



# **Family History Presentation**

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**Old Photos**



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Reinbeck Dec 31 - 1906

Dear William - We have almost decided to go to California next week. (By we mean Jas + I) and thought that I would write you this while we are still figuring just how we will go and what route is best to come back to learn most. Jim says while he was up there in Canada there were chances to buy lumber good straight, without any bonus & unless things brighten up & the railways get cars in to move crops these dull times are likely to continue all winter. I think I told you that Jack Buchanan's landlord's brother-in-law had been up through Washington Oregon & Western Canada & visited among the portable saw mills & said that common lumber can be bought very cheap. I think you said that Geo had a man investigating

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**Family Documents**

State of Colorado  
Division of Vital Statistics

No. 2972

## MARRIAGE RECORD REPORT

County..... EL PASO

Husband's Name..... McINTOSH, WILLIAM      Age..... 36      Race..... W

Wife's Name..... PARK, BESSIE      Age..... 27      Race..... W

Place of Marriage..... COLO SPGS COLO      Date..... 10-17-04

Name of Official who Performed Ceremony..... I J HEIZER

Title..... MIN      Address..... COLO SPGS COLO

Reported by.....

Address.....

# Family Genealogy

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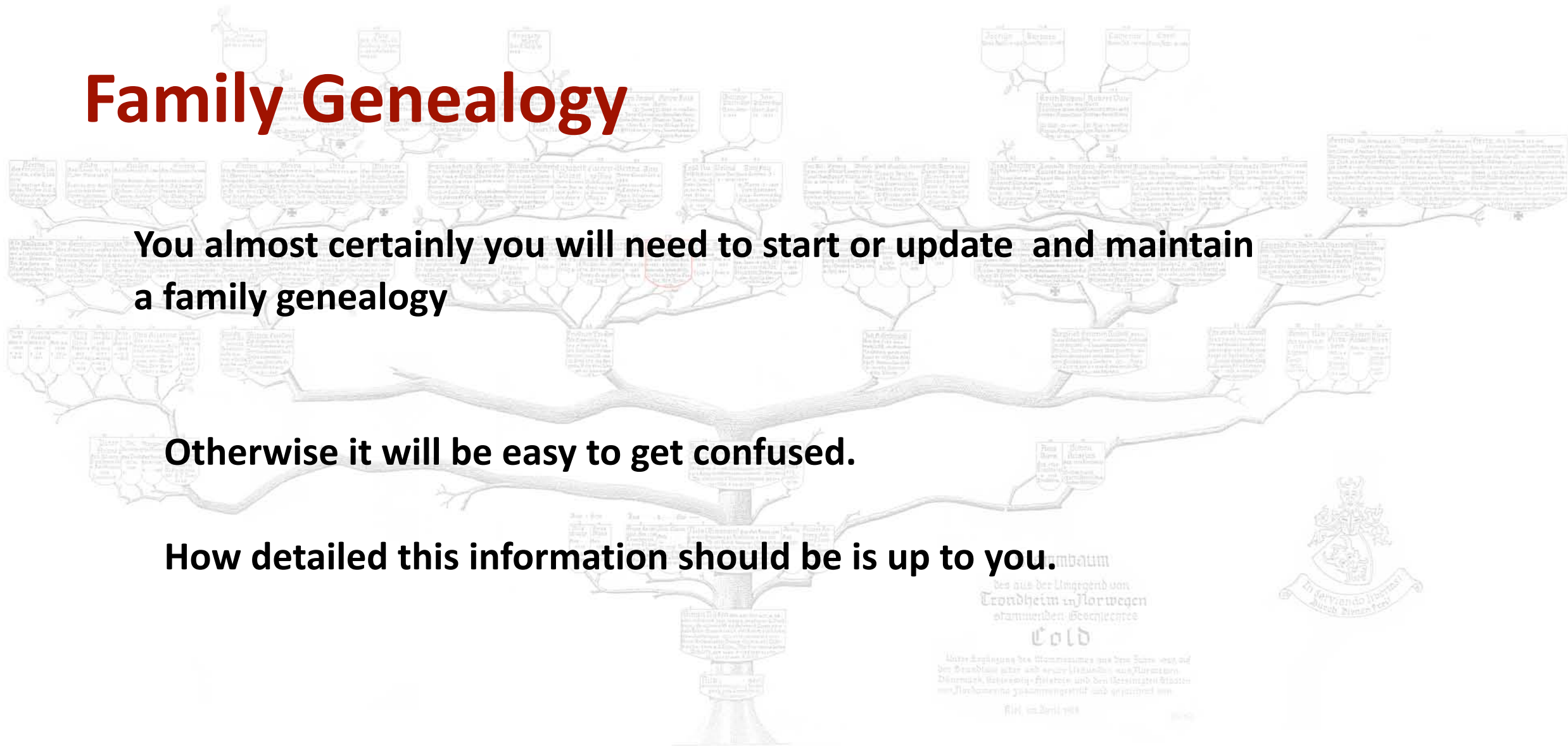


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Otherwise it will be easy to get confused.

How detailed this information should be is up to you.



# How to Find Missing Information?

Talk to/ask your relatives: parents, siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins

If you show an interest, most people are quite responsive. You may also have relatives in the country/countries your family members came from and they can assist with finding documents, translating, and providing insights and context.

One-on-one Interviews with family members

Maybe you want to do some interviews or you want to get someone to interview you





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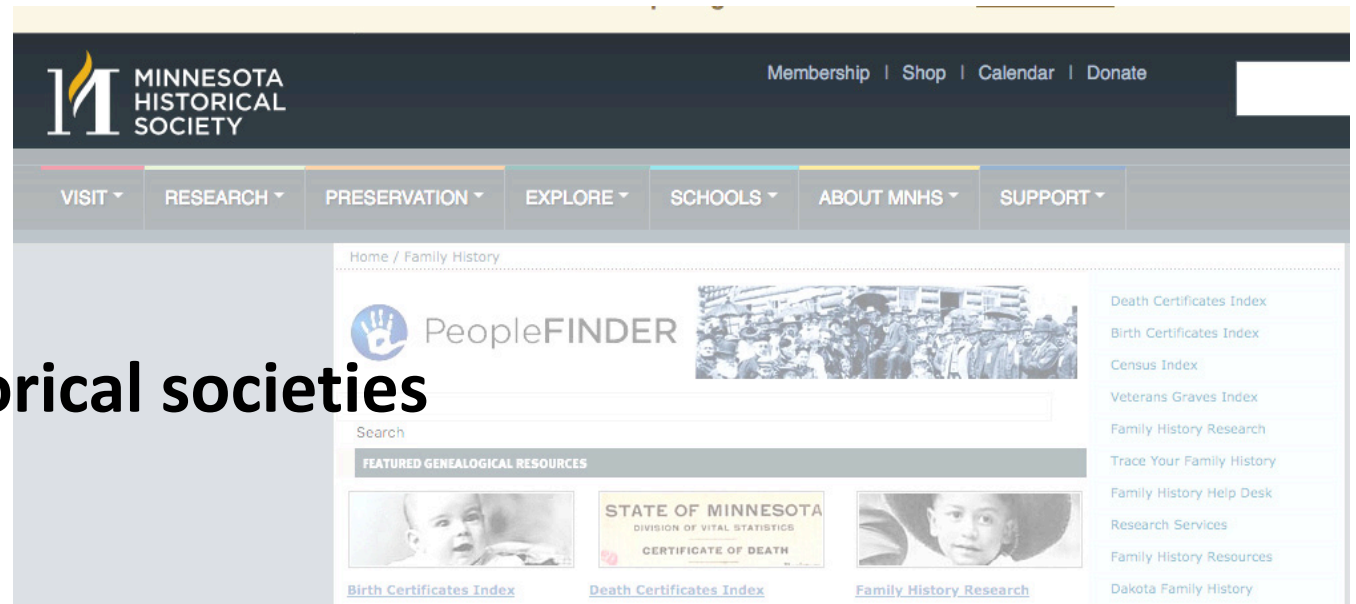
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Ship manifests



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Church records, family bibles and [findagrave.com](https://www.findagrave.com)

Books

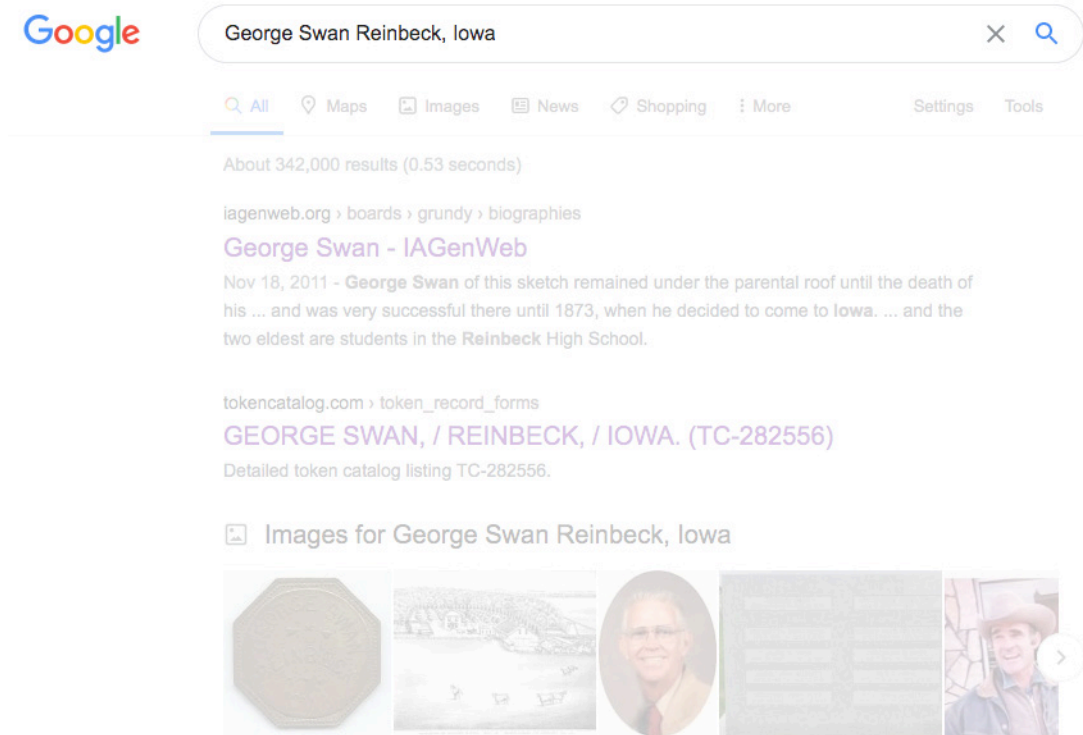


# How to find Missing Information

Many people start with on-line searches.

Web-based genealogy sites, e.g., Ancestry, FamilySearch, have links to millions of documents that automatically connect back to people in your family tree on their site.

Google and Google Books are often good sources and may surprise you.





**George Swan Milk Tokens**

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BY JOSH NICHOLS

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## Drawing of Craig's great great grandmother from a Google search



In her defense one had to hold still for a long time when this picture was taken.

# **Why share your Family History?**

**If you have more than one child or siblings and only have one copy of pictures and family documents, do you want your collection of pictures and documents divided into pieces?**

**At some point dividing originals may be inevitable, but sharing copies can give more people easy access to more of your family history.**



# What to share?

## Genealogy information

**Pictures and documents** can often “stand alone” but please identify the people in them and where the picture came from if you can.

**Family stories** often come from an oral tradition and can easily be lost or misremembered if not written down.

**Documents and letters** may be of interest to some but not all family members. If they are in a language other than English, you may wish to provide a translation (if you can).

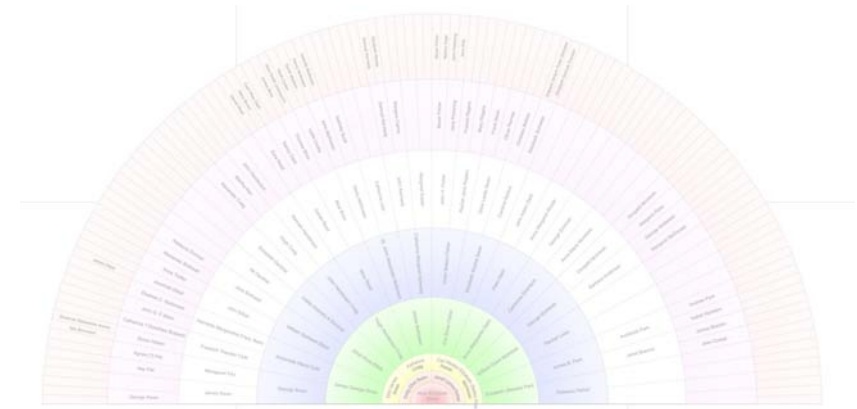
# Genealogy Information

There are many ways to present genealogical information

Some are more tabular



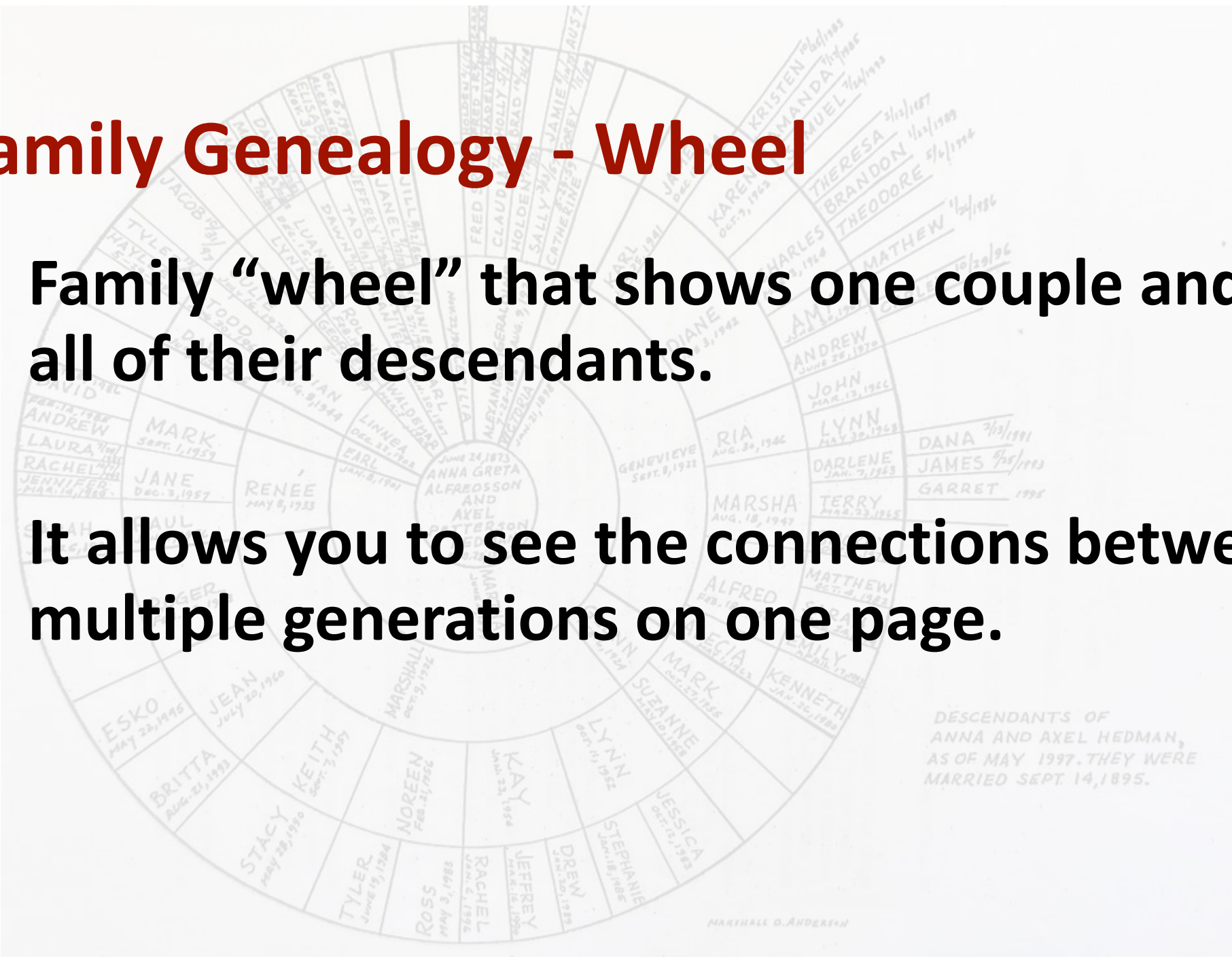
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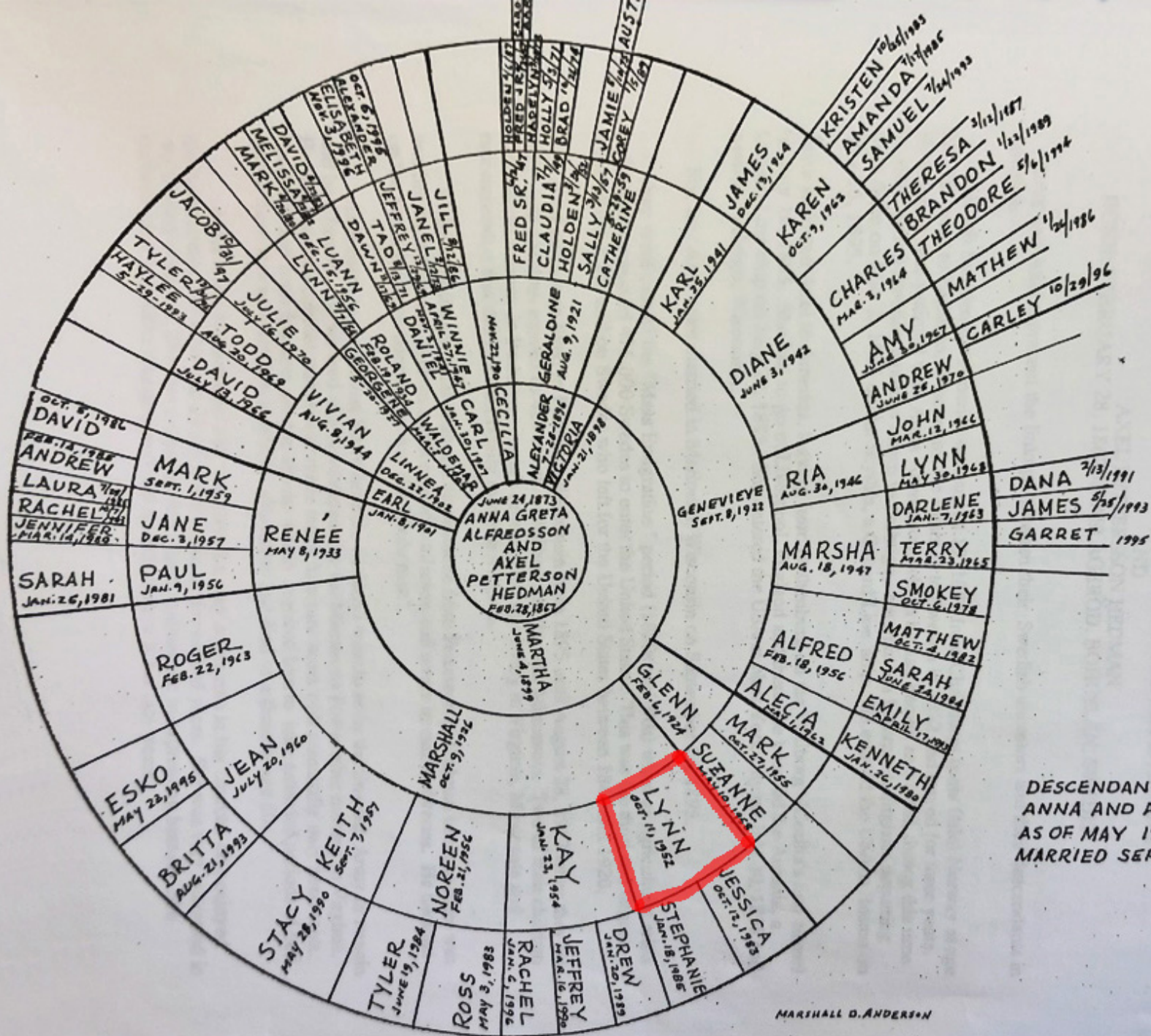


# Family Genealogy - Wheel

Family “wheel” that shows one couple and all of their descendants.

It allows you to see the connections between multiple generations on one page.

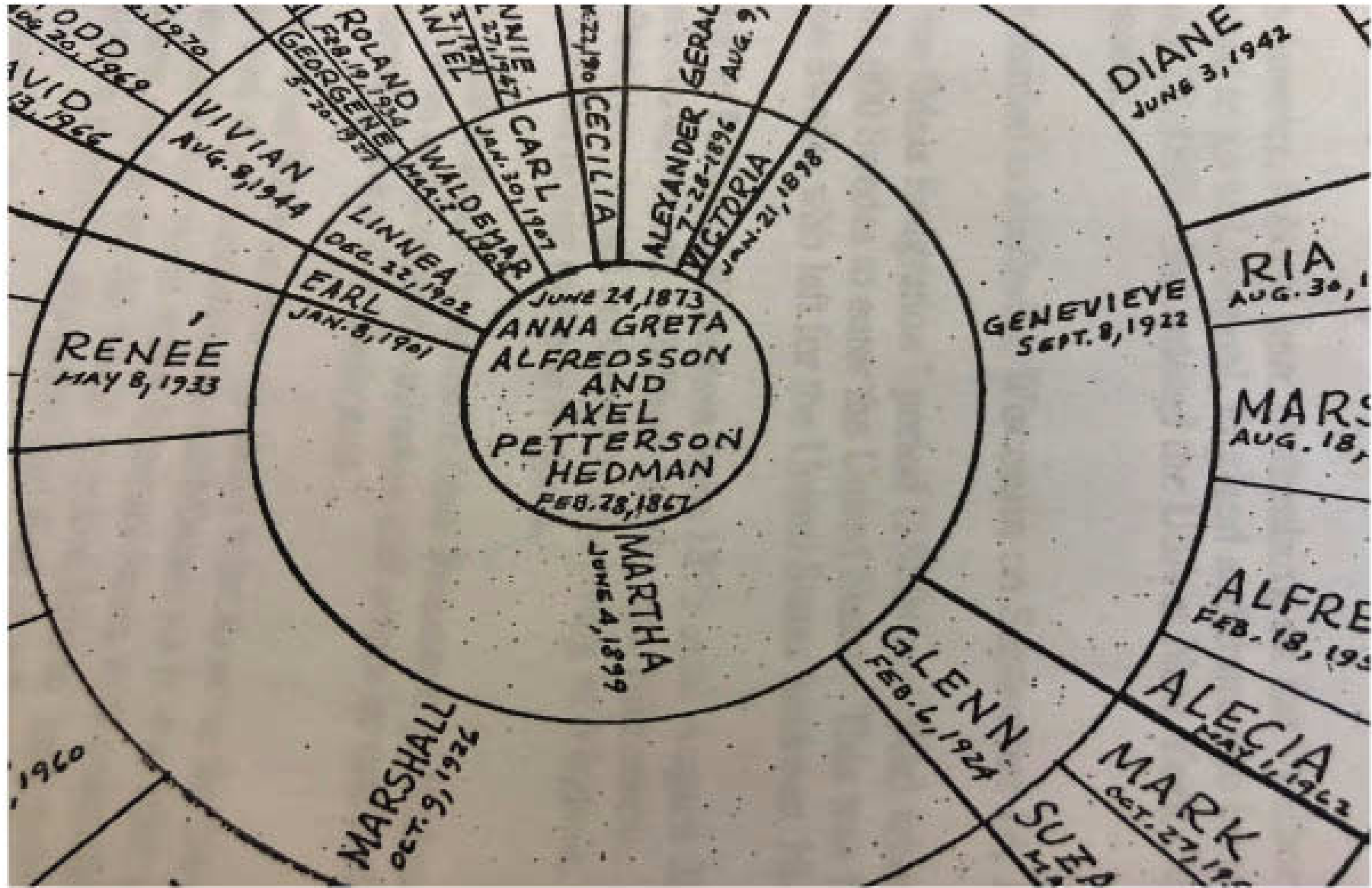


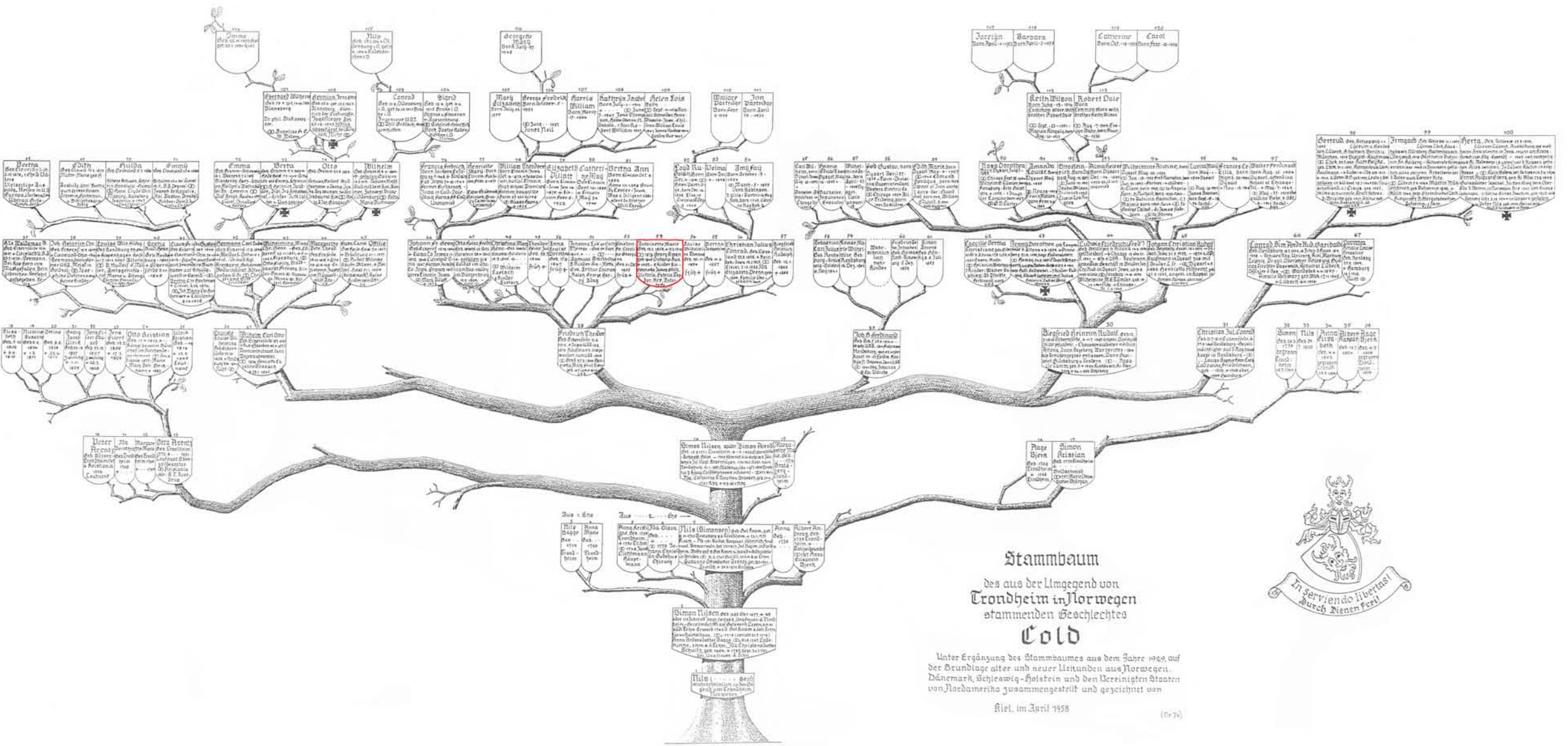


# Descendants Wheel

After the “original couple” this wheel does not show spouses of descendants.

DESCENDANTS OF ANNA AND AXEL HEDMAN, AS OF MAY 1997. THEY WERE MARRIED SEPT. 14, 1895.





Stammbaum  
 des aus der Umgegend von  
 Trondheim in Norwegen  
 stammenden Geschlechtes  
 Cold



Unter Ergänzung des Stammbaumes aus dem Jahre 1829, auf  
 der Grundlage alter und neuer Leitunden aus Norwegen,  
 Dänemark, Schleswig-Holstein und den Vereinigten Staaten  
 von Nordamerika zusammengestellt und gezeichnet von

Riel, im April 1958 (Nr. 24)

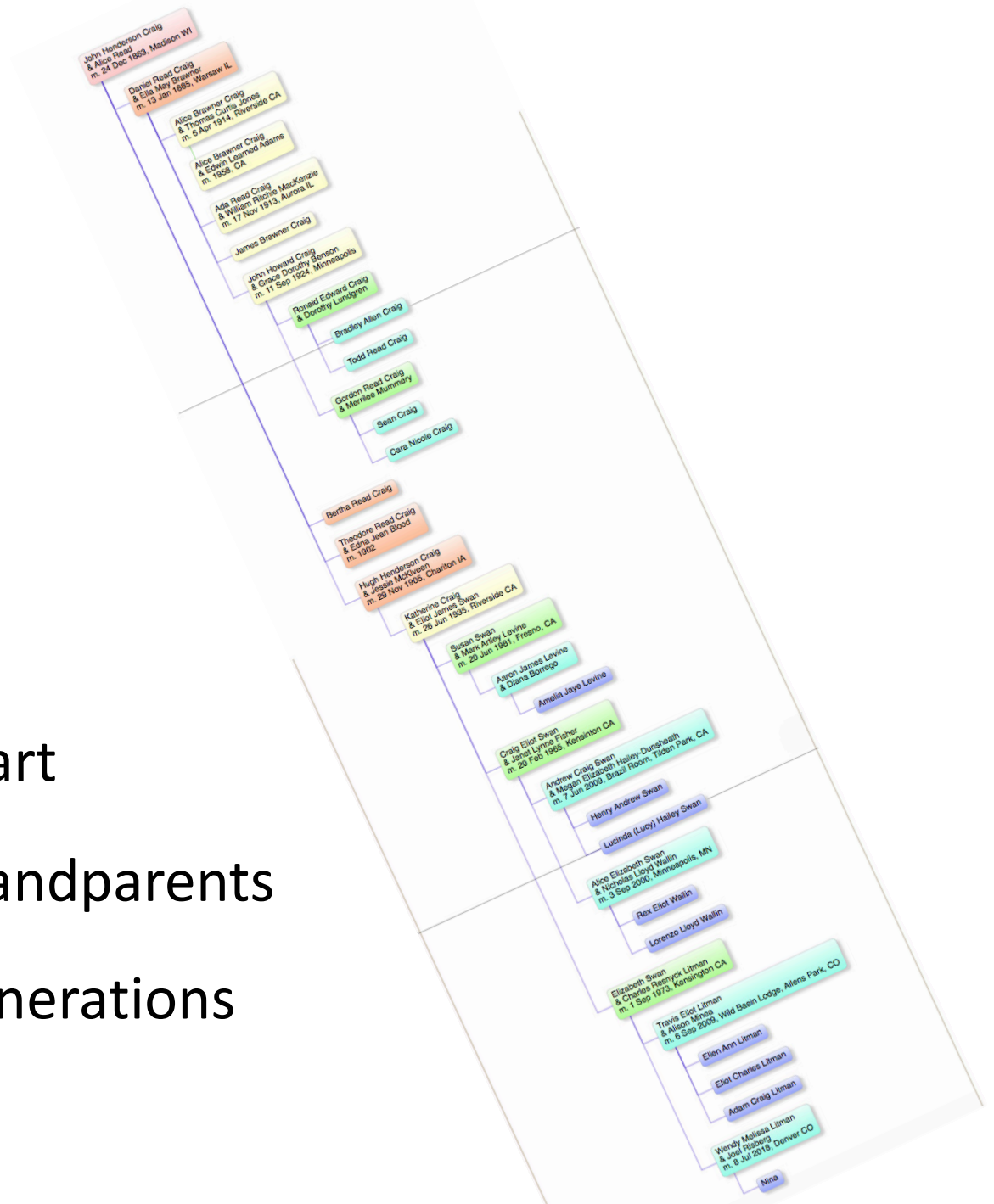
# Cold Family Tree

# Descendants Chart

Vertical format for a Descendants Chart

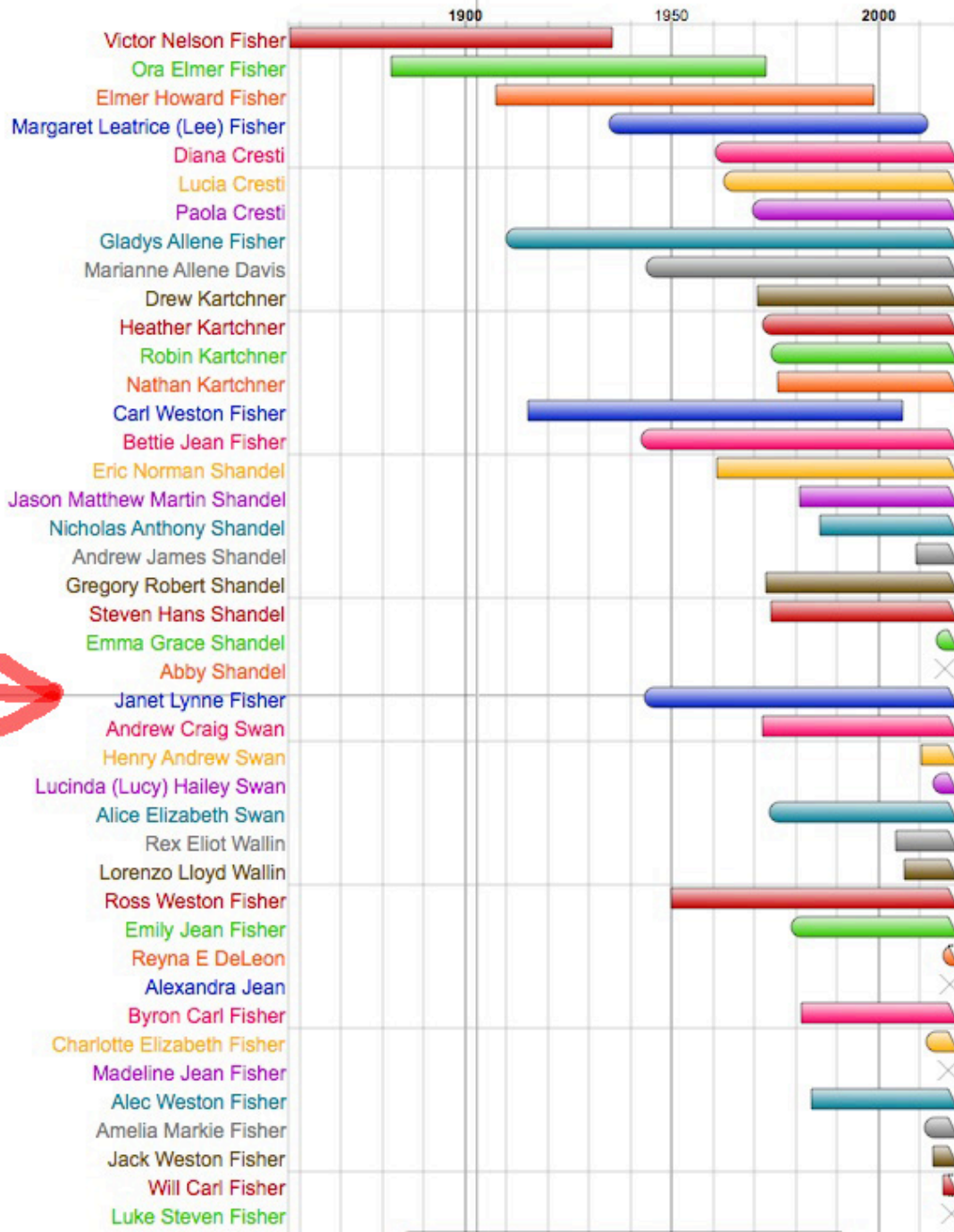
Starts with Craig's maternal Great Grandparents

This chart includes six color coded generations



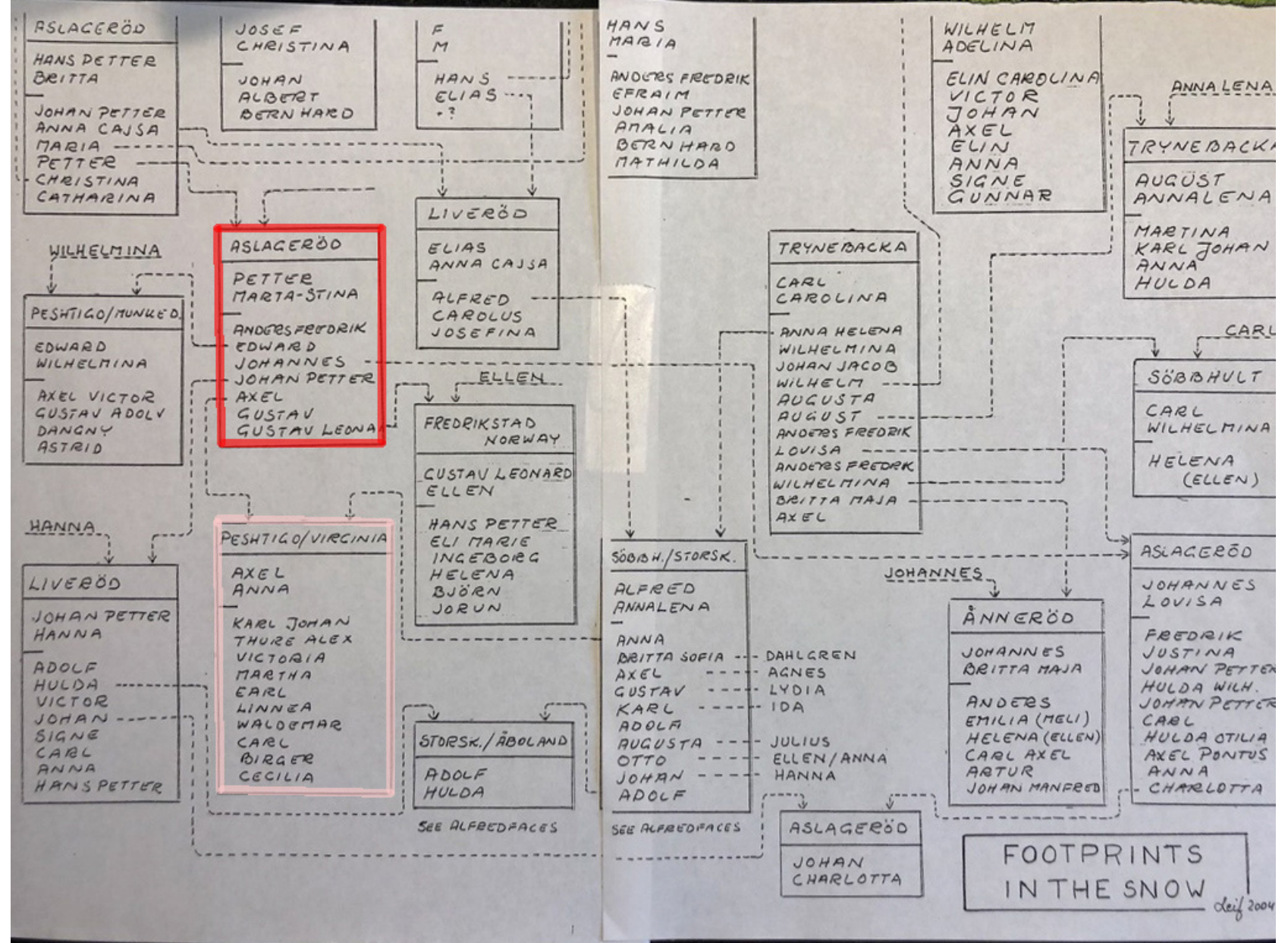
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This descendants chart shows lifespans for individuals.





A chart that shows **who lived at which properties** in a relatively small Swedish community with many family connections.



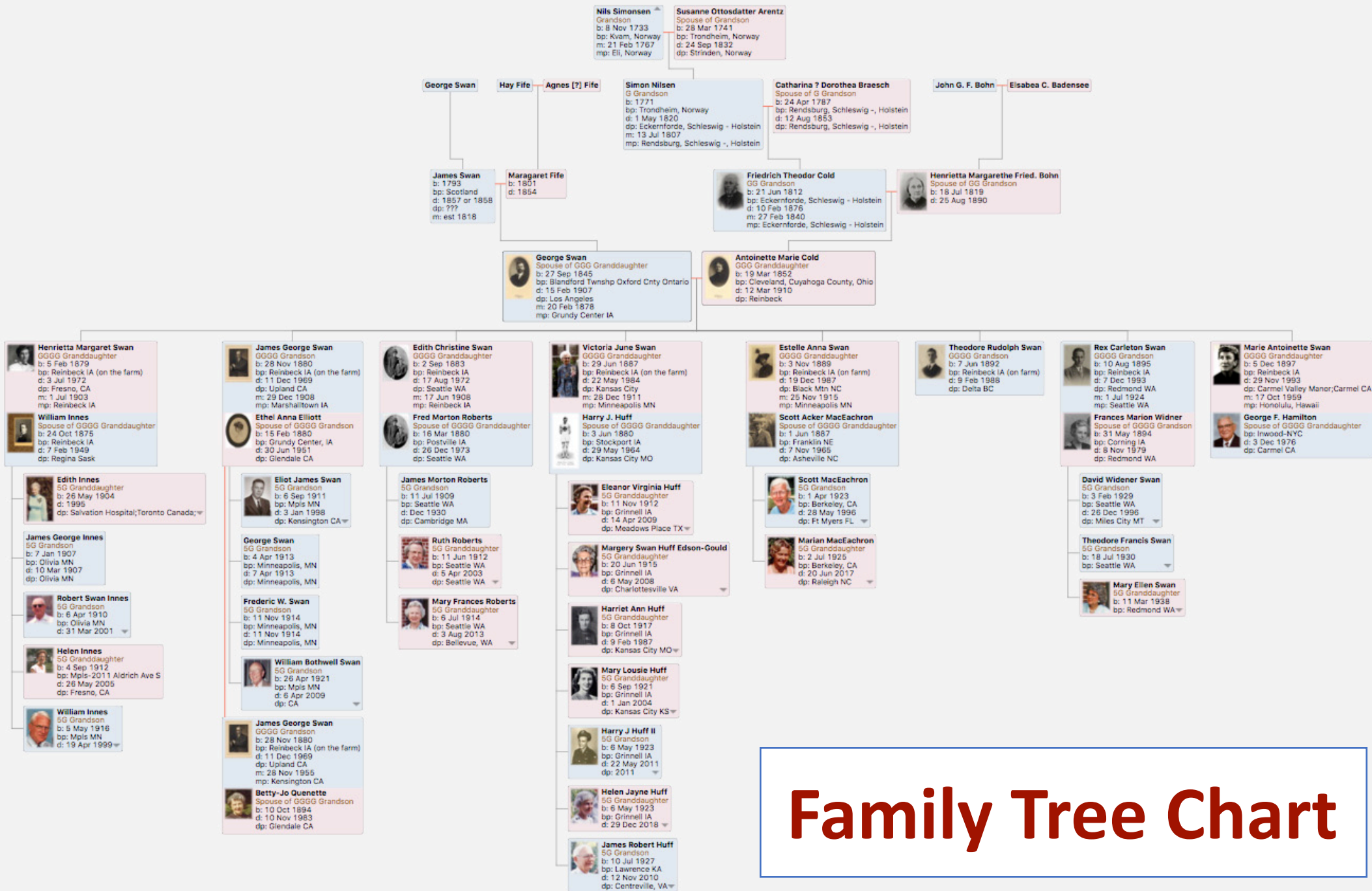
This kind of document helps you trace family information using government land records.

# Descendants Family Tree

DES#	DESCENDANT NAME	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE	DIED	OCCUPATION OR NOTES
1	Anna Greta Alfredsson Husband	Jun 24, 1873	Hede,Sweden	May 29, 1954	Homemaker
	Axel Pettersson Hedman	Feb 28, 1867	Hede,Sweden	May 02, 1946	Repairman Minnesota Power Company
	Children:				
11	Carl Johan	1895	Peshtigo, WI	1895	Died in infancy
12	Thure Alexander	Jul 28, 1896	Peshtigo, WI	Apr 17, 1971	Machinist DM & IR Railroad
13	Alma Victoria	Jan 21, 1898	Peshtigo, WI	Mar 27, 1985	Homemaker
14	Martha Helena Theresa	Jun 04,1899	Peshtigo, WI	Dec 01,1991	Milliner - Homemaker
15	Axel Erland	Jan 08, 1901	Peshtigo, WI	June 05, 1979	Deliveryman - Salesperson
16	Hanna Linnea	Dec 22, 1902	Peshtigo, WI	Aug 10, 1944	Mpls. School of Art - Salesperson
17	Waldemar Roland	Mar 21, 1904	Peshtigo, WI	Jan 21, 1944	Minnesota Power Company
18	Carl Alfred Peter	Jan 30, 1907	Peshtigo, WI	Aug 30, 1960	Painting Contractor
19	Birger Adolph Napoleon	Oct 21, 1909	Peshtigo, WI	Oct 23, 1909	Died in infancy
1-10	Valborg Susanna Cecilia	Nov 22, 1910	Peshtigo, WI	Jan 2007	Bookkeeper,Jewelry Store,Municipal Hospital

## THURE'S FAMILY:

12	Thure Alexander	Jul 28, 1896	Peshtigo, WI	Apr 17, 1971	Machinist DM & IR Railroad
	Wife:				
	Alma Paatlow		Wyoming	1980	
	Children:				
121	Geraldine Vivian	Aug 09, 1921	Virginia, MN	Feb 10, 1983	Nurse
	Husband:				
	Holden C West	Apr 27, 1921	Louisville, KY		Retired Army Brigadier General
	Children:				
1211	Fred Gardiner	Jun 02, 1947	Albany, GA		Self-employed, Antiques
1212	Claudia Vivian	Jul 07, 1949	Macon, GA		Bank Teller
1213	Holden Claud	Mar 30, 1952	Macon, GA		Self-employed
1214	Sally Hedman	Mar 13, 1957	Macon, GA		Nurse
1215	Catherine Ann	May 29, 1959	Macon, GA		Furniture Maker,Antiques
1211	Fred Gardiner West, Sr.	Jun 02, 1947	Albany, GA		Self-employed, Antiques



# Family Tree Chart

# A traditional linear family tree chart

Record the information you have even if it is not "complete." Use the name of the month rather than the number (September not "9") since the date and month can be confused in European and US documents.

**Pedigree Chart** showing ancestors

JUNE 9, 1996  
DATE

MARSHALL D. ANDERSON  
NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING CHART

16365 WOODLAND BEACH ROAD N.E.  
STREET ADDRESS

DEERWOOD, MN. 56444-7044  
CITY STATE

PEDIGREE CHART 1 OF 4

NO. 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME PERSON AS NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ON CHART NO. \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 2 ALFRED ELIASSON  
BORN FEBRUARY 5, 1849  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED JULY 12, 1872  
DIED APRIL 14, 1940  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 3 ANNA HELENA KARLSDOTTER  
BORN NOVEMBER 12, 1846  
WHERE TRYNEBACKA  
DIED APRIL 9, 1922  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 4 ELIAS ANDERSSON  
BORN APRIL 8, 1820  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED NOVEMBER 21, 1896  
WHERE P. SVARTEBORG

NO. 5 ANNA KATSA HANS DOTTER  
BORN DECEMBER 7, 1820  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED MARCH 24, 1878  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 6 KARL OLSSON  
BORN JUNE 22, 1817  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED MAR. 6, 1846  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 7 KAROLINA ANDERSDOTTER  
BORN MARCH 5, 1827  
WHERE UTÄNG (FARM NAME)  
DIED APRIL 30, 1910  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 8 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 9 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 10 \* HANS PETER PETERSON  
BORN NOVEMBER 25, 1792  
WHERE ASLAGERÖD  
WHEN MARRIED JUNE 15, 1815  
DIED 1862  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 11 \* BRITTA ERIKSDOTTER  
BORN JANUARY 14, 1792  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 12 OLAF (OLA) ANDERSSON  
BORN JAN. 20, 1767  
WHERE HULT  
WHEN MARRIED DEC. 2, 1809  
DIED JAN. 23, 1822  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 13 ANNA JONSDOTTER (2<sup>ND</sup> WIFE)  
BORN SEPTEMBER 9, 1789  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE PARRISH: SANDÅKER

NO. 14 ANDREAS JACOBSSON  
BORN NOVEMBER 20, 1794  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED OCTOBER 1, 1830  
WHERE PARRISH: SYNERÖD

NO. 15 KATHARINA ANDERSDOTTER  
BORN JANUARY 24, 1797  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED AFTER 1875  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 16 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 17 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 18 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 19 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 20 PETER PETERSON  
B. 1751  
M. OCT. 9, 1792  
D. ANNA OLAFSDOTTER  
B. SYNERÖD  
M. OCT. 9, 1792  
D.

NO. 21 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 22 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 23 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 24 ANDERS HENRIKSSON  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 25 JOHANNA HENRICKSDOTTER  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 26 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 27 \_\_\_\_\_  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 28 JAKOB SVENSSON  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 29 ANNA LISA ANDERSDOTTER  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

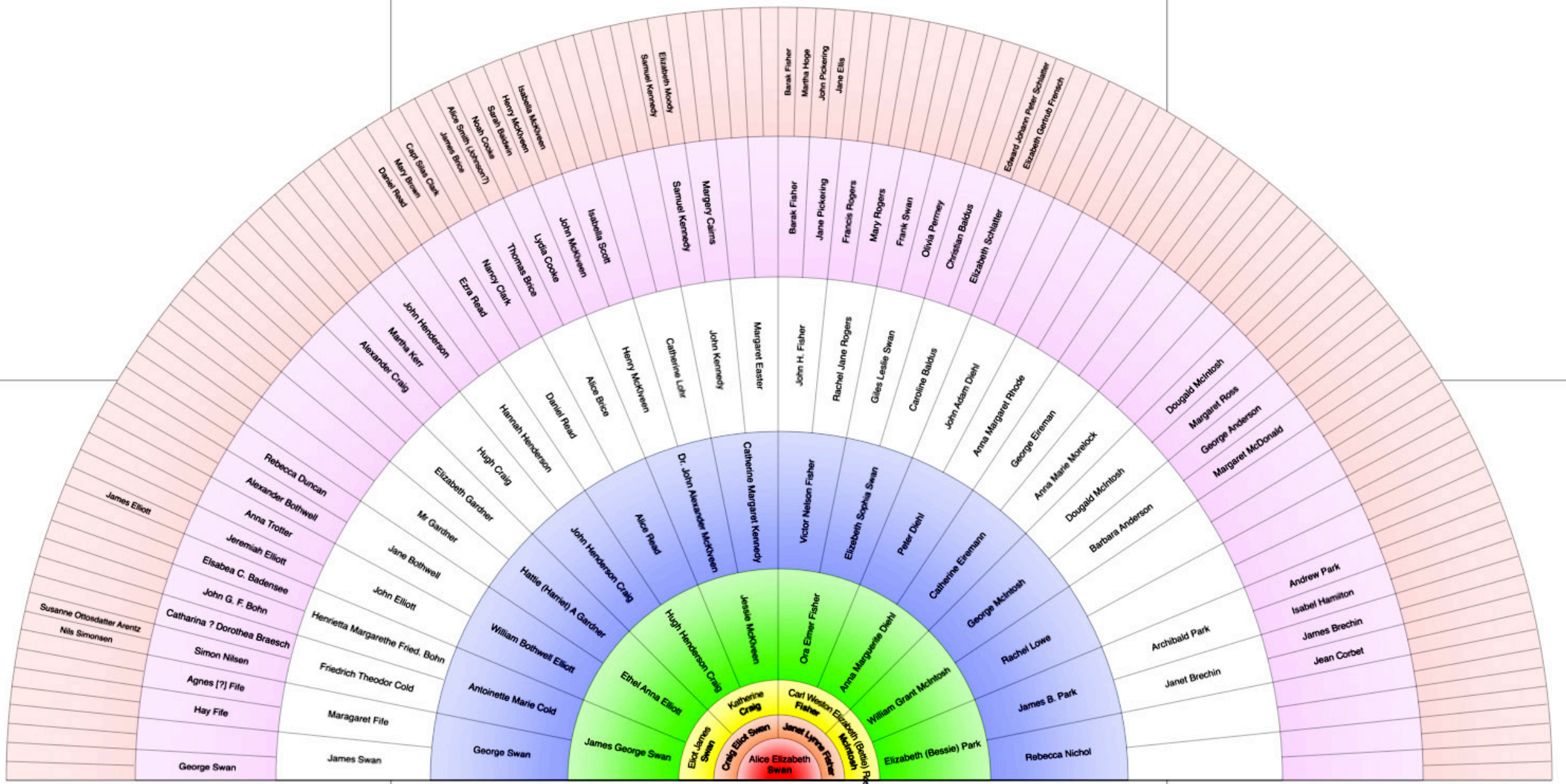
NO. 30 ANDERS OLSSON  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 31 BRITTA JACOBSDOTTER  
BORN \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_  
WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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\* ANNA'S GREAT GRANDPARENTS ARE AXEL'S GRANDPARENTS. SEE PEDIGREE CHART 10



**Pedigree Fan:** Each color is different generation of parents, grandparents, etc.

# Pedigree Chart

Katherine Craig  
b. 23 Oct 1911, Riverside CA  
d. 2 Sep 1994, Berkeley, CA

Hugh Henderson Craig  
b. 1 Oct 1874, Keokuk IA  
d. 8 Sep 1922, Riverside CA  
m. 29 Nov 1905, Chariton IA

Jessie McKlveen  
b. 21 Jul 1875, Chariton IA  
d. 17 Nov 1940, Laguna Beach CA

John Henderson Craig  
b. 31 Jul 1824, Claysville PA  
d. 18 Sep 1893, Keokuk IA  
m. 24 Dec 1863, Madison WI

Alice Read  
b. 23 Jul 1840, Athens OH  
d. 28 May 1919, Keokuk IA

John Alexander McKlveen  
b. 28 Nov 1835, near Donegal PA  
d. 16 Jul 1916, Chariton IA  
m. 10 Nov 1868, Freeport, Armstrong County, PA

Catherine Margaret Kennedy  
b. 2 Jun 1844, West Fairfield; Westmoreland Co. PA (Armstrong Co, PA?)  
d. 22 Sep 1882, Chariton IA

Hugh Craig  
b. 1795, Washington County PA  
d. 18 Nov 1854, Washington County PA

Hannah Henderson  
b. 1795 or 96, Washington County PA  
d. 24 Nov 1856, Washington County PA

Daniel Read  
b. 24 Jun 1805, Marietta, Washington, Ohio, USA  
d. 3 Oct 1878, Keokuk, Lee, Iowa, USA  
m. 13 Jul 1826, Athens, Ohio, USA

Alice Brice  
b. Oct 1808, Washington, PA  
d. 5 Oct 1874

Henry McKlveen  
b. 19 Nov 1809, Donegal Twp, Westmoreland Co. PA  
d. 21 Nov 1867, Donegal Twp, Westmoreland Co. PA  
m. 1834, PA

Catherine Lohr  
b. 13 Dec 1814, Fayette Pennsylvania  
d. 20 Feb 1855, Westmoreland County, PA

John Kennedy  
b. 4 Oct 1810, near Fairfield PA  
d. 24 Oct 1874, Rural Dale OHIO  
m. 2 Jun 1840

Margaret Easter  
d. 9 May 1850, Legionnier Valley near Appolo Armstrong Co (?)

Alexander Craig  
b. 1759, County Down Ireland  
d. 17 Apr 1811  
mp. Married shortly after landing

Martha Kerr  
b. 1772, Ireland  
d. 15 Jun 1852, Pennsylvania

John Henderson

Ezra Read  
b. 16 Jul 1781, Northbridge, Worcester County MA  
d. 26 Dec 1860, Salem, Champaign, Ohio, USA  
m. c. 1800

Nancy Clark  
b. 14 Oct 1782, Chelsea, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA  
d. 8 Sep 1824, Salem, Champaign County, Ohio, USA

Thomas Brice  
b. 1776, Harford, Perryman, MD  
d. 5 Jun 1831, Athens OH  
m. 6 Dec 1806, Washington Cty PA

Lydia Cooke  
b. 10 Aug 1789, Washington Cnty PA  
d. 6 Jan 1877, Franklin, Johnson, Ind

John McKlveen  
b. 1782, Ireland  
d. 13 May 1856, Donegal twp Westmoreland Co. PA  
m. 1806 or 1807, Donegal Twp Westmoreland Co. PA

Isabella Scott  
b. 1788, Ireland  
d. 2 Feb 1852, Cook Twp Westmoreland Co. PA

Samuel Kennedy  
b. 1 Nov 1760, Farlough Ireland  
d. 29 May 1856, Fairfield PA  
m. Jul 1790

Margery Cairns  
d. 26 Nov 1852, Fairfield PA

# How to Share Family History

**Write a memoir** There are guides on the web to get you started. Do a Google search on “write a family memoir”

**emails** e.g., a weekly series of emails to children, siblings, cousins, aunts and uncles.

**Website** although maintenance of a web site is or will be an issue

**Make Copies**

Xerox documents. Copy pictures.

# How to Share Family History

## Make a family history book

Books are an important way of sharing information.

They help to pull together separate pieces of information.

Creating a family history book can become a family project.

Putting things all together will make it easier for others to follow the story.





*Memories  
of  
Bay Lake*  
1967-2017

## **Lynn's parents purchased a cabin on Bay Lake in the fall of 1967**

The family celebrated 50 years of memories through photos and text, put it in a spiral bound booklet and gave a copy to all immediate family members.

# Lynn's Father wrote the history of the property for the beginning of the booklet

BAY LAKE HISTORY PART 1 WRITTEN February 24, 2016 (revised August 14, 2017)

In 1967, we were seeking lake property within a two hour drive of our home in Roseville. Our first thoughts were to seek property in Wisconsin. There seemed to be many lakes within a two hour radius. One day when Marcia was at the Midway YMCA in St. Paul, she met Joel Anderson. He said he was a real estate agent on Bay Lake and had a property he could show us. Having heard good things about Bay Lake from Jane Crosley, (Kneebone), Marcia's high school friend, we decided to look at the Bay Lake property owned by a Mr. Rasmussen. We met Joel Anderson on October 12, 1967. Keith, Jean and Roger were with us. After looking at the Rasmussen property, the three children went to the adjacent lot which was not listed for sale. They discovered and enjoyed 2 rope swings on two trees. We went over to this property, owned by Harry and Mary Porter and liked it immediately as did the children. Joel said he did not think the owner was using the property because of some health problems. He said he would ask the Porters if they would like to sell the property.

Joel found out that the Porters were interested in selling the cabin. On Saturday, November 11, 1967 he showed us and our 6 children the cabin. Joel said we should decide quickly since he and his wife would be going south very soon. We thought about it over the week-end and on Monday we told Joel we were prepared to purchase this property. We signed the purchase agreement on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup> and put down \$500. The warranty deed date was December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1967. Included in the sale were all of the household furnishings and a pontoon boat.

The land values on Bay Lake at that time were about \$30.00 per front foot of shoreline. The property we were buying was about \$30.00 per a front foot of shoreline. The property we were buying was 150 feet wide by about 350 feet deep from the shoreline to the Sand Beach Park Road. The original cabin was "T" shaped and had a floor area of 600 square feet. The cabin was set on concrete blocks, had no insulation and had a small gas wall heater. Barn sash was used for the windows.

We seldom stayed overnight in the time period from mid-October until May. The shallow well pump had to be shut off for the cold season. Three children slept in one bedroom. Marcia and I slept in the other bedroom and it had a cot for the youngest (Roger). We had a sofa bed in the living room to sleep two more children.

We lived this way and enjoyed it until 1975 when we added an addition to the cabin. This addition consisted of a living room, bathroom and a booth table and bench seats. We also built a sleeping loft and a basement to accommodate a laundry room, furnace and a sleeping area.

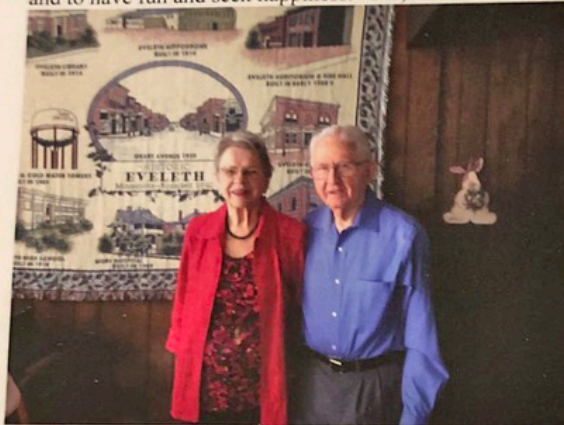
We raised up the old cabin and put an insulated, enclosed foundation around the crawl space. We also had a 70 foot deep well drilled and our septic tank and drain field reconstructed.

At the time we bought our property, the Rasmussen property was for sale for about \$6500.00 which included a summer cabin on a 150 foot lot. The property two doors east of us was also for sale for around \$6,000 with a 50 foot lot width. Unfortunately, we could not foresee what was going to happen to the value of these properties. At that time, we could not afford any more than what we had already bought. Land values increased from \$30 per front foot in 1967 to over \$3000 per front foot in 2017.

Of the five owners of properties to our east in 1967, only one property (William Snyder) is still in the same family. Of the five owners of property to our west, only the Roy Swenson property remains in the family. Woodland Beach Road was a dirt road and one spring it was so bad that a fire truck got stuck.

# The whole family contributed text, poems, and pictures

Dear Mom and Dad, you both provided a wonderful home, a caring environment, and lots of fun activities, stories, laughter, and excellent food for us to enjoy over these last 50 years. Thank you!! From Eveleth, your paths led you to St. Paul, Roseville, and then to Bay Lake in November 1967. Your family was always your top priority and we have all basked in your love and the love you have for each other. You taught us love, authenticity, integrity, to always take the high road, to cook, to sew, to use tools, games, waterskiing, fishing, swimming, canoeing, driving and riding in the pontoon boat, tetherball, how to feed chipmunks, bocce ball, horseshoes, how to raise children, and to have fun and seek happiness. Yes, and mental math, too!



Dear Lynn - 10-9-2017  
Today is Marshall's 91st birthday. We had a wonderful gathering here and at The Y Club in Garrison. (for 31 -) We went to "Thank You" for all you do for us and have helped us over the years! You are special!

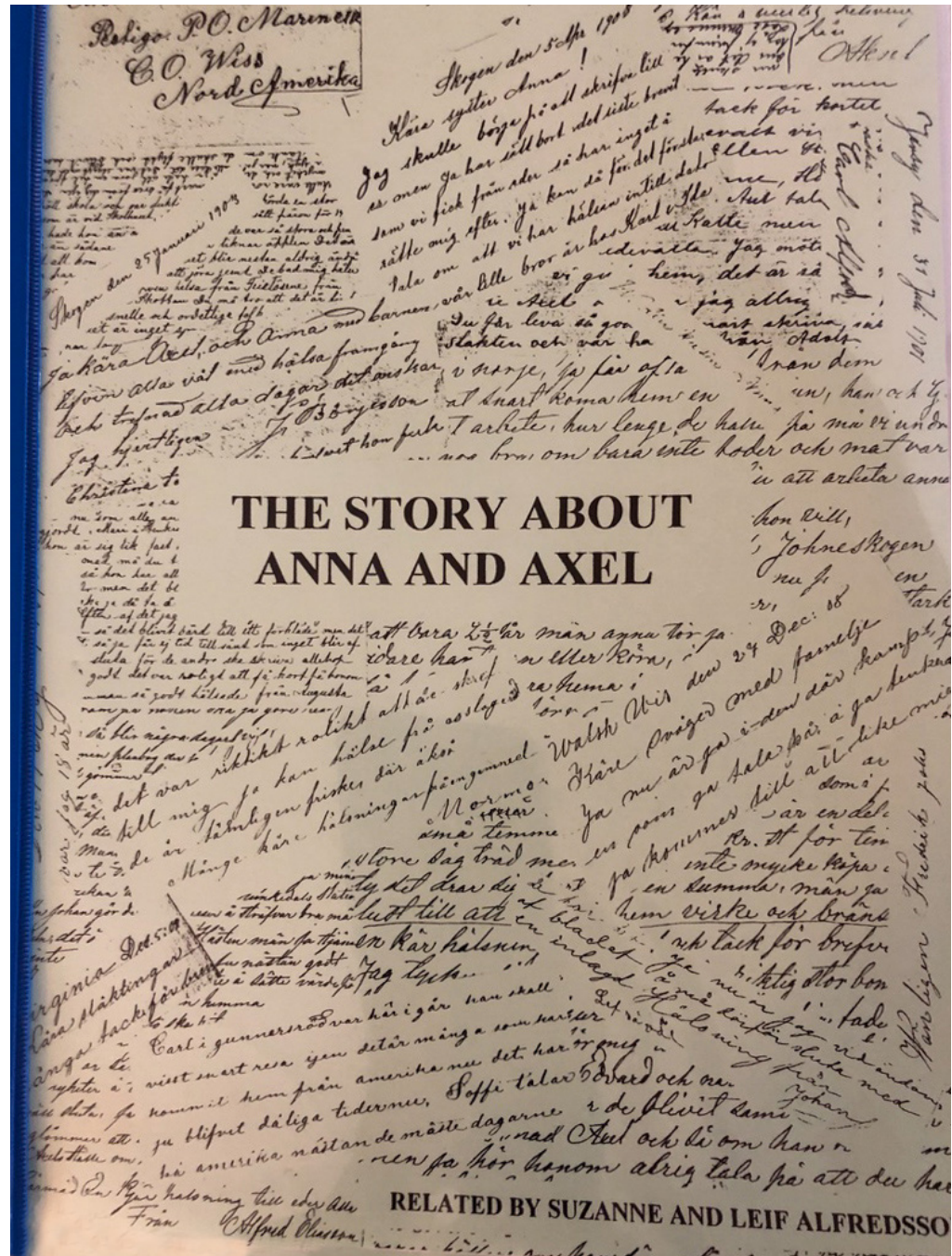
You were so thoughtful to collect/dig out rocks for me Dad that now adorn my counter tops, gardens, and spaces near the gazebo. Mom and Dad, you two are my rocks!! Love - Mom



Lynn, We greatly appreciate your work in assembling this great historical picture book of our 50 wonderful years at Bay Lake. Thank you for all you have done and are doing for us. We love you!! Dad

Starting in 1967, it was a treat to have a bed to myself at Bay Lake in the bedroom on the right side of the stairs. Not that I ever minded sleeping with Kay ;-). The "cabin" at that time had 2 bedrooms, bathroom, a living room, and dining room/kitchen combination. It was wonderfully comfy and cozy. Below is a picture of the kitchen and dining room before the renovation.

Relatives can be very generous and helpful by translating documents for you

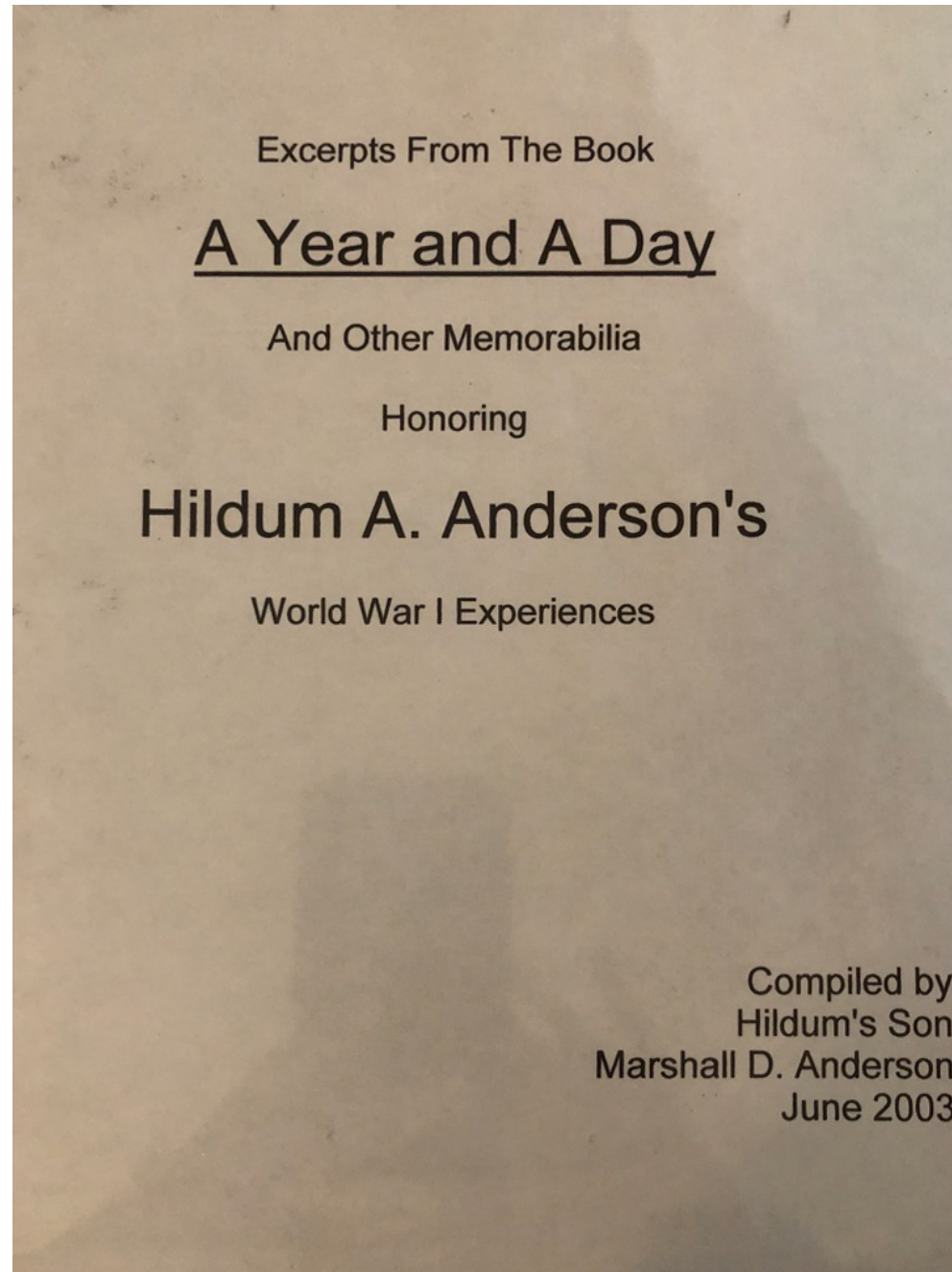


# A letter that went through German censorship during WWII but arrived in MN

Having the envelope that shows the censorship and stamps is fun.



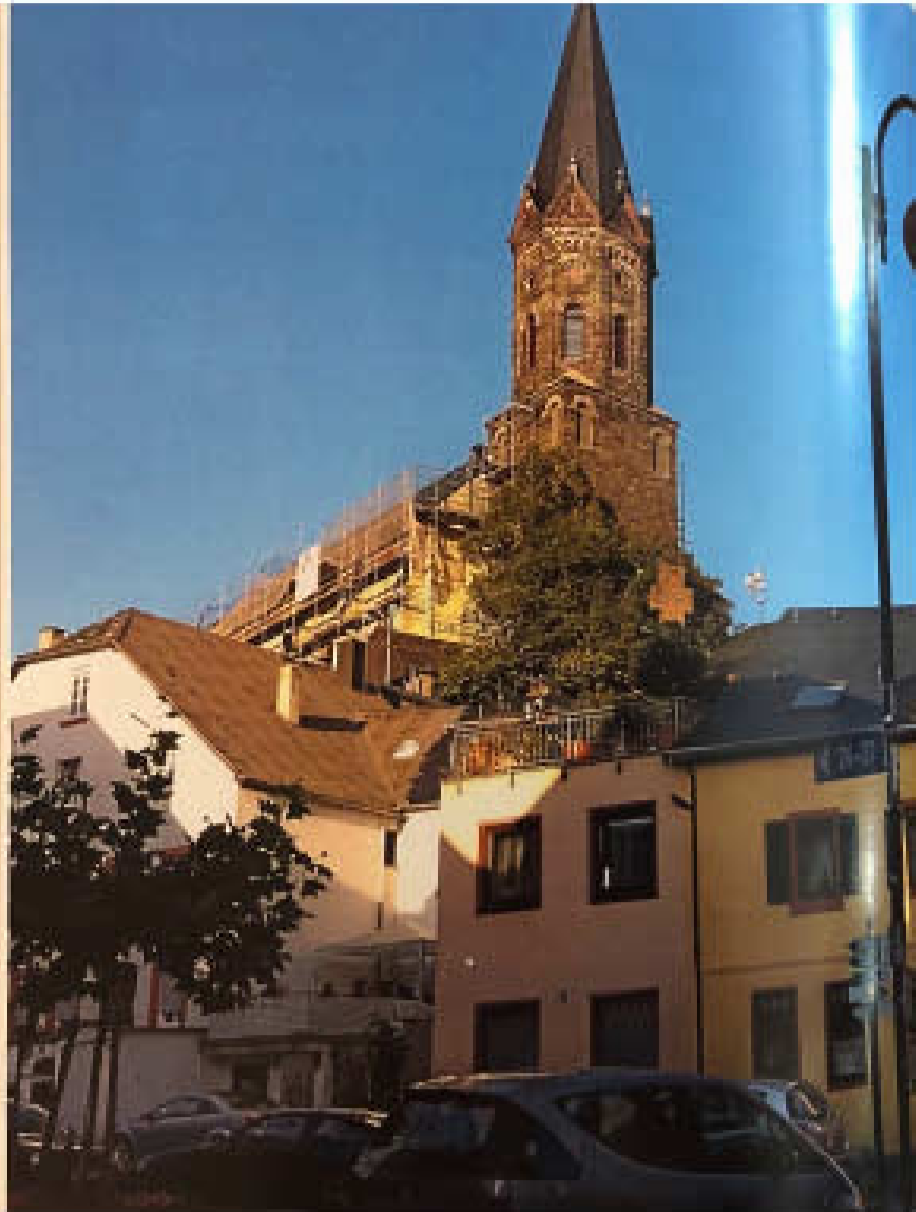
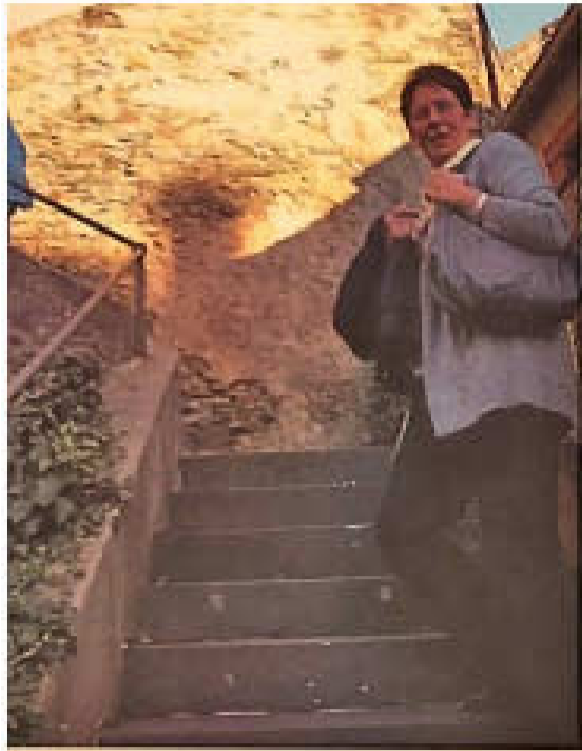
**Information about  
Lynn's Grandfather's  
service in WW I**  
using military  
documents and what  
her Grandfather told  
her Father about his  
service.





## Places where Lynn's Grandfather had been during the WW I Army of Occupation in Germany

"I am sure he saw many of these same sights. I put together a book with pictures of the towns and countryside and included his "itinerary" from WW I."





## Three Generations



**Cover for a  
book Craig  
put together  
about his  
father's  
family**

Antoinette Marie Cold and George Swan

Their Children and Grandchildren

# Katherine Craig, Her Parents and Grandparents

A story told in pictures, letters,  
remembrances and other documents



**This book is  
about Craig's  
mother's  
family**

Picture from Parsons College, Iowa, where Katherine's parents, Jessie McKlveen and Hugh Craig, met.

Hugh and Jessie were Classics majors.

They are in the middle of the second row, sitting next to each other.

**Thank you**

**Questions**

**Comments**

**Next steps?**



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