

Meents Family History

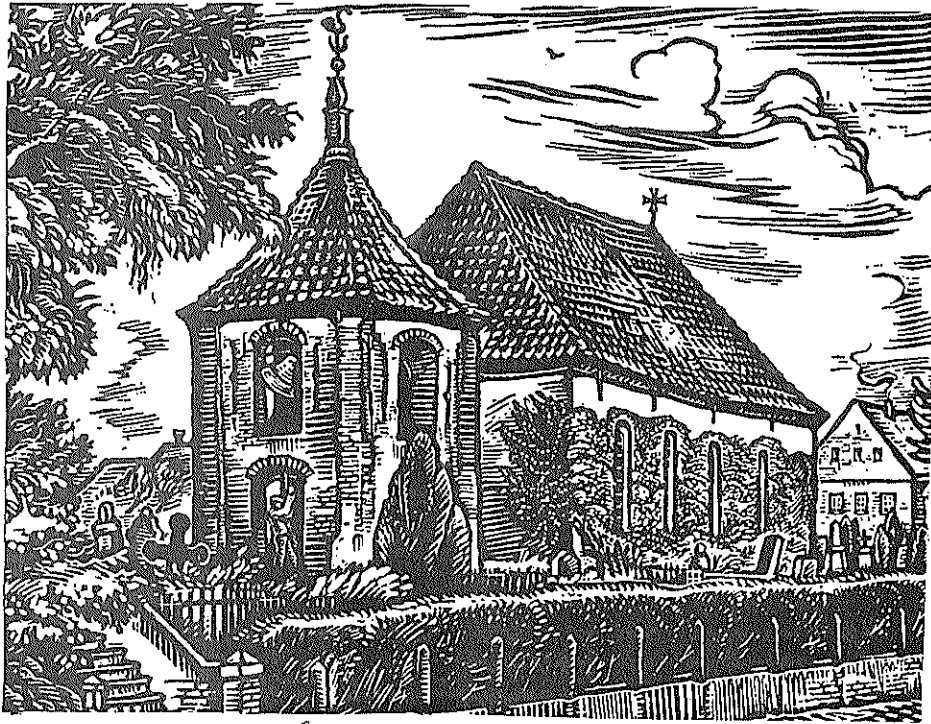
History of Ostfriesland

Until 1744 Ostfriesland was called Furstentum. It was the only German land which had a Parlement. From 1744-1806 it belonged to PreuBen; from 1806-1810 to Holland; 1810-1814 to France; from 1814-1866 to the Kingdom of Hannover; 1866-1871 back to PreuBen; and 1871-1945 to Germany. In 1945 it was conquered by the British, and in 1946 it went to Niedersachsen. In 1949 it became a Niedersachsen member of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Ostfriesland has a sandy soil with marshy country. Along the coast of the North Sea is very good land, it is called "seaclay". This is a sediment that comes from the sea -- as it builds -- new dams or dikes are built to make the land available for farming, the new land is called Groden. This is the best farm ground. At the sluice (river) is a little harbor and it is called Siel -- thus the names for Friedrichsgroden and Carolinensiel.

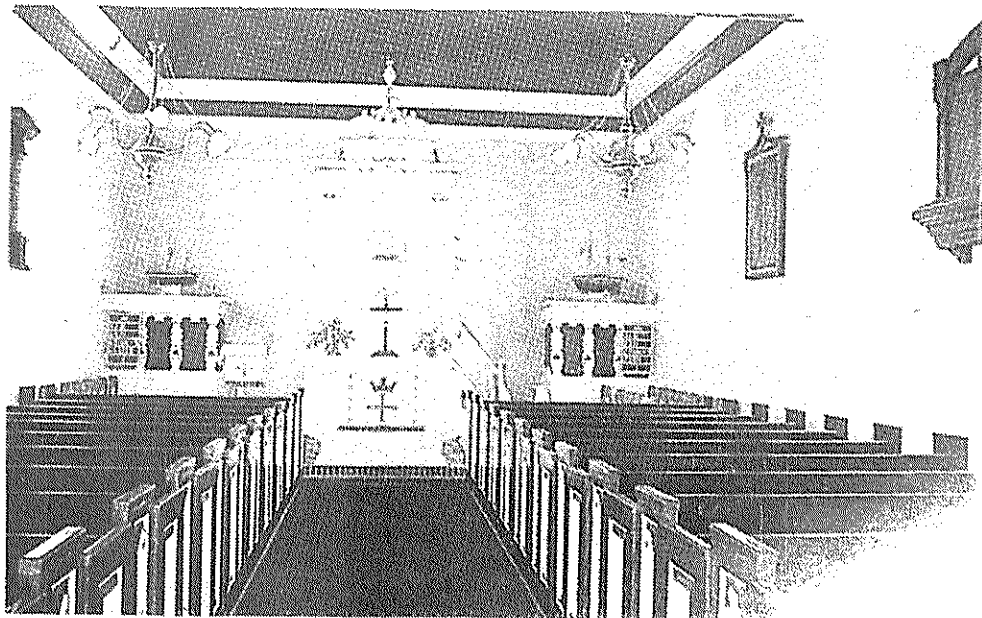
Koier Sand





Lutheran Church in Carolinensiel

Where Frank Eiben was Bantized and Confirmed



Name Meente
 Vornamen Cornelius
 geboren — getauft am 6. August 1765
 geboren — getauft in Heppens bei Barden
 R.Nr. des Pfarramts
 in Barden Religion ev. luth.
 Sohn der Eheleute Hendrikus Meent Rimmers
 in der Marie Cornelius zu Heppens
geboren 30 Juni 1757 in Barden
 für die Richtigkeit der Eintragung.

am 23. 2. 1936

Der Standesbeamte



Chi

Verheiratet am 1. Oktober 1772
 vor dem Pfarramt in Barden
 (R.Nr. 2.)

mit Frau Margarete Ehen
 geborenen Ehen 29. Februar 1772
 für die Richtigkeit der Eintragung.

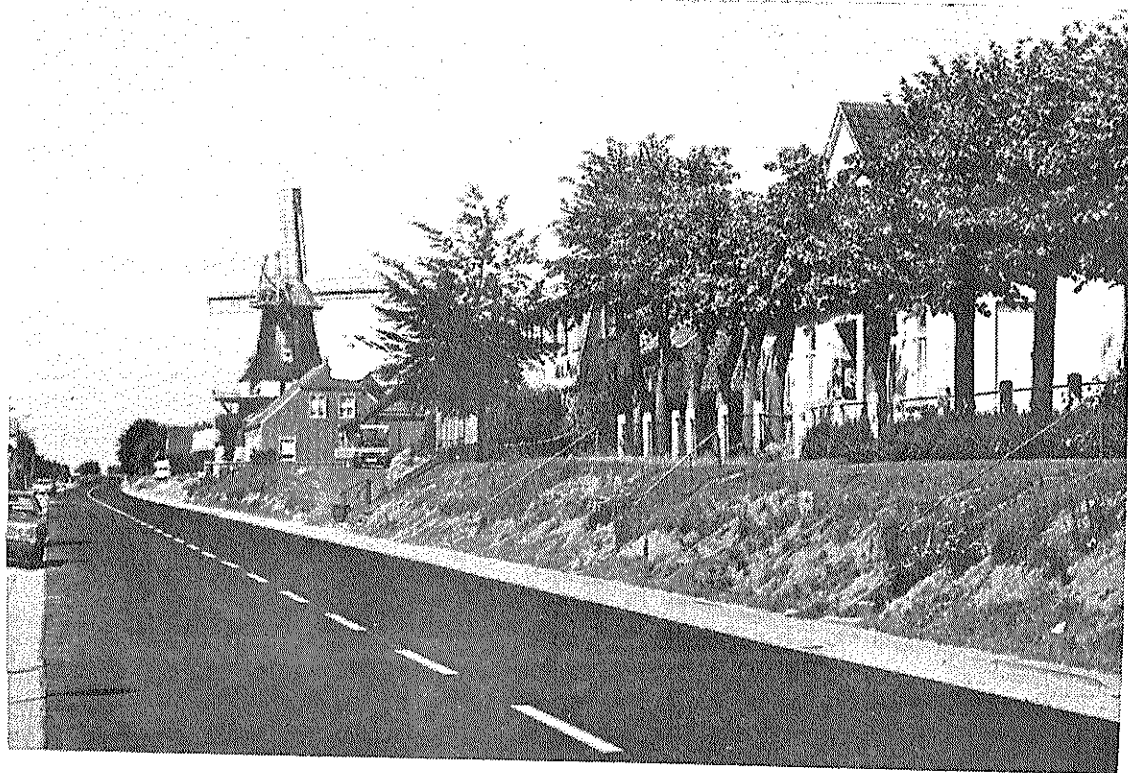
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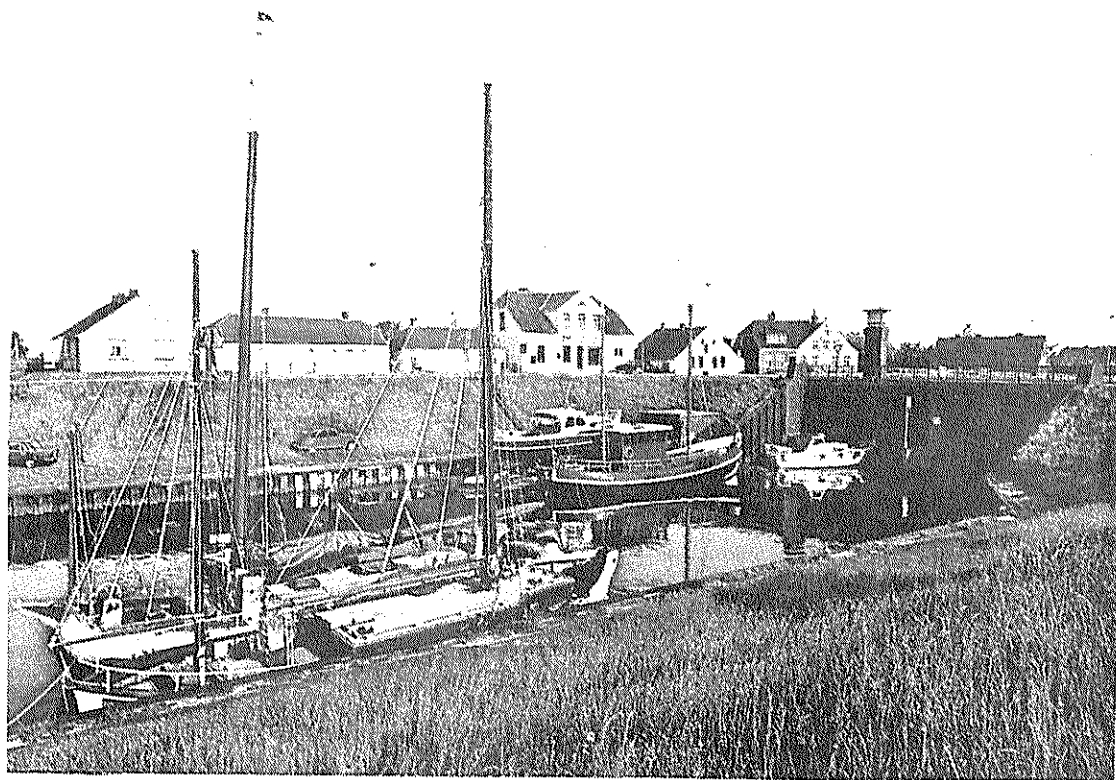


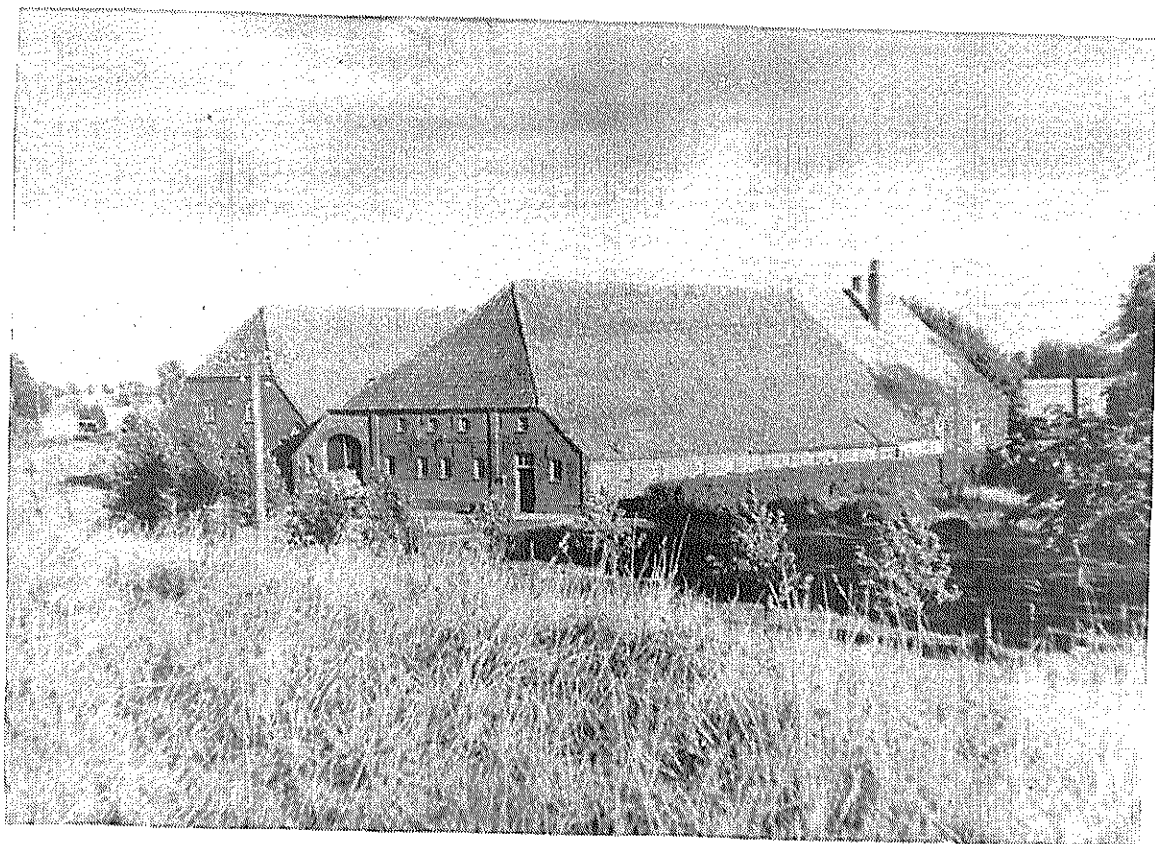
Chi

(Zeichnung umseitig)



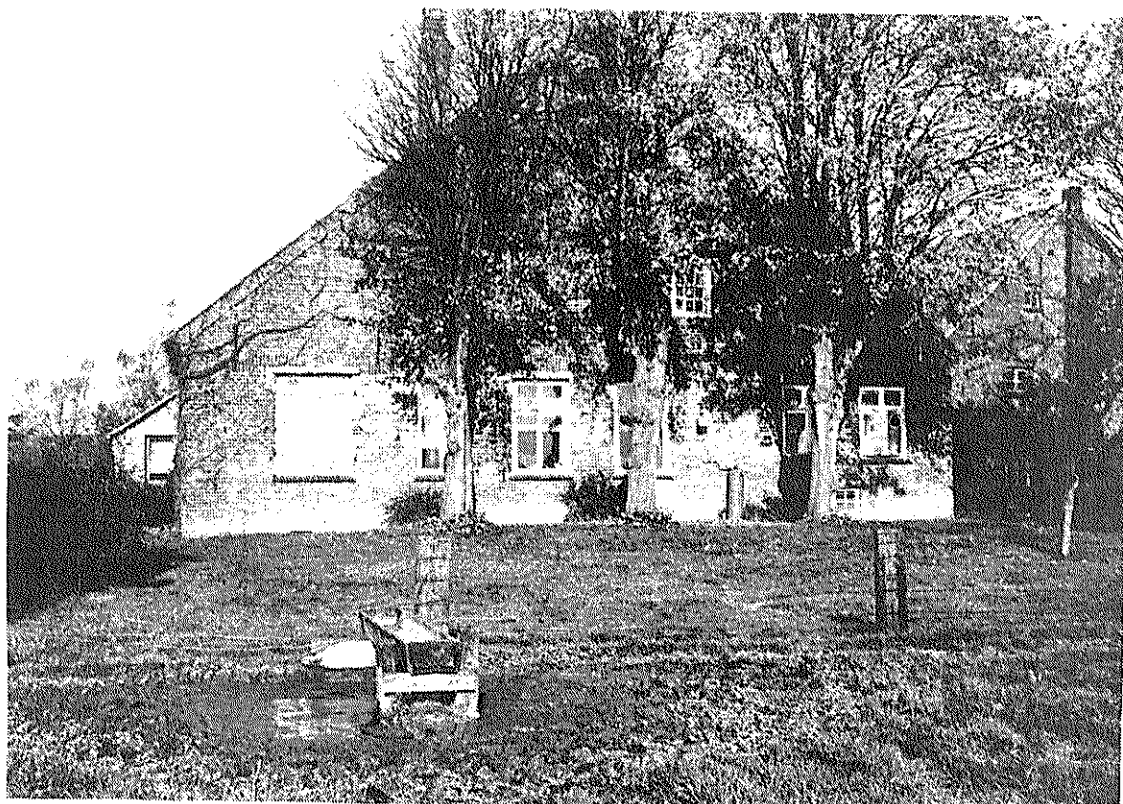
Carolinensiel Ostfriesland Hannover Germany





The Meents Family Farm

Friedricksgroden Ostfriesland Hannover Germany





The Frank Eiben and Cevia (Rieken) Meents family history was written and compiled by:

Frank Meents of St. Louis, Missouri
 Erma (Meents) Janssen of Milford, Illinois
 Raymond Meents of Remington, Indiana
 Bessie (Meents) Morrison of Lomita, California

It is the wishes of these people that this family history not end with this information, but as the years pass we keep the history up to date. This is the reason the pages have not been numbered so we may easily insert additional pages as needed and where they belong.

Also a very very special THANKS to Frank Eiben's brother Cornelius's family of Carolinensiel, Wittmund and Wiesmoor, Germany for all the Germany pictures and information.

Cornelius Meents of Carolinensiel, Germany
 Remmer Meents of Wittmund, Germany
 Angela (Meents) Blessman of Wiesmoor, Germany

Towns underlined and circled in red on the map are mentioned in the histories and on the marriages certificates of our families.

Generations are marked as such:

Edwin (4)th Walter (3)rd Edward (2)nd Frank E. (1)st

Frank and Cevia's children are	CAPITALIZED
Grand	" "
"	" Underlined
Great	" " "Quotation Marks"
Great	" " (Parenthesis)

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

State of Illinois, Dequois County.

The People of the State of Illinois,

To any Person Legally Authorized to Solemnize Marriage---Greeting:

MARRIAGE MAY BE CELEBRATED

between Mr. Frank E. Meach of Ashtaburn Tp.
in the County of Dequois and State of Illinois
of the age of twenty two years and
Miss Caria Ricken of Danforth Tp.
in the County of Dequois and State of Illinois
of the age of nineteen years

WITNESS, HENRY A. BUTZOW, County Clerk,
and the seal of said County, at his office in Watseka,
in said County, this 9th day of

April A. D. 1880

Henry A. Butzow County Clerk.

Watson & Jernaud, Printers, Watseka, Ill.

State of Illinois,

Dequois County.

ss.

I, Minister of the Gospel
Rev. G. W. Fisher hereby

certify that Mr. Frank E. Meach and
Miss Caria Ricken were united in Marriage by me at
home of the bride in the County of Dequois
and State of Illinois, on the 14 day of April 1880.

It is the duty of the person celebrating the Marriage to fill out and sign the above Certificate and to return the same, together with the License to the County Clerk within thirty days after the Marriage is solemnized, One Hundred Dollars Penalty for failing so to do.
Also, the Blanks on back of this sheet must be filled out immediately by person solemnizing the Marriage.



Remmer and Marie (Ulfers) Meents, parents of Frank Eiben Meents were born and raised around Buttforde, Ostfriesland, Hannover, Germany. He was a farmer and owned a farm along the coast of the North Sea by Carolinensiel and Friedrichsgroden. The farm has been passed down through the years to the sons who have lived in the area. At present the farm is operated by a Great Grandson Cornelius born on the 6th of March, 1915.

They were the parents of seven children (6) sons and (1) daughter.

CHILDREN

SPOUSE

Cornelius (Hinrica Hinrichs) and (Hermine Onken)

Meent (Philadelphia Cloak)

Berent (Bernard)

- Feeke (Frank) (Cevia Rieken)

Remmer

Hilke

Itzte (single)


Remmer Hillern	B. 12-Jan-1813	D.
Married	19-Jun-1841	
Marie Ulfers	B. 21-Oct-1822	D.

Remmer: son of Cornelius . and Margarete (Eiben) Meents


Marie: daughter of

GREAT GRAND PARENTS

Name Meento
 Vornamen Brunner Hillerns
 geboren — getauft am 17. J. 1813
 geboren — getauft in Pantford
 R. Nr. 10. des Standesamts — Pfarramts
 in Pantford Religion ev. luth.
 Sohn der Eheleute Cornelius Meento
u. der Ehe Margarethe

für die ~~Beamtung~~ ^{Beamtung} der ~~Eintragung~~ ^{Eintragung}.
 am 23. 2. 1936
 Der Standesbeamte


Verheiratet am 19. Juni 1841 in Friedrichsgr.
 vor dem Standesamt — Pfarramt Carolinensiel
 (R. Nr. 1841/11.)
 mit Pekka Maria Ulferts
 geborenen Ulferts 21. Oktober 1842

für die ~~Eintragung~~ ^{Eintragung}.
 am 23. 2. 1936
 Der Standesbeamte

 (Becheinigung umseitig)



FARM HOME

R#1

ASHKUM ILLINOIS

view from East



FARM HOME

1882

1941

view from North



HOME

478 So. Wildwood Ave.

KANKAKEE ILLINOIS

1919-1947

No. 3161.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Frank & Mearns

AND
Georgia Ricken-

Issued Apr. 9th 1880

Married Apr. 14th 1880

Registered " 20 1880

on page 50 of Marriage Register.

Folio B 18

Henry Mearns
Clerk.

Deputy Clerk.

Watson & Jernall, Printers, Waukegan, Ill.

N. B.—At Nos. 8 and 15 state whether 1st, 2d, 3d, &c. Marriage of each. At 17 give Names of Subscribing Witnesses to the Marriage Certificate. If no subscribing witnesses, give names of two persons who witnessed the Ceremony.

UNDER THE INSTRUCTIONS OF THE

Illinois State Board of Health,

The following Return of a Marriage must be Made to the County Clerk.

1. Full name of GROOM, Frank & Mearns
2. Place of Residence, Waukegan
3. Occupation, Farmer
4. Age next Birthday, 23 years, Race or Color, white
5. Place of Birth, Germany
6. Father's name, Hermann Mearns
7. Mother's maiden name, Maria (Marry) Meyer
8. Number of Groom's Marriage, 1
9. Full Name of BRIDE, (Maiden name if widow), Georgia Ricken
10. Place of Residence, Waukegan
11. Age next Birthday, 20 years, Race or Color, white
12. Place of Birth, Waukegan
13. Father's Name, W. A. Ricken
14. Mother's Maiden Name, H. Ricken
15. No. of Bride's Marriage, 1
16. Married at home of the bride in the County of Cook and State of Illinois, the 14 day of April 1880
17. Witnesses to Marriage, Henry Mearns, Clerk

We hereby certify that the information above given is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Frank & Mearns

I hereby certify that the above is a correct return of a marriage solemnized by me.

John A. Kelly, Clerk

Dated: April 14

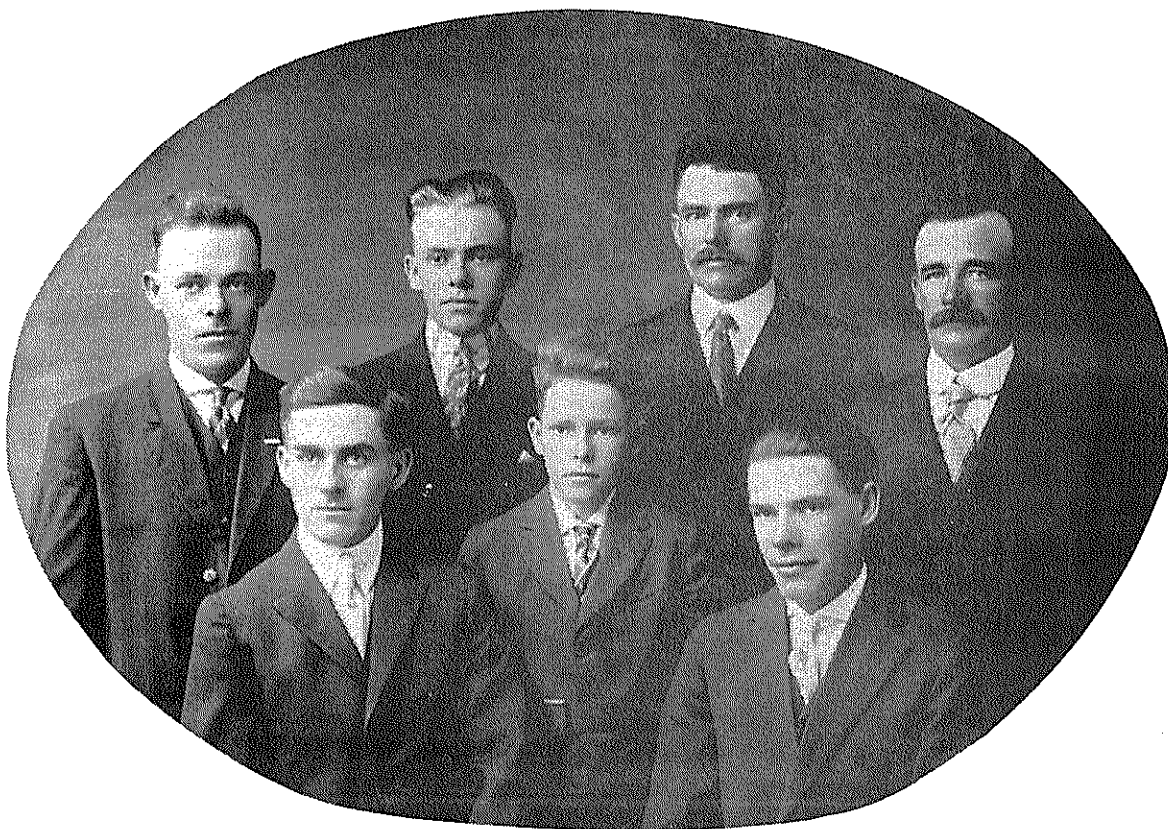
day of April 1880



THE FRANK E. MEENTS FAMILY
taken about 1904

	Tressie	George	Cassie	Cevia J.	
	Raymond		Carl	Fredrick	
Edward	Cevia (Mother)		Frank E. (Father)		Marie
		John			

Elmer born 1907



Carl John George Edward
 Raymond Elmer Fredrick



 Marie
 Cassie Cevia J. Tressie

FRANK EIBEN & CEVIA (RIEKEN) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



(Feeke) Frank Eiben Meents son of Remmer and Marie (Ulfers) Meents was born on the 19th of May, 1857 at the home of his parents in Friedrichsgroden, Ostfriesland, Hannover, GERMANY. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith by the pastor of the Lutheran Church in Carolinensiel, Germany.

At the age of 15 he sailed from the port of Bremen, Germany on a German ship, making the voyage in about 12 days, arriving in New York City in March of 1872.

He immediately left New York City, for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois to join his brother Meent who was living in Ashkum, Iroquois County, Illinois. Being a farm lad he took part time jobs on farms during the summer months and went to school in the winter months to learn the English language.

He then was employed by Mr. Charles Comstock, working in his grain elevator for four years, both in the warehouse and in the grain office. At the end of the four years he rented a farm, bought a team of horses and engaged in farming for himself.

After a return visit to Germany in 1882, spending about two (2) months with his parents, relatives and friends, he received his UNITED STATES Citizenship in 1883.

He purchased 120 acres of farm land $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles east of Ashkum, on R#1 or Illinois State R#116, in section #27 in 1882 and added another 80 acres later.

He was united in marriage with Cevia Rieken on the 14th of April 1880 at the home of her parents (George & Cassie (Saathoff or Johnson Rieken) in Danforth, Iroquois County, Illinois. They were the parents of eleven (11) children, seven (7) sons and four (4) daughters. EDWARD GEORGE MARIE CASSIE & TRESSIE (twins) CEVIA J. CARL FREDRICK RAYMOND JOHN and ELMER.

They made their home east of Ashkum until he retired in 1919 at which time they purchased a home at 478 So. Wildwood, Ave. Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois. The farm was sold in 1941. Milton and Marian (Meents) Widholm, the Granddaughter of Meent, bought the farm in 1971. The house in Kankakee too was sold after Cevia passed away in 1947.

Cevia Rieken daughter of George and (Geske) Cassie (Saathoff or Johnson) Rieken was born on the 9th of February, 1861 at the home of her parents in Faribury, Livingston County, Illinois. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith by the pastor of the Lutheran Church in Faribury. She was the fourth child of her parents and the second child born in the UNITED STATES. She was confirmed on the 25th of March, 1877 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

They passed away at their home in Kankakee; Frank on the 21st of June, 1929 at the age of 72 years 1 month and 2 days. Cevia on the 25th of February, 1947 at the age of 86 years and 16 days. They were married 49 years 2 months and 7 days. They are buried on the cemetery at Danforth.



Frank & Cevia
taken about 1928



4 Generations taken in 1941
Edward Walter Edwin Cevia
Cevia's 80th Birthday

FRANK & CEVIA

Frank Eiben
 Married
 Cevia Rieken

B. 19-May-1857
 14-Apr-1880
 B. .9-Feb-1861

D. 21-Jun-1929
 D. 25-Feb-1947

CHILDREN

Edward Remmer
 B. .9-Jan-1881
 D. 14-Feb-1946

Married
 .6-Jan-1904

To Whom
 Cassie Hilgert
 B. 11-Nov-1885
 D. .5-Mar-1944

George Aden
 B. 29-Mar-1883
 D. 20-May-1957

12-Nov-1905

Nanna Pree
 B. 27-Mar-1885
 D. 28-Jan-1972

Marie
 B. .4-Feb-1885
 D. .5-Nov-1957

.4-Oct-1916

John Klumker
 B. .5-Sep-1867
 D. 11-Jul-1928

Cassie Margaret
 B. .2-Jan-1888
 D. 11-DEC-1982

14-Jun-1923
 15-Jul-1930

Charles Fox
 Divorced 1928
 George Henrichs
 Divorced 1948

Tressie
 B. .2-Jan-1888
 D. 27-Dec-1934

Cevia Johanna
 B. 11-Mar-1890
 D. .7-Apr-1965

26-Feb-1913

William Goldenstein
 Divorced 1927

Carl Franklin
 B. 24-Apr-1892
 D. 12-MAY-1980

22-Feb-1914

Delia Fortemns
 B. 28-Mar-1894
 D. 21-Jan-1939

Fredrick Bernhard
 B. 23-Jan-1894
 D. 29-Jul-1972

24-Oct-1917
 .5-Nov-1960

Marie Classen
 B. 17-Feb-1897
 D. 17-Dec-1926
 Henrietta Rosenthal-
 Reynolds
 B. 18-Apr-1899
 D.

Raymond Ruben
 B. 26-Jul-1896
 D. 17-June-1981

15-Feb-1919

Hazel Merkle
 B. .8-May-1894
 D. 24-Nov-1976

John Cornelius
 B. .7-Apr-1900
 D. 14-Jun-1976

26-Dec-1923
 13-Nov-1957

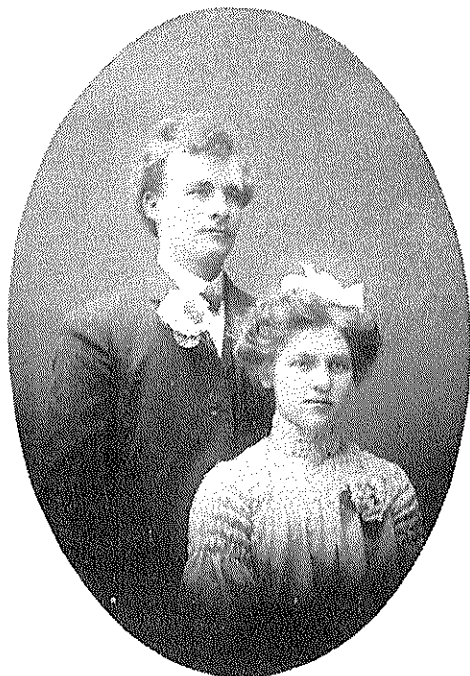
Brunelda Johnson
 B. .5-Jun-1902
 D. 11-Mar-1955
 Genevieve Snyder-
 Buchanan
 B. 28-Jun-1907
 D.

Elmer Arnold
 B. 16-Jul-1907
 D. 21-Feb-1960

10-Dec-1936

Loretta Radeke
 B. 25-Jun 1910
 D. .3-Nov-1964

EDWARD & CASSIE (HILGERT) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Edward Remmer Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 9th of January, 1881 at the home of his parents in Ashkum, Iroquois County, Illinois. He was baptized on the 8th of September, 1881 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 31st. of March, 1901 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

He was united in marriage to Cassie Hilgert on the 6th of January, 1904 at the Lutheran Parsonage in Danforth. To this union four children were born (3) sons and (1) daughter. WALTER RALPH MABEL and FRANK.

Cassie Margaretha Hilgert daughter of Phillip and Deborah (Monk) Hilgert was born on the 11th of November, 1885 at the home of her parents in Danforth. She was baptized on the 17th of January, 1886 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 31st of March, 1901 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

They made their home in the Danforth -- Ashkum area where he was engaged in farming.

They passed away at their home in Ashkum; Cassie on the 5th of March, 1944 at the age of 58 years 3 months and 24 days. Edward on the 14th of February, 1946 at the age of 65 years 1 month and 5 days. They were married 40 years 1 month and 29 days.

They are buried on the cemetery at Ashkum.



EDWARD

Frank E. (1)

Edward Remmer

Married

Cassie Hilgert

B. .9-Jan-1881

.6-Jan-1904

B. 11-Nov-1885

D. 14-Feb-1946

D. .5-Mar-1944

CHILDREN

Walter Franklin

B. .2-May-1904

D. 17-Nov-1970

Married

16-Sep-1928

To Whom

Agnes Lubben

B. 18-Sep-1905

D.

Ralph Edwin

B. .5-Jul-1907

D. 26-Apr-1910

Mabel Marie

B. 23-Aug-1909

D.

.5-Mar-1943

Wyman Scott

B. 18-Aug-1910

D.

Frank Edward

B. .2-Jan-1921

D. 3-MAY-1981

26-Nov-1943

Helen Kauffman

B. .7-Apr-1922

D.

60 yrs. 4 mos. 1 day

WALTER & AGNES (LUBBEN) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Walter Franklin Meents son of Edward and Cassie (Hilgert) Meents was born on the 2nd of May, 1904 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 26th of June 1904 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 28th of March 1920 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

He took as his bride Agnes Lubben on the 16th of September, 1928 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. To this union two sons were born; EDWIN and VERNON

Agnes Elizabeth Lubben daughter of John and Mary (Kraft) Lubben was born on the 18th of September, 1905 at the home of her parents in Danforth. She was bantized on the 22nd of October, 1905 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 28th of March, 1920 also at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

Walter and his brother Ralph contacted scarlet fever in 1910; Ralph died and Walter developed rheumatic fever and suffered from heart trouble the rest of his life. He passed away of a heart attack at his home in Ashkum on the 17th of November, 1970 at the age of 66 years 6 months and 15 days. They were married 42 years 2 months and 13 days. He is buried on the cemetary at Ashkum.



Walter

Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Walter Franklin

Married

B. .2-May-1904

16-Sep-1928

D. 17-Nov-1970

Agnes Lubben

B. 18-Sep-1905

D.

CHILDREN

Edwin Walter

B. 30-Mar-1931

D.

Married

.9-Aug-1952

To Whom

Perna Lee Pare

B. 26-Sep-1927

D.

Vernon John

B. 11-Feb-1934

D.

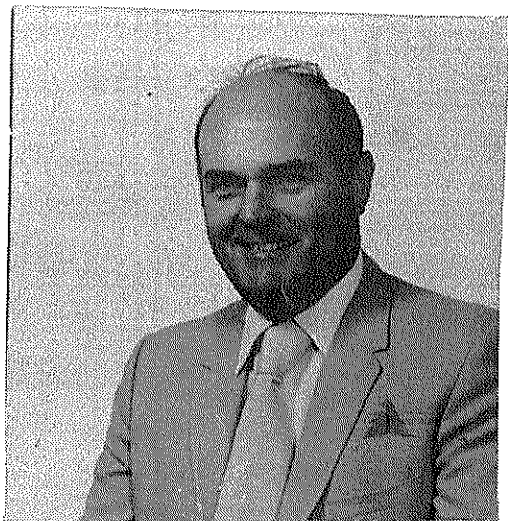
10-Apr-1954

Lorraine Wessels

B. .5-Mar-1933

D.

EDWIN & PERNA LEE (PARE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Edwin Walter Meents son of Walter and Agnes (Lubben) Meents was born on the 30th of March, 1931 at the Iroquois County, Hospital in Watseka, Iroquois County, Illinois. He was bantized on the 3rd of May, 1931 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 25th of March, 1945 at St. John's Lutheran Church.

He graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois with a Bachlors degree in Accounting and Finance in 1954.

He was united in marriage with Perna Lee Pare on the 9th of August, 1952 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois. To this union three children were born (2) sons and (1) daughter MARK MARCIE and SCOTT



Perna Lee Pare daughter of Milburn and Helen (Stark) Pare was born on the 26th of September, 1927 in Bloomington. She was bantized and confirmed on the 21st of November, 1947 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Bloomington.

She graduated from the University of Illinois with a Bachlors degree in Finance.

They are makeing their home in Kankakee where Edwin is Supervisor of Limestone Townshin, Republican Committeeman, School board member of the Hersher School district, and past commissioner of Limestone Park,

He is also a board member of the Prairieview Lutheran Home in Danforth. He is emplyed by Roners Inc.

They are members of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley. Kankakee County, Illinois

"Edwin"

Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Edwin Walter	B. 30-Mar-1931	D.
Married	.9-Aug-1952	
Perna Lee Pare	B. 26-Sep-1927	D.

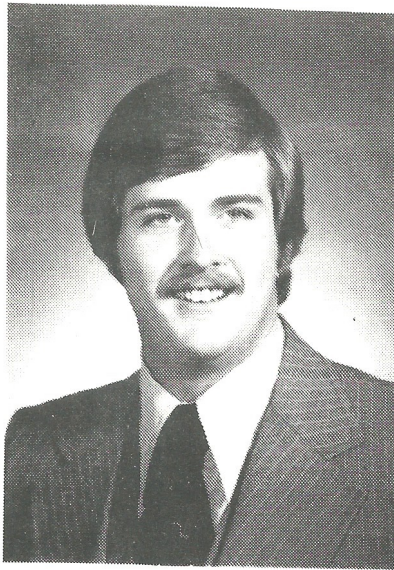
CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Mark Sterling		
B. .8-Oct-1957		
D.		

Marcie Lynn
B. .5-Feb-1962
D.

Scott Eric
B. .4-Jan-1964
D.

(Mark)



Mark Sterling Meents son of Edwin and Perna Lee (Pare) Meents was born on the 8th of October, 1957 at the Mennonite Hosnital in Bloomington. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley on the 2nd of February, 1958. He was confirmed also at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley on the 4th of April, 1971.

He graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana with a Bashlors degree in Marketing.

Mark & Donna (Sinnel-Barry) Meents Family History



Mark Sterling Meents son of Edwin and Perna Lee (Pare) Meents was born the 8th of October 1957 at the Mennonite Hospital in Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois on the 2nd of February 1958. He was confirmed also at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley on the 4th of April 1971.

He graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois with a Bachelor of Science degree in Marketing.

He was married with Donna Mae Sinnel-Barry on the 8th of October 1982.

Donna Mae Sinnel daughter of Ernest and Polly (-----) Sinnel was born on the 2nd of September 1948.

She was married to Phil Barry. They had a daughter Lisa Dawn.

Donna graduated from the University of Wisconsin ----- . She did work on her Masters degree at the University of Illinois.

Mark is employed by the Glenbrook Laboratories in St. Louis, Missouri as a key account salesman.

Donna is in Administrative personnel for M.C.I. also in St. Louis, Missouri.

(Mark)

Edwin (4) Walter (3) Edward (?) Frank E. (1)

Mark Sterling	B. .8-Oct-1957	D
Married	.8-Oct-1982	
Donna Sippel Barry	B. .2-Sep-1948	n.

CHILDREN

Married To Whom

Lisa Dawn Barry
B. 10-Mar-1970
n.

Michael & Marcie (Meents) Reardanz Family History



Marcie Lynn Meents daughter of Edwin and Fern Lee (Pare) Meents was born on the 5th of February 1962 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois on the 8th of February 1962. She was confirmed also at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley on the 6th of June 1976.

She graduated from Illinois State University at Normal, McLean County, Illinois in May of 1983 with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. She is a C.P.A. and works for the firm of Topping, Gianotti, Payne and Groskreutz.

She was united in marriage with Micheal Reardanz on the 25th of June 1983 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley.

Michael Eugene Reardanz son of Eugene and Margaret (Brunner) Reardanz was born the 29th of September 1960. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith at the Zion Lutheran Church in Bonfield, Kankakee County, Illinois on October 23rd, 1960. He was confirmed at Zion Lutheran also on the 28th of April 1974. Graduated from Illinois State University in Normal with a bachelor of Science in Psychology.

He is employed with Dynamic Science Inc.

(Marcie)

Edwin (4) Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Marcie Lynn	B. 5-Feb-1962	D.
Married	25-Jun-1983	
Michael Rearfanz	B. 29-Sep-1960	D.

CHILDREN

Married

To Whom

COURTNEY AMBER
B. 7-July-1985
D.

VERNON & LORRAINE (WESSELS) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Vernon John Meents son of Walter and Agnes (Lubben) Meents was born at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 18th of March, 1934 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was also confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church on the 21st of March 1948. He graduated from the Gilman High School in Gilman, Iroquois County, Illinois in 1952.

He was inducted into the United States Army during the Korean War. While he was in the service he married Lorraine Wessels on the 10th of April 1954 at St. Peters Lutheran Church in Crescent City, Iroquois County, Illinois. To this union four (4) children were born (2) daughters and (2) sons. JON ROBIN JODY and LORI

Lorraine Jeannette Wessels daughter of John and Sophie (Boyer) Wessels was born on the 5th of March, 1933 at the home of her parents in Watseka. She was bantized on the 26th of March, 1933 at St. Peters Lutheran Church in Crescent City. She was also confirmed at St Peters Lutheran Church on the 30th of March, 1947. She graduated from Crescent City High School with the class of 1951.

They are making their home in Ashkum where he is employed as a rural mail carrier and part time farmer.



"Vernon"

Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Vernon John	B. 11-Feb-1934	D.
Married	10-Apr-1954	
Lorraine Wessels	B. .5-Mar-1933	D.

CHILDREN

Jon David	Married	To Whom
B. 10-Jan-1956	15-Jul-1978	Connie Dietz
D.		B. 17-Oct-1956
		D.

Robin Bradley
B. .8-Mar-1957
D.

Jody Lynn
B. 14-May-1960
D.

Lori Beth
B. 21-Jul-1961
D.

JON & CONNIE (DIETZ) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Jon David Meents son of Vernon and Lorraine (Wessels) Meents was born on the 10th of January, 1956 at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth on the 5th of February, 1956. He was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 4th of April, 1971.

He graduated from Central High School in Clifton, Iroquois County, Illinois in 1974. He was married with Connie Dietz on the 15th of July, 1978 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Gilman.

Connie Sue Dietz daughter of John and Evelyn (Fecht) Dietz was born on the 17th of October, 1956. She was bantized in the Catholic faith on the 4th of November, 1956 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. She made her 1st communion on the 17th of May, 1964 at the Immaculate Church.

She graduated from the Gilman High School with the class of 1974.

Jon is part time farmer and part time auto repair man; Connie works as a secretary and receptionist.

(Jon)

Vernon (4) Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Jon David	B. 10-Jan-1956	D.
Married	15-Jul-1978	
Connie Dietz	B. 17-Oct-1956	D.

CHILDREN

Married

To Whom

Jon David Jr.
B. 29-MAR-1983
D.

Bryan Joseph
B. 23-JUNE-1985
D.

Larry & Jody (Meents) Munsterman Family History



Jody Lynn Meents daughter of Vernon and Lorraine (Wessels) Meents was born on the 14th of May, 1960 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosptial, Watseka, Iroquois, County, Illinois.

She was bantized on the 19th of June, 1960 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum, Illinois. She was confirmed on the 7th of April, 1974 at the Zion Lutheran Church.

Graduated from Central High School in Clifton with the class of 1978; and from Illinois Wesleyan University with the class of 1982.

She taught in the Sheldon and Crescent City school districts until her marriage. At the present time she is on the teaching staff at the Lutheran School in Woodworth.

She was united in marriage with Larry Munsterman on the 2nd of July, 1983 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum, Illinois.

Larry Dwain Munsterman son of Robert and Aloha (Hilgendorf) Munsterman was born on the 9th of January, 1956 at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka, Illinois.

He was bantized on the 20th of January 1956 at St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Woodworth, Illinois. He was confrimed on the 22nd of March 1970 at St. Pauls Woodworth.

He graduated from Crescent City High School with the class of 1974 and attended Kankakee Community College for one year.

He is farming with his father.

(Jody)

Vernon (4) Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Jody Lynn		B. 14-May-1960	D.
	Married	.2-Jul-1983	
Larry Munsterman		B. .9-Jan-1966	D.

CHILDREN

Married	To Whom
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Charles & Lori (Meents) Cunningham Family History



Lori Beth Meents daughter of Vernon and Lorraine (Wessels) Meents was born on the 21st of July 1961 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosnital, Watseka, Iroquois County, Illinois. She was bantized on the 20th of August 1961 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum, Illinois. She was confirmed also at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 23rd of March 1975. She graduated from Central High School in Clifton, Iroquois County, Illinois with the class of 1979

At present she is employed with the V.&C. Construction Company in Kankakee Illinois.

On the 31st of July 1982 she was united in marriage with Charles Cunningham at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum.

Charles Milton Cunningham son of Milton and Harriet (Bilyard) Cunningham was born on the 13th of February 1960 at St.Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois. He was baptized and confirmed on Easter Sunday, the 11th of April 1982 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum, Illinois. He graduated from Central High School in Clifton, Illinois with the class of 1978. At present he is employed with the Swiss Land Packing Co. in Ashkum.

(Lori)

Vernon (4) Walter (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Lori Beth	B. 21-Jul-1961	D.
Married	31-Jul-1982	
Charles Cunningham	B. 13-Feb-1960	D.

CHILDREN

Married To Whom

Christopher
B. 31-Oct-1984
D.

RALPH MEENTS HISTORY



Ralph Edwin Meents son of Edward and Cassie (Hilgert) Meents was born on the 5th of July 1907 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 15th of September, 1907 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

He passed away on the 26th of April 1910 at the home of his parents with scarlet fever; at the age of 2 years 9 months and 19 days. He is buried on the family plot on the cemetary at Ashkum.

WYMAN & MABEL (MEENTS) SCOTT FAMILY HISTORY



Mabel Marie Meents daughter of Edward and Cassie (Hilgert) Meents was born on the 23rd of August, 1909 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was baptized on the 10th of October, 1909 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church also on the 13th of April 1924.

She worked at the Bobbitt Cafe in Kankakee for 5½ years.

She was united in marriage with Wyman Scott on the 5th of March, 1943 at St. John's Lutheran Church.

They have no children

Wyman Sherwood Scott son of Berney and Amelia (Blacken) Scott was born on the 18th of August, 1910 at the home of his parents in Northport, Leelanau County, Michigan. He was baptized on the 18th of November, 1910 at the home of his parents.

He was confirmed in the Lutheran faith on the 28th of March, 1954 at the Grace Lutheran Church in Willmington, Will County, Illinois.

They made their home in the Willmington area after he returned from his tour of duty in the United States Navy during World War II; serving in the South Pacific. They retired from a combined 50 years of employment by the Government; Wyman 30 years and Mabel 20 years. At this time they moved to make their home in Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida.

FRANK & HELEN (KAUFFMAN) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Frank Edward Meents son of Edward and Cassie (Hilgert) Meents was born on the 2nd of January, 1921 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was baptized on the 19th of January 1921 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was also confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church on the 14th of April 1935.

He graduated from Kempton High in Ford County, with the class of 1939. He attended the Gallagher School of Business in Kankakee before he served in the United States Army with the 66th and 42nd Infantry Divisions in France and Germany during World War II. He was discharged in 1947 with the rank of 1st. Lieutenant.

He was married with Helen Kauffman on the 26th of November, 1943 at the Emmanuel Chancel on base at Camp Grant near Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. To this union three children were born, (2) daughters and (1) son. SHARON CASSANDRA (twin) and the twin son was still born.

Helen M. Kauffman daughter of Frank and Hazel (Munson) Kauffman was born on the 7th of April, 1924 at the home of her parents in Rockford.

They are presently making their home in St. Louis, Missouri where he is employed as office manager of the Liberty Financial Management Company.

FRANK MEENTS

DIED - 3 - MAY - 1981

60 yrs - 4 mos - 1 day

Frank

Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Frank Edward
Married
Helen Kauffman

B. .2-Jan-1921
26-Nov-1943
B. .7-Apr-1924

D. 3-May-1981
60 yrs. 4 mos. - 1 day
D.

CHILDREN

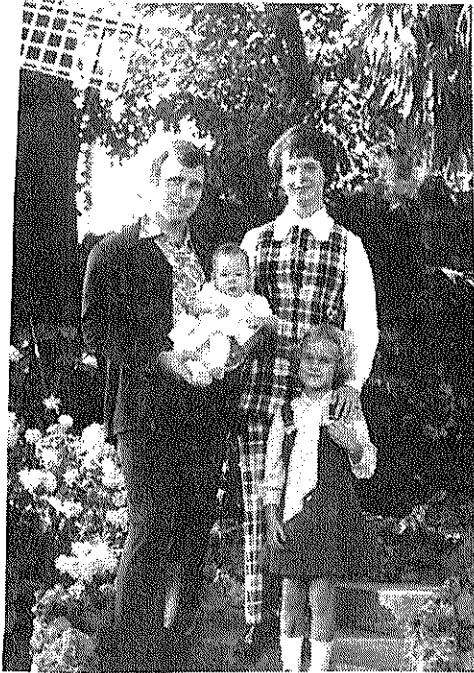
Sharon Arlene
B. 28-Jan-1947
D.

Married
.2-Aug-1968

To Whom
Donald Schwaab
B. 20-Nov-1945
D.

Cassandra Kay
B. 28-Nov-1948
D.

DONALD & SHARON (MEENTS) SCHWAAB FAMILY HISTORY



Sharon Arlene Meents daughter of Frank and Helen (Kauffman) Meents was born on the 28th of January, 1947 at the St. Joseph Hospital in Joliet, Will County, Illinois. She was bantized February, 8th 1948 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on Palm Sunday 1961 at the Friedens United Church of Christ in St. Louis, Missouri.

She was united in marriage with Donald Schwaab on the 2nd of August, 1968 at the St. Stephen United Church of Christ also in St. Louis. To this union two daughters have been born; THARON and JACQUELYN

Donald Arthur Schwaab son of Harry and Eleanor (Koch) Schwaab was born on the 20th of November, 1945 at the DePaul Hosnital in St. Louis. He was bantized in February, 1946 at the Grace E.&R. Church in St. Louis. He was confirmed on the 22nd of March 1959 at St. Stephen United Church of Christ.

He is employed as a Computer Programmer for Defense Maning Agency Aerospace Center (DMAAC) in St. Louis.

"Sharon"

Frank (3) Edward (2) Frank E. (1)

Sharon Arlene	B. 28-Jan-1947	D.
Married	.2-Aug-1968	
Donald Schwaab	B. 20-Nov-1945	D.

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Tharon Marie		
B. 12-May-1972		
D.		
Jacquelyn Marie		
B. 19-Apr-1977		
D.		

"Cassandra"



Cassandra Kay Meents twin daughter of Frank and Helen (Kauffman) Meents was born on the 28th of November, 1948 at the Rockford Memorial Hospital in Rockford. She was baptized at the United Church of Christ in St. Louis. She was confirmed on Palm Sunday 1962 also at the United Church of Christ in St. Louis.

She received her Bachelors degree in Psychology with a minor in Sociology from the Methodist Central College in Fayette, Howard County, Missouri. Her Masters degree in Special Education from the University of Missouri at Columbia, Boone County, Missouri.

At present she is employed by the board of Education in Green Bay, Brown County, Wisconsin.

GEORGE & NANNA (PREE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



George Aden Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 29th of March 1883 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 3rd of June, 1883 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 31st of March, 1901 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the minister of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

On the 12th of November, 1905 he was united in marriage to Nanna Pree at the Parsonage of the Congregational Church in Ashkum. To this union a daughter ALICE was born.

Nanna Pree only daughter of Harm and Anna (Skinner) Pree was born on the 27th of March, 1885 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 2nd of July 1885 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 31st of March at the Congregational Church in Ashkum, by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

They made their home in the Ashkum area where he was engaged in farming and the selling of milk and cream for many years. They retired in 1954 selling their farm and buying a home at 204 E. Ash, in Watseka, Illinois.

George nassed away suddenly at his home in Watseka at the age of 74 years 1 month and 21 days on the 20th of May, 1957

Nanna passed away at the age of 86 years 10 months and 1 day at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka, on the 28th of January 1972. They were married 51 years 6 months and 8 days. They are buired on the cemetary at Ashkum.



GEORGE

Frank E. (1)

George Aden
Married
Nanna Pree

B. 29-Mar-1883
12-Nov-1905
B. 27-Mar-1885

D. 20-May-1957
D. 28-Jan-1972

CHILDREN

Alice Henrietta
B. .4-Feb-1907
D. 28-Jul-1948

Married
28-Sep-1933

To Whom
J. Edward Samnson
B. 20-Jun-1903
D. OCT. 1979

J. EDWARD & ALICE (MEENTS) SAMPSON FAMILY HISTORY



Alice Henrietta Meents daughter of George and Nanna (Pree) Meents was born on the 4th of February, 1907 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was baptized on the 3rd of June 1907 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 9th of April, 1922 at St. John's Lutheran Church. She attended the Gallagher School of Business in Kankakee.

On the 28th of September, 1933 she became the bride of J. Edward Sampson at the Parsonage of the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum.

They had no children

J. Edward Sampson son of Joseph and Jennie (-----) Sampson was born on the 20th of June 1903 at the home of his parents in Westbrook, Cumberland County, Maine. He was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic faith. They made their home in Kankakee until 1945 when they moved to West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

Alice was visiting her parents when she had gall bladder surgery at St. Mary's Hosnital and passed away several days later. at the age of 41 years 5 months and 24 days. They were married 14 years and 10 months. She is buried on the cemetary at Ashkum.

Sammy married again several years later.

J. Edward Sampson - died - Oct. 1979
76 years 3 mos.

JOHN & MARIE (MEENTS) KLUMKER FAMILY HISTORY



Marie Meents daughter of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 4th of February, 1885 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 14th of June 1885 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 31st on March at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church.

She was united in marriage to John Klumker on the 4th of October, 1916 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. They made their home on his farm east of Danforth for about a year when he retired and they moved to their home they bought at 469 So. Wildwood Ave. in Kankakee.

They had no children.

After the death of her brother Fred's wife (Marie Classen Meents) on the 17th of December, 1926; they took to raise Fred's youngest daughter ERMA

John T. Klumker son of Johann and Kathrine (Schome) Klumker was born on the 5th of September, 1867 at the home of his parents in Papenburg, Ostfriesland, Hannover GERMANY. He was bantized at the home of his parents by the Lutheran pastor of Papenburg. He was also confirmed by the Lutheran pastor of Papenburg.

At the age of 17 he came to America to farm. He paid for his journey over by serving as cook on his Uncles Vessel. He arrived in New York in 1884; he found his way to Danforth, where he began farming.

He passed away at his home in Kankakee on the 11th of July, 1928 at the age of 60 years 10 months and 6 days. They were married 11 years 9 months and 7 days.

After the death of her husband in 1928 and her father in 1929 she moved to make her home with her mother and sister Tressie until their deaths (Tressie in 1934 and Mother in 1947). She later bought a home at 1220 So. Seventh Ave. Kankakee, where she passed away on the 5th of November, 1957 at the age of 72 years 9 months and 1 day.

They are buried on the cemetary at Danforth.



EDWIN & ERMA (MEENTS) JANSSEN FAMILY HISTORY



Erma Frieda Meents daughter of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 12th of December, 1926 at the home of her Grandparents Charles and Gretti (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith on the 20th of December, 1926 beside her mother's casket just prior to the funeral service. After the death of her mother on the 17th of December, 1926 she was reared by her father's eldest sister Mrs. John (Marie) Klumker in Kankakee.

She was confirmed on the 24th of May, 1942 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. She graduated from Kankakee High School in 1946 and worked for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company in Kankakee until her marriage to Edwin Janssen on the 14th of March, 1948 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. To this union three children were born (2) sons and (1) daughter WAYNE SHARON and DARRELL



Edwin Theodore Janssen son of Theodore and Anna (Mueller) Janssen was born on the 30th of November, 1924 at the home of his parents in Cissna Park, Iroquois County, Illinois. He was baptized on the 21st of December, 1924 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Woodworth, Iroquois County, Illinois. He was confirmed on the 14th of May, 1939 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford, Iroquois County, Illinois. He graduated from the Milford High School in 1942. He farmed with his father while he waited to be called to the service of his Country during World War II. The war ended before he was to serve.

They made their home on the farm he began farming north of Milford for 28 years at which time they moved to their home north of Goodwine, Iroquois County, Illinois.

EDWIN JANSSEN

DIED - 16 - SEPT - 1981

56 yrs - 9 mos - 16 days

Erma

Marie-Fred (2) Frank E. (1)

Erma Frieda	B. 12-Dec-1926	D.
Married	14-Mar-1948	
Edwin Janssen	B. 30-Nov-1924	D. 16 Sept 1981

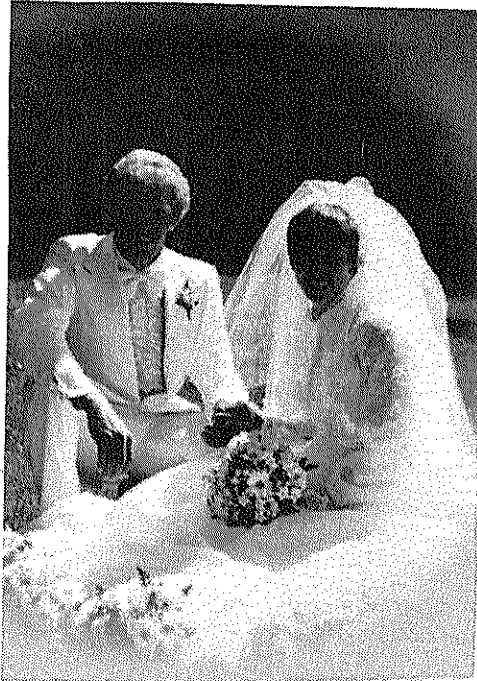
CHILDREN

Wayne Alfred	Married	To Whom
B. 14-Dec-1948	24-Jul-1976	Susan Grzybek
D.		B. .8-Jul-1951
		D.

Sharon Elaine		Charles Crow
B. 21-Aug-1950	24-Jan-1971	B. .1-Apr-1947
D.		D.

Darrell Gene		Sara Schroeder
B. .8-Oct-1951	.6-Jul-1974	B. 26-Dec-1952
D.		D.

WAYNE & SUSAN (GRZYBEK) JANSSEN FAMILY HISTORY



Wayne Alfred Janssen son of Edwin and Erma (Meents) Janssen was born on the 14th of December, 1948 at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka, Illinois. He was bantized on the 16th of January, 1949 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford. He was confirmed on the 7th of April, 1963 also at Our Savior Lutheran Church. He graduated from Milford High School with the class of 1967. He enlisted in the United States Army for three years serving one (1) year in Korea. He received his discharge in November, 1971.

He was united in marriage to Susan Grzybek on the 24th of July, 1976 at St. Hughes Catholic Church in Lyons, Cook County, Illinois. A daughter AIMEE has been born to this union.

Susan Marie Grzybek daughter of Henry and Lorraine (Babiez) Grzybek was born on the 8th of July, 1951 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Chicago. She was bantized on the 19th of August 1951 at St Adalbert's Catholic Church in Chicago. She made her 1st Communion on the 26th of October, 1957 at St. Hughes Catholic Church, and was confirmed on the 21st of May 1962 also at St. Hughes.

She graduated from Illinois State University at Normal, McLean County, Illinois with the class of 1973. She majored in Home Economics and taught at the Hoonston-East Lynn High School in Hoonston, Vermilion County, Illinois from 1973-1978.

Farming with his father, they are making their home on the farm he grew up on north of Milford.

"Wayne"

Erma (3) Marie-Fred (2) Frank E. (1)

Wayne Alfred	B. 14-Dec-1948	D.
Married	24-Jul-1976	
Susan Grzybek	B. .8-Jul-1951	D.

CHILDREN

Aimee Susan	Married	To Whom
B. 11-May-1978		
D.		

Nathan Robert
B. 9 - Apr 1980

CHARLES & SHARON (JANSSEN) CROW FAMILY HISTORY



Sharon Elaine Janssen daughter of Edwin and Erma (Meents) Janssen was born on the 21st of August, 1950 at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka. She was bantized on the 17th of October, 1950 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford. She was confirmed on the 22nd of March, 1964 also at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford.

She graduated from the University of Illinois in Urbana with a Bachlors degree in Education, majoring in Science. She taught (5) years at the Onarga High School in Onarga, Iroquois County, Illinois.

She will be teaching at Sheldon High-Sheldon Iroquois County Illinois in 79-80.

She was united in marriage with Charles Crow on the 24th of January, 1971 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford. To this union two daughters have been born CARMINE and JEANETTE

Charles Edward Crow son of Arthur Jr. and Helen (Hawthorne) Crow was born on the 1st of April, 1947 at the Iroquois Memorial Hospital in Watseka. He was bantized on the 21st of December, 1947 at the United Methodist Church in Milford. He was confirmed also at the United Methodist Church on the 30th of March, 1958. He graduated from Milford High School with the class of 1965. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1968, serving 10 months in Vietnam. He received his discharge in 1970.

They are making their home in Milford where he farms with his father and brother. He became a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church on the 2nd of March, 1975.

"Sharon"

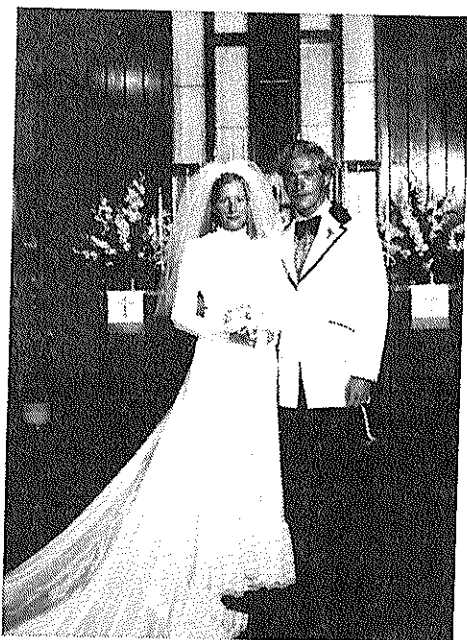
Erma (3) Marie-Fred (2) Frank E. (1)

Sharon Elaine	B. 21-Aug-1950	D.
Married	24-Jan-1971	
Charles Crow	B. .1-Apr-1947	D.

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Carmine Elaine		
B. 21-Dec-1974		
D.		
Jeanette Carol		
B. 19-Jul-1977		
D.		

DARRELL & SARA (SCHROEDER) JANSSEN FAMILY HISTORY



Darrell Gene Janssen son of Edwin and Erma (Meents) Janssen was born on the 8th of October, 1951 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosnital in Watseka. He was bantized on the 25th of November, 1951 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Milford. He was confirmed also at Our Savior Lutheran Church on the 11th of Anril, 1965. He graduated from Milford High School with the class of 1969. He was drafted into the United States Army in February, of 1971. He served 1½ years in Germany receiving his discharge in November, 1972.

He took Sara Schroeder as his bride on the 6th of July, 1974 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. To this union two children have been born JULIE and ALEX

Sara Lee Schroeder daughter of Ora Jr. and Mary (Allen) Schroeder was born on the 26th of December, 1952 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosnital in Watseka. She was bantized on the 29th of December, 1953 at the United Methodist Church in Stockland, Iroquois County, Illinois. She was confirmed on the 16th of February, 1964 also at the Methodist Church in Stockland. She graduated from the Mennonite School of Nursing in Bloomington in 1974. She worked at the Hoonston Memorial Hosnital in Hoonston, Vermilion County, Illinois for two years from 1974-1976.

She became a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church on the 2nd of March, 1975.

They are making their home in Milford where he is employed as Assistant Manager of Tuttles I.G.A. Store.

"Darrell"

Erma (3) Marie-Fred (2) Frank E. (1)

Darrell Gene	B. .8-Oct-1951	D.
Married	.6-Jul-1974	
Sara Schroeder	B. 26-Dec-1952	D.

CHILDREN

Julie Ann	Married	To Whom
B. 19-Oct-1976		
D.		

Alex Fredric
B. 19-Feb-1979
D.

CHARLES & CASSIE (MEENTS) FOX FAMILY HISOTRY

GEORGE & CASSIE (MEENTS-FOX) HENRICHS FAMILY HISTORY



Cassie Margaret Meents twin daughter of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 2nd of January, 1888 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 10th of June, 1888 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed also by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church.

She was united in marriage to Charles Fox on the 14th of June, 1923 in Bloomington. They made their home in Bloomington until 1928 when they were divorced.

They had no children.

On the 15th of July, 1930 she was married to George Henrichs, a widower, at St. John's Lutheran Parsonage in Danforth. They made their home just east of Danforth where he farmed. In 1945 she left him to help care for her ailing mother. They were divorced in 1948.

They had no children.

At present she is at the Fontanbleu Nursing Center in Kankakee

DIED - 11 Dec. 1982 -

94 YEARS - 11 mos. - 9 days



TRESSIE MEENTS HISTORY



Tressie Meents twin daughter of Frank E. & Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 2nd of January, 1888 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 10th of June, 1888 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church too.

She never married, she passed away at the home of her Mother's in Kankakee on the 27th of December, 1934 at the age of 46 years 11 months and 25 days. She is buried on the family plot on the cemetary in Danforth.

WILLIAM & CEVIA J. (MEENTS) GOLDENSTEIN FAMILY HISTORY



Cevia Johanna Meents daughter of Frank E. & Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 11th of March, 1890 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 6th of July, 1890 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 24th of March, 1909 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

She graduated from the Onarga Seminary in Onarga.

She was married with William Goldenstein at the home of her parents in Ashkum on the 26th of February, 1913. They made their home in the Danforth area where he farmed until they were divorced in 1927.

They had no children.

After her divorce she made her home with her brother Fred; who lost his wife (Marie Classen Meents) on the 17th of December, 1926. Together they raised five of his seven children. WILFRED MAE-ETHEL MILDRED GERTRUDE and HELEN.

In 1942 she left Fred's to make her home with her mother and sister Marie in Kankakee. She passed away at the Riverside Hospital in Kankakee on the 7th of April, 1965 at the age of 75 years and 26 days. She is buried on the family plot on the cemetary in Danforth.



CEVIA J.

Frank E. (1)

Cevia Johanna
Married
William Goldenstein

B. 11-Mar-1890
26-Feb-1913

D. .7-Apr-1965
Divorced 1927

CHILDREN

None

Helped Brother Fred rear five of his seven children after Marie Classen Meents death on the 17th of December 1926.

Wilfred Clarence Paul
B. 14-Apr-1918
D.

Married
12-Apr-1947

To Whom
Marie Tasher-Fruin
B. .3-Nov-1907
D.

Mae Ethel Marie
B. 24-Apr-1921
D. .9-Nov-1966

Mildred Frances
B. 11-Apr-1923
D.

21-Aug-1948

Vincent R. Voigt
B. 20-Jan-1918
D.

Gertrude Cevia
B. .4-Sep-1924
D.

.7-May-1947

Orval Peters
B. 12-May-1918
D.

Helen Eliza
B. 25-Oct-1925
D.

14-Jan-1950

Hubert Burrridge
B. .3-Dec-1926
Separated 1957
Divorced 1963

CARL & DELIA (FORTEMPS) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Carl Franklin Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 24th of April, 1892 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 19th of April 1894 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed at the Congregational Church in Ashkum on the 24th of March, 1909 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church.

He was united in marriage with Delia Fortemps on the 22nd of February, 1914 at the Parsonage of the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. To this union three (3) children were born ELSIE MELVIN and EVELYN

Delia Fortemps daughter of Constant and Julia (Menigoz) Fortemps was born on the 28th of March, 1894 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized in the Catholic faith in April, 1894 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. She made her 1st communion on the 17th of September, 1905 and was confirmed on the 17th of September, 1905 all at the Assumption Catholic Church.

She received her teachers certificate in 1911 and 1912.

They made their home in the Ashkum area where he farmed. He retired in 1943 at which time he moved into the town of Ashkum, taking the job of School bus driver for the Ashkum grade school.

He became a member of St. John the Bantist Catholic Church in LeRable after his marriage to Delia on the 25th of September, 1933.

Delia passed away at their home in Ashkum on the 21st of January, 1939 at the age of 44 years 9 months and 23 days. They were married 24 years 10 months and 29 days.

She is buried on the Catholic cemetary in LeRable



CARL MEENTS

DIED - 12 - MAY - 1980
88 YRS. 18 DAYS

CARL

Frank E. (1)

Carl Franklin
Married
Delia Fortemos

B. 24-Apr-1892
22-Feb-1914
B. 28-Mar-1894

D. 12-May-1980
28 yrs - 18 days
D. 21-Jan-1939

CHILDREN

Elsie Cecelia
B. 16-Aug-1914
D.

Married
10-Nov-1935

To Whom
Anthony Doman
B. 12-Jun-1910
D. .3-Oct-1970

Melvin Franklin
B. 21-Apr-1916
D.

16-Nov-1940

Ruth Merkle
B. 28-Aug-1917
D.

Evelyn Marie
B. 16-Aug-1920
D. 31-May-1980

17-Jul-1943

Wayne LaVoie
B. 24-Oct-1919
D.

59 years 9 mos - 15 days

ANTHONY & ELSIE (MEENTS) DOMAN FAMILY HISTORY



Elsie Cecelia Meents daughter of Carl and Delia (Fortemps) Meents was born on the 16th of August, 1914 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was baptized on the 30th of August, 1914 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum and she was confirmed in May of 1924 also at the Assumption Catholic Church.

She was married with Anthony Doman on the 10th of November, 1935 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Kankakee. To this union a daughter MARY-MARGARET was born.

Anthony William Doman son of John and Ursula (Kavalauskas) Doman was born on the 12th of June, 1910 at the home of his parents in Kankakee. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Kankakee.

He graduated from Kankakee High School in 1931 where he will be remembered for his outstanding ability in Track.

He passed away suddenly at his home at 453 W. Water St. Kankakee on the 2nd of October, 1970 at the age of 60 years 3 months and 21 days. He is buried at Mount Calvary cemetery in Kankakee.

Elsie has retired from her work as Occupational Therapist at the Kankakee State Hospital in Kankakee.

They were married 34 years 10 months and 22 days.



Elsie

Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Elsie Cecelia

B. 16-Aug-1914

D.

Married

10-Nov-1935

Anthony Doman

B. 12-Jun-1910

D. .3-Oct-1970

CHILDREN

Mary Margaret

Married

To Whom

B. 16-Aug-1943

24-Feb-1968

John Ciardullo Jr.

D.

B. 20-Jan-1940

D.

JOHN JR. & MARY (DOMAN) CIARDULLO FAMILY HISTORY



Mary Margaret Doman daughter of Anthony and Elsie (Meents) Doman was born on the 16th of August, 1943 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee, She was bantized on the 5th of Sentember, 1943 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. She made her 1st communion on the 21st of May 1950 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Kankakee. She was confirmed also at St. Patrick's Church on the 27th of April, 1953.

She graduated from the University of Illinois at Urbana in 1965 receiving her Bachlors degree in Home Economics. She received her Masters from the Columbia University in New York City, New York County New York.

She was united in marriage with John Ciardullo Jr. on the 24th of February, 1968 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Kankakee To this union a daughter has been born.
JULIE

John Josenh Ciardullo Jr. son of John Sr. and Constance (DePaola) was born on the 20th of January, 1940 in the Bronx, New York. He was bantized in the Catholic faith in February of 1940, received his 1st. communion in May of 1947 and was confirmed in April of 1949.

He graduated from the School of Music and Art in Manhattan, New York in 1957. He received his Bachlors degree in Engineering from Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois in 1961 and his Masters in Architure from Harvard University in 1967

"Mary"

Elsie (3) Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Mary Margaret:	B. 16-Aug-1943	D.
Married	24-Feb-1968	
John Ciardullo Jr.	B. 20-Jan-1940	D.

CHILDREN

Julie Ann	Married	To Whom
B. 29-Mar-1972		
D.		

MELVIN & RUTH (MERKLE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Melvin Franklin Meents son of Carl and Delia (Fortemps) Meents was born on the 21st of April 1916 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized in the Catholic faith on the 30th of April, 1916 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. He made his 1st communion and was confirmed on the 17th of May 1928 all at the Assumption Catholic Church. He graduated from (3) year High School in Ashkum in 1933 and from (4) year High School in Gilman in 1934.

He was united in marriage with Ruth Merkle on the 16th of November, 1940 at the Assumption Catholic Church. To this union five (5) children were born (2) sons and (3) daughters. PATRICIA MARY ANN KARLEEN TIMOTHY and THOMAS

Ruth Elaine Merkle daughter of Chris and Anna (Wallace) Merkle was born on the 28th of August, 1917 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 22nd of September, 1917 at the Assumption Catholic Church. She made her 1st communion and was confirmed on the 17th of May all at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum.

She graduated from Gilman High School in 1935.

They made their home on the Meents Homestead from 1940 until 1978 when he retired from farming and moved into the town of Ashkum. He is now employed by the Meier Oil Service in Ashkum.



Melvin

Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Melvin Franklin	B. 21-Apr-1916	D.
Married	16-Nov-1940	
Ruth Merkle	B. 28-Aug-1917	D.

CHILDREN

Patricia Ann	Married	To Whom
B. 20-Apr-1944	25-May-1968	Parr W. Schoolman
D.		B. 28-Dec-1939
		D.

Mary Ann		Vergil Westgor
B. .1-Dec-1946	22-Jun-1974	B. 13-Sep-1930
D.		D. 21-May-1975

Anita Karleen		Dennis Yohnka
B. 18-Jun-1948	26-Jul-1969	B. .3-Mar-1948
D.		D.

Timothy Paul		Patricia Profit-
B. 23-Oct-1953	28-Jul-1973	Mitchell
D.		B. 22-Jan-1952
		D.

Thomas Duane
B. 22-Nov-1954
D.

"Patricia

Melvin (3) Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Patricia Ann:	B. 20-Apr-1944	D.
Married	25-May-1968	
Parr W. Schoolman	B. 28-Dec-1939	D.

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Parr Thomas		
B. 17-Feb-1971		
D.		

Paige Aaron
B. 10-Nov-1974
D.

ABBY LYNN
B. 22-MAR-1982
D.

Patrice Lynnae
B. 8-July-1980
D.

VERGIL & MARY ANN (MEENTS) WESTGOR FAMILY HISTORY



Mary Ann Meents daughter of Melvin and Ruth (Merkle) Meents was born on the 1st of December, 1946 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 22nd of December, 1946 at the Assumntion Catholic Church in Ashkum. She made her 1st communion on the 5th of February, 1954 and was confirmed on the 10th of October, 1960 all at the Assumption Catholic Church.

She attended the College of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois in 1965 and Northern Illinois University at DeKalb, DeKalb County, Illinois, receiving her Bachlors degree in Physical Education in 1969.

She was united in marriage with Vergil Westgor on the 22nd of June, 1974 at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church at the Huffman Estates in Cook County, Illinois.

They had no children.

Vergil Vernal Westgor son of Clarence and Mildred (Olson) Westgor was born on the 13th of September, 1930 at Heron Lake. Jackson County, Minnesota.

He spent three years with the United States Army in Germany as the Army's Psychiatric Social Worker from 1948-1952.

He was ordained in the American Lutheran Ministry in 1957, receiving his Bachlors degree from the Augustana College in Sioux Falls, Minnehaha County, South Dakota. His Masters of Divinity from the Lutheran Theological Semenary in St. Paul Ramsey County, Minnesota. He left the Ministry in 1966 and returned to Social work.

He passed away on the 21st of May, 1975 at the age of 45 years 8 months and 8 days. They were married 10 months and 29 days. He is buried in Windom, Cottonwood County, Minnesota. At the time of his death he was youth counselor for the Juvenile Divison of the Illinois Department of Corrections.

He married twice before (1) Beverly Evans in 1952, she died in 1960, they had two sons. (2) Audrey Johnson in 1963, they had a son and daughter, they divorced in 1970.

Mary Ann is Librarian at the Public Library in Schaumburg, DuPage County, Illinois.

DENNIS & KARLEEN (MEENTS) YOHNKA FAMILY HISTORY



Anita Karleen Meents daughter of Melvin and Ruth (Merkle) Meents was born on the 18th of June, 1948 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was baptized on the 11th of July, 1948 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. She made her 1st communion on the 6th of May, 1956 and was confirmed on the 10th of October, 1960 all at the Assumption Catholic Church.

She was united in marriage with Dennis Yohnka on the 26th of July, 1969 at the Assumption Catholic Church. To this union two (2) sons have been born WILLIAM and ROBERT

Dennis Robert Yohnka son of William and Rell (Burns) Yohnka was born on the 3rd of March, 1948 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. He was baptized on the 21st of March, 1948 at St. Mary's and Joseph Catholic Church in Chebanse, Iroquois County, Illinois. He made his 1st communion on the 29th of May, 1956 and was confirmed on the 17th of May, 1960 all at St. Mary's and Joseph Church.

Karleen has a Bachelors degree in Education and is teaching in Bourbonnais, Kankakee County, Illinois. Dennis is a Journalist and is working as a news reporter for the Kankakee Daily Journal in Kankakee.

"Karleen"

Melvin (3) Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Anita Karleen	B. 18-Jun-1948	D.
Married	26-Jul-1969	
Dennis Yohnka	B. .3-Mar-1948	D.

CHILDREN

William Matthew	Married	To Whom
B. .9-Dec-1975		
D.		

Robert Carl
B. 31-Aug-1977

Elizabeth Jane
B. 6-Mar. 1980
D.

REBECCA RUTH
B. 8-DES-1983
D.

TIMOTHY & PATRICIA (PROFIT-MITCHELL) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Timothy Paul Meents son of Melvin and Ruth (Merkle) Meents was born on the 23rd of October, 1953 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. He was bantized on the 4th of November, 1953 at the Assumption Catholic Church. He made his 1st communion on the 14th of May, 1961 and was confirmed on the 6th of June, 1965 all at the Assumption Church.

He was united in marriage with Patricia Profit-Mitchell on the 28th of July, 1973 at the First United Methodist Church in Willmington. Two sons have been born to this union KYLE and NICHOLAS Another son by a previous marriage of Patricia's was adopted by Tim FRANK MITCHELL

Patricia Kay Profit daughter of John and Mary (Fitzhough) Profit was born on the 22nd of January, 1952 at the Silver Cross Hosnital in Joliet. Although she was bantized Catholic, she was reared as a Methodist.

On the 17th of July, 1978 she became a confirmed member of St. Rose Catholic Church in Willmington.

Tim is employed at the Commonwealth Edison Company in Willmington as a Nuclear Station operator.

"Timothy"

Melvin (3) Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Timothy Paul	B. 23-Oct-1953	D.
Married	28-Jul-1973	
Patricia Profit-Mitchell	B. 22-Jan-1952	D.

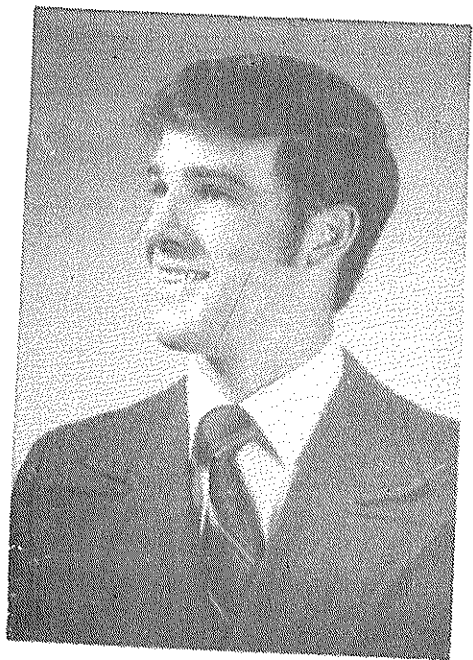
CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Frank Joseph Mitchell		
B. 11-Mar-1970 (Adpt)		
D.		

Kyle Andrew
B. 26-Jun-1975
D.

Nicholas Karl
B. 21-Mar-1979
D.

Anna Frances
B. 25-FEB-1981
D



Thomas Duane Meents son of Melvin and Ruth (Merkle) Meents was born on the 22nd of November, 1954 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was bantized on the 19th of December, 1954 at the Assumption Catholic Church. He received his 1st communion on the 29th of Anril, 1962 and was confirmed on the 6th of June, 1965 both at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum.

He graduated from the Central High School in Clifton in 1972. He attended Eastern Illinois University at Charleston, Coles County, Illingis, receiving his Bachlors degree in Education and Botony.

He is employed as a landscane foreman at the Tholen Garden Center in Kankakee.

He lives in Clifton.

WAYNE & EVELYN (MEENTS) LaVOIE FAMILY HISTORY



Evelyn Marie Meents daughter of Carl and Delia (Fortemms) Meents was born on the 16th of August, 1920 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 29th of August, 1920 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. She made her 1st communion and was confirmed on the 17th of May, 1928 all at the Assumption Church.

She graduated from (3) year High School in Ashkum in 1937 and from (4) year High School in St. Ann, Kankakee County, Illinois with the class of 1938. She was united in marriage to Wayne LaVoie on the 17th of July, 1943 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. To this union two sons were born TERRY and JAMES

Wayne Arthur LaVoie son of Edward and Eva (Anderson) LaVoie was born of the 24th of October, 1921 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized in the Catholic faith on the 11th of December, 1921 at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in LaRable, Iroquois County, Illinois. He made his 1st communion at the Assumption Catholic Church and was confirmed also at the Assumption Church on the 25th of October 1933.

He was drafted into the United States Army during World War II in October, 1942. He served (1) year in the European Theatre and another 6 months in the Pacific Theatre.

He is employed at the Sears Roebuck Store in Kankakee, and Evelyn operates a Beauty shon in her home in Ashkum



EVELYN (MEENTS) LA VOIE

DIED - 31 MAY - 1980

59 YRS - 9 MOS - 15 DAYS

Evelyn

Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Evelyn Marie
Married
Wayne LaVoie

B. 16-Aug-1920
17-Jul-1943
B. 24-Oct-1919

D. 31-MAY-1980
59 yrs - 9 mos - 15 days
D.

CHILDREN

Terry Wayne
B. 13-Jan-1948
D.

Married
10-Jul-1976

To Whom
Robin Caise
B. 11-Nov-1951
D.

James Edward
B. .2-Apr-1962
D.

"Terry"

Evelyn (3) Carl (2) Frank E. (1)

Terry Wayne:	B. 13-Jan-1948	D.
Married	10-Jul-1976	
Robin Caise	B. 11-Nov-1951	D.

CHILDREN

Married

To Whom

Jason Michael
B. - 22-Sept-1980
D.

Emily Anna Marie
B. - 26 MAR. 1983
D.

FRED & MARIE (CLASSEN) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Fredrick Bernhard Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 23rd of January, 1894 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 19th of Anril, 1894 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 20th of March, 1910 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church.

He took as his bride Marie Classen on the 24th of October, 1917 at the Parsonage of the Lutheran Church in Gilman. To this union seven children were born (2) sons and (5) daughters WILFRED MAE ETHEL MILDRED GERTRUDE HELEN and ERMA The second child and son was still born.

On the 26th of June, 1918 he was inducted into the United States Army during World War I. He received his discharge in February on 1919.

Marie Hilda Classen daughter of Charles and Gret,il (Rewerts) Classen was born on the 17th of February, 1897 at the home of her parents in Danforth. She was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 18th of March 1897 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. She was confirmed also at St. John's Lutheran Church on the 16th of March, 1913.

They made their home in the Danforth area where he farmed until Marie's death, at which time he moved to a farm just north of Ashkum. Here his youngest sister Cevia J. moved in to help him rear five of his seven children. His oldest sister Marie Klumker took the youngest daughter to raise in Kankakee. He farmed this farm until he retired in 1948 and built a home on the east side of Ashkum.

Marie passed away on the 17th of December, 1926 at the home of her parents in Danforth at the age of 29 years and 10 months. They were married 9 years 1 month and 23 days. She is buried on the cemetery at Danforth.

FRED & HENRIETTA (ROSENTHAL-REYNOLDS) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



On the 5th of November, 1960 Fred was united in marriage to the widow Henrietta Rosenthal Reynolds at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum.

They made their home in Ashkum.

He passed away on the 29th of July, 1972 at the Veterans Hospital in Danville Vermillion County, Illinois. He was 78 years 6 months and 6 days. They were married 11 years 8 months and 24 days. He is buried on the cemetery at Ashkum.

Henrietta Augusta Rosenthal daughter of Henry and Ann (Heideman) Rosenthal was born on the 18th of August, 1899 at the home of her parents in Gilman. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth, on the 15th of May, 1899. She was confirmed on the 10th of April, 1922 in Marion, Grant County, Indiana.

She became a member of the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum in 1961.

She was married to Charles Reynolds in 1920, two children were born this union a son and a daughter. Charles passed away in 1953.

FREDRICK

Frank E. (1)

Fredrick Bernhard	B. 23-Jan-1894	D. 29-Jul-1972
Marie Classen	Married 24-Oct-1917	
	B. 17-Feb-1897	D. 17-Dec-1926
Henrietta Rosenthal-Reynolds	Married .5-Nov-1960	
	B. 18-Apr-1899	D.

CHILDREN

Wilfred Clarence Paul	Married	To Whom
B. 14-Apr-1918	12-Apr-1947	Marie Tasher-Fruin
D. 22-DEC-1980 <i>62 yrs. 7 mos. 8 days</i>		B. .3-Nov-1907
		D.
Mae Ethel Marie		
B. 24-Apr-1921		
D. .9-Nov-1966		
Mildred Frances		Vincent R. Voigt
B. 11-Apr-1923	21 Aug-1948	B. 20-Jan-1918
D.		D.
Gertrude Cevia		Orval Peters
B. .4-Sep-1924	.7-May-1947	B. 12-May-1918
D.		D.
Helen Eliza		Hubert Burr ridge
B. 25-Oct-1925	14-Jan-1950	B. .3-Dec-1926
D.		Senrated 1957
		Divorced 1963
Erma Frieda		Edwin Janssen
B. 12-Dec-1926	14-Mar-1948	B. 30-Nov-1924
D.		D.

WILFRED & MARIE (TASHER-FRUIIN) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Wilfred Clarence Paul Meents son of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 14th of April, 1918 at the home of his grandparents Charles and Gretli (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. He was baptized on the 5th of May, 1918 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 15th of May, 1935 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum.

He was inducted into the Armed Forces in 1941 and served in England and France. He received his discharge in 1945

He was married to the widow Marie Tasher-Fruin on the 12th of April, 1947 at the Parsonage of the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. To this union a daughter LINDA was born.

Marie Josephine Tasher daughter of Chris and Minnie (SaVoie) Tasher was born on the 3rd of November, 1907 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was baptized on the 28th of November, 1907 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in LeRable. She made her 1st communion on the 19th of May, 1915 also at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. She was confirmed in August of 1919 at St. Rose Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Wilfred became a member of St. John the Baptist Church on the 11th of June, 1954

They are making their home in Ashkum. He has retired from farming and at present is employed by the A.O. Smith Corp. in Kankakee.

Marie was married to Thomas Fruin, they had a son ROGER Tom passed away in July of 1946.



WILFRED MEENTS

DIED - 22 DEC - 1980

62 yrs - 7 mos - 8 DAYS

MARIE (TASHER-FRUIIN) MEENTS

DIED - 15 - MAR - 1984

76 yrs - 4 mos - 12 DAYS

Wilfred

Fred-Cevia (2) Frank E. (1)

Wilfred Clarence Paul B. 14-Apr-1918
Married 12-Apr-1947
Marie Tasher-Fruin B. 03-Nov-1907

D. 22-DEC-1982

D. 15-MAR-1984

CHILDREN

Linda Marie
B. 11-Jun-1948
D.

Married
12-MAR-1981

To Whom
JEROME Pyzdrowski
B. 23-OCT-1941
D.



Linda Marie Meents daughter of Wilfred and Marie (Tasher-Fruin) Meents was born on the 11th of June, 1948 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was baptized on the 25th of June, 1948 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum. She received her 1st communion on the 10th of June, 1955 also at the Assumption Church. She was confirmed on the 8th of September, 1957 at St John the Baptist Catholic Church in LeRable.

She graduated from Central High School in Clifton in 1967. She attended Beauticians School in Kankakee and at present is employed by the Puccini Beauty Salon in Kankakee.

She has an apartment on South Third Ave in Kankakee.

JEROME & LINDA (MEENTS) PYZDROWSKI FAMILY HISTORY



Linda Marie Meents daughter of Wilfred and Marie (Tasher-Fruin) Meents was born on the 11th of June 1948 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois. She was bantized on the 25th of June 1948 at the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum, Iroquois County, Illinois. She received her 1st. Communion on the 10th of June 1955 also at the Assumption Catholic Church. She was Confirmed on the 8th of September 1957 at St. John's the Baptist Church in LeRable, Iroquois County, Illinois.

She graduated from Central High School with the class of 1967. She attended Beauticians School in Kankakee and was employed by the Puccini Beauty Salon until her marriage to Jerome Pyzdrowski on the 12th of March 1980 at the parsonage of the Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum.

A son has been born to this union.
JASON

Jerome Edward Pyzdrowski son of Louis and Deloris (Garreau) Pyzdrowski was born on the 23rd of October 1941 at the home of his parents in Bradley, Kankakee County, Illinois. He was bantized on the 2nd of November 1941 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Kankakee, Made his 1st Communion in May 1949; and Confirmed in October 1949 all at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church.

He graduated from Bradley-Bourbonnais High School with the class of 1959.

He was in the United States Army from 1965 to 1968 serving 15 months in Korea.

He is owner and operator of the Pyzdrowski Plumbing Company in Bradley.

"Linda"

Wilfred (3) Fred-Cevia (2) Frank E. (1)

Linda Marie Born 11-Jun-1948

D.

Married 12-Mar-1981

Jerome Pyzdrowski ^{BORN} 23-Oct-1941

D.

CHILDREN

MARRIED

TO WHOM

Jason Edward

B. 16-Sep-1981

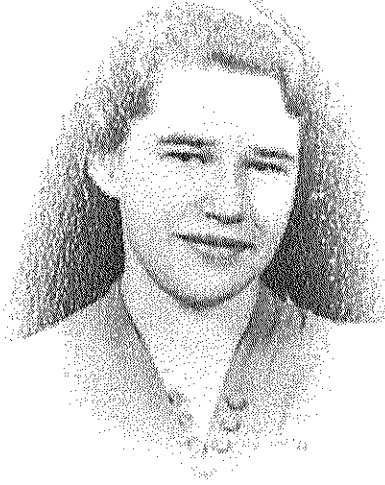
D.

LYNN MARIE

B. 26-July-1984

D.

MAE ETHEL MEENTS HISTORY

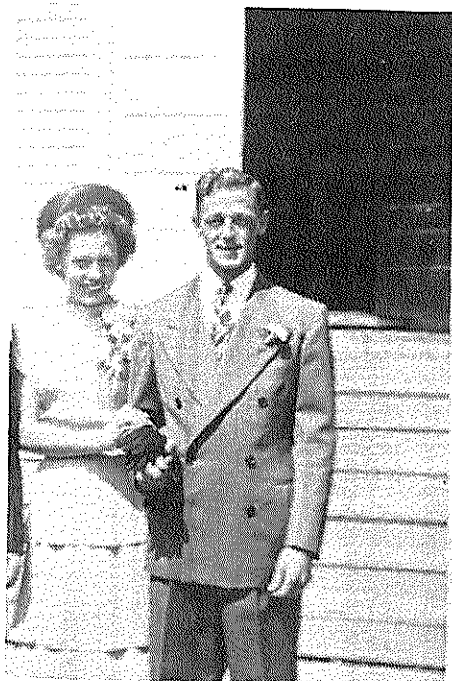


Mae Ethel Marie Meents daughter of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 24th of April, 1921 at the home of her grandparents Charles and Gretli (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. She was bantized on the 15th of May, 1921 at the home of her parents in Danforth, by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed on the 15th of May, 1935 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum.

She attended the Gallagher School of Business in Kankakee, later taking a job as Nurses Aid at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She never married. She was found dead at her apartment in Kankakee on the 9th of November, 1966 at the age of 45 years 6 months and 15 days. She is buried on the cemetary at Ashkum.

VINCENT R. & MILDRED (MEENTS) VOIGT FAMILY HISTORY



Mildred Frances Meents daughter of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 11th of April, 1923 at the home of her grandparents Charles and Gretti (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. She was baptized on the 20th of May, 1923 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 6th of April, 1938.

She was united in marriage with Vincent Voigt on the 21st of August, 1948 at the Zion Lutheran Church. To this union six children were born (5) sons and (1) daughter. KENNETH JERRY NANCY LARRY FRED & FRANK (twins)

Vincent Raymond Voigt son of Frank and Emma (Conrad) Voigt was born on the 20th of January, 1918 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was baptized on the 17th of March, 1918 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed also at the St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth on the 9th of April, 1933. He was drafted into the Armed Forces in July of 1942. He served in the South Pacific for two years, receiving his discharge in January of 1946.

At present he is employed by the A.O. Smith Corp, in Kankakee. He is planning on retireing with in a few months.



Mildred

Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Mildred Frances	B. 11-Apr-1923	D.
Married	21-Aug-1948	
Vincent R. Voigt	B. 20-Jan-1918	D.

CHILDREN

Kenneth Frank	Married	To Whom
B. 21-Apr-1949	.6-Feb-1971	Lana Krueger
D.		B. 27-Jul-1950
		D.

Jerry Ray
B. 30-Dec-1950
D.

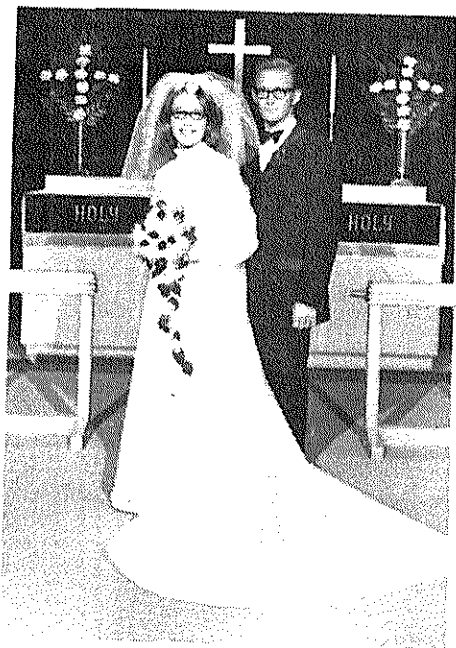
Nancy Carol		Phillip Hanson
B. 13-Nov-1951	.8-Apr-1972	B. 13-Nov-1949
D.		D.

Larry Dean		Dana Hansen
B. 24-Oct-1953	15-Oct-1977	B. 29-Sep-1957
D.		D.

Fred Bernard		Patricia Tittle
B. 24-Mar-1958	10-Dec-1976	B. .3-Sep-1960
D.	<i>Divorced - 1981</i>	D.

Frank Vincent		Brenda Reardanz
B. 24-Mar-1958	.2-Oct-1976	B. 18-Nov-1959
D.		D.

KENNETH & LANA (KRUEGER) VOIGT FAMILY HISTORY



Kenneth Frank Voigt son of Vincent and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 21st of April, 1949 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was baptized in the Lutheran faith by the pastor of the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 15th of May, 1949. He was confirmed on the 7th of April, 1963 also at the Zion Lutheran Church.

He graduated from Central High School in Clifton with the class of 1967. He joined the Naval Reserves in 1969 and went into active duty in May of 1970. He received his discharge in April of 1974.

He was married with Lana Krueger on the 6th of February, 1971 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. To this union two children have been born. GAIL and GREGG

Lana Kay Krueger daughter of Fred and Betty (Behrends) Krueger was born on the 27th of July, 1950 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 2nd of September, 1951 at St. John's Church. She was confirmed also at St. John's Church on the 11th of April 1965. She graduated from Central High School in Clifton with the class of 1968.

They are making their home in Kankakee where Kenny is employed at the Kankakee Country Golf Course as Manager.

"Kenneth"

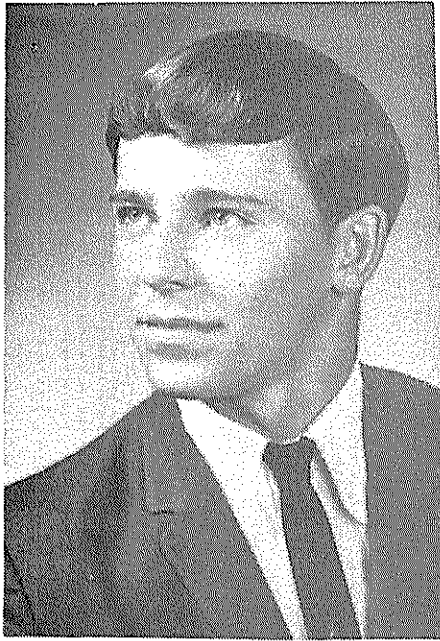
Mildred (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frnak E. (1)

Kenneth Frank	B. 21-Apr-1949	D.
Married	.6-Feb-1971	
Lana Krueger	B. 27-Jul-1950	D.

CHILDREN

Gail Sue	Married	To Whom
B. .6-May-1973		
D.		

Gregg Alan
B. 15-Apr-1978
D.



Jerry Ray Voigt son of Vincent and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 30th of December, 1950 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 28th of January, 1951 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed also at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 11th of April, 1965.

He graduated from Central High School in Clifton with the class of 1969. He received a football injury that caused him to lose a leg. He attended the University of Illinois in Urbana, nlaying on the GISS KIDS WHEEL CHAIR TEAM both in basket-ball and track.

He received his Bachlors degree in Architecture in 1974, graduating in Versailles France, where he studied for one year.

He is working in Architecture in Lander, Fremont County, Wyoming.

PHILIP & NANCY (VOIGT) HANSON FAMILY HISTORY



Nancy Carol Voigt daughter of Vincent and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 13th of November, 1951 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 16th of December, 1951 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. She was confirmed also at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 11th of April 1965. She graduated from Central High School in 1969.

She was united in marriage with Philip Hanson on the 8th of April, 1972 at the Zion Lutheran Church. To this union three children have been born JENNIFER JEFFREY and JILL

Philip Dean Hanson son of Andrew and Verna (Hilgert) Hanson was born on the 13th of November, 1949 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosnital in Watseka. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 19th of March, 1950 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 22nd of March, 1964 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum.

He is emloyed by the Meier Oil Service in Ashkum as a Transport driver. He was drafted into the Armed Forces in September, 1969 serving 18 months in Okinawa, receiving his discharge in June, 1971

"Nancy"

Mildred (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Nancy Carol	B. 13-Nov-1951	D.
Married	.8-Apr-1972	
Phillip Hanson	B. 13-Nov-1949	D.

CHILDREN

Jennifer Lynn	Married	To Whom
B. .2-Sep-1972		
D.		

Jeffrey Dean
B. 31-Mar-1976
D.

Jill Marie
B. 17-Feb-1978
D.

LARRY & DANA (HANSEN) VOIGT FAMILY HISTORY



Larry Dean Voigt son of Vincent R. and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 23rd of October, 1953 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 29th of November, 1953 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed on the 7th of April, 1968 at the Zion Lutheran Church.

He graduated from Central High School in Clifton with the class of 1971.

He was married on the 15th of October, 1977 to Dana Hansen at the St. Mary's and Joseph Catholic Church in Chebanse.

Dana Carol Hansen daughter of Jack and Martha (Humblet) Hansen was born on the 28th of September, 1957 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 13th of October, 1957 at St Peter's Catholic Church in Clifton. She made her 1st communion in May of 1965 and was confirmed in June of 1969 all at St. Mary's and Joseph Catholic Church.

She works as a beautician at the Hair Together Salon in Bourbonnais, Kankakee County, Illinois. Larry is employed by the Meier Oil Service in Ashkum.

"Larry"

Mildred (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Larry Dean:	B. 24-Oct-1953	D.
Married	15-Oct-1977	
Dana Hanson	B. 29-Sep-1957	D.

CHILDREN

Married

To Whom

FRED & PATRICIA (TITTLE) VOIGT FAMILY HISTORY



Fred Bernard Voigt twin son of Vincent and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 24th of March, 1958 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was bantized on the 27th of Anril, 1958 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed also at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 15th of April, 1973.

He was united in marriage with Patricia Tittle on the 12th of October, 1976 at the Methodist Church in Gliman. To this union two (?) children have been born, a son and a daughter VINCENT E. and TRISTA Vincent E. was still born.

Patricia Lynn Tittle daughter of Earl and Lois (Miller) Tittle was born on the 9th of March, 1960 at the Paxton Community Hosnital in Paxton, Ford County, Illinois.

DIVORCED 1981

FRANK & BRENDA (REARDANZ) VOIGT FAMILY HISTORY



Frank Vincent Voigt twin son of Vincent and Mildred (Meents) Voigt was born on the 24th of March, 1958 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. He was baptized on the 27th of April, 1958 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed on the 15th of April, 1973 also at the Zion Lutheran Church.

He was united in marriage with Brenda Reardanz on the 2nd of December, 1967 at the Court House in Kankakee, Illinois. To this union a daughter has been born KATRINA

Brenda Yvette Reardanz daughter of Charles and Roberta (Piper) Reardanz was born on the 18th of November, 1959 at the Base Hospital in Del Rio, Val Verde County, Texas. She was bantized on the 6th of March, 1960 at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Herscher, Kankakee County, Illinois. She was confirmed on the 10th of June, 1973 also at the Trinity Lutheran Church.

He enlisted in the Unites States Navy and at present is on active duty in the Mediterranean

"Frank"

Mildred (3) Fred-Cewia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Frank Vincent:	B. 24-Mar-1958	D.
Married	.2-Oct-1976	
Brenda Reardanz	B. 18-Nov-1960	D.

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Katrina Lynn		
B. .3-Apr-1977		
D.		

Kandi Marie
B. 24-Aug-1979
D.

Jason EARL
B. 30-DEC-1983
D.

ORVAL & GERTRUDE (MEENTS) PETERS FAMILY HISTORY



Gertrude Cevia Meents daughter of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 4th of September, 1924 at the home of her grandparents Charles and Gretji (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith on the 27th of September, 1924 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 6th of April, 1938.

She attended the Ash-Clif High School for three years, but graduated from the Kankakee High School in 1942. She worked as bookkeeper and cashier for the Walgreen Drug Company in Kankakee for 3½ years.

She became the bride of Orval Peters on the 7th of May, 1947 at the parsonage of the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. To this union three children were born (2) daughters and (1) son CAROL SUSAN and JAMES. On the 13th of July, 1955 they were privileged to adopt a son JOHN Susan and James were still born.



Orval James Peters son of Chris and Sarah (Lutz) Peters was born on the 12th of May, 1918 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was baptized on the 10th of June, 1918 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Gilman. He was confirmed at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Gilman in 1932.

He was inducted into the United States Air Force during World War II on the 18th of March, 1942. He served in the South Pacific, receiving his discharge on the 11th of January, 1945.

He farmed the family farm west of Danforth until this past year 1978 when failing health forced him to retire.

Gertrude

Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Gertrude Cevia:	B. .4-Sep-1924	D.
Married	.7-May-1947	
Orval Peters	B. 12-May-1918	D.

CHILDREN

Carol Frances	Married	To Whom
B. .4-Dec-1947	.9-Aug-1969	David Gocken
D.		B. 10-Jan-1948
		n.

Susan Elizabeth
B. .8-Jun-1950
D. .8-Jun-1950

James Fredrick
B. 28-Mar-1952
D. 28-Mar-1952

John Robert (adpt)
B. 29-Apr-1955
D.

12 Jan 1953

Susan

9.5.1950

DAVID & CAROL (PETERS) GOCKEN FAMILY HISTORY



Carol Frances Peters daughter of Orval and Gertrude (Meents) Peters was born on the 4th of December, 1947 at the Iroquois Memorial Hosnital in Watseka. She was bantized on the 15h of February, 1948 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. She was confirmed also at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 26th of March 1961.

She graduated from the Elkhart Insitute of Techonology in Elkhart, Elkhart County, Indiana in 1969 as a Medical Lab. Technician.

She was united in marriage with David Gocken on the 9th of August, 1969 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. To this union two daughters have been born SHAYNA and SARA

David Gene Gocken son of Laverne and Betty (Heidemman) Gocken was born on the 10th of January, 1948 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. He was bantized at the Methodis Church in Clifton. On the 27th of April, 1957 he was confirmed at the United Methodis Church in Gilman.

He graduated from the Gilman High School with the class of 1966. He served in the United States Army from 1967-1970, spending two years in Vietnam. He received his discharge in 1970.

He graduated from Control Data Institute as a Computer Programmer in 1970. He attended Southern Illinois University graduating in 1975 with a Bachlors degree in Human Service. He ran in the Cross Country Track from 1971 to 1975.

He is employed at the Providence Program Company in St. Louis, Missouri. They are making their home in Edwardsville, Madison County, Illinois.

"Carol"

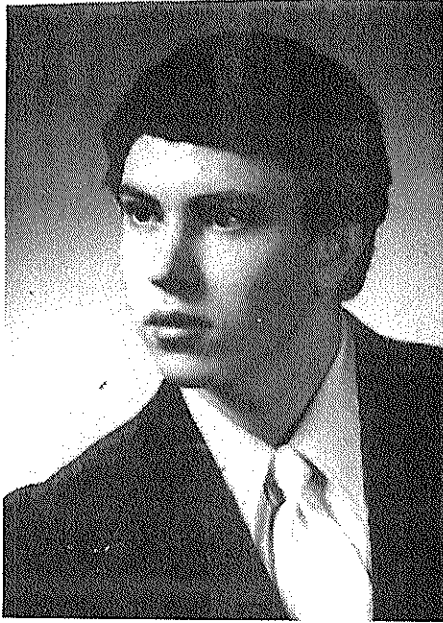
Gertrude (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Carol Frances:	B. .4-Dec-1947	D.
Married	.9-Aug-1969	
David Gocken	B. 10-Jan-1948	D.

CHILDREN

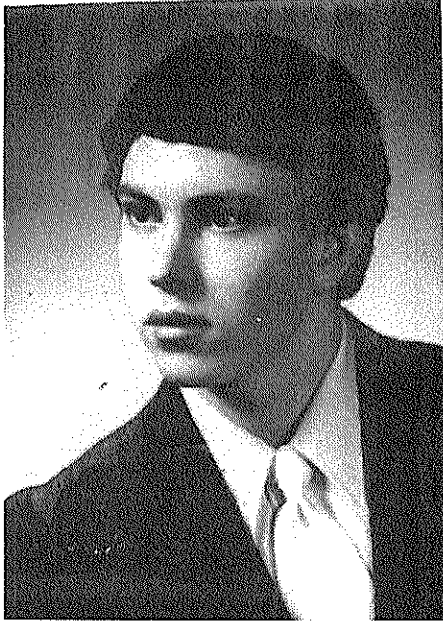
Shayna Marie	Married	To Whom
B. 10-Mar-1973		
D.		

Sara Elizabeth
B. 10-Mar-1977
D.



John Robert Peters adopted son of Orval and Gertrude (Meents) Peters was born on the 29th of April, 1955 in Chicago. He was adopted on the 13th of July, 1955 by Orval and Gertrude Peters of Danforth. He was baptized on the 30th of July, 1955 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 18th of April, 1970.

He graduated from the Gilman High School with the class of 1973. He attended Parkland Junior College in Champaign, for two years. He is attending school again and working part time in Champaign. He lives in a purchased trailer home on #5 in Champaign.



John Robert Peters adopted son of Orval and Gertrude (Meents) Peters was born on the 29th of April, 1955 in Chicago. He was adopted on the 13th of July, 1955 by Orval and Gertrude Peters of Danforth. He was baptized on the 30th of July, 1955 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum. He was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church on the 18th of April, 1970.

He graduated from the Gilman High School with the class of 1973. He attended Parkland Junior College in Champaign, for two years. He is attending school again and working part time in Champaign. He lives in a purchased trailer home on #5 in Champaign.

CHILDREN

Marnied

To WHOM

Susan
B.
D.

Micah JOSEPH
B. 12-Dec.-1980

Aaron Mathew
B. 1-Aug. 1983

Nathaniel Jacob
B. 22-May-1985

HUBERT & HELEN (MEENTS) BURRIDGE FAMILY HISTORY



Helen Eliza Meents daughter of Fred and Marie (Classen) Meents was born on the 25th of October, 1925 at the home of her grandparents Charles and Gretel (Rewerts) Classen in Danforth. She was bantized in the Lutheran faith on the 23rd of December, 1925 at the home of her parents in Danforth by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. She was confirmed at the Zion Lutheran Church in Ashkum on the 17th of March, 1940.

She clerked at Kresges Dime Store in Kankakee, and did house work until her marriage to Hubert Burrige on the 14th of January, 1950 at the Lutheran Parsonage in Gilman. To this union three children were born (2) sons and (1) daughter FREDRICK FRANK and MARY.

They made their home in the Rantoul Champaign County, area where Hubert was stationed with the United States Air Force. He was discharged from the service in 1955, at which time the family moved to Troy, Rensselaer County, New York, Hubert's home town.

Here they separated in 1957, and she returned to Ashkum with her children in 1958. They were divorced in 1963.

In 1964 she moved to make her home with her children in Watseka. Presently she is employed at the Iroquois Memorial Residence Home in Watseka.

Helen

Fred-Cevia W. (?) Frank E. (1)

Helen Eliza	B. 25-Oct-1925	D.
Married	14-Jan-1950	
Hubert Burridge	B. 3-Dec-1926	Separated 1957
		Divorced 1963

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Fredrick Hubert		Christina Baker
B. 23-Apr-1951	27-Sep-1972	B. 22-Dec-1952
D.		D.

Frank William
B. 13-Apr-1952
D.

Mary Louise		Jeffory Raymer
B. 24-Feb-1956	20-Jun-1956	B. 27-Nov-1953
D.		Divorced 1978

FREDRICK & CHRISTINA (BAKER) BURRIDGE FAMILY HISTORY



Fredrick Hubert Burrridge son of Hubert and Helen (Meents) Burrridge was born on the 23rd of April, 1951 at the base Hospital at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Champaign County, Illinois.

When his father received his discharge from the Air Force in 1955 the family moved to Hubert's home town of Troy, New York. He was baptized on the 28th of July, 1957 at the First Christian Church in Troy.

After his parents separated in 1957 his mother returned to Ashkum with her children. He attended schools in Ashkum and Watseka. He enlisted into the United States Army in 1969, spending (1) year in Thailand. He received his discharge in 1971 at which time he returned to Troy to make his home.

He was married with Christina Baker on the 23rd of September, 1972 at the St. Timothy's Lutheran Church in North Greenbush, New York. To this union two children have been born RANDOLPH and AMANDA

Christina Baker daughter of Charles and Augusta (-----)Baker was born on the 22nd of December, 1952 at St. Mary's Hospital in Troy. She was baptized in the Lutheran faith on the 21st of January, 1953 at St. John's Lutheran Church in Albany, Albany County, New York.

Rick is working as a welder for General Motors in Troy and Tina is a cashier.

"Fredrick"

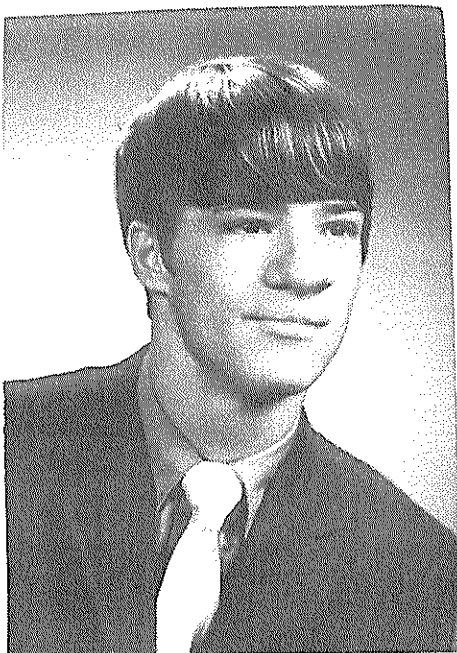
Helen (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Fredrick Hubert:	B. 23-Apr-1951	D.
Married	27-Sep-1972	
Christina Baker	B. 22-Dec-1952	D.

CHILDREN

	Married	To Whom
Randolph Michael		
B. 23-Mar-1973		
D.		

Amanda Jean
B. 27-Sep-1974
D.



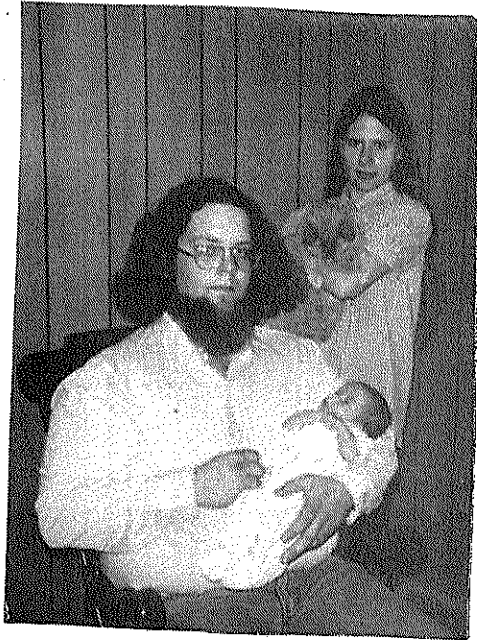
Frank William Burrridge son of Hubert and Helen (Meents) Burrridge was born on the 13th of April, 1952 at the Base Hosnital at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul.

When his father received his discharge from the Air Force in 1955 the family moved to Hubert's home town of Troy, New York. He was bantized on the 28th of July, 1957 at the First Christian Church in Troy.

After his parents separated in 1957 his mother returned with her children to Ashkum. He graduated from the Urbana High School with the class of 1972.

Since graduation he has been employed by the Howard Johnson Restaurant Chain as a short-order cook. He is assistant Manager at one of the Restaurants in Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut.

JEFFORY & MARY (BURRIDGE) RAYMER FAMILY HISTORY



Mary Louise Burrridge daughter of Hubert and Helen (Meents) Burrridge was born on the 24th of February, 1956 at the St. Mary's Hospital in Troy. She was bantized on the 28th of July, 1957 at the First Christian Church in Troy.

When her parents separated in 1957 she returned with her mother and brothers to Ashkum in 1958. She graduated from the Watseka High School with the class of 1974.

She was united in marriage with Jeffory Raymer on the 30th of June, 1972 at the Court house in Watseka. To this union a daughter JODY was born.

They were divorced in 1978.

She is employed by the Fertiliser Application System Inc. (F.A.S.) in Watseka where she is making her home with her daughter.

DONALD & MARY (BURRIDGE - RAYMER) SMITH FAMILY HISTORY



On the 14th of November 1981 Mary was united in marriage with Donald L. Smith at the Christian Church in Watseka, Iroquois County, Illinois.

Donald Lee Smith son of Oscar and Lera (Hollinn) Smith was born on the 15th of July 1951 in Florence, Auderoale County, Alabama.

He graduated from Bradley Bourbonnais High School with the class of 1969. He served in the U.S. Marine Corp from 1969 - 1974. At the present time is employed with the Kankakee County Police Department, and is in the Active Reserves.

A son Dustin has been born to this union.

"Mary"

Helen (3) Fred-Cevia J. (2) Frank E. (1)

Mary Louise	B. 24-Feb-1956	D.
Married	20-Jun-1972	
Jeffory Raymer	B. 27-Nov-1953	Divorced 1978
DONALD SMITH - 14-Nov-81	B. 15-Jul-1951	D.
MARRIED	14-Nov-1981	

CHILDREN

Jody Lynn	Married	To Whom
B. 14-Oct-1974		
D.		

DUSTIN LEE
B. 15-Apr-1982
D.

RAYMOND & HAZEL (MERKLE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Raymond Ruben Meents son of Frank E. and Hazel (Merkle) Meents was born on the 26th of July, 1896 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 18th of October, 1896 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed on the 16th of March, 1913 at the Congregational Church in Ashkum by the pastor of St. John's Church.

He was united in marriage to Hazel Merkle on the 15th of February, 1919 at the Lutheran Pasronage in Danforth. To this union four children were born (1) son and (3) daughters. MYRON DOROTHY CEVIA F. and BESSIE

Hazel Adaline Merkle daughter of William and Bess (Cone) Merkle was born on the 8th of May, 1894 at the home of her parents in Ashkum.

While making her home in Ashkum, she was among the women who organized the Ashkum chapter of the Iroquois County Home Bureau.

They farmed the family farm east of Ashkum for fourteen (14) years, when they moved to Chalmers, White County, Indiana. in 1933. Several years later they moved to a farm in Remington, Jasper, County, Indiana

He farm this farm unitl he retired in 1952 at which time they bought a home at 114 New York St. in Remington.

Hazel passed away on the 24th of November, 1976 at the Brooks Nursing Home in Brooks County, Indiana at the age of 82 years 6 months and 16 days. They were married 57 years 9 months and 9 days.

She is buried on the cemetary at Ashkum.



RAYMOND MEENTS

DIED - 17-JUNE-1981

84 YRS. 10 MOS. 21 DAYS

RAYMOND

Frank E. (1)

Raymond Ruben
Married
Hazel Merkle

B. 26-Jul-1896
15-Feb-1919
B. .8-May-1894

D. 17-June-1981
84 yrs - 10 mos - 21 day
D. 24-Nov-1976

CHILDREN

Myron John
B. .4-Mar-1920
D.

Married
30-Jun-1943

To Whom
Esther Lucterhand
B. .1-Jul-1920
D.

Adeline Dorothy
B. 26-Sep-1921
D. 25-Apr-1967

20-Mar-1942

Paul C. Crine
B. 22-Jul-1921
D. .2-Oct-1968

Cevia Frances
B. 13-Apr-1923
D. 21-Jan-1924

Bessie Mae
B. 23-Feb-1925
D.

.4-Jun-1948

John Morrison
Divorced 1972

25-July-1980

DONALD GLEN SMITH
B. 7-APRIL-1929
D.

MYRON & ESTHER (LUCHTERHAND) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Myron John Meents son of Raymond and Hazel (Merkle) Meents was born on the 4th of March, 1920 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized in the Lutheran Faith on the 24th of April, 1920 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

His parents moved to Chalmers, White County, Indiana in 1933 where he graduated from Chalmers High School with the class of 1938. He was drafted into the United States Army in 1942, because of his father's poor health he was given a Medical Discharge in 1943.

He was united in marriage with Esther Luchterhand on the 30th of June, 1943 at the Methodist Church in Remington, Jasper County, Indiana. To this union four (4) children were born
BRUCE & ROBERT (twins) MARY ESTHER and JOHN R.

Esther Pearl Luchterhand daughter of Charles and Matilda (-----) Luchterhand was born on the 1st of July, 1920 at the home of her parents in Goodland, Newton County, Indiana. She was bantized in the Methodist Faith in 1921. She graduated from the Remington High School with the class of 1938.

They are making their home in the Remington area

Myron

Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

Myron John	B. .4-Mar-1920	D.
Married	30-Jun-1943	
Esther Lucterhand	B. .1-Jul-1920	D.

CHILDREN

Bruce Wayne	Married	To Whom
B. 23-Jun-1944		
D.		

Robert Myron
B. 23-Jun-1944
D.

Mary Esther		Thomas W. Dickerson
B. 25-Jun-1948	24-Nov-1972	B. 12-Apr-1946
D.		D.

John Raymond
B. 27-Apr-1956
D.

Bruce Wayne Meents twin son of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 23th of June, 1944 at the Jasner, County, Hosnital in Rensselaer, Indiana. He was baptized at the Methodist Church in Remington in April of 1945

He graduated from the Remington High School with the class of 1962. He attended the University of Vincennes in Vincennes, Knox County, Indiana.

He enlisted in the Army in 1963 spending three years in Germany. He received his discharge in 1966

He is working for the Marines Patrol Office of Nature Reserves for the State of Florida. His home is in Long Key, Florida.

ROBERT MEENTS HISTORY



Robert Myron Meents twin son of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 23rd of June, 1944 at the Jasner County Hosnital in Rensselaer, Jasner County, Indiana.

He was bantized at the Methodist Church in Remington, Indiana in April 1945.

He graduated from the Remington High School with the class of 1962. He attended Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana. He spent four years in the United States Air Force; of which three years were spent in Alsaka. He received his discharge in 1968.

Robert Myron Meents twin son of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 23rd of June, 1944 at the Jasper, County Hosnital in Rensselaer, Indiana. He was bantized at the Methodist Church in Remington, in April of 1945

He graduated from the Remington High School with the class of 1962, He attended Purdue University in Lafayette, Indiana. He spent four years in the United States Air Force, of which three years were spent in Alaska. He received his discharge in 1968.

He is working for the Silver Lane Seed Company in Remington.

Married

To WHOM

SUSAN GINERY

Divorced
1983

THOMAS W. & MARY ESTHER (MEENTS) DICKERSON FAMILY HISTORY



Mary Esther Meents daughter of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 25th of June, 1948 at the Jasner County, Hospital in Rensselaer, Indiana. She was baptizted in the Methodist faith at the Methodist Church in Remington in 1949. She graduated from the Remington High School with the class of 1966

She was united in marriage with Thomas W. Dickerson on the 24th of November, 1972 at the Methodist Church in Remington. To this union two children have been born a son and daughter THOMAS N. and AMY JO

Thomas William Dickerson son of Thomas and Shirley (-----) Dickerson was born on the 12th of April, 1946 in St. Louis, Missouri.

They are making their home in Evansville, Vanderburgh County, Indiana where he is employed as a trucker for General Electric.

"Mary Esther"

Myron (3) Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

Mary Esther:	B. 25-Jun-1948	D.
Married	24-Nov-1972	
Thomas W. Dickerson	B. 12-Apr-1946	D.

CHILDREN

Thomas Neal	Married	To Whom
B. .3-May-1976		
D.		

Amy Jo
B. 27-Dec-1978
D.

John Raymond Meents son of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 27th of April, 1956 at the Jasper County Hospital in Rensselaer, Indiana. He was bantized in the Methodist faith in 1957 at the Methodist Church in Remington. He graduated from TriCounty High School in Wolcott, White County, Indiana. He graduated from Purdue University with the class of 1978. He is working in Ames, Story County, Iowa for the American Yorkshire Club.

JOHN & PEGGY JO (MOREHART) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



John Raymond Meents son of Myron and Esther (Lucterhand) Meents was born on the 27th of April, 1956 at the Jasper County Hospital, in Rensselaer, Jasper County, Indiana. He was bantized in the Methodist faith in 1957 at the Methodist Church in Remington, Jasper County, Indiana. He was also confirmed at the Methodist Church in Remington.

He graduated from Tri-County High School in Wolcott, White County, Indaina in 1974. He graduated from Purdue University at Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana in 1978.

He was united in marriage with Peggy Jo Morehart on the 20th of December 1980 at the Methodist Church in Arlington, Hancock County, Ohio.

Peggy Jo Morehart daughter of Jimmie and Shirley (Brown) Morehart was born on the 4th of June, 1956 at the Bluffton Hospital, Bluffton, Hancock County, Ohio. She was bantized and confirmed in 1968 at the New Hope United Methodist Church in Rawson, Hancock County, Ohio.

She graduated from Arlington High School, Arlington, Hancock County, Ohio in 1974 and from Bluffton College in Bluffton in 1978.

John is employed as a Field Representative for the DROVERS JOURNAL in Shawnee Mission, Kansas.

"John R."

Myron (3) Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

John Raymond	B. 27-Apr-1956	D.
Married	20-Dec-1980	
Peggy Jo Morehart	B. 4-Jun-1956	D.

CHILDREN

MARRIED

TO WHOM

SAY REMINGTON

B. 27-OCT-1984

D

PAUL C. & DOROTHY (MEENTS) CRIPE FAMILY HISTORY



Adeline Dorothy Meents daughter of Raymond and Hazel (Merkle) Meents was born on the 26th of September, 1921 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was baptized in the Lutheran Faith on the 23rd of October, 1921 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. She attended school both in Ashkum and Chalmers, White County, Indiana.

She was united in marriage with Paul C. Cripe on the 20th of March, 1942 at the Justice of the Peace in Monticello, White County, Indiana. Two sons were born to this union. PAUL L. and GLENN

Paul Clifton Cripe son of Clarence and Mary Ann (Reynolds) Cripe was born on the 22nd of July, 1922 at the home of his parents in Carroll County, Indiana.

He graduated from Roosevelt Senior High School in Monticello. with the class of 1941. He entered the Army Air Force in November of 1942; was discharged in 1945

He was chief mechanic - 385th Fighter Squadron (P-51 Mustangs) in Great Britain and Europe. Made Staff Sergeant and won the Bronze Star Medal.

Dorothy was a beautician and worked in Monticello. She passed away on the 25th of April, 1967 of pneumonia at the age of 45 years 6 months and 29 days; at the hospital in Monticello.

Paul died of acute cardio respiratory failure at the Veteran Hospital in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana following a stroke. He was 47 years 2 months and 10 days.

They were married 25 years 1 month and 5 days. They are buried at the River-view Cemetery in Monticello.

Dorothy

Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

Adeline Dorothy	B. .6-Sep-1921	D. 25-Apr-1967
Married	20-Mar-1942	
Paul C. Crine	B. 22-Jul-1921	D. .2-Oct-1968

CHILDREN

Paul Lynn	Married	To Whom
B. .1-Aug-1944	.4-Jun-1966	Roma Douglas-Anderson
D.		B. .1-Nov-1941
		D.
Glenn Edward		Laura Biasioli
B. 23-Feb-1949	23-Sep-1971	B. 13-Aug-1948
D.		D.

PAUL L. & ROMA (DOUGLAS-ANDERSON) CRIPE FAMILY HISTORY



Paul Lynn Crine son of Paul C. and Dorothy (Meents) Crine was born on the 1st. of August, 1944 at the Jasper County Hosnital in Renssenlaer, White County, Indiana.

He graduated from Purdue University at Lafayette, Jasper County, Indiana with the class of 1966.

He was united in marriage with Roma Douglas- Anderson on the 4th of June, 1966 at the Sitka Baptist Church in Buffalo, White County, Indaina.

To this union a son SCOTT has been born. Paul adotned KIMBERLY and BETH daughters of Roma's by a previous marriage.

Roma Ruth Douglas daughter of Gerold and Pauline (Conwell) Douglas was born on the 1st of November, 1941 at the home of her parents in Monticello, White County Indaina.

She was bantised in the Baptist faith on the 25th of March, 1951 at the Sitka Baptist Church in Sitka, Indiana

She graduated from Roosevelt High School in Montecello, Indaina with the class of 1959. She attended one year of college Ball State University, in Muncie, Indiana.

Paul entered the Navy in 1966 and at the present is an Executive Naval Officer with the Submarine Warfare specialty on the USS Nathan Hale (SSBN632) (gold)

"Paul L."

Dorothy (3) Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

Paul Lynn	B. .1-Aug-1944	D.
Married	.4-Jun-1966	
Roma Douglas-Anderson	B. .1-Nov-1941	D

CHILDREN

Kimberly Anderson Cripe	Married	To Whom
B. 11-Sep-1961		
D.		

Beth Ann Anderson Cripe
B. 28-Nov-1963

Scott
B. .3-Sep-1968
D.

GLENN & LAURA (BRASIOLI) CRIPE FAMILY HISTORY

Glenn Edward Cripe son of Paul C. and Dorothy (Meents) Crine was born on the 23rd of February, 1949 at the Hospital in Monticello, White County, Indiana.

He was united in marriage with Laura Brasioli on the 23rd of September, 1971

A son has been born this this union
HUBERT

Laura Brasioli was born on the 13th of August, 1948 in Abrea, Italy.

"Glenn"

Dorothy (3) Raymond (2) Frank E. (1)

Glenn Edward	B. 23-Feb-1949	D.
Married	23-Sep-1971	
Laura Biasioli	B. 13-Aug-1948	D.

CHILDREN

Hubert	Married	To Whom
B. 19-Jun-1973		
D.		

CEVIA F. MEENTS HISTORY



Cevia Frances Meents daughter of Raymond and Hazel (Merkle) Meents was born on the 13th of April, 1923 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized on the 27th of May, 1923 at the home of her parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth.

She was found dead in her crib by her mother on the 21st of January, 1924 at the age of 9 months and 8 days.

She is buried on the family plot at the cemetary in Ashkum

JOHN & BESSIE MAE (MEENTS) MORRISON FAMILY HISTORY



Bessie Mae Meents daughter of Raymond and Hazel (Merkle) Meents was born on the 23rd of February, 1925 at the home of her parents in Ashkum.

She graduated from Remington High School in 1943. She attended and graduated from Purdue University in Lafayette, Tinnecanoe County, Indiana in 1947 receiving her Bachelors Degree in Home Economics.

She was married to John Morrison on the 4th of June, 1948 at the St. John's Episcopal Church in Lafayette.

They lived in Venezuela South America from 1952-1962 upon returning to the United States she entered the University of California in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California. She received her Masters Degree in 1963.

They were divorced in 1972. They had no children.

She is making her home in Lomita, Los Angeles County, California where she is teaching and furthering her own education.

DONALD & BESS (MEENTS -MORRISON) SMITH FAMILY HISTORY



Bess Meents Morrison was married on the 25th of July 1980 to Donald G. Smith at the Garden of Maui Sunset Hotel in Kihie, Maui Hawaii.

Donald Glen Smith son of Reginald and Frances (Peters) Smith was born the 7th of April 1929 in Princeton, Mercer County, West Virginia. He graduated from Morris Harvey College (now Charleston Un) in Charleston. Kanawha, County, West Virginia in 1953. He was a Paratrooper in the U.S. Air Force from 1946 - 1948. Serving in Japan.

He was employed by the Union Carbide Company retiring in October of 1981.

Bess retired in July 1980 after 34 years of teaching; now is employed as a Home Economics Consultant.

They are making their home during the winter months in Circle Verde, Cali. and in the summer months in Remington, Indiana.

JOHN C Sr. & BRUNELDA (JOHNSON) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



John Cornelius Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 7th of Anril, 1900 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 6th of Sentember, 1900 at the home of his parents by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed also by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church at the Congregational Church in Ashkum on the 1st of April, 1917.

He was united in marriage to the girl next door, Brunelda Johnson on the 26th of December, 1923 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. To this union a son was born. JOHN C. Jr.

Brunelda Johanna Johnson daughter of John O. and Mary (Jergens) Johnson was born on the 5th of June, 1902 at the home of her parents in Ashkum. She was bantized in the Lutheran faith by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church. She was confirmed also by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church at the Congregational Church in Ashkum on the 24th of March, 1918.

They made their home mostly in the State of Ohio, living first in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio; and then moving to Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio; where he worked for the Metronoliton Life Insurance Company until he retired in 1965.

Brunelda passed away on the 11th of March, 1955 at the Bethesda Hosnital in Cincinnati at the age of 52 years 9 months and 6 days. They were married 31 years 2 months and 15 days. She is buried at the Rest Haven Memorial Cemetary in Cincinnati.



JOHN C. Sr. & GENEVIEVE (SNYDER-BUCHANAN) MEENT'S FAMILY HISTORY



On the 13th of November, 1957 John was united in marriage with the divorcee Genevieve Snyder-Buchanan at the Court House in Waycross, Ware County, Georgia.

They made their home part time in Cincinnati and part time in Florida.

He passed away on the 14th of July, 1976 at the Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati at the age of 76 years 3 months and 7 days. They were married 18 years 8 months and 1 day. He is buried at the Rest Haven Memorial cemetery in Cincinnati.

Genevieve Irene Snyder daughter of Henry and Julia (Larimer) Snyder was born on the 28th of June, 1907 at the home of her parents in St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri. She is a Protestant by faith.

She had two children by her 1st husband whom she divorced in 1957, a son and daughter.

JOHN

Frank E. (1)

John Cornelius:	B. .7-Apr-1900	D. 14-Jul-1976
Married	26-Dec-1923	
Brunelda Johnson	B. .5-Jun-1902	D. 11-Mar-1955
Married	13-Nov-1957	
Genevieve Snyder-Buchanan	B. 28-Jun-1907	D.

CHILDREN

John Cornelius Jr.	Married	To Whom
B. 20-Aug-1925	13-Oct-1950	Dorothy Tuttle
D.		B. 18-Jun-1926
		D.
		Separated 1978

JOHN C. Jr. & DOROTHY (TUTTLE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY

John Cornelius Meents Jr. son of John C. Sr. and Brunelda (Johnson) Meents was born on the 20th of August, 1925 at the Bethesda Hospital in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio.

He graduated from the University of Indiana at Bloomington, Brown County, Indiana with the class of 1946.

He was united in marriage with Dorothy Tuttle on the 13th of October, 1950 at the Friends Meeting House in Cincinnati.

Two children were adopted into this union, a son and daughter GRETCHEN and J. PETER.

John and Dorothy separated this passed year.

John C. Jr.

John C. Sr. (2) Frank E. (1)

John Cornelius Jr	B. 20-Aug-1925	D.
Married	13-Oct-1950	
Dorothy Tuttle	B. 18-Jun-1926	D.
		Senarated 1978

CHILDREN

Gretchen Joanne (adont)	Married	To Whom
B. 26-Oct-1954	18-May-1977	David Robertson
D.		B. 11-Aug-1951
		D.

John Peter (adont)
B. 16-Apr-1956
D.

"Gretchen"

John C. Jr. (3) John C. Sr. (2) Frank E. (1)

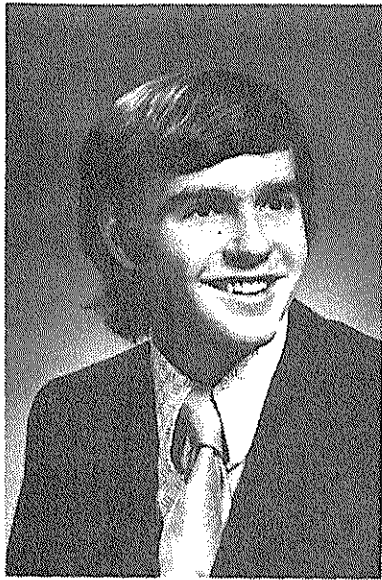
Gretchen Joanne:	B. 26-Oct-1954	D.
Married	18-May-1977	
David Robertson	B. 11-Aug-1951	

CHILDREN

Timothy Neil	Married	To Whom
B. 10-Apr-1978		
D.		

Emily Jo ANN
B. 18-Mar-1980
D.

JOHN
B. 17-Apr-1982
D.



John Peter Meents adonted son of John C. Jr. and Dorothy (Tuttle) Meents was born on the 16th of April, 1956 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio.

He graduated from Anderson High School in Cincinnati with the class of 1974.

He is attending the University of Georgia, at Athens, Clarke County, Georgia

J. PETER & JANENE (RAKES) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



John Peter Meents adopted son of John C. Jr. and Dorothy (Tuttle) Meents was born on the 16th of April 1956 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio.

He graduated from Anderson High School in Cincinnati with the class of 1974. He graduated from the University of Georgia at Athens, Clarke County, Georgia in June of 1981.

He was united in marriage with Janene Rakes on the 2nd of August 1980 at the Watkinsville 1st Baptist Church in Watkinsville, Oconee County, Georgia.

Janene Susan Rakes daughter of Rodney and Betty (Robinson) Rakes was born on the 11th of May 1958 at the Bristol Memorial Hospital, Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee.

She was baptized in the Protestant faith in July of 1966. She graduated from Bristol Tennessee High School in June of 1976, and from Furman University in Greenville, Greenville County, South Carolina in May 1980.

At present Peter is a tree surgeon with the Tillitski Tree Service in Athens. Janene is a Kindergarten Teacher at the Pre-school Academy in Athens.

They plan to go into Foreign Missions with World wide Discipleship Ass.

"Peter"

John C. Jr. (3) John C. Sr. (2) Frank E. (1)

John Peter
Married
Janene Rakes

B. 16-Apr-1956
2-Aug-1980
B. 11-May-1958

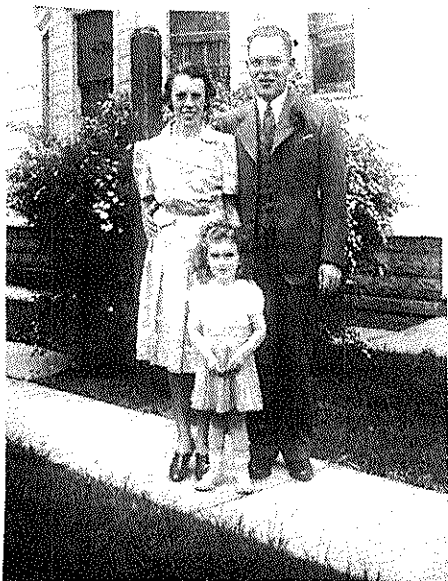
D.
D.

CHILDREN

Married

To Whom

ELMER & LORETTA (RADEKE) MEENTS FAMILY HISTORY



Elmer Arnold Meents son of Frank E. and Cevia (Rieken) Meents was born on the 16th of July, 1907 at the home of his parents in Ashkum. He was bantized on the 15th of September, 1907 by the pastor of St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth. He was confirmed at St. John's Lutheran Church in Danforth on the 25th of March 1923.

When his parents retired from farming and moved to Kankakee, he attended school in Kankakee and graduated from the Kankakee High School with the class of 1925.

He was united in marriage to Loretta Radeke at the home of her Father's on the 10th of December, 1936. A daughter was born to this union GWENDOLYN

Loretta Louise Rakeke daughter of August and Henrietta (McDonald) Radeke was born on the 25th of June, 1910 at the home of her parents in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 31st of December, 1911 at St. Paul's Episcanol Church in Kankakee. She was confirmed on Pentcost in 1925 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. She graduated from Kankakee High School in 1928.

They made their home in Kankakee where he was employed by the Florence Stove Co. later known as Ropers Inc.

They became members of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley, on the 11th of January, 1948.

Elmer passed away at his home at 593 So. Dearborn Ave. on the 21st of February, 1960 at the age of 52 years 7 months and 5 days. Loretta passed away at the Riverside Hospital in Kankakee on the 3rd of November 1964 at the age of 54 years 4 months and 8 days. They were married 23 years 2 months and 11 days. They are buried at Mound Grove Cemetary in Kankakee

ELMER

Frank E. (1)

Elmer Arnold
Married
Loretta Radeke

B. 16-Jul-1907
10-Dec-1936
B. 25-Jun-1910

D. 21-Feb-1960
D. 03-Nov-1964

CHILDREN

Gwendolyn McDonald
B. 07-May-1938
D. 09-Aug-1970

Married
17-Aug-1958

To Whom
Ralph Rusco Jr.
B. 28-May-1937
D.
Remarried 1971

RALPH Jr. & GWENDOLYN (MEENTS) RUSCO FAMILY HISTORY



Gwendolyn McDonald Meents daughter of Elmer and Loretta (Radeke) Meents was born on the 7th of May, 1938 at St. Mary's Hosnital in Kankakee. She was bantized at the home of her grandfather August Radeke by the pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Kankakee. She was confirmed on the 6th of Anril, 1952 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley.

She graduated from Kankakee Eastridge High School in 1956, she attended the Illinois Wesleyan University at Bloomington.

She was united in marriage to Ralph Rusco Jr. on the 17th of August, 1958 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. To this union two daughters were born LYNN and LORI

Ralph Hamilton Rusco Jr. son of Ralph Sr. and Dorothy (Goodrich) Rusco was born on the 28th of May, 1937. He was bantized at the Community Church in Chicago. He became a member of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley on the 21st of December, 1958.

They made their home in the Kankakee and Chicago area while Ralph (Skip) studied to become a Doctor of Osternathic.

They transferred their membership to the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Palos Heights, Cook County, Illinois on the 31st of January, 1968.

Gwendolyn passed away suddenly at her home in Palos Heights on the 8th of August, 1970 at the age of 32 years 3 months and 21 days. They were married 11 years 11 months and 21 days. She is buried at Mound Grove Cemetary in Kankakee.

Ralph married a second time in 1971

Gwendolyn

Elmer (2) Frank E. (1)

Gwendolyn McDonald
Married
Ralph Rusco Jr.

B. .7-May-1938
17-Aug-1958
B. 28-May-1937

D. .9-Aug-1970

D.
Remarried 1971

CHILDREN

Lynn Marie
B. 31-Jan-1959
D.

Married
15-Oct-1977

To Whom
Robert Pierik
B. 18-Apr-1956
D.

Lori Lee
B. 25-Apr-1962
D.

ROBERT & LYNN (RUSCO) PIERIK FAMILY HISTORY



Lynn Marie Rusco daughter of Ralph Jr. and Gwendolyn (Meents) Rusco was born on the 31st of January, 1959 at St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was bantized on the 5th of Anril, 1959 at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bradley. She was confirmed in May, 1973 at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church in Palos Heights. She graduated from the Carl Sandburg High School in Chicago.

She was united in marriage to Robert Pierik on the 15th of December, 1977 at the Good Shepard Lutheran Church. To this union a son has been born STEVEN

Robert Carl Pierik son of Edward and Marie (Voss) Pierik was born on the 18th of Anril, 1956 at the Little Company of Mary Hospital in Evergreen Park, Cook County, Illinois. He was bantized in June, 1956 at the Oak Lawn Christian Reform Church in Oak Lawn, Cook County, Illinois. He was confirmed in June, 1978 at the Chrisitan Reform Church in Orland Park, Cook County, Illinois. He graduated from Chicago Christian High School in 1974.

He is emloyed with his father and brothers as building Contractors..

Lynn is a housewife and mother. She became a member of the Orland Park Christian Reform Church in June of 1978

"Lynn"

Gwendolyn (3) Elmer (2) Frank E. (1)

Lynn Marie	B. 31-Jan-1959	D.
Married	15-Dec-1977	
Robert Pierik	B. 18-Apr-1956	D.

CHILDREN

Steven Robert	Married	To Whom
B. 27-Jul-1978		
D.		

Heather Marie
B. -13- Aug. 1980
D_

ALEXA Joy
B- 4 APRIL - 1985
D_

"Lori"

Gwendolyn (3) Elmer (?) Frank E. (1)

Lori Lee	B. 25-Apr-1962	D.
Married	6-Jun-1981	
Bradley Clark	B.	D.

CHILDREN	Married	To Whom
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Nathaniel Bradley
B. 23-Dec-1981
D.



Cornelius & Hermine (Onken) Meents

Frank E. Meents' oldest brother and wife

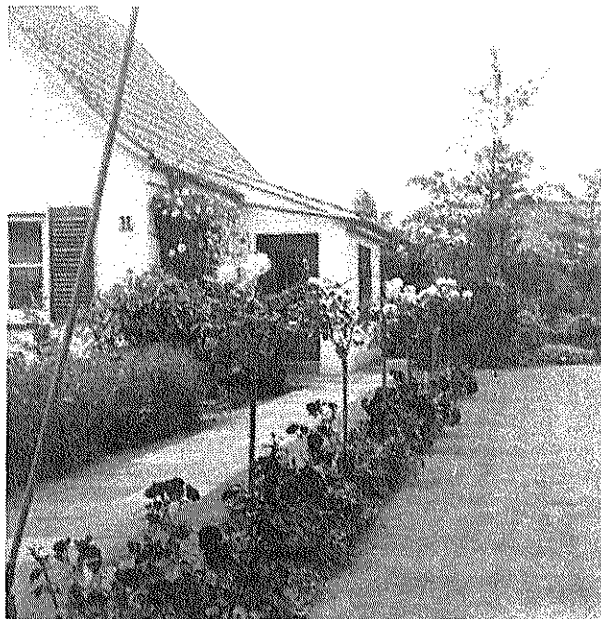
Cornelius' Grandson Cornelius and Family

40th Wedding Anniversary





Cornelius's Grandson
Remmer & Johanne (Janssen) Meents



Remmer's Home
Wittmund Germany



Remmer's Daughter
Horst & Angela (Meents) Blessmann



George and Cassie (Saathoff-or-Johnson) Rieken, parents of Cevia (Rieken) Meents were born and raised in Schirum, Ostfriesland, Hannover, GERMANY. They came to AMERICA in the 1857 sailing from Oldenburg, Ostfriesland, GERMANY on a sailing vessel for New Orleans, St Bernard, County, Louisiana. They were three (3) months in voyage; arriving in New Orleans on the 4th of November 1857.

They left at once to go up the Mississinni River to St. Louis, St. Louis, County, Missouri, and from there on to Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois. Here they spent about 15 months doing odd jobs as could be found. In 1859 he rented a farm at Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois, where he farmed for about (8) years; at which time the family moved to Danforth, Iroquois County, Illinois where he purchased 160 acres of prairie ground along with 10 acres of timber. This he cleared and prepared for cultivation.

They were the parents of eleven (11) children; four (4) sons and seven (7) daughters. Nine grew to adulthood.

Nancy	(Mrs. Michael Janssen)	John	(Mary Post)
Claus	(Minnie Hasbargen)	Cevia	(Mrs Frank E. Meents)
George	(single)	Rachel	(1867-1869)
Rachel	(Mrs. John Lottman)	Edward	(Emily Eden)
Mary	(child)	Marie	(Mrs. Isaac Kermer)
Sara	(Mrs. Eno Flessner)		

George	B. .9-Feb-1833	D. 20-Feb-1903
	Married 1854	
Cassie Saathoff-Johnson	B. 21-Oct-1833	D. 30-May-1905

George: son of Claus and Nancy (Gerdes-Aden) Rieken)

Cassie (Geske): daughter of

They are buried on the Cemetary at Danforth, Illinois

