas, continued

e. AUGUST SEVERAAS b. September 17, 1914

August, son of Olai and Ida Severaas, stayed at home and worked on the farm. He continues to live at Severaas, has his own apartment in the north part of the house, and helps his brother Sverre with the work. August has his own fishing boat and he fishes for haddock, mackerel and salmon.

Address: Severaasvaag, Via Bergen, Norway

f. INGEBORG SEVERAAS b. May 21, 1917	married March 27, 1943	Johannes Økland b. March 21, 1913
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Ingeborg is a daughter of Olai and Ida Severaas. She and her husband operate a furniture store in Bergen.

Address: Lyngebøvei 144, 5034 Laksevaag, Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1) Terje Økland b. March 13, 1947

Terje married a girl named Reidun and they have two children:

(a) Mona Økland b. May 15, 1970 (b) Tore Johan b. June 26, 1971

g. INGRID SEVERAAS married Ragnar Meland b. August 16, 1919 1964

Ingrid, daughter of Olai and Ida Severaas, married Ragnar Meland. They live in Bergen where she works in a factory where curtains are made; he is an electrician. They have no children.

Address: Ortuflaten 44, Fyllingsdalen, Bergen, Norway

h. OLGA SEVERAAS b. February 22, 1921

Olga, youngest child of Olai and Ida Severaas, lives in Bergen where she has worked in a clothing factory for 29 years. In recent years she has not been too well.

Address: Fageraasveien 26-9 Minde, Bergen, Norway

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ola Olsen Severaas (b. 1859), continued

2.	AUGUST SEVERAAS	married	Oline Severaas
	b. August 16, 1886 d. February 16, 1969		b. February 24, 1897 d. December 25, 1964

August was a son of Ola and Marta Severaas. Gerhard Skouge said that he and August were confirmed together, and used to go and see the girls together.

August lived in Missoula, Montana, for a time before World War I; he served in the United States Army during that war; then he returned to Norway. After Oren and Mary Skouge visited Norway in 1956, Oren was instrumental in seeing that August received the soldier's pension from the United States to which he was entitled.

August married a neighbor girl, Oline Severaas, cleared his land, fished and farmed. Oline was a teacher in the Nataas school which Gertrude Severaas Nelson had attended as a young girl. That school in now on display in the Folk Museum on the Bygdøy peninsula in Oslo.

There was a double funeral for August and his brother Olai who died within two days of each other.

Children:

a. Marta Oliva Severaas (Haaskjold) b. April 7, 1927 b. Olaug Severaas (Solheim) b. April 16, 1929 c. Solveig Ingeborg Severaas (Jegerstedt) b. January 12, 1931

a. MARTA OLIVA SEVERAAS married Paal Mork Haaskjold b. April 7, 1927 b. July 14, 1921

Marta, daughter of August and Oline Severaas, is a teacher; her husband Paal farms.

Address: Haaskjold Volda, Norway

Children:

(1)	Fredrik Haaskjold	b. August 2, 1953
(2)	Trond Haaskjold	b. October 10, 1957

- (3) Arne Haaskjold
 (4) Olav Inge Haaskjold
 (5) D. October 11, 1959
 (6) D. November 17, 1962

(Sources: Olga Liebøe, Gerhard Skouge, Nellie Skouge, tombstones for August and Oline Severaas)

Descendants of August Severaas, continued

b.	OLAUG SEVERAAS	married	Haakon Solheim
	b. April 16, 1929		b. July 4, 1926

Olaug, the second daughter of August and Oline Severaas, married Haakon Solheim, a sailor. Their home is just down the path west of the Severaas farm.

Address: Severaasvaag, Via Bergen, Norway

Children:

(l) Arne Lauritz Solheim	b. February 12, 1953
(2) Geir Ove Solheim	b. August 11, 1954
(3) Torbjørn Solheim	b. September 9, 1966
(4) Kjersti Solheim	b. July 31, 1973

c. SOLVEIG INGEBORG SEVERAAS married Sverre Johan Jegerstedt
 b. January 12, 1931
 b. January 14, 1921

Solveig is the third and youngest daughter of August and Oline Severaas.

She and her family live in Trondheim where her husband Sverre is a sea captain.

Address: Trondheim, Norway

Children:

(1) Kari Jegerstedt

b. May 20, 1963

(Source: Olga Liebøe)

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ola Olsen Severaas (b. 1859), continued						
3. MARTIN O. SEVERAAS (NATAAS) b. November 25, 1888 d. November 19, 1959	married Oline F. Nataas b. June 4, 1888 d. March 12, 1969					
Martin, the third child of Ola and Marta Severaas, married Oline from Nataas. As Oline's father didn't have any sons, they farmed the land at Nataas, thus that was used as their surname.						
At one time Martin lost a	hand in a dynamite explosion.					
Children:	Children:					
a. Fredrik August Nataas	b. June 10, 1914					
b. Olga Nataas	b. April 21, 1916					
c. Martha Nataas	b. September 14, 1923					

4. INGEBORG SEVERAAS b. about 1889

d. 1958

Ingeborg was the only daughter of Ola and Marta Severaas. When Torger Nelson was in Norway for a visit in 1914, she and her cousin Emma Severaas accompanied him back to the United States.

married

Paul Mickelson

b.

Ingeborg married Paul Mickelson; they lived in Milltown near Missoula, Montana. She died of cancer in 1958.

Children:

a. Torvald Mickelson b. Arnold Mickelson

5. INGVOLD SEVERAAS

b. about 1903

d. 1919

The youngest child of Ola and Marta was Ingvold who died at the age of 16 of influenza.

(See picture of him with his father, page 122a.)

(Sources: Gerhard Skouge, Olga Liebøe, tombstones of Martin and Oline Nataas)

Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1839), continued

Β.	MARTA SEVERAAS	married	Jacob Mjøs
	b. September 1,	1862	b.
	đ		d.

Marta was the second child, first daughter of Ole Olsen Severaas and Ingeborg Olsdatter (Hodnekvamme) Severaas. She married Jacob Mjøs, a widower who had been married twice previously. They lived in Nordangervaag, Norway, where Jacob farmed.

In Jacob's second marriage, he had a daughter named Ingeborg who apparently married a man whose last name was Helle. Their daughter Klara married Bjarne Severaas, son of Marta's brother Martin.

Marta died about Easter time, but the year is unknown. Children:

1. Isak Mjøs

When Isak was nearly 50 years old, he married a woman named Martha. They were married in the United States and had four or five children. Both Isak and his brother Ole had died before the year 1973.

2. Ole Mjøs (Soltvedt)

Ole used the name Soltvedt for his last name. He married a girl named Nora. It's possible that Soltvedt was her maiden name and that they lived on land owned by her father. Ole and Nora have two children:

a. Kaare Soltvedt

b. Jan Soltvedt

Jan and his wife live in Denmark and have about six children.

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C. ANDREAS SEVERAAS

b. June 5, 1865

d. 1890

Andreas, son of Ole and Ingeborg Severaas, died of brain fever at the age of 25.

D. MONS SEVERAAS

b. November 10, 1866

d. 1882

At the age of 16, Mons was killed in a hunting accident. He was hunting birds when he slipped on a rock; the gun discharged and he died of a bullet wound in the head.

His parents were Ole and Ingeborg Severaas.

(Sources: Ida Skouge, Nellie Skouge, Bernhard Refsdal)

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b, 1839), continued

E. GERTRUDE OLSDATTER SEVERAAS married TORGER NILSEN SKAUGE (NELSON)

b.	December	26,	1867	August	b.	September 19, 1864
d.	November	20,	1954	22, 1890	d.	December 10, 1954

Gertrude, born in Lindaas, county of Hordaland in Norway, was a daughter of Ole Olsen Severaas and Ingeborg (Hodnekvamme) Severaas. She grew up on the Severaas farm and worshipped with her family in the church at Myking.

As a young girl, Gertrude herded cattle in the mountains in the summertime. The cattle were ferried across the fjord in the spring and brought back in the fall. Gertrude lived alone in a little cabin in the mountains, did the milking and buttermaking as well as knitting items of clothing for the family. Usually a neighbor girl was tending cattle nearby, so there was some companionship. The milk and butter were picked up regularly at which time supplies were no doubt left.

This writer and her husband had the privilege of visiting the Severaas farm in the summer of 1975, even slept in the house where Gertrude was born. It is a sturdy timber house built out of tongue-and-grooved 3 x 12's, the inside walls of which are beautifully paneled. The house, remodeled since Gertrude lived there, is spacious and pleasant. The sevenacre farm is very hilly for farming, but the scenery is beautiful. It is bordered on the north by Austfjorden (a fjord) in which there are several uninhabited islands. One can see on the opposite shore the mountains where Gertrude, and probably many other Severaas youth had tended cattle.

Gertrude (or Gjertrud) became engaged to Torger Nilsen Skauge before he emigrated to the United States in 1887, at which time he changed his name to Torger Nelson. In 1890, he wrote for Gertrude to come to America which she did, arriving in Jewell, Iowa, on May 1, 1890. She was very ill coming over on the boat which may have been the reason she never desired to make a return trip to Norway.

On August 22, 1890, Gertrude and Torger were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lars Solem, Torger's aunt and uncle who lived west of Jewell.

(See Chapter III regarding Torger and Gertrude Nelson and their descendants.)

(Sources: Nellie Skouge, Ida Skouge, funeral folders, church records)

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1839), continued

F.	MARTIN SEVER	AAS		married
	b. September	30,	1870	
	d. 1916			

Brita Ericsen Rødland b. about 1867 d. about 1951

Martin was the fourth son, sixth child of Ole and Ingeborg Severaas. In the spring of 1900, he came to the United States, but stayed only about one year as his wife didn't care to return to America. She had been in the United States working in a hospital for ten years prior to her marriage.

Martin's occupation was carpentering. It is reported that he was in poor health, but that he was an excellent violinist. He passed away at the age of 45; Brita was 84 years old when she died.

Children:

1.	Emma Oliva Severaas		
	(Holmelund, Schröeder)	b.	June 14, 1898
2.	Ingeborg Severaas	b.	
3.	Olga Amalie Severaas (Andersen)	b.	January 1, 1902
	Borghild Sofie Severaas (Nielsen)	b.	October 10, 1903
5.	Bjarne Martin Severaas	b.	

1.	EMMA OLIVA b. June 14,	married		Paul Holmelund b. April 23, 1890
		July 19, 1937	(2)	Børre Schroeder b. June 16, 1902 d. 1951

Emma was born in Bergen, Norway, the first child of Martin and Brita Severaas. She came to the United States in 1919 and was married first to Paul Holmelund, a riding master and French teacher. They lived in Brooklyn, New York, where their daughter Mary Ann was born.

Emma's second marriage was to Børre Schroeder who had been born in Oslo, Norway. Børre, a construction engineer, died in 1951. Emma worked for seventeen years as a cashier in a movie theater. In 1971 her granddaughter Linda came to live with her and look for a job in the field of social work.

Emma enjoys cooking and knitting.

Address: 7215 6th Ave., Brooklyn, New York 11209 Only child:

a. Mary Ann Holmelund (Perlé) b. September 12, 1925

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Descendants of Emma Severaas (Holmelund, Schroeder)

а,	MARY ANN HOLMELUND	married	William Samuel Perlé
	b. September 12, 1925	May 30,	b.
		1948	

Mary Ann, only child of Emma (Severaas) and Paul Holmelund, was born in Brooklyn, New York. She received her R. N. degree from the Brooklyn Hospital School of Nursing.

Her husband, Dr. William Perlé, is a general practitioner in Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Mary Ann, called "Billie," assists him in his office as well as working part-time in the Mercy Hospital in Mt. Vernon. Since 1956 she has been doing volunteer work in the Red Cross blood bank. Before her marriage, she worked aboard a ship as a registered nurse; she also worked in several hospitals in New York.

Billie and Bill have traveled to many countries: Norway, Australia, New Zealand, Tahiti, Yugoslavia, Greece, Turkey and the Caribbean. Time permitting, Billie enjoys knitting, bowling, swimming, reading and crocheting her own designs.

Address: 111 E. Gambier Street, Mt. Vernon, Ohio 43050

Children:

(1) Linda Bjørg Perle

b. April 30, 1949

Linda, born in Bergen, Norway, graduated from Bowling Green University in Ohio in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology. Following graduation, she went to New York to live with her grandmother, Emma Schroeder, and seek employment in social work. At the present time, she is employed as a caseworker in a hospital. Linda's interests include playing tennis, swimming, bowling and reading.

(2) Paul Alexander Perlé

b. September 29, 1953

Paul was born in Brooklyn, New York. In 1975 he graduated from Miami University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Science. He now works for the Health Department in Painesville, Ohio, but plans to return to school for his Master's degree. He played football in high school, and rugby in college. He also likes to play golf, lift weights, jog, swim and play tennis. While traveling in Europe in the summer of 1974, he visited relatives in Norway.

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Martin Severaas, continued

2. INGEBORG SEVERAAS b.

Ingeborg was born in Norway to Martin and Brita Severaas. Nothing is known about her except that she died of diphtheria when she was about fourteen years old.

(Sources: Olga Liebøe, Ida Nelson)

3.	OLGA AMALIE SEVERAAS	married	Haakon Dorph Andersen
	b. January 1, 1902	September	b. November 10, 1894
	d. December 18, 1972	11, 1921	d. September 23, 1963

Olga, born on the Severaas farm in Norway, was the third daughter of Martin and Brita Severaas. She reportedly was a jolly person who was fun to be with. Before her marriage, she worked in a textile shop.

Olga and her husband, Haakon Dorph Andersen, lived at Gimleveien 53 in Bergen, where he was first a watchmaker, then commissioner of newspapers. Also a talented artist, Haakon painted beautiful pictures, many of which hang in the homes of his daughters. This writer, also, is proud to own one of his landscapes.

On December 18, 1972, Olga died of a heart ailment.

Children:

a.	Britt	Dorph	Andersen	(Hauge)	b.	March 27, 1922
b.	Turid	Dorph	Andersen	(Gading)	b.	January 9, 1925

a. BRITT DORPH ANDERSEN b. March 27, 1922 married October 16, 1946 Ørnulv Dannevig Hauge b. May 3, 1912

Britt, the elder of two daughters born to Olga and Haakon Andersen, married $\not 0$ rnulv Hauge, a Marine Superintendent on the Bergen Line. They own a lovely home on Paradise Hill in Bergen, also a loo-acre island with summer house and boat. Britt enjoys gardening and fishing.

Address: Nøysomheten Nr. 5, Paradis, Pr. Bergen, Norway Children: (See next page.) CHAPTER IV Descendants of Olga Severaas (Andersen), continued Britt Andersen (Hauge), continued

Children:

(1) Hilde Britt Hauge (Henriksen) b. November 11, 1947

Hilde married Steinar Henriksen and they have three children:

(1) Stein Otto Henriksen b. June 27, 1966
(2) Tore Henriksen b. April 9, 1969
(3) Siri Henriksen b. May 7, 1971

(2) Torbjørn Hauge

b. July 20, 1952

He will become a technical engineer this summer, then hopes to take an additional year of study at a university in Illinois.

b. TURID DORPH ANDERSEN b. January 9, 1925 married December 20, 1952 Finn Just Gading b. December 27, 1921

Turid, Olga and Haakon Andersen's second daughter, was born in Bergen where she was baptized at Domkirken. After finishing elementary school and high school, called "middelskole," she attended a junior college, then went to a commercial school for one year. She worked in a lawyer's office for about two years before going to Rouen in France for six months of study to improve her French. Back in Bergen, she worked for six years in Bergen's "Haandvarks og Industriforening," a society of people who are masters in handcrafting and industry.

Turid and Finn have a lovely home situated on the side of a mountain overlooking Bergen where Finn is employed as marketing and public relations manager of a shopping center.

Turid likes to read, listen to music and work in the garden.

Address: Kolstien 57, 5030 Landaas, Bergen, Norway

Children:

(1) Eva Gading b. June 28, 1956

Eva is studying art history at the university in Bergen. To help earn money for her education, she works several days a week as a waitress in a popular restaurant in Bergen where actors and others meet.

(2) Nina Gading b. September 25, 1958

Nina has been working for a year and a half in a children's clothing store, but plans to go back to school. She has a lovely singing voice, and she likes to sew.

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Martin Severaas, continued

4.	BORGHILD SOFIE	SEVERAAS	married	Johan Fredrik Nielsen
	b. October 10,	1903	January	b. October 3, 1894
			1, 1933	d. June, 1959

Martin and Brita Severaas' fourth child, Borghild, was born in Bergen, Norway, and emigrated to the United States in November, 1928.

In New York on January 1, 1933, Borghild married Johan Nielsen who had been born in Fredrikstad, Norway. As Johan was an aviator and flight engineer, they lived many places including Venezuela where their daughter Norma was born.

Being one of the early pioneers in the use of aircraft, Johan's work carried him to every continent, except Antarctica, and to almost every major country in the world. For thirty years he was a close associate and friend of Col. Aldrin, father of Astronaut Aldrin. During World War II, he taught aircraft maintenance for the United States Government.

An interesting article which appeared in the Dover, New Jersey newspaper around 1947 or 1948 stated: "New York, New York--John M. Nielsen of 14 DeHart Avenue, Dover, was among the honored guests at a reception in the Waldorf Astoria today, given the passengers and crew of a 47,000 mile, roundthe world business flight, completed at LaGuardia Field this morning. Nielsen, chief flight engineer, aviation division of the Atlas Supply Co., Newark, was met at the field by Mrs. Nielsen, who also attended the Waldorf reception. The flight, made in the Atlas Sky-Master C-54 plane, left Miami in January, stopping in South America, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and Australia, landing in San Francisco Monday and New York today after covering 47,000 miles. Other Jerseymen who made the trip were: Col. Edwin E. Aldrin of Montclair, flight director; Frank Ferraro of Little Falls, flight engineer; and Arthur Albright of Montclair, radio operator."

At present, Borghild makes her home with her son John and his wife Alice.

Address: 2214 Fairmeadows Road, Stillwater, Minnesota 55082

Children:

a.	John	Norman	Nielsen	b.	October	1,	1933
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b. Norma Borghild Nielsen

(Dickerson) b. June 13, 1935

Descendants of Borghild Severaas (Nielsen)

a.	JOHN NORMAN NIELSEN	married	Alice Ruth Matthews
	b. October 1, 1933	June 1,	b. April 4, 1937
		1957	

John was born in Bergen, Norway, to Johan and Borghild (Severaas) Nielsen.

In 1963 he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, New Jersey.

John married Alice Matthews, daughter of Arthur and Ruth Matthews of Fall River, Massachusetts, on June 1, 1957. They live in Stillwater, Minnesota, where Alice is a Deputy Clerk of Court in Washington County. For recreation, she likes reading, gardening and cross-country skiing.

John is a consultant to management and computer science professionals. In the summer of 1975, he worked in Munich, Germany, for three weeks, after which he and Alice toured in Germany, Austria and Norway, also visited London. In his leisure time, John enjoys cross-country skiing, playing tennis, reading, painting and drawing.

Address: 2214 Fairmeadows Road, Stillwater, Minnesota 55082

Children:

(1) Eric John Nielsen

b. November 12, 1958

In May, 1973, Eric was confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church in Utica, New York. He is an honor roll student in high school and is interested in pursuing a college education in the field of psychology. In his spare time, Eric likes playing golf and tennis, bowling and reading.

(2) Janice Ruth Nielsen

b. June 13, 1961

Janice, a ninth-grader at this writing, will be confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church in Stillwater in April 1976. She is a member of the Student Council and the junior high gymnastics team, and will be on the track team in the spring. Janice is an excellent skier; she also enjoys gymnastics, tennis, reading, sewing and playing the piano.

CHAPTER IV Descendants of Borghild Severaas (Nielsen), continued

b. NORMA BORGHILD NIELSEN	married	Douglas Lindsley Dickerson
b. June 13, 1935	June 7,	b. November 11, 1932
	1958	

Norma, born in Venezuela, is the second child and only daughter of Borghild and Johan Nielsen. She was confirmed in Trinity Lutheran Church in Dover, New Jersey, in June, 1949, and graduated from the Dover High School in 1953.

Norma worked as a secretary until the birth of her first child in 1960. Since 1975, she has resumed secretarial work on a part-time basis. The family belongs to the Methodist Church where Norma has been teaching Sunday School for five years, and Douglas for ten years. Norma enjoys sewing, knitting, crocheting, doing needlework, refinishing furniture, cooking, canning and baking.

Douglas, born in Dover, New Jersey, studied accounting before joining the Air Force. After leaving the service, he attended Fairleigh Dickinson University in Teaneck, New Jersey, earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering. He now is employed as an engineer for the United States Government. For recreation he likes gardening, fishing, reading and playing tennis.

Address: R. D. #1, Hoagland Road, Blairstown, New Jersey 07825

Children:

(1) Susan Louise Dickerson b. January 13, 1960

Susan, born in Dover, New Jersey, is an honor roll student and a candidate for the National Honor Society. She participates in a variety of sports including softball, basketball, field hockey and cross-country skiing. Other interests are sewing, playing the piano and French horn, plus gardening and fishing with her father.

(2) Brian Lindsley Dickerson b. May 18, 1962

Brian was also born in Dover, New Jersey. He plays a clarinet in the school band; also enjoys woodworking, fishing, cross-country skiing, and playing baseball. CHAPTER IV Descendants of Martin Severaas, continued

5. BJARNE MARTIN SEVERAAS married Klara Helle b. d. December 8, 1972 (See next page)

Bjarne, son of Martin and Brita Severaas, was a carpenter in Bergen. One of the houses he constructed was for his niece and her husband, Turid and Finn Gading.

Bjarne and Klara were married in the United States.

He died December 8, 1972, of throat cancer. Klara still resides in Bergen.

Address: St. Sunnivasvei 86, Bergen, Norway

Children:

a. Greta Irene Severaas (Konow) b.

Greta married August Konow and they are the parents of three children, one of whom has died.

(1) August Konow

(2) Trine Konow (died about 1970, at age 14)

(3) Tom

b. Marit Severaas (Pihl)

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Marit married Rolf Pihl.

Children:

(1) Anne-Marit Pihl

- (2) Jannicke Pihl
- (3) Torstein Pihl

The following information on BJARNE MARTIN SEVERAAS and descendants had to be added later as it was received from his widow, Klara Helle Severaas, after this book had gone to the printers.

Bjarne was born July 18, 1907, and died January 29, 1973. On August 4, 1928, he married Klara Hjordis Helle who was born October 19, 1907, in Bergen, Norway. Bjarne and Klara lived in the United States for three or four years after their marriage in New York City.

Their first daughter, Greta, born July 20, 1929, was married April 21, 1951, to August Konow, a sales manager. The birth dates of their three children are as follows: August Charlton Konow was born July 20, 1952; Trine Konow was born December 9, 1955, and died in 1971; Tom Konow was born January 21, 1963.

Marit, second daughter of Bjarne and Klara Severaas, was born February 4, 1933. She married Rolf Pihl, an engineer, on March 27, 1955. Their three children are: Anne-Marit Pihl, born January 20, 1956; Jannicke Pihl, born July 7, 1957, and Torstein Pihl, born September 27, 1961.





Andreas Severaas



Martin and Brita Severaas and daughter Emma



Oline Severaas Liebøe



Olga Liebøe 1975

Olav Liebøe

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CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1839), continued

G. 🗰 .	OLINE SEVERAAS	married	Christian Liebøe
	b. June 24, 1873		b. May 1, 1867
	d. December 8, 1958		d. February 15, 1942

Oline was the seventh child born to Ole and Ingeborg Severaas in Lindaas, county of Hordaland, Norway. When she was about five years of age, she had scarlet fever which resulted in her being deaf. Oline attended a school for the deaf in Bergen where she learned the tailoring trade, then made men's clothing.

Oline married Christian Liebøe of Sunnfjord who was also deaf. They lived in Bergen, where Christian was a shoemaker.

Children:

1.	Olav	Johannes Liebøe	b.	May 7, 1911
2.	Olga	Sofie Liebøe	b.	March 24, 1919

1. OLAV JOHANNES LIEBØE b. May 7, 1911

d. September 23, 1916

Olav, young son of Oline and Christian Liebøe, was struck and killed by a streetcar in Bergen at the age of five. His obituary states: "Begraves fra hjemmet, Fredriksbergsmuget 10, Fredag, kl. 12." This means, "Burial (or funeral) from home at Fredriksbergsmuget 10, on Friday at 12 o'clock."

2. OLGA SOFIE LIEBØE b. March 24, 1919

Olga was born in Bergen, Norway, to Oline and Christian Liebøe. One time when she was seven years old, King Haakon and his son, Prince Olav, were driving in an open car on the street where Olga and her family lived. With a picture of her brother Olav in one hand, Olga ran up to the royal car shouting, "See, I had a brother named Olav."

At one time she was engaged to be married, but elected instead to stay at home and care for her elderly mother whose eyesight was failing. For 29 years Olga was head of a clothing factory in Bergen, then in 1975 she was employed as manager of the payroll department of Bergen's largest laundry. She has visited the United States twice. Olga shares a lovely apartment in Bergen with her friend, Anne-Marie, and she enjoys the companionship of her old dog Dick, an English Setter who has won many awards as a hunting dog.

Address: Nebbeveien 27 III, 5033 Fyllingsdalen, Norway

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CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1839), continued

- H. INGEBORG SEVERAAS
 - b. August 24, 1877
 - d. 1877

Ingeborg, the eighth and youngest child of Ole and Ingeborg Severaas, apparently lived less than four months.

Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1808), continued

III, INGEBRIGT SEVERAAS
 b. October 5, 1841
 d. April, 1842

Ingebrigt, son of Ole Olsen Severaas and Marta Monsdatter (Nedretveit) Severaas, was born in Lindaas, Norway, but lived only about six months.

IV. INGEBRIGT SEVERAAS married Sygne Olsdatter Kleiven (KLEIVEN) b. b. November 11, 1843 d. d.

Ole and Marta Severaas chose the name Ingebrigt for their fourth child because of the death of their third child, Ingebrigt, the previous year.

Ingebrigt married Sygne Kleiven and they farmed the Kleiven farm, thus that became Ingebrigt's last name, too.

(See Chapter V regarding Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven and their descendants.)

V. MONS SEVERAAS b. September 21, 1846

d.

Mons was born on the Severaas farm in Lindaas, Norway, to Ole and Marta Severaas. All that is known about him at the present time is that he was born on September 21, 1846.

(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Olga Liebøe, Ida Skouge)

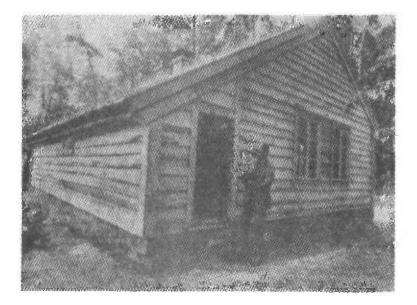
CHAPTER IV Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1808), continued

 VI. INGEBORG OLSDATTER SEVERAAS married Nils Bertilsen Kolaas Sundsbø
 b. October 20, 1848
 d. October 13, 1925
 b. September 17, 1924

Ingeborg was the youngest of the six children born to Ole Olsen Severaas and Marta Monsdatter (Nedretveit) Severaas. She married Nils Bertilsen Kolaas of Sundsbø and they farmed the Sundsbø farm in Lindaas, Norway.

(See Chapter VI regarding Ingeborg and Nils Sundsbø and their descendants.)

(Sources: Bernhard Refsdal, Ida Sundsbø Peterson)



THE NATAAS SCHOOL

Gertrude Severaas Nelson attended school here, as well as many other Severaas youth. The school has been moved from Lindaas and is now preserved at the Bygdøy Folk Museum in Oslo, where the above picture was taken. CHAPTER V

INGEBRIGT SEVERAAS (KLEIVEN) and Descendants

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INGEBRIGT SEVERAAS (KLEIVEN) AND DESCENDANTS

- A. Ole Ingebrigt Kleiven (Kleaveland) m. Nettie Tonita Solso
 - 1. Sophia Irene Kleaveland m. Joseph M. Baer
 - 2. Ingram Justin Kleaveland m. Hildreth Lenore Covington
 - a. Rodney Covington Kleaveland m. Lydia Zieck
 - (1) David Rodney Kleaveland (adopted) m. Jean
 - (2) Debra Ann Kleaveland (adopted)

b. Ingram Justin Kleaveland m. Rosemary Stokes

(1) Joseph Patrick Kleaveland m. Renee Biren

(2) Timothy Justin Kleaveland

(3) Andrew Covington Kleaveland

(4) Mary Daley Kleaveland

- (5) Michael Ingram Kleaveland
- (6) Elizabeth Hardin Kleaveland

C. Richard Norman Kleaveland m. Sally Essex

(1) Richard Essex Kleaveland

(2) Lanse Kleaveland

(3) Bruce Kleaveland

- (4) Jay Covington Kleaveland
- (5) Jeffery Kleaveland

d. Jay Covington Kleaveland m. (1) Sally Grant

(2) Rosita Marie Smith

(1) Anne Turnage Kleaveland

(2) Sarah Covington Kleaveland

3. Frances Marie Kleaveland m. Cornelius Leo Redmond

a. Frances Terese Redmond (adopted) m. Richard Bedoar

4. Nora Olivian Kleaveland m. John R. Kinnear

a. Nita Helen Kinnear m. James S. Raby

- (1) Carol Anne Raby
- (2) Jane Marie Raby

5. Wallace Cameron Kleaveland m. Fern Aline Bullar

a. Neta Mae Kleaveland m. Lynn Charles Tarbox

- (1) Laura Ann Tarbox
- (2) Karen Ann Tarbox
- (3) Michael Kent Tarbox

Waggoner

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingebrigt Severaas (Kleiven), continued B. Martin Kleiven (Kleaveland) m. Marta 1. Sygne Kleiven m. Nesse a. (son) b. (son) c. (son) 2. Ingvold Kleiven (Kleaveland) m. Elna Ruth Louisa Pettersson a. Mary Lou Kleaveland m. Roderick C. Halstad (1) Charisse Malene Halstad b. Leonard L. Kleaveland m. J. Sherry Disbrow (1) Kathy Kleaveland (2) Tamara Kleaveland C. August Kleiven (Kleaveland) m. Christina Flygstad D. Martine Kleiven m. Helge Stall 1, Ingolf Kleiven (Cleveland) m. (1) June Margerette Brown (2) Frances Christine Campbell a. Joan Patricia Cleveland m. Robert L. Mardock (1) Michael Mardock (2) Sherri Mardock (3) Jerry Mardock b, Charles Henry Cleveland m. Phoebe Newby (1) Marie Cleveland (2) Craig Cleveland (3) Michelle Cleveland (4) Marsha Cleveland c. Karen Marie Cleveland m. Michael L. McCurdy (1) Lesa McCurdy (2) Ian McCurdy 2. Sofia Kleiven m. Alfred Kvingedal a. Helge Kvingedal b. Bernt Aage Kvingedal c. Margunn Kvingedal 3. Julia Kleiven m. Karl Matre a. Ivar Helge Matre

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Descendants of Ingebrigt Severaas (Kleiven), continued Descendants of Martine Kleiven, continued

4. Alf Kleiven m. Borghild

- a. Otto Kleiven
- b. Henny Margrethe Kleiven
- c. Berit Kleiven
- d. Reidun Kleiven

5. Arthur Kleiven m. Malmfryd

a. Henry Kleiven

6. Borgny Kleiven m. Bjarne Veland

E. Sophia Kleiven m. Hogsvaer

F. Ida Kleiven

CHAPTER V Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas (Kleiven) and descendants

IV. INGEBRIGT OLSEN SEVERAAS married Sygne Olsdatter Kleiven (KLEIVEN) b. November 11, 1843 1870 b. d. 1906 d.

Ingebrigt, fourth child of Ole Olsen Severaas and Marta Monsdatter (Nedretveit) Severaas, was born on the Severaas farm in Lindaas, Norway. (See Chapter IV for Ingebrigt's ancestors.)

After Ingebrigt and Sygne were married, they farmed the Kleiven farm, thus that became Ingebrigt's last name, also.

Gerhard Skouge said that he had worked with Ingebrigt on a road building project in their vicinity of Norway. All the farmers volunteered to work a certain number of days during the year on road projects; the county donated some money; there was a foreman and the road was built or repaired.

Ingebrigt died in 1906 at the age of 63; Sygne passed away several years later.

Children:

A. Ole Ingebrigt Kleiven (Kleaveland) b. October 9, 1871
B. Martin Kleiven (Kleaveland) b.
C. August Kleiven (Kleaveland) b. 1877
D. Martine Kleiven (Besvaer) b. January 31, 1883
E. Sofia Kleiven (Hogsvaer) b. July, 1885
F. Ida Kleiven b.

(Sources: Gerhard and Ida Skouge, Ingolf Cleveland)

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas (Kleiven)

Α.	OLE	INGEBRIGT		married	Ne	ttie	Toni	ta Solso
			(KLEAVELAND)					
	b.	October 9,	1871	August	b.	May	16,	1869
	d.	December 9	1963	20, 1896	d.	Janu	ary	24, 1952

Ole, born in Norway, was the first child of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven. He was a carpenter by trade, having served an apprenticeship in Norway before emigrating to the United States at the age of 21, at which time he changed the spelling of his name to Kleaveland.

On August 20, 1896, Ole married Nettie Solso in her home town of Boushie, Iowa, which was near Webster City. At first, they lived in Webster City where Ole worked for Ziltrell Contractors. Later, he became a contractor himself and built the courthouse in Webster City as well as some of the old schools, stores and churches.

For over 30 years, beginning in the early 1900's, Ole owned and operated a lumber business in Jewell, Iowa. He is remembered as being a good businessman, and his lumber business prospered. Son Wallace states: "A big day for the family happened about 1918 when Dad purchased the first Cadillac car in Jewell."

Ole and Nettie were members of the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell. For about ten years prior to Nettie's death, they spent the winters in Florida, Texas and California. Following her death, Ole spent his winters either in Long Beach, California, or in Florida.

Ole suffered a stroke on February 9, 1963, while in Long Beach. Later, he was taken to a hospital in Murphysboro, Illinois, and from there to the Murphysboro Nursing Home where he died on December 9, 1963. He was laid to rest in the Evergreen Cemetery in Jewell beside his wife.

Children:

- 1. Sophia Irene Kleaveland (Baer) b. April 21, 1897
- 2. Ingram Justin Kleaveland
- b. December 31, 1898
- 3. Frances Marie Kleaveland (Redmond) b. August 26, 1903
- 4. Nora Olivian Kleaveland (Kinnear) b. December 13, 1905
- 5. Wallace Cameron Kleaveland
 - b. May 26, 1909

(Sources: Ole's obituary, Frances Redmond, Wallace Kleaveland, Ingolf Cleveland, Nellie Skouge)

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ole Ingebrigt Kleaveland

1.	SOPHIA IRENE	KLEAVELAND	married	Joseph M. Baer
	b. April 21,	1897	August	b. January 30, 1892
			31, 1922	d. February 14, 1973

Sophia, the first-born child of Ole and Nettie Kleaveland, grew up in Jewell, Iowa, and attended the schools there. She received her high school education at Jewell Lutheran College, an academy; graduated from the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa, in 1919, and taught at the Murphysboro Township High School in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Sophia and Joseph Baer, operator of a men's wear store, were married August 31, 1922, in Jewell.

Sophia's sister Olivian has lived with them for many years. In later years, they have spent their winters in Arizona and California.

Joseph died on February 14, 1973, of cancer of the face and mouth. Sophia and Joseph had no children.

Address: 217 So. 22nd Street, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ole Ingebrigt Kleaveland, continued

2. INGRAM JUSTIN KLEAVELAND married Hildreth Lenore Covington b. December 31, 1898 July b. May 11, 1900 14, 1921

Ingram is the first son, second child of Ole and Nettie Kleaveland. He attended the schools in Jewell, Iowa, graduating from high school in 1916. That fall he entered Iowa State College in Ames, Iowa, from which he graduated in 1921 from the College of Veterinary Medicine.

On July 14, 1921, the marriage of Ingram and Hildreth Covington took place in Ames. Hildreth, born in Pleasantville, Iowa, to Jacob and Louella Covington, had attended Iowa State College with a major in Home Economics.

Ingram has been a veterinarian in the Sioux Rapids, Iowa, area where he also bought several farms which have been rented out on a 50-50 basis. He and his son Rodney have purchased several farms in partnership, besides being in the turkey raising business. Beginning in 1961, they have concentrated on hog production.

After Ingram's retirement in 1949, he and Hildreth have spent many winters in Sun City, Arizona. Hildreth suffered a heart attack on May 6, 1974, but has made a good recovery and is enjoying a nice social life.

Addresses: Sioux Rapids, Iowa 50585

or

10413 - 101 Avenue, Sun City, Arizona 85351

Children:

a. Rodney Covington Kleaveland b. Dec	cember	December	9.	1922
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- b. Ingram Justin Kleaveland
- b. April 11, 1924
- c. Richard Norman Kleaveland
- b. September 10, 1926b. January 2, 1932
- d. Jay Covington Kleaveland

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingram Justin Kleaveland

a.	RODNEY COVINGTON KLEAVELAND	married	Lydia Zieck
	b. December 9, 1922	July	b. February 1, 1923
		17, 1947	

Rodney was the first of four sons born to Ingram and Hildreth Kleaveland of Sioux Rapids, Iowa. He graduated from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa.

While in the Service, Rod met Lydia, a Polish National, now a naturalized United States citizen. She speaks six languages. Rod was discharged in 1947 as a Captain in the Veterinary Corps. Upon returning home, he became a partner in his father's veterinary practice.

Rodney has bought several farms in partnership with his father, plus two as agent for his brothers Richard and Justin. Besides managing his own farms, Rod manages his father's and his brothers' farms. He has developed hog plants on three of the farms which have a total capacity of 5,000 head. These farms have been incorporated under the names of Kleaveland, Inc., Kleaveland Bros., Inc., and Kleaveland-Webb, Inc. They own all the machinery and employ three permanent operators.

Address: Sioux Rapids, Iowa 50585

Children:

(1) David Rodney Kleaveland (adopted)

b. September 10, 1955 David married Jean Waggoner April 21, 1975. They assist in the operation of the Kleaveland-Webb, Inc. farms.

(2) Debra Ann Kleaveland (adopted)

b. March 26, 1957 Debra, a member of the ZTA Sorority, is a freshman at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. She developed diabetes about a year ago.

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Descendants of Ingram Justin Kleaveland, continued

ſ	b. INGRAM <u>JUSTIN</u> KLEAVELAND married Rosemary Stokes b. April 11, 1924 b. June 16, 1924
	Justin, the second son of Ingram and Hildreth Kleaveland, was born in Sioux Rapids, Iowa.
	Specializing in Internal Medicine, Justin received his Doctor of Medicine degree from Western Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio.
	Address: 1634 Sunset Dr., Muskegon, Michigan
	Children:
	(1) Joseph <u>Patrick</u> Kleaveland b. March 26, 1950
	Patrick married Renee Biren on August 1, 1975
	(2) Timothy Justin Kleaveland b. February 7, 1952
	(3) Andrew Covington Kleaveland b. October 28, 1954

(1)	Joseph <u>Patrick</u> Kleaveland	b. March 26, 1950
	Patrick married Renee Biren	on August 1, 1975
(2)	Timothy Justin Kleaveland	b. February 7, 1952
(3)	Andrew Covington Kleaveland	b. October 28, 1954
(4)	Mary Daley Kleaveland	b. July 24, 1956
(5)	Michael Ingram Kleaveland	b. June 5, 1959
(6)	Elizabeth Hardin Kleaveland	b. July 31, 1960

c. RICHARD NORMAN KLEAVELAND married b. September 10, 1926

Sally Essex b. June 2, 19___

Richard, Ingram and Hildreth Kleaveland's third son, was born in Sioux Rapids, Iowa, on September 10, 1926.

A vascular surgeon, Richard graduated from Harvard Medical School in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Address: 1908 Oneida Pl., Spokane, Washington 99203

Ohildren:

(1)	Richard Essex Kleaveland	b.
(2)	Lanse Kleaveland	b.
(3)	Bruce Kleaveland	b.
(4)	Jay Covington Kleaveland	b.

(5) Jeffery Kleaveland b. CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingram Justin Kleaveland

d. JAY COVINGTON KLEAVELAND married (1) Sally Grant
 b. January 2, 1932
 b. September (2) Rosita Marie Smith
 21, 1974
 b. July 25, 1949

Jay, fourth son of Ingram and Hildreth Kleaveland, was born January 2, 1932, in Sioux Rapids, Iowa.

Jay graduated from the College of Veterinary Medicine at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, in 1955. He works with small animals.

Address: 556 Progress, Waterloo, Iowa 50701

Children:

- (1) Anne Turnage Kleaveland b. August 6, 1961
- (2) Sarah Covington Kleaveland b. June 21, 1964

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ole Ingebrigt Kleaveland, continued

3.	FRANCES	MARIE	KLEAVELAND	married	Cornelius <u>Leo</u> Redmond
	b. Augus	st 26,	1903	November 27, 1936	b. June 7, 1900

Frances, born in Webster City, Iowa, is the third child of Ole and Nettie Kleaveland. At an early age, she moved with her family to Jewell, Iowa, where she grew up and graduated from high school. She attended Ward-Belmont, a girls' college in Nashville, Tennessee, then completed her college education at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa, graduating in 1926 with a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Frances taught speech and drama in the senior high school in Cedar Falls, Iowa, from 1926 to 1928, then in Muskegon, Michigan from 1928 to 1936.

On the day after Thanksgiving, November 27, 1936, Frances and Leo were married in Dixon, Illinois, due to the fact that Frances' brother Wallace lived there at the time. Leo was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Now retired, Leo was football coach and Director of Athletics in Muskegon Senior High School from 1925 to 1946, then Principal of Bunker Junior High School from 1946 to 1965. He belongs to the Michigan Coaches' Hall of Fame, sponsored by the <u>Detroit Free Press</u>. On the 75th anniversary of the founding of football, he was honored as one of Michigan's outstanding football coaches at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, and at Central Michigan University at Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. On September 12, 1975, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame of Western Michigan University. He has also been an active member and an officer in the Elks Lodge in Muskegon.

While living in Michigan, Frances gave book and play reviews throughout western Michigan, besides organizing Port City Playhouse, a civic theatre which is still very active. She now enjoys volunteer work on the hospital board, besides making tapes of text books for the blind.

On November 9, 1972, Frances and Leo moved to their present home in a retirement area entitled "Leisure World" in Laguna Hills, California.

Address: 22-A Avenida Castilla, Laguna Hills, California 92653

Only child:

a. Frances Terese Redmond (adopted) b. December 16, 1942

CHAPTER V Descendant of Frances Kleaveland (Redmond)

a.	FRANCES TERESE REDMOND	married	Richard Scott Bedoar
	b. December 16, 1942	June 12,	b. March 26, 1945
	d. August 25, 1975	1971	

"Terri" was adopted by Frances and Leo Redmond from "The Cradle" in Chicago, Illinois, and was baptized in April, 1943, at the St. Mary's Catholic Church in Muskegon, Michigan.

In 1965 she was graduated from Michigan State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, then taught history at Mona Shores Junior High School in Muskegon from 1965 to 1971.

Terri married Richard Bedoar on June 12, 1971, and they made their home at 4718 Dewey Avenue in Rochester, New York. Richard, born in Rochester, was graduated from St. John Fisha College there. He served in the United States Navy for two years during the Viet Nam conflict. Terri and Richard had no children.

Terri died at the age of 32 years of diabetic neuropathy. She was an invalid the last three and one-half years of her life, but continued her handicraft work--knitting, in which she designed many of her own patterns, ceramics and decoupage.

She was buried in Lakeside Cemetery in Muskegon.

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ole Ingebrigt Kleaveland, continued

4.	NORA <u>OLIVIAN</u> KLEAVELAND	married	John R. Kinnear	
	b. December 13, 1905	December 27, 1928	b.	

Olivian, born in Jewell, Iowa, is Ole and Nettie Kleaveland's fourth child. She attended College in Mt. Carroll, Illinois, and the University of Iowa in Iowa City.

Olivian married John Kinnear on December 27, 1928, in Jewell, but the marriage was terminated in 1930. She then worked for the Illinois Department of Public Aid doing social welfare work.

She and her sister Frances did a lot of baby-sitting with the children of their Lutheran minister, Rev. Norstad. One of the five children, Lauris, later became the head of NATO.

For many years Olivian has lived with her sister Sophia.

Address: 217 So. 22nd Street, Murphysboro, Illinois 62966

Only child:

a. Nita Helen Kinnear (Raby) b. February 9, 1930

a.	NITA :	HELEN	KINNEAR	married	James	S.	Raby
	b. Fe	bruary	9, 1930		Ъ.		

Nita, the only child of Olivian and John Kinnear, was born in Jewell, Iowa, on February 9, 1930.

After graduating from Murphysboro Township High School in 1947, she attended Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, for two years, then went to Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, from which she graduated in 1952.

Nita, her husband and daughters are all active in church work as well as volunteers for work in the hospital.

Address: 4210 Hedgemont Dr., St. Louis, Missouri 63128

Children:

- (1) Carol Anne Raby
 Carol works as a "candy striper" at the Lutheran Hospital in St. Louis; she also enjoys singing.
- (2) Jane Marie Raby b. April 5, 1962 Jane likes dancing

CHAPTER V Descendants of Ole Ingebrigt Kleaveland, continued

5.	WALLACE	CAMERON	KLEAVELAND	married	Fern Aline Bullar
	b. May 2	26, 1909		January 31, 1932	b. September 17, 1910

Wallace, the youngest child of Ole and Nettie Kleaveland, was born May 26, 1909, in Jewell, Iowa. He attended the schools in Jewell; graduated from Murphysboro Township High School, Murphysboro, Illinois; went to Iowa State College in Ames, Iowa, and Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa.

On January 31, 1932, he was united in marriage to Fern Bullar, daughter of Louella and Charles Bullar of Murphysboro, Illinois. After graduating from Murphysboro Township High School, Fern attended Grinnell College as a music major. She was a vocalist and choir director for 25 years.

Wallace entered the mercantile business in 1934, owning paint stores in Dixon and Galesburg, Illinois. He returned to Jewell, Iowa, in 1944 where he purchased the hardware store that had originally been opened by his uncle, August Kleaveland, in 1919; thus it once again became Kleaveland Hardware.

In 1950 the family moved to Tampa, Florida, then in 1952 they moved to California where Wallace constructed and managed apartments in the Los Angeles area. Upon retiring in 1961, Wallace and Fern moved to Sun City, Arizona, but returned to California in 1969 to be near Neta Mae and her family.

In 1963, Wallace and Fern, together with Ingram and Hildreth Kleaveland, visited the birthplace of their father in Norway, also visited relatives in the area.

Wallace and Fern enjoy "trailering" and spending their summers fishing in British Columbia.

Address: 573-C Avenida Sevilla, Laguna Hills, California 92653

Only child:

a. Neta Mae Kleaveland (Tarbox) b. December 29, 1934

CHAPTER V Descendants of Wallace Cameron Kleaveland

a.	NETA MAE KLEAVELAND	married	Lynn Charles Tarbox
	b. December 29, 1934	December	b. February 15, 1933
		23, 1955	

Neta was born in Murphysboro, Illinois, December 29, 1934, the only child of Wallace and Fern Kleaveland. She graduated from high school in Tampa, Florida, and was a 1956 graduate of the University of California in Los Angeles.

Besides being an active member of the P.T.A. and Junior Woman's Club, Neta has been a Girl Scout troop leader for twelve years, plus serving as a council trainer and camp director. In 1965 she was named Woman of the Year by the Junior Woman's Club in Whittier, California.

Neta's husband, Lynn Tarbox, is president of Unionbanc Computer Corporation. His family has been traced back to B. Thomas Tarbox who died at Ippolits, Co. Herts, England, in 1619. Lynn was named for Lynn, Massachusetts, where many of the ancestors settled after 1638.

Address: 1801 North Hills Drive, LaHabra, California 90631

Children:

(1)	Laura Ar	n Tarboz	<.	b	June I	15,	1957
	Laura	entered	U.C.L.A.	the	fall	of	1975.

(2)	Karen	Ann	Tarbox	b.	January	1, 1960
				d	Julv 18.	1961

 Michael Kent Tarbox
 b. August 4, 1961
 Michael, who entered high school in the fall of 1975, is interested in sports and music. 142

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B. MARTIN KLEIVEN (KLEAVELAND) married Marta

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Martin, born in Lindaas, Norway, was a son of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven. His occupation was carpentry.

He came to the United States in the fall of 1902 and found work in California where he was killed in an accident. His son, Ingvald, determined to find out what had happened to his father, came over from Norway and succeeded in locating the carpenter who had been working with Martin at the time of his death. He was told that Martin had died a few years before (in the early 1930's). Martin had been working on a building project when he fell through a scaffold or floor. He sustained internal injuries which led to pneumonia and he died within three days. Nellie Skouge reported that all that Martin had left was a small insurance policy, about enough to bury him.

Children:

1. Sygne Kleiven (Nesse)

2. Ingvald Kleiven (Kleaveland) b. November 12, 1902

b.

1.	SYGNE	KLEIVEN	 married	a 197 bi 16, 18 (18) bi	Nesse
	b.				

Sygne, daughter of Martin and Marta Kleiven, reportedly has three sons and still lives in Oslo at this writing.

2.	INGVAL	D KLEIVEN	(KLEAVELAND) ma	rried	Elna	a Ruth Lo	Juisa	a
	b. Nov	ember 12,	1902	Ja	nuary		Pe	tter	sson
	d. May	14, 1965		25,	1925	bow	October	24,	1902

When Ingvald, son of Martin and Marta Kleiven, became a citizen of the United States in 1928, he changed the spelling of his last name to Kleaveland, as his relatives had done before him. He received his education in Bergen, Norway, where he was employed as a city salesman and correspondent for an import company. He migrated to America with his uncle August Kleaveland and stayed for a few months in Jewell, Iowa, with him. Later, he went to Des Moines, Iowa, where he worked for Hawkeye Leather Company as a traveling salesman.

Ingvald married Elna Pettersson at four o'clock on a Sunday afternoon, January 25, 1925, at Madrid, Iowa, in the home of Elna's sister. Elna was born in Persberg, Värmland, Sweden, on October 24, 1902 to Alfred and Maria (Brygg) Pettersson. She arrived in America November 28, 1923, and went to Madrid, CHAPTER V Descendants of Martin Kleiven (Kleaveland), continued

Iowa, where her sister and husband, Alma and Joseph Reedholm, were living. Later, Joseph Reedholm moved his hardware store from Madrid to Boone, Iowa, where it still remains.

Previous to his marriage, Ingvald had been unable to obtain any information about his father who had come to the United States many years before. Elna suggested that he write to the Salvation Army, which he did, and they in turn contacted the Carpenters' Union. As a result, Ingvald succeeded in contacting a man who had known his father. He was informed that Martin had died in an accident a few years before. He had been working on a building project when he fell through a scaffold or floor, receiving internal injuries. Pneumonia soon developed and he died within three days.

Ingvald was a salesman for the "Aluminum Company of America." Later, he was promoted to field supervisor, at which time he had a sales-force of 35 men. Upon transfer to Detroit, Michigan, he was a sales representative, selling to hardware stores and restaurants. With the coming of the second World War, aluminum was scarce, so Ingvald worked in the office of the aluminum company in Detroit.

Next, Ingvald worked in the sales office of the John Nylen Company where they made "pistons and pins." Soon he was promoted to sales manager, building a sales-force from coast to coast. After hiring all the men he needed, Ingvald was tired of traveling and wished to be at home. In 1950 he bought a paint and wallpaper store in Benton Harbor, Michigan, calling it "Colorland," which he operated until the time of his death in 1965. He died on May 14, and was buried on May 17, Norway's Independence Day, a day which had always meant so much to him.

Elna says that their home was always a meeting place for Scandinavians and others who wanted someplace to go for holidays and weekends. She also reports that Ingvald had helped many a young man to success, and that his personality was such that when he entered a sales meeting or committee meeting, people sat up and took notice. He served as deacon in the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Detroit, and was on the Board of Trustees as well as Sunday School Superintendent at Saran Lutheran Church in Saint Joseph, Michigan. Elna did interior decorating at their store, "Colorland." At present, she enjoys oil painting and working with driftwood. She spends her winters in Florida and her summers in Michigan with her children.

Address: Trailer Estates, Box 5958, Bradenton, Florida 33507 Children:

- (a) Mary Lou Kleaveland (Halstad) b. January 29, 1930
- (b) Leonard Louis Kleaveland

b. January 29, 1940

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Descendants of Ingvald Kleiven (Kleaveland)

(a)	MARY LOU KLEAV	/ELAND	married	Roderick	С.	Halstad
	b. January 29	, 1930	February	ъ.		
			9, 1952			

Mary Lou, the first child born to Ingvald and Elna Kleaveland, arrived at the Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa, at ll:15 p.m. on January 29, 1930.

The first two years of her college education were obtained at Michigan State College in Lansing, and she graduated from Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan. Currently, she is teaching art in the junior high school in Bangor, Michigan.

Mary Lou married Roderick Halstad on February 9, 1952 at the Saran Lutheran Church in St. Joseph, Michigan. Roderick received his Master's degree at Hillsdale College, and has served as coach at Bangor, Michigan; Charlotte, Michigan, and at Hillsdale College; then as principal at Covert, Michigan. He is now with the Board of Administration of the schools in Benton Harbor, Michigan. Mary Lou and Roderick are collectors of antiques.

Address: Box 82 Kassian Ct., South Haven, Michigan 49090 Children:

(1) Charisse Marlene Halstad b. June 25, 1955

Charisse was born at the Mercy Hospital in Benton Harbor, Michigan. She attended Lakeshore Junior College in St. Joseph, Michigan, for one year. At this writing (1976) she is a senior at Kentucky University, majoring in Speech and Pathology.

(b)	LEONARD LOUIS KLEAVELAN	ID married	J.	Sherry Disbrow
	b. January 29, 1940	August	b.	April 25, 1942
		6, 1960		

Leonard was born at Providence Hospital in Detroit, Michigan, at 10:45 a.m. on January 29, 1940, the only son of Ingvald and Elna Kleaveland.

Leonard, who is a tool and die design engineer, attended Community College and Tri State College in Angola, Indiana. In addition to his work, he teaches a class in First Aid, and is interested in art and the making of black powder fire arms.

On August 6, 1960, Leonard married Sherry Disbrow of Norfolk, Virginia. She also teaches a First Aid class, is president of the ambulance service called STAT, and has been a Girl Scout leader for several years.

Address: 2602 Willa Dr., St. Joseph, Michigan 49085 Children:

(1)) Kathy Kleaveland	Ъ.	February 20,	1962
(2)) Tamara Kleaveland	b.	September 4,	1963

Both girls are advanced Girl Scouts and enjoy horseback riding. CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas (Kleiven), continued

С.	AUGUST KLEIVEN (KLEAVELAND)	married Christina Flygstad
	b. 1873	March b. February 26, 1876
	d. June 24, 1956	29, 1905 d. August 28, 1956

August, born in the area of Lindaas, Norway, near Myking, was a son of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven. As with his brothers, Ole and Martin, August spelled his name Kleaveland upon coming to America.

On a rainy spring night, March 29, 1905, August and "Tena" were married by Rev. C. J. Eartvold, Lutheran pastor, in the home of her parents north of Jewell, Iowa.

August worked as a carpenter before starting a hardware store in Jewell in 1919. Later, he had a hardware store in Story City, Iowa, then a beer parlor there. Often when Tena opened the cash register, August asked, "Vat do you vant in dat money drawer, Tena?" Tena worked hard, often helping to cook for threshers on the farms near Story City. August and Tena had no children.

According to the Marriage Register of the Hamilton County Courthouse in Webster City, Iowa, August's age at the time of his marriage was 28, which would mean that he was born in 1877, but the birth date in the Death Register is given as 1873.

Bessie Nelson reports that August and Tena didn't live together the last few years of their lives. Tena died of an enlarged heart and is buried in the cemetery in Jewell; August died of cancer and is buried in Story City.

(Sources: Nellie Skouge, Bessie Nelson, Marriage Register at Hamilton County Courthouse in Webster City, Iowa, Death Register at Story County Courthouse in Nevada, Iowa) CHAPTER V Descendants of Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas (Kleiven), continued

D. MARTINE KLEIVEN	married	Helge Stall
b. January 31, 1882	1907	b. 1883
d. December 15, 1965		d. 1952

Martine, daughter of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven, was born on the Kleiven farm in the county of Hordaland in Norway. The name on her tombstone in the cemetery of the church at Myking is inscribed "Marthina." When she married Helge Stall, he adopted her last name as they lived on Kleiven and farmed there. Martine's three brothers had all emigrated to the United States.

Helge Stall was in this country twice, residing in the state of Washington. The first time he used the name Stall (possibly this was before his marriage) and the second time he used the name Kleiven.

Helge died by drowning in 1952. Gerhard Skouge gave the following account: "Kleiven is located along the inlet of a fjord. Helge was taking his boat back and forth to the far end of the fjord, loading it with sand, and bringing it back for cement work. One time he loaded the boat too heavy and it sank."

Children:

	Ingolf Kleiven (Cleveland)	b. January 21, 1908
	Sofia Kleiven (Kvingedal)	Ъ.
	Julia Kleiven (Matre)	b.
4.	Alf Kleiven	b.
5.	Arthur Kleiven	b.
6.	Borgny Kleiven (Veland)	b.

INGOLF KLEIVEN (CLEVELAND) b. January 21, 1908 d. August 28, 1975	married May 25, 1937	(1)	June Margerette Brown b. July 7, 1916	
	September	(2)	Frances Christine	

2, 1967

Campbell

Ingolf was born on Kleiven in Lindaas, Norway, to Martine Kleiven and Helge Stall (Kleiven). Upon arriving in the United States December 22, 1928, he changed his last name to Cleveland. He resided in the state of Washington until 1930 when he moved to California.

Ingolf and June Brown were married May 25, 1937, in Berkeley, California, and were divorced in 1957. On September 2, 1967, he married Mrs. Christine Campbell who was also divorced. In 1972 Ingolf and Christine enjoyed visiting relatives in Norway.

CHAPTER V Descendants of Martine Kleiven, continued Ingolf Kleiven (Cleveland), continued

For $33\frac{1}{2}$ years, Ingolf worked for Sears Roebuck and Company as salesman and as division manager. He retired January 31, 1968. In addition to their home in Walnut Creek, California, Ingolf and Christine built a house at Lake Tahoe in California.

Ingolf passed away August 28, 1975, and was buried on September 2, his wedding anniversary. Christine continues to live in Walnut Creek.

Address: 1830 Almond Ave., Walnut Creek, California 94596

Children:

a. Joan Patricia Cleveland (Mardock) b. March 17, 1938

Joan married Robert L. Mardock

Address: Star Route 135, Branscomb, California 95417 Children:

(1)	Michael Mardock	b.
	Sherri Mardock	b.
(3)	Jerry Mardock	b.

b, Charles Henry Cleveland

b. November 21, 1941

Charles, pastor of Houghton and L'anse Seventh Day Adventist Churches, married Phoebe Newby.

Address: 1301 Garden Street, Hancock, Michigan 49930 Children:

(1)	Marie Cleveland	b.
(2)	Craig Cleveland	b.
(3)	Michelle Cleveland	b.
(4)	Marsha Cleveland	b.

c. Karen Marie Cleveland (McCurdy) b. December 7, 1944

Karen married Michael L. McCurdy. They did live in King Salmon, Alaska, for a time, but when this writer sent a letter there, it was returned.

Address:

Children:

(1)	Lesa McCurdy	b.
	Ian McCurdy	b.,

146 CHAPTER V Descendants of Martine Kleiven, continued Alfred Kvingedal 2. SOFIA KLEIVEN married Ъ. b. Sofia was the second child born to Martine and Helge Stall Kleiven. Her older brother Ingolf said that before he left Norway to come to America, he hired Alfred to take care of the farm. Sofia and Alfred have two sons and one daughter. Address: Dalsgrend, Norway Children: a. Helge Kvingedal Ъ. b. Bernt Aage Kvingedal Ъ. c. Margunn Kvingedal Ъ. Karl Matre 3. JULIA KLEIVEN married b. b. Martine and Helge Stall Kleiven were Julia's parents. Address: Matredal, Norway Children: a. Ivar Helge Matre Borghild married 4. ALF KLEIVEN Ъ. Ъ. Alf, a furniture factory worker, is a son of Martine and Helge Kleiven. He and his wife live on part of the Kleiven land. Address: Dalsgrend, Norway Children: a. Otto Kleiven Ъ. Ъ. b. Henny Margrethe Kleiven c. Berit Kleiven b. b. d. Reidun Kleiven Malmfryd 5. ARTHUR KLEIVEN married b. b. Arthur, the fifth child of Martine and Helge Kleiven, works in a furniture factory. He and his wife live on the Kleiven farm. Address: Dalsgrend, Norway Children: b. a. Henry Kleiven Bjarne Veland married 6. BORGNY KLEIVEN b. Ъ. Borgny, the youngest child of Martine and Helge Kleiven, lives in Bergen. She and her husband have no children.

(Sources: Ingolf Cleveland, Gerhard Skouge, Martine's gravestone)

CHAPTER V

Descendants of Ingebrigt Olsen Severaas (Kleiven), continued

E. SOFIA KLEIVEN married Hogsvaer b. July 1885 Ъ.

Sofia, daughter of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven, married a man named Hogsvaer and has several children.

It is believed that she was still living at the time of her 90th birthday in 1975.

F. IDA KLEIVEN

married

Ida is the youngest of Ingebrigt and Sygne Kleiven's children.

According to Sophia (Kleaveland) Baer, she lives in the area of Oslo, Norway, and has several children.

(Sources: Ida and Gerhard Skouge, Sophia Kleaveland Baer)



Ole and Nettie Kleaveland August 20, 1896



Children of Ole and Nettie Kleaveland Sophia, Ingram, Frances, Olivian



The Sundsbø Family, April 12, 1912 Back row: Ole, Mons, Lars, Ida Front row: Martina, Nils (father), Ingeborg (mother), Oline



Ida and Anton Peterson May 8, 1918

CHAPTER VI

INGEBORG SEVERAAS SUNDSEØ and Descendants

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INGEBORG SEVERAAS SUNDSBØ AND DESCENDANTS

- VI. Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas m. Nils Bertilsen Kolaas (Sundsbø)
 - A. Martina Sundsbø m. Martin Jacobsen Soltvedt
 - 1. Johanna Soltvedt
 - 2. Ingeborg Soltvedt
 - 3. Maria Soltvedt (died at age 17
 - 4. Ingolf Soltvedt m. Marian
 - 5. Jacob Soltvedt m. Charlotte Solheim
 - a. Martin Soltvedt m. Berit Dale
 - (1) Malin Soltvedt
 - (2) Kjartan Soltvedt

B. Ole Sundsbø m. Berta Saetre

- 1. Alma Ragnfrid Sundsbø m. Hans Austrheim
 - a. Oslaug Hedrig Austrheim m. Ingar Sørhaug
 - (1) Anlaug Irene Sørhaug
 - (2) Aage Sørhaug
 - b. Berta Austrheim m. Thomas Findenes
 - (1) Anbjørg Findenes
 - (2) Tordis Findenes
 - (3) Tern Birge Findenes
 - (4) Unni Findenes
- 2. Nelly Ingrid Sundsbø
- 3. Berna Olava Sundsbø
- C. Mons Sundsbø (died at age 2)
- D. Oline Sundsbø (not married)
- E. Mons Sundsbø m. Berta Gjerline Birkeland
 - 1. Ingvard Sundsbø m. Swanhild Raunehaug
 - 2, Nils Sundsbø m. Johanna Jaadahl
 - a. Anne Berit Sundsbø
 - b. Ingebjorg Sundsbø
 - c. Sunniva Sundsbø
 - d. Aashild Sundsbø
 - 3. Jenny Sundsbø

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Mons Sundsbø, continued

4. Birgar Martin Sundsbø m. Marta Morthen

a. Svein Sundsbø m. Solfrid Tamter

(1) Saalve Sundsbø

b. Dagfinn Sundsbø

c. Erlend Sundsbø

d. Nils-Erik Sundsbø

5. Liev Sundsbø m. Anne Lise Bjaarnstad

a. Solvaar Sundsbø

b. Gyrd Sundsbø

c. Ingild Sundsbø

6. Inger Sundsbø m. Olav Kvamme

a. Endre Kvamme

b. Bodil Kvamme

c. Anne Kvamme

d. Magne Kvamme

7. Borghild Sundsbø m, Georg Wethal

a. Gerd Wethal

b. Solveig Wethal

c. Nils Edvin Wethal

F. Lars Nilsen Sundsbø (Sundsbo) m. Alvidia Menora J. Quisley

1. Jean Marie Sundsbo (adopted) m. Wayne Reid Johnson

a. Cynthia Rae Johnson

b. Kathy Lynn Johnson

c. Thomas Clay Johnson

d. Kari Marie Johnson

G. Ingeborg Sundsbø (died at age 12)

H. Martin Sundsbø (died young)

I. Ida Marie Sundsbø m. Anton N. Peterson

1. Marvin Justin Peterson m. Madeline Louise Stauffer

2. Naomi Irene Peterson m. Lloyd Paulmer Sabby

a. Ronald Lloyd Sabby m. Wanda Fay Olson

b. Dennis Alan Sabby

c. Karen Marie Sabby

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Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

Arling Nels Peterson m. Ruth Marie Valde
 a. Susan Elaine Peterson m. Gregory Lawrence

Olsen

(1) Kristin Marie Olsen

- 4. Leslie Martin Peterson m. June Burlette Laurine
 - Ness
 - a. Linda Suzanne Peterson m. Danny Kaye East
 - (1) Stacy Lynne East
 - b. Lori Jean Peterson
- 5. Ina Marie Peterson m. Leland Curtez Sabby
 - a. Paul David Sabby
 - b. Mary Margaret Sabby
 - c. Rachel Marie Sabby
 - d. John Mark Sabby
- 6. Robert Durwood Peterson m. Patricia Dee Thomason
 - a. Robert Travis Peterson m. Judy Jeanette Wirth
 - b. Robin Diane Peterson
 - c. Rodney David Peterson
 - d. Kathleen Jo Peterson
- 7. Sterling Oliver Peterson
- 8. Stanley Reuben Peterson m. Gloria Ana Biehler
 - a. Mark Edwin Peterson
 - b. Michael Eric Peterson
 - c. Shannon Elaine Peterson
 - d. Myron Stanley Peterson

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ole Olsen Severaas (b. 1808)

VI. INGEBORG OLSDATTER SEVERAAS married Nils Bertilsen b. October 20, 1848 1870 Kolaas Sundsbø d. October 13, 1925 b. July 24, 1844 d. September 17, 1924

Ingeborg was the youngest of six children born to Ole Olsen Severaas and his wife Marta Monsdatter (Nedretveit) Severaas. (For Ingeborg's ancestors, see Chapter IV.)

Near the first of July in 1870, Ingeborg married Nils Bertilsen Kolaas of Sundsbø. They farmed the Sundsbø farm in Lindaas, Norway. No one lives on the farm at the present time, but the house is used as a vacation place for family members.

Children:

Α.	Martina Sundsbø (Soltvedt)	Ъ.	May 26, 1871
	Ole Sundsbø		September 19, 1873
C.	Mons Sundsbø	b.	(died at age 2)
D.	Oline Sundsbø	b.	February 2, 1879
Ē.	Mons Sundsbø	b.	1884 (?)
F,	Lars Sundsbø	b.	April 25, 1890
G,	Ingeborg Sundsbø	b.	about 1891 (died at age 12)
H.	Martin Sundsbø	Ъ,	(died young)
I.	Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson)	b.	September 15, 1894

(Sources: Ida Sundsbø Peterson, Johanna Soltvedt, Nelly Sundsbø)

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Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø)

A. MARTINA SUNDSBØ	married	Martin Jacobsen Soltvedt
b. May 26, 1871	August	b. May 9, 1876
d. June 29, 1951	24, 1897	d. June 13, 1951

Martina, the first child of Nils and Ingeborg Sundsbø, was born on the Sundsbø farm in Lindaas, Norway.

On August 24, 1897, she married Martin Soltvedt, a farmer. They made their home on the Soltvedt farm.

Children:

1. Johanna Soltvedt Johanna, unmarried, worked as a hired girl. She now lives with her sister Ingeborg.

Address: 5127 Sletta Radøy, Norway

- Ingeborg Soltvedt b. August 3, 1899
 Ingeborg is not married. She lives with her sister at the above address.
- 3. Maria Soltvedt b. May 18, 1901 d. October 31, 1918
- 4. Ingolf Soltvedt b. July 24, 1902 d. 1970

Ingolf was an engineer. He and his wife Marian lived in Pennsylvania, but had no children.

5. Jacob Soltvedt

b. August 6, 1903 d. October 12, 1962

Jacob, a male nurse, married Charlotte Solheim who was born May 19, 1902. They had one son:

a. Martin Soltvedt b. January 31, 1931

Martin married Berit Dale. They have two children:

(1) Malin Soltvedt b. November 22, 1970

(2) Kjartan Soltvedt b. January 9, 1973

(Sources: Johanna Soltvedt, Nelly Sundsbø)

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued

Β.	OLE SUNDSBØ	married	Berta Saetre
	b. September 19, 1873		b. August 3, 1868
	d. February 18, 1951		d. January 24, 1927

Ole was born on Sundsbø in Lindaas, Norway. He was the second child, first son of Ingeborg (Severaas) and Nils Bertilsen Kolaas Sundsbø.

Before he started farming in 1910, he had been a carpenter in Bergen for many years.

Children:

1.	Alma Ragnfrid Sundsbø		
	(Austrheim)	b. August 5, 1899	
2.	Nelly Ingrid Sundsbø	b. May 14, 1901	
3.	Berna <u>Olava</u> Sundsbø	b. June 2, 1904	

1.	ALMA RAGNFRID	SUNDSBØ	married	Hans Austrheim
	b. August 15,	1899		b. March 18, 1896
	d. July 8, 197			d. December 1961

Born in Bergen, Alma was the eldest of three daughters born to Ole and Berta Sundsbø. She and Hans had two daughters.

Children:

a. Oslaug Hedrig Austrheim

(Sørhaug) b. August 10, 1922

Oslaug was a cashier before she married Ingar Sørhaug, a captain in the merchant marine. Ingar was born October 21, 1927. Oslaug and Ingar have two children:

(1) Anlaug Irene Sørhaug
(2) Aage Sørhaug
(3) Aage Sørhaug
(4) Anlaug Irene Sørhaug
(5) February 15, 1957
(7) B. April 26, 1960

b. Berta Odlaug Austrheim

(Findenes) b. April 21, 1926

Berta was a shop-keeper before her marriage. Her husband, Thomas Findenes, born November 10, 1920, is a businessman. Their children are as follows:

	Anbjørg Findenes	b.	September 4, 1951
(2)	Tordis Findenes	b.	August 14, 1952
(3)	Tern Birge Findenes	b.	August 23, 1956
(4)	Unni Findenes	b.	December 18, 1960

(Source: Nelly Sundsbø)

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ole Sundsbø, continued

2. NELLY INGRID SUNDSBØ b. May 14, 1901

Nelly, daughter of Ole and Berta Sundsbø, was born in Bergen, became a registered nurse and worked for 40 years at Ullevaal Hospital in Oslo.

She has traveled through several countries in Europe, plus Asia and Africa. Now she lives with her younger sister Olava. They have kept the house on the Sundsbø farm, but use it only on holidays and vacations.

Address: Øvregt 9, 5000 Bergen, Norway

3. BERNA <u>OLAVA</u> SUNDSBØ b. June 2, 1904

Olava, born in Bergen, is the youngest of three daughters of Ole and Berta Sundsbø. She lives with her sister Nelly in Bergen. Her interests include clothing and fabrics.

Address: Øvregt 9, 5000 Bergen, Norway

Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued

C. MONS SUNDSBØ

Mons, son of Ingeborg and Nils Sundsbø, died at the age of two. His birthdate is not known, but it is likely that he was born between Ole and Oline, as the next son born was also given the name Mons,

D. OLINE SUNDSBØ

- b. February 2, 1879
- d. September 17, 1958

Oline's parents were Nils and Ingeborg Sundsbø. She never married, but stayed at home on the farm and worked.

(Sources: Birgar Sundsbø, Nelly Sundsbø, Ida Peterson)

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued E. MONS SUNDSBØ married Berta Gjerline Birkeland b. March 9, 1884 b. July 27, 1882 1907 d. February 18, 1968 d. August 5, 1952 Mons, son of Nils and Ingeborg Sundsbø, was a farmer. His farm has since been sold and none of the family lives there now. Children: b. January 26, 1907 1. Ingvard Sundsbø b. April 7, 1909
b. June 21, 1911
b. April 22, 1914 2. Nils Sundsbø 3. Jenny Sundsbø 4. Birgar Martin Sundsbø b. June 30, 1917b. April 20, 1921 5. Leiv Sundsbø 6. Inger Sundsbø (Kvamme) 7. Borghild Sundsbø (Wethal) b. May 23, 1923 1. INGVARD SUNDSBØ married Swanhild Raunehaug b. January 26, 1907 b. Ingvard was the first child born to Mons and Berta Sundsbø. He was a school principal. Ingvard and his wife Swanhild have no children. Address: Sogndal in Sogn, Norway 2. NILS SUNDSBØ married Johanna Jaadahl b. April 7, 1909 b. Nils, a farmer, is the second son of Mons and Berta Sundsbø. He and Johanna have four daughters. Address: Kløfta, Ulleusaker, Norway Children: a. Anne Berit Sundsbø b. May 24, 1937 b. Ingebjorg Sundsbø b. November 1938 c. Sunniva Sundsbø b. 1942 b. 1946 d. Aashild Sundsbø (Source: Birgar Sundsbø)

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Mons Sundsbø, continued

3. JENNY SUNDSBØ b. June 21, 1911

Jenny, the third child born to Mons and Berta Sundsbø, is head of the kitchen of Riks Hospital in Oslo.

BIRGAR MARTIN SUNDSBØ married Marta Morthen
 b. April 22, 1914 May 22, b. February 19, 1917
 1942

Birgar, son of Mons and Berta Sundsbø, is a farmer. He and his wife Marta have a farm on Romerike near Oslo.

Address: Ersrud, 1903 Gan, Norway

Children:

a. Svein Sundsbø b. July 3, 1943

Svein is a scientist for "Norges Landbrukhaag Skole," an agricultural school. His wife's name is Solfrid (Tamter). They live in Drøbak, Norway, and have one child:

(1) Saalve Sundsbø b. October 14, 1970

b. Dagfinn Sundsbø b. December 11, 1946 Dagfinn works in a youth organization.

c. Erlend Sundsbø b. June 14, 1950

He is foreman in a packing house.

d. Nils-Erik Sundsbø b. February 17, 1952 Nils-Erik is in the construction business.

(Source: Birgar Sundsbø)

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Mons Sundsbø, continued

5. LEIV SUNDSBØ married Anne Lise Bjaarnstad b. June 30, 1917 b.

Leiv's parents were Mons and Berta Sundsbø. He and Anne Lise have two daughters and one son. Leiv is an architect.

Address: Kraakenes in Fana, Norway

Children:

a.	Solvaar Sundsbø	b.	May 14	+, 1953
b.	Gyrd Sundsbø	b.	April	9, 1956
с.	Ingild Sundsbø	b.	April	24, 1961

6. INGER SUNDSBØmarriedOlav Kvammeb. April 20, 1921b.

Inger is a daughter of Mons and Berta Sundsbø. She and her husband Olav have two daughters and two sons.

Olav is an official who directs the division of land or estates with the help of two appraisers.

Address: Straume, Fana, Norway

Children:

a. Endre Kvamme	b. December 21, 1954
b. Bodil Kvamme	b. May 28, 1956
c. Anne Kvamme	b. December 28, 1959
d. Magne Kvamme	b. April 22, 1961

7. BORGHILD SUNDSBØb. May 23, 1923

Geog

Georg Wethal b.

Borghild is the youngest of Mons and Berta Sundsbø's children. She married Georg Wethal, a farmer, and they are the parents of two daughters and one son.

married

Address: Kløfta, Ulleusaker, Norway

Children:

a.	Gerd Wethal	b.	February	28, 1948
b.	Solveig Wethal	Ъ.	1949	
с.	Nils Edvin Wethal	b.	April 24,	1958

(Source: Birgar Sundsbø)

CHAPTER VI

Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued

F.	LARS NILS	EN SUNDSBØ	married	Alvidia <u>Menora</u> J. Quisley
	b. April	25, 1890	February	b. September 22, 1897
	d. April	20, 1969	18, 1925	d. October 12, 1956

Lars, son of Nils and Ingeborg Sundsbø, was born on the Sundsbø farm in Lindaas, county of Hordaland, Norway. He came to the United States the first time in 1907, later returning to Norway.

On April 12, 1912, Lars and his sister Ida (Mrs. Anton Peterson of Jewell, Iowa) left Bergen for the United States. A family portrait was taken the day before they left. (See page 148b.) Lars used to say that he came to America to get rich; then he would go back to Norway. In the United States the spelling of his last name was changed slightly to Sundsbo.

During World War I, Lars served with the United States Army in France. He suffered from tuberculosis for many years after the war and was hospitalized for almost a year in the Veterans' Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Lars and Menora were engaged for seven years before their marriage in Emmons, Minnesota, on February 18, 1925. They lived on a farm near Slayton, Minnesota. Menora, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hans F. Quisley, taught school for 20 years in Slayton, and around the Albert Lea area of Minnesota.

In 1941 Lars and Menora bought a small farm near Glenville, Minnesota. Jean Marie Quisley came to live with them in 1942 after the death of her mother. Jean's father and Menora were twins. In 1954, when Jean was 15 years old, Lars and Menora officially adopted her.

Menora died October 12, 1956, of a cerebral hemorrhage. On April 20, 1969, Lars passed away and was buried the day before his 79th birthday.

Adopted daughter:

1. Jean Marie Quisley Sundsbo (Johnson) b. March 23, 1939

(Sources: Jean Sundsbo Johnson, Nellie Skouge, Ida Sundsbo Peterson)

Descendants of Lars Nilsen Sundsbo

1. JEAN MARIE QUISLEY	SUNDSBO ma	rried W.	ayne Reid Johnson
b. March 23, 1939			. March 31, 1936

Jean was born in Emmons, Minnesota to Helmer and Ione Quisley. When Jean was three years old, her mother died and she went to live with Lars and Menora Sundsbo who legally adopted her in 1954. Jean's father and Menora (Quisley) Sundsbo were twins.

Jean married Wayne Johnson, son of Emery and Lydia Johnson, on March 25, 1961, in the First Lutheran Church in Glenville, Minnesota. They first lived in California for two years while Wayne went to Brooke Institute of Photography; then in Illinois for two years, and in New Jersey for nine months. Now they live in Minneapolis, Minnesota, where Wayne has his photography business, entitled "Focus Labs," in their home. He prints color photos for industry.

In the summer of 1973, Jean and Wayne took a trip to Nor-way where they visited the old Sundsbø farm.

Address: 6727 12th Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55423

Children:

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a. Cynthia Rae Johnson b. July 15, 1962

Cynthia was born in Santa Barbara, California.

- b. Kathy Lynn Johnsonb. December 30, 1964Kathy was born in Rockford, Illinois.
- c. Thomas Clay Johnson b. November 22, 1970 Tom was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- d. Kari Marie Johnson b. June 10, 1974 Kari was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota

CHAPTER VI

Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued

G. INGEBORG SUNDSBØ b. about 1891

Ingeborg, who died at the age of 12, was a daughter of Ingeborg and Nils Sundsbø.

H. MARTIN SUNDSBØ

As Martin's birthdate is not known, one cannot be sure just where he fits into the family group. Martin hurt his back as a child so that he was unable to walk. Gerhard Skouge said that one of the Sundsbø boys, presumably Martin, was an invalid, but was very capable in the use of his hands. Martin, son of Ingeborg and Nils Sundsbø, died young.

(Sources: Ida Sundsbø Peterson, Gerhard Skouge)

I. IDA MARIE SUNDSBØ	married	Anton N. Peterson
b. September 15, 1894	May 8,	b. April 26, 1892
- /	1918	d. May 23, 1970

Ida, born on the Sundsbø farm in Lindaas near Bergen, Norway, is a daughter of Nils and Ingeborg Sundsbø. She said that in Norway she was called Maria. Ida and her brother Lars emigrated to the United States, leaving Bergen on April 12, 1912. A family picture was taken the day before they left. (See page 148b.)

On May 8, 1918, Ida married Anton Peterson. The wedding was held at the Peterson homestead near Jewell, Iowa, with the Rev. K. O. Eittrem officiating. Their attendants were Mr. and Mrs. John Peterson and Mr. and Mrs. August Kleaveland. Ida and Anton farmed two miles west and one-fourth mile north of Jewell. From the time of their marriage, Anton's parents lived with them. Anton's mother died in 1935, and his father died in 1939.

Anton served in the United States Army for nearly eleven months during World War I, being inducted on July 26, 1918, and discharged June 10, 1919. He took part in the Mease Argon Offensive in France.

Ida and Anton raised a family of eight children, all of

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ingeborg Olsdatter Severaas (Sundsbø), continued Ida Sundsbø (Peterson), continued whom married except Sterling who stayed home to tend the family farm. Address: Jewell, Iowa 50130 Children: b. March 16, 1919 1. Marvin Justin Peterson 2. Naomi Irene Peterson (Sabby)b. August 1, 1920 b. June 4, 1922 3. Arling Nels Peterson 4. Leslie Martin Peterson b. October 19, 1924 5. Ina Marie Peterson (Sabby) b. September 12, 1926 6. Robert Durwood Peterson b. November 16, 1928 7. Sterling Oliver Peterson b. October 21, 1930 b. August 19, 1935 8. Stanley Reuben Peterson

1.	MARVIN JUSTIN PETERSON	married	Madeline Louise Stauffer
	b. March 16, 1919	June 14,	b. March 21, 1929
		1959	

Marvin, born near Jewell, Iowa, was the first child of Ida and Anton Peterson. He grew up on the family farm and attended the schools in Jewell.

In 1942 Marvin started farming for himself. He married Madeline Stauffer, daughter of Donald and Helen (Settlemire) Stauffer of Odebolt, Iowa, on June 14, 1959.

Marvin and Madeline live on their farm one mile north and one-fourth mile west of Jewell.

Address: Jewell, Iowa 50130

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

2.	NAOMI IRENE	PETERSON	married	Lloyd Paulmer Sabby
	b. August 1	1920	June 15, 1947	b. March 8, 1918

Naomi was the second child born to Ida and Anton Peterson of Jewell, Iowa. She grew up on her parents' farm, and graduated from Jewell High School.

In 1940 she graduated from Waldorf Junior College in Forest City, Iowa, then worked for seven years in the Forest City Bank and Trust Company.

The marriage of Naomi and Lloyd Sabby took place in Jewell on June 15, 1947. Lloyd is a son of Carrie Sabby of Rolette, North Dakota, and Andrew Sabby of McHenry, Illinois, his parents having separated when he was young.

Since their marriage, Naomi and Lloyd have lived in Estherville, Iowa, where he is employed with the John Morrell Company. His hobby is hunting arrow heads of which he has a large collection. Naomi has been working as Deputy County Treasurer of Emmet County.

Address: 1338 N. 13th Street, Estherville, Iowa 51334

Children:

a.	Ronald Lloyd Sabby	b.	March 12, 1950
b,	Dennis Alan Sabby	b	May 6, 1952
С.	Karen Marie Sabby	b	May 29, 1955

a.	RONALD LLOYD	SABBY	married	Wanda Faye Olson
	b. March 12,	1950	August	b. March 15, 1951
			10, 1974	

Ronald, the oldest child of Naomi and Lloyd Sabby, was born in Estherville, Iowa, on March 12, 1950. He attended the schools in Estherville, graduating from high school in 1968, and from Iowa Lakes Community College in Estherville in 1970.

From the day after his high school graduation until 1972, Ron was employed by Dale Jacobson, Eng., but worked only part time while he was in college. In 1972 he was hired by Kent Feeds, Inc. of Estherville.

On August 10, 1974, Ron married Wanda Olson, a graduate

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Naomi Peterson (Sabby), continued Ronald Lloyd Sabby, continued

of Northwest Missouri State University in Marysville, Missouri. She is a daughter of Bertram and Thelma Olson of Irwin, Iowa. Wanda taught junior high English for one year at Irwin and was a key punch operator in the courthouse in Estherville for one year.

Address: Box 145, Wallingford, Iowa 51365

b. DENNIS ALAN SABBYb. May 6, 1952

Dennis was born in Estherville, Iowa, on May 6, 1952, the second son of Naomi and Lloyd Sabby.

He graduated from Estherville High School with the class of 1970, from Iowa Lakes Community College in Estherville in 1972, and from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, in 1975. Since the age of 16, he has spent every summer working for the Rock Island Railroad.

c. KAREN MARIE SABBY b. May 29, 1955

Born in Estherville, Iowa, Karen is the youngest child and only daughter of Naomi and Lloyd Sabby.

In 1973 she graduated from Estherville High School; in 1975 she graduated from Iowa Lakes Community College in Estherville. In the fall of 1975, she enrolled at Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, planning to go into social work.

Part-time jobs have included baby-sitting, working at the Villager, helping in school as a teacher's aid, and working at the Barnes Insurance Agency.

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

3.	ARLING NELS PETERSON	married	Ruth Marie Valde
	b. June 4, 1922	August	b. June 4, 1925
		17, 1947	

Arling, born near Jewell, Iowa, on June 4, 1922, is the second son and third child of Ida and Anton Peterson. He attended the schools in Jewell, graduating from high school in 1939.

After being raised on the family farm, he began farming for himself near Jewell in 1946. He purchased a farm near Ellsworth, Iowa, where he moved in 1955. The farm is two miles east and three-fourths mile south of Ellsworth. Arling raises livestock and grain.

On August 17, 1947, he married Ruth Valde, whose parents are Noah and Pearl Valde of Eldora, Iowa. Ruth teaches the first grade at Ellsworth Elementary Center of South Hamilton School.

Address: Route 1, Box 113, Ellsworth, Iowa 50075

Only child:

a. Susan Elaine Peterson (Olsen) b. July 12, 1949

a.	SUSAN ELAINE PETERSON	married	Gregory Lawrence Olsen
	b. July 12, 1949	May 22,	b. December 30, 1948
		1971	

Susan, daughter of Arling and Ruth Peterson of Ellsworth, Iowa, was born at the Mary Greeley Hospital in Ames, Iowa, on July 12, 1949.

She graduated from South Hamilton High School in Jewell, Iowa, in 1967, and from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls in 1971 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education.

Shortly after her college graduation, Susan married Gregory Olsen of Waterloo, Iowa. His parents are Leon and Marie Olsen. Susan taught school for two years following her marriage. Greg is employed as district sales manager for Hawkeye Steel Products.

Address: 308 Meyer Lane, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57103 Children:

(1) Kristin Marie Olsen b. January 7, 1974

Kristin was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

4.	LESLIE MAR	TIN PETERSO	N married	June Burlette	Laurine	Ness
	b. October	19, 1924	June 6, 1948	b. September	5, 1926	

Born October 19, 1924, near Jewell, Iowa, Leslie became the fourth child, third son of Ida and Anton Peterson. He graduated from the Jewell High School in 1941, and served in the United States Army in World War II.

Leslie married June Ness on June 6, 1948, at the Salem Lutheran Church in Lake Mills, Iowa, with Rev. H. F. Huseth performing the ceremony. June, a daughter of Beulah (Bakken) and Alfred Ness, had been born in Lake Mills.

Leslie and June live on their 260-acre farm two miles west of Jewell where they raise grain and livestock.

Farm events and new farming proceedures are Leslie's chief interests, while June enjoys keeping scrapbooks of interesting and newsworthy clippings.

Address: Route 1, Jewell, Iowa 50130

Children:

a. Linda Suzanne Peterson (East) b. April 18, 1949

b. Lori Jean Peterson

b. July 4, 1954

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Leslie Martin Peterson

a.	LINDA SUZANNE P	ETERSON	married	Danny Kaye East
	b. April 18, 19	149		b. January 17, 1949
			27, 1971	

The first child born to Leslie and June Peterson was named Linda. She grew up on her parents' farm near Jewell, Iowa, and graduated from South Hamilton High School in Jewell with the class of 1967.

After graduating from two years at Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, where she studied to become a medical secretary, she accepted a position at St. Luke's Methodist Hospital in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and began work in June 1969.

On March 27, 1971, in the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell, Linda became the bride of Danny East, son of William and Frances East of Stanhope, Iowa. Linda continued to work until their little daughter was born May 20, 1974.

Linda and Danny resided in Waterloo, Iowa, where he was Customer Service Manager at Penney's store, until they moved to Des Moines, Iowa, in 1975. Danny is now the manager of Maurice's at the Merle Hay Shopping Center.

Linda's special interests include interior decorating, bowling, reading and being an active member of the Compass Club. In his spare time, Danny enjoys bowling and playing golf, tennis and basketball.

Address: 4516 - 68th Street, Urbandale, Iowa 50322

Children: (1) Stacy Lynne East b. May 20, 1974

b. LORI JEAN PETERSON

b. July 4, 1954

Lori, the second daughter of Leslie and June Peterson, grew to adulthood on her parents farm west of Jewell, Iowa.

In 1972 she graduated from South Hamilton High School in Jewell, and in 1974 graduated from two years at Waldorf Junior College in Forest City, Iowa. She then enrolled at Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, Iowa, where she will graduate in 1976 with a major in Sociology and a minor in Psychology. CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

5.	INA MARIE PETERSON	married	Leland Curtez Sabby
	b. September 12, 1926	August	b. February 29, 1920
		27, 1950	

Ina, born in Jewell, Iowa, is a daughter of Ida and Anton Peterson. She attended the schools in Jewell, graduating from South Hamilton High School in 1944. In May of 1946, she graduated from two years at Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, as an Associate in Education. She taught the first grade in Roland, Iowa, until May, 1949, then the first grade in Denison, Iowa, the following year.

On August 27, 1950, Ina and Leland Sabby were married in the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell. Leland was born in Rolette, North Dakota to Andrew and Carrie (Sevold) Sabby. Ina and Leland live in Valley City, North Dakota, where he is a mathematics instructor.

In the first year of their marriage, Ina taught the fourth grade in Valley City before taking time out to have a family of four children, all of whom were born in Valley City. When the children were all in school, Ina returned to college and graduated in May, 1967, from Valley City State College with a Bachelor of Science degree. She began teaching the fourth grade in September of that year and has taught continuously since then.

Both Ina and Leland enjoy complete involvement with their home, family, school and church. Ina says that Leland is handy at nearly everything; his latest hobby is making beautiful jewelry out of walnut wood.

Address: 1133 - 6th Ave. N.E., Valley City, North Dakota 58072

Children:

- a. Paul David Sabby
- b. Mary Margaret Sabby
- c. Rachel Marie Sabby

d. John Mark Sabby

- b. March 26, 1952
- b. June 10, 1954
- b. June 24, 1956
- b. September 5, 1958

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ina Marie Peterson (Sabby)

a. PAUL DAVID SABBY b. March 26, 1952

Paul, born in Valley City, North Dakota, is Ina and Leland Sabby's first child.

He graduated Magne Cum Laud from Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, in May 1974. At the present time (1976) he is in his second year of law school at the University of Minnesota.

b. MARY MARGARET SABBY b. June 10, 1954

Mary, daughter of Ina and Leland Sabby, was born in Valley City, North Dakota.

She is an art major, having attended Valley City State College for two years, then transferring to the University in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She stayed out of school to work during the 1975-76 school year, but plans to return and complete her final year.

c. RACHEL MARIE SABBY b. June 24, 1956

Born in Valley City, North Dakota, Rachel is the third child of Ina and Leland Sabby.

Now, in 1976, Rachel is in her second year at Valley City State College.

d. JOHN MARK SABBY b. September 5, 1958

John, the youngest child of Ina and Leland Sabby, was born in Valley City, North Dakota.

John will graduate from Valley City High School in 1977.

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

6.	ROBERT DURWOOD PETERSON	married	Patricia Dee Thomason
	b. November 16, 1928	June 13,	b. February 18, 1936
		1954	

Robert was born near Jewell, Iowa, at the farm home of his parents, Ida and Anton Peterson, on November 16, 1928. He was baptized in May, 1929, confirmed in June, 1943, and graduated from high school in 1946.

Robert and "Pat" were married June 13, 1954, in the First Southern Baptist Church in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Pat was born February 18, 1936, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to Arthur Dee and Leona Beatrice Thomason.

Together with his brother Sterling, Robert farms 640 acres of land west of Jewell, Iowa, where they raise grain and livestock.

In her spare time, Pat enjoys bowling, knitting and crocheting.

Address: Route 2, Jewell, Iowa 50130

Children:

a. Robert Travis Peterson	b. June 29, 1955
b. Robin Diane Peterson	b. September 23, 1956
c. Rodney David Peterson	b. September 23, 1956
d. Kathleen Jo Peterson	b. December 31, 1960

a.	ROBERT TRAVIS PETERSON	married	Judy Jeanette Wirth
	b. June 29, 1955	April 5,	b. August 1954
		1975	

Travis is the first of four children born to Robert and Patricia Peterson.

While in high school, Travis was very active in the F.F.A. (Future Farmers of America), being elected local president as well as reporter for the North Central Iowa District. He also took part in speech contests, advancing to state competition. Travis is very talented in art work, and several of his pieces were accepted for the Iowa Traveling Art Show.

He attended Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, and Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. On April 5, 1975, he married Judy Wirth, daughter of Joseph and Verna Wirth of Thompson, Iowa.

Address: Rural Route, Thompson, Iowa 50478

CHAPTER VI Descendants of Robert Durwood Peterson, continued

b. ROBIN DIANE PETERSON b. September 23, 1956

Robin and her twin brother Rodney were born September 23, 1956, to Robert and Patricia Peterson of Jewell, Iowa.

While in high school, Robin was on the girls' softball team which won the 1974 State Championship. She plays a clarinet and was selected for All State Band in November 1974. In June of 1975 she went with the high school band to Winnipeg, Canada, where they won the marching competition.

Robin graduated from high school in May, 1975, and enrolled in Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, that fall.

c, RODNEY DAVID PETERSON b. September 23, 1956

Rodney and his sister Robin are twins born to Robert and Patricia Peterson. He grew up on the family farm near Jewell, Iowa, and will graduate from high school in the spring of 1976.

"Rod" has been very active in the Future Farmers of America as well as in sports, being on the cross country and track teams.

d. KATHLEEN JO PETERSON b. December 31, 1960

Kathy, daughter of Robert and Patricia Peterson of Jewell, Iowa, is in the ninth grade this 1975-76 school year.

She plays softball and was pitcher for the eighth grade team. She also plays the French horn and, while still in junior high school, was selected to go to Winnipeg, Canada, with the high school band where they won first place in the marching competition in June, 1975. CHAPTER VI Descendants of Ida Marie Sundsbø (Peterson), continued

7. STERLING OLIVER PETERSONb. October 21, 1930

Sterling, a son of Ida and Anton Peterson, was born in Jewell, Iowa, baptized and confirmed in the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell, and graduated from Jewell High School in 1948. During the Korean War, he served as a tank driver with the Armed Forces in Korea.

Sterling continues to live on the family farm near Jewell. He has a farming operation in partnership with his brother Robert in which they raise grain and livestock.

Address: Jewell, Iowa 50130

8.	STANLEY REUBEN PETERSON	married	Gloria Ana Biehler
	b. August 19, 1935		b. February 16, 1942
		1961	

Born in Jewell, Iowa, Stanley is the youngest of Ida and Anton Peterson's children. He attended the schools in Jewell, graduating from high school in 1953. He went to Waldorf College in Forest City, Iowa, for two years, then to Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota, from which he graduated in 1957. In 1961 he graduated from Luther Seminary in St. Pul, Minnesota, and was ordained into the ministry on July 2 of that year at the Bethesda Lutheran Church in Jewell.

On June 4, 1961, at Bethel Lutheran Church in Sacramento, California, Stanley married Gloria Biehler, daughter of Elmer and Gloria Biehler. Gloria, born in Panama, is currently interested in music and photography.

From the time of his ordination in 1961 to the present, Stanley has served in five congregations: Solberg and Zion Emmanuel in Lane, South Dakota, from 1961 to 1965; Our Savior's Lutheran in Wessington Springs, South Dakota, from 1965 to 1967; First Lutheran in Columbia Heights, Minnesota; from 1967 to 1968; Our Savior's Lutheran in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, from 1968 to 1976, and at this writing he has recently been called to serve the Lutheran Church in Clinton, Iowa.

Address: 1401 Sunset Terrace, Clinton, Iowa 52732

Children:

a. Mark Edwin Petersonb. May 6, 1962b. Michael Eric Petersonb. October 21, 1964c. Shannon Elaine Petersonb. June 30, 1967d. Myron Stanley Petersonb. April 9, 1972

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