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The Family

The family is like a book —
The children are the leaves,
The parents are the covers
That protecting beauty gives.
At first the pages of the book
Are blank and purely fair,
But time soon writeth memories
And painteth pictures there.
Love is the little golden clasp
That bindeth up the trust;
Oh, break it not, lest all the leaves
Should scatter and be lost!
Author — Unknown

Dedication

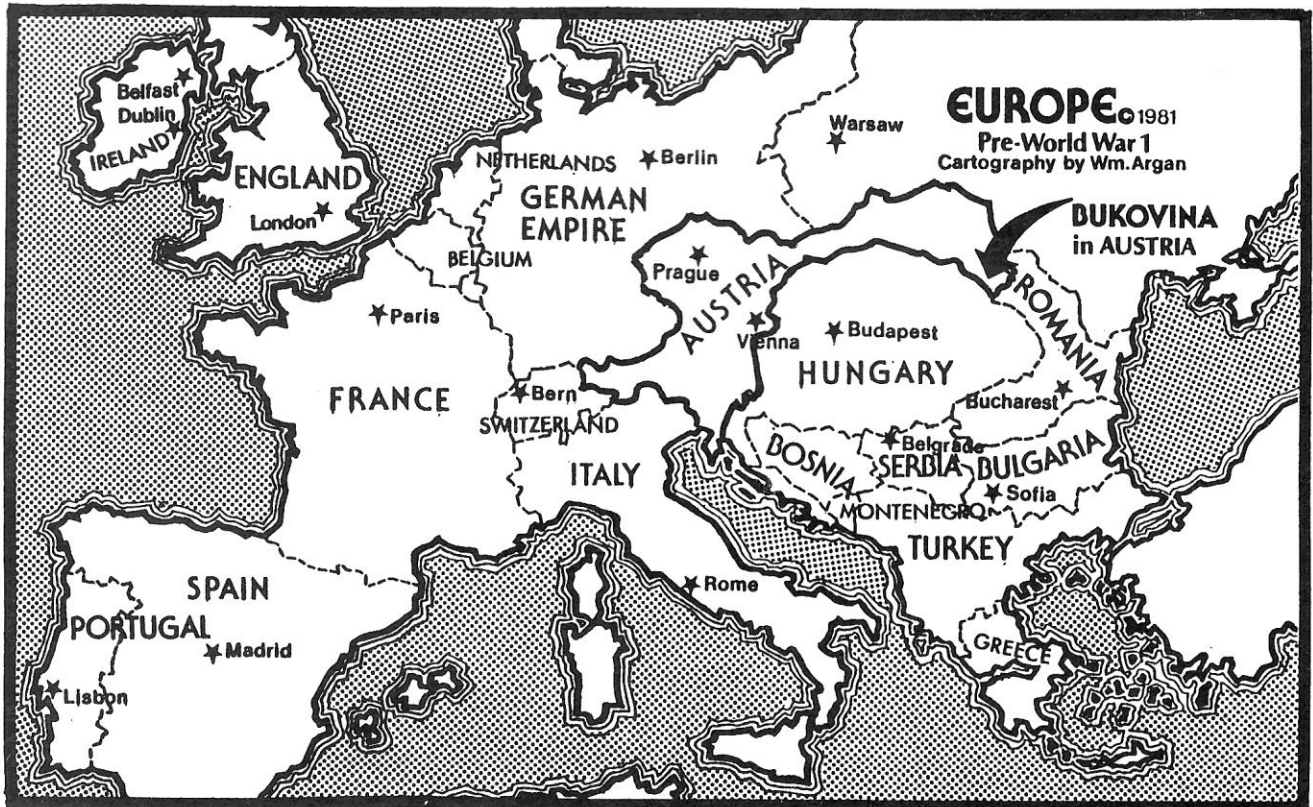
This book is dedicated to those who have gone before us and have left a heritage of which we can be justly proud. It was their courage and fortitude both in Bukovina, Austria and in choosing to come to this land that allows us the freedom to enjoy ourselves in a land that is free from want. Because they gave so willingly of themselves to develop this country, this should instill in us the desire to make our life count and to leave our mark in this world.

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Maps of Bucovina about the time our forefathers lived there.

Geography and History of Austria

History of Bucovina

In 1775, the province was won by Austria who controlled it until 1918. During this period, the Government enticed German colonists to settle in Bucovina, with grants of land, livestock and machinery. The Bucovina Germans added Romanian words to their language and adopted many Romanian dishes; Borscht (vegetable soup), Galushki (cabbage rolls), Malei (corn bread), and Mamalige (corn meal porridge).

During WW I, Romania hoped to gain possession of Bucovina because of its large Romanian population. It entered the war on the side of the Allies in 1916. In the Peace settlement after the war, Romania received the province of Bucovina from Austria-Hungary.

During WW II, the province was annexed by Germany. After the war, it was again divided between Russia and Romania. The northern part was given to Russia and the south of Romania.

Sereth, (Seret, Sereti) Bukovina

Sereth is situated in the hilly zone of the Upper Moldavian plateau. It is one of the oldest towns of Moldavia having been mentioned as early as 1340.

In the Austrian census of 1900, Sereth had a population of 7614 made up of;

Germans	4623
Ukrainians	1882
Romanians	669
Others	440
Livestock;	
Pferde (horses)	226
Rinder (cattle)	727
Schafe (sheep)	80
Schweine (hogs)	440

Bucovina was originally named after the Beech forests of North Moldavia. It is a heavily forested, mountainous area between Transylvania and Moldavia.

It has had a very stormy history changing hands many times over the centuries. During the middle ages in the late 1200's, the Romanians founded two

independent territories; Moldavia and Walachi. Turkey took it in the 1300's and kept it for 400 years.

Over the centuries, it has been invaded by Dacians, Bulgars, Goths, Huns, Magyars, Slavs and Tartars.

German Evangelical Settlements in Western Canada

(Excerpts from the Sask. Genealogical Society, Bulletin Volume 12, No. 198

The first Lutherans in Saskatchewan came from Germany in 1884 and settled at Neu-Elsass, now called Strasbourg. In 1885 a group of Baptists from Tulcea in the Romanian Dobrudja settled at Neu-Tulcea, now called Edenwold. This group intended to settle in Neu-Elsass but because it was so far from the railroad centre at that time, they decided to form their own colony. In 1889 they were joined by a group of Germans from Bukowina. Many more of their friends and relatives from Bukowina followed them, and by 1896, there were 65 Germans from South Russia, Poland, Galicia and Germany. These people spread into homesteads in the surrounding districts of Vibank, Earl Grey and Southey, while 20 Baptist families from Bukovina settled near Raymore in the early 1900's.

Lutherans also settled in the Edenwold district in 1890 and formed the rural parish of St. John and in 1916 they founded the parish of St. Paul in the town of Edenwold.

Ebenezer, located north of Yorkton, was founded in 1887 by Baptists from Volhynia and the Volga. The settlement enlarged as new members arrived and by 1889 there were 100 German families in the district. By 1931, there were 6,604 Germans in the nine districts of Yorkton. Other Lutheran settlements were Lipton, Cupar, Markinch, Southey and Earl Grey. In the area between Lipton and Earl Grey, there approximately 3,600 Lutherans. Regina had 190 Lutheran and 60 Baptist families. The 1931 census showed 41,059 German Lutherans and 1,499 German Baptists in Saskatchewan.

Ferdinand Orthmer



Karl



Rudolf



Adolph



Dorothea

Ferdinand Orthner

Born:
Where: Alstadt, Austria
Died: 1883
Where:

Married — Marie Elizabeth Messerschmidt

Born:
Where:
Died: 1864
Where:



- Karl
- Rudolph
- Adolph

Born
Feb. 18, 1855
Oct. 12, 1857
Oct. 29, 1861

Died
October, 1936
March 11, 1940
Oct. 31, 1944

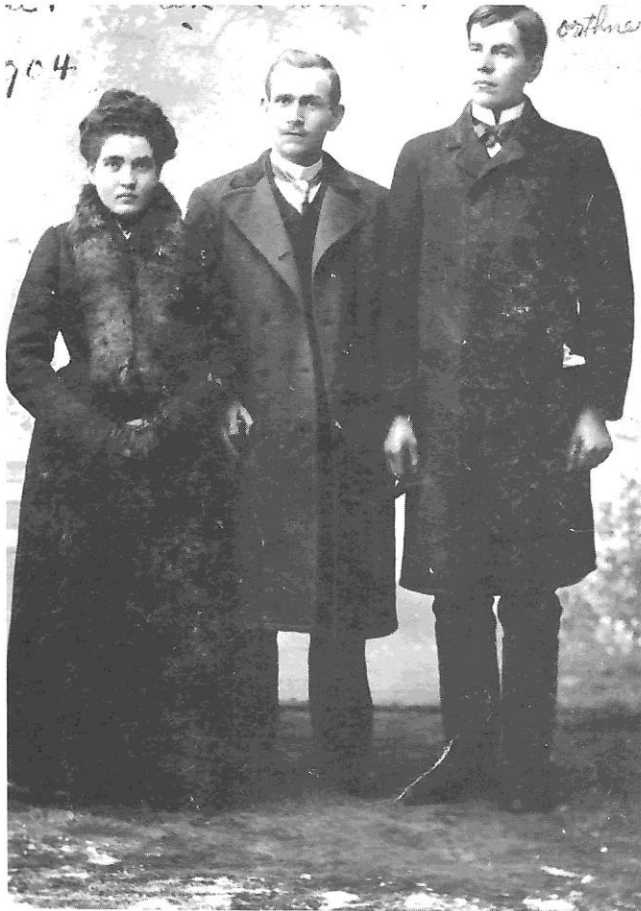
Married — Haberstock



— Dorothea

Born
Jan. 11, 1866

Died
April 1948



Grandchildren of Ferdinand Orthner: Emelia, Edward and Ferdinand.

The Orthners

The Orthners of our grandfather's generation was made up of three brothers, Karl, Rudolph and Adolph and a half sister, Dorothea. Rudolph immigrated to Texas, U.S.A. in 1896 from their home in Bukovina, Austria. The other members of the family all immigrated to Sask., Canada in the early 1900's.

Their father, Ferdinand Orthner, was a soldier in the Austrian army and his father before him was an officer, coming from a long line of military ancestry back to a General Orthner during the reign of Empress Maria Theresia in the 1700's.

The family was originally of the Lutheran and Roman Catholic religion but were converted to the Baptist faith sometime in the 1880's or 1890's.

The Canadian members of the family settled in the Raymore and Serath districts of Saskatchewan. Most of them took up homesteads and were farmers.

The families of each of the four were as follows:

- Karl — 3
- Rudolph — 12
- Adolph — 14
- Dorothea — 7

There is discrepancy in the spelling of names of people and places in this book. Some of it could be due to the fact that the area changed ownership a few times. Others could have been misspelled when they came to this continent or taken on American or Canadian way of spelling it as our people could not speak or write English.

Ferdinand Orthner

As compiled by Frank Orthner in 1949,
"Biographical notes on our grandparents"

Our father's father, **Ferdinand Orthner**, was reared in a military orphanage somewhere in Austria. His father was in military service, an officer, and presumably died in one of the Austrian wars. This, our great-grandfather came down from a long line of military ancestry, and I came across a note in a historical account of the Empress Maria Theresia, mentioning a General Orthner.

Our grandfather was also a soldier and I remember father telling me of some of the exploits of his father. One day he was nearly killed by a bullet that grazed his ear. Because of an injury, he was released, or rather discharged from military service; married Marie Elizabeth Messerschmidt and settled down in the village of LANDESTREU in eastern GALICIA, Austria. Here he eked out a very meager living, producing pasteboard boxes for the apothecary trade. He was the only person who could buy a newspaper in the city of Stryj, when on errands in that city, and upon arrival at his village, the villagers

came to his house and listened eagerly to his reading the newspaper and so conveying to his neighbors the happenings of the outside world. Our grandfather was the first person who brought into his home the first kerosene lamp, something that his neighbors regarded as one of the seven wonders of the world, and for many evenings they came, crowding into his humble home, admiring this wonderful brilliant light which exceeded everything that they knew about illumination as faggots and candles.

Our grandparents had three children, all boys: CARL, ADOLPH and RUDOLPH. Our grandmother died in 1864 leaving our grandfather with his young boys. Our father was then, when he lost his mother, seven years of age.

Our grandfather married again but I do not have the name of his second wife. He had a daughter from this, his second wife, and it seems to me that her name was DOROTHEA(?) but I am not sure. She was married to a Huber and emigrated. The Rev. Adam Huber, pastor in Minneapolis, Minn. is one of her sons and a half cousin of ours.

Our grandfather died in 1883. How old he was I do not know, but he reached quite a ripe old age. He was a Lutheran as to his religion.

Karl Orthner

Born: Feb. 18, 1855
Where: Landestreu, Bucovina
Died: Oct. 1936
Where: At his home, Raymore, Sask.

Married — Theresa Podlowski
Born: Oct. 10, 1854
Where:
Died: June 6, 1915
Where:

- Edward
- Rudolf Karl
- Ferdinand

Born
1885
Jan. 7, 1887
Nov. 26, 1895

Died
April 1959
Feb. 15, 1959

Married — Louise Wiest — 1917



Karl and Theresa Orthner.

Karl Orthner

Karl was the eldest son of Ferdinand and Marie Elizabeth Messerschmidt. He was a tanner by trade. He married Theresa Podlowski and lived at Serath, Bokovina, Austria. Life was very hard at that time in Austria. Many were called to serve in the military which caused much anxiety to parents of three boys. An evangelist known as a Bible Colporteur had travelled through that part of the country and they had listened to him, studied the scriptures and became Christians. Karl in turn held church services to spread the Word to others. Because there was no religious freedom, they along with the Jacob Huber family (his stepsister) decided to leave for Canada. Their oldest son Edward had gone to Canada the previous year so ties were broken and plans were made for the anticipated new home in a new country, Canada. They arrived in Balgonie, May 25, 1905. That year they found part-time employment with families who were established in farming, having been there some twenty years. While still making plans to get established, Edward and Rudolf filed for homesteads on NE 34-26-19 and NW 34-26-19. In 1906 their father Karl filed for SW 34-26-19 as there was a coulee running through the land where he thought there would be water that he could use for tanning. In the years to follow, he tanned hides for farmers to be used for making harness.

The first fall Karl returned to Balgonie to help on a threshing crew. Ferdinand and his mother remained alone, on the homestead, with almost nothing to eat, but bread and tea. Their diet was supplemented by a hen, who faithfully laid an egg a day.

In 1906 they were able to break thirty acres. That same year Karl purchased two oxen, only to discover

there was a chattel mortgage against them. It was held by a store in Southey. A sheriff walked all the way from Southey to make the arrangements, so that the store got its money, and Karl was able to retain the oxen. With Pausha, a big horse, and three oxen, Karl was able to break seventy acres.

In the spring of 1907 a young English settler came to join his older friend and found that he was short of food so he went walking one day in search of some. He came to the Orthner farm and knocked on the door. Theresa Orthner could speak no English and he didn't understand German but he made her understand that he was hungry so she gave him bread, milk and butter. He called her a good Samaritan.

In 1911 Karl and his sons purchased a Mogul gas engine and an eight-bottom plough. With this engine they did custom work. They broke one quarter section for Joseph Schindelka Sr. This engine was later sold to Dick Watt.

Karl's wife, Theresa, died in 1915, and he married Mrs. Louise Wiest in 1917.

Karl was concerned about the spiritual welfare of others. Although he had never attended a Bible School or Seminary, he capably took the services in the Serath Baptist Church when he was needed. With the pastor from Southey, he travelled north of Quinton, by horse and buggy to other German-speaking people, to share with them the Word of God. This led to meetings which were held in Quinton School once a month.

Karl passed away in 1936, at the age of eighty-one. He spent his retirement years looking after the garden and doing odd jobs around the yard. His son, Ferdinand took over the farm.

Edward Orthner

Edward was the eldest son of Karl and Theresa Orthner. He was born in 1885 at Sereth Bukovina, Austria. He came to Canada in 1904 to seek employment. In 1905, when his family arrived at Balgonie he and his brother Rudolf took up homesteads in the Serath District, on the N½ 34-26-19-W2nd. He farmed with his father and brothers until 1916 when he went to Portland, Oregon. He returned for a few years later for a short time and again went back to Oregon. He returned again in the thirties. While he stayed with his father I remember that he plowed 130 acres with a sixteen-inch one-bottom plow with three horses. Later he moved to Regina where he was desk clerk at the Plaza Hotel for a number of years. He passed away in April 1959.



Edward Orthner.

Rudolf Karl Orthner

Born: Jan. 7, 1887
Where: Sereth, Bucovina
Died: Feb. 1959
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Maria Galenzoski — July 31, 1913

Born: March 10, 1891
Where:
Died: March 17, 1981
Where: Regina, Sask.

- Annie
- Hulda
- Robert
- Louie Carl
- Julius
- Rose
- Walter
- Eleanor Emilie

Born

April 27, 1914
July 4, 1915
Sept. 17, 1917
April 12, 1919
Feb. 5, 1922
June 17, 1924
April 11, 1928
August 12, 1930

DIED MAY 10 - 1982
DIED DEC. 2 - 1954



Rudolf Karl Orthner Family. Back: Julius, Hulda, Robert, Annie, Louie, Rose, Walter. Front: Rudolf, Eleanor, Maria.

Rudolf Karl Orthner



Rudolf and Maria Orthner, July 31, 1913.

Rudolf Karl Orthner was married to Maria Emilia Galenzoski in Edenwold Baptist Church on July 31, 1913. For their honeymoon they travelled from Edenwold to the groom's homestead in a wagon with three cows tied behind. The wagon contained their wedding gifts and the necessities for setting up housekeeping in their two-roomed house, which was first situated in NE 33-26-19. It was later moved to NW 33-26-19 and some additions were added to the house. The furniture for their kitchen and bedroom was all ordered from T. Eaton Co. Their barn, also a T. Eaton Package, was built in 1917 by Odd Eby, Raymore.

Rudolf had previously sold his homestead quarter to his brother Ed, and purchased the north half of 33-26-19. Later he purchased SE 33-26-19 and SW 3-27-19.

To Rudolf and Marie were born four girls and four boys — Annie, Hulda, Robert, Louie Carl, Julius, Rose, Walter, and Eleanor Emelia. They were

all born at home with the help of a midwife, Mrs. Jacob Huber, Mrs. Luekei, or Mrs. Trapp.

Rudolf farmed with horses until 1935, when a Ford tractor on steel was purchased. It partially replaced the horses and made jobs like chopping grain and sawing wood much easier. In 1940, a deal was made with Sam Stern for a new Case tractor on rubber in exchange for both horses and cash.

Rudolf found it necessary to hire "hired men" until his family was old enough to help. There were many long trips to be made with a team of horses — to haul grain to town, to haul out coal, and to get wood from the reserves. Distances were shortened when a Model A Ford was purchased from Kippan's garage at Semans for just under \$1000.

The 1930's were no different for the Orthners than for anyone else. In 1930 and 1931, the seed was blown out of the ground; in 1935, the crop was rusted; in 1937, they just got their seed back due to drought; and in 1938 and 1939, it was necessary to spread poison for grasshoppers.

Rudolf had not only the concern for his own family at this time, but he was elected to the council of Millington R.M. in 1934 and had the responsibility for distributing "relief", and giving out the "letters of consent" to those who found it absolutely necessary to go into hospital, and had no means to pay for it. The municipality backed these cases. He served on council from 1934 to 1948.

Marie was born in Saskatchewan in 1881 and had learned well how to cope with bringing up a large family. She was the oldest girl in a family of twelve. Like many others she had a large garden, milked cows, and raised her own chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese. The latter provided down for pillows and comforters. Her butter and eggs were traded for groceries. She sewed most of the family's clothes, and in winter her spinning wheel provided yarn for socks and mitts.

When Annie and Hulda started school, they could not speak English. They remember well Mrs. Jaycock holding up a cup, and calling it by name. The Orthners were one of the few European families attending Llanwenarth school and Bob can remember not wanting to have sausages in his lunch pail because none of the other children had them. Because of the economic conditions of the thirties, most of the family were unable to attend high school, with the exception of Walter and Eleanor. Walter finished his High School at Raymore while boarding with Mrs. Henry Kunitz and also with Mr. Eugene Van Gardinge. He then went in training at Weyburn Mental Hospital and received his R.P.N. in 1950. Eleanor completed her education at the Balfour Technical School, Regina.

Both Robert and Louie were called into the army; Louie in March of 1942 and Robert in the fall of 1942. Robert, after serving with the Edmonton Fusileers received a medical discharge in 1943. Louie, after his training with the Prince Albert Volunteers was selected to serve with the Regimental Police in Holland, and returned to Canada in February, 1946. Both men returned to farming.

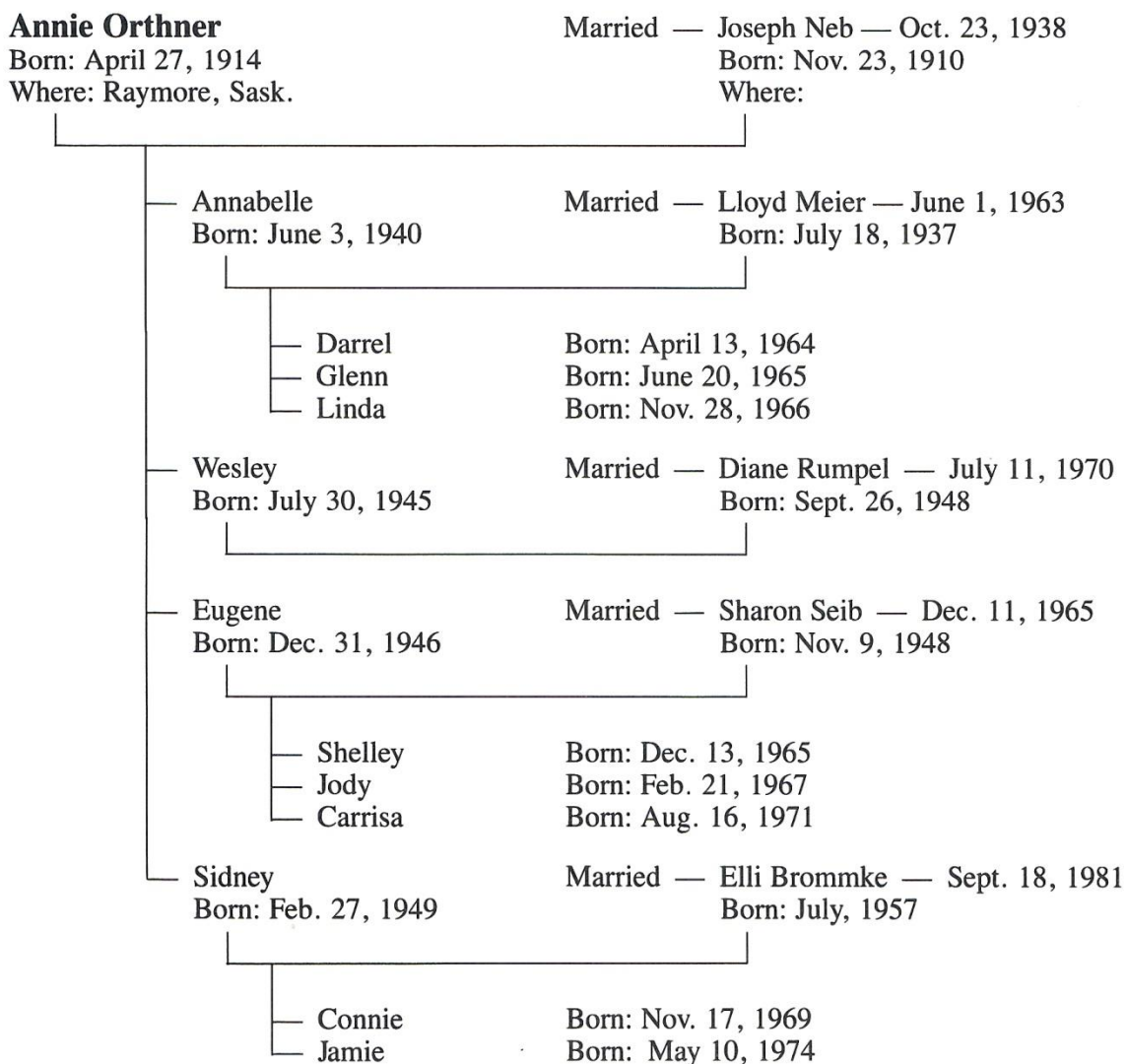
The family attended the Serath Baptist Church. Annie and her father took part in the church orchestra. Several in the family sang in the choir and all were active in the Young People's group. Maria was treasurer of the Ladies' Group from its beginning in 1935 until she left the farm.

As the family gradually took over the responsibility of the farm work, Rudolf found that he required something to make use of his time. To the

surprise of both his family and friends, he became very accomplished in both knitting and tating. He taught himself to do both.

Rudolf and Maria retired in 1949 and moved to Regina. Rudolf passed away February 15, 1959 and Maria passed away on March 17, 1981.

Family gatherings have always been important to the Orthners. During the 1930's, the Rudolf Karl Orthner family can remember always going to visit their grandfather on his birthday on February 18. A couple of times they made the trip in a wagon, over the frozen ground due to a February thaw. The Rudolf Orthners enjoyed family gatherings, and made it a point to come together every Christmas holiday. Those from a distance hated to miss these occasions. As the younger families grow they will no doubt continue this tradition.





Wesley, Eugene, Sidney, Annabelle, Annie Neb.



Wesley and Diane Neb.

Eugene was born in 1946. He is married to Sharon Seib and they have three children; Shelly, Jody and Carrisa, all at home. He is employed at McGavins Bakery in Regina.



Joseph Neb.

Annie (Orthner) Neb

I was born in 1914 at Serath, Saskatchewan to Rudolf and Maria Orthner. I attended Llanwenarth School and attended the Serath Baptist Church. In 1938 I married Joseph Neb who was born in Russia in 1910 and came to Canada with his parents, brother and sisters in 1927.

We farmed in the Serath district until 1954 when we moved to Frankslake, Saskatchewan. We farmed there until 1962 when we moved to Regina where I am still residing. My husband passed away in 1979. We had four children: Annabelle was born in 1940. She is married to Lloyd Meier. They live at Esterhazy, Saskatchewan, where he is employed in the mine.

They have three children; Darrel, Glenn and Linda, all at home.

Wesley was born in 1945. He married Diane Rumble. He was employed as a Transport truck driver for a number of years and is now farming in the Balgonie district.



Back: Shelley, Sharon, Jody. Front: Eugene and Carrisa Neb.

Sidney was born in 1949. He is married to Elli Brommke and they have two children; Connie and Jamie, both at home. He is employed at McGavins Bakery in Regina.



Connie, Elli, Sidney, Jamie Neb.

Hulda Orthner
 Born: July 4, 1915
 Where: Raymore, Sask.

Married — Bill Berkan — May 31, 1942
 Born: April 25, 1913
 Where:

— Alvin William
 Born: June 6, 1943

Married — Shirly Schroeder, May 31, 1967
 Born: May 15, 1943

— Shauna
 — Bradly
 — Sharla

Born: Nov. 21, 1970
 Born: Oct. 25, 1972
 Born: June 5, 1976

— Jean Marie
 Born: Sept. 11, 1945

Married — Keith Roney — Oct. 10, 1981
 Born: Feb. 7, 1948

— Judy Rose
 Born: Jan. 2, 1955

Married — Richard Weber — Dec. 7, 1979
 Born: July 25, 1950

— Nathan

Born: Dec. 4, 1980



Back: Alvin and Shirly Berkan, Dick and Judy Weber, Keith and Jean Roney. Front: Bradly, Sharla, Hulda, Bill, Shauna Berkan. (Nathan Weber on Bill's knee.)

I Hulda (ORTHNER) Berkan, second daughter of Rudolf and Maria Orthner, was born southwest of Raymore in the Llanwenarth school district. I received my schooling at Llanwenarth. I married Bill Berkan, a Southey district farmer, on May 31st, 1942. We lived in the Southey district until March 1945, then moved to the Llanwenarth district. We farmed here until the fall of 1974 selling our farm to our neighbour's son. We built a house in the town of Raymore, this is where we live at the present time. We have three children.

Alvin William: He received his education at Llanwenarth and Raymore. He received his Bachelor of Commerce degree at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon and his Chartered Accountants degree in Edmonton, Alberta. He worked for accounting firms in Alberta, Sask. and Manitoba. He now has his own accounting firm in partnership, called Berkan and McGimpsey in Swan River, Manitoba. Alvin married Shirley Schroeder, a registered nurse of Swan River. She works part-time in the

Swan River Hospital. They have three children, Shauna, Bradly, and Sharla.

Jean Marie: She received her education in Raymore school, the University of Saskatchewan and the General Hospital in Regina. She is a Laboratory Technician, presently in the Serology Section Crime Detection Laboratory with the R.C.M.P. in Regina. In 1970 she took a leave of absence to go as a short-term missionary to the Cameroon in Africa. She helped to update the labs, in our North American Baptist Hospitals in the Cameroon of West Africa. She stayed for 2½ years and is now back with the R.C.M.P. in Regina. Jean is married to Keith Roney of Regina. Keith works with the Museum of Natural History in Regina.

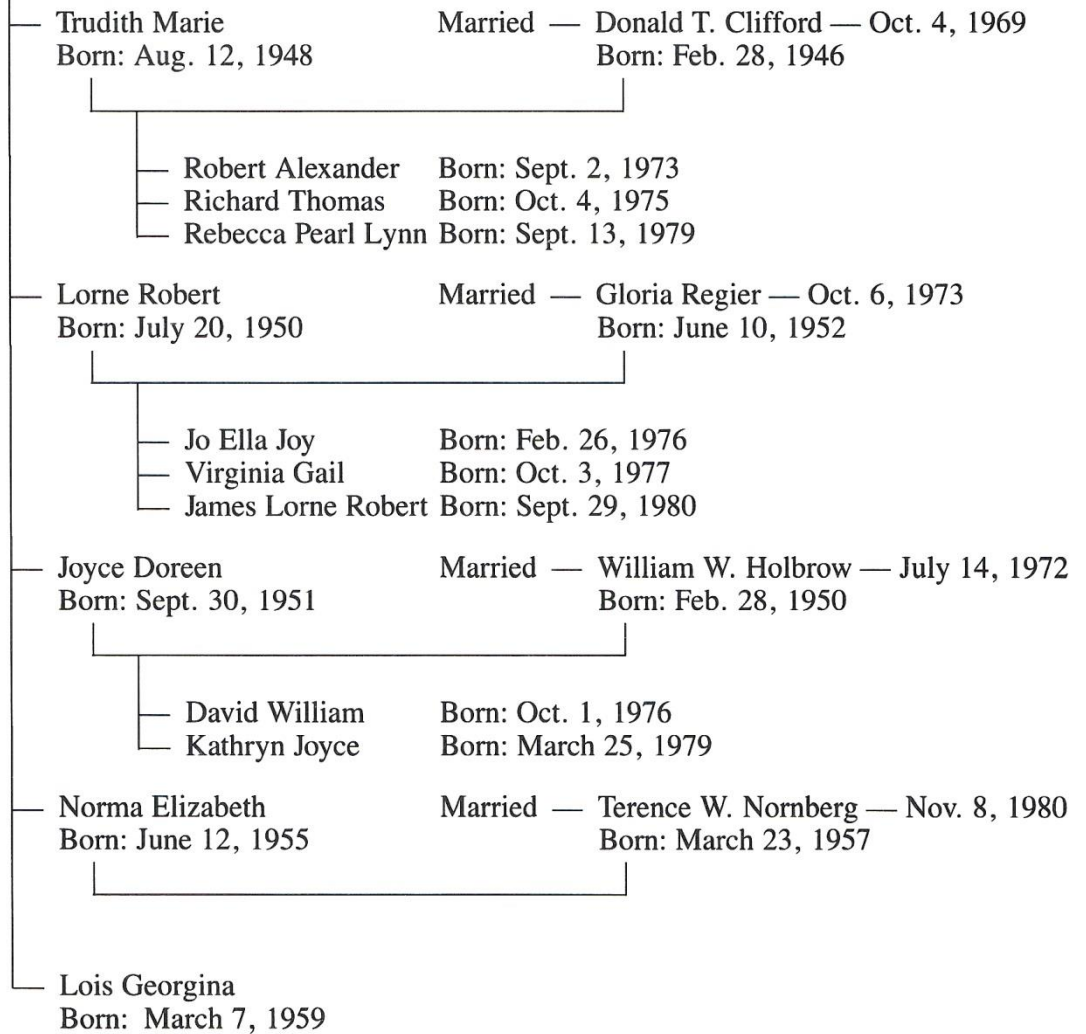
Judy Rose: Judy received her education in the Raymore school and Success Business College in Regina. She worked for Dairy Producers Co-operatives Ltd. in Regina, and then as Teachers' Aid for the Quinton school. She married Dick Weber, a Quinton district farmer. They have one son, Nathan. They live on a farm just east of Quinton.

Robert Orthner

Born: Sept. 16, 1917
Where: Raymore, Sask.

Married — Elizabeth Cragg — July 18, 1947
Born: Oct. 17, 1924
Where:

DIED MAY 10 - 83.



Robert and Elizabeth Orthner.

History of Robert Orthner and Family

I was the third child, born to Rudolf K. and Maria Emilia Orthner, on Sept. 16, 1917. Ours was a happy home although times were hard. Our mother was a good provider. She milked cows, grew a good garden, and raised chickens, ducks, and geese. In the winter she spun wool to knit socks and mitts. My father was a good worker and was very strict with his family.

I attended Llanwenarth school — a country school ten miles south of Raymore. After I obtained my grade eight I had to stay home to help out on the farm.

I farmed with my dad and brothers up until the time I was married, except for six months during which time I was in the army. I received a medical discharge.

In 1947 I married Ellen Elizabeth Cragg, a teacher who had taught at our school. Elizabeth was born at Renown, Sask., Oct. 17, 1924. The farm we moved to had previously been farmed by two Orthner generations. My grandfather Karl, had lived there, and also his youngest son, my Uncle Ferdinand.

Many changes took place in the twenty-seven years we spent on the farm. The size of the farm increased, and so did the size of the machinery. We had power and telephone after a few years, and the rural school disappeared, so our children took most of their education in the town of Raymore.

I enjoyed farming, and was always interested in the Co-operative organizations that were associated with it. Through the years I served on the board of the Raymore Co-op Association, the local Sask. Wheat Pool Committee and spent twenty-five years on the Supervisory Committee of the Raymore Savings and Credit Union.

We attended Serath Baptist Church, and later the church in Raymore, where at both places I was secretary for many years. Elizabeth taught Sunday School from time to time, and also helped with the music.

Since 1974 Elizabeth and I have been living in Raymore. I have enjoyed being on the town council, and have kept myself busy in this way.

Our oldest daughter, Trudith Marie, was born Aug. 12, 1948. She trained as a nurse at the Regina General Hospital, and graduated in 1969. That same year she married Donald Thomas Clifford and they made their home in Saskatoon, where Trudy continued to nurse in the children's ward at Saskatoon City Hospital. At the present time Donald works for Saskatoon Water Works, in the filtration plant. They have three children — Robert Alexander, born Sept. 2, 1973, Richard Thomas, born Oct. 4, 1975, and Rebecca Pearl Lynn, born Sept. 13, 1979. They attend Fair Haven Bible chapel, and both Trudy and



Back: Donald, Richard, Trudith. Front: Robbie, Rebecca.

Donald are very interested and involved in Christian camp activities. Trudy enjoys working with crafts, and they work together making furniture, and other items made of wood.

Our only son, Lorne Robert, was born July 20, 1950. When he finished school he worked for six years at the Raymore Credit Union. He married Gloria Ruth Regier, Oct. 6, 1973, and took over his father's farm. Gloria grew up in Swift Current, and is a graduate of the Canadian Bible College, Regina, Sask. In the spring of 1979, due to health reasons, Lorne decided to give up farming, and in July was again employed by the Raymore Savings and Credit Union. They have three children. JoElla Joy was born on Feb. 26, 1976, Virginia Gail on Oct. 3, 1977, and James Lorne Robert arrived on Sept. 29, 1980. Lorne and Gloria have worked together at the landscaping



Gloria and Lorne Orthner, Virginia, Jo Ella, James.

around their new house. They both enjoy sports, and Lorne's latest interest is golf. They attend Raymore Baptist Church.

Joyce Doreen was born Sept. 30, 1951. Joyce received her teaching certificate from the University of Regina, but chose to work for Northern Electric, Regina, Sask. She married William Walter Holbrow



William and Joyce Holbrow, David and Kathryn.

on July 14, 1972. They live in Regina, and attend Hillsdale Christian and Missionary Alliance Church. They have two children — David William born Oct. 1, 1976, and Kathryn Joyce born March 25, 1979. Bill is presently employed with the University of Sask. as Program Co-ordinator, for the Co-operative Work/Study Programs, and is writing his thesis for a Masters Degree in Sociology and Social Studies, while Joyce has been taking night classes toward a Bachelor of Administration degree. Both Bill and Joyce are interested in Saskatchewan art and have acquired many beautiful paintings.

Norma Elizabeth was born June 12, 1955. When she finished school she attended Wascana Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences, Regina, and received her certificate in Psychiatric Nursing. After working for several years she went back to school for one year at Kelsey Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences to obtain her R.N. On Oct. 5, 1980, Norma married



Terence and Norma Nornberg.

Terence Wilfred Nornberg. They have made their home on the farm, north of Nokomis. They attend, and are Sunday School teachers, at Nokomis Baptist Church. Terry and Norma enjoy travelling, skiing in winter, and water skiing in summer.

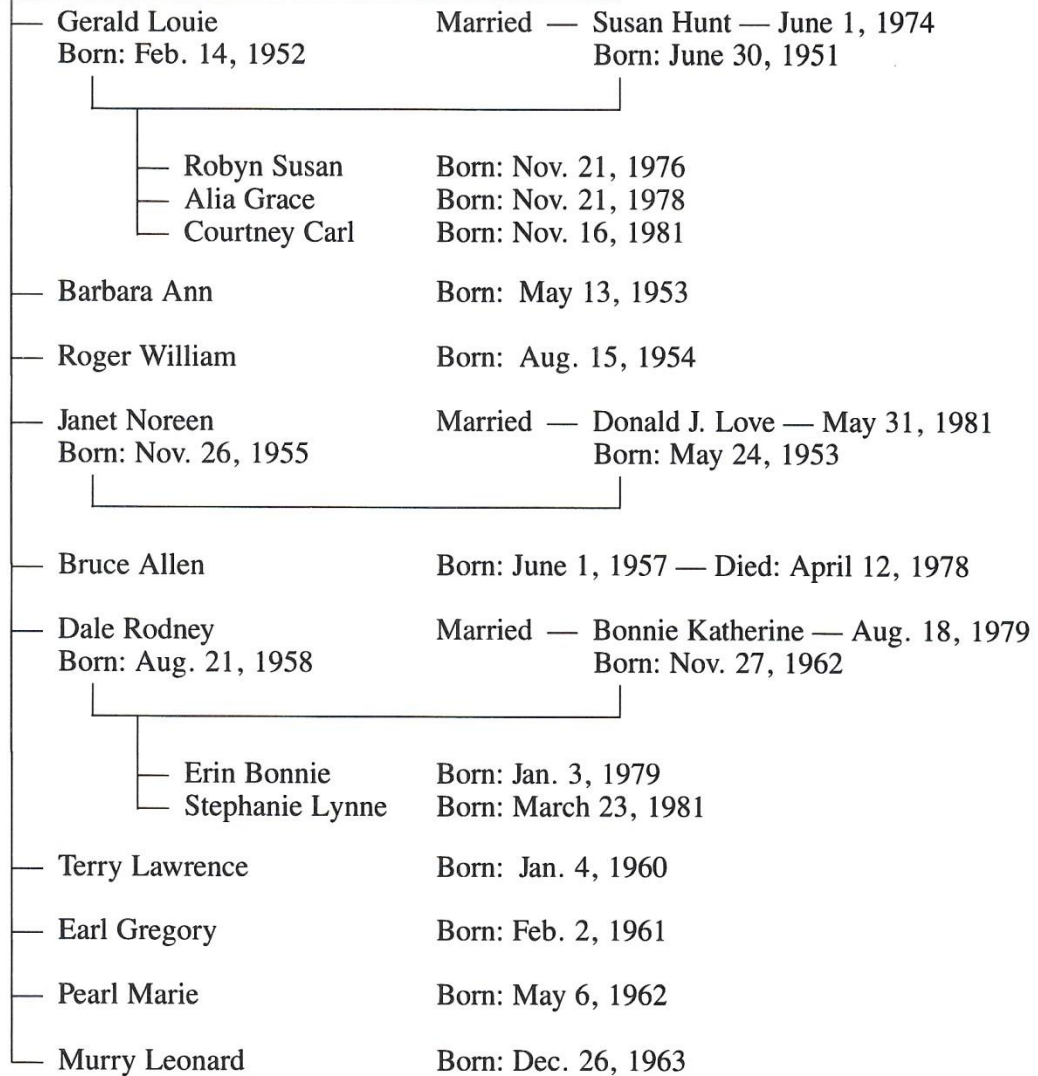
Lois Georgina was born March 7, 1959. She is a graduate of Kelsey Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences, having obtained a R.N. certificate. She is presently working in Saskatoon City Hospital. Lois is a lover of animals, and enjoys sports and the outdoors.



Lois Orthner.

Louie Carl Orthner
Born: April 12, 1919

Married — Evelyn W. Galenzoski — Oct. 20, 1950
Born: Dec. 4, 1928



Evelyn and Louie Orthner.

Louie and Evelyn Orthner

Louie was born at home on a farm to Rudolf and Maria Orthner. He attended Llanwenarth School.

In March, 1942, Louie went into the army, and served overseas until February, 1946 and was discharged in March of the same year.

Louie farmed at home and then purchased some land from Ed Orthner. It was located on the north half of 34-26-19. He moved a house and barn to N.W. 34-26-19 in 1950 and purchased more land later.

In October 1950, Louie married Evelyn Galenzoski, daughter of Rudolf and Mary Galenzoski of Edenwold, Sask. They farmed until 1976 when they sold their land to their oldest son, Gerald and moved to Raymore.

Louie and Evelyn raised a family of ten children, three girls and seven boys, all attended Raymore School.

Gerald, the oldest was born in 1952. After graduation in 1971 he worked until 1976 when he started farming on his dad's farm. In June 1974 he married Susan Hunt of Swan River. They have two girls Robyn and Alia, and one son Courtney.



Gerald and Susan Orthner, Robyn, Alia, Courtney.



Barbara Ryer.

Barbara was born in 1953. After graduation in 1971, she attended a legal secretarial school in Regina. She is now a legal secretary in Calgary.

Roger was born in 1954. He attended school in Raymore. He worked at various jobs in Regina before moving to Saskatoon where he is presently attending school. Roger is actively involved in the Circle Drive Alliance Church in Saskatoon.



Roger Orthner.

Janet was born in 1955. After graduation she also took a secretarial course in Regina. She went to Bible School in Edmonton in 1978-79, then married Don Love in May, 1981. They are now residing in Regina where Janet is employed and Don is attending Bible School.



Donald and Janet Love.

Bruce was born in 1957. After graduating from Raymore High School in 1975, he went to work for Sask. Government Insurance in Regina. He was accidentally killed on April 12, 1978 at the age of 20.



Bonnie and Dale Orthner, Stephanie and Erin.

Dale, born in 1958, enjoyed the farm life. He helped his dad on the farm until he moved to town in 1976. Dale worked for the Town of Raymore as maintenance man. He married Bonnie Eckdahl in August, 1979. They have two girls, Erin and Stephanie. They now farm south of Raymore on the farm previously owned by Lorne Orthner.

Terry, born in 1960, graduated in 1978 and is now employed at Sears in Regina. Terry has always enjoyed playing sports with his brothers and sisters.

Earl, born in 1961, went farming with his brothers after graduation. During the winter months, he is employed at Sears.

Pearl, born in 1962, graduated in 1981. She is taking an accounting course at Wascana Institute in Regina. Pearl has always enjoyed the farm life especially feeding the cows.

Murry, born in 1963, graduated in 1981. He is now working at Sears in Regina. He enjoyed playing hockey in front of the house after supper in the winter months.



Murry, Terry, Pearl, Earl Orthner and Bruce.

On Sunday evenings during the summer months, the Louie Orthner farm was full of cousins and friends. They would get together to have a football game and later when it was dark play, Run Sheep Run.

Julius Orthner
Born: Feb. 5, 1922

Married — Tegwen Meddins — Oct. 5, 1949
Born: Sept. 19, 1925

Lloyd Douglas
Born: June 16, 1951

Married — Lynn Schindelka — July 31, 1971
Born: April 28, 1952

Jennifer Leah Born: July 8, 1976
Lauren Mae Born: Feb. 20, 1978
Leanne Marie Born: May 7, 1981

Myrna Ellen
Born: Jan. 26, 1953

Married — Richard Harden — April 9, 1977
Born: Nov. 19, 1950

Paul Richard Born: Sept. 17, 1981

Gary Elwyn
Born: Nov. 3, 1957

Married — Gail Schaumleffel — July 5, 1980
Born: March 15, 1958

Kathy Mae
Born: June 8, 1960



Julius and Tegwen Orthner.

Julius fifth child, born February 5, 1922.

I was born and raised on the same farm where we later raised our family. I attended Llanwenarth school. We went by pony and cart most of the time as I had the job of hauling the drinking water for ten dollars per year. It was at school that I got my nickname "Juicy" which is still used by some. When I finished my grade eight, depression had come, so our livelihood was esteemed more important than education so I went to work on the farm which I enjoyed and still do. Farming at that time entailed a diversity of jobs on a year round basis. Barns were full of animals in winter that had to be let out for water. Barns had to be cleaned, straw hauled from a stack in the field, animals fed and cows milked. Wood and water was hauled into the house daily and ashes carried out. Lamps were cleaned and filled ready for use in the evening.

In the spring as soon as the fields were dry enough it was time to pick stones with team and low wagon in preparation for spring work. The most exciting time of the year had to be harvest. First was the cutting of the crop and stooking it ready for threshing. An animal had to be slaughtered and the kitchen became a busy place in anticipation for the threshing crew that soon would be arriving. When they arrived it meant long hours of pitching bundles,

lunches, feeding horses then in the evening the men would relax and it was story-telling time while the women cleaned up and made preparations for an early breakfast.

Our social life was quite limited according to today's standards. During my school years I enjoyed playing ball. I enjoyed the school picnics and playing ball against neighboring schools. As we grew older we continued to enjoy these activities. Young People's meeting and house parties along with visiting was the extent of our socializing except when we had an occasional trip to Regina or to visit relatives.

On October 5, 1949 I married Tegwen Meddins of Young, Saskatchewan, who had been teaching at the neighboring school, and took over the home farm. In the last thirty years there have been many changes. In the mid-fifties Bob, Louie and I bought a baler which made putting up feed a lot simpler. In the early sixties we started to use swathers. Since 1971 Tegwen and I took off the crops with some help from the family for eight years. Now our younger son Gary helps with harvest.

Farms have increased in size. When we first started farming I worked five quarters, now we farm nine quarters. I have enjoyed farming and farming has been good to us but the time has come to slow up a bit so Gary is coming out to the farm and we will be moving into our new home in Raymore. I will be farming along with Gary for a few years yet.

I have been on council of the R.M. of Mount Hope for twenty-six years and reeve for the last eleven. Along with being on council there are many other responsibilities such as being on committees and boards. I saw the development of Golden Acres Home at Wynyard and also served on the board of the Pioneer Home in Strasbourg. I am presently serving as chairman of Earl Grey Veterinary Board, Last Mountain Ambulance Board, Raymore and District Fire Co-op Board, Last Mountain Maintenance Area Board and also served on the Raymore Wheat Pool committee for twenty-five years.

We, as a family, have enjoyed attending church and Sunday School, first at Serath then later in Raymore. We have been pleased to serve the Lord in any way we can. We raised a family of four, two boys and two girls. All of our family attended Raymore school through to grade twelve.

Lloyd Douglas has always enjoyed competition of any kind whether it was 4-H or public speaking. He continued his education in University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon graduating from dentistry in 1976. He practised in Regina for two years then he and an associate built a clinic in Kindersley. He married Lynn Audrey Schindelka on July 31, 1971. They have three girls, Jennifer Leah, Lauren Mae



Lloyd and Lynn Orthner, Jennifer, Lauren, Leanne.

and Leanne Marie. They attend the Kindersley Alliance Church.

Myrna Ellen enjoyed life whether in school or on the farm. She started out in this world weighing 4 lbs. 9 ozs. but soon grew to be a lively girl. One of Myrna's pastimes at school was debating political and other issues with her classmates. After high school she attended the College of Physiotherapy at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, graduating in December, 1973. She went to work at the Holy



Rick and Myrna Harden and Paul.

Cross Hospital in Calgary. She married Rick Harden on April 9, 1977. They have a son, Paul Richard. They attend the Bethany Chapel.

Gary Elwyn enjoyed the animals on the farm. He was quite a home boy and wasn't prepared to go to school at the age of five. After his first day of school one of his friends said, "I'll see you tomorrow." His reply was, "That's what you think," but he soon got to like school. After graduation he has worked for the Credit Union and Saskatchewan Wheat Pool. At present he is working for the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Farm Service Centre at Raymore. Gary married Gail Schaumleffel on July 5, 1980. They have moved to the home farm where they plan to take up farming.



Gary and Gail Orthner.



Kathy Orthner.

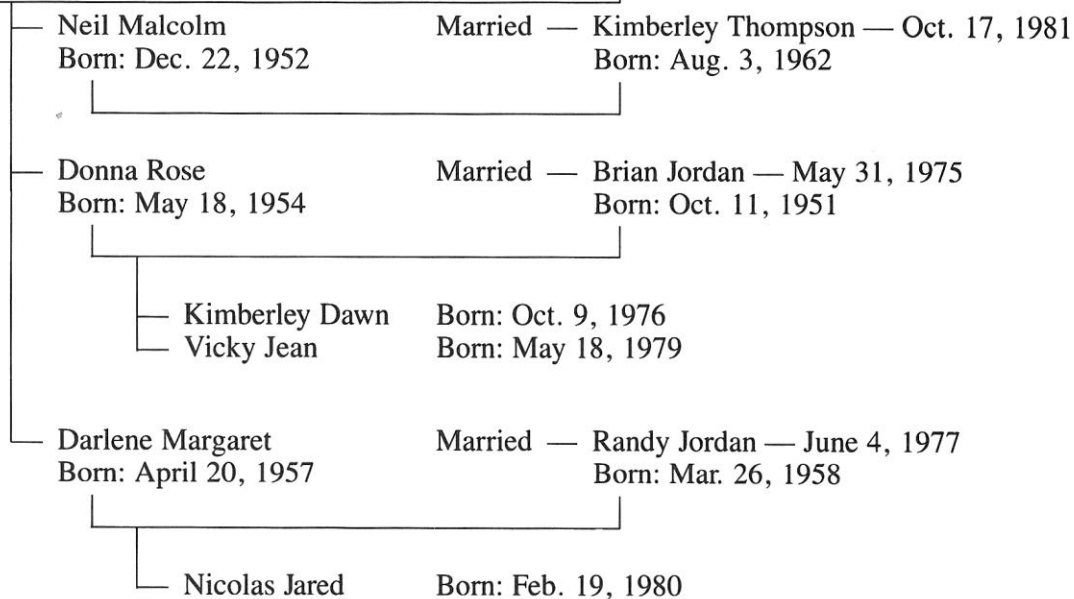
Kathy Mae taught herself to read some simple books before starting school. She spent a lot of time with her books and television programs. She also enjoyed learning to play the piano. At the age of five she would play with Myrna, and Myrna taught her to play a duet with her. Later she and Gary played in the band for a few years. After high school she attended Kelsey Institute in Saskatoon and graduated as a dental assistant. After working as a dental assistant for two years she took a job as a secretary with the Department of Agriculture.

Rose Orthner

Born: June 17, 1924

Where: Raymore, Sask.

Married — James M. Nicolson — July 18, 1949
Born: May 25, 1914



Rose and James Nicolson.

Rose, daughter of Rudolf and Maria Orthner, was born in 1924.

I was born on the home farm and lived there until the time I was married. We attended school at Llanwenarth which was two miles from our home. Sometime we walked to school. Other times we rode horseback, took the horse and cutter, or a Shetland pony with cart and took a cream can of water, which was the supply of water for the school every day. The same pony took all of our family to school from the oldest to the youngest.

I also recall a routine in harvest time. Mother and I had to have breakfast ready at 6:00 a.m. for all the

men. Then we milked 16 or 17 cows and herded them out to another field by horseback. By 9:00 a.m. I was taking lunch out to the men, again on horseback. At 12:00 noon dinner must be ready. I still remember all those pies Mom baked after the morning lunch was made. After dinner clean up, the cattle had to be brought to the well for water which I pumped by hand. It was good exercise on a hot day when the cattle seemed to be so thirsty. At 4:00 p.m. the lunch had to be taken to the men again. Then the cows were milked at 6:00 p.m. and supper ready at dark which was usually at 8:00 p.m. One thing I disliked was the men visiting a long time at the table after supper. It held us up getting dishes done and getting to bed so we could be ready to start early the next morning. As the years went by the methods of harvesting improved which meant less men power, (and less cooking).

In 1949 I married James Nicolson and lived on the Nicolson home farm two miles from my home. James returned from the air force and found his wife not too far from his home.

Our source of livelihood came from grain farming, raising beef cattle, and shipping cream. Our main objective was to make every aspect of the farm profitable, which took many hours of work. At that time cattle were a profitable part of farming and that meant a lot of hard manual labour in the winter. Time

for pleasure and relaxation was very limited and usually included a picnic once or twice a year and the odd sports day.

As a family we attended the Serath Baptist Church where James was the treasurer for many years and I taught Sunday School. In the early sixties the Serath Church moved to Raymore where we still attend. James is a deacon, we both teach Sunday School, and were the youth Sponsors for a number of years. I am also actively involved in the Women's Missionary Union.

We have three children, one boy and two girls.

Our oldest, Neil Malcolm, was born in 1952. He attended school at Raymore and took part in sports activities and beef and horse 4-H clubs. He also enjoyed taking part in gymkhana events. When through school he worked on the farm with his dad, and rented some land on his own. In October of 1981 he married Kimberley Thompson. He still farms and works for a farm equipment dealer in Raymore. They live in Raymore.



Neil and Kim Nicolson.

Donna Rose was born in 1954. She attended school in Raymore, graduated from Raymore High School and took three years of Education at the University of Regina. During these three summers she worked for the Department of Education and took summer classes at the U of R. In 1975 she married Brian Jordan and taught school at Semans for one year. They have two children. Kimberly Dawn was born in October of 1976 and Vicky Jean in May of 1979. Vicky was born on her mother's birthday. Brian, Donna and family moved to the Nicolson farm in 1978 when James and I moved to live in the town of Raymore.



Donna and Brian Jordan and Vicky and Kimberly.

Darlene Margaret was born in 1957. She also attended school in Raymore and graduated there. She was a member of the beef and horse 4-H clubs. Her main hobby was riding horses. Like her brother, Darlene also enjoyed competing in gymkhana events and did so in local and surrounding sports days. After graduating from Raymore High School she moved to Saskatoon where she worked for Co-op Trust. In 1977 she married Randy Jordan who is a cousin to Brian Jordan. Darlene and Randy lived and worked for some time in Saskatoon. They moved to Dafoe where Randy does carpenter work with his dad. They have one son, Nicolas Jared, who was born in February, 1980.



Randy and Darlene Jordan and Nicolas.

Walter Orthner
Born: April 11, 1928

Married — Marion Joyce Brownell — Jan. 3, 1951
Born: August 19, 1922

Ronald Owen
Born: August 9, 1960

Married — Deborah Fleck — August 31, 1979
Born: July 26, 1963

Justin

Born: February 6, 1980

Timothy Allen
Born: November 24, 1962



Walter and Marian Orthner.



Debbie and Ronald Orthner and Justin.

Walter Orthner — Swift Current

Walter was born on the farm near Raymore on April 11, 1928. He received his formal education at Llanwenarth, Raymore school and Balfour Technical School in Regina. He then took his psychiatric nursing course at the Saskatchewan Hospital in Weyburn.

He married Marian Joyce Brownell of Neilburg, Sask. in Weyburn on January 3, 1951. Marian was a Registered Psychiatric Nurse at the time. Walter and Marian have two sons, Ronald and Timothy.

With the change in emphasis from the institution to the community for Mental Health, Walter and his family moved from Weyburn to Swift Current in July of 1965 where Walter has since worked as a community Mental Health Nurse and Marian as a social worker for the Department of Social Services.

Walter and his family now reside on a farm a few miles from Swift Current and raise a few beef cattle.

Ronald is married to Debbie Fleck and they have one son, Justin. Ron lives in Swift Current and works in the insurance business.



Timothy Orthner.

Timothy is still living at home. He is out of high school but as of yet hasn't decided what he would like to do.

Walter and Marian plan to retire from their jobs in the near future and intend to continue farming as long as their health permits.

Eleanor Emilia Orthner

Born: Aug. 12, 1930

Married — Roland K. Flathman — April 13, 1956

Born: May 10, 1933

— Cheryl

Born: Jan. 19, 1960

— Susan

Born: May 9, 1961



Roland and Eleanor Flathman.

Eleanor E. Orthner (daughter of Rudolph and Maria Orthner) and Roland K. Flathman were married on April 13, 1956 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

Their first daughter, Cheryl was born in Regina on January 19, 1960.

In June, 1960, they moved to the coast and settled in North Vancouver, B.C.

On May 9, 1961, their second daughter, Susan was born in North Vancouver.

Cheryl and Susan are both full-time students at the University of B.C., Roland is in the Real Estate business in North Vancouver and Eleanor keeps busy with the home and family needs.



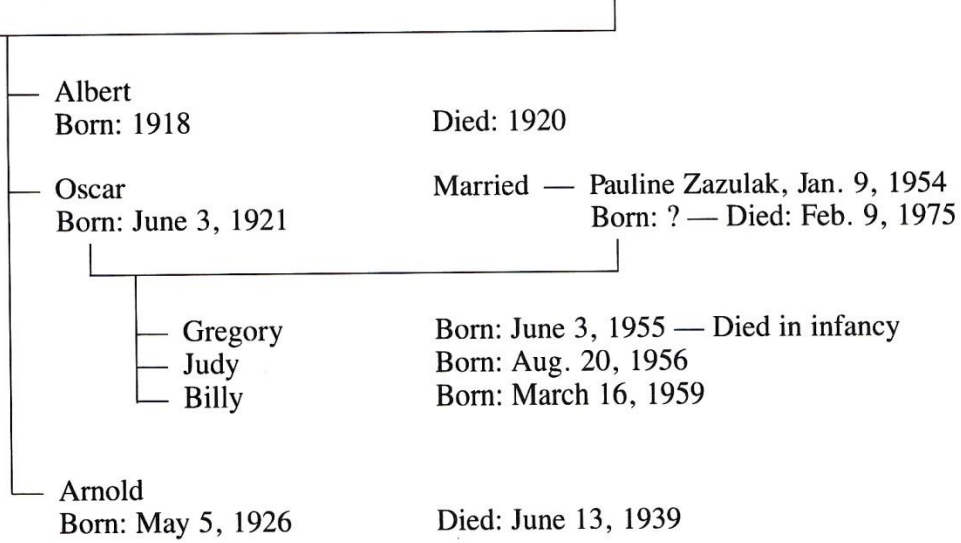
Cheryl and Susan Flathman.

Some events and (happenings) of interest:

- first sedan car in 1930, a Model A Ford, roads were not for winter travel so cars were put up on blocks for winter. Later, during the depression years, the car was put up on blocks for most of the year.
- the car would not hold the whole family so some had to stay home from church. Once when there was something special held at the church, Bob and Louie rode on the running boards so that all could go.
- Sometimes there was conflict — Who drives the car? Bob or Annie?
- the first radio purchased around the year 1926. It could only be used with earphones.
- one fall dad sold a steer weighing about 900-1,000 lbs. with the hope it would pay for the binder twine. When he got his cheque it was only nine dollars. The trucker felt so badly that he didn't charge for the hauling.
- in 1939 when they decided that it was time that they needed tractor power to do the land work they had a discussion on what kind of a tractor to buy. Louie and Julius thought they should buy a caterpillar tractor while Bob and Dad thought it should be a rubber-tired tractor. Louie and Julius said, "If you get stuck I'm not going to take my horses over to pull you out." They purchased a rubber-tired tractor and were happy they did. Some of the comments made at that time were: Rubber was made for automobiles and not for tractors. He'll sure have to dig down in his pockets when he gets a flat tire. I can stand a lot of bumps on a steel-wheeled tractor for that kind of money.
- Dad took sick and needed to go to Regina to the hospital for tests. It was winter and roads were snowbound so he was taken to Govan by sleigh to take the train to Regina.
- working with horses wasn't without accidents. Walter was bedding down the horses when a horse kicked him in the seat and he fell on the cement driveway and lost his two front teeth.
- farming has been a way of life for this family. Most of the first three generations were raised on the farm. Six of the eight children also earned their livelihood through farming. Walter and Eleanor continued their education and therefore left home. In later years Walter fulfilled his boyhood dream and took up farming as a sideline thus creating a farm atmosphere for his boys to grow up in. Cheryl and Susan got their taste of farm life by coming to stay at Aunt Rose's and visiting their cousins on the farm.
- When there were no phones the only way of communication was to go to the neighbors. Once Dad sent Louie to Uncle Ferdinand's to ask to borrow something. Louie had done this before and the answer had been "yes" so this time after he had gone half way he decided it was useless to go all the way there then have to walk all the way home again so he returned home and told his dad "du kanst haben" (you can have it). It wasn't long before Louie's shortcut was found out.
- some of the children were home alone while their parents were away visiting. One of them looked out of the window and saw what he thought was smoke rising from the barn so they phoned their parents to come home. It was only steam rising from the barn roof.
- Dad related the story about the trip they had coming by train from Halifax to Sask. As they travelled through Northern Ontario through the rocks and rough terrain, many of the women were crying and saying, "Hast Kanada" meaning "Now you have Canada". They probably changed their minds when they saw the prairies.

Ferdinand Orthner
Born: Nov. 26, 1895
Where: Sereth, Bukovina

Married — Amalia Orthner — Jan. 11, 1917
Born: June 22, 1899 — Died: Feb. 18, 1955
Where: Regina, Sask.



Ferdinand and Molly Orthner.

Ferdinand Orthner

Ferdinand Orthner was born in Bokovia, Austria on November 26, 1895. He came to Canada with his family at the age of nine to Balgonie in May, 1905. That summer he was able to attend school at Rosenberg for a little while. He farmed with his father and brothers at Serath. On January 11, 1917 he married Amalia Orthner and lived on the same yard as his dad and took over the farming. In 1918 they were blessed with a baby boy, Albert, who died at 1½ years of age, Oscar in 1921 then Arnold in 1926. Arnold contacted rheumatic fever and because of lack of modern day medical help he died at 13 years of age.



Albert Orthner.

In 1943 they had a sale and left the farm. They went to Purdue for one year then moved to Regina where Ferdinand worked at various jobs, Fuhrman's, caretaker for apartments and desk clerk at the Plaza Hotel. He then decided to go back farming and purchased East half of 34-26-19 and East half of 27-26-19. He farmed during the summer and went back to Regina for the winter. When Amalia's health got worse he rented the farm to Jacob Orthner and moved to Regina to take care of his wife. She died on February 18, 1955. In 1962 he sold his land to Robert and Louie Orthner. Ferdinand makes his home with his son, Oscar.

Oscar Orthner was born to Ferdinand and Amalia Orthner on June 3, 1921. He attended Llanwenarth School then farmed with his dad until



Arnold and Oscar Orthner.



Judy, Oscar (back); Pauline, Billy Orthner (front).

1943. He went to Purdue with his parents then to Regina the following year. He took up employment with Burns and worked for them for 30 years. When Burns closed their plant in Regina, Oscar took employment at Pasqua Hospital where he is still employed. He married Pauline Zazulak in 1954. They had three children, Gregory, born June 3, 1955, who died in infancy, Judy, born August 20, 1956 and William, born March 16, 1959.

Judy is a copywriter for Struthers Ltd., Regina and Bill is a loans officer for the Royal Bank at Esterhazy. Pauline died in 1975.



Ferdinand and Amalia Orthner's Wedding — 1917. Back Row: Frank Orthner, unknown, Rudolf Orthner, William Hubick, three unknown, Carl Orthner, Karl Orthner, Jacob Orthner, unknown, John Hubick, unknown. Front Row: Gus, 2 unknown, Milly Hubick, unknown, Bride Molly, Groom Ferdinand, Adolph Orthner, Molly Hubick, unknown, Elizabeth Hubick.



Rudolf and Maria Orthner — early 1940's.



Rudolf Orthner's house. Annie holding Walter, Bob, Louie, Julius, Rose.



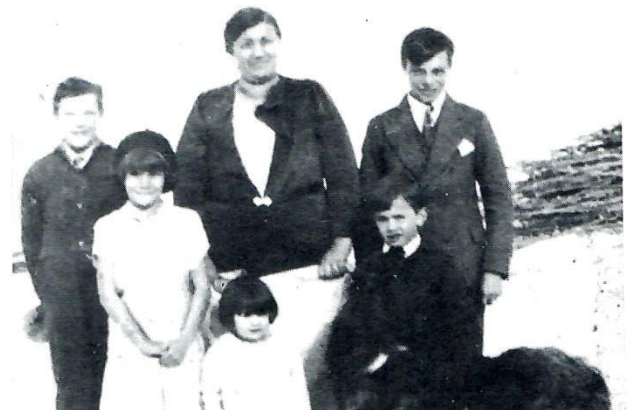
Rudolf Orthner's Family — Christmas, 1949.



Karl Orthner's house with Rudolf Orthner standing.



Walter and Julius, 1940 Dodge and wood pile.



Louie, Maria, Bob, Rose, Eleanor, Walter.

Harvest Time



1920's



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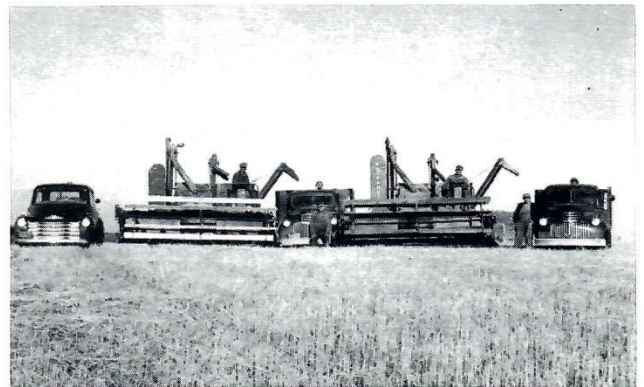
1940



1942



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Bob, Louie, Julius and Rudolf Orthner, 1950's.



1976



1976

(Christian) **Rudolf Orthner**

Born: Oct. 12, 1857
 Where:
 Died: March 11, 1940
 Where: Coral Gables, Florida

Married — Antonia Seidel — Nov. 18, 1879
 Born: Jan. 17, 1859
 Where:
 Died: July 12, 1951
 Where: Coral Gables, Florida

	Born	Died
— Franz	Jan 14, 1881	June 4, 1972
— Anton	Feb. 25, 1882	Oct. 28, 1883
— Karl	Dec. 25, 1883	Oct. 16, 1975
— Adolf	Feb. 16, 1885	June 10, 1947
— Adelheid	Dec. 16, 1886	July 13, 1969
— Emilie	Oct. 30, 1888	Nov. 18, 1888
— Philip Cornelius	May 14, 1890	Feb. 1973
— Theofil Alfred	July 5, 1891	May 20, 1892
— Augusta Victoria	Sept. 22, 1892	
— Ferdinand August	Jan. 20, 1894	Aug. 22, 1894
— Josef	June 11, 1895	
— Walter	March 4, 1901	April 21, 1948



Back: Frank, Adolph, Carl. Front: Joseph, Adelle, Walter (on Antonia's lap), Rudolf, Philip and Victoria Orthner.

Biographical Notes on Our Parents

Our father, **Christian Rudolph Orthner**, (the name Christian was not used by our father he simply went as **Rudolph**) was born in **Landestreu**, Galicia, Austria, on October 12, 1857. He became an orphan when 7 years of age. He went to the village school in **Landestreu** for about a year and that was about all the formal education he received. Because of poverty, lack of money, he had to work at home in the garden or in the fields for his father or for the neighbors. In his 8th year his father brought a stepmother into their home. But she was a fine woman who took good care of her stepchildren and our father spoke of her with love and admiration, saying that his own mother could not have been a better mother, than this, his stepmother was.



Rudolph and Antonia Orthner (Golden Wedding) — 1961.

As an older teenager he was sent to Sereth, Bucovina, to his uncle **Franz Willand**, who was a tanner by profession and our father became an apprentice in learning the tanner trade. Here he had to be a servant, doing the most menial errands, leaving his bed before daylight and working and running errands till late into the night. But he came to be a good tanner and was promoted to be a “journeyman” or in German “ein Goselle” and later he became a “master tanner”.

In Sereth, he became acquainted with a nice young girl, **Antonia Seidel**, a daughter of a prosperous pork butcher and shopkeeper, who became his bride. Our mother, **Antonia Seidel**, was born on January 17, 1858 in Sereth, Bucovina. She had a nice home and was reared in the Roman Catholic religion. But she was a hard-working girl and there was no time for her to attend school and learning. If I remember right, she saw school for about half a year.

So both of our parents did not have much formal schooling.

Our parents were married on Nov. 18, 1879 in Sereth. Right from the very start of their married life, they had to cope with hardships of one kind or another. Our father soon lost his job in Sereth and went on a trip to find work somewhere else. On Jan. 14, 1881, I was born; their first child. In that year, while father was away from home on one of his trips, there came one day to the door of our house, a Bible colporteur who asked our mother to buy a Bible or a New Testament. Mother could not buy anything because she had no money, but the friendly man gave her a small copy of a Gospel and invited her to a gathering at a neighbor’s house. Our mother went to that meeting and then many times more, she became interested and although she was a Roman Catholic, she read that little book and took to heart the words of the Bible colporteur in those meetings and she became converted. When father came home from his wanderings, she told him of that momentous experience and induced him, who was a Lutheran to search the Scriptures and he also became converted. Our mother was baptized Sept. 29, 1882 and our father followed later on Sept. 30, 1883. They became members of the Baptist church which spread out over the southeastern part of Galicia and the province of Bucovina, with Rev. Ferdinand Massier as pastor.

In 1883, our parents left Sereth and went to Storozynetz, a small town northeast from Sereth. Father was working in a tannery, but on Sundays he conducted meetings with Bible study and a small Sunday School. He loved to tell others “of Jesus and His love”. And it came to pass that the attention of the British and Foreign Bible Society was directed on him and he was asked to become their agent and colporteur in Stanislau, Galicia. Stanislau was a larger city, a military place, a railroad junction point and with good school facilities. He accepted the appointment and in 1885 our family moved to Stanislau.

The new kind of work fascinated our father although the salary was quite small and not much in commissions. There was house rent to be paid, four and more children to be fed, clothed and schooled. Up to 1892 we lived in 3 or 4 different houses, but in that year father managed to buy a small house in one of Stanislau’s suburbs, called **KNIH ININ**, and in this, our own house, we lived till the end of June 1896. Father’s work took him to various places all over the southeastern part of Galicia and he was often absent from home. And this meant much work and worry for our mother and also for the older children. Our father became a self-educated man by reading books and very careful study of the Bible. And our

mother also aquired the ability to read and in the absence of our father on Sunday morning, conducted morning worship by reading a selection from the Bible and a meditation from one of Spurgeon's sermons.

Our father was a real missionary. He went to the Lutheran church on Sunday mornings, attended service there, and after the service he invited men and women to his own service on Sunday afternoons. He conducted a small Sunday School. And there were some converts who wished to be baptized. The rite of baptism took place in the **Bistrzytza** river and had to be performed in the darkness and stillness of the night in order to evade disturbance and perhaps persecution. Then in our home the Lord's Supper was held and it appeared to me, with the pastor in the center and the communicants around him like the pictures of the Lord's Supper by world famous painters.

The political and economical conditions in Europe at large and in Austria in particular, became bad and uncertain. Our parents became worried about their children as to education and military service. Some relatives and friends began to leave Austria and seek better living conditions in America! And our parents too longed for the "promised land" across the Atlantic Ocean. They sold their house and on the 16th of July, 1896 left Stanislau and via Prague, Leipzig and Magdeburg, they reached Hamburg, where they embarked on the Hamburg-America Line Express Steamship "Normanna". After a stormy trip of 8 days they landed in New York on July 31, 1896. On the next day they took a coastal steamship for New Orleans, La. and then by rail to our destination in Texas.

On discussing the above with Uncle Frank and Aunt Victoria, I learned that when Grandma Orthner became a non-Roman, she was persecuted to the extent that she was hailed into Supreme Court and if it were not for the Governor of the province and for a Jewish lawyer, who in order to study the case, had to study the New Testament, she would have been sentenced for a number of years to prison. She was accused of blaspheming the Virgin Mary who according to the Bible, was not a virgin, but the mother of several children (after Jesus birth, of course). The fact that she became non-Catholic she based on Isaiah 40:18-20 and also Isaiah 45:20. The lawyer's evidence was based on knowledge he obtained from the Bible. (This was in Sereth.)

Uncle Frank was christened Roman Catholic. My father, Carl and Uncle Adolph were called Pagan on their birth certificates because Baptist was not considered a religion by the civil authorities. The second child died and because there was not a Protestant

cemetery he had to remain in the house for 5 days until he was buried by Court Order.

Esther Neff (Orthner)

Taken from 'Biographical Notes on Parents' compiled by Frank Orthner (son).

Christian Rudolf Orthner

Rudolf and Antonia accepted the Lord as head of their home and later followed His leading in accepting work with the British and Foreign Bible Society as their agent and Colporteur. He enjoyed spreading the word and he and his wife taught it to their children. They were rewarded by seeing many of their family in full-time service for the Lord.

They made their decision to come to the United States in 1896. They landed on Ellis Island, New York and then proceeded to New Orleans by steamer, arriving in Crawford, Texas on Aug. 1, 1896. After two months, they came to Denton, Texas where they farmed until most of the children became independent. They moved to Portland, Oregon for about 10 years then settled in New York City for a longer period of retirement. Their daughter, Adelaide helped care for her parents here until 1945 when they all moved to Coral Gables, Florida, to live with Joe and Martha. Rudolf died at his son Joseph's home at the age of 80. Antonia died at Victoria's home at the age of 92.



Rudolph Orthner — 1940.



Back: Frank, Philip, Adolph, Carl. Front: Walter, Joe Orthner.

Franz Orthner

Born: Jan 14, 1881

Where: Sereth, Bucovina

Died: June 4, 1972

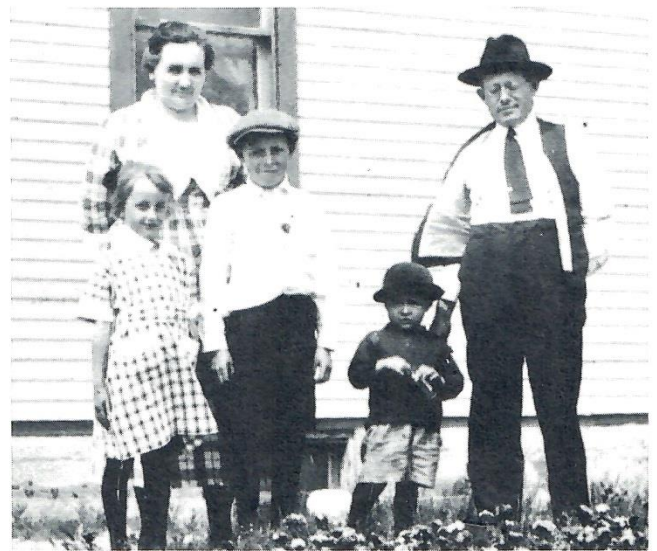
Where: Richmond Hill, Long Island, N.Y.

Married — Helen E. Schunke

- Alfred
- Eleanor
- Lawrence
- Milton



Frank and Helen Orthner.



Frank and family visiting his uncle Karl in Serath, Sask.



Frank while pastoring in Australia.

Frank was the oldest son of Rudolf and Antonia Orthner. He received his high school education at Stanislau, Galicia. When he was 15, he came to the United States with his family, arriving at their destination in Texas in 1896.

At the beginning of this century, he went to Australia as a minister. He married Helen E. Schunke and together they ministered in many churches in the North American Baptist Conference. Some of these churches were in Alberta; Ebenezer, Sask. in the early twenties and Oregon in the United States. His last ministry was in New York where he retired and died on June 4, 1972.

Our grandparents on our mother's side, I remember very little. If my memory serves me right and our notes are correct, their names were; **Anton**, and **Magdalena Seidel**. Magdalena's mother's name was **Soroko**. The date of their birth is unknown. Both were of the Catholic faith. They conducted a pork

butcher business and were quite prosperous. This grandfather died when our mother was 17 years of age in the year 1875. Our grandmother carried on the business and the work with the help of her older children in the city of **Sereth, Province of Bucovina, Austria**, very close to the Romania boundary line. She died in 1914 by accident. She was badly burned in a fire. She was about 87 years of age and would have reached a higher age if it were not for this unfortunate accident.

Our grandparents on our mother's side had a large number of children, but as to the number and the names of them, I am not able to say.

When I was about 14 years of age, I spent my Christmas vacation with this grandmother. We lived then in Stanislau, Galicia, and Grandma lived in Sereth, Bucovina. I made the trip of about 125 miles by railroad which was quite a memorable event for me. Grandma lived in an old and commodious brick house which was built about 150 years before with large rooms and very old-fashioned furnishings. Grandmother was very kind to me and very proud because of my educational achievements. I was then in the last year of high school and ready to enter the Teachers' Seminary. But she was strict with me as to church attendance. I had to accompany her to the

Christmas midnight mass and other services in the Roman Catholic Church. But on Sunday afternoon I insisted on my attending the Baptist service in our uncle Carl's house which was not so good in her eyes. When I reached my grandmother's house, I found her and one of my aunts impatiently waiting for me to come home. There was in front of my grandmother's house, a horse and sleigh. But grandmother and aunt flew at me, scolding my late arrival because they wanted to take me along to a uncle's house in the village about 2½ miles distant to a party which was in my honor. Well I declined to go along and they became angry and furious when they found out that the day being Sunday, I could not travel by horse and sleigh, or in fact by any conveyance, according to the Baptist view of observance of Sunday at that time. The result was that the sleigh returned empty and we, grandmother, aunt and I, trudged slowly to my uncle's house, arriving there at a very late hour.

Some of our uncles and aunts on mother's side left Austria, and settled down in the U.S. and in Canada. Those that remained in Austria suffered untold miseries and loss of their possessions after the second World War and became refugees and are now either in Austria or Germany.

(Taken from Frank Orthner's memoirs.)

Karl Orthner

Born: Dec. 25, 1883
Where: Storzynetz, Austria
Died: Oct. 16, 1975
Where: Burlington, Iowa

Married — Sophia K. Nielsen — April 1, 1907
Born: Oct. 2, 1882
Where:
Died: June 3, 1966
Where:

- Esther Martha
- Walter Herbert
- Elizabeth Helen
- Robert Karl
- Carl Jr.

Born
 Jan. 4, 1908
 July 9, 1909
 Feb. 5, 1914
 Sept. 10, 1915
 April 11, 1926

Married
 Alfred Neff
 Edna Hippe — Oct. 5, 1932
 Gordon Fromm — July 15, 1936
 Norma M. Barr — June 29, 1940
 Marjorie M. Bothel — June 19, 1971



Carl and Sophia Orthner.

Karl went to school in Stanislau, Galicia until he was twelve years of age. His family immigrated to the United States in July of 1896. They landed on Ellis Island, New York and proceeded to New Orleans, arriving in Crawford, Texas on August 1, 1896. After two months, they came to Denton, Texas where he spent six years. He then went to Dallas, Texas where he married Sophie Nielsen. They moved to Burlington, Iowa in 1909.

Walter Herbert Orthner

Born: July 9, 1909

Married — Edna Hippe — Oct. 5, 1932

- Donna Jean

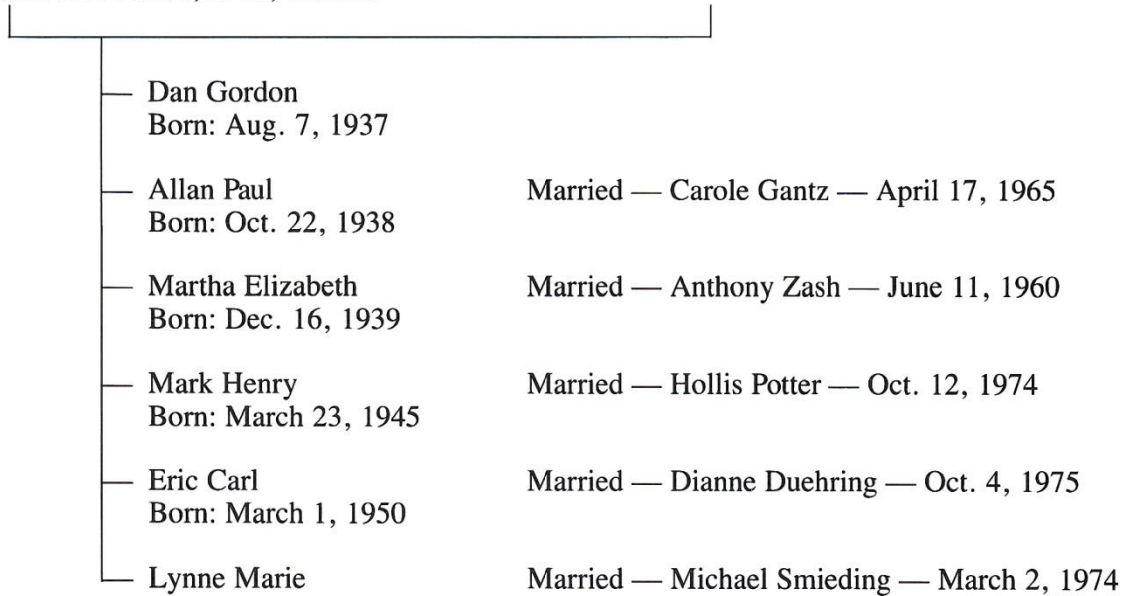
Married — Glen E. Colton

Elizabeth Helen Orthner

Born: Feb. 5, 1914

Where: Des Moines, Iowa, U.S.A.

Married — H. Gordon Fromm — July 15, 1936

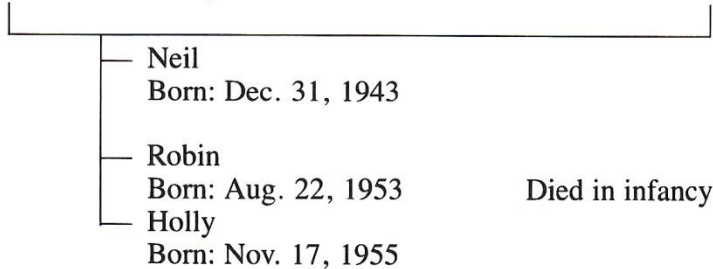


Robert Karl Orthner

Born: Sept. 10, 1915

Where: Middletown, Iowa

Married — Norma M. Barr (Cookie) June 29, 1940



Robert owns and operates the "C&O Heating and Refrigeration Co. Inc."



Robert and Cookie Orthner.

Carl Orthner Jr.
Born: April 11, 1926

Married — Marjorie M. Bothel — June 19, 1971
Born: May 14, 1922



Carl Jr. and Marjorie.

Carl Jr. was born in Burlington, Iowa and received his education in Iowa and Missouri. He teaches English, French and German in Newton, Iowa and is also a high school librarian. His wife Marjorie, teaches business education and is a high school counsellor in Newton, Iowa.

Adolph Orthner

Born: Feb. 16, 1885

Where: Storozynetz, Austria

Died: June 10, 1947

Where: Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.

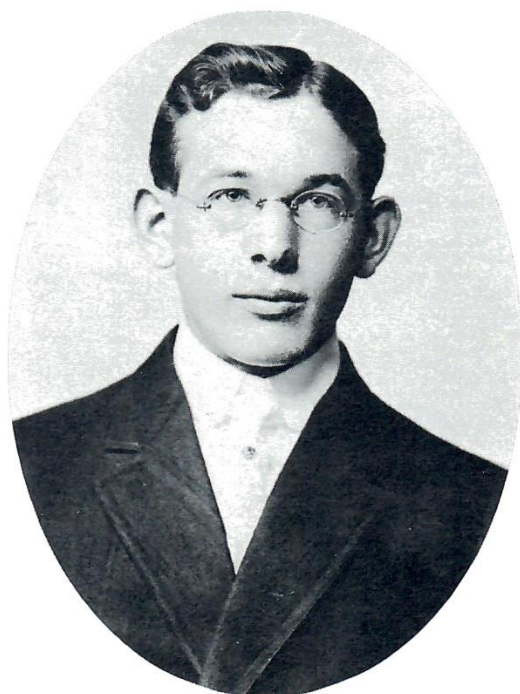
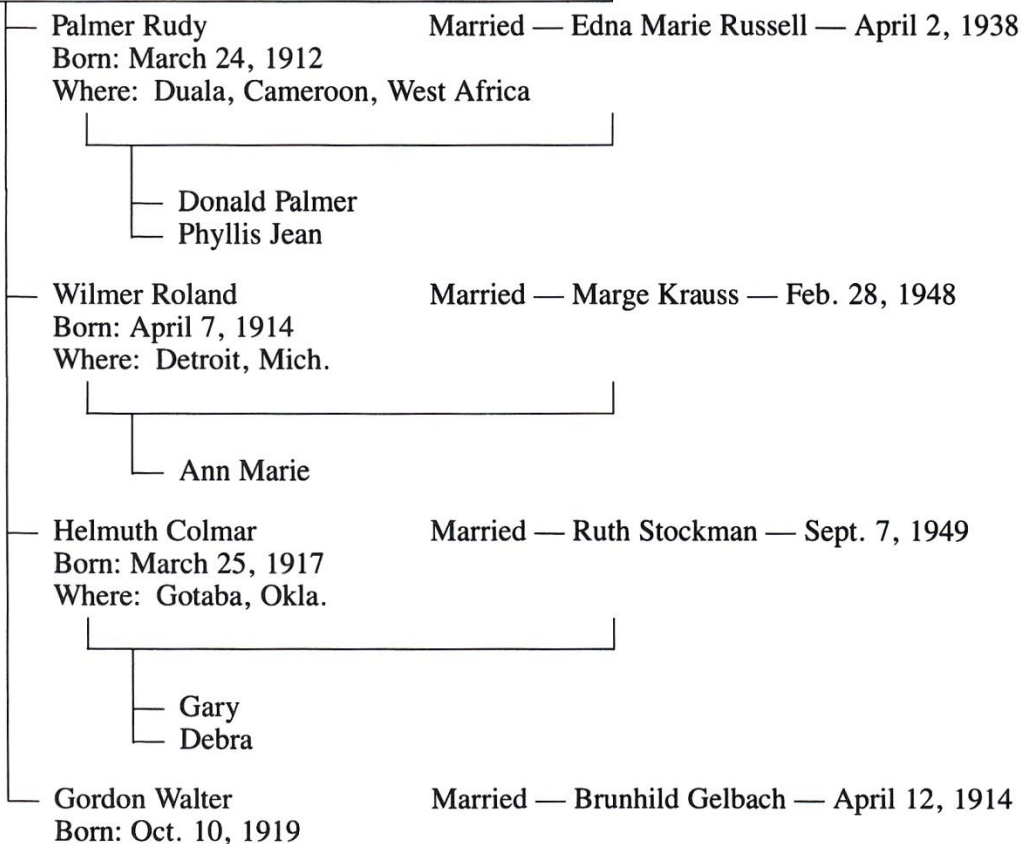
Married — Gunda Martha Meyer — June 1911

Born: Sept. 23, 1882

Where: Steinke Allmock, Germany

Died: June 12, 1948

Where: Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.



Adolph.

Adolph Orthner was born in Austria in 1885 and immigrated to America with his parents when he was eleven years of age. He became a missionary and served in Cameroon, West Africa, for three and one-half terms under the North American Baptist Conference. He and his wife Gunda were married there and his oldest son, Palmer Rudy, was born there. During his second term, during World War I, he was taken prisoner, along with other missionaries, by the British. They were shipped to England but were released after six weeks and shipped back to the United States. He was pastor of churches in Oklahoma, Iowa and Michigan before going back to the Cameroon for his third and fourth terms.



Edna and Rudy Orthner.

Palmer Rudy Orthner was born in the Cameroon, West Africa to his missionary parents in 1912. He prepared for the ministry and pastored three churches before he had to retire from the ministry for health reasons. He went into railroading and was an engineer for thirty-one years. He retired as a locomotive engineer in 1975.

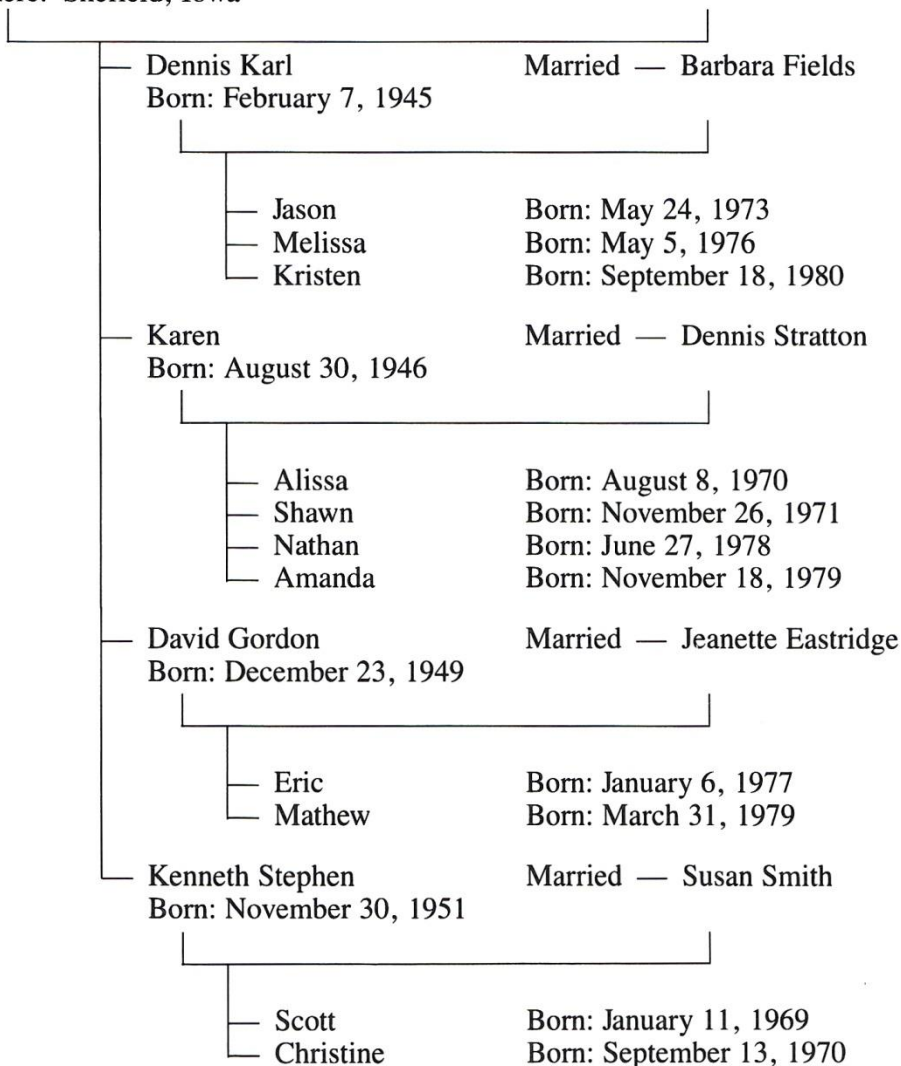
They have two children; Don, who is assistant manager of foreign finance at Ford Motor Company, and Phyllis who is married to an University professor and is now teaching in a Christian School in upper Michigan. She has two children and Don has three.

Gordon Walter

Born: October 10, 1919

Where: Sheffield, Iowa

Married — Brunhild Gelbach — April 12, 1944



Gordon Walter Orthner (10/10/20) Sheffield, Iowa — Wife, Brunhild (Geldbach) Orthner. 531 Johns Pass Avenue — Madeira Beach, FL 33708. President/Owner — Key Laboratories, Inc. (Coating Specialties) Largo, FL 33540. J.O.Y., Inc. — Cassette Taping Ministry for Moody/Keswick Bible Conference, Caribbean Radio Lighthouse (Antigua, West Indies), Bible Studies by Ruth Livingston Hill Munce.

Family

Dennis Karl Orthner, Ph.D. (2/7/45) Fresno, CA — Wife, Barbara Fields. 3700 Chadford Place — Greensboro, N.C. 27410. President — Family Research and Analysis, Ince. Associate Professor — Department of Child Development & Family Relations and Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology, University of No. Carolina at Greensboro.

Author and Consultant. Children — Jason (5/24/73), Melissa (5/10/76), Kristen (9/18/80).

Karen Orthner (Stratton) (8/30/46) Detroit, MI — Husband, Dennis Stratton. Rte. 1, Box 242D — Gaston, S.C. 29053. Science Teacher — Homemaker. Children — Alissa (8/27/70), Shawn (11/26/71), Nathan (6/27/78), Amanda (11/18/79).

David Gordon Orthner (12/23/49) Detroit, MI — Wife, Jeanette Eastridge. 11319-125 Terrace, No. — Largo, FL 33540. Self-employed — Contractor (Epoxy River Gravel). Children — Eric (1/6/77), Matthew (3/31/79) — 3rd child due in Sept. 1981.

Kenneth Stephen Orthner (11/30/51) Detroit, MI — Wife, Susan Smith. 2651 Oakbrook Drive — Largo, FL 33540. Plant Manager — Key Laboratories, Inc. Children — Scott (1/11/69), Christine (9/13/70).

Adelaide Orthner was born in Storzynetz in 1886. She came to the United States with her family at the age of 10. She became a registered nurse and home missionary in several churches. She took care of her parents in their later years.



Adelaide, Mother Antonia, Victoria Orthner.

Victoria Orthner was born in Stanislau, Galicia, Austria. She immigrated to the United States with her parents when she was four years old. She too felt the call of the Lord to work for Home Missions and worked in Chicago for a number of years. She married Robert Preiss in 1942. Robert has died since then. Victoria now makes her home in the North American Baptist Retirement Home in Philadelphia, Penn.



Robert and Victoria (Orthner) Preiss.

Philip Cornelius Orthner

Born: May 14, 1890

Where: Stanislaw Galicia

Died: Feb. 1973

Where:

Married — Bertha Schurdell - Nov. 26, 1922



Wilbur Philip
Born: March 26, 1924

Married — Nancy Russell — May, 1966



Misti Lee
Lori Lynn

Born: April 17, 1967
Born: May 24, 1970

Donald Sheldon
Born: Aug. 28, 1928

Married — Elinor Ruth Larsen — July 26, 1950



Philip and Bertha Orthner.

Philip was born in Stanislau, Galicia in 1890, coming to the United States at the age of six. He became a skilled craftsman (wood layout) for General Motors. He married Bertha Schurdell, a school teacher, in 1922.

Wilbur Orthner is a draftsman in Denver, Colorado.



Philip (standing), Don, Bertha, and Wilbur.

Donald Orthner, Philip's second son, is a school teacher as is his wife Elinor. Both are musical.



Philip Orthner family: Don and wife, Elinor, Nancy and Wilbur, Philip, Misti Lee (front).

Joseph Orthner came to the United States with his parents as a babe in arms being only one year old. He was a student at the Seminary in Rochester, N. Y. He served in France during World War I. He had a printing Business for a number of years. Now in his eighties, Joe still drives his car to church in downtown Miami twice weekly. He is active in tape recording sermons for use by shut-ins and working for the American Bible Society. He married Martha — in Nov. 1928. They celebrated their 52nd wedding anniversary in November of 1981.



Joseph and Martha Orthner.

Walter Orthner was the only member of the family born in the United States. He graduated from the University of Rochester as a medical doctor. He married Lena K. Storchacher on October 14, 1937. Walter practiced for 14 years in Pennsylvania where he died at the age of 46. They had made their home in Huntingdon, Pennsylvania.



Walter and Lena Orthner.



Frank and Helen Orthner, Alfred, Eleanor, Lawrence visiting Uncle Karl, Louise and Molly holding Oscar.



Joseph Orthner in army.



Walter with parents — graduation.



Rudolf and Antonia.



Don and Elinor in front of their home.

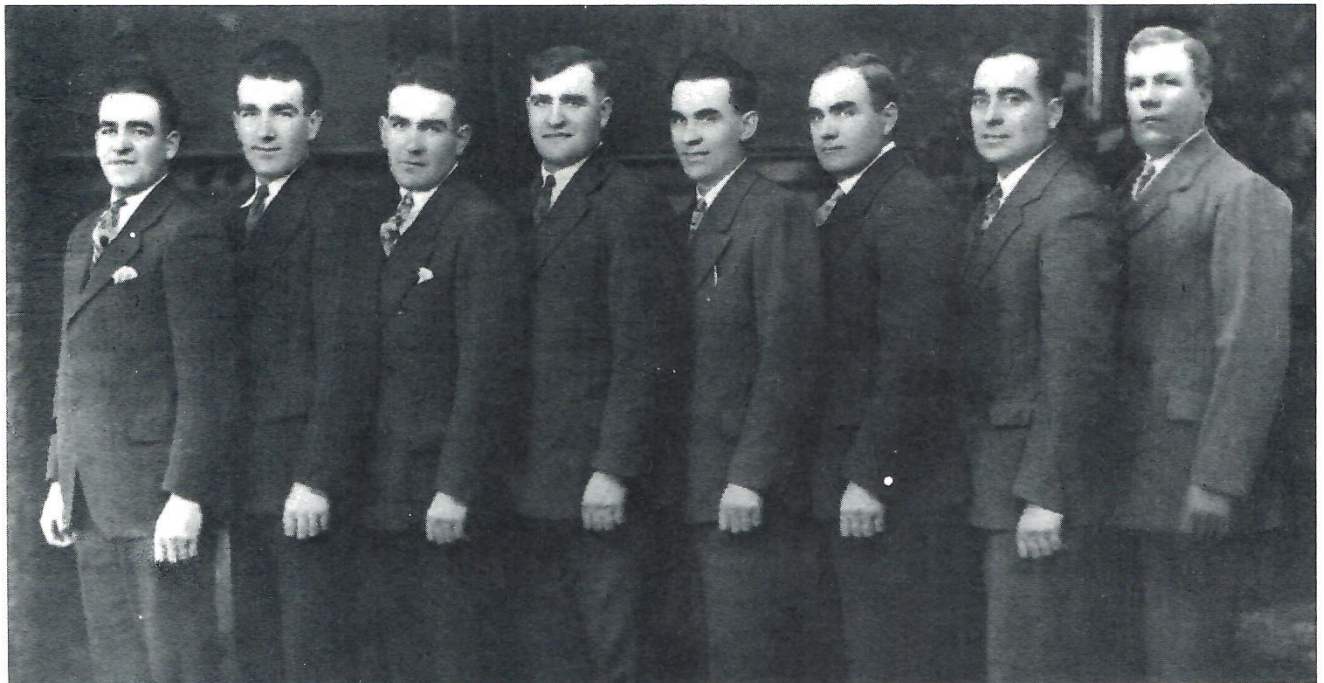
Adolph Orthner

Born: October 29, 1861
 Where: Bucovina, Austria
 Died: October 31, 1944
 Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — (1) Barbara Trapp
 Born: August 30, 1866
 Where:
 Died: February 1933
 Where: Regina Sask.

	Born	Died
— Ferdinand	May 13, 1885	May 3, 1970
— Emelia	October 31, 1886	December 15, 1971
— Rudolf	Nov. 11, 1888	April 4, 1956
— George	1890	Nov. 18, 1953
— Jacob	Feb. 16, 1894	June 5, 1979
— Anna	May 15, 1895	
— Karl	June 17, 1897	July 30, 1975
— Amalia	June 22, 1899	Feb. 15, 1955
— Frank	May 14, 1901	Dec. 31, 1970
— William	April 11, 1904	Feb. 26, 1963
— Ella	March 9, 1906	
— Gustave	March 2, 1909	Dec. 4, 1960
— Frieda	June 10, 1915	

Married — (2) Elizabeth Sauer
 Married — (3) Magdalena Tiefenbach — August 1, 1939



Adolph Orthner boys: Gus, Bill, Frank, Karl, Jacob, George, Rudolph, Ferdinand.

Adolph Orthner was born in Bucovina, Austria, on October 29, 1861. He married Barbara Trapp in Austria and had a total of 14 children, one dying in infancy, the rest reached adulthood. They lived in Sereth, Austria where the first 11 of their children were born. He was a tanner by trade but times were hard and he looked to Canada for better opportunities. In 1905, his two oldest sons, Rudolph and George, joined Adolph's brother Karl and half sister Dorothea (who was married to Jacob Huber) on an immigration to Canada. Two years later, Adolph and the rest of the family followed. They crossed the Atlantic on the ship Victoria from Liverpool, England and arrived in Quebec on August 9, 1907. They eventually arrived at Serath, Sask. where Adolph homesteaded on the NE 26-26-19-W2 in 1908. Their first home was a small two-room house built of Poplar poles and plastered with mud and white-washed. The roof was sod and the floor was an earth floor plastered with a mixture of mud and cow manure. Not an elegant home by our standards but this was where the rest of the family were born and raised and it served them well until a new house was built in 1919.

Adolph continued farming until he retired to Regina in 1925 when he was 64 years old. His wife Barbara died in 1933 but he lived on for another 11 years and outlived two more wives before he died in 1944 at the age of 83.



Adolph and Barbara Orthner.



Adolph Orthner girls: Ella, Frieda, Amelia, Anna and Molly (seated).

Ferdinand Orthner

Born: May 13, 1885
Where: Bucovina, Austria
Died: May 3, 1970
Where: Overstetsinger, Germany

Married — Fredrica
Born: Oct. 6, 1899
Died: July 7, 1972



Fredrica and Ferdinand Orthner.

Ferdinand Orthner was born in the province of Bucovina, Austria on October 31, 1885. He was the first born of Adolph and Barbara Orthner. When the family moved to Canada, he stayed in Austria where he already had a job as a train conductor. Before World War II very little was heard from him except for a very occasional letter and all contact was lost during the war and for many years after. Then, around the mid '60's, a letter from him, addressed to his brother Jacob, arrived and a regular correspondence was carried on thereafter. It was learned that his first wife had died, that he had married for the second time and that he had moved from Austria to Overstetsinger, Germany.

In 1969, his sister Annie and brother Jacob, accompanied by Annie's son, Harold Kramer, made the trip to Germany to see him. As can be imagined, it was very touching to meet a brother that they had not seen for 62 years.

The following spring, Ferdinand fell and broke his hip and died two months later. His wife passed away years later. They lived in an old house, about 300 years old, near Heidenherm. Harold and Minnie Kramer stopped there a few years later, but the house was gone and a new big home was in its place.

Emilia Juliana Orthner
 Born: Oct. 31, 1885
 Where: Sereth, Bucovina, Austria
 Died: Dec. 15, 1971
 Where: Bengough, Sask.

Married — Karl Jackle — Nov. 19, 1908
 Born: March 5, 1882
 Where: Suceava, Bucovina, Austria
 Died: Oct. 7, 1949
 Where: Niagara Falls, Ontario

—	Karolina	Born
—	Karl Rudolf	Aug. 21, 1909
—	Augusta Elizabeth	Nov. 13, 1911
—	Ludwig	Aug. 23, 1913
—	Alma Martha	June 29, 1915
		March 1, 1918



Emilia and Karl Jackle.

History of Emilia Juliana Orthner and Karl Jackle

submitted by Karl Jackle, Jr.

Emilia Juliana (1885-1971), daughter of Adolf and Barbara Orthner, was born at Sereth, Bucovina in Austria on October 31, 1885. She came to Canada with her parents and family, crossing the Atlantic on the ship 'Victoria' of the Allan Lines. They arrived in Quebec on August 9, 1907 and soon after moved on to Saskatchewan. Emilia worked for a store owner at MacLean for some time between her arrival in Saskatchewan and her marriage to Karl Jackle.

Karl Jackle (1882-1949), was born to Karl Jackle and Elizabeth (Sauer) in Suceava, Bucovina, Austria on March 5, 1882. He left his Austrian home on October 15, 1903, crossing the Atlantic on the ship 'Arcadia' of the Hamburg American Line. He arrived at Halifax on November 5 and then travelled to Saskatchewan, arriving November 10, 1903.

I think he spent this first few years in Canada staying with and working for his uncle, Karl Liebel, who was already farming near Pilot Butte, about 15 miles east of Regina.

On November 19, 1908, Karl married Emilia Orthner. They lived in a house at 1650 Toronto Street, Regina. Here their first child, Karolina was born on August 21, 1909, and also their first son, Karl Rudolf on November 13, 1911. During at least some of these years my father, Karl Jackle, Sr. worked for the city waterworks department.

In 1910, he filed for the south half of 12-9-24-W.2 which is situated within 2 miles southeast of the present Kayville village. He must have worked the farm some in 1911, and maybe also in 1910, as there was already a two-room shack and barn there when our family of four moved out in the spring of 1912. Both the house and barn had a slightly rounded roof,

covered with two layers of ½" x 8" or 10" lumber laid overlapping, to shed the rain. The barn was 16' x 26' and about 15' or 16' high, with a loft big enough to hold at least three good loads of hay.

We brought along a cow from Regina, which my parents already had for some years in the city. Father started farming with four horses, which, I presume, he bought just before moving to the farm.

Our first Post Office was about four miles north-east of our home, and the area including our land was known as the Dahinda district. The name change came about when we got a Post Office about two miles west-southwest of the farm, which was to be known as the Kayville Post Office. This happened about 1916.

By 1912, the C.P.R. (from Weyburn to Assiniboia) had reached Ogema, and this became the town, which for many years, was our main business place, and where we delivered our grain to. It was about 18 miles from the farm (on the square) but usually in the winter it was possible to make short-cuts and so save about two miles on each trip (one way).

Our land was broken; some by big steam-powered breaking outfits, some by horses, and during the early 20's, my father hired a man who was doing custom work with a four-ox outfit to break some more.

The Excelsis School District No. 2994, was proclaimed in 1913, and the school was built on the

northeast corner of our home quarter and opened for classes in 1914. My father was on the Excelsis School board nearly every year from the start, until it burned down in February, 1937. Nearly all of the teachers that taught at this school from 1914 to 1931 boarded at our place.

In the fall of 1924, the railway tracks of the C.P.R. Amulet-Cardross branch line reached Kayville and this ended the need for the long grain hauls, etc., for the people around Kayville.

Karl Jackle, Sr. was councillor for Division 6 of the R.M. of Kay West No. 70 for twenty years. The last year he served on this council was 1939 and he was first elected about 1916. He was a Sask. Liquor Board Vendor at a beer store in Kayville from 1927 to 1929. During these years; and also some years later, my father and mother lived in the village.

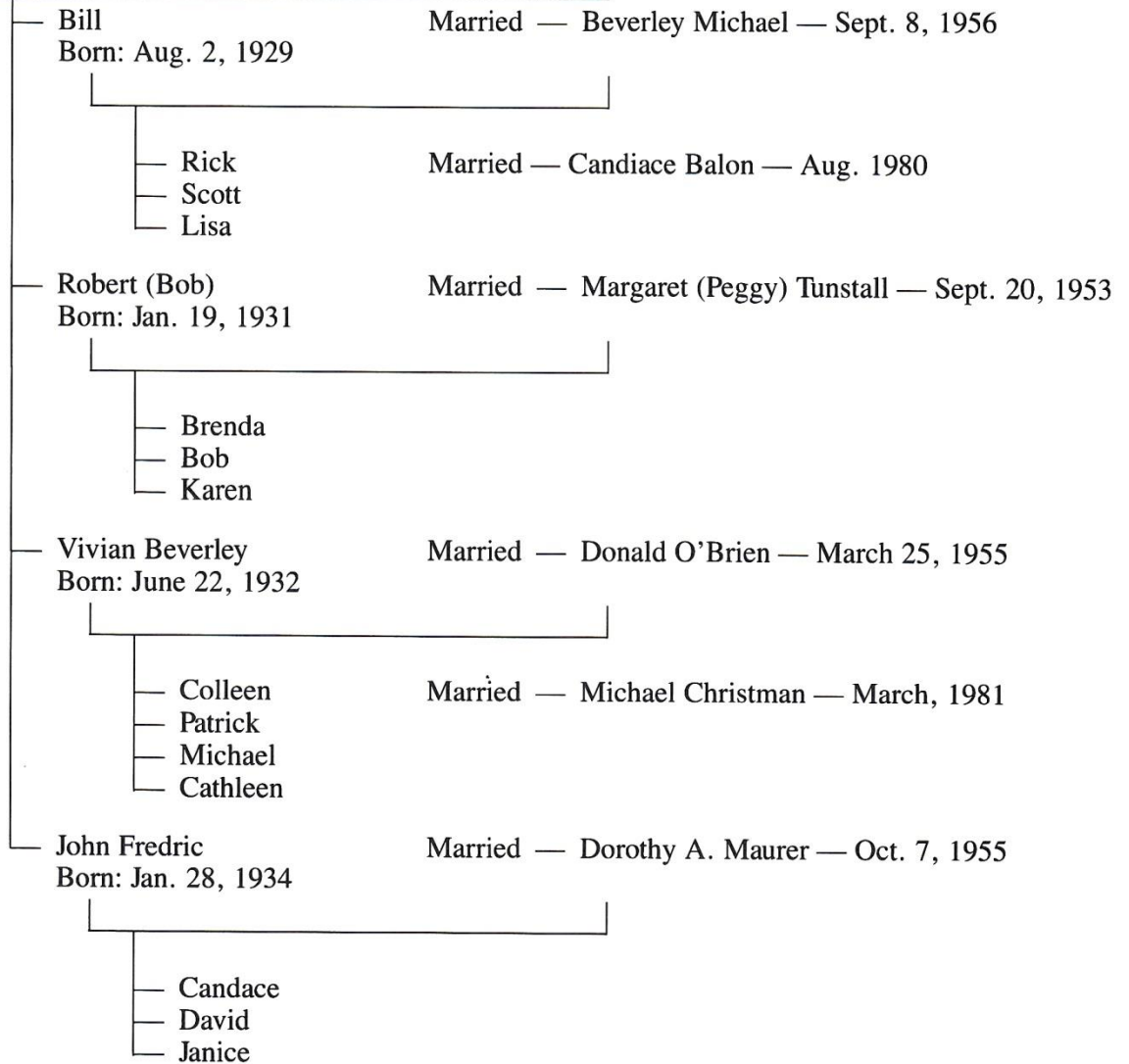
The last three of their five children were born at the farm at Kayville: Augusta Elizabeth — August 23, 1913; Ludwig Wilhelm (Louis) — June 29, 1915; Alma Martha — March 1, 1918.

Karl (Sr.) and Emilia moved to Niagara Falls, Ontario in the fall, of 1944. Karl died there on October 7, 1949 and is buried there.

After Karl's death, Emilia lived at Niagara Falls, Hamilton, Ontario and at Regina, Weyburn, Kayville and last at the Senior Citizens' Home at Bengough, Sask. She died in Bengough Hospital December 15, 1971, and was buried in the same plot with Karl in Fairview Cemetery at Niagara Falls, Ontario.

Karolina (Lina) Jackle
Born: Aug. 21, 1909

Married — Fred Whitel — Dec. 1928
Died: Dec. 24, 1968



Lina and Fred Whitell.

Children of Karl and Emilia (Orthner) Jackle

submitted by Lina Whitell

Lina (Jackle) Whitell — born in Regina, August 21, 1909, oldest of five children born to Emilia Orthner and Karl Jackle. My mother was the oldest daughter and second child of Adolf and Barbara (Trapp) Orthner. We homesteaded at Kayville in 1912. I was the first Grade VIII graduate of our school and that went to Central Collegiate in Regina for three years. I attended Normal School in Moose Jaw for one year and then taught school near Kayville. I married Fred Whitell in December, 1928.

My husband, Fred, was born in England. He worked as a grain buyer for Sask. Wheat Pool at Kayville and all of our four children were born in the 'dirty thirties' while we lived at Kayville. In 1939 Fred was transferred to Milestone and we stayed there until he was appointed Travelling Superintendent in 1949 and we moved to Weyburn.

My parents went to Niagara Falls in the later 40's, my father died there in October, 1949. My mother stayed on for a few years and then returned to Saskatchewan, where she died in December, 1971.

Meanwhile, my children finished school and got married. At the present time Bill is in Swift Current, Bob is in Toronto, Vivian is in Buffalo, New York and John is here in Weyburn. I have fourteen grandchildren, all but one are grown up and two are married.

My husband retired in March, 1965. On December 24, 1968, he died of a heart attack. I have always enjoyed travelling and have been to Florida, Maritimes, Cuba and Hawaii in the last four years. I would still like to see Europe, Austria and Germany some day. I like all kinds of needle work and became interested in Duplicate Bridge in the early 70's. I have been forced to give up "cards and knitting" due to Rheumatoid Arthritis, so now my days are spent reading and watching T.V.

Lina and Fred Whitell had four children:

William (Bill) Whitell: Bill was born August 2, 1929 at Regina, Saskatchewan. He is a banker and has worked thirty years with the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. He enjoys driving trucks, buses and hauling heavy equipment, and he plays hockey, baseball and piano. Bill married Beverly Ann Michael on September 8, 1956. Beverly presently works as a clerk at Saskatchewan Gov't. Social Services Dep't. in Swift Current.

Bill and Bev had three children:

Rick: Presently living at White Court, B.C., Rick is employed by a trucking company. He married Candace Balon of Shaunavon in August, 1980.



Bill and Bev Whitell (1956). Bottom: Scott, Lisa, and Rick (1978).



Bob and Peggy Whitell and Karen (1980), Brenda (1977), Bob (1977).

Scott: Living at Swift Current, Scott operates a "small freight" trucking service between Regina and Swift Current.

Lisa: Lisa is a senior at Swift Current High School and she enjoys horses and riding.

Robert (Bob) Lorne Whitell: Bob was born on January 19, 1931 at Weyburn, Sask. He is presently the Vice-President and Assistant General Manager of F. W. Woolworth Co. Ltd. in Toronto. He enjoys hockey, baseball, football and golf. Bob married Margaret (Peggy) Irene Tunstall on Sept. 20, 1953. Peggy is a housewife and homemaker.

Bob and Peggy had three children:

Brenda: Presently taking a course in Business management at Toronto Business College.

Bob (Jr.): Manager of a Woolworth Store in Mississauga, Bob enjoys sports and plays golf.

Karen: Student at Montessori School of Education at Mississauga.

Vivian Beverly O'Brien: Vivian was born on June 22, 1932 at Bengough, Sask. She is a housewife who enjoys jogging, tennis and cross-country skiing. Vivian married Donald O'Brien on March 25, 1955. Don is an Associate Professor of Education at State University College in Buffalo.

Vivian and Don have five children:

Colleen: Colleen is a teacher of severely handicapped children at Association for Retarded Children. She married Michael Christman in March, 1981. Michael is a physical education instructor at

Association for Retarded Children and a football coach at University of Buffalo.

Patrick: Patrick won an Athletic scholarship to Yale and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in History degree. He is now a law student at University of Michigan Law School.

Michael: Michael attends Educational Opportunity Center in Buffalo for college preparatory courses.

Cathleen: Cathleen is a sophomore at University of Michigan on a Synchronized Swimming Scholarship and she is captain of her U. of M. team.

Terry: Terry is a senior at Kenmore East Senior High School with college bound plans.

John Fredric Whitell: John was born on January 28, 1934 at Kayville, Sask. Formerly a clothier, John is now manager of Weyburn Golf Club and he holds the Molson "Hole In One" award which he won in 1978. He enjoys all sports, politics and cards and is the owner of one of the few wirehair pointing Griffons in Canada. John married Dorothy Angeline Maurer on October 7, 1955. Dorothy is a part-time nurse's aide and she is experienced in many arts and crafts including macrame and pysanky. She is also a collector of copperware, depression and amber glass.

John and Dorothy have three children:

Candace: is a R.N.A. at Calgary Fanning Center, has been there since 1977.

David: Is a golf instructor at Weyburn Golf Club, he also holds the Molson's "Hole In One" award which he won in 1978. Winner of the "Canadian Fitness Award of Excellence" in grade X, he now has a degree in computer science technology. He enjoys game and uplands hunting.

Janice: 1980 high school graduate, she is presently employed by Hudson Bay Co.



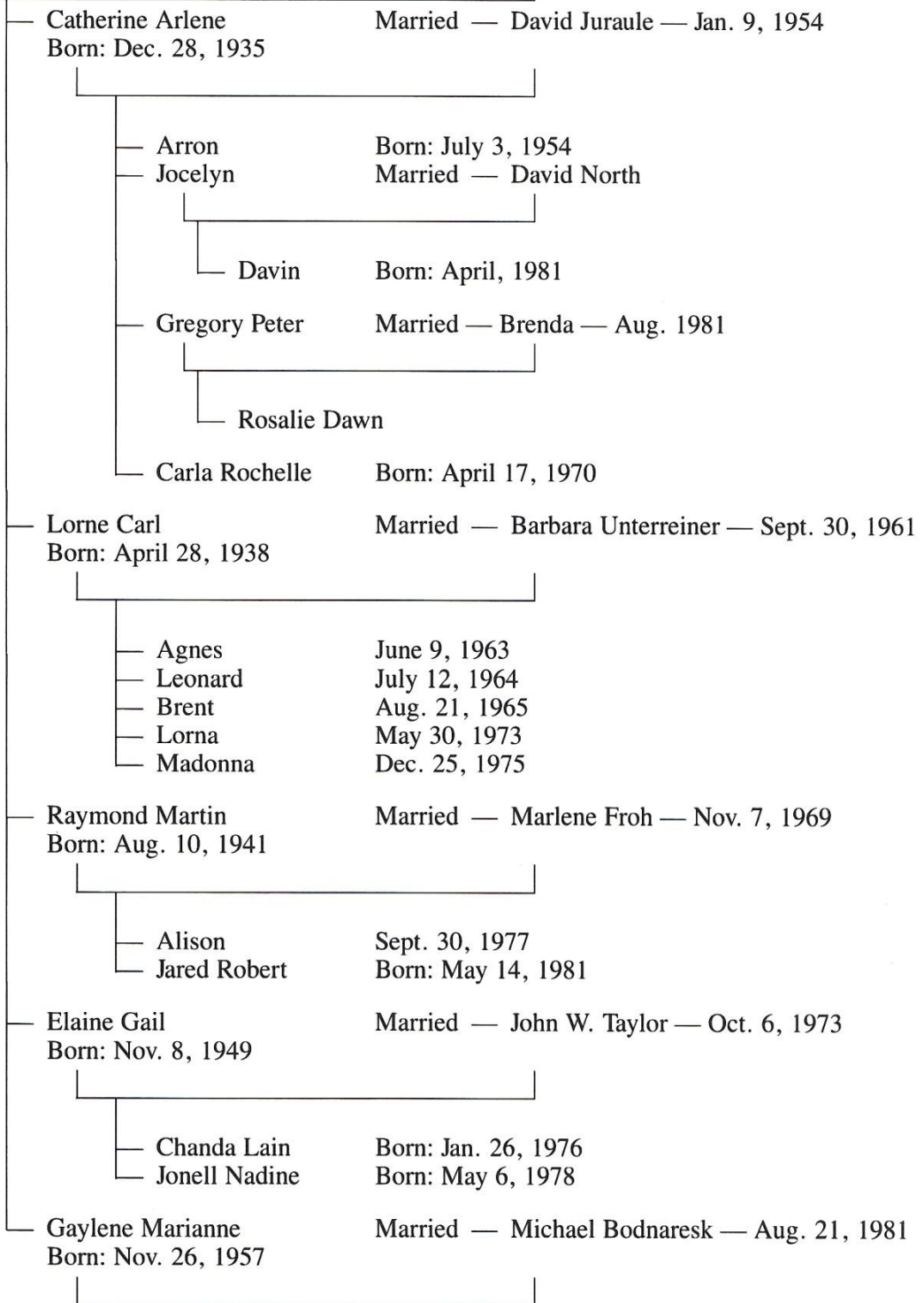
Terry, Pat (back); Mike, Don, Colleen, Vivian and Cathleen at Vivian's wedding, 1979.



John and Dorothy Whitell family: David, Dorothy, Candace, Janice and John.

Karl Rudolf Jackle
Born: Nov. 13, 1911

Married — Katie Klemenz — Nov. 5, 1934



Karl Rudolf Jackle
submitted by Karl Jackle

I was born November 13, 1911 at 1650 Toronto Street, Regina, the second child of Karl and Emilia Jackle.

In the spring of 1912, our family of four moved to the homestead that my father took in 1910, located within two miles of the present townsite of Kayville.

I attended Excelsis School No. 2994 (which was situated on the N.E. corner of our homestead quarter) from 1917 to 1926.

On November 5, 1934, I married Katie, the second daughter of Mike and Theresia Klemenz of Horizon, Sask. I got title to my first quarter of land in 1943. The most I ever farmed or owned was about 930 acres in 1953. At present (1981) I own and farm $\frac{3}{4}$ of a section.



Karl and Katie Jackle.

Since the spring of 1912, my home has always been on the S.E. $\frac{1}{4}$ of 12-9-24-W.2, and the longest that I have ever been away from it at one time is 27 days.

Katie and I have done a lot of travelling in recent years. Places we have been to include: six western provinces and the Northwest Territories in Canada, 35 states of the U.S.A., including Oahu and Maui islands of Hawaii, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji (two islands), Caracas Venezuela, Aruba Island, Barbados, Antiqua Island, St. Maartens Island, St. Thomas Island, Puerto Rico, Bahamas (New Providence Island), England, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Soviet Union (Russian, Ukrainian and Byelo Russian Republic), Poland, East Germany, West Germany and France.

Katie and I have five children, 13 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren. We have had one or more of our children attending school in Kayville every year from 1942 to 1974.

Catherine Arline Juravle: Arline was born on December 28, 1935 at Bengough, Sask. She married David Juravle on January 9, 1954 and they have four children and two grandchildren. They farm west of Kayville; have a house within half mile west of Kayville, and they also have a house in Regina, where they live in the winter.



David, Arline, Aaron, Jocelyn, Gregory and Carla (front) Juravle.

Arline and David have four children:

Arron: born July 3, 1954, Aaron is presently living in Regina. He works for MacDonal'd's Consolidated and plays with the Fred King Band in the evenings.

Jocelyn: is presently a hairdresser in Calgary. Jocelyn and Derek North have one child, Davin, who was born in April, 1981.

Gregory Peter: Gregory lives in Regina and is employed by Degelman Industries Ltd. He and his wife, Brenda were married in August, 1981 and their first child, Rosalie Dawn, was born in December, 1981.

Carla Rochelle: born on April 17, 1970, Carla lives at home and attends public school in Regina.

Lorne Carl Jackle: Lorne was born on April 28, 1938 at Kayville, Sask. He grew up and completed his education in Kayville where he continues to live and farm. On September 30, 1961, Lorne married Barbara, daughter of August and Marie Unterreiner, who lived at Horizon. Their 1030-acre farm is situated one mile south of Kayville.

Lorne and Barb have five children:

Agnes: born on June 9, 1963, Agnes graduated



Back: Brent, Agnes, Lorne, Barbara, Leonard. Front: Madonna, Lorna Jackle.

from Grade XII this past June and is now attending University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon; she is working on a degree in Commerce and eventually hopes to get into law.

Leonard: born on July 12, 1964, Leonard is living at home and taking Grade XII at Kayville School.

Brent: born on August 21, 1965, Brent is taking his Grade XI at Kayville School.

Lorna: born on May 30, 1973, Lorna is in Grade III at Kayville School.

Madonna: born December 25, 1975, Madonna attends Grade I at Kayville School.



Ray and Marlene Jackle (1972), Alison (1980), Jared (1981).

Raymond Martin Jackle: Raymond was born August 10, 1941 at Regina, Sask. Raymond farmed for awhile and then began to work for the Credit Union in Kayville and then in Regina. He married Marlene Froh on November 7, 1969, and shortly thereafter moved to Grenfell, where he managed the Credit Union. Raymond is now employed by Co-operative Insurance Services and lives at Guelph, Ontario.

Ray and Marlene have two children:

Alison: born September 30, 1977.

Jared Robert: born May 14, 1981.

Elaine Gale Taylor: Elaine was born on November 8, 1949 at Regina, Sask. After completing her Grade XII at Kayville School, she went to University of Regina and received her Bachelor of Arts degree, and then attended Minot State College where she received her Master of Science Degree with a Speech Pathology Major in spring, 1973. On October 6, 1973, Elaine married John W. Taylor of Ogema. John had received a Bachelor of Pharmacy Degree from the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon in spring 1969. John and Elaine live in Regina where John manages a White Cross Drug Store and Elaine is employed as a Language/Speech Pathologist by the Public School Board.



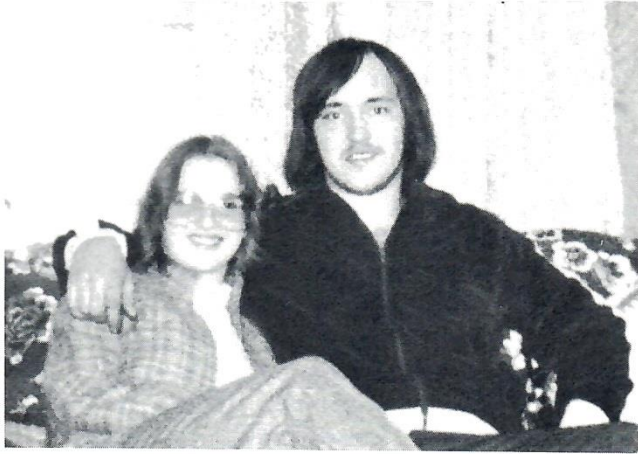
John and Elaine Taylor, Chanda and Jonell (1981).

Elaine and John have two children:

Chanda 'Lain: born January 26, 1976, she attends kindergarten.

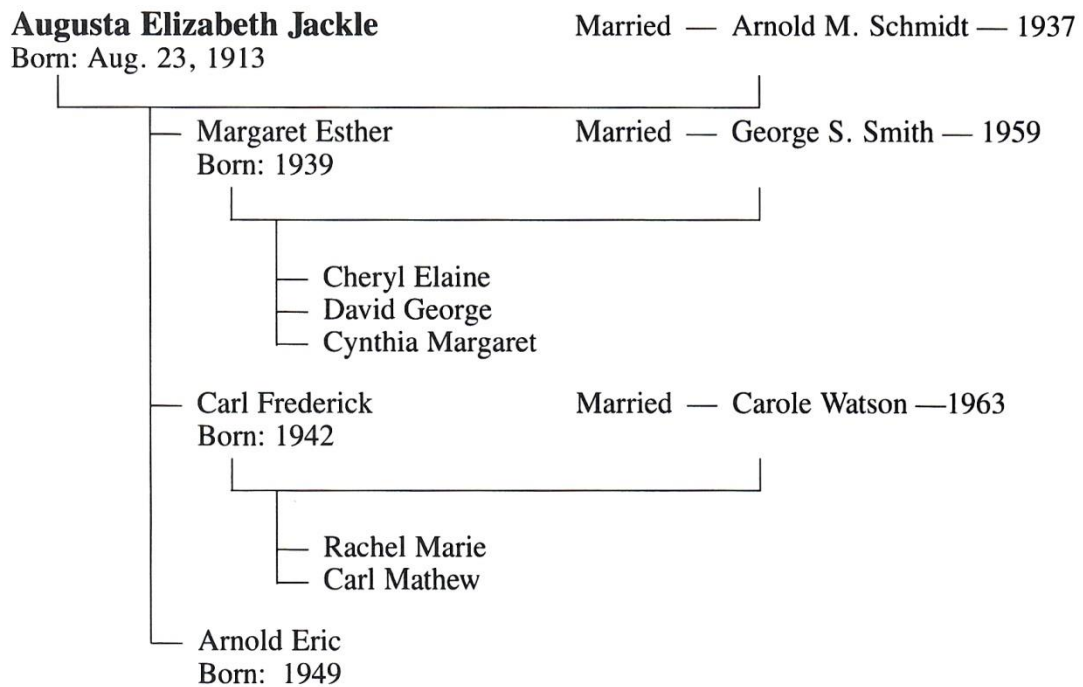
Jonell Nadine: born May 6, 1978.

Gaylene Marianne Bodnaresk: Gaylene was born on November 26, 1957 at Regina, Sask. She received her Grade XII diploma from Ogema High School in 1975 and then attended Saskatchewan Technical School in Moose Jaw, graduating in May, 1979 from the two-year program in architectural en-



Gaylene and Mike Bodnaresk (1981).

gineering technology. Gaylene married Michael Bodnaresk of Regina on August 21, 1981. Gaylene and Mike live in Regina where Mike is employed by Bird Construction and Gaylene is employed by Building Design 2 as a draftsperson.



Augusta Elizabeth (Jackle) Schmidt submitted by Gustie Schmidt

Augusta Elizabeth, the third child of Karl and Emilia Jackle, was born on the farm at Kayville on August 23, 1913.

I married Arnold Mathius Schmidt in 1937. Arnold was born in Ogema, Sask. on April 2, 1914. We lived in Ormiston, Sask. from 1937 to 1941 when we moved to Hamilton, Ontario.

Our family consists of:

Margaret Esther Smith: Margaret was born in Moose Jaw in 1939. She married George Sinclair Smith in 1959. They reside in Burlington, Ontario and have three children:

Cheryl Elaine



Arnold and Augusta Schmidt (1981).

David George
 Cynthia Margaret
Karl Frederick Schmidt: Karl was born in Hamilton, Ontario in 1942. He married Carole Watson in 1963 and they now live in London, Ontario.

They have two children:
 Rachel Marie
 Carl Mathew
Arnold Eric Schmidt: Eric was born in Hamilton in 1949. Eric is single and lives in Hamilton.

Ludwig (Louis) Jackle

Born: June 29, 1915

Married — Phyllis R. Osborne — June 23, 1929

Born: June 19, 1919

Died: July, 1962

Married — May B. Jones — March 16, 1968



Beverley Marie
 Born: Aug. 30, 1941

Married — Wayne C. Dale — Sept. 17, 1960



Brenda Laurette Born: May 27, 1962
 Paula Dennise Born: Nov. 7, 1964
 Angela Marie Born: April 29, 1968

Brian Louis
 Born: June 2, 1953

Married — Sharon Hodgson — May, 1975



Kristopher Brian Born: Nov. 28, 1975
 Brian Dominic Born: Oct. 1, 1980

Ludwig (Louis) Wilhelm Jackle

Louis, the fourth child of Karl and Emilia Jackle, was born at Kayville, Sask. on June 29, 1915. He married Phyllis Rose Osborne (who was born on June 9, 1919) on June 23, 1939. Louis and Phyllis had two children and were living in Hamilton when Phyllis died in July, 1962. On March 16, 1968, Louis married May Blackwell Jones.

Children of Louis and Phyllis Jackle:

Beverley Marie Dale: Beverley was born in Brantford, Ontario on August 30, 1941. She married Wayne Crawford Dale on September 17, 1960. They live in Hamilton, Ontario and have three daughters:



Louis and Phyllis Jackle.



Beverley Laurette Dale and girls: Brenda, Paula, Angela.

Brenda Laurette: born May 27, 1963.
 Paula Denise: born November 7, 1964.
 Angela Marie: born April 29, 1968.

Brian Louis Jackle: Brian was born on June 2, 1953 in Hamilton, Ontario. Brian is now living in British Columbia with his wife, Sharon (Hodgson), whom he married in May, 1975. They have two sons:

Kristopher Brian: born November 28, 1975.
 Brian Dominic: born April 29, 1968.



Brian Jackle (trouble!).

Alma Martha Jackle
 Born: March 1, 1918

Married — Charles M. McGregor

Eileen Augusta
 Born: March 11, 1939

Married — Timothy Maley — Feb. 14, 1976

Chloe

Born: Nov. 19, 1976

Linda Alma
 Born: Sept. 9, 1952

Married — Mark Harman — April 12, 1978

Tyrie Margaret
 Born: July 18, 1954

Lorna Jane
 Born: Jan. 29, 1956

Alma Martha (Jackle) McGregor

Alma Martha, the fifth and last child of Karl and Emilia Jackle was born at Kayville, Sask. on March 1, 1918. She married Charles Morden McGregor (who was born on September 29, 1914 at Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario) on

They have four children:

Eileen Augusta Maley: Eileen was born on March 11, 1939 at Regina, Sask. She married Timothy Maley on February 14, 1976. They live in Boston, Mass. and have one child:

Chloe: born November 19, 1976.

Linda Alma Harman: Linda was born at Niagara Falls, Ontario on Sept. 9, 1952. She married Mark Harman on April 12, 1978.

Tyrie Margaret McGregor: born July 18, 1954 at Niagara Falls, Ont.

Lorna Jane McGregor: born January 29, 1956 at Cornwall, Ontario.



Fred Whitell, Mac and Alma MacGregor, Lina Whitell.

Rudolph Adolph Orthner

Born: Nov. 11, 1888
Where: Sereth, Austria
Died: April 4, 1956
Where: Vancouver, B.C.

Married — Amelia Butz — 1911

Born: 1891 *JUNE 23.*
Where:
Died: Dec. 18, 1974
Where:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Bertha Minnie — Arthur George — Leo — Anthony John — Elsie Martha — Edna — Alfred — Betty Ruth 	<p>Born</p> <p>Aug. 21, 1912</p> <p>Nov. 5, 1913</p> <p>Aug. 9, 1917</p> <p>Jan. 5, 1919</p> <p>May 18, 1921</p> <p><i>MAR. 1916</i></p> <p><i>MAR. 1920</i></p> <p>April 6, 1928</p>	<p>Died</p> <p>May 11, 1966</p> <p>June 8, 1948</p> <p><i>1922.</i></p> <p><i>1921</i></p>
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Rudolph Orthner Family. Back: Leo, Archie, Bertha. Front: Rudolph, Betty on his lap, Elsie, Molly, Tony.

The Rudolf Adolph Orthner Family

Rudolf Adolph Orthner: Rudolf Orthner was born November 11, 1888 in Serath, Austria, the son of Adolph and Barbara Orthner. He came to Canada in 1906 and settled in Raymore. He operated the local blacksmith shop. Later he went farming in the Serath area. Rudolf married Amelia Butz of the Southey area in 1911. Molly was one of the first members of the Serath Baptist Church. They had eight children: Bertha, Arthur, Alfred, Leo, Anthony, Elsie, Edna and Betty. Alfred and Edna died at an early age. Rudolf was a great lover of all sports, especially baseball. He was often found umpiring baseball games, while farmers were waiting to get their ploughshares sharpened! Around 1921 they moved to Balgonie where Rudolf again operated a blacksmith shop. In 1924 the move was to Regina where he operated a blacksmith shop with his brother Jacob. Rudolf and Molly moved to Vancouver in 1948. While in Vancouver he worked in a blacksmith shop in Ladner. Rudolf passed away on April 4, 1956, in Vancouver at the age of 68. Amelia passed away December 18, 1974, at the age of 83.

Bertha Orthner: Bertha Minnie Orthner was the first born to Rudolf and Amelia Orthner. She was born August 21, 1912 in Raymore, Saskatchewan.



Bertha Orthner.

The family moved to Balgonie and she attended school there. They later moved to Regina and Bertha attended Wetmore School. Bertha worked for Queen City Bakery until leaving for Vancouver, B.C. in August 1941. She worked at McGavins Bakery until her retirement in 1973.

Arthur George Orthner

Born: Nov. 5, 1913
Where: Raymore, Sask.
Died: May 11, 1966
Where: Vancouver, B.C.

Married — Edna Pekrul
BORN JUNE 21, 1915



Judith Barbara
Born: Oct. 29, 1945

Married — Richard Miller — Aug. 16, 1969
B. OCT. 23, 1944

— Jason
— Ryan

Born: 1972 *MAR 26 1972*
Born: 1976 *FEB. 19. 1976*

Arthur George Orthner: Archie was born November 5, 1913 in Raymore, Saskatchewan. At a young age he moved to Balgonie, Sask. and then to Regina where he attended Earl Grey and Wetmore Elementary Schools and Central Collegiate. Archie married Edna Pekrul. He worked for Queen City Bakery until 1939 when they moved to Windsor,

Ontario. He managed a service station here, for some years, then was employed at Ford Motor Company until 1947, when they moved to Vancouver, B.C. Archie was employed at A.I.M. Steel for 16 years until his death in 1966. Archie and Edna had one daughter Judith born on October 29, 1945.



Edna and Archie Orthner (wedding, 1961).



Judith and Rick Miller, and sons Jason, and Ryan.

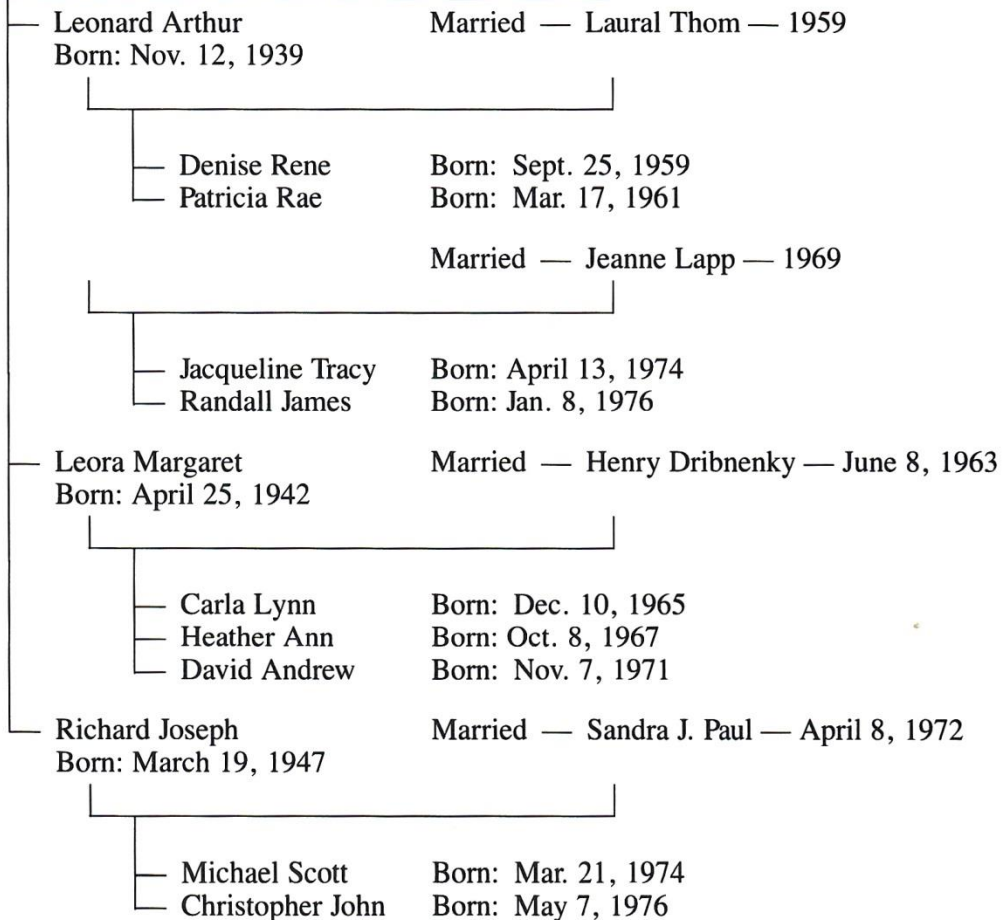
Judith Orthner: Judy had all her schooling in Vancouver. She worked for B.C. Telephones for a number of years. She married Richard Miller on August 16, 1969. Rick is employed by the City of Vancouver and is very active in sports. Rick and Judy have two sons, Jason and Ryan.

Leo Orthner

Born: Aug. 9, 1917
 Where: Serath, Sask.
 Died: June 8, 1948
 Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Margaret Lutz — April, 1939

Died: Aug. 5, 1977
 Where: Regina, Sask.



Leo Orthner: Leo was born on August 9, 1917 in Serath, Sask. He received his education in Balgonie and Regina. Leo married Margaret Lutz and they had three children, Leonard, Leora, and Richard. Leo enlisted in the Air Force in World War II and after the war worked at Simpson's until he passed away on June 8, 1948, at the age of 30. He is buried at the Soldiers' Plot, Regina, Sask. Margaret passed away on August 5, 1977.



Leo and Margaret Orthner.



Top: Jeane and Leonard Orthner, Randy and Tracy. Bottom: Patti and Denise.

Leonard Orthner: Leonard was born in Regina on November 12, 1939. He attended Benson School and Scott Collegiate. He was married to Laural Thom in 1959 and they had two daughters, Denise Rene and Patricia Rae. In 1969 Leonard married Jeanne Lapp in Regina. They later moved to Edmonton. Leonard and Jeanne have two children, Jacqueline Tracy and Randall James. Leonard manages a Temporary Help Agency in Edmonton. They live in St. Albert, outside Edmonton.

Leora Orthner: Leora was born in Regina on April 25, 1942. She attended Benson School and Sheldon Williams Collegiate. Leora was employed at Saskatchewan Government Insurance for six years.



Leora and Henry Dribnenky, Heather, David and Carla.

She married Henry Dribnenky on June 8, 1963. They have three children, Carla Lynn, Heather Ann and David Andrew. They moved to Winnipeg in July 1971, where Henry is employed with the Manitoba Public Insurance Corporation as Vice-President of Finance.



Richard and Sandra Orthner, Michael and Christopher.

Richard Joseph Orthner: Richard was born in Regina on March 19, 1947. He attended Strathcona School and Central Collegiate. Rick won a scholarship to McGill University in Montreal. After graduating from McGill he moved to Edmonton. Rick

married Sandra Jean Paul in 1972. They have two children, Michael Scott and Christopher John. Rick is employed by the Alberta Government in Edmonton.

Anthony John Orthner

Born: Jan. 5, 1919

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Margaret Klein — Nov. 1, 1941

*B. ~~Nov 1, 1941~~
July 22, 1948*

Barry Nelson
Born: June 16, 1943

Married — Bonnie L. Laughlin — May 1, 1971

B. Mar 15, 1947

Linda Margaret
Born: Oct. 4, 1948

Married — Lowell Lanigan — Aug. 21, 1970

B. Feb 29, 1948

Trent Lowell
Kurt Tyler
Shane Anthony

Born: March 29, 1971

Born: April 17, 1974

Born: Nov. 14, 1979

Donald Anthony
Born: Feb. 28, 1953

Married — Leslie K. Soloway — May 28, 1971

B. Oct 31, 1953

Tamara Nicole
Trevor Scott

Born: Dec. 15, 1971

Born: April 25, 1975



Margaret and Tony Orthner.

Anthony John Orthner: Tony was born in Serath on January 5, 1919. He moved to Balgonie and then to Regina with his family. He attended Earl Grey and Thompson Schools in Regina. He went to Balfour Technical Collegiate. On November 1, 1941, Tony married Margaret Klein. Prior to World War II, Tony was in the Signal Corp. In 1942 he was in advanced training in Dundurn and left for Overseas in August, 1943. Tony served with the Lord Strathcona Horse Tank Regiment in Italy, as a wireless operator in a tank. After Italy, Tony moved with the 5th Division across France and into Holland, where he remained until the war ended. Returning home in 1946, he worked for Renfrew Machinery, Firestone, Regina Cartage, and is presently with Hill Security Van Lines. Tony and Marge have three children, Barry, Linda and Donald. They also have one granddaughter, and four grandsons. Tony and Marge are active members of Grace Lutheran Church in Regina.

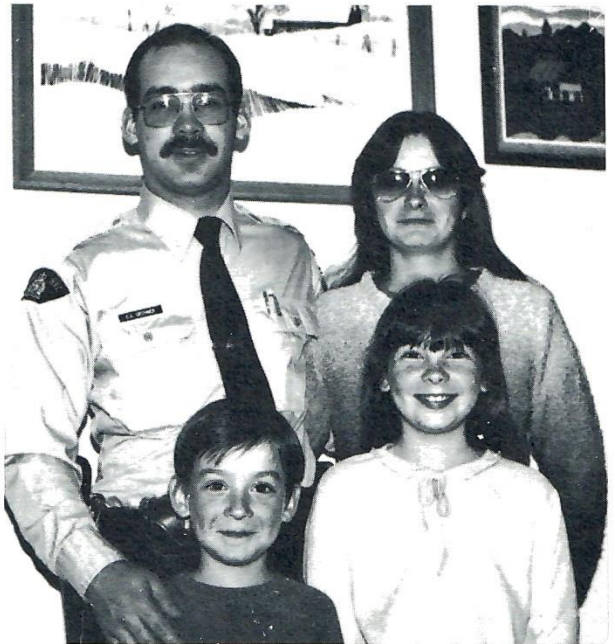
Barry Nelson Orthner: Barry was born in Regina on June 16, 1943. He attended Herchmer School and Luther College. On May 1, 1971, Barry married Bonnie Lee Laughlin. Barry enjoys all sports, especially golf. Barry and Bonnie are both employed at Saskatchewan Government Insurance in Regina.



Bonnie and Barry Orthner.

Linda Margaret Mary Orthner: Linda was born in Regina, on October 4, 1948. She attended Herchmer School and Scott Collegiate, where she was very active in most sports. Linda attended the University of Regina, taking Education, and then taught in Moose Jaw for 1½ years. In August 1970, she married Lowell Patrick Lanigan and moved to Strasbourg, Sask., where Lowell is the Athletic Director in the high school. Linda works part-time as a substitute teacher. She enjoys ceramics, sewing and gardening. Lowell is very active in sports, especially hockey, and various other community organizations. Lowell and Linda have three sons, Trent, Kurt and Shane.

Donald Anthony Orthner: Donald was born in Regina on February 28, 1953. He attended Herchmer School and Scott Collegiate. Don married Leslie Karen Soloway on May 28, 1971. They have two children, Tamara Nicole and Trevor Scott. Don worked at R.C.M.P. Communications for 5 years;



Donald and Leslie Orthner, Trevor and Tammy.



Lowell and Linda Lanigan, Shane, Kurt and Trent.

then joined the active Force in May, 1980, graduating in November, 1980. Don and family were posted to Sidney, B.C. Don enjoys scuba diving, fishing and taking the family camping at various locations on Vancouver Island.

Elsie Martha Orthner

Born: May 18, 1921

Where: Balgonie, Sask.

Married — Philip Zaph — June 30, 1945

June Amelia
Born: June 1, 1947

Married — Richard D. Gray — June 1, 1968

Dale Richard
Tracy Lyn

Born: Sept. 24, 1974
Born: Sept. 18, 1977

Douglas Philip
Born: May 20, 1952

Married — Roselyn A. Lins

Kelly
Glen H.

Born: May 22, 1979



Elsie and Philip Zaph.

Elsie Martha Orthner: Elsie was born May 18, 1921 in Balgonie, Saskatchewan. She moved to Regina, with her family, and attended school here. Elsie worked at McGavins Bakery. In 1943 she moved to Vancouver, B.C. In 1945, Elsie married Philip Zaph; they have two children, June Amelia and Douglas Philip. Elsie and Phil are now enjoying retirement and continue to live in Vancouver.



June and Rick Gray, Dale and Tracy.

June Amelia Zaph: June was born in Vancouver, B.C. on June 1, 1947. She received her education from Sir Charles Tupper School. After graduation she started working as an executive secretary at the Council of Forest Industries of B.C., until 1972. June married Richard Gray on June 1, 1968. They have two children, Dale Richard and Tracy Lyn. June enjoys knitting, bowling, fishing and sewing. Rick works for Burrard Narrows Corp. and is currently an inspector. He enjoys bowling, fishing, house repairs and antique cars.

Douglas Philip Zaph: Douglas was born in Vancouver on May 20, 1952. He attended school in Vancouver. Doug married Roselyn Aileen Lins and they have two children, Kelly Deanna and Glen Hamilton. Doug worked at Eatons for a few years before accepting a position with a photography company.



Douglas and Roselyn Zaph, and Kelly and Glen.

Betty Ruth Orthner

Born: April 6, 1928
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — James A. Whitley — Oct. 4, 1952

Died: Nov. 10, 1956

— Glen

Born: July 3, 1953 Died: June 6, 1972

— Gary

Born: July 3, 1953

— Sharon

Born: Jan. 1, 1956



Betty Whitley, Gary and Sharon.

Betty Ruth Orthner: Betty was the youngest member of the Rudolf Adolph Orthner family. She was born in Regina on April 6, 1928. She received her education here and later worked in a laundry. In 1945, Betty moved to Vancouver. She married James Albert Whitley on October 4, 1952. They had twins Gary and Glen, and a daughter, Sharon. Betty lost her husband through an accident while they were living in Cranbrook, in 1956. Her son Glen also passed away in an accident in June 1972. Betty and family live in Vancouver, B.C.

George Orthner

Born: July 17, 1890

Where: Bucovina, Austria

Died: Nov. 18, 1953

Where: Windsor, Ontario

Married — Minnie Kornelson

Born: Jan. 24, 1897

Died: June 24, 1916

Where: Serath, Sask.

— Adolph H.
— George Nelson

Born: March 1, 1914

Born: Dec. 31, 1915

Married — Lena Kornelson — July 23, 1945

Born: ? Died: Oct. 3, 1960



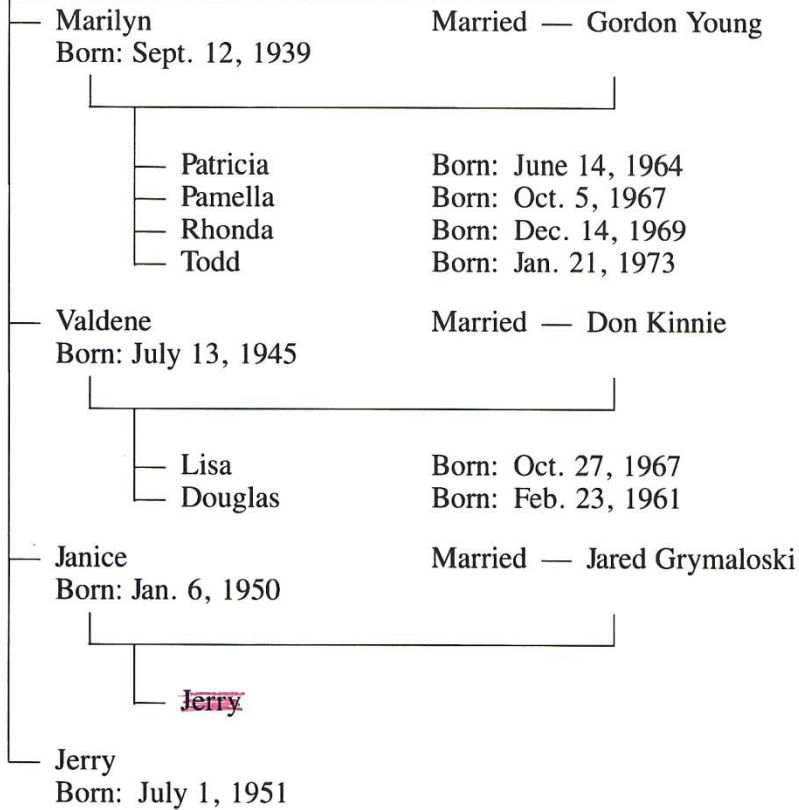
George and Minnie Orthner and Adolph.

Adolph H. Orthner

Born: March 1, 1914

Married — Arlene Darby — Oct. 5, 1938

Born: Aug. 29, 1917



Adolph and Arlene Orthner, Marilyn, Valdene, Gerald (on Dad's lap) and Janice (on Mom's lap).



(L-R): Adolph, Gerald, Arlene Orthner, Jared and Janice Grymaloski, Gordon and Marilyn Young, Don and Valdene Kinnie. (Adolph and Arlene's 40th Anniversary.)

George Nelson Orthner

Born: Dec. 31, 1915

Married — Pearl Ullmer *-AUG-23-1941*

Born: Aug. 25, 1921

Nelson George
Born: May 17, 1943

Married — Ruth E. Brekke — Aug. 12, 1967

Bryan
Darcy
Jaunelle

Joan Sharon
Born: April 9, 1946

Married — Robert Sagert — Aug. 22, 1970

Sonia
Bradford

Sandra Lynn
Born: Jan. 17, 1953

Married — Rodney Swanson — Sept. 5, 1975

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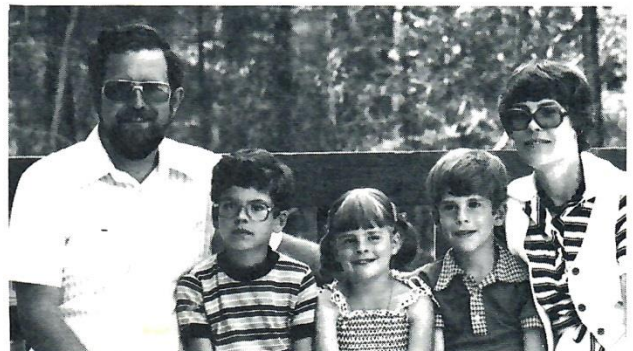
Pearl and George Orthner.

George Orthner

I left Sask. in the fall of 1937 and moved to Windsor. I started with Ford Motor Co. in Windsor in 1941 in Automatic Engineering. In 1965, our office in Windsor closed and my job was transferred to Dearborn, U.S.A. I commuted between Windsor and Detroit until 1977 when I retired after 36 years with Ford.

My wife and I were married in 1941, four months after I started work with Ford. Our three children were raised and educated in Windsor through high school and then they attended Canadian Bible College in Regina.

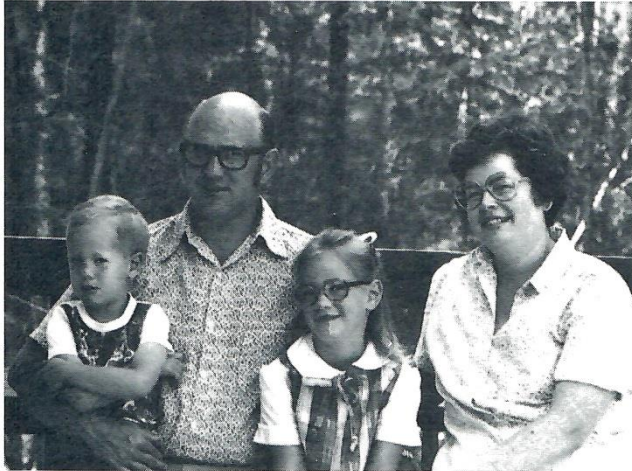
Nelson received his teachers' degree from the University of Sask. and married Ruth from Estevan,



Nelson and Ruth Orthner, Brian, Jaunelle and Darcy.

Sask. He taught school in Regina for five years and then took principalship in an Indian school at Wollaston Lake, Sask. for three years. He is currently living in La Ronge, Sask. and teaching school there.

Joan continued her university education in Windsor after returning from Bible School in Regina. She received her Masters Degree in Economics and she and her husband are currently living in Sarnia. Her husband is an accountant with Union Carbide.



Robert and Joan Sagert, Bradford and Sonia.

Sandra also received her education in Windsor and completed one summer course in Windsor University after which she attended Canadian Bible Col-



Rod and Sandi Swanson, Renee Joy.

lege in Regina where she met Rodney Swanson. They are now living in Mildon, Sask. where Rod is pastoring the Alliance church there. They are planning to go to the mission field after they complete their tenure of pastoring in Canada.

Jacob Orthner

Born: Feb. 16, 1894
Where: Rudolfsdorf, Galitzin, Austria
Died: June 5, 1979
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Elizabeth Hubick — April 9, 1917
Born: Dec. 19, 1899
Where:
Died: March 31, 1960
Where: Serath, Sask.

	Born	Died
— Wilhelm	Jan. 8, 1918	Feb. 18, 1918
— Emma	Jan. 14, 1919	Feb. 2, 1919
— Siegfried Willem	April 5, 1920	
— Oswald Rudolf	July 15, 1922	
— Alfred Carl	Oct. 17, 1923	
— Jacob	Dec. 15, 1924	1925

Married — Emilia Schmalenberg (nee Huber) April 21, 1963
Born: Jan. 13
Died: Aug. 28, 1974
Where: Regina, Sask.



Jacob and Elizabeth Orthner.

Jacob Orthner was the fifth child born to Adolph and Barbara Orthner in Rudolfsdorf, Austria. He immigrated to Canada with his parents in 1907 when he was 14 years of age. He worked for a farmer at Southey for the first few years. He attended school part-time and received the equivalent of a grade three



Jacob and Emilia Orthner.

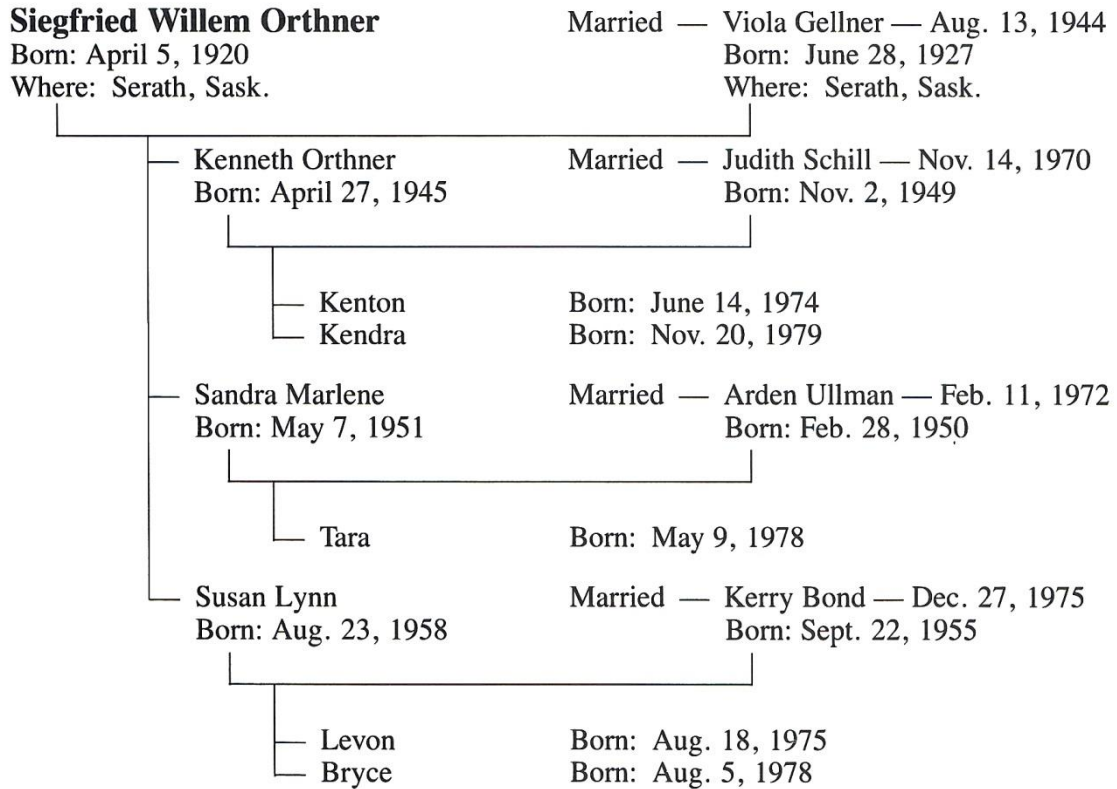
education. He loved to read and could read quite well in both the English and German language.

On April 9, 1917, he married Elizabeth Hubick at Serath. They had six children, three died in infancy.

For the first few years of their married life, he operated rented farms at Serath and north of Regina. About 1923 or 1924, the family moved to Regina where he operated a delivery truck for the Credit Furniture Co. His wages at that time were about \$15.00 or \$20.00 per week. In 1932, the family moved back to Serath to operate his father-in-law's farm on a loose Purchase Agreement. This did not work out and after two years, he was forced off the

farm. The next three years were very difficult for him and his family. In 1937, his luck changed and he was able to rent a farm at Serath on the N½ and SW 33-25-19-W2 and the NW 28-25-19-W2. In 1943 he was able to buy his father's homestead at NE 26-26-19-W2. After his first wife Elizabeth died in

1961, he farmed alone until 1963 when he married Mrs. Emilia Schmalenberg. They retired to Regina at this time in their own home until Emilia's death in 1974. He lived with his son Sieg for two years, then he moved to Extendicare Nursing Home where he passed away on June 5, 1979.



Sieg and Viola Orthner.

Sieg Orthner

Was born on April 5, 1920 on a farm at Serath, Sask. Shortly after, the family moved to a rented farm north of Regina. In 1925, or 1926, they moved to Regina, Sask. where Jacob, his father, was in partnership with his brother Rudy in a blacksmith shop. Since there wasn't enough business for the two of them, his father got a job driving a truck for the Credit Furniture Co.

Sieg didn't start school until he was 8 years of age. He couldn't speak English so had some difficulty adjusting. However, he didn't find school work too hard and by the time the family left Regina 4 or 5 years later, he was in Grade 7 so had pretty well caught up.

The family moved to his grandfather Hubick's farm in 1932 where they stayed for two years. In the spring of 1934, the family moved to the Wagner Ranch in the Qu'Appelle Valley. This did not work out and by fall, the family was back in the Serath district. For the next three years, they lived wherever they could find a vacant farm house owned by a farmer that was kind enough to let them move in. They lived in this manner until 1937, living in three different homes during this period. Their only source of income, during these hard times, was from cream cheques, the occasional beef that they could sell and any farm work that Sieg and his father could find. Their total income from these sources during 1935 was \$438.00.

Sieg's first job was working for the Huber Bros. on their farm in the summer of 1935 when he was 15 years old. His wages were \$15.00 per month or 50¢ per day plus room and board! For the next four or five years, he worked for a number of neighboring farmers with slight increases in pay as he gained more experience. In 1937, his father was able to rent a section of land with a small house and barn.

In 1941, Sieg met his future wife, Viola Gellner, at a school dance at Miniature School. It was shortly after that he received his Army call so most of his courtship was by mail and an occasional week-end leave or furlough. It was on one of these furloughs in 1943 that they became engaged.

Sieg's army career began in February of 1942 at the Basic Training Depot in Regina. After Basic Training, he was drafted to the King's Own Rifles of Canada, in Moose Jaw, Sask. The next two years were spent at Terrace, Prince Rupert, Port Hardy and Tofina all in B.C. By this time he had reached the rank of Sergeant in the Signal Platoon. However, as this was only an acting rank, he had to revert to Private when he was drafted overseas in 1944.

It was on his embarkation leave that Viola and Sieg got married on August 13, 1944. They spent

their honeymoon at Niagara Falls and went on to Truro, Nova Scotia, where they lived in a one-room suite in an old rooming house. Sieg was stationed at the Debert Barracks just a few miles from Truro and was able to get home by bus most nights. They were there about six weeks when Sieg's draft left on the ship *Mauritania* for England. Viola went to Kitchener, Ontario, where she stayed with the Schaeffers for about a year. During this period, she worked in a tire and a candy factory. She returned to Sask. after their son Ken was born.

After serving about two years overseas, mainly in England, Belgium and Germany, he returned to Canada on the *Queen Elizabeth* in early 1946. He started farming that spring with his Dad and two brothers. That fall, he enrolled in the School of Agriculture at the University of Saskatchewan and graduated in the spring of 1949. With the help of Veterans' Land Act assistance, he was able to become more firmly established in farming. He also did a lot of 4-H work for the Extension Department of the University over the next 10 to 12 years, in the judging of 4-H Grain Club field plots and their Achievement Days in the fall. It was also at this time that he became interested in community work and served on the Municipal Council and the local School Board.

In 1959, he gave up active farming and joined the staff of the Farm Credit Corporation staying with them for the next 19 years, first as a field man at Regina and Kindersley, then as a Loan Review Officer in the Branch Office in Regina. In early 1977, he transferred to Revenue Canada where he worked for the next 3½ years as Chief Appraiser of the Real Estate Section.

After Sieg retired on Dec. 30, 1980, Viola and he went south for the balance of the winter to Mesa, Arizona. (a suburb of Phoenix) They bought a mobile home in Sunny Acres Trailer Court where they plan to spend three months (Jan., Feb. and March) every winter.

Since his retirement, Sieg plans to spend more time on his hobbies; golf, woodwork and photography. He is especially interested in lathe work and has turned many bowls, trays and lamps. They also plan on doing a lot of travelling and have just recently returned from a bus tour of Europe, England and Scotland.

Sieg has always been interested in community work and has at various times served on many organizations and committees. While in Kindersley, he was active in church work and served on the council in many capacities including president of the congregation and also chairman of the building committee when they built a new church. He was a member of the Kindersley Canadian Legion and the Kind-

ersley Credit Union and held executive positions on both these organizations. After being transferred to Regina in 1966, he again became active in the church serving on the council including president. He became active in the United Appeal in the early '70's and was appointed chairman of the Federal Services Division in 1972. He has been active in the Appraisal Institute of Canada and is currently chairman of the Regina Chapter of the Institute, and is a member of the Executive Council of the Provincial Association.

Sieg and Viola have three children and six grandchildren.

Kenneth, our oldest, was born in Kitchener, Ontario on April 27, 1945. He married Judy Schill in 1970. They have two children; Kenton, age 7 and Kendra, an adopted daughter, age 5.



Judy and Kenneth Orthner, Kendra and Kenton.

After high school, Ken took a course in electronics and worked for both Sask. Power and Sask. Telephones. He took flying lessons and earned his commercial pilot's license but has not done any flying since his marriage. He tried Real estate selling for a period, then switched to Real Estate appraising. He worked for the Provincial Government as an appraiser and assessor, then for an Appraisal firm in Regina as a fee appraiser. He has now established his own appraisal business in Nipawin, Sask.

Ken has taken an active interest in church and community affairs. He is a member of the church council and leader of the young people's group. He is on the Nipawin Town Planning Commission, a member of the Nipawin Kinsmen Club and a Cub Leader.

Judy, his wife, is a registered nurse and is presently nursing part-time in Nipawin where she also owns and operates the "Bed Knobs and Broomsticks" variety and craft boutique.

Sandra, our oldest daughter, was born May 7, 1951. She married Arden Ullmann on Feb. 11, 1972, and make their home in Regina. They have an



Arden and Sandra Ullman and Tara.

adopted daughter, Tara, age three. Sandra attended high school at Kindersley, Outlook Bible College and Luther College in Regina.

Arden is a general contractor and Sandra has her own sandwich business under the name of "Riverside Foods". She supplies frozen sandwiches to various outlets throughout southern Sask.

Susan, our youngest daughter, was born on August 23, 1958. She married Kerry Bond on December 27, 1975. They live in Regina with their two sons; Levon age 6 and Bryce age 3. Kerry is chief TV Technician for Cable Regina. Susan's interests are homemaking and cake decorating.



Kerry and Susan Bond, Levon and Bryce.

Oswald Rudolf Orthner

Born: July 15, 1922
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Ethel Huber — June 11, 1954

Born: Aug. 2, 1932
Where: Serath, Sask.

- Elaine
- Marlene
- Collin
- Bradley

Born: Sept. 28, 1960
Born: July 10, 1963
Born: March 9, 1965
Born: July 26, 1966



Oswald and Ethel Orthner, Elaine, Marlene, Collin and Bradley.

Oswald Orthner was born at Serath, Sask. to Jacob and Elizabeth Orthner. He received his early education in Regina, Stony-Ridge, Serath and Miniature schools. After he finished grade 8, he helped out on the farm.

He spent 1943-1946 in the army service with the Regina Rifles, Brockville Rifles, Kings' Own Rifles in Canada and with the New Westminster Regiment in Holland. After returning in 1946, he farmed with his father and brothers for a few years. He attended the Briercrest Bible School at Caronport, Sask. and graduated in 1955.

In 1954 he married Ethel Huber, daughter of Frank Huber of Serath, Sask.

Ethel was born in Serath and took her schooling at the Serath School. She took her Bible School training at Christian Training Institute, Edmonton, Alberta, graduating a year before they were married.

The winter of 1956/57 saw them working with a new organization in their Baptist Denomination — 'God's Volunteers' doing evangelistic work in Canada and the United States. The experience of that year brought about a change from farming to teaching. From 1958/60 he completed high school and one year of university in Edmonton, Alberta. In the fall of 1960, Oswald started teaching at Verdant Valley School, a two-room country school, 10 miles east of Drumheller, Alberta where he is still teacher and principal. He taught their four children from grades 5 through 8.

After living in a teacherage from 1960-76, they bought an old farm house and had it moved into Rosedale, a town famous in the past for its coal mining located 3 miles east of Drumheller. They remodelled the house inside and out, doing all of the work themselves. An addition was built to house Ethel's floral shop. When Oswald and the children are in school, Ethel operates a small floral business in her spare time.

Elaine, their oldest, will be finishing her training at North American Baptist College, Edmonton, Alberta, toward a Bachelor of Religious Education degree by Christmas 1981. Marlene is completing high school this year, while Collin is now in grade 10 and Bradley will be finishing grade 9 this year.

Alfred Carl Orthner

Born: Oct. 17, 1923

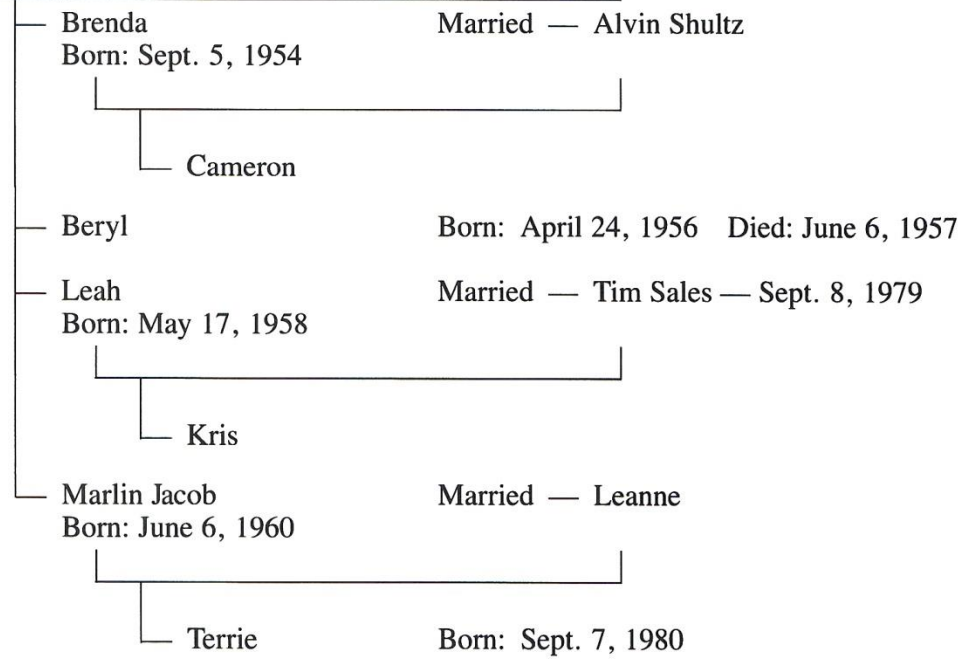
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Verna Grymaloski — 1953

Born: Sept. 15, 1928

Where:

DIED MAR. 31, 1988



Alfred and Verna Orthner.

Alfred Orthner, born at Serath, Sask. to Jacob and Elizabeth Orthner. He received his education at Stoney Ridge, Serath and Miniature Schools.

When his brothers went off to war, Alfred, being the youngest, stayed at home to assist his father in operating the farm.

Alfred married Verna Grymaloski, youngest daughter of Michael and Tilly Grymaloski of Raymore, Sask. in 1953. They spent a short time farming and Alfred did cabinet work until the fall of 1956 when they moved to Three Hills, Alberta. Alfred worked on a farm until June 1957 when he joined the staff of Prairie Bible Institute at Three Hills Alberta, as a carpenter and also did construction work.

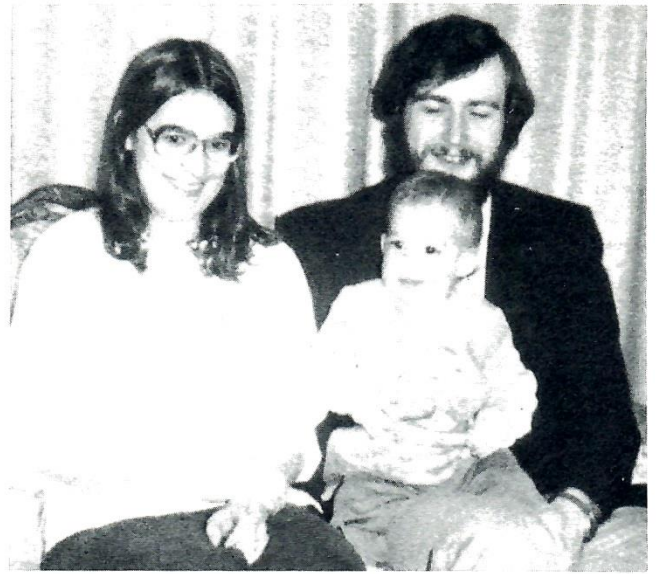
It was at this time that Alfred and Verna lost their second daughter, Beryl Ann at 13 months of age in a drowning accident. They remained on staff for 13 years, at which time they moved to Regina for two years, then on to Briercrest Bible Institute for five years still doing carpenter work. In the fall of 1977 they moved to Grand Centre, Alberta where Alfred is a carpenter and building contractor.

They have three children.

Brenda, married Alvin Schultz, a cement finisher. They live in Spruce Grove, Alberta and have one son, Cameron.



Brenda and Alvin Schultz, and Cameron.



Leah and Tim Sales, and Kris.

Leah, married Tim Sales, a construction worker. They live in Grand Centre with their son, Kris.

Marlin, married Lianne. They live in Saskatoon, Sask. where Marlin works as a framer. They have one daughter, Terri.



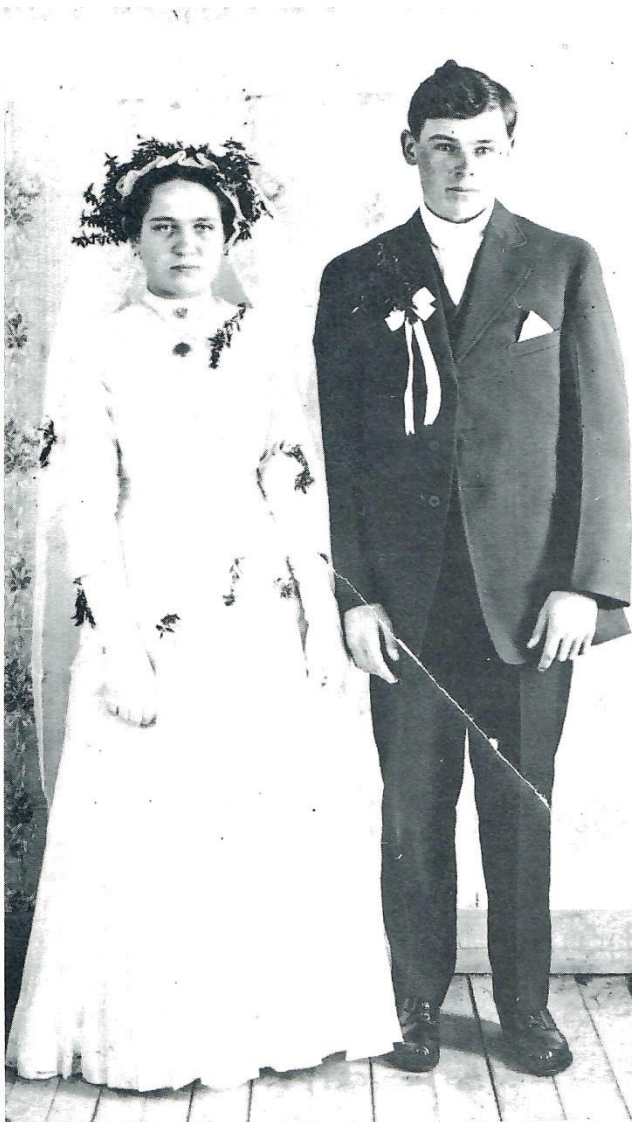
Marlin and Leanne Orthner, and Terrie.

Anna Orthner
Born: May 15, 1895
Where: Austria

Married — John Kramer — March 24, 1913
Born: Dec. 17, 1892
Died: Dec. 19, 1968

— Adolph
— Harold
— Henry
— Winnie
— Tegla
— Eric

Born
May 27, 1914
June 29, 1915
Aug. 30, 1917
Aug. 5, 1919 Died: Jan. 5, 1933
July 21, 1921
Aug. 31, 1923



Anna and John Kramer.



John and Anna Kramer, 50th Anniversary.

Anna married John Kramer on March 24, 1913. John was already on a homestead in the Crosswood area, north of Southey, since 1910. His parents lived in Edenwold, so it was a long drive with horse and wagon to bring things — as there was the valley hill to go up on. He would have to unload ½ of it, take up the other half of the load and unload it, then go back for the rest. This made a lot of extra work, but it was too heavy for the horses to pull up the whole load. John bought his first car in 1913 for \$100.00. In the late 20's, he bought his first tractor. He didn't use it for about 3 years in the dry 30's. John loved dogs, so they always had 2 or 3 dogs. Anna belonged to the Homemakers. It was a nice outing once a month. They retired in 1950 and moved to Regina where they lived until John's death in December, 1968. Anna is now in Vancouver in a home. They were blessed with 6 children, Adolph, Harold, Henry, Winnie, Tegla and Eric. Eric is now on the home farm. They all attended Crosswood school.

Adolph Kramer
Born: May 27, 1914
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Ida Schmalenberg — Nov. 26, 1938
Born:
Where:

Deanna
Born: March 12, 1943

Married — Kenneth Werner — April 12, 1971

Jonathon
Mark

Born: May 16, 1972
Born: June 20, 1974



Back: Ken Werner, Adolph Kramer. Front: Mark, Deanna, Ida, Jonathan.



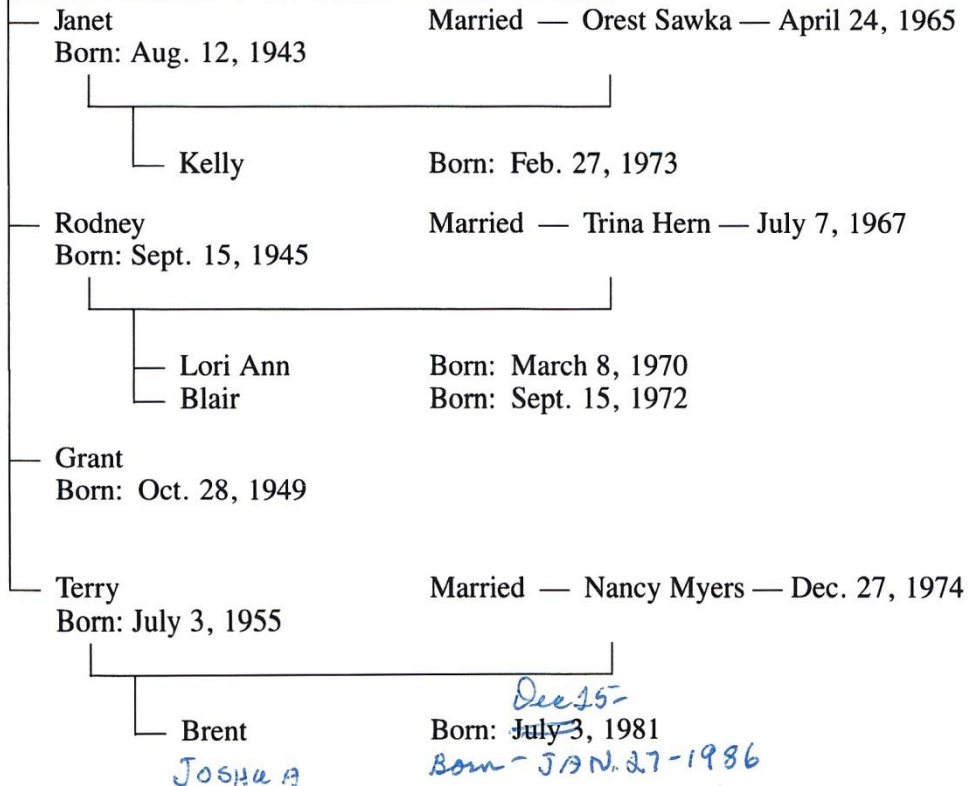
Tegla, Harold, Henry, Eric, Adolph Kramer.

Adolph, born May 27, 1914, and Ida Schmalenberg were married on November 26, 1938. We farmed at Serath until 1962. We sold the farm at Serath and bought a farm at Estlin, about 10 miles south of Regina. We lived in Regina and farmed from the city. We sold the farm and retired in 1977. While at Serath, Adolph was 4-H Leader for a number of years. He enjoyed curling and was on Southey Credit Union Board for many years. We have one daughter, Deanna, born March 12, 1943. After completing Grade XII, Deanna moved to Regina where she was employed by the Provincial Department of Labour until 1972. She married Kenneth Werner in April, 1971. Ken is employed by The Apprenticeship & Standards Branch, Department of Labour, Provincial Government. They have two sons, Jonathan, born May 16, 1972, and Mark, born June 20, 1974. Deanna is a housewife who enjoys crocheting and crewel stitchery. Jonathan has been taking organ lessons since April, 1979, and both boys enjoy school and swimming.

Harold Kramer

Born: June 29, 1915
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Minnie Schmalenberg — July 17, 1942
Born: March 9, 1921
Where: Serath, Sask.

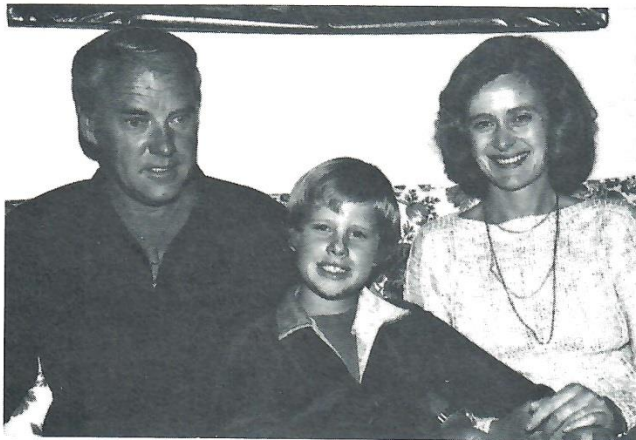




Harold, Minnie and Grant Kramer.

Harold, born June 29, 1915, married Minnie Schmalenberg on July 17, 1942. We farmed at Serath on Minnie's grandfather Huber's farm until 1960. In 1958 we bought a house in Regina, so our boy, Grant, who is retarded, could attend a special school. In 1960 we bought a farm just eight miles from the city, so we sold our farm at Serath. In 1973 Harold sold the farm and is retired. He still enjoys going out to help our brother-in-law in spring seeding and for harvesting. We love travelling and have been to Europe three times and to seven Silver Broom World Curling events. Harold loved playing hockey, and still does a bit of curling. He was always a Wheat Pool member and we are members of the Lutheran Church. We have four children, Janet, Rodney, Grant and Terry.

Janet, born August 12, 1943, married Orest Sawka on April 24, 1965. Orest is a Train Dispatcher for CNR and Janet is Chief Technologist at Prince George Medical Laboratory, Prince George, B.C. They have 1 son, Kelly Shawn, born February 27, 1973. Janet and Orest love travelling and have been to Europe, Australia, the Caribbean, Hawaii and Mexico, etc. They love golfing, and Kelly is practicing already, too. Kelly takes organ lessons.

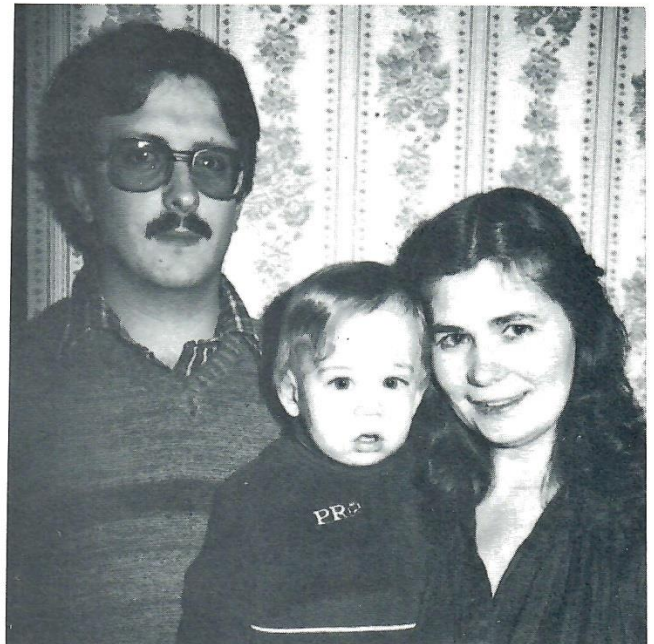


Orest and Janet Sawka, and Kelly.

Rodney, born September 15, 1945, married Trina Hern on July 7, 1967. Rodney works for Bell Canada and is Section Manager, Engineering. Trina is an R.N. but hasn't worked for a few years. They live in Chatham, Ont. Rod loves his ball playing in summer (is a pitcher) and in winter, he curls. Trina loves curling, too. They have 2 children, Lori Ann, born March 8, 1970 and Blair Christopher, born September 15, 1972. They enjoy bowling and soccer.



Rodney and Trina Kramer, Lori and Blair.



Terry and Nancy Kramer, and Brent.

Grant, born October 28, 1949, is retarded. He attended Harrow De Groot School, and now works at Cosmo Centre in Regina. He goes on the city bus every day. He loves dancing and goes bowling every

Saturday. He enjoys watching all sports, and loves going south with us in winter.

Terry, born July 3, 1955, married Nancy Myers on December 27, 1974. Terry works for Brinks, and Nancy is a Reg. Nurse working at Regina General Hospital. Terry loves golfing. They have a son, Brent Austin, born on December 25, 1980. Terry and Nancy love travelling, too, and the summer of 1977 they spent three months in Europe. They saw many countries. They bought a Volkswagen Rabbit and picked it up in Germany at the factory; and so with a car and tent, they had a wonderful holiday.

Think of Me First as a Person

You look at me with pity, concern or indifference, for I am a retarded child. But you only see the outside of me. If I could express myself, I would tell you what I am inside.

I am very much like you. I feel pain and hunger. I cannot ask politely for a glass of water, but I know the parched dry feeling of thirst. I itch when mosquitoes bite me and run when I see a bee. I feel cozy drinking cocoa in the kitchen when a snowstorm blusters outside.

I had a heaviness inside when I left my mother to board the minibus for school. My eyes darted back and forth seeking escape, but knowing there was none. When my sister took me to the playground and children called me names, she cried and took me home. Then I felt warm and dizzy and it was hard for me to breathe. Mother's eyes were wet; she held me and told me a story and I forgot the children's jeers. When I dressed myself and mother patted my head, saying, "Good job, Grant." I felt — big. As big as Greg or John who went to second grade.

I am a child — a young man — in age now, and in ability always. I find the touch of soft toys and snuggly dogs comforting. I love the toys of childhood — a kite, a balloon, a wagon to pull. I like to go at the top of a slide and after dizzy seconds find myself at the bottom. I like sleds on soft snow, the wetness of rain on my forehead.

Though it is comfortable to be babied, I am less



Grant Kramer with sister Janet Sawka.

dependent when people treat me as a big boy. I don't want their sympathy. I want their respect for what I can do. I am slow, and many things you take for granted, are hard for me. I can hardly understand what "tomorrow" means. It took me months to learn to pedal the tall blue tricycle, but I was so proud when at last both feet pedaled in the same directions and the wheels went forward. How happy I was when I turned on the right faucet to get a drink of water. I didn't want to ever turn it off. If I can learn at my own pace and still be accepted, I can fit into a world where slowness is suspected.

Think of me first as a person, who hurts and loves and feels joy, And I am a person to encourage and direct. Smile, and say hello — even that is enough.

Adapted from Readers Digest

Henry, born August 30, 1917, is retarded and lives at a special home in Saskatoon. He goes to a Workshop one day a week to work.



Henry Kramer, 1979.

Winnie, born August 5, 1919, died at 13 years of age.



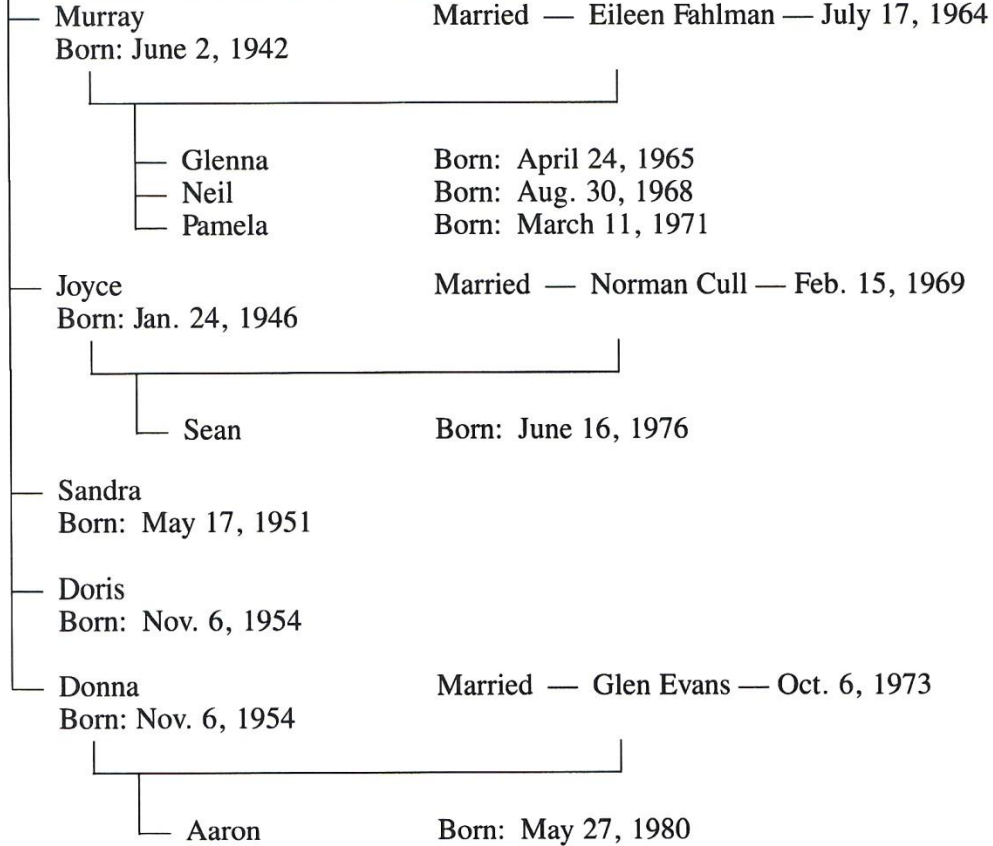
Winnie Kramer.

Tegla Kramer

Born: July 21, 1921

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Herman Huber — Sept. 24, 1939



Herman and Tegla Huber.

I, Tegla Kramer, was born in 1921 and raised on the J. Kramer homestead 15 miles north of Southey. I received all my schooling at the Crosswoods school.

In 1939, I married Herman Huber, a school-teacher at Serath School, 14 miles south of Raymore. We lived there for 5 years and our first child, Murray, was born. In 1944 we moved to Arbury, Sask., a country school 16 miles south of Punnichy — 1½ miles from the Gordon Indian Reserve. Here 2 more children, Joyce and Sandra, were born.

In 1952, Herman decided to leave the teaching profession and go into business at Govan, Sask., taking over the Massey Ferguson and G.M.C. dealership in partnership with Sam Stern of Raymore. Here, twin girls, Donna and Doris, were born. We lived here for ten years, made many good friends at Govan and enjoyed small town life.

In 1962, we decided to move to Moose Jaw, where Herman and a partner, Ross Perry, took over the Massey Ferguson dealership. The friendly city

was good to us, and we were sorry to leave when Herman and Ross decided to sell in 1966.

We then moved to Regina, where for the next year we spent a happy and easy life with both our families living here, and among many of our friends nearby.

After one year of this easy life, Herman was beginning to get restless, and after an unexpected trip to Vancouver, we ended up buying a motel in Vancouver. In August of 1967, we moved our family out to take up the running of the motel. Our lifestyle changed quite drastically, and it took time for our family to adjust to the new and busy life. We met many interesting people and had some interesting experiences while in the motel business.

We left the motel business in 1973 and took on the managing of an apartment block in Coquitlam, B.C.

In 1976, we moved to South West Vancouver to take over as managers of a large luxury apartment complex called Shannon Mews, and after 5 years we are still enjoying our work here.

Every summer we manage to get back to Saskatchewan for an enjoyable month to visit our relatives and many friends.

Our children are:

Murray — Born June 2, 1942. He married Eileen Fahlman of Fillmore, Sask. in 1964 and they have 3 children: Glenna, born in 1965 in Regina. Neil, born in 1968 in Regina. Pamela, born in 1971 in Regina. They now live in Calgary, Alberta, and Murray is a Credit Manager for Allied Farm Machinery Ltd.



Murray and Eileen Huber, Neil, Pamela, Glenna.

Joyce — Born January 24, 1946. In 1969, she married Norman Cull of Vancouver, and they now live in Coquitlam, B.C. Norman is an Optician in Vancouver. They have one son, Sean, born in 1976.



Joyce and Norman Cull, and Sean.

Sandra — Born May 17, 1951. She now lives in Calgary, Alberta, and is a cashier at a Wholesale Food Company.



Sandra and Doris Huber.



Donna and Glenn Evans, and Aaron.

Doris — Born November 6, 1954. She lives in Coquitlam, B.C. and is a receptionist in a busy Doctor's office.

Donna — Born November 6, 1954 (Doris' twin).

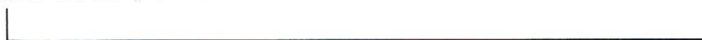
She married Glenn Evans in 1973 and they live in Port Coquitlam, B.C. Glenn is a Building Contractor. They have one son, Aaron, born in 1980.

Eric Kramer

Born: Aug. 31, 1923
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Edna Schmalenberg — June 24, 1947

Born: June 19, 1924
Where: Serath, Sask.



— Brian
— Wendy

Born: May 27, 1953
Born: Oct. 28, 1957



Eric and Edna Kramer.



Wendy Kramer, Brian Kramer.

Eric, born August 31, 1923, married Edna Schmalenberg in 1947 and began farming in 1950 on the original homestead S.E.¼ 24-25-19-W2 in the Serath district.

Eric is currently a delegate for Sask. Wheat Pool and he also was elected to Board of Directors of Southey Co-operative Association and Southey Credit Union during the mid-1970's. He also is presently serving on the Quinton Lutheran Church Council.

Edna enjoys gardening, crocheting, and singing in the Church choir.

Brian, born May 27, 1953, attended public school at Serath Ridge School and high school in Raymore. He attended University of Sask. in 1971-1976 to obtain a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture. Brian is currently employed with Sask. Department of Agriculture in Regina.

Wendy, born October 28, 1957, attended public school at Serath Ridge School and high school in Raymore. Wendy attended the University of Sask. and obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. Wendy is currently employed with the Sask. Department of Health in Humboldt. She loves playing the organ in her spare time and sings in a multi-church choir.

Karl Orthner
Born: June 17, 1897
Where: Serath, Austria
Died: July 30, 1975
Where: Turner Valley, Alberta

Married — Anna Huber — April 10, 1923
Born: July 23, 1903
Where: Austria

— Alma
— Olga
— Dorothy
— Violet
— Lillian
— Gerald
— Donald

Born
March 10, 1924
Nov. 11, 1925
Aug. 10, 1927
April 29, 1930
Sept. 23, 1934
Jan. 4, 1943
April 18, 1946



Karl Orthner Family, 1981. Back: Gerald, Alma, Violet, Olga, Donald. Front: Lillian, Anna, Dorothy.

Karl Orthner and **Anna Huber** were married April 10, 1923, at Serath Baptist Church. They farmed in the Serath district for many years and there were many hardships, especially in the 1930's. They didn't have a car and all the travelling was done by horse and buggy, wagon or sleigh in the winter. There were lots of good years also, as we were a very close-knit family. In the evenings we would all sit around the organ and sing while Mom played. We would also all get into the sleigh and go see our neighbors or relatives in winter, with warm stones at our feet that Mother had put into the oven to get warm. Dad would walk behind the sleigh to stay warm. We used to sing on our way home.

Dad used to cut hair and there were times there would be about twenty-five people at our home. We used to look forward to those times.

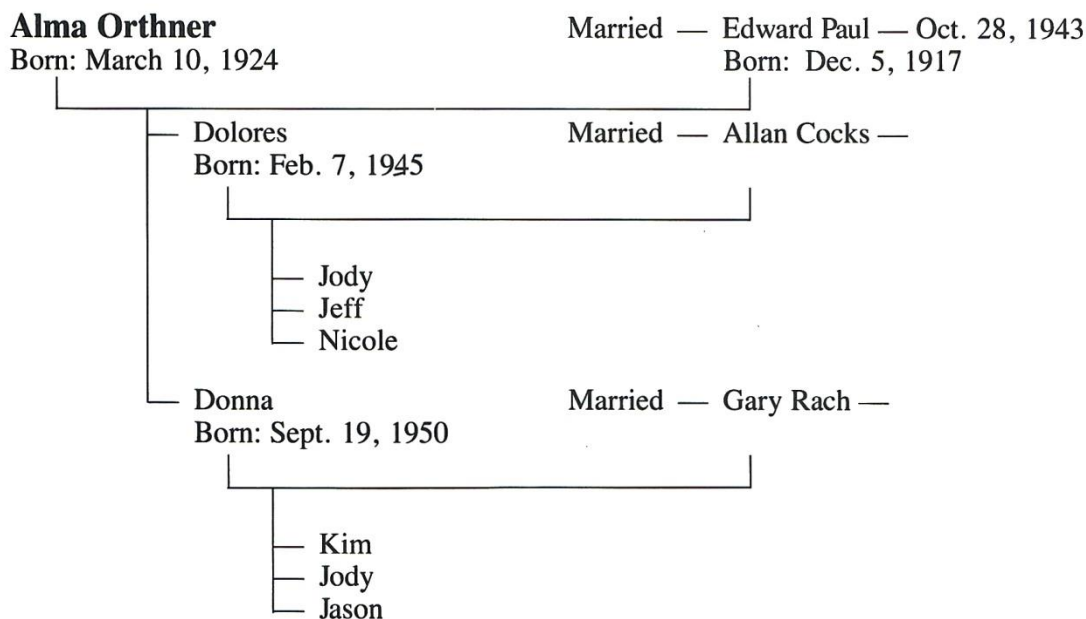
Church was a big part of our lives. Mother was the organist for many years. There was a big Young People's church group and we enjoyed that very much.

Dad and Mom moved to a farm south of Semans and then in 1948 they moved to Stoughton, Sask., where they bought the Esso Service Station. In 1954 they bought a grocery store in Millarville, Alberta. In 1958 they moved to Turner Valley, Alberta, where they retired.

Karl passed away in July, 1975. Anna has a suite in a home in Black Diamond, Alta. She is quite well and enjoys living there.



Karl and Anna Orthner.





Eddie and Alma Paul.

Alma Paul was the eldest of five daughters and two sons born to Karl and Anna Orthner. She married Ed Paul on October 28, 1943, and from this union were born two daughters.

Ed has his own carpentry business in Grand Forks, B.C. Alma works for the Home Care Department in Grand Forks, and thoroughly enjoys her work. She keeps occupied in caring for her home and garden.

The weather in Grand Forks is mainly very comfortable and they enjoy the climate very much.

Dolores Cocks lives in Cochrane, Alta. She is married to Allan Cocks. They have three children, Cody, Jeffrey and Nichol.

Donna Rach lives at Madden, Alta., and is married to Gary Rach. They have three children also — Kim, Jody and Jason.



Dolores and Allan Cocks.



Donna and Gary Rach, Kim, Jody and Jason.

Olga Orthner

Born: Nov. 11, 1925

Married — Norman Hill — April 25, 1949
Born: Dec. 20, 1919

— Melvin
Born: Dec. 21, 1949

Married — Joyce Muntean — Aug. 28, 1971

— Dianna
Born: Sept. 4, 1972
— Barbara
Born: Aug. 17, 1976

— Joan
Born: Dec. 18, 1952

Married — Don Biette — Oct. 23, 1971

— Pamela
Born: Dec. 21, 1973
— Michael
Born: Sept. 1, 1977

— Wayne
Born: Jan. 5, 1956

Married — Beverly Jestin — March 1, 1975

— Tina Marie
Born: July 9, 1975
— Dennis
Born: April 6, 1976 Died: April 7, 1976
— Terry
Born: April 6, 1980 Died: April 4, 1981



Norman and Olga Hill.

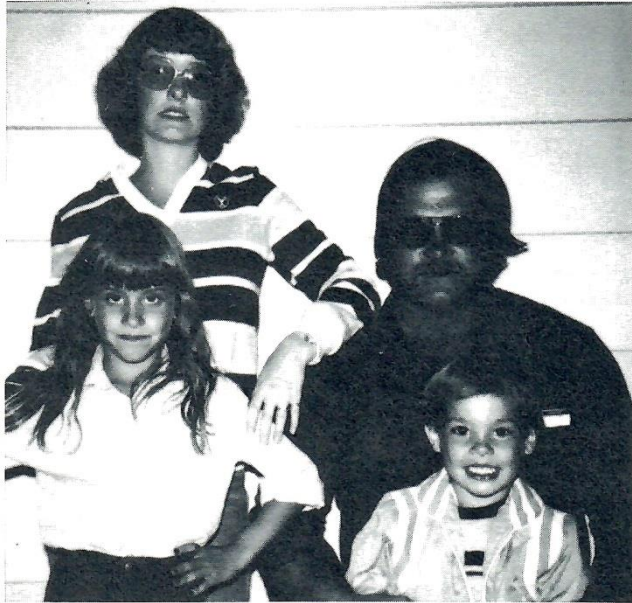
Olga married Norman Hill on April 25, 1949. They have lived in Stoughton all their married lives where Norman is a mechanic and owns his own garage. She works for the Saskatchewan Home Care. They have three children.



Joyce and Melvin Hill, Dianna and Barbara.

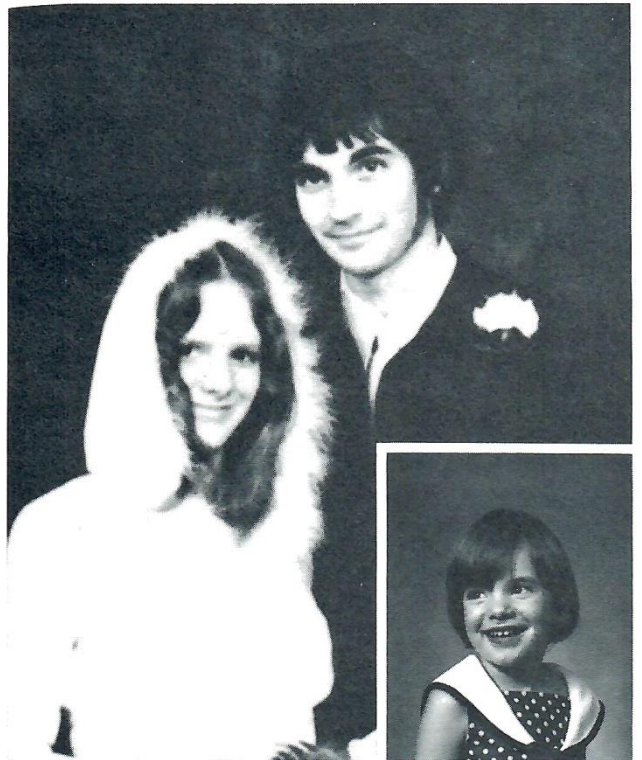
Melvin married Joyce Muntean on August 28, 1971. They live in Regina where Mel works for the Department of Highways. They have two children — Dianna, 9 years and Barbara, 5 years.

Joan married Don Biette on October 23, 1971. They live in Estevan where Don works for Schindle & Bazin Oilfield Construction. He is a Supervising Foreman. They have two children — Pamela, 8 years old and Michael, 4 years old.



Joan and Don Biette, Pamela and Michael.

Wayne married Beverly Jestin on March 1, 1975. They have one daughter, Tina Marie. She is 6 years. Wayne works for his dad at Hill's Garage in Stoughton.



Beverly and Wayne Hill, and Tina.

Dorothy Orthner
Born: Aug. 10, 1927
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — **George Kibler** — June 21, 1950
Born: June 21, 1915
Where: Stoughton

— **Deobrah Ann**
Born: April 10, 1956

Married — **Timothy Fraser** — July 16, 1977

— **Daniel**
— **David**

— **Rodney George**
Born: May 30, 1958



Dorothy and George Kibler.

Dorothy married George Kibler on June 21, 1950. We lived in Stoughton all our married lives. George worked in the Post Office for 23 years, and was a Postmaster for the last 5 years. George retired in 1980.

I worked in a drygoods store for many years, then in a drug store for ten years. I now work part-time in the Post Office. We have two children.

Deborah took all her schooling in Stoughton. She took a business course in Regina and worked for Prudential Insurance and Sask. Home Care. She mar-



Deborah and Tim Fraser, Daniel and David.

ried Tim Fraser on July 16, 1977 and they live in Stoughton. They now own the Esso Service Station, which is the same one Grandpa Orthner owned in 1948, except it has since been rebuilt. They have two children — Daniel, born March 14, 1980, and David, born August 21, 1981.

Rodney Kibler was born May 30, 1958. Rod took most of his schooling in Stoughton. He took his Grade twelve at Western Christian College in Weyburn, then took a business course in Regina. He joined the Armed Forces on July 17, 1981, where he will be taking his Administration. He is in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia and then on to Borden, Ontario.



Rodney Kibler.

Violet Orthner
Born: April 29, 1930

Married — Norman Richardson — Aug. 29, 1951
Born: Oct. 28, 1928

- Douglas Norman
- Trevor Ian
- Barry Crown
- Darrel Wayne

Born: May 19, 1953
Born: Feb. 12, 1955
Born: June 14, 1958
Born: Dec. 14, 1961



Norman and Violet Richardson, and Barry, Douglas, Trevor and Darrel.

Violet Ethel Richardson, fourth daughter of Karl and Anna Orthner, married Norman Richardson on August 29, 1951. Norm was in the Navy. He is now retired from the Navy, and is working for a surveying firm as their accountant. They live in Victoria, B.C. Violet has been working at one of the hospitals in Victoria for the past nine years. They have four sons.

Douglas now lives in Regina. He has been working for Safeways. Right now he's travelling with a Christian group, singing in different churches in Sas-

katchewan, Manitoba and Alberta, and hopes to get as far as home, in Victoria.

Trevor is also travelling. He's touring with his band. He has been touring for two years now, and quite enjoys it. He tours mostly in Alberta.

Barry is working at the Belfrey Theatre, in Victoria, as Administrative Assistant. He left the end of April to go to work and live in Paris, France for a few years. He's been in Europe twice, and thinks it's a great place.

Darrel works for a surveying firm in Victoria, and is active in sports. He loves his baseball.

Lillian Orthner

Born: Sept. 23, 1934
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Patrick Turnmire — June 29, 1954

Born: Aug. 25, 1933
Where: Moosmin, Sask.
Died: Sept. 4, 1978



Lillian Turnmire.

Lillian Turnmire is the youngest of five daughters in the family of seven children born to Karl and Anna Orthner. She married Patrick Turnmire on June 29, 1954. Patrick was killed in a motor vehicle accident on September 4, 1978.

She is the Director of the Community Mental Health Nurse's Department in Moose Jaw, having worked in this position for the past 13 years. She also keeps very busy with her home and yard. She also attempts to spend as much time as possible with her children as they are a very great part of her life. Her children come by travelling and sports honestly as she enjoys both.

David Gerald is a waiter in a fine restaurant in Saskatoon, and thoroughly enjoys his vocation. He and his younger brother will have been to Jamaica on a three-week holiday by the time this is printed. David spent several months touring Europe in 1980. He enjoys participating in various sports activities.

Patricia Ann is the Assistant Instore Instructor at Shoppers' Drug Mart in Moose Jaw. She is very active in sporting activities. At the present time she is in the process of planning her wedding which will be performed on October 3, 1981. Her fiance is Dwayne Hawkins. Patricia has been to Hawaii, Quebec City and Las Vegas in the last year.

Donald James is at present on leave of absence from the C.P.R. in Moose Jaw and has recently moved to Saskatoon. He will have been to Jamaica, spent some time in Montreal last summer, and made a trip to Western Canada and the United States in March of this year. Donald is very active in all sports activities.



David, Patricia and Donald Turnmire.

Gerald Orthner

Born: Jan. 4, 1943

Married — Sharon Cheveaux — Feb. 3, 1962

Born: Aug. 1, 1945

- Aaron
- Terri-Lee

Born: June 4, 1963

Born: April 25, 1964



Gerald and Sharon Orthner, Aaron and Terri.

Gerald Orthner married Sharon Cheveaux February 3, 1963. They live in Black Diamond, Alberta. Gerald was the foreman of a chicken ranch for many years. He now loads chickens to be hauled to Calgary. They have two children.

Aaron is 18 years old. He graduated from Okotoks, Alta. High School this year. He plans to go to University in the fall.

Terri-Lee is 17 years old. She goes to high school in Okotoks, Alberta. She loves school and is a great help at home.

Donald Orthner

Born: April 18, 1946

Married — Margaret Hill — Oct. 22, 1966

Born: April 23, 1946

- Kevin
- Kerri

Born: Sept. 13, 1967

Born: Dec. 6, 1975

Don Orthner married Margaret Hill in Stoughton, Saskatchewan, October 22, 1966. They have two children and reside in Turner Valley, Alberta. Don works for a contracting firm as a heavy duty mechanic. Marg works for the R.C.M.P.

Kevin, age 13, is in high school and is an avid swimmer. He will be swimming in the Summer Games, Lethbridge, Alberta this fall.

Kari is six years old and will be entering Grade 2 in Turner Valley.

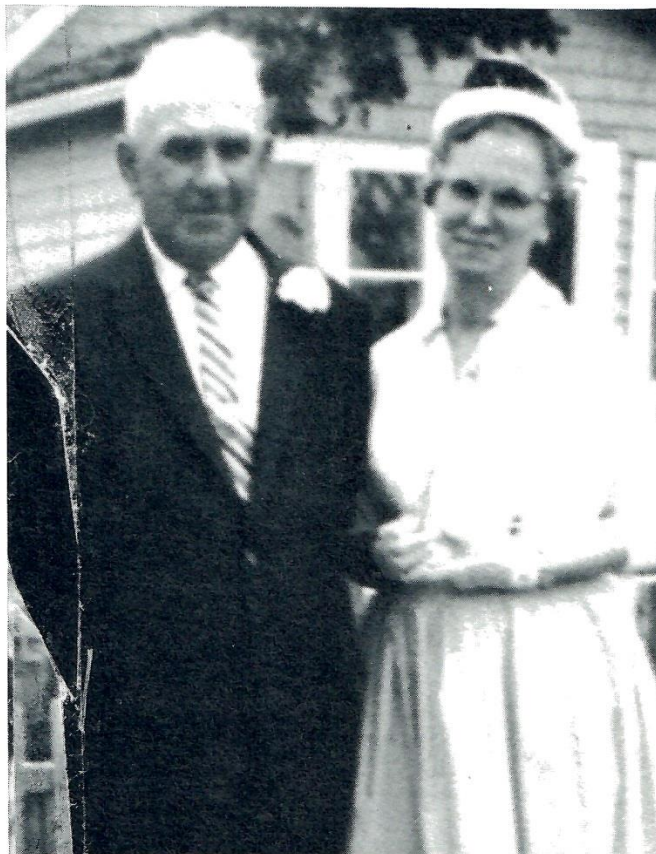
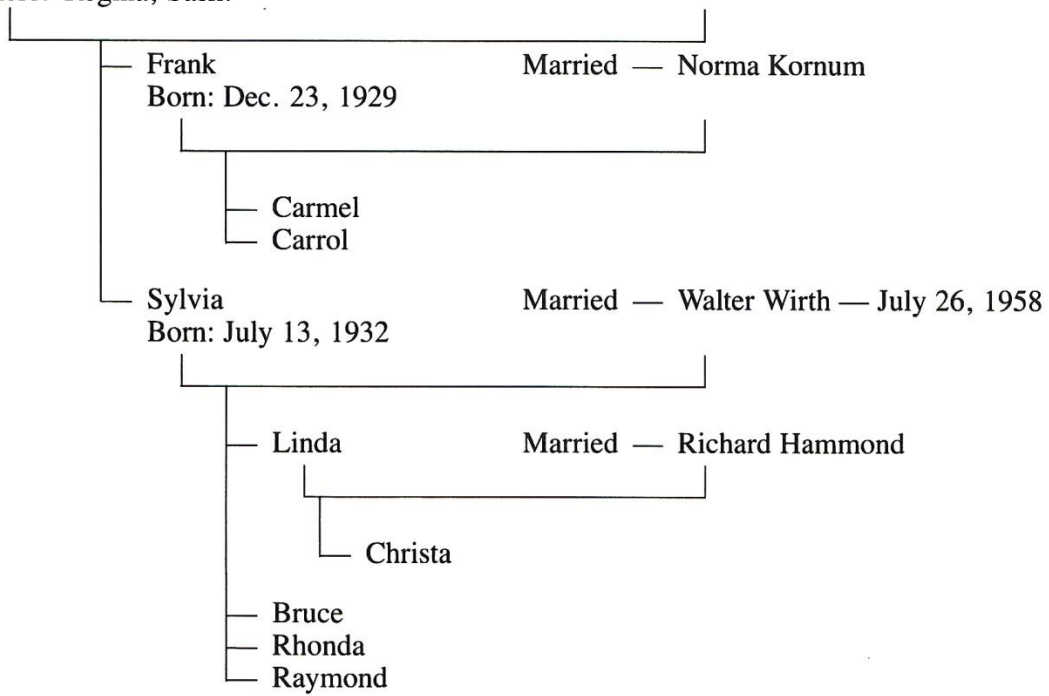


Donald and Margaret Orthner, Kevin and Kerri.

Frank Orthner

Born: May 14, 1901
Where: Bucovina, Austria
Died: Dec. 31, 1970
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Annie Loewen — March 5, 1929
Born: Sept. 14, 1906



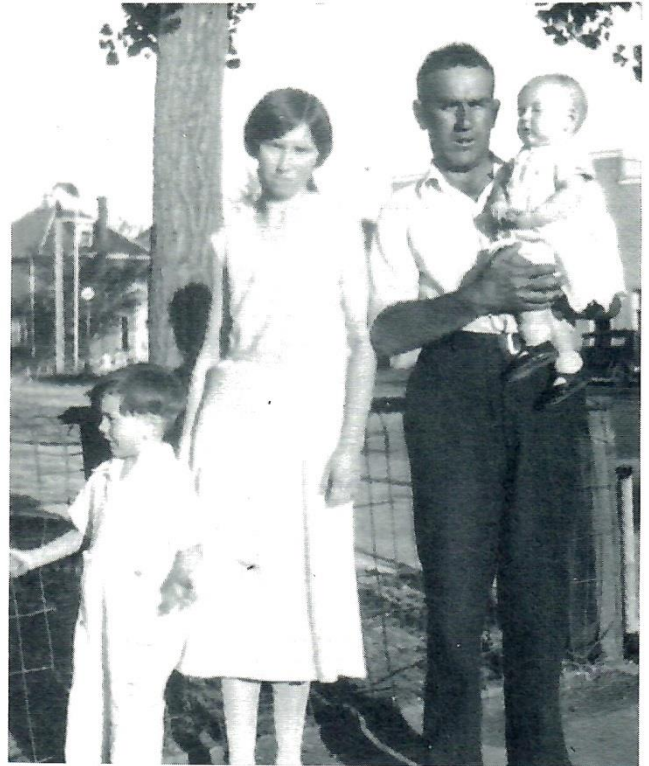
Frank and Annie Orthner.

Frank Orthner was born in Austria on May 14, 1901. He came to Canada with the family as a child. On March 5, 1929 he married Annie Loewen. They lived in Regina. He first worked in a secondhand shop and later in a grocery store, mostly delivering. He spent four months in the army, but was discharged as he had a bad foot. For a number of years, he worked on the farm in the summer, at his sister Annie and John Kramer. In the winter he looked after skating rinks. Then in about 1946, he started looking after Rotary Park and did that for at least 20 years.

Frank passed away on December 31, 1970. They were blessed with two children.

Frank Jr. — December 23, 1929, he married Norma Kornum. They live in Zealandia, Sask. He works at the Rosetown hospital. Norma is a seamstress. They have two children; Carmel and Carrol.

Sylvia — born July 13, 1932 — Married Walter Wirth July 26, 1958. Walter is manager for two Gulf service stations. Sylvia is his secretary and bookkeeper. They have four children; Linda married to Richard Hammond, and three children still at home; Bruce, Rhonda and Raymond. Linda has one child, Christa Marie. They live in Elk Point, Alberta.



Frank and Annie Orthner, Frank Jr. and Sylvia.

William Orthner

Married — Bertha Ruh

Born: April 11, 1904
Where: Austria
Died: Feb. 26, 1963
Where: Regina, Sask.

Ailene
Divorced —

Married — Ruby Stankov — 1938

William Steve
Born: Oct. 4, 1938

Married — Sheila Baker — Oct. 24, 1959
divorced June, 1973

Jeffrey William Born: April 23, 1961
Michael Wayne Born: Jan. 8, 1966
Divorced — June 1973

Married — Aileen Kerr — Nov. 3, 1978

Dianne
Born: Oct. 23, 1939

Married — Philip Ruskowsky — March 3, 1962

Karen Ann Born: Sept. 17, 1962
Lynne Marie Born: Nov. 7, 1964
Wayne Philip Born: Sept. 21, 1967

Wayne
Born: June 30, 1942

Married — Arlene Manning — June 1969

Divorced — 1972

Married — Colleen Riley — July 15, 1972

Liana Isabel Born: Jan. 25, 1973
David Wayne Born: Jan. 8, 1976

William Orthner

as written by his wife Ruby

Bill was born April 11, 1904 in Austria. He came to Canada with his family as a young boy. He married Bertha Ruh and had one daughter, Ailene. This marriage ended in a divorce.

Bill and I were married March 13, 1937 at the Settlement House in Regina. We lived at 1710 Montreal St. for 15 years where our three kids were born, Bill, D.D. and Wayne.

Bill worked at Western Bakery for 13 years, horse and wagon. Then 4X Bakery and then City Dairy for 17 years until he took sick. We were then living on Wascana St. where my daughter-in-law and two grandsons, Jeff and Michael still live. Times were hard during the second World War. Bill was getting \$12.00 a week at the bakery. We raised three children on that and were the first to have a car, phone and fridge on the whole block. I went to work when Wayne was 10 years old and worked for Sears for 18 years. I started just to help out and didn't leave until age 65.



Bill and Aileen Orthner.



William and Bertha Orthner, 1956.

William Orthner

as written by his son Bill

Dad worked for Western Bakeries in Regina for many years. He drove a horse with the old steel-tired wooden wagon wheels which I can recall switching to runners in the winter, then back to wheels in the summer. There were many happy days when I was a youngster, spent up on that high wooden seat, with the smell of fresh bread coming from the box behind.



Jeffrey and Michael Orthner.



Philip and Dianne Ruskowsky.



Arlene and Wayne Orthner.

Dad was a great organizer and somehow managed to service the entire city by himself, often going out on a Saturday night on his bike with a basketful of bread for some grocery store which had run out during the day.

When the Bakery closed, I think in the late forties, Dad was able to get on with City Dairy, delivering milk, again with a horse and wagon. This time his responsibility lay only in East Regina. Because of the many ethnic groups in that part of Regina, he managed to pick up a smattering of Hungarian, Ukrainian, Yiddish, Russian, Polish and Chinese and who knows what else. He had the capacity to get along with whatever ethnic group he talked to. A real diplomat, who probably missed his calling.



David and Lianna Orthner.

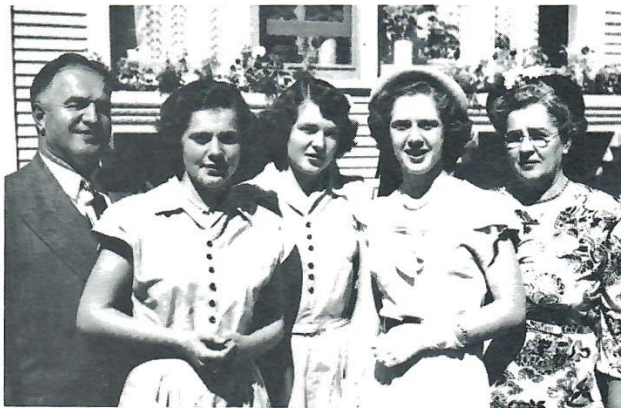
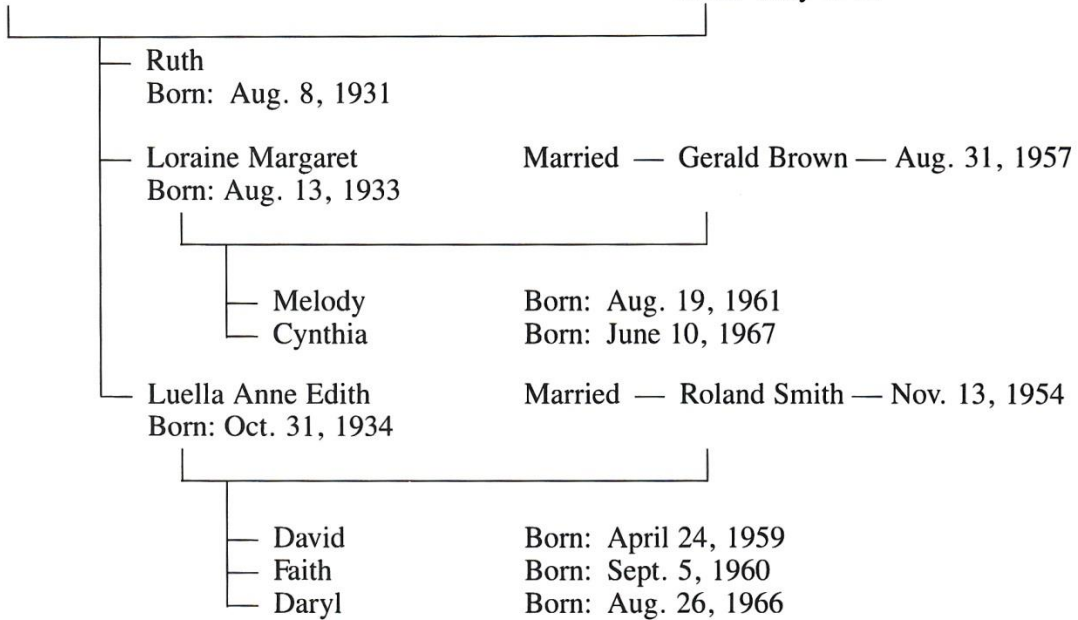
In 1961, he became ill and ended up in the hospital with an unknown disease, his first visit ever, as a patient. After a few weeks, he returned to work, was fine for a couple of months, then back in the hospital again. This pattern went on for nearly two years until finally, on February 23, 1963, he died at home, a victim of leukemia.

My mother, whom he married in 1938, went to work first for Burns Ltd., then later at the old Simpsons mail order house on Broad St. She was there until about 1953 when there was an elevator accident in the Simpsons Building. She happened to be on that elevator as it plunged several floors into the basement. Fortunately no one was seriously injured although my mother sustained a severe shaking up and cracked the bones in both her heels. She never did return to work at Simpsons.

Gisella Orthner (Ella)

Born: March 9, 1906
Where: Seret, Austria

Married — William Wolfe — 1930
Born: June 26, 1906
Where: Regina, Sask.
Died: May 1972



Bill, Ruth, Lorraine, Luella, Gisella Wolfe.



Ella and Bill Wolfe, 1930.



Gisella Orthner (now Wolfe) was born in Serath, Austria, in 1906 and came to Canada with her family at the age of two years. She tells us they lived in a mud house for several years. Her experience with the 1912 cyclone has left her, even yet, with a fear of high winds.

At the age of 24 in 1930, she married WILLIAM WOLFE in Regina, Saskatchewan. Bill was employed by the C.P.R. in the Superintendent's office and remained with them for 43 years, ending his career as Assistant Chief Clerk.

By 1934, they were the parents of three girls, who kept them hopping. They were members for many years of the German Baptist Church in Regina and then in 1944 moved to First Baptist Church so the girls could understand the sermons. The church and the Gideon organization took up any spare time they had.

Ruth, born August 8, 1931, is, at the present time, teaching Business Education at Peacock Technical High School in Moose Jaw where she has been for 25 of her 30 years of teaching. She enjoys traveling, music, has been involved in many church activities, and spends most summer days gardening.

Lorraine (Brown), born August 13, 1933, has been living in Moose Jaw for the past 3½ years with Ruth and enjoys visits and phone calls from her two daughters, Melody, 19, and Cindy, 13, who are with their father in Oakville, Ontario. In spite of the fact that she has MS, Lorraine spends many hours doing needle work, rug hooking, ceramics, decoupage, oil



Ruth Wolfe.



Loraine (Wolfe) Brown.



Melody and Cindy Brown.

painting, and enjoys getting out to choir practice and church.

Luella (Smith), born October 31, 1934, married to Rev. Roland Smith, is at present living in London, Ontario, with their three children, David, 22, a student at London Bible Seminary; Faith, 20, is also at London Bible Seminary, and Darryl, 14. At present Luella's time is taken up with wedding plans for her daughter, Faith, who will marry a young man named Mark in July, 1981. Lu and Roly have spent ten years in Jamaica and five years in Australia with Baptist Mid-Missions.



Roland and Luella Smith, (1980) Daryl, Faith and David.

Ella, seventy-five years old this year, is living with Ruth at 1330 Hochelaga West in Moose Jaw. She is on a fattening-up diet since she weighs only 90 pounds. Her day is spent crocheting, reading, watching TV and resting, and she tries to get out to church on Sunday.

Bill Wolfe died in May, 1972, but we have many pleasant memories of his loving and teasing nature.

Gustave Orthner

Born: March 2, 1909

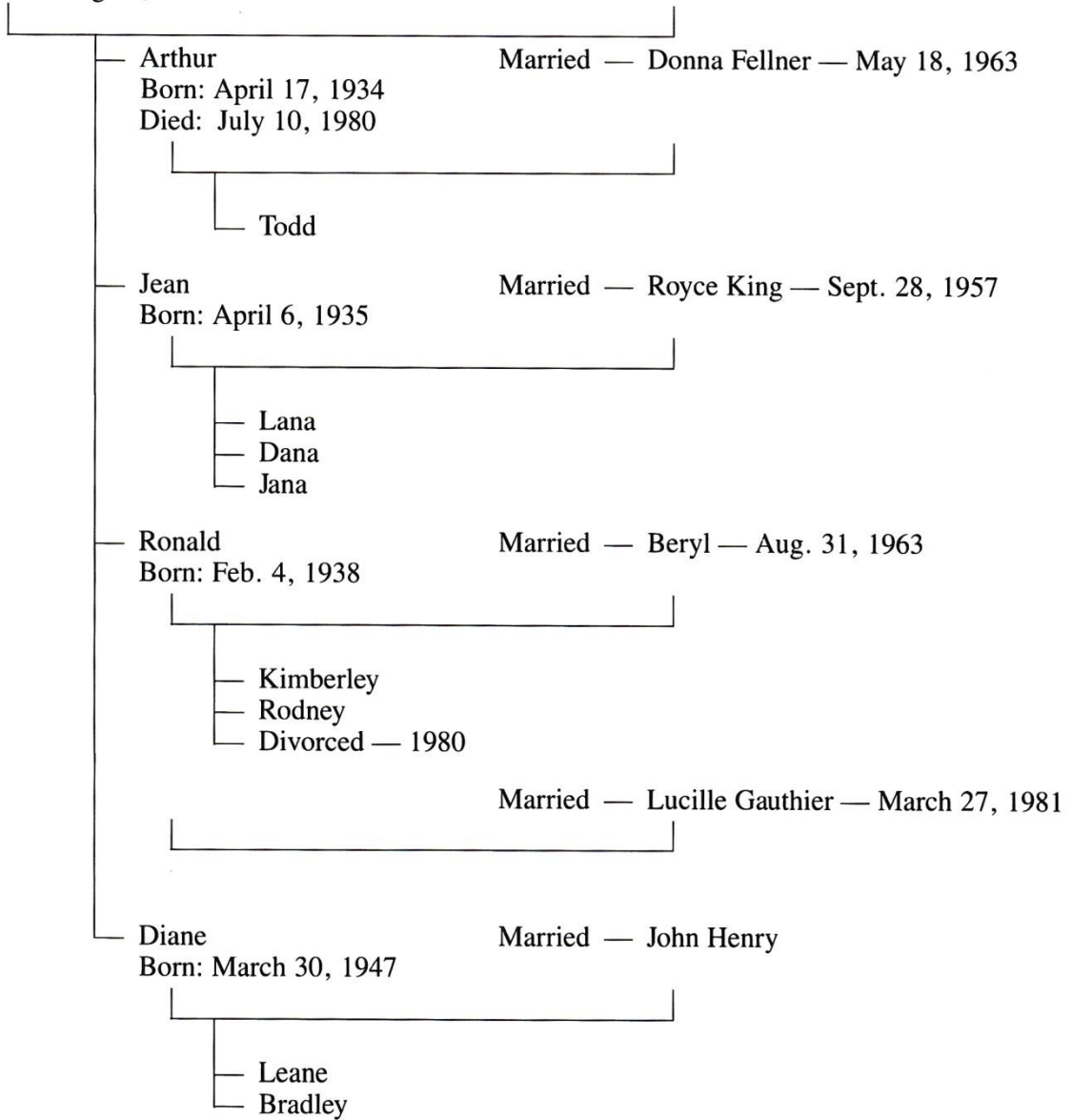
Where: Sask.

Died: Dec. 4, 1960

Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Caroline Kaminsky — 1933

Born: Aug. 30, 1912





Gus and Lena Orthner (1957).

Gustave Orthner
as written by his daughter, Jean King

Gus married Caroline Kaminski in 1933 at Southey, Sask. They had four children and lived most of their lives in Regina, Sask. His first job was delivering bread by horse-drawn wagon for the Queen City Bakery. He also worked for the Regina Street Railway driving streetcar and also sold real estate. In 1950 they moved to Wynyard, Sask. and had a cafe for three years. At the time of his death in 1960, he was employed as a salesman with Crescent Furniture in Regina.

Arthur, his eldest son, married Donna Fellner. They had one boy, Todd. He was employed at the Pasqua Hospital by the Canadian Institute for the Blind. Arthur passed away in July, 1980.



Jean and Royce King, Dana, Jana and Lana.

Jean, married Royce King. He is employed as a bus driver with the Regina City Transit and they reside in Regina. They have three children; Lana, age 18, Dana, age 17 and Jana, age 11.

Ron, married Lucille Gauthier. He is employed by the Sask. Government as a Revenue Officer and resides in Regina. They have two children; Kimberley, age 16 years and Rodney, age 11.

Diane, married Hank Wasylyk. He is employed with the Alberta Research Council as a Lab Technician and they reside in Edmonton, Alberta. They have two children; Leanne age 5 years and Bradley, age 4 years.

Gus and Caroline have been blessed with eight grandchildren. They were never fortunate enough to have known their Grandpa Gus who was a kind and generous man. Had they known him, they would have loved him dearly as did his own children. He is truly missed and will never be forgotten.

Frieda Orthner
Born: June 10, 1915

Married — Herbert Finley — Dec. 21, 1938
Born: Sept. 29, 1912

Robert Warren
Born: Feb. 12, 1940

Married — Faye Shirley — July 14, 1967

Shannon
Shayne
Marrilee

Joan Ella
Born: July 26, 1942

Married — Ken Thompson — Aug. 27, 1960

Karen
Craig
Blaine
Branda
Marcie

Floyd Harold
Born: Feb. 26, 1947

Married — Tessa Nessell — Feb. 9, 1977

Milton Herbert
Born: July 31, 1948

Married — Heather Hunter — Oct. 12, 1968

Jodi
Andrea



Herb and Frieda Finley.

Frieda Bertha (Orthner) Finley

I was the fourteenth child born to Barbara and Adolph Orthner. I was born on June 10, 1915, in Canada. My father and mother came to Canada in 1907 with eleven children, the oldest son stayed over in Austria. I also had a brother born in Canada.

My brothers names are: Ferdinand who stayed in Austria and whom I never met, Rudolph, George, Jacob, Karl, Frank, William, Gustave, and Edward who died before I was born. That makes two brothers that I never met. The five daughters' names are: Emelia (Millie) deceased, Anna living in Vancouver, Amalia (Molly) deceased, Gisella (Ella) living in Moose Jaw, Frieda Bertha (myself) living in Calgary, Alberta. My brothers are all deceased.

My mother was crippled after I was born, why I don't know, but she never seemed to give up. She always walked to church in Regina. My mother was forty-five years old when I was born. She died in 1933 when she was sixty-six years old.

My father had an accident on the farm. He was ploughing when he fell off the plow and the plow went over his abdomen. They took him to Saskatoon hospital, my mother and I went with him. He recovered to live to a ripe old age of eighty-three. My father married twice more after my mother died. I looked after him between marriages. I was already married myself. After his third marriage he fell down and broke his hip. He went to the hospital and died at the age of eighty-three.

When we moved to Regina, I was ten years old. We lived at 1650 Toronto St. After my mother died, I went to live with my sister Annie Kramer on the farm. Those were some of the best years of my life. Then I moved back to Regina and worked for awhile. I was baptized in the German Baptist church when I was twelve years old. I and my sister Ella and most of my brothers used to sing in the choir and over the radio. There was also an Orthner quartet who sang over the radio in Regina. I got married to Herbert Milton Finley in 1938.

I was married in Regina at Rev. Kujat's residence, then pastor at the German Baptist Church. We lived in Regina where my husband joined the army in 1942. He went overseas in 1943 and stayed there for three years. He was discharged in 1946 in Regina.

At the time of his discharge, I was living at Bowness, a suburb of Calgary, with his mother and sister. While Herb was being discharged in Regina and looking for a place to live, so that I could join him and settle down, our son Robert was in an accident and not expected to live. Herb was notified and he came to Calgary. Fortunately, our son recovered from his accident. As we both liked Bowness

and Calgary, we decided to stay here. We moved into Calgary in 1949 and have resided here ever since.

Herb got a job on construction and worked on construction until he retired. After he retired, he worked as maintenance man. We were also caretakers for 9 years for two apartment buildings. Three years ago we gave it up and now we are both retired.

I was born June 10th, 1915 and Herb was born Sept. 29th, 1912. We have three sons and one daughter.

Robert Warren Finley: Born Feb. 12, 1940 at Regina, Sask. Married to Faye Shirley, a divorcee with three children. Her daughter, Marrilee is adopted by Bob. Bob and Faye have two children of their own; Shannon Dawn and Shane Robert.

Bob is a sergeant in the armed forces. He joined the army when he was about 18 years old. He was home for about a year and then decided to go back in the Airforce. He is at present residing in Winnipeg, Manitoba and still in the forces.



Bob and Faye Finley, Merrille, Shannon and Shayne.

Joan Ella Finley married to Kenneth Thomson. Born July 26, 1942 in Regina, Sask. Ken is an electrician. He first worked for C.P.R. shops in Calgary, then worked for a gas plant at Balzac, Alberta, close to Calgary. They lived near Airdrie on an acreage. They have now moved to Sicamous, B.C. where they own Cruise Along Houseboats. They have five children, 2 sons and 3 daughters. Karen June — 19 years old, working in Calgary. Craig Robert — 17 years old, going to high school. Blaine Richard — 13 years old. Branda Jean — 11 years old. Marcie Ann — 8 years old.



Ken and Joan Thompson, Daren, Craig, Blaine, Brandi, Marcie.

Floyd Harold Finley: Born Feb. 26, 1947 in Calgary, Alberta. Married to Tessa (nee Nessell) a divorcee with two children, one son and one daughter. The son Andrew is at present living with them. Her daughter Francis is at present living with her father. They have no children of their own.

Floyd is a Master Corporal in the Armed Forces. He joined the Air Force when he was 17 years old. He has been overseas in Germany, Egypt and Holland. He is now living in Morewood, Ontario where he commutes to the base in Ottawa approximately 30 miles.

Milton Herbert Finley: Born July 31, 1948 in Calgary, Alberta. Married to Heather Elizabeth (nee Hunter). He has worked on construction, mainte-



Floyd and Tessa Nessell.



Milton and Heather Hunter, Jodi and Andrea.

nance and security for Calgary Tower. He also owned a store in Calgary. They are now residing in Sicamous, B.C. and owns a Deli and Pop Shoppe in Salmon Arm, B.C. They have two children; Jodi Rae Frieda — 7 years old. Andrea Lee Francis — 3 years old.

A Tribute to the Orthners

Our great-grandparents came to this country many
years ago,

They came from Austria to sow,
Seeds of kindness, love and peace,
With many a heartache, but also
Joy and love that will never cease.

The hardships were many the luxuries few,
But in spite of this, they all came through.
They came to the city, they came to the farm,
They worked and they toiled, but they came to no
harm.

They lived in mud houses and later wood frame,
They worked the soil with oxen and plow for
some grain,

Later they had horses that helped make the work
lighter,

They dug water wells that made everything
brighter.

The 30's were hard, the wind and dust blew,
But with flying colors, they all came through,
How proud they were of the church they built to
worship in and pray,

They planted the seed of God in our hearts, that
still is there today.

Our Grandmothers too, worked hard all day,
To cook and wash, but still found time to pray,
They rubbed and scrubbed on washboards by hand,
They mended and sewed; vegetables and meat they
canned.

They taught their children to work and play,
But best of all, they taught them to pray.

They shared their tears and they shared their
laughter

That will stay with us for ever after,
We know they had many joys and sorrows,
But they always looked forward to all the
tomorrows.

They all had many children, to make the Orthner
name,

They're scattered o'er our country and some have
come to fame.

Their sons and daughters married and had children
of their own,

They worked to keep them safe, and watch the
seeds they'd sown.

Then came the war and oh how sad to see the
young men go,

They prayed and waited for the day when all of
them came home.

Although our many loved ones now are gone,
All our happy memories of them linger on.

If they could be with us today,

Together, we could bow our heads and pray.

Today with all the strife and sorrow,

Let us, like them, not forget that there is still a
tomorrow.

Today we've gathered to unite the Orthners far and
near,

We hope to meet again real soon before too many a
year.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL

Dorothy B. Kibler



Grandma Barbara Orthner and Frieda.

Adolph and Barbara Orthner.



Jacob and George Orthner in cutter.



Carl, Ella, Molly, unknown, Gus.



Adolph Orthner's Homestead.



Gus and Frank Orthner on a bobsleigh.



The new house under construction. Built in 1919.



New house completed.



Rudolph, Molly and Bertha — 1913.



Frank in army.



Tony, Leo, Rudy and Archie.



George, Adolph and George Jr.



Elsie and Bertha.



Amalia Orthner.



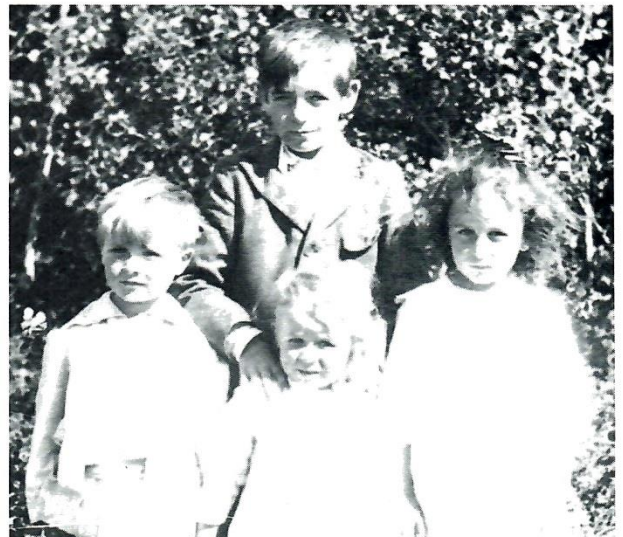
Ferdinand and Karl Orthner.



Ferdinand, George and Rudolf Orthner.



Rudolf and Jacob Orthner.



Gus, Archie, Bertha (Rudy's) and Frieda.



Farm now situated on original homestead.



Emelia and Karl Jackle —
October, 1944.



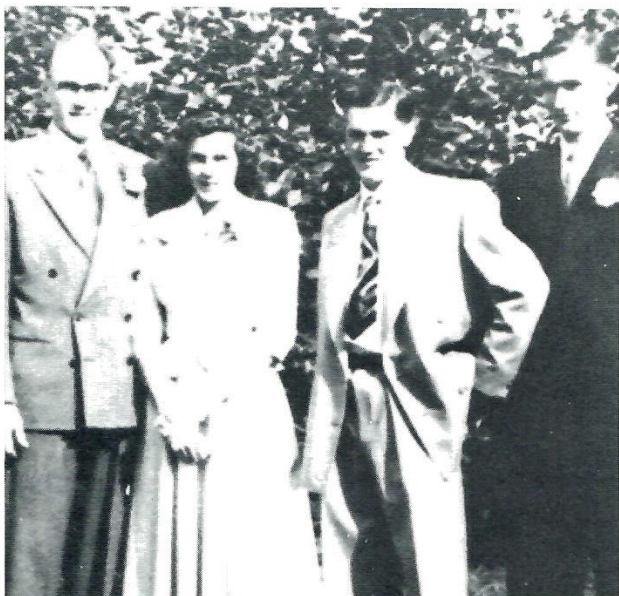
Emelia Jackle — 1953.



Lina, Alma, Gustie, Louis, and Karl Jackle, 1924.



Arline and David Juravle — 1981.



Bill, Vivian, John, Bob Whitell — 1953.



John Frederic Whitell and Griffon — 1980.



John and Anna Kramer, Jacob and Amalia Schmalenberg.



Bill and Ella Orthner.



Anna and Ella Orthner.



Frieda Orthner.



Gus, Ella and Frieda Orthner.



Jacob Orthner as a young man.



Elizabeth and Jacob Orthner — 1918.



Alfred, Sieg, Mother Elizabeth, Jacob and Oswald — about 1938.



Elizabeth and Jacob Orthner 25th wedding anniversary. Lawrence Dupont, Ferdinand Orthner, Rudy Orthner, Jacob Hubick, Jacob Orthner, John Hubick.



Jake and Elizabeth — 1938.



Elizabeth and Jacob Orthner 25th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Ferdinand Orthner, Mrs. J. Hubick, Mrs. John Hubick, Mrs. L. Dupont, Mrs. Rudy Orthner, Mrs. Jacob Orthner.



Karl and Anna — 1971.



Karl and Anna Golden Wedding — 1973.



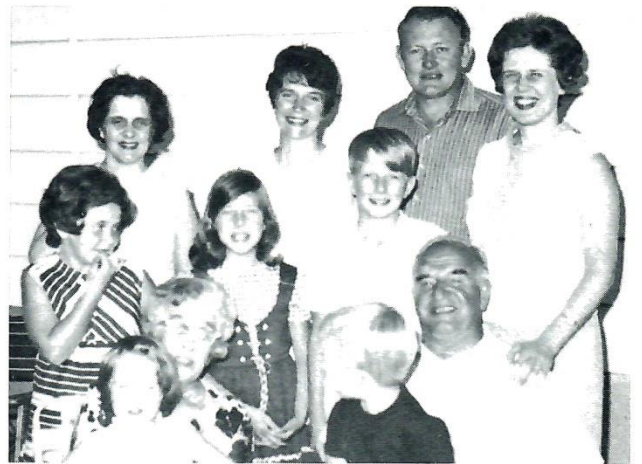
Karl Orthner family — 1953.



Karl Orthner family — 1973.



Schmalenberg family. Back Row: George, Adolf, Albert, Walter, and Henry. Front Row: Minnie, Olga, Emelia, Edna and Ida.



Bill and Ella Wolfe family — 1970.

Dorothea Orthner

Born: Jan. 11, 1866
 Where: Austria
 Died: April, 1948
 Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Jacob Huber — 1892
 Born: Oct. 23, 1869
 Where: Austria
 Died: May, 1933
 Where: Serath, Sask.

- Emelia
- Amelia
- Frank
- Anna
- Phillip
- Jacob
- Adam

Born
 Jan. 13, 1895
 Oct. 10, 1896
 Jan. 20, 1901
 July 23, 1903
 Jan. 6, 1906
 Dec. 9, 1908
 Dec. 25, 1910 **DIED** 1987



Back: Philip, Frank, Jacob Jr., Adam. Front: Jacob Sr., Emeilia, Anna, Amelia, Dorothea (Orthner) Huber.

Dorothea (Orthner) Huber

Dorothea was born in Austria, Europe on Jan. 11, 1866. Her father's name was Ferdinand; her mother's maiden name was Haberstock (oat stalk). Jacob Huber was born in Austria, Europe on Oct. 23, 1869.

Dorothea and Jacob were married in Sereth, Austria in 1892.

They emigrated to Canada in the spring of 1905 with a family of 4 children: Emelia born in 1895; Amalia born in 1897; Frank born in 1901; and Anna born in 1903. They landed in Halifax and their destination was Balgonie, Saskatchewan, where a number of their friends, also emigrants, lived and were farming the virgin soil. These friends were able to provide them hospitality until such a time that arrangements could be made for them to find land to be homesteaded. They went to the Land Titles Office in Regina, from where they were directed to an area 20 miles north of Southey.

When Dorothea was a little girl, her mother died, so her cousin, Frantz Wieland and his wife cared for her. When Dorothea and Jacob emigrated, they brought Frantz with them and took care of him until his death in 1914. So actually it was a family of seven to care for, when seeking out a living was very difficult. They were hardy pioneers, accepting any challenge that presented itself. Wasn't this the land of opportunity? Expanses of land uninhabited and uncultivated awaiting these adventuresome people, an expanse of land stretching out as far as the eye could see. They came here because they had a very meagre existence in Austria. In Olga Huber's recollections, Dorothea (Grandma) often said she never cried a tear when she saw this wide open prairie. She thanked God to be here. They came by boat and train to Balgonie, and Dorothea's brother, Karl, came with them. No doubt they had great hardship and trials in the beginning, but their faith in God brought them through it all.

Their arrival coincided with the founding of the province of Sask. in 1905. Formerly a large portion of the southern part of the province was called Assiniboia.

The years of emigrating were also the years of homesteading. The government offered a ¼ section of land (160 acres) for a minimum fee, with the stipulation that within a certain number of years they had to clear and cultivate a certain number of acres before they could receive full title to it. Relatives, neighbors, and friends undertook the project of clearing and cultivating the land together. One family bought a plow, others provided horses to pull the plow; they bought a drill to seed the land, discs and harrows to smooth out the soil and ready it to plant the seed. Out of this co-operative effort there grew a

community of hardy, energetic pioneers. They enjoyed the fresh air they breathed and appreciated the privilege to be the first to till the soil which had never seen a plow. There was a newness about this venture which spurred them on, with an enabling spirit to develop a community in which their children and coming generations should enjoy the freedom and prosperity they had lacked. When Dorothea and Jacob settled down to build a new community, they were within 60 miles from the closest railway and town. This, nevertheless did not dampen their spirit. On their land grew groves of poplar trees which made good firewood for the cold winters. The trees were also a saleable product for which they found a market, which in turn provided them enough money to feed and clothe their family. Once they were able to cultivate the soil, they could grow grain and vegetables, and little by little they became self-sufficient and quite independent.

At first, for shelter, they dug a hole in the side of a hill and closed it up in the front somehow for temporary living. The first house and barn they built were made of mud and poles and a sod roof. First they built forms for the walls which they then filled with a mud and straw or grass mixture. They had set up posts to which they had nailed rails which in turn made a strong wall. Before the mud was ready to be placed into the forms, they had first ploughed a small area of ground; poured much water into it to soften it; threw straw into it and their horses trampled it with their feet as they urged them to go back and forth until the sod was of proper substance. And thus they built their first house and barn.

For groceries in those early days, they went to Balgonie with horse and wagon. One trip that Jacob Huber made to Balgonie, one of the horses died; so he had to get another before being able to go any further. There were times in the winter when the family waited patiently for his return.

In the earlier years of pioneering, there were born into their family three more children, all boys. Philip was born in 1906, Jacob Jr. in 1908, and Adam in 1910. These were not only extra mouths to feed, but as time progressed, became a helpful labor product in the expansion of their farming enterprise.

As the community became settled, the countryside began to take on a new complexion. The wagon trails gave way to graded roads, and finally the construction of a gravelled highway that connected towns and cities which sprang up everywhere. By the time of the 75th Anniversary of the Province of Sask., well paved highways extended north and south and east and west. When in 1980 the Province celebrated the jubilation, a feeling of pride and praise was expressed provincewide.

These early pioneers were also intent upon providing an education for their children. They were looking for greater opportunities for their families, and they succeeded. The pioneers did not speak the English language, but the Provincial Government realized that a program needed to be set up, to educate the children of the emigrants. Fortunately, a number of English-speaking people also homesteaded in the community, so they became the nucleus and leaders in establishing the school.

The land the homesteaders now owned, was very well surveyed by the Saskatchewan Government. It was divided into townships. Each township consisted of 36 sections of 640 acres a piece or a square of sections of land which measures 6 miles in every direction. The plan was to place a school as closely as possible into the center of the township, so that no one would live any farther than 3 miles from school. The district was well organized and named — the Serath School District No. 2442 of the Millington Municipality of Sask. This transaction was the first experience of the emigrants in a democracy. To arrive at a name, the residents were to make suggestions. From all the names suggested, the selection was Jacob and Dorothea's suggestion; with only one minor change in spelling, namely, instead of Sereth, it was spelled Serath. A trustee board of three members and a secretary were the officers that conducted the business. At the beginning it was difficult to secure qualified teachers, so, until such a time, the most qualified were hired to do their very best. Now the children of the district obtained the basics of reading, writing and arithmetic. Many of the children that received their basics here went on to further training and to fill positions of leadership in many parts of Canada and the world. Many years later a school was built that accommodated the higher grades, and the children were bussed to school.

A very vital part of the community was the spiritual contribution of the Orthner family. All 3 of the progenitors, Karl, Adolph and Dorothea, together with their spouses and families, became the nucleus of the Serath Baptist Church. This was the fulfillment of their dreams. In their homeland, they had suffered persecution for their BIBLE FAITH. Canada to them was a refuge and a haven of freedom of religion as we have experienced it until this very day.

At first, they met with the German Baptist Church in Southey, or the pastor would come out occasionally to hold a service. As time went on, it became evident that it would be better to organize a local church in the area. The first church was a house that served the congregation well. In 1911, the members organized as a church of baptized believers by the name of Serath, which name had already been

given to the local Post Office and School. In 1917, a building fund was started, and in the early spring of 1918, the lumber was hauled from Raymore by team and sleigh. By midsummer, the congregation built the new church, alongside a graveled highway. It was larger with a full basement and a tall tower. It could be seen for many miles in the community, becoming a lighthouse of spiritual concern for many people. The dedication service was held in July, 1918. In 1962, the congregation relocated to become Raymore Baptist Church. During all its history, it has been an active church providing young and old opportunities to develop in a spiritual climate and grow in their spiritual life. Through the years it developed families with high ideals and Christian principles. The vision and zeal of our forefathers has come to fruition in the lives of their offspring.

Jacob Huber had been a tanner in the old country. He was a progressive ambitious farmer, eager to see his family grow up to participate in developing the homesteads and possibly adding more land to the existing farm. First they built a new house and later a new barn to accommodate the livestock, as well as the working horses which were vital in cultivating the farm and harvesting the crops. They had over 20 horses and at times over 10 cows and up to 20 younger stock. It was an interesting farming operation. The cattle produced milk, cream and butter for their own use and for sale on the market. These dairy products supplied especially their summer needs.

In 1922, they acquired their first car, a secondhand Model T Ford, trading three horses for it. This helped to simplify the family's transportation problems. The Ford was built to easily follow the trails that were established through the years by horse-drawn wagons, buggies and democrats, (a two-seater). Winter travel was only by sleds of various sizes and designs.

The first tractor (a 10-20 International Titan) was purchased in 1920. Later they secured a threshing machine, so could thresh their own crop and also that of a number of their neighbors. Before the smaller individually-owned threshing machines appeared on the scene, there was in the community a large Case Steam Engine and Separator. It was owned by a number of farmers in the community, who threshed all the farmers' grain. What a blessing that was! To power it, they fed it the straw that was threshed. Being a steam engine, it had its own whistle. The whistle spelled out codes, so that if they needed water, the water-man knew his code and hurried to supply it. If they needed more sheaves, they blew another code whistle. This whistle often scared the horses and caused runaways. There was much excitement at threshing time. To pay for the operation, the

owners would charge a fee per bushel of grain threshed.

Adam, who contributed most of his parents' historical information recollects: Our family was a closely knit family that worked together in harmony and love, looking ahead and making provisions for future expansion, with coming generations in mind. The time came for the members of our family to venture out on their own, each finding their own helpmate. We look back upon our parents' life with much love and great respect. We honor them for our Christian heritage and for their concern for their children, and for the outstanding physical and spiritual heritage into which we have come.

OUR TRIUMPH WILL BE TO MEET IN HEAVEN.

Jacob was the first of the family to pass on — He died in May of 1933, at age 63 years. Dorothea lived considerably longer and died in April of 1948 at age 82. There is a cemetery on the property that they used to own, where they are both buried.

Dorothea (Orthner) Huber, even though a tiny, slim lady, was doctor, nurse and midwife for a long time till a doctor came to Southey. Many preferred her coming, than the doctor. She was humble and willing to do anything. Her voice was kind and gentle. At her funeral, her son Adam made the statement that most of the people that were present at her funeral, she attended at their birth.

Emelia Huber

Born: Jan. 13, 1895

Where: Austria

Died: Aug. 28, 1974

Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Jacob Schmalenberg — Dec. 26, 1913

Born: Oct. 10, 1884

Where:

Died: April 30, 1955

Where: Raymore, Sask.

- George
- Ida
- Adolph
- Henry
- Minnie
- Albert
- Edna
- Walter
- Olga

Born

Nov. 8, 1914

Jan. 19, 1916

Nov. 13, 1917

Feb. 10, 1919

March 9, 1921

June 11, 1922

June 19, 1924

April 15, 1926

March 13, 1929

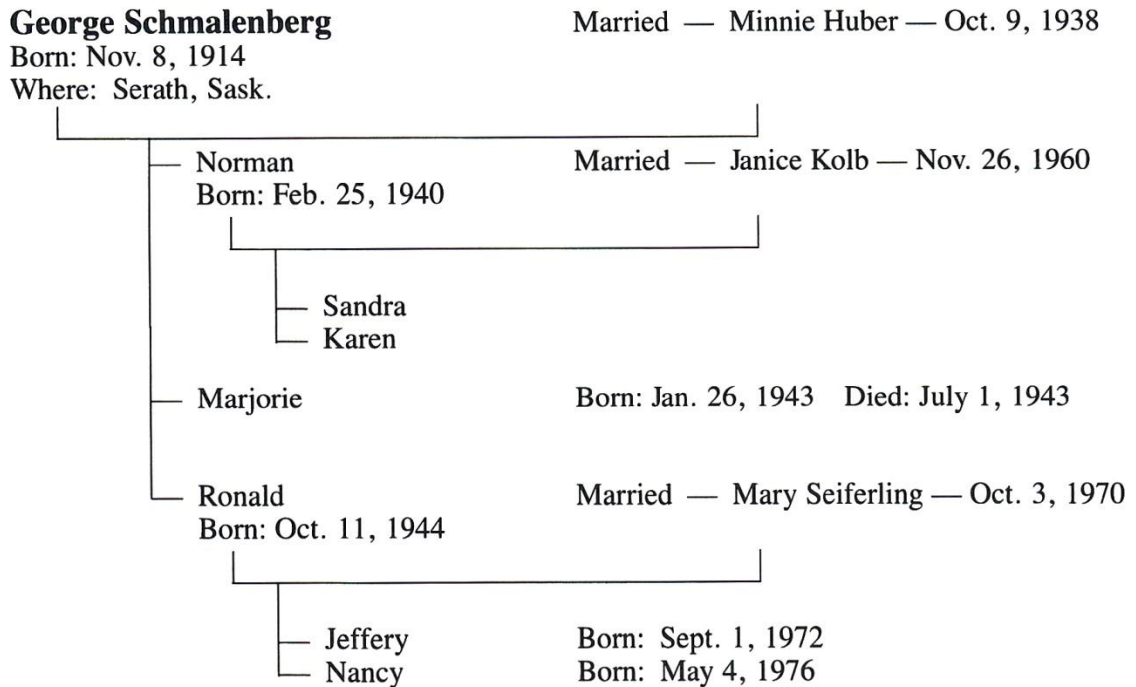


Back: George, Adolph, Albert, Walter, Henry. Front: Minnie, Olga, Emelia, Schmalenberg, Edna, Ida.

Emelia — married Jacob Schmalenberg on December 26, 1913. They farmed in the Serath district and were blessed with 9 living children, plus 2 infants, who died at birth. Things weren't very easy in those days — with no electricity. Heating was a problem with wood and coal. Once oil heaters came in it was a lot easier. Men were busy in winter cutting wood. Mom always loved gardening and had one of the nicest gardens. I can remember some meals with mashed potatoes and fresh dill pickles. Mmm it was good. We had chickens, eggs, plus pork, etc. So there was always food around. When Mom and Dad retired to the town of Raymore, Adolph took over the farm. Dad passed away April 30, 1955. Mom then came to live with us and helped spoil the new baby, Terry. She also spent a lot of her time with the other girls and went on trips with all of us. One of the trips with us was to Minneapolis to visit her brother Adam and the family, then to New York City to visit the Rumballs and to Hamilton to visit the Petros. We had a trailer so we had our sleeping accommodation. In 1963 Mom married Jacob Orthner. In 1969 she was lucky to go on another trip to Germany with her husband and Harold and his mother to visit their brother Ferdinand whom they hadn't seen for 60 years. The trip was greatly enjoyed by all. Mom passed away August 28, 1974.



Jacob and Emelia Schmalenberg.





George and Minnie Schmalenberg.

I, George, was born November 8, 1914 and am the oldest of the family. I was raised and went to school in Serath. I married Minnie Huber on October 9, 1938. We did mixed farming and Minnie always enjoyed and had a big garden. I curl in winter and enjoy it. I also love going to town to watch the hockey games. We are now semi-retired and living in the Hamlet of Serath. I help Ronnie on the farm in the summer. Minnie loves crocheting and we have many get-togethers with the families. We were blessed with three children.



Norman and Janice Schmalenberg, Sandra and Karen.

Norman — Born February 25, 1940. He married Janice Kolb on November 26, 1960. Norman has worked for Saskatchewan Power ever since he left school. Janice worked at the Pasqua Hospital for 14 years and now works out at their golf course (Green Acres) where our family reunion picnic was held. Norman does a lot of curling in the winter. They have two girls: Sandra who is working at the Pasqua Hospital and Karen who is working at the Army & Navy.

Marjorie — Born on January 26, 1943 and died on July 1, 1943.



Ronnie and Mary Schmalenberg, Nancy and Jeffery.

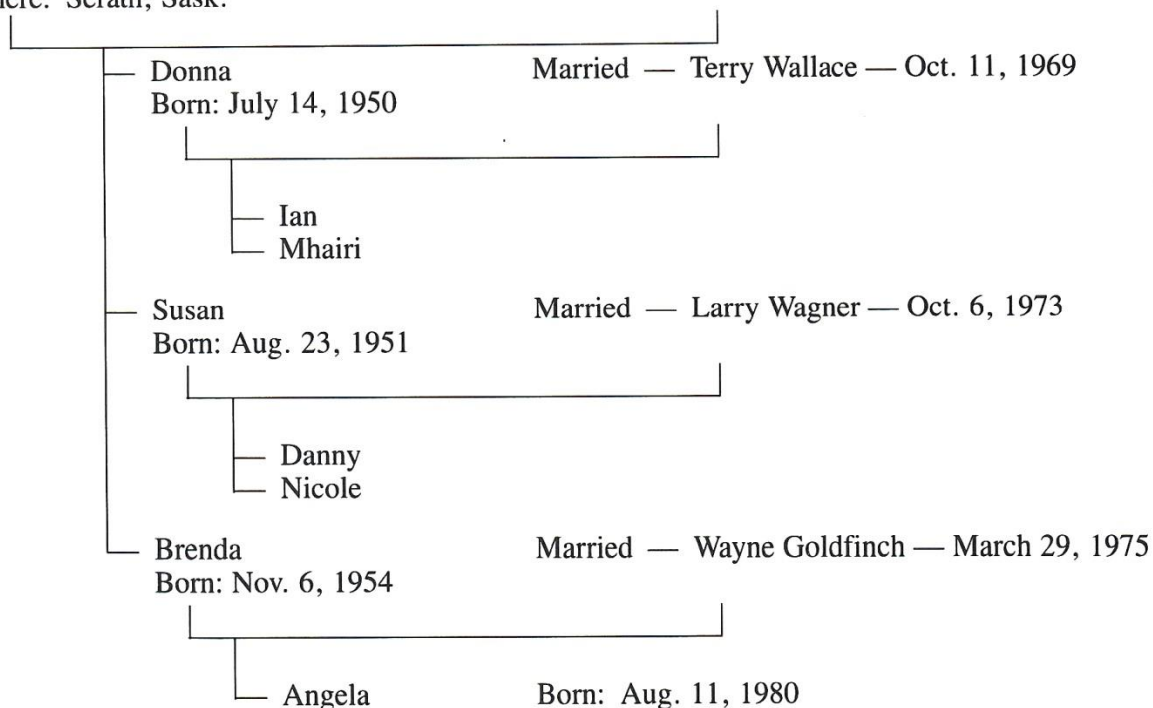
Ronnie — Born on October 11, 1944. He married Mary Seiferling on October 3, 1970. Ronnie stayed home after he finished school and helped on the farm. In 1969 he started farming his own land and also did carpentry work with his uncles in his spare time. They have two children: Jeffrey who was born September 1, 1972 and Nancy who was born May 4, 1976.

Ida — married Adolph Kramer on November 26, 1938. Find history under Kramers.

Adolph Schmalenberg

Born: Nov. 13, 1917
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Ida Lindenbach — June 4, 1949



Adolph and Ida Schmalenberg.

I, Adolph, was born and raised in the Serath district and attended the country school. On June 4, 1949, I married Ida Lindenbach from Edenwald. We stayed on the family farm, where we are still living at the present time. We got a new house built by my

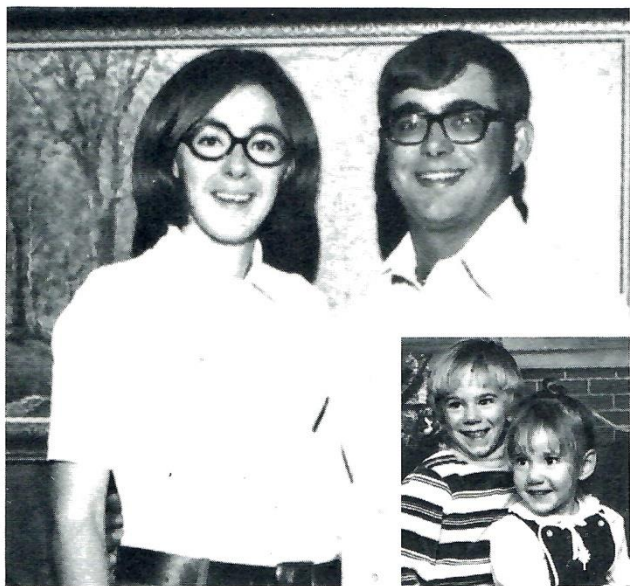
Uncle Frank Huber. We did mixed farming until 1976, when we semi-retired strictly to grain farming. For the past four years, we've spent 5 months of the winter in Yuma, Arizona. We enjoy the swimming pool, shuffle board, etc., plus making many new friends. We were blessed with three girls.

Donna — Born July 14, 1950. She married Terry Wallace from Raymore on October 11, 1969. They moved to Edmonton, where Terry now has his own business in Estimating. They have two children: Ian and Mhairi.



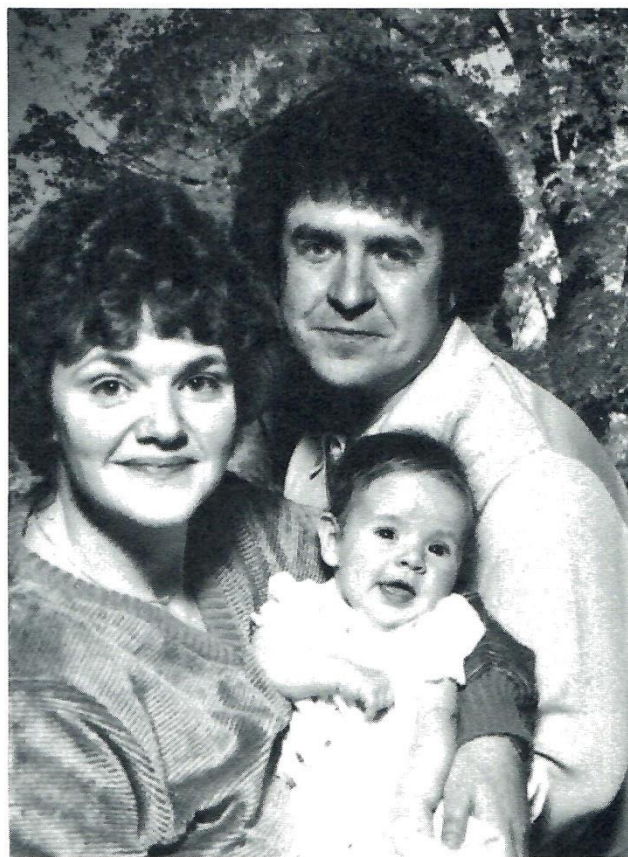
Terry and Donna Wallace, Ian and Mhairi.

Susan — Born August 23, 1951. She married Larry Wagner on October 6, 1973. They farm in the Cupar district. They have two children: Danny and Nicole.



Larry and Susan Wagner, Danny and Nicole.

Brenda — Born November 6, 1954. She married Wayne Goldfinch on March 29, 1975. They have the Marshall Wells Hardware store in Raymore. They have one child named Angela.



Wayne and Brenda Goldfinch, Angela.

Henry Schmalenberg

Born: Feb. 10, 1919

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Barbara Kluge — Feb. 8, 1947

Born:



Henry and Barbara Schmalenberg.

I, Henry, was born February 10, 1919. I spent all my early years at Serath. I joined the army in June of 1942. I took my basic and advance training in Vernon, British Columbia and also spent short periods of

time in Comox, British Columbia, Terrace, British Columbia and Wainwright, Alberta. I was then transferred to Camp Shilo, Manitoba. From there I was transferred to Ottawa, Ontario where I worked with the National Research Council for three years, testing army vehicles. That is where I met my wife, Barbara Kluge, from Ottawa. We met on V.E. day. We were married on February 8, 1947. We came out to Saskatchewan in September 1947 when I took my discharge from the army. We bought our farm in 1949 and we farmed for 12 years. In the fall of 1961 we sold the farm and moved to Regina. I worked at the Regina General Hospital for 11 years. We lived in Regina until 1975 at which time we moved to Brantford, Ontario where we are living at the present time. I am working at the W. Ross McDonald school, which is the school for the blind. We enjoy bowling and golfing. Barbara also enjoys quilting, crocheting and sewing.

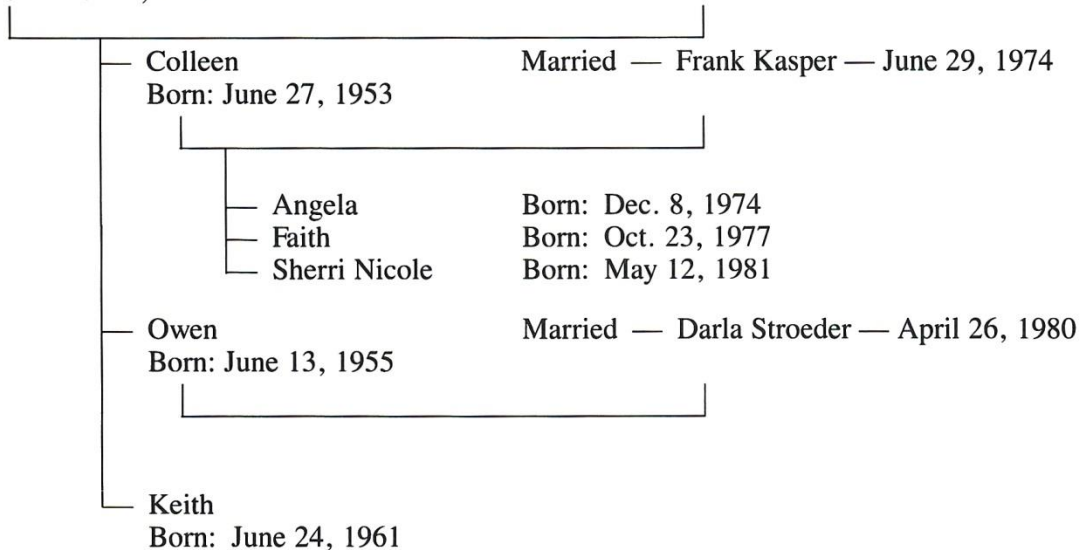
Minnie, married Harold Kramer on July 17, 1942. Find history under Kramers.

Albert Schmalenberg

Born: June 11, 1922

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Marion Hugie — Nov. 11, 1950





Albert and Marion Schmalenberg.

I, Albert, was born June 11, 1922, in Serath and attended school there. I spent some time in the army. On November 11, 1950, I married Marion Hugie and we now farm in the Serath district. I sold more than half of our cattle, which was good as the drought in the early part of 1980, really reduced the pasture. We are still on the same farm. I enjoy curling and in the summer I enjoy golfing. We were blessed with 3 children.

Colleen — Born June 27, 1953. She married Frank Kasper on June 29, 1974. Colleen is a Laboratory Technologist and worked at the Regina General



Franklin and Colleen Kasper, Faith, Sherri Nicole, Angela.

Hospital. She is now on a leave of absence. Colleen met Frank at Saskatoon when attending the technical institute. They have three girls: Angela, Faith and Sherri Nicole.

Owen — Born June 13, 1955. He married Darla Stroeder on April 26, 1980. Owen attended the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon and is now a high school teacher at Annaheim, Saskatchewan near Humboldt.



Owen and Darla Schmalenberg.

Keith — Born June 24, 1961. He is working for the railroad near Nokomis at the present time. Keith plays ball in summer. He wants to take over the farm some day and helps his dad as much as possible now.



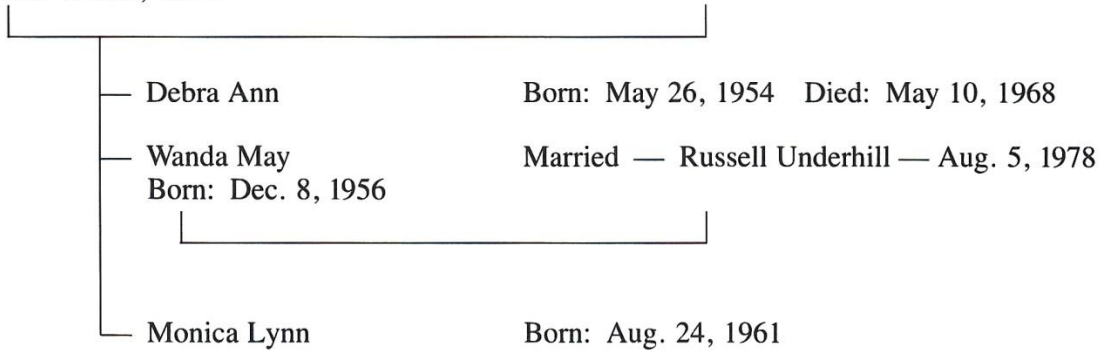
Colleen, Keith, Owen Schmalenberg.

Edna — Born June 19, 1924. She married Eric Kramer on June 24, 1947. Find history under Kramers.

Walter Schmalenberg

Born: April 15, 1926
Where: Serath, Sask.
Died: March 21, 1970
Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Emilie Schmalenberg — Oct. 27, 1951



Walter and Emilie Schmalenberg, Monica, Wanda, and Debbie.

Walter — Born April 15, 1926 at Serath, Saskatchewan. He went to school at Serath. Walter enjoyed playing softball. His position on the home team was pitcher. He also enjoyed curling. He married Emilie Philippine Schmalenberg on October 27, 1951 at Grace Lutheran church in Regina. They farmed in the Serath district until his death on March 21, 1970. Born to Walter and Emilie were three daughters: Debra Ann, Wanda May and Monica Lynn.

Debra — Born on May 26, 1954. She received her elementary grades at Serath-Ridge school. Debra died on May 10, 1968 at the age of 13 years.

Wanda — Born on December 8, 1956. She attended elementary school at Serath-Ridge and later at Raymore, Saskatchewan. She completed her high school at Thom Collegiate in Regina. Wanda then

went to the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon where she received her Bachelor of Science in Home Economics with a major in Dietetics and Nutrition. She is now a Food Service Supervisor at the Regina General Hospital. Wanda married Russell Underhill on August 5, 1978. Russell is employed as a Service Technician at Simpsons Sears in Regina.

Monica — Born on August 24, 1961. She attended school at Serath-Ridge and later at R. J. Davidson school in Regina for her elementary grades. She joined the Regina Lion's Junior Band in 1970 and graduated in 1978. Monica completed her high schooling at Thom Collegiate. She then attended Wascana Institute in Regina for one year and received her Medical Clerk Typist certificate. She is now employed at the Plains Health Centre in Regina as Medical Secretary Typist.

After Walter's death, Emilie and her two daughters Wanda and Monica moved to Regina, Saskatchewan. Emilie married Benno Kurt Hoyer on July 16, 1976. They now live in Regina, Saskatchewan.



Back: Wanda and Russel Underhill, Monica Schmalenberg. Front: Emilie and Benno Hoyer.

Olga Schmalenberg

Born: March 13, 1929

Married — David (Connie) Hopkinson — June 28, 1952



Valerie
Born: May 9, 1953

Patricia
Born: June 5, 1957

Married — Blain Braun — June 25, 1977



David Born: Aug. 3, 1979
Daina Lavonne Born: Sept. 11, 1981



Connie and Olga Hopkinson.

I, Olga, was born March 13, 1929, in the Serath district and attended school there. On June 28, 1952 I married David (Connie) Hopkinson. We farm south of Semans and plan to retire in the near future. We have a cottage at Pasqua Lake, where we plan to spend our summers. In winter we spend five months in Hemet, California. Here I enjoy such activities as yoga exercises, walking, swimming and most of all relaxing. Connie plays volleyball almost every day and also enjoys golf, swimming and the hot therapy pool. We have two girls:

Valerie — Born on May 9, 1953. Valerie attended school at our little country school, Glen Afton. When the school closed, she finished her schooling at Semans. She went to the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon and received her Bachelor of Edu-



Valerie Hopkinson.

cation with a music major. She is now teaching at Naicam, Saskatchewan. Valerie was a member of the Greystone Singers of Saskatoon and travelled to Europe with them on a tour.

Patricia — Born on June 5, 1957. She also took her training at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon and has her teaching certificate. On June 25, 1977 she married Blain Braun of Raymore. Blain farms on the Booth Siding Area west of Raymore. They have a son David and a daughter Daina.

One of the highlights of our family was in 1968 when we and our girls spent 2½ months in Europe visiting relatives in England and the Isle of Man and took a tour of Scotland and six countries on the continent.



Blaine and Patty Braun, David and Daina.

Amalia Huber

Born: Oct. 10, 1896
Where: Sereth, Bucovina
Died: July 6, 1967
Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — John Lindebach — Dec. 26, 1914
Born: Dec. 20, 1891
Where: Hliboka, Bucovina
Died: Jan. 17, 1950
Where: Regina, Sask.

- Herman
- Albert
- Selphia (Sylvia)
- Arthur
- Edwin
- Dorothy
- Ernest
- Robert
- Evangeline



John Lindenbach family, 1948. Back: Edwin, Arthur, Albert, John, Sylvia, Ernest, Robert. Front: Evangeline, Amalia, Dorothy.



John and Amalia Lindenbach.

Amalia Huber
submitted by Herman

My grandfather Jacob Huber married my grandmother Dorothea (Orthner) Huber, at Sereth, Bukovina, Austria. This is how we are related to the Orthners.

They immigrated to Canada and settled on a homestead at Serath, Sask. They had seven children. My mother Amalia (Huber) Lindenbach was the second oldest born October 10, 1896.

Valentine Lindenbach Junior homesteaded in the Serath district. His wife took sick so my uncle hired a girl to look after their children, and this girl was Amalia Huber.

My dad John Lindenbach born December 20, 1891 came to visit his brother and met my mother Amalia Huber there. They were married on December 26, 1914.

I am Amalia's first, born on November 4, 1915.

My parents lived where now my brother Bob lives. My Dad immigrated to Canada with his parents in 1903, coming from Hliboka, Austria. In Austria my mother and father only lived 40 kilometers apart, but they never met until they came to Canada.

My dad had a good pony named Jack and he would ride the horse to see Mom, which was only 80 miles one way.

Herman Lindenbach

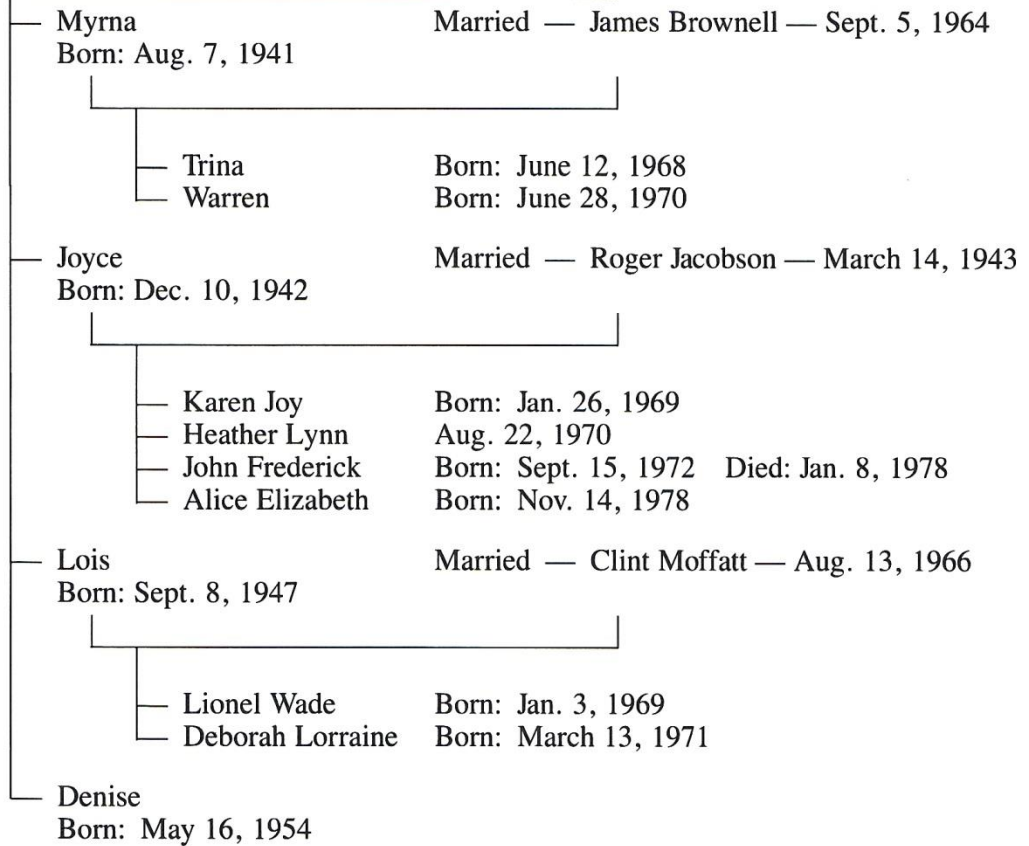
Born: Nov. 4, 1915

Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Married — Eda Paul — Nov. 4, 1936

Born: Nov. 30, 1916

Where: Edenwold, Sask.



Herman Lindenbach family (1980).

Herman and Eda (Paul) Lindenbach submitted by Herman

I attended Rosenburg School No. 286 and the Baptist Church on the correction line. This is where I first saw my wife Eda. She must have been quite young and wore her hair in braids.

A few years later I visited her home and we went for our first walk together. She is the daughter of John and Louise Paul of Davin, Sask. Eda was born on November 30, 1916. We were married on November 4, 1936 in the Edenwold Baptist Church by Reverend John Kepl, pastor.

We now attend the Balgonie Baptist Church. Our pastor is Darold Sauer.

When we were first married we lived at Edenwold, since 1946 at Davin, Sask. where we now live and farm. We hope to retire in the not too distant future.

In 1944, John Galenzoski, the Wheat Pool agent at Edenwold, sold me a Wheat Pool membership, which cost me one dollar. That was the most profitable dollar I ever spent. In 1961, I was elected Wheat Pool delegate for ten years for the District 6 Sub District 5. I enjoyed this very much. I have always been interested in the co-operative way of life and its benefits. I am a member of Sherwood Credit Union, Sherwood Co-op, and New Democratic Party. I also was president of the Davin telephone company for a few years.

We have four daughters.

Myrna was born on August 7, 1941, and she lives in White Fox, Sask. She is clerk 2 at the Pool Farm Service Centre and has two children Trina and Warren. Her husband Alfred Hamrin is a farmer.

Joyce was born on December 10, 1942. She keeps books for the Apex Truss Builders Ltd. and is superintendent of the Sunday School in the Alliance



Herman and Eda Lindenbach.

church. Her husband Roger Jacobson is a physician in Grand Centre, Alberta. They have three daughters, Karen, Heather, and Alice. They had one son Freddy, who went to be with Jesus at age 5.

Lois was born on September 8, 1947. She is a full-time secretary for the Westgate Alliance church in Saskatoon, Sask. Her husband Clint Moffatt is a construction foreman for an R.M. They have two children, Lionel and Deborah.

Denise was born on May 26, 1954. She lives in Regina, Sask., and is the chief clerk at the University of Saskatchewan. Denise is single. She is the church clerk of Balgonie Baptist church.

In Bukovina my grandfather Huber was a tanner, and my grandfather Lindenbach was a wheelwright and a farmer.

I remember one winter Mom, Dorothy and I went to Serath by train to visit. Grandfather Huber hitched the team to the sleigh and we went to visit Mom's aunt and uncle, the Orthners.

Albert Lindenbach

Born: June 22, 1917

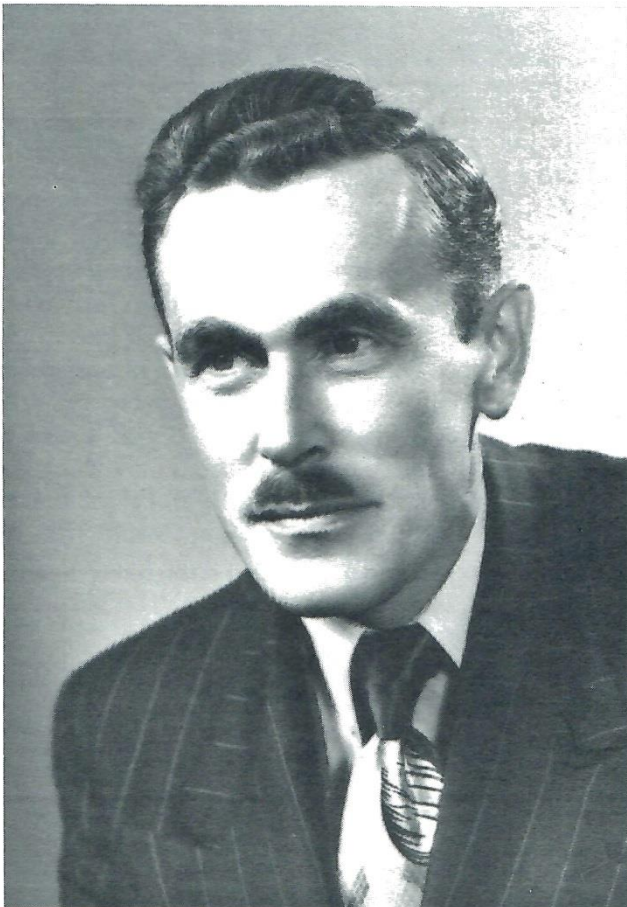
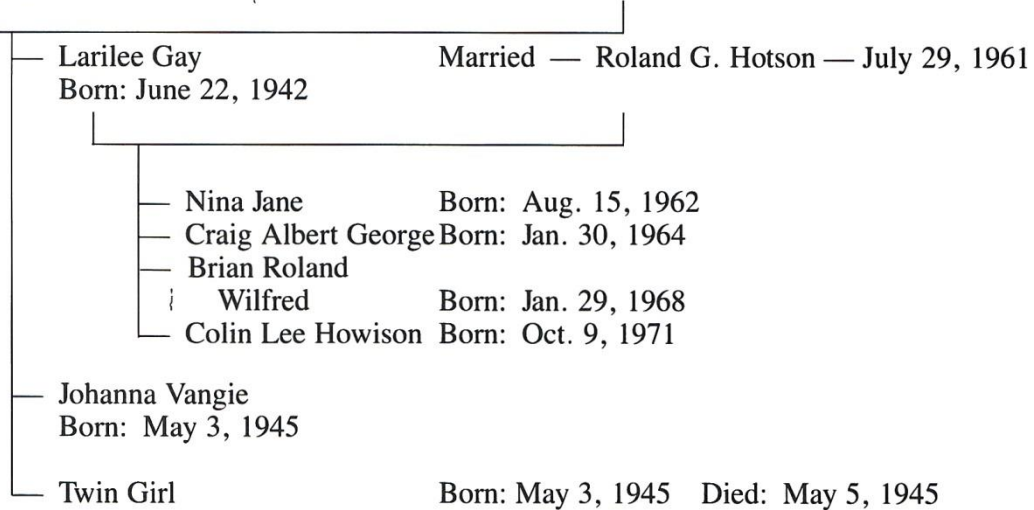
Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Died: Sept. 4, 1957

Where: Thunder Bay, Ontario

Married — Nina Viva Abrey — Sept. 10, 1941

Born: Jan. 4, 1916



Albert Lindenbach.

Albert

Albert Lindenbach was born on June 22, 1917, in Edenwold, Sask. Al was the second oldest of the family and worked on the farm until, at the age of 16, he went to work at a store that sold farm machinery. He got to see a lot of the province at this time travelling around selling machinery. At around the age of 18, he started selling Ford cars for the Walters in Melville who were cousins of his Father's. While there a Mr. Gibson from Fort William (now Thunder Bay) hired him to work for him and so he came to Fort William. He sold both term insurance and cars at different times in his life as being salesman was what he liked doing best. It was while he was first here in Fort William that he met and married Nina Abrey on September 10, 1941. They moved back to Sask. for a short time where he was an operator of a Co-op store in Fairy Glen and also sold insurance as well. Two girls were born to them.

Larilee Gay was born on June 22, 1942 in Fort William, Ontario. She attended various public schools in the city and went to Fort William Collegiate. Larilee worked for two years in the Administration office of McKellar Hospital and then decided she would like to work with the patients instead of just writing down their statistics so she took a Nursing Assistant course. On July 29, 1961 she married Roland Hotsun born on September 22, 1937 in Kitchener, Ontario. They have four children:



Roland and Larrilee Hotson, Craig, Nina Jane, Colin, and Brian.

Nina Jane born on August 15, 1962, Craig Albert George born on January 30, 1964, Brian Roland Wilford born on January 29, 1968 and Colin Lee Howison born on October 9, 1971. The family lives on their 30-acre piece of property just outside the city limits. Roland is in partnership with two other fellows in a heating and refrigeration maintenance.

Johanna Vangie was born on May 3, 1945 in Melfort, Sask. She was born a twin but her twin died at birth. She attended various public schools in the city of Thunder Bay and took a hair dressing course in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Her niece and nephews love her and affectionately call her "An Jo". She is a wonderful companion for her Mother and a great help to her.



Nina (Abrey) Lindenbach and Johanna.

In 1949 the family moved back to Fort William. Al had a great interest in Co-ops, Credit Unions and the C.C.F. (Now the N.D.P.). He loved politics, good arguments, Ford cars, public speaking, working with wood, but most of all he had a great love for the Lord and it could be easily seen in his life. When he died on Sept. 4, 1957 he left a great void in our lives but we know that we shall see him again in heaven and that is what comforts our hearts. If he were alive now he would be ever so glad to see an interest in going to the roots of the family as he was interested in this also, but most of all I think that he would be most happy if everyone would find his "Friend" and take Him daily in their lives.

Sylvia Lindenbach

Born: Oct. 18, 1918

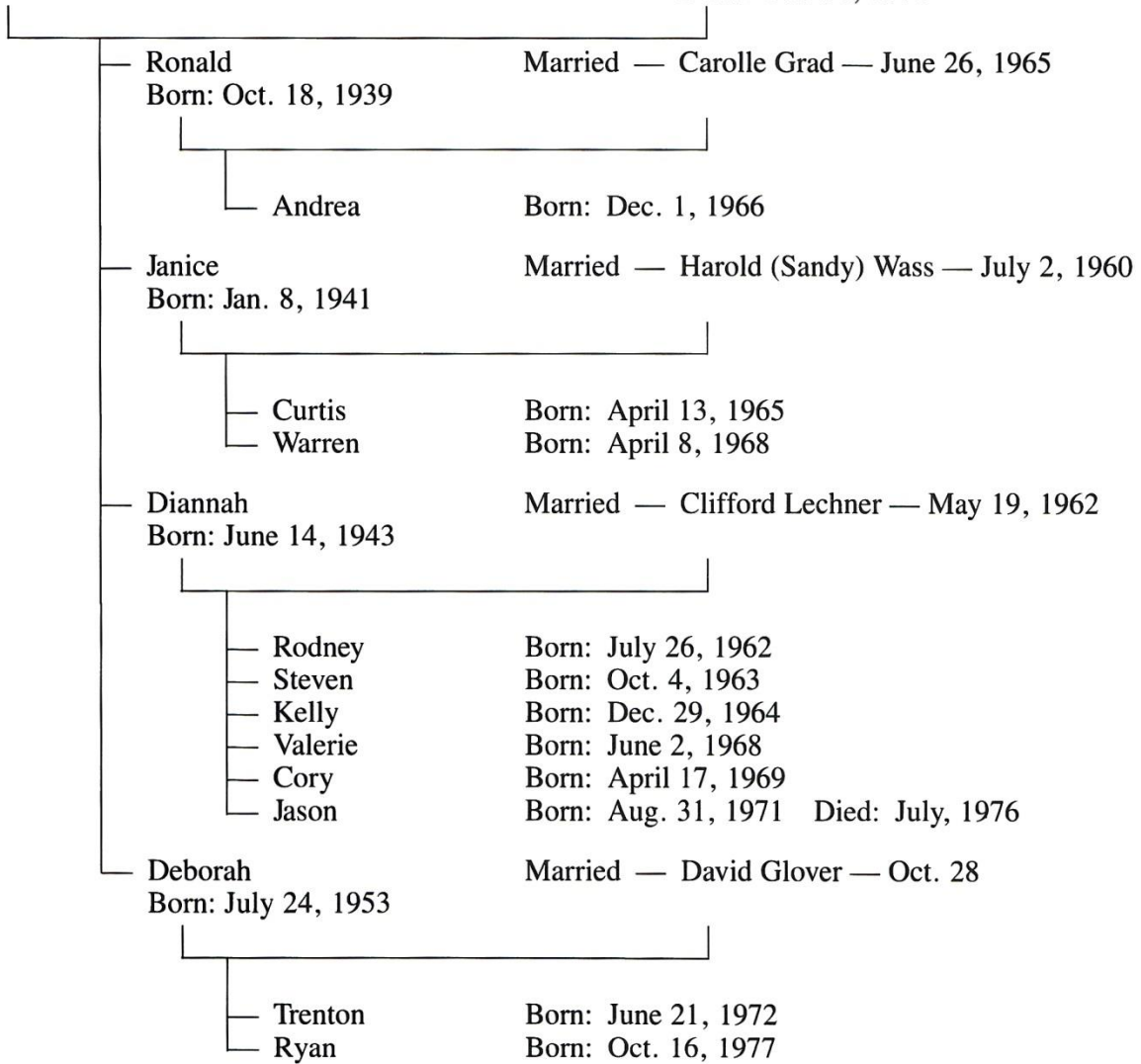
Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Married — Fred Ast — March 17, 1939

Born: April 24, 1908

Where: Wheatwyn, Sask.

Died: Oct. 31, 1973



Sylvia and Fred Ast.

Sylvia

I was born on October 18, 1918 and was the first girl in the John and Amalia family. My Grandfather Lindenbach named me Selphia. He had just read a book, liked that name and wanted the next granddaughter in the family to have that name.

I met my future husband, Fred Ast, when he came to school to pick up his sister from school. He was born in Wheatwyn, Saskatchewan April 24, 1908. We were married on March 17, 1939 at McLean, Saskatchewan.

The first house we lived in was a mud house at McLean. We had the farm rented that we lived on until the fall of 1941. We then bought a farm half a mile south, 2 quarters. By then we had Ronald and Janice. Here we raised beef cattle and shipped cream. Two years later Diannah was born. Some years we couldn't raise enough feed so we had to buy it. In 1953 we built our dairy barn. Deborah was born that same year. We farmed until Fred's health failed. We got the electric power in 1955, and the telephone in 1968. In September of 1971 we moved to Fort Qu'Appelle. I still make my home there. Our son Ron is farming on the home farm. We have four children. Fred passed away on Oct. 31, 1973.

Ronald was born on October 18, 1939 at McLean. He went to school in McLean. On June 26, 1965 he married Carolle Grad also born in McLean. Carolle works as a hair dresser and Ron works for the hydro as well as farming. A daughter Andrea was born to them on December 1, 1966.



Ron and Carolle Ast, and Andrea.

Janice was born on January 8, 1941 in McLean. She went to school in McLean. Then she went to Regina to work. She married Harold (Sandy) Wass on July 2, 1960 in McLean. They have two boys Curtis born on April 13, 1965 and Warren born on April 8, 1968. They live on a large farm in the McLean district.



Sandy and Janice Wass, Curtis and Warren.

Diannah was born on June 14, 1943 in McLean. She too went to school in McLean. On May 19, 1962 she married Clifford Lechner. Clifford was born on June 7, 1939 in Balgonie. They were married in the Christ Lutheran Church, Regina. They had six children born to them. Rodney was born on July 26, 1962; Steven was born on October 4, 1963; Kelly was born on December 29, 1964; Valerie was born on June 2, 1968; Cory was born on April 17, 1969; and Jason was born on August 31, 1971. They farm in the Balgonie District. Jason passed away in July 1976.



Clifford and Diannah Lechner, Rodney, Steven. Front: Valerie, Kelly, Cory.



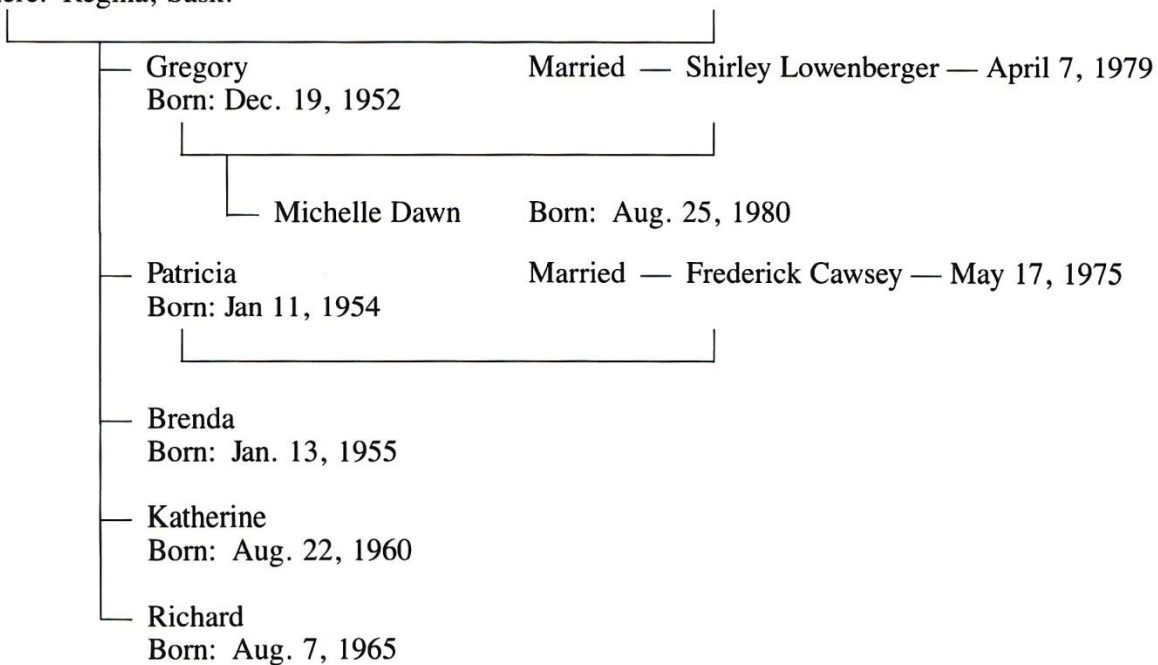
David and Deborah Glover, Trenton and Ryan.

Deborah was born on July 24, 1953. She is married to David Glover. They have two children, Trenton who was born on June 21, 1972 and Ryan born on October 16, 1977. Both Debbie and her husband work in the Post Office.

Arthur Lindenbach

Born: March 29, 1920
 Where: Regina
 Died: Aug. 29, 1971
 Where: Regina, Sask.

Married — Grace Paxton — Nov. 15, 1947
 Born: Dec. 25, 1925
 Where: Sintaluta, Sask.





Art and Grace Lindenbach.

Art

Arthur was born on March 29, 1920 and he died on August 29, 1971. Art went to Rosenberg School until the age of fifteen when he realized the hopes of his teenage years. He was now big enough and old enough to ride a plough and become a farmer, putting life into the soil. He worked away from home on other farms for a short time. He loved life and did not give up when he discovered he had cancer in 1949. He lived each day to its fullest, thanking the Good Lord for each new day.

Arthur married Grace Paxton on November 15, 1947. Grace was born on December 25, 1925. Grace



Shirley and Gregory Lindenbach, and Michelle.

was born on a farm in Sintaluta and attended school there. She had two brothers and two sisters. Grace worked on farms during the summer holidays from the age of thirteen. Grace met Art while working in a store in 1947. They were married and had five wonderful children.

Gregory was born on December 19, 1952. He attended Rosenberg School for six years and then on to McLean and Indian Head High. He was like his father, always wanting to help on the farm. He still farms the family farm at Edenwold. He married Shirley Loenberger on April 7, 1979. Their daughter Michelle Dawn was born on Aug. 25, 1980.

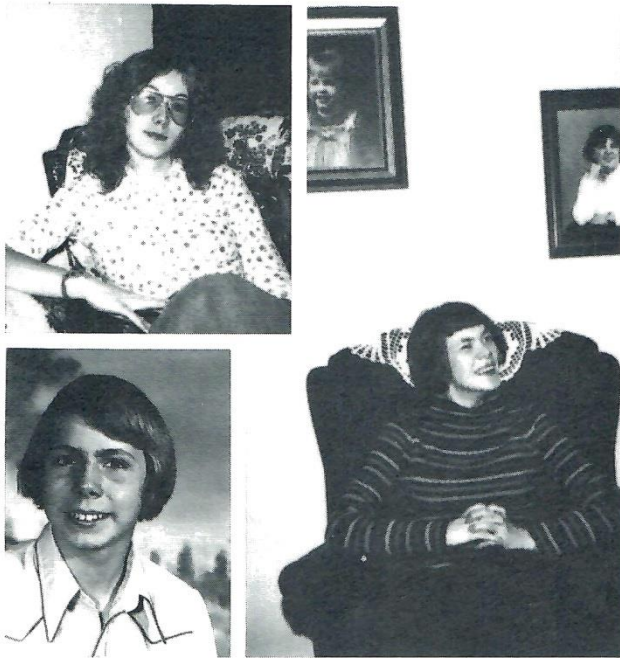
Patricia was born on January 11, 1954. Pat attended Rosenberg School for four years then on to McLean and Indian Head High. She proved to be a studious type so off to University for a course in Education. She passed with the highest honours as a kindergarten teacher. She married Fred Cawsey on May 17, 1975. They make their home in Regina, Saskatchewan.



Fred and Patricia Cawsey.

Brenda was born on January 13, 1955. Brenda has the misfortune of having cerebral palsy when she was a year old. She learned to walk at the age of five, and soon proved to us and the doctors alike that she could learn school work. She attended special schools in Regina until she was sixteen. She is now working in Saskatoon and is quite independent.

Kathy was born on August 22, 1960. Kathy is the animal lover in the family. Every sick or hurt animal,



Brenda, Katherine, and Richard Lindenbach.

even strays, get some of her love and attention. She attended McLean School and Deer Park High School in Ituna, Sask. She has completed a business course and is now seeking a niche to apply her energies.

Richard was born on August 7, 1965, and attended school in McLean until we moved. He is still in school and shows a lot of interest in mechanical scientific work. He hopes to further his education along this road.

Edwin Lindenbach

Born: Aug. 19, 1921

Where: Edenwold

Married — Helene I. Morange — Dec. 23, 1947

Born: Feb. 16, 1920

John Lucien
Born: July 27, 1948

Married — Nichole W. Dubuc — Aug. 31, 1968

Jorin Michelle Born: Aug. 30, 1973
Brady Edwin Born: Dec. 24, 1977
Eden Charles Born: Oct. 3, 1980

Barbara Ann
Born: May 24, 1949

Married — John P. Mercer — Sept. 5, 1970

James Douglas
Born: April 14, 1953

Married — Mary A. Agazzino — Oct. 7, 1979

Patrick David
Born: March 29, 1955

Married — Leslie A. Cummings — Sept. 28, 1979



Ed and Helene Lindenbach.

Edwin

Edwin was born on August 19, 1921 on the S.W.¼ of Section 4 Township 19, Range 16 west of the 2nd Meridian in the Municipality of Qu'Appelle.

I worked on the farm at home and in the farming communities of Weyburn and Edgeley. I could not resist the lure of what I thought was an exciting life in the city. With the help of my brother Al, I eventually moved to Regina and became involved in sales which was to become my lifelong vocation.

In 1947, I married Helene Irene Morange of Windthorst, Sask., and we settled down to raise a family and eventually had four children as follows:

John Lucien was born on July 27, 1948 in Regina, Sask. He attended the University of Manitoba, graduating with his B.A. in 1968. He started with the Gulf of Canada Ltd. the same year. He married Nichole Winnifred Dubuc on August 31, 1968. Their daughter Jorin Michelle Dubuc was born in Calgary on August 30, 1973. Their son Brady Edwin Dubuc was born in Toronto on December 24, 1977. The family is presently living in Calgary, Alberta where John is now the Retailing Manager for Gulf Canada Ltd. Their second son Eden Charles was born here on Oct. 3, 1980.

Barabara Ann was born on May 24, 1949 in Regina, Sask. She attended Sylvia Gill Secretarial College in Montreal and graduated in April 1968. She is employed with the Lewis Shoe Company. She married John Mercer of Montreal on September 5, 1970 and is presently living in Montreal.

James Douglas was born on April 14, 1953 in Regina, Sask. Attended McGill University for two years. He is now Manager of Systems and Information for Kinney Shoes of Canada. He married Mary Ann Agazzino of Toronto on October 7, 1979 and are presently living in Calgary.

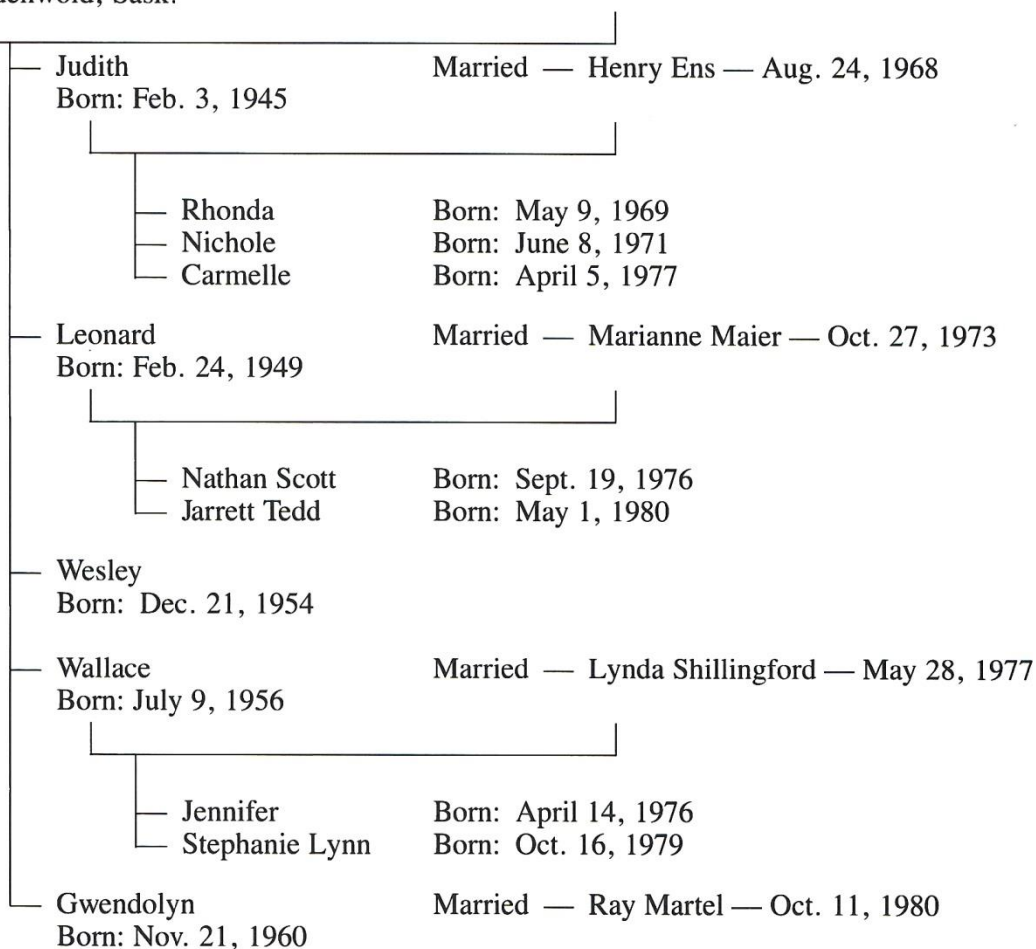
Patrick David was born on March 29, 1955 in Calgary. He graduated in May 1968 from York University with his M.B.A. and is presently employed as Product Manager in the Adams Division of the Warner Lambert. He married Leslie Ann Cummings of Toronto on September 28, 1979 and are presently living in Toronto.

After living in Regina and Lumsden, Sask.; Calgary, Alberta; Winnipeg, Manitoba; and Montreal, Quebec, Helene and I are now residing in Mississauga, Ontario. I am employed by the Agricultural Division of CIBA-GEIGY CANADA LTD. on Sales and Marketing. I would still like to be a farmer, but Helene doesn't agree.

Dorothy Lindenbach

Born: June 19, 1924
Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Married — Wilfred Wolfe — Oct. 14, 1943
Born: Nov. 23, 1917



Back: Henry Ens, Wesley Wolfe, Gwen, Lynda, Wallace (holding Jennifer), Marianne (holding Nathan). Front: Judy Ens, Dorothy Wolfe, Nicole Ens, Rhonda Ens, Wilfred, Leonard Wolfe.

Dorothy

Dorothy was born on June 19, 1924. I got my education at Rosenburg School. I belonged to the Busy Bee Club, which was a church club for single girls. I remember when I was baptized. We were baptized in a slough and it was wonderful to know that God loved us. I married Wilfred Wolfe on October 14, 1943 in Edenwold, Sask. We farmed in the Balgonie District where we raised grain and dairy cattle. We had five children.

Judy was born on February 3, 1945 in Regina, Sask. She married Henry Ens on August 24, 1968 in Balgonie, Sask. Henry was born on December 23, 1943 at Carrot River, Sask. He is a Public Works employee for Regina. They have three daughters: Rhonda born on May 9, 1969; Nichole born on June 8, 1971 and Carmelle born on April 5, 1977.

Leonard was born on February 24, 1949. He married Marianne Maier on October 27, 1973 in Balgonie, Sask. Marianne was born in Regina as was

Leonard. They have 2 boys, Nathan Scott born on September 19, 1976 and Jarrett Tedd born on May 1, 1980. Leonard is employed by the Dairy Producers Co-op in Regina.

Wesley was born on December 21, 1954 in Regina, Sask. He is working for the City of Regina in Public Works Roadway Department. He is still single.

Wallace was born on July 9, 1956 in Regina, Sask. He is married to Lynda Shillingford. They were married on May 28, 1977. Lynda was born on September 3, 1959 in Regina. They have two daughters: Jennifer who was born on April 14, 1976 and Stephanie born on October 16, 1979. Wallace is a Courier Messenger in Regina.

Gwendolyn was born on November 21, 1960 in Regina, Sask. Gwen works at a coffee shop as a manageress. She married Ray Martel on Oct. 11, 1980.

Ernest Lindenbach

Born: April 15, 1926
Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Married — Norma Koch — July 14, 1951
Born: Aug. 28, 1929
Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Kirk Kimberly F.
Born: April 6, 1952

Married — Yolanda Klootwyk — Dec. 1, 1979

Russell Ernest
Born: July 10, 1955

Married — Anita Wickenheiser — Dec. 13, 1975

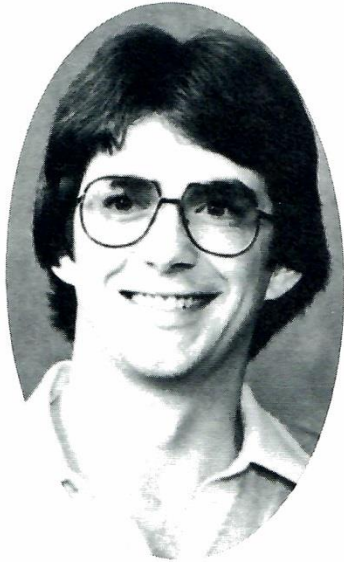
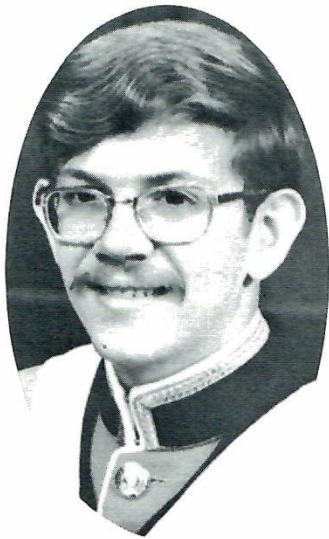
Curtis Lee

Born: April 21, 1980

Jacqueline Gail
Born: May 13, 1957

Sandra Kathleen
Born: May 13, 1964

Lori-Anne
Born: Dec. 29, 1967



Ernie Lindenbach family. Clockwise: Ernie and Norma, Lori, Sandra, Jacqueline, Russell, and Kim.

Ernest

Ernie was born on April 15, 1926. Ernie grew up in the Edenwold district, and received his education at Rosenburg school. He worked on the farm and in the city for several years. On July 14, 1951 he married Norma Koch. Ernie and Norma met at a dance in the Edenwold Hall in 1944. It took Ernie six years to “pop” the question. Ernie worked as a partsman for four years for Mohl Brothers. The family moved to Regina in 1956 where he worked for six years for the C.N. Express, and two years as a Custom Broker.

Ernie and his father-in-law formed a partnership in 1964. They bought Mohl’s store at Edenwold, and completely remodeled it — converting it to self-serve, and including a butcher-shop and locker plant. Now Ernie and Norma own the store, as well as 2 Hickory Farm Stores in Victoria, B.C. Ernie is active in church and community affairs. He has been a church councilman for 18 years, 6 in Regina and 12 at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Edenwold. He is a director of church camping for the Central Canada Synod. He sings in the church and community choirs. Ernie is a director of the Edenwold Memorial Rink; the Edenwold Recreation Board; the Sask. Locker Operator’s Assoc.; and is the Mayor on the Edenwold Village. He is an associate member of the Golden Age Senior Citizens’ Club.

Norma was born on August 28, 1929. She attended school in Edenwold, Luther College in Regina and Regina College. Norma is interested in church, community affairs, sports, photography, handicrafts, and continuing education. She was a charter member of the Edenwold Ladies’ Curling Club, and the Edenwold Ladies’ Community Club—serving on the executive of both organizations. She was a member of the Lutheran Church Women in Edenwold and Regina.

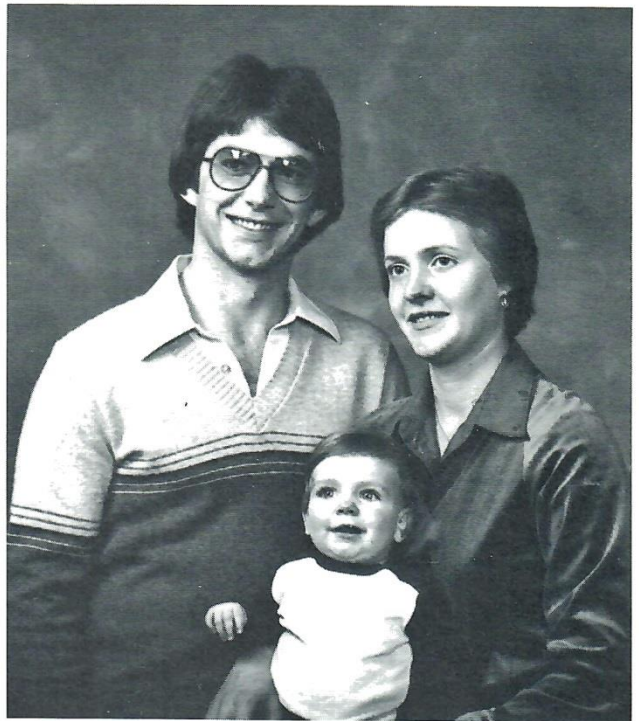
They have five children.

Kirk Kimberly Frank was born on April 6, 1952. He attended school in Edenwold, Balgonie, and Regina. After graduation he attended Military College and graduated after four years with a degree in Commerce and Economics. He is now a captain in the Armed Forces and is stationed at St. John’s, Newfoundland. On December 1, 1979 he married Yolanda Klootwyk who was born on March 7, 1954 in the Netherlands. Yolanda came to Canada in 1957 and became a Canadian Citizen in 1979.

Russell Ernest was born on July 10, 1955. He also went to school in Regina, Edenwold, and Balgonie. He attended University in Regina and Technical School in Calgary. Russell works for Sask. Government Telephones as a cableman, and was also involved with the new “fibro-optics” cable installations. On December 13, 1975 he married Anita Wick-



Yolanda and Kim Lindenbach.



Russel and Anita Lindenbach and Curtis.

enheiser who was born on October 25, 1957. She was raised on a farm near Edgeley and went to school at Edgeley and Fort Qu’Appelle. Anita has horses which she trains and rides in Gymkhanas. They have one son Curtis Lee born on April 21, 1980. Russell has been recently transferred to Estevan, Sask.

Jacqueline Gail was born in Regina on May 13, 1957. She attended school in Regina, Edenwold, and Balgonie. She attended University in Regina. She worked for the Public Service Commission, and for the Dental Plan in Regina. Now she manages her father's Hickory Farm Stores in Victoria. She is a sports enthusiast and enjoys travelling.

Sandra Kathleen was born in Regina on May 13, 1964. She attended school in Edenwold and Balgonie, and is presently taking her grade 12. She is active in all sports, in the church youth group, she enjoys singing, playing the piano. Sandy's future plans are to become a Computer Scientist.

Lori-Anne was born on December 29, 1967. She went to school in Edenwold and is presently in grade 9 at Balgonie. She enjoys skiing, drawing, singing, and likes "boys". She is active in the Edenwold Youth Group and teaches Sunday School.

Ernest

I have fond memories of my grandmother and of my uncles and aunts. I can't remember my grandfather as he died when I was quite young. The memory that stands out the most, is that they lived lives that God and man were proud of. They were and are examples that we should try to follow. They only had good things to say about each other and their neighbours.

Most of all I have the fondest memories of my

mother Amalia. "Of the Angels in Heaven, she is one of them." She was an Angel on earth as well. Who, but an angel, having a family of nine, no sewer or water, no power, no washing machine, no central heat, no money, a mud house and lots of bills, could live through times like that, and still have love left over for neighbours and friends.

Mother was a hard-working woman, even after a hard days work of cooking, working in the garden, milking, washing dishes, she would crochet, knit or sew, well into the night.

She was also a Christian woman, never missing church unless the roads were impassable. She enjoyed Ladies' Aid, the religious as well as the social aspect.

If there are any regrets, it is because we did not tell our mothers and fathers our innermost thoughts.

WE DIDN'T TELL THEM how much we appreciated all the things they have done for us. WE DIDN'T TELL THEM how much we would miss them.

WE DIDN'T TELL THEM how we would try to be like them, loving, kind, and thoughtful.

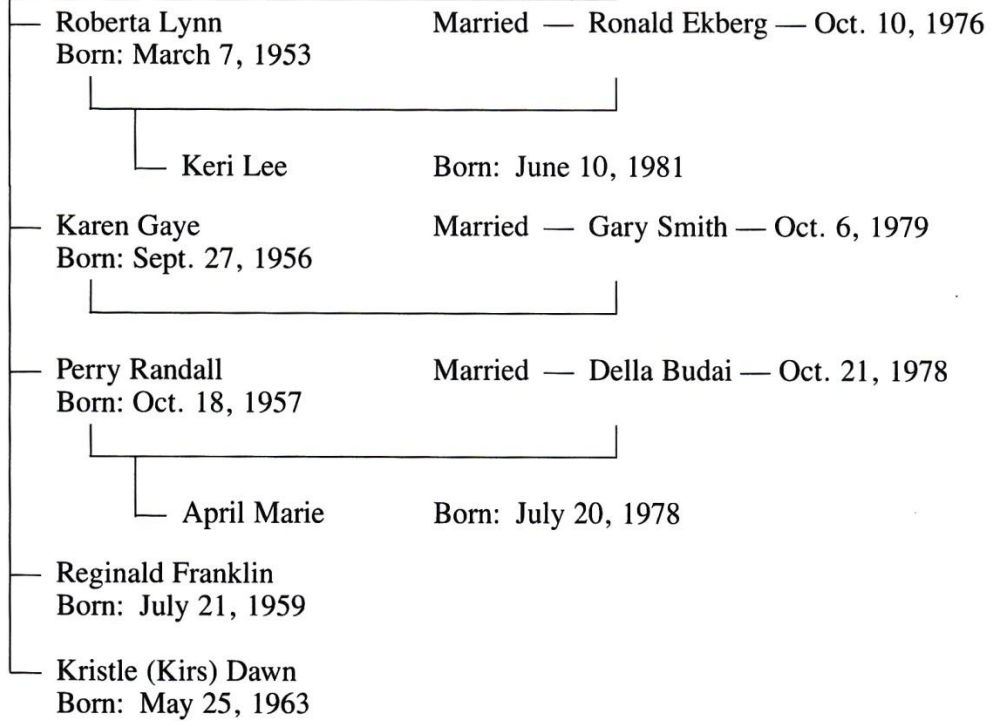
WE DIDN'T TELL THEM, or, sometimes even show that we loved them.

WE DIDN'T TELL THEM that we believe in God the Father just as they had taught us to do.

I WANT TO TELL YOU, those of you who still have parents, "tell them".

Robert Lindenbach
 Born: July 13, 1928
 Where: Edenwold, Sask.

Married — Ella Groeb — Oct. 20, 1951
 Born: Feb. 20, 1930
 Where: Edenwold, Sask.



Back: Karen, Reg, Ron Ekberg, Perry, Kristie. Front: Ella, Roberta Ekberg, Robert Lindenbach.

Robert

Robert (Bob) the youngest son of John and Amalia Lindenbach was born on July 13, 1928. Bob received his education at Rosenburg school as did his brothers and sisters.

After the death of his father in 1950, Bob continued the farming operation with his mother until the fall of 1951 when he married Ella Groeb, on October 20.

The couple then took over the family farm when Bob's mother retired to Regina. The farming operation not only involved grain farming but also a small dairy herd. Over the years Bob has expanded on the dairy operation and has made it his main enterprize. With his son Reg they have formed a partnership and have a herd of 50 milking cows plus 75 replacements.

Bob and Ella were blessed with 5 children.

Roberta Lynn was born on March 7, 1953. She is married to Ron Ekberg of McLean. They were married on October 10, 1976. They reside in Regina where Ron is a fireman and Roberta is a pharmacist, and works at the Pasqua Hospital. Their first daughter Keri Lee was born on June 10, 1981.

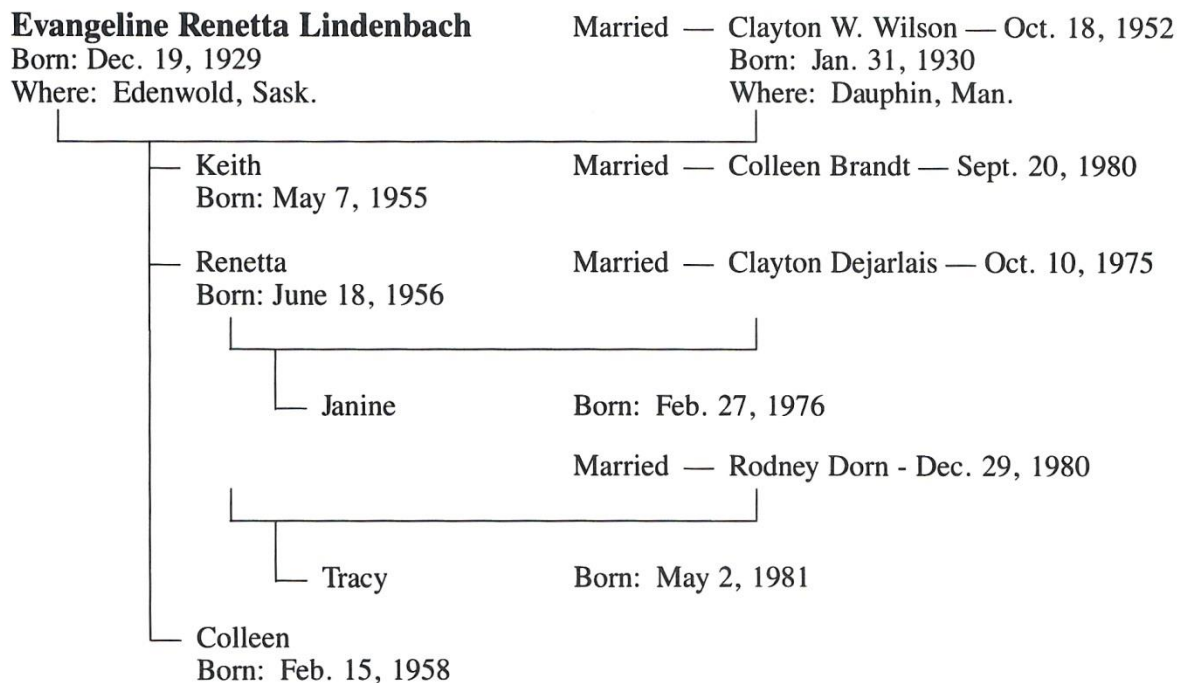
Karen Gaye was born on September 27, 1956. She married Gary Smith of Saskatoon on October 6, 1979. Karen and Gary live in Okotoks, Alberta, where they commute daily to Calgary where Karen

works for Montreal Engineering Co. as a Secretary and Gary works for Altatel as a computer salesman.

Perry Randall was born on October 18, 1957. He married Della Budhai of Kamloops, B.C., on October 21, 1978. They have a daughter April Marie, born on July 20, 1978. Perry is a Semi-truck driver and whenever he can, he enjoys helping out on the farm and some day he hopes to farm also. Perry plays hockey as a defenceman for the Edenwold Flyers. Della is a Mary Kay Consultant.

Reginald Franklin was born on July 21, 1959. Living at home, he is busy dairying with his dad. He hopes to have some show cattle in the near future. Reg is on the church council of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, he plays hockey for the Edenwold Flyers and he enjoys skiing in his spare time.

Kristle Dawn was born on May 25, 1963. She completed her schooling at Indian Head High School, where she was the president of the Student Council in her senior year. She enjoys playing the piano, singing in the choir, watching Hockey, and counselling at Luther Lodge Camp. She was also President of the Church Youth Group. After High School Kris worked for awhile at Ricki's Clothing Store and she is presently working at Energesis-Energy Analysis Ltd. as a Steno Receptionist.





Back: Clayton Wilson, Renetta, Keith, Colleen. Front: Evangeline, Janine. Inset: Tracy Dorn.

Evangeline

Evangeline Renetta Wilson was born on December 19, 1929. I was the last one born to John and Amalia Lindenbach in the old farm house at Edenwold. We were a large happy and loving family. Our parents taught us to love God and be kind to one another and to me they were fine examples of both.

I married Clayton Wilson on October 18, 1952. He was born in Grandview, Manitoba. He has been an engineer on C.N.R. for 30 years. We lived in Fort William (now Thunder Bay) for 2 years. Then he was

transferred to Regina. We lived there for five years and then we moved to Balgonie. We have 3 children.

Keith was born on May 7, 1955. He was married to Colleen Brandt on September 20, 1980.

Renetta was born on June 18, 1956. She married Rodney Dorn on December 29, 1980. They have two girls, Janine born on February 27, 1976 and Tracy born on May 2, 1981.

Colleen was born on February 15, 1958. She is engaged to Anthony Kurtz.

Frank Huber

Born: Jan. 21, 1901

Where: Austria

Died: June 30, 1969

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Olga Laskowski — Feb. 18, 1925

- Irwin Frank
- Ruth Irene
- Edwin Frank
- Ethel
- Myrtle
- Elmer Harold

Born

Oct. 18, 1926 Died: 1926

April 25, 1928

Jan. 25, 1931

Aug. 2, 1932

July 7, 1936

June 29, 1940



Frank and Olga Huber, Elmer, Ethel, Ruth, Myrtle, Edwin.

Frank Huber

Frank Huber was born in Austria on January 20, 1901, and immigrated to Canada in 1905 with his parents and 3 sisters and settled in the district later named — Serath. The same school that Frank attended as a boy, his 5 children also attended. Frank's daughter, Myrtle, remembers being in the home of her Dad's teacher, Mrs. Muir.

Frank met Olga, the daughter of Paulina and Gottlieb Laskowski, who had immigrated to Nokomis, Sask. from Germany. It was on Feb. 18, 1925 that Frank and Olga were married in the Nokomis Baptist Church. They lived with Frank's parents for 8 months. In the meantime, in the spring of 1925, not too far from his parents' home, they started building their log home. The logs were hauled from an Indian Reserve in Quinton. In October, when one room was completed, Frank and Olga moved



Frank and Olga Huber (1925).

into their own home. This was where they lived, until the fall of 1961, when they moved to Southey, Sask., into a home that Frank had built.

In those early years of farming, Frank worked the fields with horses, until able to purchase a tractor. Olga remembers — “Difficulties and hardships, Yes, we had them. But God in His Grace was always near and He saw us through. I can't forget all the joys and blessings He sent our way. To Him be all the glory.”

The Serath Baptist Church was completed and dedicated when Frank was 17 years old. The pastor, Rev. Fenske was very active with the young people, keeping them busy in the work of the church.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Serath Baptist Church was organized in 1935 with an enrollment of 12 members with Olga, as President.

Frank and Olga were faithful as parents, in taking their children to church. Frank followed in his father's footsteps and served as deacon after his father's death in 1933, until moving away in 1961 — shortly after which the Serath Baptist Church relocated in the town of Raymore to become the Raymore Baptist Church. Frank and Olga chose to move to Southey, because they knew many people there, and always found a friendly welcome there. The summer and fall of 1963, Frank and his younger son, Elmer, helped in the building of the new Southey Baptist Church, where Frank served as trustee and deacon until his death in 1969. Daughter Myrtle remembers coming home for Easter, and both Mom and Dad sang in the choir — ‘The Hallelujah Chorus’.

Besides farming, Frank built 5 houses, one of them was their own home in Southey. Frank and Olga shared over 44 years together; after heart trouble and sugar diabetes caused much suffering in the last year of his life — Frank passed away on June 30, 1969. The sign outside the Southey Baptist Church is in his memory. Frank and Olga's son-in-law has been pastor here since 1977 — Pastor Herb Bachler.

A year after Frank's death, Olga moved to Alberta, because all her children were in the west. She now resides at Salem Manor in Leduc, Alta. Frank and Olga had 3 sons and 3 daughters; their oldest son Irwin, died in infancy.

One of the pleasant memories of Myrtle, was the family devotion held after breakfast. A portion was read from the Bible by Mom or Dad, followed by prayer on our knees; then Mom would lead us in a verse of either: “Nunn nimm denn meine Hände . . .” or “Gott ist die Liebe”.

Ruth Irene was born on April 25, 1928.

Ruth and Jake Lang were married on Oct. 18, 1947 in the Serath Baptist Church. They settled on a farm about 8 miles south of Southey until 1952 when

they purchased and operated a country store in the Crosswood district. From 1954 to 1968, they lived in the town of Southey where Jake operated the Southey Transfer business and later worked for the Pioneer Grain Co. until their move to Edmonton. From 1968 to 1973, Jake was Warehouse Manager for C. A. DeFehr & Sons, after which he was employed as Campus Administrator at the North American Bap-

tist College, where he is presently working. Ruth does a lot of sewing. Their children are:

Wilbur Jacob, born in Regina on Dec. 11, 1952. Wilbur and Jeanette Sept were married on Sept. 15, 1973.

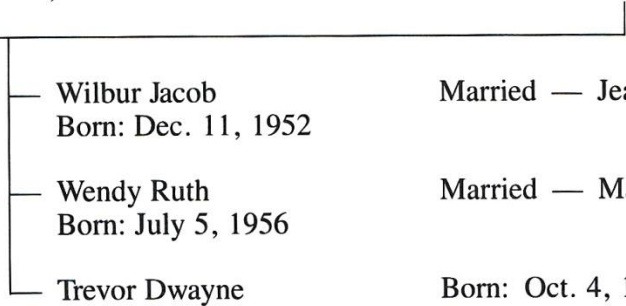
Wendy Ruth, born in Regina on July 5, 1956. Wendy and Mark Zambryzcki were married on Oct. 16, 1976.

Trevor Dwayne, born in Regina on Oct. 4, 1966.

Ruth Irene Huber

Born: April 25, 1928

Married — Jacob Lang — Oct. 18, 1947



Wilbur Jacob
Born: Dec. 11, 1952

Married — Jeanette Sept — Sept. 15, 1973

Wendy Ruth
Born: July 5, 1956

Married — Mark Zambryzcki — Oct. 16, 1976

Trevor Dwayne

Born: Oct. 4, 1966



Jake and Ruth Lang, Wilbur and Jeanette (his wife), Wendy and Trevor (at front).

Edwin Frank

Born: Jan. 25, 1931

Married — Eleanor Mentz — March 3, 1951

— Patricia Anne
Born: April 4, 1952

Married — Norman W. Gray — Nov. 4, 1979

— Charmain (daughter of Patricia Anne)

— Brian Michael
Born: June 8, 1954

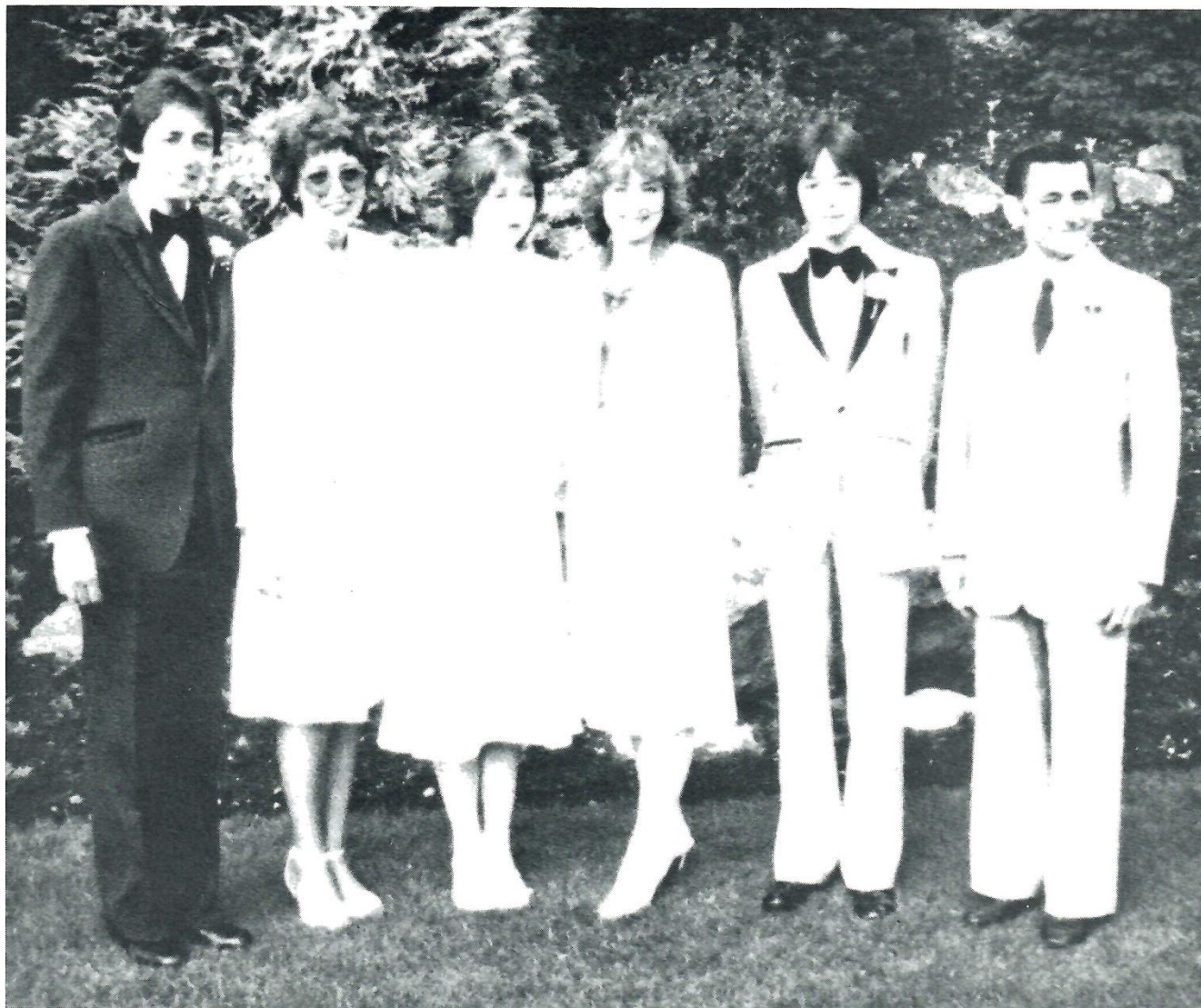
Married — Carol Ducheminski — June 20, 1981

— Sandra Lynn

Born: Feb. 20, 1962

— Darren James

Born: Sept. 27, 1964



Brian, Eleanor, Sandra, Patricia, Darren, and Edwin Huber.

Edwin Frank was born on Jan. 25, 1931. Edwin and Eleanor Mentz were married on March 3, 1951 in Regina, where they made their home until moving to Vancouver, B.C. in 1956 where Edwin owns and operates a Radio & T.V. Shop.



Patricia and Norman Gray, and Charmaine.



Brian and Carol Huber.

Ethel Doris Huber
 Married — Oswald Orthner
 (Refer to Family Tree and history on Oswald Orthner)

Myrtle Huber
 Born: July 7, 1936

Married — Herb Bachler — Oct. 12, 1957

— Janise Faith
 — Keith Malcolm

Born: Dec. 23, 1964
 Born: Feb. 25, 1968

Myrtle Ella was born on July 7, 1936. Myrtle and Herb Bachler were married on Oct. 12, 1957 in the Serath Baptist Church. They lived in Edmonton, Alberta until 1964 when Herb started teaching in the Three Hills School Division, where he taught for 11 years (3 years in Torrington, 8 years in Acme). After the call of God to go into pastoral work, they spent 2 years in Edmonton while Herb attended the North

American Baptist College. They moved to Southey, Sask. where Herb has served as Pastor at the Southey Baptist Church since Oct. 1977 and is finishing his pastoral training at the Canadian Theological College in Regina. Their children are:

Janise Faith, born on Dec. 23, 1964.

Keith Malcolm, born on Feb. 25, 1968.



Herb and Myrtle Bachler, Janise and Keith.

Elmer Harold Huber

Born: June 29, 1940

Married — Eleanor E. Howes — June 27, 1964

- Wanda Yvonne
- Benjamin Elmer
- Coralie Electra
- Marlin Earnest

- Born: Oct. 28, 1965
- Born: May 1, 1967
- Born: Oct. 16, 1970
- Born: Aug. 21, 1973



Elmer and Eleanor Huber. Back: Coralie, Benjamin, Marlin. Front: Wanda.

Elmer Harold was born on June 29, 1940. Elmer and Eleanor Howes were married on June 27, 1964 in the Southey Baptist Church. They lived in Southey, on the home farm in Serath, also in Raymore, then in July 1970 they moved to Stettler, Alberta. He now has a business at home — setting up machinery for a company in Stettler.

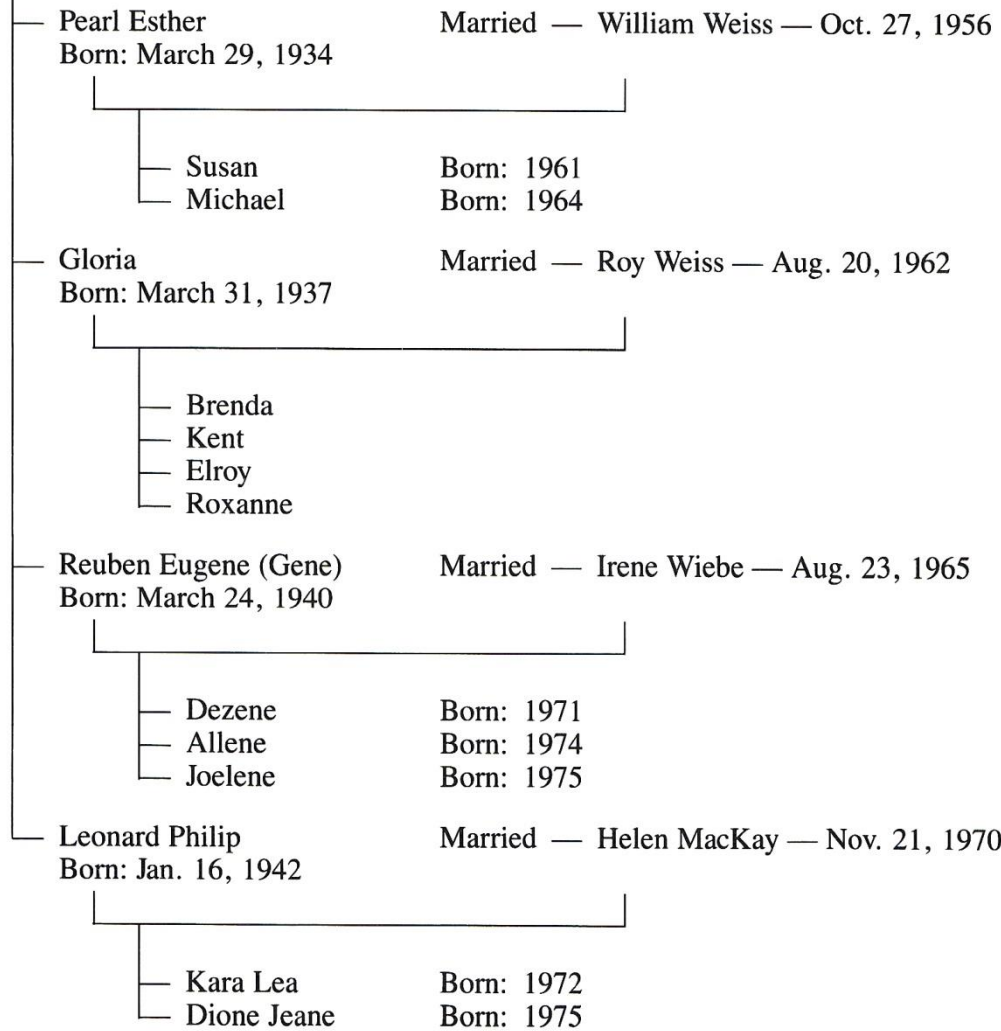
Philip Huber

Born: Jan. 6, 1906

Where: Serath, Sask.

Married — Freda Haerle — Nov. 10, 1931

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Pearl, Freda, Philip, Gloria, Eugene, and Leonard Huber.

Philip Huber

I was born at Serath, Sask. on Jan. 6, 1906, the year after the family came from Austria. I was the first citizen of Canada in the family.

I was a very sick child, and the reason for this was, that our cow went astray, and so we had to depend on the neighbors for milk. Many times we weren't able to get enough milk, and often it didn't agree with me. My brother, Frank, often told me I was nothing but skin and bones. I had a big stomach, and it was a miracle that I didn't die. My parents thought that I had tuberculosis, but it turned out I didn't. When I was about 2 years old, I fell into a pail of hot water and was badly burnt. It did not want to



Freda and Philip Huber (1931).

heal. One day the Watkins man came by, and he said that carbolic salve should do the trick, and it did. I did grow up, and attended the Serath School. I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior, and I discovered a new joy.

We attended the Baptist Church every Sunday morning and often, just to have something to do, we went to the Lutheran service on Sunday afternoon, (where our Uncles went to church).

Rev. H. Palfenier grew up in the Quinton district and later became a Baptist Evangelist. In his greetings to the Serath Baptist Church on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary he writes: "Often does my mind go back to the early days of my Christian life and my fellowship with the Serath Church. After my conversion I had the joy of following the Lord in baptism. I well remember that day when Rev. R. Fenske, that faithful servant of the Lord, immersed me in one of the big sloughs not too far from the church. Bro. Huber, the one who is now living in Olds, Alta. helped to find the proper spot for baptism."

I met Freda Haerle of Olds, Alberta at a church conference in Nokomis, Sask. I drove with my parents to Olds, and asked Freda to marry me. She wanted more time to think about it, but I said she had to decide right away. Happily, she decided to marry me. Rev. E. P. Wahl performed the ceremony on Nov. 10, 1931, at Olds, Alberta. The wedding dress cost \$13.00 and the bride's shoes cost \$2.00. We received 5 wedding gifts. Our honeymoon was the drive back to Serath, Sask. The first night we stopped in Medicine Hat. The first 2 years we lived with Mom and Dad Huber. Freda ironed shirts for 4 men (3 brothers, and Dad Huber).

In 1933, I started farming on my own; before that I had farmed with my Dad. My father's farm was 15 miles from town. When I had to haul grain to town, I got up at 4 A.M. and by 6 A.M. I had the wagon loaded and the horses harnessed. I got to the elevator about 10 A.M. and after the horses ate and rested, I left for home at 12 and arrived home by 4 P.M. It was often so cold that I had to walk beside the wagon to keep warm. After I was farming on my own, it was only 11½ miles to town. Then I left at 8 A.M. and returned by 2 P.M. Soon after that, however, there were so many cars on the road that I could not use horses anymore. Cars would go by and spatter the horses with stones. It got so bad that as soon as the horses saw a car, they would go wild and were uncontrollable.

I purchased my first car (1929 Willis) in 1934, the year Pearl was born. In 1938, I bought my first truck (1937 one-ton Chevrolet). The first tractor I had was a Massey Pacemaker with steel tires. As soon as I made the last payment on it in 1939, I traded it off for a

Massey Harris 101, which had rubber tires. It was the first rubber-tired tractor sold by the agent in Pun-nichy. It made a howling sound, but it was a good tractor. I used it until 1959. I purchased my first combine (a small John Deere) in 1943. Other farmers thought it was funny and that combining would never catch on. But the next year several of my neighbors also bought combines.

In 1941, I shipped some pigs to the Burns Packing Plant in Regina and was surprised to get a letter a few days later telling me that one of the hogs had won the prize for being the best hog shipped. I won a trip to Ottawa. I fed the pigs, oats and barley (chopped) and slop water (water used to wash our hands and faces and also dish water). Because water had to be hauled a long way, we were very careful with it.

We had 4 children: Pearl, Gloria, Eugene, and Leonard.

In 1944 we moved to Olds, Alberta. I went first and the family followed later. It was during the war, and the children remember getting chocolate from the soldiers on the train. Otherwise, chocolate was something which was not available.

We lived on one farm for awhile and then in 1946 moved to a bigger one, 4 miles away. When we moved there we put the chickens in a building and a box over the hole, allowing them in and out. About 2 hours later, there were chickens all over the yard. I asked each of the children if they knew who had pushed the box away. They all said "no", except Leonard. He said that he saw a rooster kick and kick until he kicked the box away.

I farmed at Olds until 1975, when I retired and my son, Leonard, took over the farm. I moved into the town of Olds. I still keep busy taking care of some houses and apartments which I own.

Pearl Esther was born on March 29, 1934 at Serath. Pearl and William Robert Weiss were married on October 27, 1956. They reside in the Van-



Bill and Pearl Weiss, Susan and Michael.

couver area where Bill works with CN-CP Telecommunications. Pearl spends some of her time teaching ceramics. They attend Ebenezer Baptist Church. They have 2 children: Susan (1961) is attending University and **Michael** 1964 is in High School.

Gloria Ruth was born on March 31, 1937 at Serath. Gloria and Roy Arthur Weiss were married on Aug. 20, 1962. Roy is Administrator of the Haven of Rest, a Baptist nursing home in Medicine Hat, Alta. Gloria graduated from Nurses' training in 1957. They have 4 children: **Brenda** is a nurse. **Kent** is an airplane pilot. **Elroy** works with the Agape Force and Roxanne attends elementary school. They attend Temple Baptist Church.



Roy and Gloria Weiss, Brenda, Kent, Elroy, and Roxanne.

Rueben Eugene (**Gene**) was born on March 24, 1940 at Serath. Gene and Irene Wiebe were married on Aug. 23, 1965. Gene is Professor of biochemistry at the University of Calgary. Irene is registered elec-



Gene and Irene Huber, Dezene, Allene, and Joelene.

tro-encephalograph technician. They attend Grace Baptist Church. They have 3 children: **Dezene** (1971), **Alene** (1974), and **Joelene** (1975).

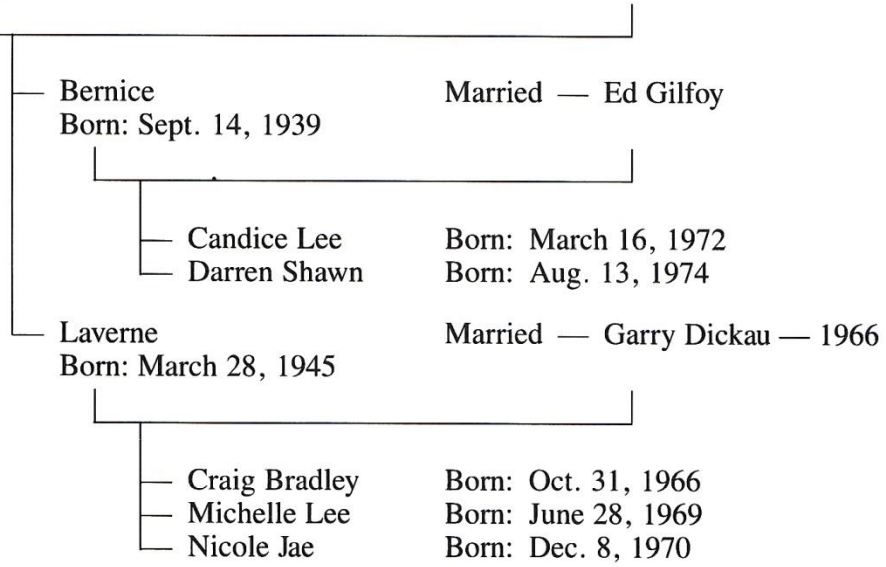
Leonard Philip was born on Jan. 16, 1942 at Regina. Leonard and Helen MacKay were married on Nov. 21, 1970. Leonard is the farmer. He began farming with his Dad right after he finished high school. He began farming by himself in 1975 after his Dad retired. They attend East Olds Baptist Church where Len was in charge of building of a new church the summer of 1981. They have 2 children: **Kara Lea** (1972), and **Dione Jeane** (1975).



Leonard and Helen Huber, Dione, and Kara Lea.

Jacob Huber
Born: Dec. 9, 1908
Died: 1979

Married — Leona Wolgemuth — Sept. 7, 1937



Jacob and Leona Huber, Bernice and Laverne.

Jacob Huber by brother Adam

Jacob Huber Jr. was born at Serath, Sask. on Dec. 9th, 1908. Jacob (Jake) and I (Adam) were the two youngest of the family and being born only two years apart, we had most things in common. Being the younger of two children, I usually gave him due respect for his elevated position, and we both enjoyed an amiable relationship.

After our Father died in 1933, the three of us (Mother, Jake and Adam) lived together and we continued our farming operation until I left home in the fall of 1935. From this point Mother and Jake carried on with the aid of some hired help.

During the next two years, Jake met his bride-to-



Jacob and Leona Huber (1937).

be, Leona Wolgemuth of Burstal, Sask. and on Sept. 7, 1937 they were married. He had purchased a new 1937 Chevrolet and shortly after the wedding they undertook a journey, taking me and 2 other Seminary students to Rochester, New York. The second part of the honeymoon must have been much more enjoyable. This was the beginning of their very happy married life of over 42 years.

Jake and Leona farmed at Serath, Sask. until 1946. That year he sold his farm and farm equipment and moved to Leduc, Alberta where he had purchased a very productive $\frac{1}{2}$ section of land southwest of the town of Leduc. He enjoyed his farming experience under such ideal conditions, being able to work his land without anything to obstruct his way, like stones, bushes and sloughs. They purchased this land a number of years before oil was discovered in that general area. It wasn't until a number of years later that oil was discovered on the lower $\frac{1}{4}$ of their land, but because it was on the outskirts of the oilfield, it was pumped dry in a number of years, yet it is still to this day, producing dry gas which is being piped to Leduc and supplying them with much-needed fuel.

They farmed in Leduc from 1946 to 1958. They sold the farm and machinery, and built a beautiful home in Edmonton, Alberta where they lived for 13 years. While in Edmonton, Jake established the ALBERTA TROPHY SHOP, which was a profitable and fascinating adventure. For years, he made and sold his very popular product from his shop. This venture brought out his creative ability.

Their next move was to Kelowna, British Columbia in 1971. Here they built a Spanish-type home on the west slope of Lake Okanagan, overlooking a very beautiful panorama of hills, valleys and the large lake. After living in this house for eight years, Jake has passed away, and because of the difficulty of upkeep, Leona has now sold the home and bought into a condominium in downtown Kelowna.

Jake and Leona were blest with 2 children, Bernice and LaVerne. Bernice was born Sept. 14, 1939 in Serath, Sask. and LaVerne was born March 28, 1945 at Southey, Sask. Bernice went to school in Saskatchewan until they moved to Alberta and when LaVerne was of age, they both attended the Alberta schools. They had a Christian upbringing which helped them to make the proper adjustments in life and to find their proper place in society.

Bernice married Ed Gilfoy, who was marketing manager for Chrysler for many years and is now self-employed as Automotive consultant. They are living in Vancouver, B.C. They have 2 children, Candice Lee born March 16, 1972, and Darren Shawn born Aug. 13, 1974. Bernice is an executive secretary and homemaker.



Michelle, Craig, Nicole Dickau. Front: Candace and Darren Gilfoy.

LaVerne married Garry Dickau in Edmonton in 1966. They have a family of 3 children. Craig Bradley was born Oct. 31, 1966; Michelle Lee born June 28, 1969 and Nichole Jae born Dec. 8, 1970. Garry is Vice-Principal of the Junior High School in Leduc, Alta. and LaVerne is assistant in the Art Gallery at Leduc, and homemaker.

Jake and Leona have been active in the church and community wherever they have lived. Jake was mostly a deacon in the churches and sang in the mixed and men's choirs. Leona loved to work with the ladies' groups.



Laverne and Garry Dickau, Craig, Michelle, Nicole.

For 9 years, Jake was also treasurer of the Christian Training Institute, now the North American Baptist College at Edmonton, Alberta. He was also on the executive board by reason of his office.

They have both lived a full and active life in their 42 years of marriage. May God continue to bless the fruits of their labor.

Adam Huber
Born: Dec. 25, 1910

Married — Violet Delk — June 8, 1941
Born: Feb. 14, 1914

Douglas
Wallace
James

Married — Cindy Spanier

Married — Lois Friesen

Timothy Jay

Born: July 6, 1981



Wallace, Adam, Violet, Douglas and Jay Huber (1958).

Adam Huber

Adam was born on December 25, 1910 at Serath, Saskatchewan. Having been born five years after our parents located on the prairies of Saskatchewan, I have no recollections of the earliest pioneer days. By the time I appeared on the scene, and can recall, farmers were quite independent and had well advanced in the farming process. There were no graded roads, but we followed well-worn trails created by horse-drawn vehicles. Railroads were built, and whereas at the beginning our parents had to travel 60 miles to our closest town, we now lived within 15

miles. When farmers began to purchase cars, the roads gradually also improved to the point that we now have a paved highway next to our farm, serving the world.

I recall my growing up years as a very happy time. We always enjoyed exceptionally good family relations, a Christian home and caring parents. Our interests centered around school, church, and various local activities of the community. In the summer we all shared in farm responsibilities as we were able; and in the winter, besides the farm chores, we enjoyed such activities as hunting, sledding, skiing (if we could make our own skis).

The evenings were spent with music and singing



Adam and Violet Huber (1941).

(we had an organ and other instruments) with reading, playing games, handcrafts, and doing many creative things seldom done by our present generation.

It wasn't until 1918 when the first telephone line was built that we could begin to communicate with the rest of the world. As the country became settled, weekly newspapers made their appearance and our horizon expanded.

Our first radio in the community, as far as I know, was a self-made set by my brother Frank, made in 1922. It was indeed crude, but nevertheless we could hear, one at a time, with earphones. From this point on, all industry and manufacturing began to expand, and we felt that we had achieved status in the modern world of that day.

In education, as time went on, the standards were improved, so that by the time I graduated from Grade 8, we had government tests and authentic graduation certificates. For me, high school was out of the question. The closest high school was 15 miles away, and out of reach for our family as well as others that qualified.

In our community, the church played a vital role in the life of our family. I was one of the young men of our church who was called into the ministry. I received my pastoral training at the Rochester Baptist Seminary in Rochester, New York. I left home in the fall of 1935 and after 6 years of intense training, graduated in the spring of 1941. Then followed two important happenings which were to set the stage for my future life in the ministry. The first was in relation to a helpmate. Fortunately, I had met her in North Dakota as I journeyed back and forth to seminary. A former pastor of our church had moved to North Dakota and lived on my bus route, so I used to stop off and visit. On one of those visits he informed me that he wanted to introduce me to a very fine Christian teacher of the local school, Violet MarVelle Delk. From that meeting a romance developed, which led to our marriage on June 8, 1941. After my graduation, the end of May, I had received a call to be the pastor of the Temple Baptist Church in Leduc, Alberta and the Rabbit Hill Baptist Church of South Edmonton. I accepted the call, and after our June wedding, we proceeded in a 1936 Chevrolet to our destination.

The second happening was my ordination into the Christian ministry on July 12, 1941. It was a very meaningful dedication and a deeply spiritual experience; first the examination process and then the laying on my head of the hands of all the pastors present, with a dedication prayer. This launched both of us into the Lord's work. July 12, 1981 marked our fortieth year in the ministry. We praise the Lord for it.

Violet comes from a very dedicated Mennonite Brethren family of Harvey, North Dakota. She is gifted in many ways, and has been a real helpmate in our ministry. She has also been a very devoted mother to our 3 children. She comes out of a family of 9 children, and therefore well adjusted to family living. God has blest our family with much love and understanding.

Our first pastorate was 7 years long and full of eventful happenings. Here our first two children were born; Douglas, the oldest, and then Wallace. We lived in a very small house which was easily furnished and was adequate for a beginning ministry. Our farming people supplied us with a lot of food and much loving help and understanding. During this ministry, Vye purchased her first Vibra Harp and learned to play it quite effectively.

Our second pastorate was in Linton, and Hazelton, North Dakota. Linton was the larger church and Hazelton the smaller one. At one time there were 7 stations in this community. When driving became more simplified by better roads and cars, they would come from greater distances. Our ministry in these churches was 3½ years and was blest by the Lord in many ways. We especially experienced growth by adding new converts.

Our next move was to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where our third son, Jay was born. Here we served only one congregation. When we accepted the call, the church was worshipping in the basement of a new church building that was under construction, and finished within our first year there. This was a larger congregation and a bigger challenge. Our special ministry was among the young people, many of whom are now in the ministry or are missionaries overseas.

The challenge of the next 5½ years was in church planting. A church was started in a growing suburb of Minneapolis, to which we were called to minister. Such projects are slow and difficult in the beginning, but the Lord blest and at the end of our ministry there, we were established, had built the first unit of our church, and left a membership of 75 active members.

In 1964, we accepted a call to the Southwood Park Baptist Church of Portland, Oregon, which was our last ministry to a church. It lasted 8 years, during which time we experienced some of our greatest challenges in our ministry; yet the Lord was faithful then and in all of the years we served Him.

After we completed this ministry, we built a home and expected to settle down to retirement. Then a call came to become the chaplain of Baptist Manor, our local denominational retirement and nursing home with 230 residents and patients. It has been a very rewarding ministry in which I am still

serving at the present time. Vye too is helping along by playing her Vibra Harp almost every Sunday in the services. These five years have been a most challenging and fulfilling ministry to our worthy senior citizens.

Since our youngest son Jay was in third grade, Vye has been a teacher and later a librarian teacher in public years in the cities of Minneapolis and Portland. During her teaching years she also continued her education, so that the present time she holds a Bachelor of Science degree, a Master's degree and is only 30 credits from achieving a Doctorate. She is still busy in her profession and enjoying it. During our ministry in Minneapolis, I also continued my studies at Bethel College in St. Paul and at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis. Vye has also acquired a new Deagan Vibra Harp and has been active in a musical ministry in all the churches we served.

Our children have had good opportunities for an education. They are all employed in work of their own choice and are all applying themselves well. Douglas works in Radio Broadcasting. He has a low clear voice and is able to make good use of it. He works in New Orleans, Louisiana.



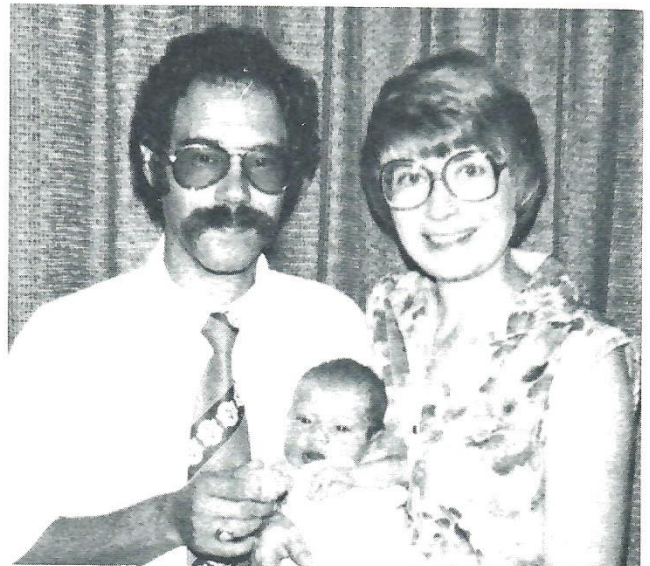
Douglas Huber.

Wallace, after a number of years of his College work, went into Carpentry, but at the present time is a salesman in British Columbia for the North Columbia Trading Co. of Enderby, B.C.



Wallace Huber.

Jay and his wife Lois are both teachers. They both are music majors from College. Jay is in charge of all the music in high school near Hutchinson, Kansas. Lois teaches kindergarten in the city of Hutchinson. They made us Grandparents on July 6, 1981, when Timothy Jay was born.



Jay and Lois Huber, and Timothy.

Our life has been blessed and eventful, and we are grateful to God for His wonderful direction.



Frank, Philip, Jacob, Adam, Emelia, Amalia, Anna — 1959.

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Jacob Jr., Dorothea, Adam — 1936.



Adam, seminary student — 1938.



Adam and Jake (standing), Frank (seated).



Philip and Frank Huber, Karl Orthner, 1927 Band.



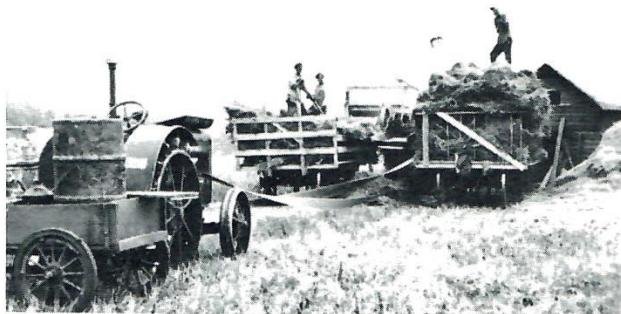
Dorothea — 1936.



Moving granary, 1930, on Jacob Huber Jr. farm.



F. Huber organ.



Philip S., Bill Orthner, Frank H., Mrs. Muir, Ella Orthner, Anna H., Emily and Molly Hubick.



Freda and Philip — 1934.



Serath Baptist Church — 1918.



Last wedding performed in the Serath Baptist Church. Herb and Myrtle Bachler, 1957.



Ethel, Edwin, Ruth, Myrtle and Elmer — 1941.



Olga, Myrtle, Ruth, Ethel, Edwin.



Frank and Olga's house — 1926.

Thoughts of the Thirties

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The decade between 1929 and 1939 known as the Great Depression was world wide. It created hardships for hundreds of thousands of people throughout the world. The western Canadian farmer was doubly hard hit because not only did he suffer low prices for the products that he had to sell but the drought of the prairies resulted in many crop failures as well. He not only had very little produce to sell but what he did sell brought very low prices.

This was the period of very low rainfall. Sloughs and wells ran dry and water had to be hauled by barrels and water tanks on wagons to provide for livestock and household. This was the period of high winds and dust storms. Farmers planted their seed in the ground only to have it blown out by the wind. Precious top soil was lost by the ton, blown in fence rows, road allowances and bushes. The sun was often blotted out at high noon turning day into night. Farmers got lost walking from their house to the barn. Dust and grit were everywhere and could not be kept out of the house. This was the period of the Russian thistles choking out the grain crops, they could grow where nothing else grew. Grasshopper plagues were common. The insects would fly in huge swarms sometimes blotting out the sun. Tons of poison were spread in an attempt to control them but much crop was lost to their voracious appetites. Army worms were another plague that farmers had to contend with. These green-colored worms would travel in huge hordes by the countless millions and would stop at nothing. They would climb over buildings rather than go around them. Their slippery green mashed bodies were everywhere.

This was the period of 19¢ wheat, 5¢ per dozen for eggs, \$8.00 to \$10.00 per animal for cattle shipped to market. Stories of farmers shipping cattle to market and being charged extra for freight were not uncommon.

This was the period when many farmers from the southern part of the province, where the drought,

winds and crop failures were the most severe, abandoned and moved north. They loaded their worldly possessions on a hayrack pulled by a team of skinny horses, with a cow or two tied behind and a dog running alongside. They hoped to start a new life in the north country where there were trees, no winds and less drought.

This was the period when many farmers could not run their cars and had to set them up on blocks or alternately, remove the motors, attach a hitch and a pole to the front and travel by horsepower. These conversions were named "Bennett Buggies" in "honor" of R. B. Bennet, Canada's Prime Minister at that time.

How did we survive?

In spite of the hardships, frustrations and hard work, there were many good times. We always had enough to eat even if the variety was limited. There were no supermarkets with their convenience foods, frozen, packaged and ready for the table or oven. There was always plenty of farm produce: beef, pork, chicken, eggs, milk, cream, butter and cottage cheese, etc. While garden yields were not always heavy, they were usually large in area and most of the time they produced enough potatoes and other vegetables to be stored in the cellars or canned for the winter. Many districts had a flour mill where farmers could bring their wheat to be ground into flour. Coffee was often home-made from roasted barley and chicory.

The farm wife would bake bread at least once a week. In addition to the many loaves of bread, there would be buns, cinnamon rolls and dozens of doughnuts baked at the same time. Fresh fruit was always in short supply and only bought on special occasions, like oranges at Christmas. A box or two of apples would be bought after harvest. A banana or orange was always a special treat. Dried fruits, however, were a standby that could be bought at any time of the year. Good use was made of the wild fruits such as Saskatoon berries and chokecherries. Saskatoons

were eaten fresh with sugar and cream, in pies or canned in sealers. Chokecherries made good jellies.

Farmers always butchered their own beef and pork, usually in the winter, when the meat could be frozen. If the weather was warm, it would have to be canned in sealers. They made their own sausage and bacon that would be smoked in their smoke houses. This smoked meat would keep well, even in the summer. Pork butchering, processing and sausage making was a real art and the farmer that was skilled in this way was in great demand. It was often said that everything was used on the pig except the squeel! Hams and bacons were trimmed and smoked, trimmings and other meats were ground up for sausage. The sausage casings were made from the intestines of the pig after cleaning and scraping. The skin, ears and meat from the head were ground up and made into head cheese and "press-maw" by cooking and pressing into the stomach of the pig. The fat was rendered into lard, the feet were made into jellied pigs feet. What was left? The squeel! Often 2 or 3 farmers would pool their time and skills to help one another in the butchering and make an occasion of it.

There were no fridges or deepfreezers. If a farmer was fortunate enough to have a lake or large slough with water not too far away, he would cut the ice in the winter, when the ice was thick enough, into large slabs and haul it by sleigh to his ice house and cover it with straw. This would keep for most of the summer. Here he would store his milk, cream and butter. Those not so fortunate to have ice, would hang their milk and cream down a well to keep it cool and fresh.

There were no modern homes with hot and cold running water, or bathrooms with toilet, sink, tub and shower. Water was carried by pail from the well. If the well had a pump, with no motor, it had to be pumped by hand. If the leather valve in the bottom of the pump was dry, it had to be primed by pouring a dipperful of water down the pump from the top and pumping vigorously to get the pump started. The more affluent farmer had gas engines to do the pumping for him. If the well didn't have a pump, a pail had to be attached to the end of a rope, dipped into the water and pulled up hand over hand. Two pails would usually be carried up at a time. One pail for the hot water tank on the stove, the other on the washstand beside the wash basin for drinking, cooking and cold water for washing. A slop pail was set under the washstand to catch the waste water. This had to be emptied when full. The toilet was a small building, often called a 'biffy', set behind the house over a hole in the ground. It had a round hole cut in the bench to sit on. Very uncomfortable in the winter when cold drafts whistled up through that hole! Users of this facility did not dally too long! It was always well

stocked with an Eaton's catalogue hanging on a nail. Bathing facilities consisted of a round tin wash tub, set in the middle of the kitchen floor. Every Saturday night, the tub was filled with hot water, from the boiler on the stove, and the family would take turns having their bath. The smaller members could sit with their feet inside the tub. The larger had to dangle their feet outside. The first bather had the benefit of clean water, each succeeding bather would dip out a pail of dirty water and add a fresh pail of clean hot water!

There were no automatic washers and dryers. If there was a slough or lake nearby that wasn't dried up, a couple of barrels of this soft water would be hauled on a stoneboat (a flat heavy wooden sled) to sit beside the house. From this, the housewife would fill her copper boiler on the stove to heat the water. In the winter, snow would be brought inside to be melted. The clothes would then be scrubbed on the scrub board in the tub with homemade lye soap. (No ready prepared laundry soap or detergent in a handy box.) This was a heavy chore for a large family. If the housewife was lucky, she might have a washing machine operated by hand, or if luckier still, she may have one powered by a small gas engine.

The majority of homes in those days did not have automatic gas-fired, forced-air furnaces. A small, wood-fired, Quebec heater in the living room and the cook stove in the kitchen provided all the heat for most farm homes. Gathering the years' supply of firewood was always a major winter chore. Several days would be spent in early winter, cutting the trees by axe, loading them on a sleigh and hauling home with a team of horses. The poles would be unloaded and stacked in a large pile. When a year's supply was stacked in this way, the wood would be sawn in stove lengths and thrown onto a pile close to the house. As it would take about five men to do the sawing, neighbors would help one another by organizing wood-cutting bees. A prudent farmer would try to keep at least a year's supply on hand in order to give the green Poplar time to season. Seasoned wood would burn well and give a good hot fire, but fresh green wood was difficult to burn and would give off a lot of smoke and soot requiring more frequent chimney and pipe cleaning.

Electric power in the early thirties was unknown to most Sask. farmers. A few farmers installed 6-volt windchargers on their house roof to charge 6-volt radio "A" batteries. Some of these would be hooked up to one or two 6-volt bulbs for lighting purposes. While some of these windchargers were commercial models, there were a number of them built by enterprising farmers using a car generator and carving a propeller to catch the wind. For the most part, the

main source of light was provided by coal oil lamps which would give a very dim light, or the much brighter gas lamps that had a habit of running out of gas at the most inopportune times. In later years, 32-volt plants came into use giving a much more reliable source of power for lighting and a limited number of appliances. After the war, hydro power was made available to most Sask. farms and helped to raise the standard of living on a par with city dwellers.

Harvesting; harvesting was always the most exciting time of the year, even when the crops weren't too good. In late July, or early August, the farmer would pull out the old binder from the fence corner to check for repairs. The canvas would be patched and installed, and if the fields were ready, it would be oiled and greased, four horses would be hitched to the front, the farmer would climb on board and would start to cut the crop. A long bamboo whip was standard equipment to encourage the horses to keep moving steadily around the field. The binder was a machine used to cut the crop, to bind it into a bundle or sheaf with twine. The sheaf would be kicked onto a bundle carrier which would in turn drop the sheaves, usually 5 or 6 at a time into neat rows ready for the stooker. The stookers would follow the binder setting the pile of sheaves into upright stooks of 5 or 6 sheaves to assist in the ripening of the grain and to keep it off the ground where it might spoil if it rained.

Binding and stooking was the preliminary part of the harvest operation. Threshing was the final operation to put the grain in the bin. By the time of the '30's, the large steam outfits of the '20's had been replaced by the smaller gas-powered outfits. These handled six or eight teams with racks to pick up the sheaves and bring them to the thresher to be threshed and the grain separated from the chaff and straw. The owner of the outfit was usually the thresherman whose responsibility it was to keep the machine in proper repair and adjustment to thresh the maximum amount of grain from the sheaves. This took a certain amount of expertise to keep the cylinder, concaves, sieves, wind, tailings return, etc., in the correct adjustment for maximum efficiency. A good thresherman was always in demand.

In the early fall, a farmer who owned a threshing outfit, would contract with a number of neighboring farmers to thresh their crops for them at a set price per

bushel. The farmer would often provide a team, rack and wagon to haul stooks on the outfit. The work was hard and the hours were long but most of the young men of the district looked forward to threshing as there was always a lot of comradery, horseplay and friendly competition to see who could build the highest loads. This was also the time of the year when better wages could be earned than during the rest of the year. Wages were up to \$2.00 per day or \$2.50 with team and rack. A long run of 3 to 4 weeks could add extra money to empty pockets.

At threshing time, the day started even earlier than during the rest of the year. We would get up in the dark, feed, curry and harness by the dim light of a coal oil lantern before breakfast. We would be out in the field ready to load sheaves at sun-up. With the hard work, we worked up good appetites and always looked forward to the meals. These were always sumptuous and included porridge, fried eggs and bacon, fried potatoes, homemade bread, jam, coffee and milk for breakfast. Morning and afternoon lunches were sandwiches, doughnuts and coffee brought out in a five-gallon cream can. Dinner and supper were always large and included meats, vegetables, chicken, homemade pies, doughnuts, bread and lots of coffee and milk.

While the men worked hard to get the harvests in, the farm wives were the real heroes of the threshing days. They would often be up in the dark before the men, to prepare the breakfast and set the table. After breakfast, there were dishes to wash, chores to attend to like milking cows, feeding calves, hogs and chickens. Sandwiches had to be made for the morning lunch. Then there were chickens to catch and butcher and prepare for dinner. Bread, cakes, pies and doughnuts to bake and meals to prepare and often late at night, bread dough to set for the next day's baking.

When the combines became popular after the war and replaced the threshing outfits, I felt that there was something missing from the harvesting scene. While the combines were much more efficient and economical than the threshing machines, the comradery of the threshing days were gone.

It is a sad reflection on our world, but it took a war to break the back of the depression and return prosperity to our country.

Welcome Song

We welcome you all to our gathering tonight,
We hope you'll enjoy these days that we've
planned.

It's great that you've come and answered our
call,

Now let's get acquainted today.

We'll talk and we'll eat, we'll laugh and we'll
sing,

We'll try to cover most everything.

Now we're leaving the rest of it all up to you,
We know you can do it, please do.



The Orthner Family Reunion

On July 18, 1981, 272 members of the Orthner family registered for a family banquet in the Balaton Hall in Regina, Sask. In addition, there were 10-15 small children and babies that were not registered. The reunion was a two-day event starting Saturday afternoon on July 18, 1981 and continued through Sunday, July 19, 1981. The festivities started with registration on Saturday afternoon. Upon registration, each guest was given a colored name tag representing the branch of the family of which he was a member.

The afternoon was spent in socializing, meeting and visiting with relatives, many for the first time. Of special interest were the family tree charts that were displayed on one wall of the hall. The collection of old photographs was another focal point that drew a lot of interested relatives.

The banquet in the evening started with a welcome song by the reunion committee followed by an address of welcome by Julius Orthner and grace by Herb Bachler.

After the meal, the head table was introduced then Harold Kramer introduced Stan Oxelgren who brought greetings from the city of Regina. Stan is a member on city council and acting mayor. Julius Orthner introduced Gordon McMurchy, member of the Legislative Assembly and Minister of Agriculture for the Sask. Government. He brought greetings from the province. Eric Kramer thanked the speakers.

A representative of each branch of the family gave a brief presentation as follows: Karl Orthner branch — Bob Orthner; Rudolf Orthner branch — Don Orthner; Adolph Orthner branch — Oswald Orthner; Dorothy (Orthner) Huber — Adam Huber. The presentations consisted of brief histories, stories and anecdotes.

An honor table of second generation Orthners present had been set aside to recognize our oldest living relatives. They were:

Adam and Violet Huber — Adam is a son of Dorothy.

Philip and Freda Huber — Philip is a son of Dorothy.

Lena Orthner — wife of Gustave Orthner who was a son of Adolph.

Annie Orthner — wife of Frank Orthner who was a son of Adolph.

Ruby Orthner — wife of Bill Orthner who was a son of Adolph.

Olga Huber — wife of Frank Huber who was a son of Dorothy.

Ferdinand Orthner — son of Karl Orthner.

ANNIE ORTHNER - WIFE OF KARL ORTHNER
FREDA + HERB FINLEY - SISTER TO 180
GEORGE ORTHNER
SENIOR

Sieg Orthner M.C. proposed a toast to the "Honor Table" followed by a presentation of an engraved plaque to Ferdinand Orthner for the oldest living relative present at the reunion. He is 86 years of age. A presentation was also made to the youngest member present, a small porcelain skunk called "The Little Stinker". This went to Leanne, daughter of Lloyd and Lynn Orthner. She was 10 weeks old.

Lloyd, speaking on behalf of his generation, reflected on what had been said about our ancestors, how they accepted the Lord as their Savior, then stood firm through persecution and hard times. He challenged his generation to show the same faithfulness that was displayed by their patriarchs.

To recognize our American relatives, Harold and Minnie presented cups with Canadian emblems to: Adam and Violet Huber, Spokane, Wash.; Bob and Norma (Cookie) Orthner, Burlington, Iowa; Don and Eleanor Orthner, Lansing, Mich.; Vivian O'Brien, Tonawanda, N. Y. and Colleen Christman, Tonawanda, N. Y.

The group was entertained throughout the evening by a number of musical numbers, songs and skits that were provided by the following:

A number of songs, including some in German, by Ernie and the Lindenbach Singers.

A skit by the Rudolf Orthner family.

A musical number by Don Orthner on the flute and his wife Eleanor on the piano.

A musical number by Myrtle and Herb Bachler, Elmer and Eleanor Huber.

A number of songs by Valerie Hopkinson accompanied by herself on the piano.

A poem read by Dorothy Kibler composed by herself.

Draws were made for door prizes throughout the evening. The evening program concluded with Eric Kramer thanking the committee.

The Sunday portion of the reunion was held at the Green Acres Golf Club eleven miles east of Regina starting with a family church service in the morning with Rev. Adam Huber speaking. As the weather was warm and sunny, the service was held outdoors. Fried chicken was served for lunch and the afternoon was taken up with more visiting and a variety of sports including horseshoe, a softball game, and golf. Hearty appetites after the sports were satisfied with hotdogs and lemonade.

As they left for their respective homes, many thanked the members of the committee for planning the reunion and expressed their thanks for the wonderful time.

The original seed for an Orthner reunion was planted three or four years ago when Oswald, Julius and Sieg Orthner talked about it but no action was

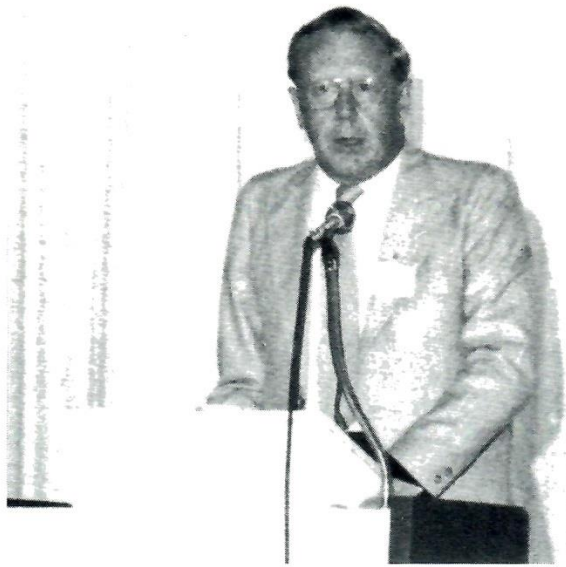
taken at the time. Oswald contacted some relatives while on tour in the United States some years ago and continued to add to this list, making phone calls to the States. The idea gained some momentum with the many 1980 Saskatchewan Homecomings. In the fall of 1980, Julius and Tegwen Orthner met at the home of Sieg and Viola Orthner in Regina to lay the groundwork. A tentative committee was suggested

and a meeting was called at the home of Sieg and Viola Orthner in November. Plans were formulated and letters were mailed to all known relatives. The initial response was favorable and further meetings were held and sub-committees were appointed. A family history book was also considered at this time and Friesens Publishers of Altona, Manitoba, were chosen.

Orthner Reunion — July, 1981



Senior Members at Honor Table.



Stan Oxelgren, Alderman representative of Regina.



Gordon MacMurchy, MLA representative of Saskatchewan.



Orthner Reunion Committee singing "The Welcome" song.



Sunday morning service.



Sunday afternoon.



Banquet Saturday evening.

Conclusion

In reading the histories in this book we see that each generation has gone through many changes. We are too late in getting a detailed geneology of our people but want to pay tribute to Frank Orthner, son of Rudolf Orthner, in the United States for putting some history down on paper and to Esther Neff his niece for preserving it for us. Many of us had this opportunity but failed to use it. Through reading this story we realize what conditions were like in central Europe at that time and know that these conditions continued after they left.

Through making this book we have come to know more about our relatives in the United States and pleased to know that they have continued to serve their Lord in the new land. The remaining members of the family came to Canada, about sixty miles north of Regina to make a "Seret" district that they had dreamed about in the homeland, away from the unrest of a military regime. Here they could own land, build homes and raise their families. Here they had freedom of worship and an opportunity to educate their children. Through hard work they changed the face of the bald prairie to homes, farmyards, fields of grain and pastures with grazing cattle.

As we read an account of what brought our ancestors to this land, let us not rest on our laurels and say, "These are my roots." Instead, let us be proud of our ancestors, thanking God for his providence in bringing them to Himself and guiding them safely to this continent. It is true that life was very difficult for them when they took their stand for the Lord but He was faithful in caring for them. Though we live in a different country and under much different circumstances we too need the Savior just as much as they did. Today we can be lured away by social pressures and luring pleasures and become soft by our protective society, that we don't feel the need for divine help. We are really all pilgrims in this world. We all have one life to live before we face our Maker. It isn't what our forefathers were that will make the difference therefore let us show the same stamina and fortitude that they portrayed, in living our lives to-

day. Each one has access to a spiritual heritage with Christ and the decision is ours before we face our Maker.

It is our hope that this book has fulfilled your expectations. Thank you for your co-operation in sending in your pictures and histories and also for being so patient in waiting for this book. May God bless each one that reads it.

Tegwen Orthner

Deeds, Not Heredity

They will not ask you, "What have you done?"
Not, "Who were your ancestors?"

The famous veil in the sanctuary
Is not revered by the faithful
Because it came from the silkworm.

Are All The Children In?

I think oftentimes as the night draws nigh
Of an old house on the hill,
Of a yard all wide and blossom-starred
Where the children played at will.
And when the night at last came down,
Hushing the merry din,
Mother would look around and ask,
"Are all the children in?"

'Tis many and many a year since then,
And the old house on the hill
No longer echoes to childish feet,
And the yard is still, so still.
But I see it all, as the shadows creep,
And though many the years have been
Since then, I can hear mother ask,
"Are all the children in?"

I wonder if when the shadows fall
On the last short, earthly day,
When we say good-bye to the world outside,
All tired with our childish play,
When we step out into that Other Land
Where mother so long has been
Will we hear her ask, just as of old,
"Are all the children in?"

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