The History of the Assmann Family

Part 2

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DEDICATION

The Assmann Family History, Part I and Part II, are dedicated to the memory of Shelley Kloczko.



Shelley Kloczko (1961-2024)

PREFACE

Welcome to Part II of the Assmann Family History!

For those of you who may just be coming to this family history for the first time and have not had the opportunity to learn more about our earliest ancestors in Part I, Shelley Kloczko and myself, started the genealogical research and writing of this project in 2016. Although we had not really known each other before this, because the Assman family was huge, our grandfathers were brothers, Karl/Carl (1894-1972) and Adolf (1906-1998) Assman.

While we had every intention of finishing our written family history together, sadly Shelley passed in May 2024. I have continued with the publication of our work with the generous assistance of Barbara Denscher, our amazing cousin from Vienna, Austria, whom I met in 2021. Not only did Barbara do the editing and print layout of these two books, but her proficient translations, research and insights added immeasurable details and depth to our family's history. Shelley and I so appreciated Barbara's support, and me doubly so these last few months during the preparation for publication.

Barbara says her grandmother, Elisabeth Assmann (1905-1983), would have been very, very happy and proud with this family history, and I know Shelley and my grandfathers would be grateful and proud too.

Shelley and I had decided that although we could have continued researching and exploring more details and going further in depth with subsequent generations of each of the families, that we had to stop at some point to get the information out before the older generations were gone. We know we may be missing people who may have liked to have been in the pages of this family chronicle.

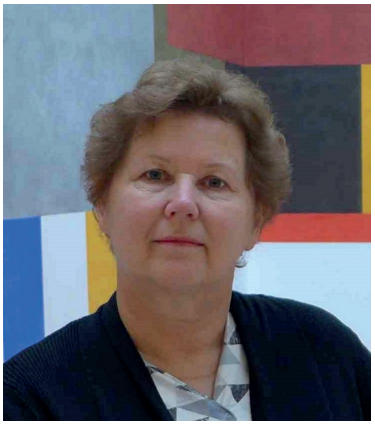
Shelley, Barbara, and I hope other family members will pick up the gauntlet and explore and record their own family lines to keep the legacy alive for future generations.

For now, here is the research we did accomplish, and the results the labours of our combined work.

Judith and Barbara



Judith Silverthorne



Barbara Denscher

INTRODUCTION

In Part 1, we explored the earliest research into the Assmann family origins, extending from the early 1600s to the late 1800s, with some migrating to other countries until the families first arrived on the shores of North America in the 1890s.

Some of our family remained in Germany, the homeland of our ancestors, and we are excited to have met some of their descendants who today still live in Gehlweiler and other surrounding villages and towns. We also discovered that during those earlier centuries, several branches of our direct line migrated to Galicia, Austria in the late 1700's and then by the mid-1800s their descendants moved to Volhynia in Russia. (Both of these locations now belonging to Ukraine.) Some families remained in Austria like those of our cousin, Barbara Denscher, editor and producer of our family history books. (See her family's story in Part I)

The earliest generation of our ancestors to come to North America was Johann Jakob Assmann (1827-1906) and Maria Elisabeth Reisdorf (1831-1902) who migrated to Symco, Wisconsin, USA. They came to live near several of their children and families in Wisconsin, while some of their offspring had already made their homes at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. The exciting expeditions and adventures of each of the family member are found in Part I – Find the link to it here: https://judithsilverthorne.ca/assmann-family-history/).

Part II focuses on the each of the families of their oldest son, Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and his wife Katharina Elisabeth Erbach (183-1902) of Neudorf Saskatchewan, who were Shelly and my great-grandparents. When they arrived in Canada in 1892, the area was then known as the North-West Territories, later becoming the province of Saskatchewan in 1905. Karl chose to homestead on the Southeast Quarter, Section 20, Township 19, Range 8, West of the Second Meridian (SE ¼-20-19-8 W2), a parcel of land in its natural unbroken state which lay to the south of Neudorf, where they raised their family.



Karl and Katharina Assmann, 1907[1]

1 Photo, collection of Judith Silverthorne.

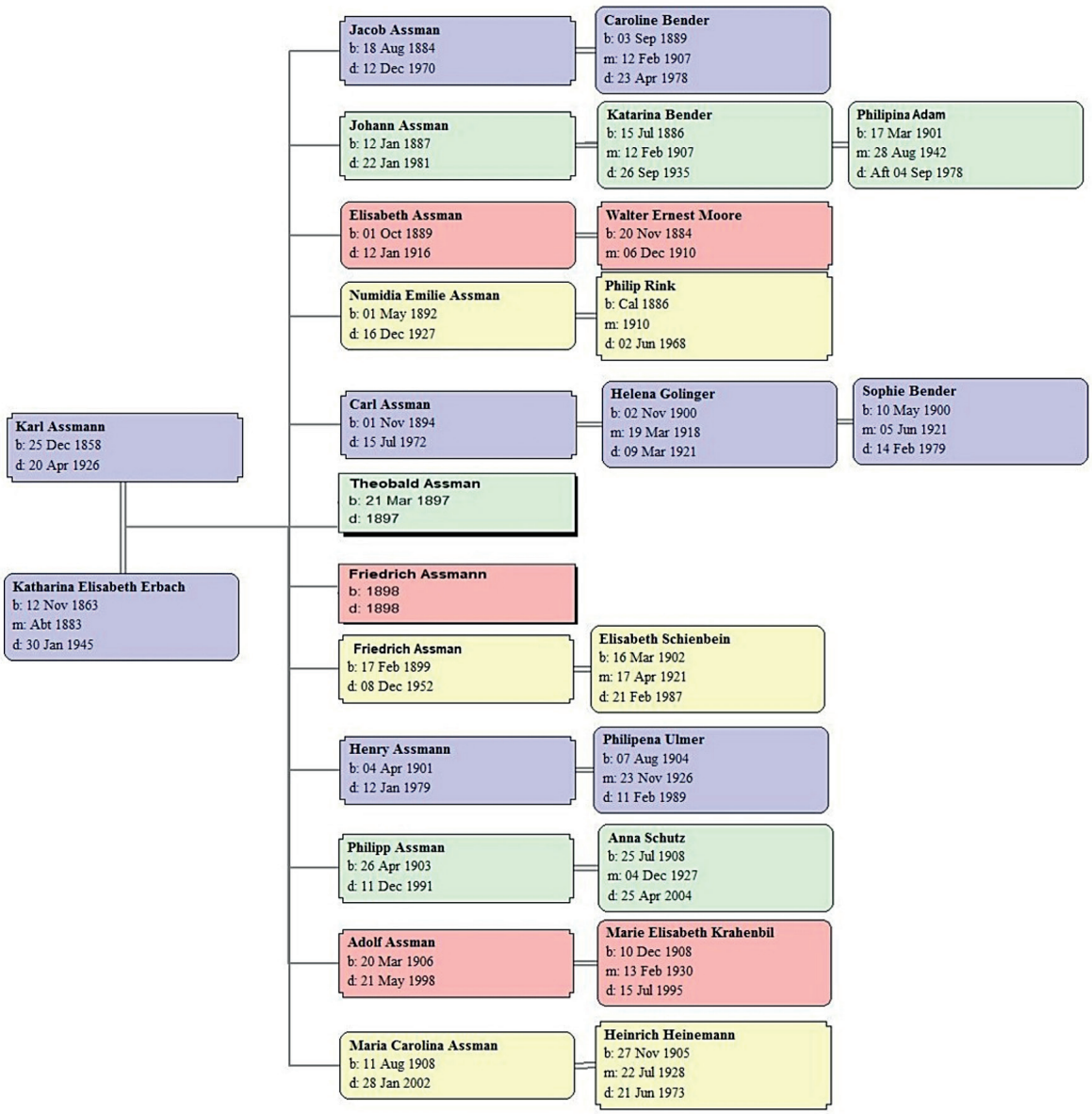
Throughout these pages you will come to know something about their whole family, twelve siblings in all. Each resilient, hard-working, facing challenges of early pioneering days on the prairies, from the oldest born in 1884 while still in Volhynia, Russia to the youngest born at home on the family farm in Canada in1908.

We hope you enjoy their stories and find inspiration and pride in your roots.



Karl & Katharine Assmann family, 1907 (l to r):
Back row: Numidia Emily, Elizabeth, Katharine (née Bender, Johan's wife), Johann.
Front row: Heinrich, Phillip, Katharine (née Erbach-sitting), Friedrich, Karl (sitting),
Adolf (on lap), Carl, Caroline (née Bender wife of Jacob), Jacob[2]

2 Photo, collection of Judith Silverthorne.


Karl Assmann
b: 25 Dec 1858
d: 20 Apr 1926
Katharina Elisabeth Erbach
b: 12 Nov 1863
m: Abt 1883
d: 30 Jan 1945
Jacob Assman
b: 18 Aug 1884
d: 12 Dec 1970
Caroline Bender
b: 03 Sep 1889
m: 12 Feb 1907
d: 23 Apr 1978
Johann Assman
b: 12 Jan 1887
d: 22 Jan 1981
Katarina Bender
b: 15 Jul 1886
m: 12 Feb 1907
d: 26 Sep 1935
Philipina Adam
b: 17 Mar 1901
m: 28 Aug 1942
d: Aft 04 Sep 1978
Elisabeth Assman
b: 01 Oct 1889
d: 12 Jan 1916
Walter Ernest Moore
b: 20 Nov 1884
m: 06 Dec 1910
Numidia Emilie Assman
b: 01 May 1892
d: 16 Dec 1927
Philip Rink
b: Cal 1886
m: 1910
d: 02 Jun 1968
Carl Assman
b: 01 Nov 1894
d: 15 Jul 1972
Helena Golinger
b: 02 Nov 1900
m: 19 Mar 1918
d: 09 Mar 1921
Sophie Bender
b: 10 May 1900
m: 05 Jun 1921
d: 14 Feb 1979
Theobald Assman
b: 21 Mar 1897
d: 1897
Friedrich Assmann
b: 1898
d: 1898
Friedrich Assman
b: 17 Feb 1899
d: 08 Dec 1952
Elisabeth Schienbein
b: 16 Mar 1902
m: 17 Apr 1921
d: 21 Feb 1987
Henry Assmann
b: 04 Apr 1901
d: 12 Jan 1979
Philipena Ulmer
b: 07 Aug 1904
m: 23 Nov 1926
d: 11 Feb 1989
Philipp Assman
b: 26 Apr 1903
d: 11 Dec 1991
Anna Schutz
b: 25 Jul 1908
m: 04 Dec 1927
d: 25 Apr 2004
Adolf Assman
b: 20 Mar 1906
d: 21 May 1998
Marie Elisabeth Krahenbil
b: 10 Dec 1908
m: 13 Feb 1930
d: 15 Jul 1995
Maria Carolina Assman
b: 11 Aug 1908
d: 28 Jan 2002
Heinrich Heinemann
b: 27 Nov 1905
m: 22 Jul 1928
d: 21 Jun 1973

Jacob Assmann & Carolina Bender

Johann Jacob Assmann[1] was born 22 August 1884, in Metnitz, Volhynia, Russia (now Ukraine)[2] to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945). He married **Carolina Bender**;[3] died 12 December 1970, Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada.[4]

There seem to be some discrepancies about the date of his birth as throughout his life he celebrated it on August 18, and many of his documents, plus his headstone all record August 18 as his date of birth.

This discrepancy seems to stem in part from his baptismal records which may not be reliable. It has the title: "Geborene im Jahre 1885" - "Born in 1885" - but there are, mixed up, births from 1881, 1883, 1884 in it. Perhaps it was written later.

In this document it indicates he may have been baptized in Schitomir Parish, Volhynia, Russia,[5] but the exact location is unknown at this time. There also seems to have been an error by the pastor in entering his baptismal information in the first place as the dates seem to have been put in the wrong columns as shown below. The column for birth has him born on 26 August at 2 pm, while the baptism is recorded as 22 August, so the baptismal entry may be wrong in various ways.

His two next siblings were also born in Metnitz, Johann (born 1887) and Elisabeth (born 1889). Note that Jacob, according to his baptismal record, was baptized with the name Johann, but obviously went by Jacob during his life, as his next brother was also given the name of Johann (John), which he was called during his life. Back then there was a common practice to give all sons the same name, e.g. Johann, as a baptismal first name followed by the second name they would use in everyday life.

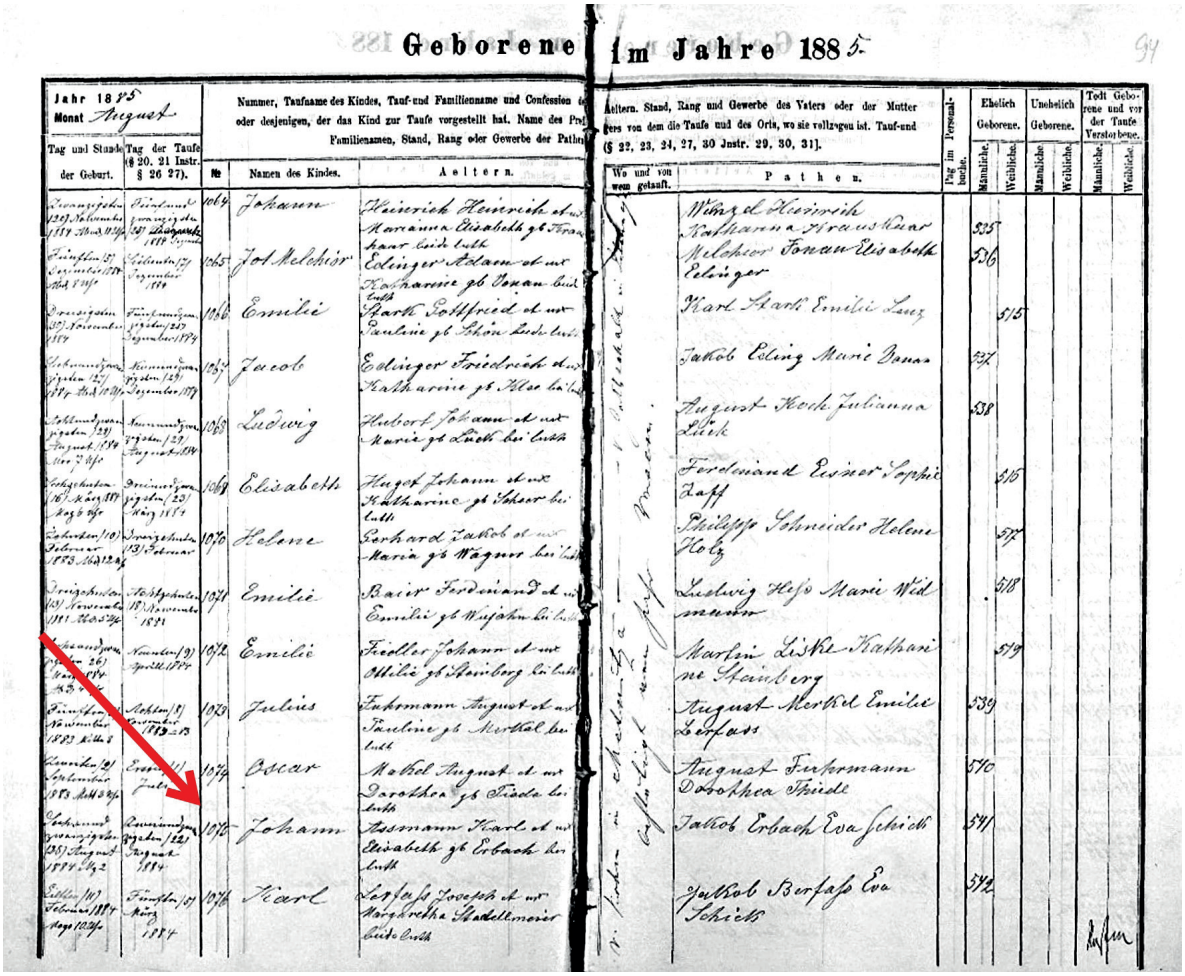
1 Note, he only used one 'n' at the end of his name during his lifetime, although some of his children continued to use two, such as Edward.

2 Evangelical Lutheran Church (Metnitza, Zhitomir parish, Russia), Metrical books, 1870-1885, "Birth, marriages, deaths 1885," film 1897692, item 1, p. 94, image 27, register 1075, Johann Assman; digital images, Family Search (familysearch.org : accessed 27 September 2016). The birth and baptism dates are recorded as August 26 and August 22 respectively; this is an error. It is unknown if he was baptised on August 22 or if the dates are reversed.

3 Neudorf, McLeod, Saskatchewan, Birth Registrations May 1917 to Jun 1918, Wilhelm Werner Assmann; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf.

4 From Russia Births and Baptisms, 1755-1917, Indexing Project (Batch) Number I06552-5 System OriginRussia-EASy, GS Film number1897692, Reference IDp94-1075, Citing this Record: "Россия Рождения и крещения, 1755- 917,"database, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XTDZ-B5Y : 11 February 2018), Karl Assmann in entry for Johann Assmann, ; citing Sanktpeterburg, Russia, reference p94-1075; FHL microfilm 1,897,692.

5 „Россия Рождения и крещения, 1755-1917," database, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XTDZ-B5T : 6 December 2014), Johann Assmann, citing Saint Petersburg, Russia, reference p94-1075; FHL microfilm 1,897,692, item 1.



Geborene im Jahre 1885

Jahr 1885
Monat August

Nummer, Taufname des Kindes, Tauf- und Familienname und Confession der Aeltern. Stand, Rang und Gewerbe des Vaters oder der Mutter oder desjenigen, der das Kind zur Taufe vorgestellt hat. Name des Pred[illegible] oder desjenigen, der das Kind zur Taufe vorgestellt hat. Name des Pred[illegible] Familienamen, Stand, Rang oder Gewerbe der Pathen [illegible] (§ 22, 23, 24, 27, 30 Instr. 29, 30, 31].

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Zwanzigsten (20) November 1884 Abds 10 Uhr	Fünfundzwanzigsten (25) Dezember 1884	1064	Johann	Heinrich Heinrich et ux Marianna Elisabeth gb Kraushaar beide luth		Wenzel Heinrich Katharina Krauskaar		535					
Fünften (5) Dezember 1884 Abds 8 Uhr	Siebenten (7) Dezember 1884	1065	Jos Melchior	Edinger Adam et ux Katharine gb Vonan beide luth		Melchior Fonan Elisabeth Edinger		536					
Dreizigsten (30) November 1884	Fünfundzwanzigsten (25) Dezember 1884	1066	Emilie	Stark Gottfried et ux Pauline gb Schön beide luth		Karl Stark Emilie Lenz			515				
Siebenundzwanzigsten (27) 1884 Abds 10 Uhr	Neunundzwanzigsten (29) Dezember 1884	1067	Jacob	Edinger Friedrich et ux Katharine gb Klee beide luth		Jakob Eding Marie Vonan		537					
Achtundzwanzigsten (28) August 1884 Mor 7 Uhr	Neunundzwanzigsten (29) August 1884	1068	Ludwig	Hubert Johann et ux Marie gb Lück bei luth		August Koch Julianna Lück		538					
Sechzehnten (16) März 1884 Mag 6 Uhr	Dreiundzwanzigsten (23) März 1884	1069	Elisabeth	Huget Johann et ux Katharine gb Scheer bei luth		Ferdinand Eisner Sophie Zaff			516				
Zehnten (10) Februar 1883 Abds 12 Uhr	Dreizehnten (13) Februar	1070	Helene	Gerhard Jakob et ux Maria gb Wagner bei luth		Philipp Schneider Helene Holz			517				
Dreizehnten (13) November 1883 Abds 5 Uhr	Achtzehnten (18) November 1883	1071	Emilie	Baier Ferdinand et ux Emilie gb Wujahn bei luth		Ludwig Hess Marie Widmann			518				
Achtundzwanzigsten (26) Mai 1884 Abds 3 Uhr	Neunten (9) April 1884	1072	Emilie	Fiedler Johann et ux Ottilie gb Steinberg bei luth		Martin Liske Katharine Steinberg			519				
Fünften (5) November 1883 Mitte 8	Achten (8) November 1883 = 13	1073	Julius	Fuhrmann August et ux Pauline gb Merkel bei luth		August Merkel Emilie Berfass		539					
Neunten (9) September 1883 Mitt 8 Uhr	Ersten (1) Juli	1074	Oscar	Makel August et ux Dorothea gb Fiede bei luth		August Fuhrmann Dorothea Fiedl		540					
Sechsundzwanzigsten (26) August 1884 Mg 2	Zweiundzwanzigsten (22) August 1884	1075	Johann	Assmann Karl et ux Elisabeth gb Erbach bei luth		Jakob Erbach Eva Schick		541					
Eilften (11) Februar 1884 Mags 10 Uhr	Fünften (5) März 1884	1076	Karl	Berfass Joseph et ux Margaretha Stadellmeier beide luth		Jakob Berfass Eva Schick		542					

Baptism record of Johann (Jacob) Assmann.[6]

Jacob was seven years old when he traveled with his family to North America.[7] Once his family became settled their thoughts turned towards school. Being the oldest, he went to school for one only day before his father decided he needed him to help on the farm.

On the 29 May 1898 Jacob was confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church near Grenfell.

On the 17 April 1897, he was granted naturalization in Canada, which at this time was in the North-West Territories. He later renewed this naturalization under new legislation in Canada on the 21 January 1942.

6 From Russia Births and Baptisms, 1755-1917, Indexing Project (Batch) Number I06552-5 System OriginRussia-EASy, GS Film number1897692, Reference IDp94-1075, Citing this Record: "Россия Рождения и крещения, 1755- 917,"database, FamilySearch (https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:XTDZ-B5Y : 11 February 2018), Karl Assmann in entry for Johann Assmann, ; citing Sanktpeterburg, Russia, reference p94-1075; FHL microfilm 1,897,692.

7 For the ship records and a description of this trip, please see the chapter about his parents, Karl Assmann & Katherine Elisabeth Erbach, The History of the Assmann Family. Part 1.

Particulars

FULL NAME JACOB ASSMAN

ADDRESS NEUDORF, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA

TRADE OR OCCUPATION FARMER

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH (WHEN KNOWN) MEDNITZ, VOLHYNIA, RUSSIA

18TH AUGUST, 1864

SUBJECT OF CITIZEN OF RUSSIA

MARRIED MARRIED
SINGLE
WIDOWER (WIDOW)
NAME OF WIFE CAROLINA BENDER ASSMAN

PARENTS SUBJECTS CITIZENS OF RUSSIA

AGE 57 YEARS HEIGHT 5 FEET 11 INCHES

COLOUR WHITE COMPLEXION FAIR

COLOUR OF EYES BLUE COLOUR OF HAIR GRAY

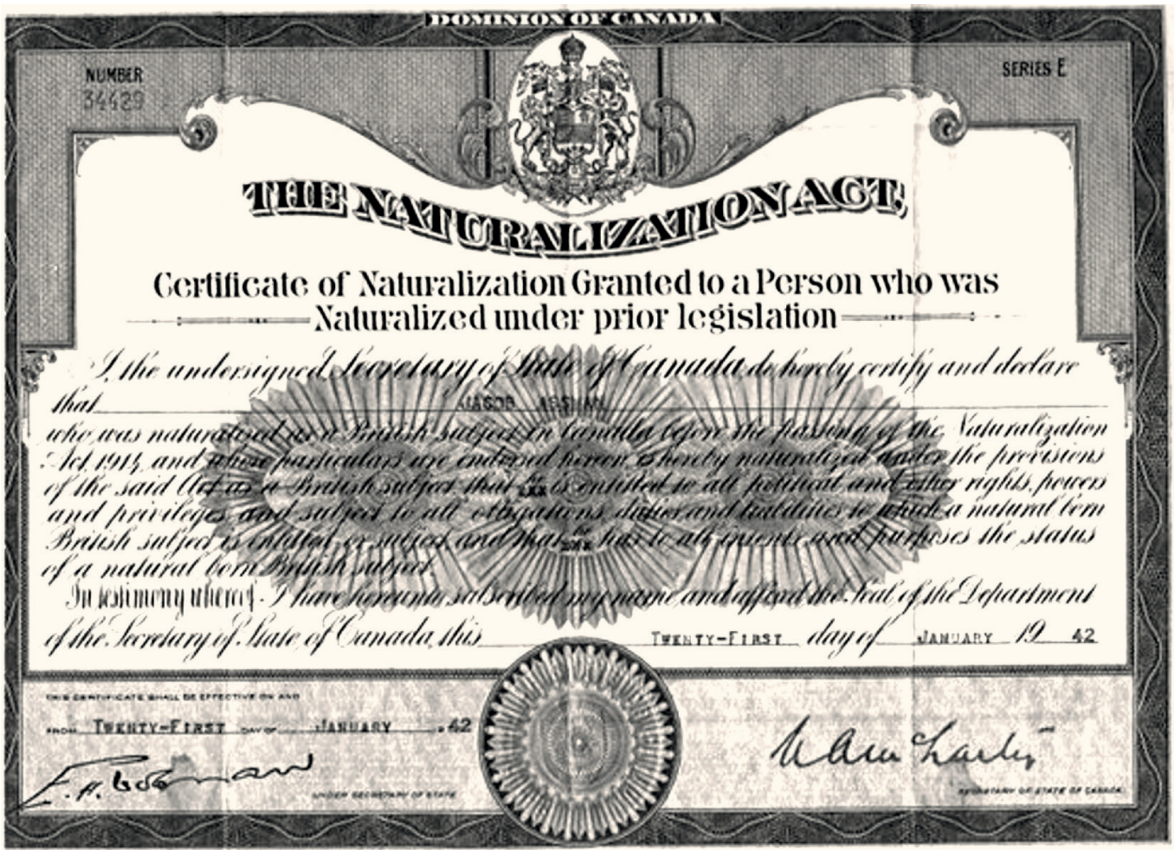
VISIBLE DISTINGUISHING MARKS NONE

PRIOR NATURALIZATION CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE SUPREME COURT, MOOSOMIN, NORTH WEST TERRITORIES, TO FATHER KARL ASSMAN

~~XXRX~~ SEVENTEENTH DAY OF APRIL, 1897

COUNTERSIGNED

CHIEF CLERK OF NATURALIZATION



DOMINION OF CANADA

NUMBER 34429

SERIES E

THE NATURALIZATION ACT

Certificate of Naturalization Granted to a Person who was Naturalized under prior legislation

I, the undersigned Secretary of State of Canada do hereby certify and declare that JACOB ASSMAN who was naturalized as a British subject in Canada before the passing of the Naturalization Act 1914, and whose particulars are endorsed hereon, is hereby naturalized under the provisions of the said Act as a British subject that he is entitled to all political and other rights, powers and privileges and subject to all obligations, duties and liabilities to which a natural born British subject is entitled or subject and that he has to all intents and purposes the status of a natural born British subject.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the Seal of the Department of the Secretary of State of Canada this TWENTY-FIRST day of JANUARY 19 42

THIS CERTIFICATE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE ON AND FROM TWENTY-FIRST DAY OF JANUARY 42

UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

SECRETARY OF STATE OF CANADA

Previous page and above: Jacob Assman's Naturalization Papers and Certificate.[8]



In 1907 Jacob bought some farmland seven miles north of Neudorf on Section 32-20 –7-W 2nd.

On 12 February 1907, Jacob married Carolina Bender (also known as Caroline) in a double wedding with his brother Johann and her sister, Katherine Bender. The sisters were the daughters of Caroline Zaph and Philip Bender. Jacob's bride Caroline was born in Metnitz, Russia, on 3 September 1889.

Jacob Assman & Caroline Bender, wedding photo[9]

8 All photos and clippings in this chapter, unless otherwise noted, are from the collection of Sandra Krychuk.
9 Edward Assman's collection.



Karl & Katharina Assmann family photo taken 1907 (l to r):
Back row: Numidia Emily, Elizabeth, Katharine (née Bender, Johan's wife), Johan.
Front row: Heinrich, Philip, Katharina (née Erbach, sitting), Friedrich, Karl (sitting), Adolf (on lap), Karl, Caroline (née Bender wife of Jacob), Jacob [10]

In 1911, Jacob, Caroline and their first two children, Philip Carl and Emma Caroline, were living on Township 20, Range 7, West of the Second Meridian. Jacob was farming and had a 17-year-old hired-hand, Adam Mohr. Adam Mohr was paid $610 in 1910.[11]

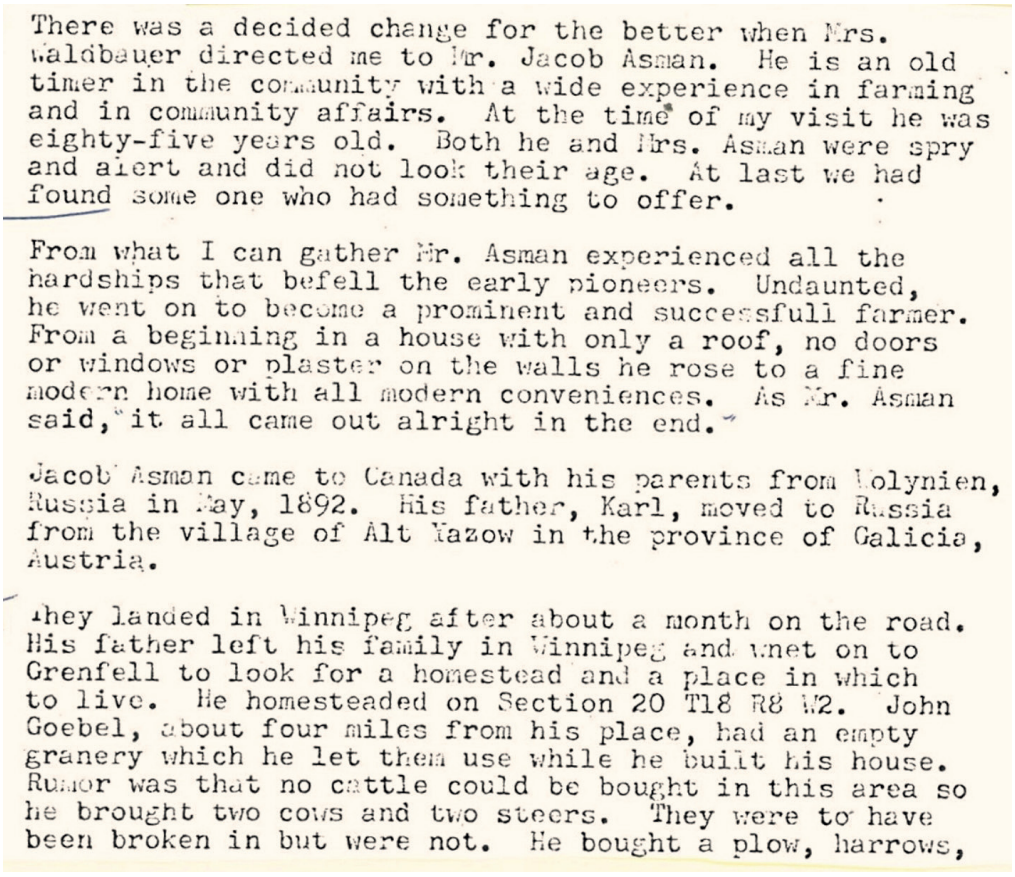
According to the 1916 Census of Prairie Provinces, Jacob and family were still in Township 20, Range 7, West of the Second Meridian. A third child was listed on the census, Edward. Jacob was listed as a farmer. The hired hand was not listed, so he may not have been needed by this time.

Jacob and Caroline had five children: Philip Carl, Emma Caroline, Edward Jacob, Wilhelm (William) Werner, and Maria Helena (Mary).

According to his daughter Mary, *"Dad [Jacob] might not have had any education but was a clever man, self-taught you might say. He was always at the head of a project like building the Prairie School, the local curling and skating rink, and the Christ Lutheran Church and Parish Hall. He was on the Municipal board for years and on the Lutheran Home Board in Melville for over 25 years and of course on the church board plus any band drives etc. that they had during the 2nd World War he was always very active in anything worthwhile that went on in the community."*[12]

10 Edward Assman's collection.
11 1911 census of Canada, Saskatchewan, district 215, Township 20 Range 7, p. 3, dwelling 19, family 19, Jacob Asman household; RG 31; digital images, *Automated Genealogy* (http://automatedgenealogy.com/).
12 Mary McConnachie (1468 North Hill Drive; Swift Current, Saskatchewan) to Judith Silverthorne, letter, 8 January 1982; privately held by Silverthorne.

He became trustee of the Prairie School for ten years. When the telephones first arrived in that part of the country, he was one of the first to help organize and partake in the construction of the telephone system. He was always willing to help with anything worthwhile in the community. Caroline was also a very active. She was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church Women for 41 years.



There was a decided change for the better when Mrs. Waldbauer directed me to Mr. Jacob Asman. He is an old timer in the community with a wide experience in farming and in community affairs. At the time of my visit he was eighty-five years old. Both he and Mrs. Asman were spry and alert and did not look their age. At last we had found some one who had something to offer.

From what I can gather Mr. Asman experienced all the hardships that befell the early pioneers. Undaunted, he went on to become a prominent and successfull farmer. From a beginning in a house with only a roof, no doors or windows or plaster on the walls he rose to a fine modern home with all modern conveniences. As Mr. Asman said, "it all came out alright in the end."

Jacob Asman came to Canada with his parents from Volynien, Russia in May, 1892. His father, Karl, moved to Russia from the village of Alt Yazow in the province of Galicia, Austria.

They landed in Winnipeg after about a month on the road. His father left his family in Winnipeg and went on to Grenfell to look for a homestead and a place in which to live. He homesteaded on Section 20 T18 R8 W2. John Goebel, about four miles from his place, had an empty granery which he let them use while he built his house. Rumor was that no cattle could be bought in this area so he brought two cows and two steers. They were to have been broken in but were not. He bought a plow, harrows,

This partial snippet from an interview conducted by an unknown person was found in Edward Assman's files and provides information about the early days of pioneering. [13]

On the following pages you will find the full Land Agreement, Jacob signed on 15 October 1918 for the purchase of crown land for the east half of Sec 20, Twp 17, Range 6, West of the 2nd meridian. Originally owned by the Government of Saskatchewan, it shows all the conditions required to meet the requirements for final ownership.[14]

13 Files of Edward Assman.

14 Document from the collection of Shelley Kloczko obtained through the Saskatchewan Archives.

CANADA

Province of Saskatchewan

To Wit:

I, Lea Albert Ramsay of the Town of Scott in the Province of Saskatchewan Sheriff make oath and say:

1. That I was personally present and did see James T. Brown named in the within Instrument who is personally known to me to be the person named therein, duly sign, seal and execute the same for the purposes named therein.
2. That the said Instrument and Duplicate were executed at Scott in the Province of Saskatchewan and that I am the subscribing witness to the said Instrument.
3. That I know the said James T. Brown and he is in my belief of the full age of twenty-one years.

Sworn before me at the Town of Scott the Province of Saskatchewan this 17th day of October A.D. 1918

Lea A. Ramsay

Robert Sleay
A Comm for Oaths

Dated Oct-15th A.D. 1918

Land Contract

TO

Aaman

The Willson Stationery Co., Ltd., Winnipeg and Regina.

P.O. Address Nendorf

Sec. 20 Twp. 17

Range 6 W 2nd

Date of Payment Dec 1st

I James T. Brown of Regina in Saskatchewan make oath and say:

1. I am the Vendor named in the within agreement.
2. I have never lived on the land referred to in the said agreement and the same is not my homestead.

Sworn before me at Scott in Saskatchewan this 17th day of October 1918

J. T. Brown

Robert Sleay
A Comm for Oaths.

AGREEMENT FOR SALE OF LAND No. 5 –1-10-07 The Willson Stationery Co., Ltd., Legal Stationers, Winnipeg and Regina—13850

Articles of Agreement

made in duplicate this fifteenth day of October
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen

Between James T. Brown of Regina in Saskatchewan, Chief Justice of King's Bench hereinafter called the Vendor of the First Part

AND

Jacob Asman of Vendor in Saskatchewan, farmer
hereinafter called the Purchaser of the Second Part

Whereas the said Vendor has agreed to sell to the Purchaser, and the Purchaser has agreed to purchase of and from the said Vendor, ALL AND SINGULAR, th at certain tract or parcel of land and premises situate, lying and being

The East half of Section Twenty (20) in Township Seventeen (17) in Range Six (6) West of the Second Principal Meridian in Saskatchewan

for the price or sum of Eight Thousand One hundred and Sixty Dollars

to be paid in the following manner:

The sum of $ 1400.00 upon the execution and delivery of this Contract. The receipt is hereby acknowledged by the Vendor.

The sum of $ 1000.00 on or before the 1st day of December 1919

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and the bal in five equal annual instalments payable on the first day of December in each year. Pet in dol in 1923 January 17

Together with interest from the date hereof at the rate of Seven per cent. per annum on so much of said purchase price as remains unpaid from time to time and payable on the first day of December in each and every year hereafter until the said purchase price is paid, and interest and principal not paid when due shall bear interest at the rate aforesaid from the date when it becomes due.

The above instalments of purchase money and interest are payable at Regina aforesaid Provided that the Purchaser is hereby given the privilege of paying the whole or any part of said purchase price at any time but not so as to postpone any of the payments aforesaid.

~~The Purchaser covenant with the Vendor that he will insure the buildings on the said land~~ to the amount of not less than the full insurable ~~value thereof, and in~~ default of such insurance, the Vendor may ~~insure as he~~ deem expedient at the expense of the Purchaser . Policies of ~~insurance to be deposited with the Vendor and losses, if any, to be payable to the Vendor .~~

And the said part y of the second part hereby attorns and becomes tenant of and to the said part y of the first part to said land at a yearly tenancy equal to the amount of the yearly payment of interest due upon the purchase money hereof, provided that the part y of the first part may distrain for arrears of purchase money and interest.

And it is also hereby declared and agreed that the Vendor may pay any liens, taxes or rates upon the said land or any insurance premium and any money so paid or expenses so incurred shall be charged upon the said land in favor of the Vendor and shall be payable by the Purchaser to the Vendor forthwith with interest at the rate aforesaid until paid.

And it is hereby declared and agreed that all erections, buildings and improvements on or hereafter put upon the said premises shall thereupon become fixtures and form part of the realty.

No assignment of this contract shall be valid unless the same be for the entire interest of the Purchaser and shall be endorsed hereon or permanently attached hereto and approved and countersigned by the Vendor or his duly authorized agent.

The Purchaser agrees to break one hundred acres of said land in the year 1919, said breaking to be done in proper season and in a workmanlike manner.

The Purchaser agrees to cultivate the land broken and to be broken and to seed the same in proper season, the same to be done in a workmanlike manner.

The Purchaser further agrees to use clean seed in seeding the said land and to keep the said land free and clean of weeds as far as possible.

In Witness Whereof, the Vendor and the Purchaser have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered
IN THE PRESENCE OF

Lea A Ramsey
as to signature of
James T. Brown
[illegible]
Witness
as to signature of
Jacob Asman

J. T. Brown

Jacob Asman
J Asman

Now it is hereby agreed between the parties aforesaid in the manner following that is to say: the Purchaser covenant s, promise s and agree S to and with the said Vendor that the Purchaser will well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said Vendor the said sums of money together with interest thereon at the rate aforesaid on the days and times and manner above mentioned; and also will pay and discharge all taxes, rates and assessments wherewith the said land may be rated or charged when due from or after ~~this date.~~ the 31st day of December 1918.

Provided that on any default in the payment of any instalment of either principal or interest or taxes the whole of the principal or interest hereby secured shall at once become due and be payable or this contract shall be forfeited and determined, at the option of the Vendor.

In Consideration Whereof and on payment of the said sums of money with interest as aforesaid, in manner aforesaid, the Vendor doth covenant , promise and agree to and with the Purchaser to convey and assure or cause to be conveyed or assured to the Purchaser the said parcel of land by deed or transfer subject to the conditions and reservations in the original grant from the Crown, which deed or transfer shall be prepared by the Vendor's solicitor ~~at the expense of the Purchaser.~~

The Purchaser shall immediately after the execution of this agreement have the right of possession to said premises, and shall have the right to occupy and enjoy the same until default be made in the payment of the said sums of money, or the interest thereon, or any part thereof on the days and times and in the manner above mentioned.

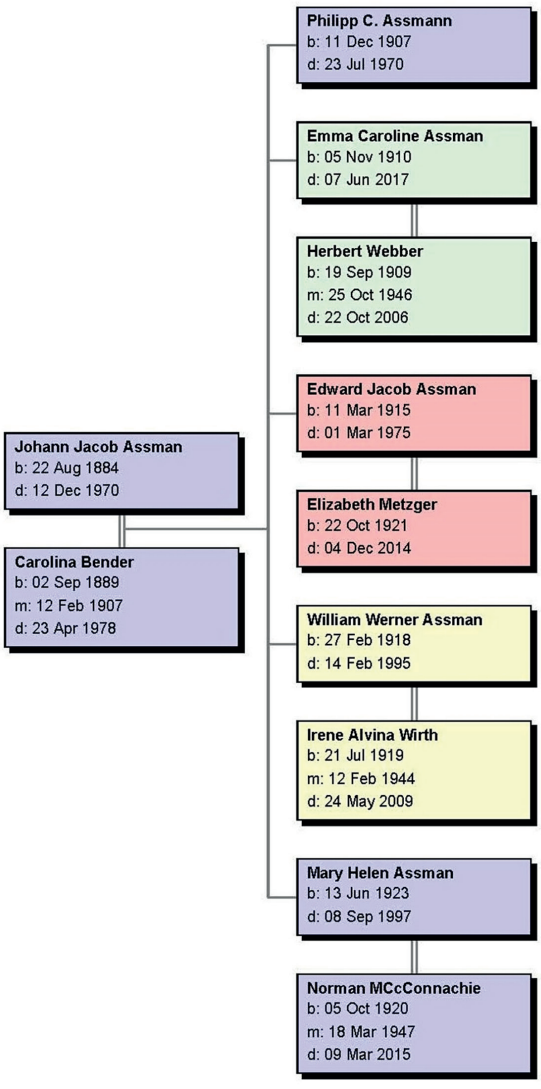
And it is further agreed between the parties hereto that until the completion of the purchase the Purchaser shall hold the said premises as tenant to the Vendor from the day of the execution hereof at a ~~_____~~ yearly rental equivalent to, applicable in satisfaction of and payable at the same time as the instalments of principal and interest upon the principal hereinbefore provided to be paid; the legal relation of landlord and tenant being hereby constituted between the Vendor and the Purchaser.

And it is further agreed that in case the Purchaser shall at any time make default in any of the payments ~~by~~ ~~sel~~ herein agreed to be paid, or in any part thereof or in the performance of any of the covenants herein contained, the Vendor shall be at liberty at any time after such default, without notice to the Purchaser either to cancel this contract and declare the same void, and to retain any payments that may have been made on account thereof as and by way of liquidated damages, and retain all improvements that may have been made on said premises, or to proceed to another sale of the said lands, either by public auction, tender or private contract, and the deficiency, if any occasioned by such re-sale, with all costs, charges and expenses attending the same or occasioned by such default, shall be made good by the said Purchaser , and the Vendor shall be entitled immediately upon any default, as aforesaid, without giving any notice or making any demand to consider and treat the Purchaser as tenant , holding over without permission or any color or right, and may take immediate possession of the premises and remove the Purchaser therefrom.

And it is mutually understood and agreed that in case default be made by the Purchaser in any of the covenants and agreements herein contained to be performed ~~by~~ ~~sel~~ and the Vendor shall see fit to declare this contract null and void by reason thereof, such declaration may be made by notice from the Vendor addressed to the Purchaser directed to the Post Office hereinbefore mentioned.

And it is further agreed that time is to be considered the essence of this agreement

And the covenants and agreements herein contained shall extend to and be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and successors of the parties hereto.



Jacob and Caroline had five children: Philip Carl, Emma Caroline, Edward Jacob, Wilhelm (William), Werner, and Maria Helena.



Above:
Back row left to right: Edward, Philip, and William.
Front row: Mary, Jacob, Caroline, Mary, 1952

Below:
Back row left to right: William Assman, Norman McConnachie, Philip Assman, Emma Webber, Herb Webber, Edward Assman.
Front row left to right: Irene Assman, Sharon Assman, Dennis Assman, Mary McConnachie with baby Gail McConnachie, Jacob Assman, Heather McConnachie, Caroline Assman, Beth Assman with baby Sandra and Dawn Assmann









Above left: Mary, Caroline (mother) and Emma.
Above right: Mary & Emma
Right: Caroline & Jacob Assman in their later years
Below: Jacob and Caroline's 60 Anniversary photo
(all photos from the collection of Sandra Krywchuk)



Diamond Anniversary



A come and go tea attended by a goodly number of relatives and friends was held on February 12 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Assman to honor this pioneer couple on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Joining Mr. and Mrs. Assman for this happy occasion were their children and families, Mrs. Herb Webber of Burnaby, B.C.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Assman and family of Milestone; Mr. and Mrs. Norman McConochie and family of Estevan; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Assman and family of Neudorf. Another son Phillip Assman of Phoenix, Arizona was unable to attend.

In charge of the guest book were grandchildren Mrs. Sheron Schutz and Mrs. Edna Assman.

A short service was held in the evening in Christ Lutheran Church. Mrs. Emma Webber of Burnaby, B.C. and Mrs. Dora Dixon of Neudorf gave a duet.

Following the service the honored couple were escorted to the Parish Hall where they were presented with a corsage of pink carnations by Mrs. Emma Webber and Mrs. Mary McSonochie. Rev. Propp presided as master of ceremonies.

The hall was gaily decorated with streamers in pink and white. Centering the head table was a three tier wedding cake, beautifully decorated by Mrs. Beth Assman, daughter in-law of Milestone. Dawn Assman of Milestone and Heather McConochie of Saskatoon presided at the register with 142 signing.

One of the highlights which made the evening a memorable one was the singing of hymns by the grandchildren. Jacob Schramm and Fred Mohr extended congratulations to the couple on their 60 years of marriage and on the many deeds they had done in Neudorf and the community over the years.

Eddie Assman of Milestone had a few very appropriate words for his mother and father. Wm. Assman of Neudorf and Norman Mc Conochie of Saskatoon read the letters, cards and telegrams of congratulations received from the Queen, Prime Minister Lester Pearson, Hon. Wilfred Gardiner, His Honor R. L. Hanbidge, Rt. Hon. John Diefenbaker, Premier Ross Thatcher, C.P. Mac. Donald, James Ormiston, Lawrence Watson, Alvin Hamilton and many others.

Glen Bender presented Mr. and Mrs. Assman with a purse of money and other gifts on behalf of guests with every good wish for continued happiness. Mr. Assman was presented with a diamond tie pin and Mrs. Assman a diamond ring from their children.

With a few well chosen words the couple thanked all present for making the day a memorable one.

A delicious lunch brought the evening to a close.

Out of town guests were from, North Burnaby, B.C.; Milestone, Saskatoon, Grenfell, Esterhazy, Lorlie, Lemberg, Regina, Estevan, Oakshella, Kipling, Killaly, Melville, Duff and Bangor.

Born in Wolinia, Russia, August 18, 1884 Jacob Assman came to Neudorf with his parents in 1892 at the age of 8 years where he lived with his parents on the farm.

Mrs. Assman born in Wolinia, Russia on September 3, 1889 came to Canada with her parents in 1894 at the age of 5 years where she lived on the farm in Neudorf district. The couple were married in Neudorf in 1907 by Rev. Weeling at the home of Mr. Assmans parents. Mr. and Mrs. Assman farmed six miles North East of Neudorf.

The Assmans are blessed with five children and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Assman was engaged in a number of activities. He served on Christ Lutheran Church council for 41 years, 21 years on the board at St. Pauls Home for the Aged in Melville, eight years on the Municipal council, 10 years as Trustee of Prairie School. Mrs. Assman has been a very active member of Christ Lutheran Church Women for 41 years. Mr. and Mrs. Assman moved into the village of Neudorf in 1925 and retired in 1964.

Jacob and Caroline lived on their farm until 1923 when he became very ill and had a large portion of his stomach removed. At this time they bought a house in Neudorf and lived there until Jacob died, after which Caroline was moved into a nursing home in Melville until she died in 1978.

While he was still alive, Jacob rented the farm out for a while and then farmed from town with hired couples living on the farm. Eventually his son William (Bill) took over the farm. Bill eventually retired too and lived in Neudorf and his son Dennis took over the farm.

Jacob passed away on 12 December 1970 followed by his wife on 23 April 1978. They are laid to rest in the Christ Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf.

ASSMAN — Saturday, Dec. 12, 1970, Jacob Assman, late of Neudorf, beloved husband of Mrs. Caroline Assman, passed away suddenly at the age of 86 years. Predeceased by a son, Philip, in July, 1970, he is survived by his wife Caroline; two daughters, Mrs. Emma Webber, North Burnaby, B.C., Mrs. Mary McConnachie, Swift Current, Sask.; two sons, Edward, Milestone, and William, Neudorf; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He is also mourned by five brothers and one sister. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 2 p.m. in Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf, Rev. A. Propp officiating. Friends so wishing, in lieu of flowers, may make donations to Memorial Fund, Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf.

Jacob and Caroline Assman Obits[15]

Obituary

CAROLINE ASSMAN

Caroline Assman, 88, passed away at St. Paul's Lutheran Home, Melville, on April 23rd, 1978.

Caroline was born in Walinia, Russia, now Austria, on September 3rd, 1889. She moved to the Neudorf district in Canada with her parents on August 6th, 1894. She later married Jacob Assman, now deceased, at Neudorf.

She was predeceased by her husband, Jacob and two sons, Edward and Philip.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Mary and Norman McConnachie of Swift Current, Sask.; daughter and son-in-law, Emma and Herbert Hebber of Burnaby, B.C.; son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Irene Assman of Neudorf; and daughter-in-law, Beth Assman of Milestone, Sask.; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Christ Lutheran Church in Neudorf on April 26, 1978. Minister officiating was Rev. Sellick.

Burial was at the Lutheran Cemetery in Neudorf. Pallbearers were Edward Krausher, Wilfred Assman, Elroy Assman, Bernard Armbruster, Edward Piller and Ronald Bender.



Headstone in Christ Lutheran Church Cemetery, Neudorf, Melville Census Division, Saskatchewan, Canada [16]

15 All funeral cards, obituaries, etc are from the collection of Elaine Iles.

16 https://de.findagrave.com/memorial/171860946/philipp-c-assmann

Her children remember her as one who would help where ever she could and they always felt her presence in the family both as a mother and a wife. They also remember her as the one most responsible for their growth in the Christian faith.

Although life at St. Paul's Lutheran Home was not like living at home, she adapted herself to the life style there and enjoyed herself.

In the afternoon of April 23, 1978 after visiting with friends she laid down to nap and died shortly there after at the age of 88.

THE SERVICE OF BURIAL FOR

CAROLINE ASSMAN

BORN: Sept. 3, 1889

DIED: April 23, 1978

Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

John 5: 24

Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf, Sask.

Pastor - Glenn J. Sellick
Organists - Elfriede Piller
Daphne Bender

The Service for the Burial of the Dead
April 26, 1978

ENTRANCE OF THE COFFIN - Congregation Stands
Hymn- "Peace, perfect peace" No. 571

Order of Service begins on page 253 of the hymnal

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The Lessons

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Anthem-German Choir
"So nimm denn meine Hände"

Hymn-"Children of the Heavenly Father" No. 572

The Sermon-"Never Seperated"
based on Romans 8: 31-39

Hymn-"The Lord is my Shepherd" No. 522

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Lunch will be served in the Parish Hall following the grave site service. All are welcomed.

A BIOGRAPHY OF
CAROLINE ASSMAN (nee BENDER)

On September 3, 1889 Caroline Assman (nee, Bender) was born to the parents of Karolina (nee, Zapf)and Philip Bender in Walinia, Russia. She was baptized into the Christian faith while in Russia by the Rev. Wasen on the 22nd of June 1889. Caroline became one member of a family which grew to five sons and 4 daughters.

Caroline's parents decided to come to Canada so on the 6th of August 1894 she set foot in Halifax and then proceed with her family to Grenfell. After a short time in Grenfell her folks started farming in now theNeudorf area. The Bender family also became mebers of Zion Lutheran Church, the congregation where she made her confirmation on June 3, 1903.

While on the farm she met a Neudorf boy, Jacob Assman, whom she married on February 12, 1907. God blessed their marriage with three sons, Philip, Edward (both who have predeceased their mother) and William, two daughters, Erma and Mary, seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

During the year of 1925 she and Jacob moved to the town of Neudorf, where they lived together until Jacob's death on December 12, 1970. She remained alone in town until the fall of 1971 then begain her residence at St. Paul's Lutheran Home in Melville.

While she lived in Neudorf she was known for her quilting, crocheting and wedding cake baking abilities. She was very active in the founding of Christ Lutheran Church and was one of the last living charter members. She was also very active in the then Lady's Aid of the congregation.

PHILIPP CARL ASSMANN



From family photo taken in 1952[17]

Philipp (later usually spelled Philip) Carl Assmann was born on 11 December 1907 at Neudorf. He lived there all his life, farming, and never married or had any children. He died on 23 July 1970.

ASSMAN—Thursday, July 23, 1970, Philip, age 62, of Neudorf, Sask. He leaves to mourn, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Assman of Neudorf; two brothers, Edward of Milestone and William (Bill) of Neudorf; two sisters, Mrs. (Mary) McConnachie of Swift Current and Mrs. Emma Webber of Vancouver. Funeral service Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf Tuesday, July 28th at 2 p.m. Flowers gratefully declined, however should friends desire, donations to Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf, Memorial Fund would be appreciated.



Philipp's headstone, Christ Lutheran Church Cemetery, Neudorf, Saskatchewan[18]

17 Collection of Carol Ruth Schmidt.
18 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171860946/philipp-c-assmann

EMMA CAROLINE ASSMAN

Emma Caroline Assman was born on 5 November 1910 at Neudorf. She married **Herb Webber** on 25 October 1946. He was born 19 September 1909. They lived in British Columbia, and did not have any children.





Above: Emma Webber on her 100th (left)[19] and 103rd (right)[20] birthday. Below: Herb Webber[21]



Herb died on 22 October 2006, followed by Emma[22] on 7 June 2017. The are buried at the Forest Lawn Memorial Park in Burnaby, BC.



Herb & Emma Webber Headstone[23]

19 Photo from the collection of Sandra Krywchuk.
20 Photo courtesy Gail McConnachie, ancestry.ca.
21 Ibid.
22 Memories about Emma may be found here on this website: https://www.dignitymemorial.com/en-ca/obituaries/burnaby-bc/mma-webber-7443836
23 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/266063810/emma-c-webber

EDWARD JACOB ASSMANN

Edward Jacob Assmann was born on 11 March 1915 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. He grew up on the farm at Neudorf, and married **Elizabeth Metzger** on 15 July 1944.

"My mom and dads' story" (from Sandra Krycwchuk, daughter):

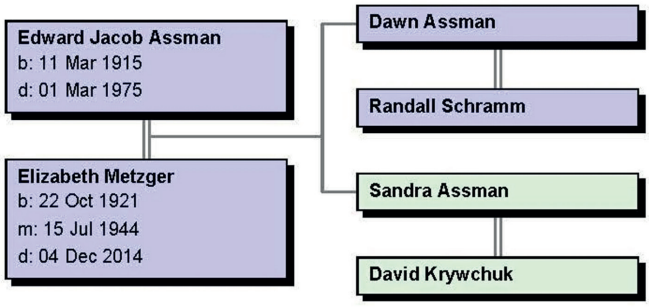
"I don't know if you really know this, but when my dad was born, his birth certificate was Assmann spelt with two n's, whereas most of the other places where you see the name Assman it is only one n. So he always went with Assmann!

My Dad was raised at Neudorf. He attended Normal School in Regina to become a teacher. He enlisted in the armed forces near the end of the war but was never overseas. He was stationed in Dundern, Saskatchewan, doing recruit training. He taught drafting / woodworking in his teaching career (later to be called industrial arts).

Beth and Ed were married in 1944. Beth had taken a secretarial course in Regina before she was married. She worked in a bank as a teller for some time. After they were married, she lived with Ed's parents in Neudorf until the war ended. I'm not sure if she worked while she lived with her in-laws. When the war ended, they moved to a small town near Estevan where Dad taught industrial arts again. I'm not sure what year they moved to Milestone but he taught at the Milestone school division from 1946 or 1947 until he retired.

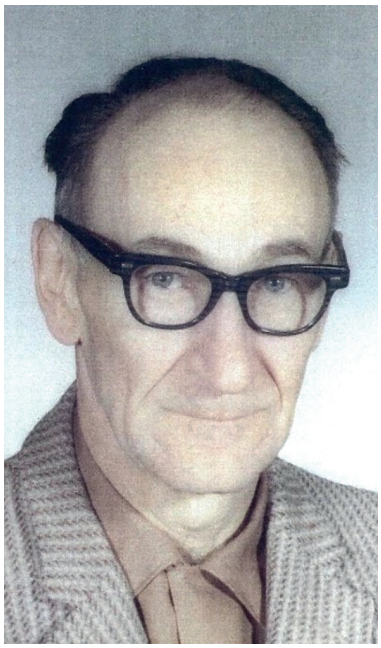
He was involved in the cadet program in Milestone. He helped organize a band. Beth was involved in a church choir; she played the organ for many church services. She was involved in women's church groups. They played bridge on a regular basis. After Ed's death she eventually married Marshall Hersberger. She outlived her second husband and died at age 93."





Edward & Elizabeth Assmann– wedding photo[24]

24 Collection of Gail McConnachie.



Edward Assmann



Beth 90th Birthday[25]

ASSMANN—Saturday, March 1, 1975, Mr. Edward Jacob Assmann, age 59 years, dearly beloved husband of Mrs. Elizabeth Assmann, Milestone, Sask. Predeceased by his father, Jacob Assmann and brother, Philipp, Mr. Assman is survived by his wife Elizabeth, sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Randy (Dawn) Schramm, Esterhazy, Sask., Mr. and Mrs. Dave (Sandra) Krywchuk, Saskatoon, Sask., his mother, Mrs. Caroline Assmann, Melville, Sask., his sisters, Mrs. Emma Weber, Burnaby, B.C., Mrs. Mary McConnachie, Swift Current, Sask., and brother, Mr. William Assmann, Neudorf, Sask. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, March 4, 1975 at 2:30 p.m. in Christ Lutheran Church with Rev. W. T. Kurtz officiating. Interment in Regina Memorial Gardens. Flowers most gratefully declined, friends so wishing may make donations to any church or charity of their choice. Arrangements in care of Speers Funeral Chapel.

Edward Assmann Obit[26]



ELIZABETH HERSBERGER

Elizabeth (Assmann) Hersberger passed away December 4, 2014 at the age of 93. Predeceased by parents David and Catherine Metzger; first husband Edward Assmann; second husband Marshall Hersberger; brothers, Fred, Carl, Dick, Eddie, John; sisters, Lorraine Flaman, Edna Weymss, stepson Doug, and great-grandson Jacob Heit. Left to cherish her memory are daughters, Dawn (Randy) Schramm, Sandra (David) Krywchuck, sister Eleanor (Gabor) Kanyok; Marshall's children, Russell (Fenna), Chuck, Larry, Judy Glagau, Janet (Robin) Smith, Susan Ward, Bette Hersberger (Tom Erdman), Kate Hersberger (Bill Cheers, deceased); eight grandchildren, fifteen step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren. She was a loving mother and grandmother whose kindness and love will be held in the hearts of all forever. **Funeral Service will be held at Speers Funeral Chapel, 2136 College Avenue, Regina SK, Friday, December 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. with Rev Alex Taylor officiating.** Interment in Regina Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, friends may make a donation in Beth's memory to the charity of their choice. To leave an online message of condolence, please visit www.speersfuneralchapel.com

Elizabeth Hersberger (Assmann) Obit[27]

25 Photo from the collection of Sandra Krywchuk.
26 From the files of Elizabeth Assman.
27 From the files of Elizabeth's children.



Above: Edward's headstone[28]. Below: Elizabeth's headstone[29]




Remember her with a smile today;
she wouldn't want tears.
Reflect instead on memories
of all the happy years.
Recall to mind the way she spoke
and all the things she said.
Her strength, her stance,
the way she walked,
remember these instead.
The good advice she'd give us,
her eyes that shone with laughter.
So much of her will never die,
but live on ever after.

SERVICE IN MEMORY OF

Elizabeth Hersberger

Speers Funeral Chapel, Regina, Saskatchewan
Friday, December 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.
OFFICIANT: Rev. Alex Taylor
PIANIST: Dwayne Varga

WELCOME:
HYMN: "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven" (insert)
CALL TO WORSHIP:
PRAYER OF APPROACH
PRAYER OF CONFESSION: (in unison on insert)
SILENT PRAYER:
ASSURANCE OF PARDON:
PRAYER FOR GRACE:
WORDS OF REMEMBRANCE: Ariel & Shelby Hersberger
Daisy Cheers
LESSON: Romans 8 - selected verses
GOSPEL: Matthew 25:14-23
MEDITATION
HYMN: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" (page 14)
PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION
LORD'S PRAYER:
RECESSIONAL: "Thine Is the Glory" (insert)

PALLBEARERS

Rhett Schramm
Joel Holmes
Jerry Halyk
Riley Erickson
Chuck Hersberger
Max Cheers

RECEPTION
Speers Family Centre, 2333 Cornwall Street

INTERMENT
Regina Memorial Gardens

28 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/180535695/edward_j_assmann
29 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/139772057/elizabeth_assmann_hersberger#view-photo=157043585



Elizabeth (Assmann) Hersberger (nee Metzger), better known as Beth was born the oldest of nine children to David and Catherine Metzger on October 22,1921 in Stoughton Sask.She had five brothers Fred(Isabel) , Dick(Merlice), Carl(Connie), Eddie(Chris) ,John(Alma) and three sisters Lorraine(Fred Flaman), Edna(Jim Wemyss(all deceased) and Eleanor (Gabor Kanyok). She grew up and attended school in Stoughton, was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. On Saturdays she attended church school were they learned the German language. Growing up in a large family during the depression meant cleaning, changing diapers, feeding babies, doing lots of washing and ironing. Her grandfather had a pump organ this was where she started playing and enjoying music.After finishing grade 12 she moved to Regina where she took a business course at Balfour Tech. She worked for her room and board cleaning houses and babysitting.In 1943 she started her first job at the Royal Bank in Cupar as a teller.Every other day she worked in Southey, it was there she met a young teacher,Edward Assmann. They were married July 15 1944.Ed enlisted in the army soon after so she moved to Neudorf living with his parents. She worked in the bank in Melville .After Ed's discharge from the army they moved to Bienfait where she worked as a secretary at the school. In 1947 they moved to Milestone where she again worked in the bank .In Milestone there was no Lutheran church so she soon became an active member of the United church,singing in the choir , playing the organ from then until 2005 , member of the UCW, as well as serving on the church board. They had two daughters Dawn and Sandra. A stay at home mom Beth spent many hours gardening, canning ,baking, and keeping her home super clean. She sewed pretty well all hers and the girls clothes , including their wedding dresses. She made sure the girls got to all their activities, assisted with the figure skating club, made sure they practised the piano and helping them even though she had limited lessons herself she was a good pianist. Her hobbies were extensive, ceramics, knitting,hat making, paper toule, cross stitching, and decorating wedding cakes. She was an avid bridge player, even when her mind was deteriorating she was still able to play. She was always up for a game of scrabble or cribbage. Beth was extremely thoughtful, always willing to lend a hand , giving a cake or a gift to someone in need. In 1975 Ed passed away ,she was able to spend time with the girls after she became more confident driving and then with the arrival of grandkids her life was full. In 1983 she married Marshall Hersberger, becoming a part of a much larger family that she embraced as her own.She was now a farmers wife taking meals to the field during harvest. They did a lot of travelling, being lucky enough to win trips to Hawaii twice and travelling each winter usually with her sister Lorraine and brother Dick. Marshall passed away in 1995 she again found all the family kept her busy. In 2007 she moved to Maple Street Manor in Esterhazy to be near Dawn ,where she resided until Feb of 2014. She truly enjoyed her new surroundings, finding people to play cards with , playing her piano and looked forward to spending time at the lake home of Dawn and Randy. She resided in Centennial Special Care Home until her passing. Her cheerful disposition sense of humour, and kindness shown to everyone will be missed by family and friends. She has left the world a better place, her love will be cherished by all who knew her. SPEERS

REGINA LEADER POST:

Elizabeth Assmann Hersberger passed away December 4, 2014 at the age of 93.

Predeceased by parents: David and Catherine Metzger; first husband, Edward Assmann; second husband, Marshall Hersberger; brothers: Fred, Carl, Dick, Eddie, John; sisters: Lorraine Flaman, Edna Weymss, stepson, Doug, and great-grandson, Jacob Heit.

Left to cherish her memory are daughters: Dawn (Randy) Schramm, Sandra (David) Krywchuck, sister, Eleanor (Gabor) Kanyok; Marshall's children: Russell (Fenna), Chuck, Larry, Judy Glagau, Janet (Robin) Smith, Susan Ward, Bette Hersberger (Tom Erdman), Kate Hersberger (Bill Cheers, deceased); eight grandchildren, 15 step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

She was a loving mother and grandmother whose kindness and love will be held in the hearts of all forever.

Funeral Service will be held at Speers Funeral Chapel, 2136 College Avenue, Regina SK, Friday, December 12, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.

Interment in Regina Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, friends may make a donation in Beth's memory to the charity of their choice.[30]

30 Published in The Regina Leader-Post on Dec. 9, 2014

WILLIAM WERNER ASSMAN

William Werner Assman was born at Neudorf on 27 February 1918. He was raised on the farm at Neudorf, and on 12 February 1944 married **Irene Alvina Wirth**. They resided on a farm in the Melville area[31] and had three children. Irene attended Neudorf School.



BACK ROW, Left to Right: Herb Temple, George Zazulak, Douglas McHardy, Ernie Hienrich, Johnny Schweitzer, Wilbert Herndier, Philip Armbruster, Bill Parr, Johnny Hauser, Eddie Kuss, Harold Miller, Norman Brown, Bobby Scharf, Louie Goebel, Ernest Tressel, Ross Dixon, Jimmy Parker, Alfred Ulmer, Jacob Goebel, Gordon Schramm, Charlie Wayling, Albert Mack, Mr. Darrogh, Marshall Brown, Mr. Scharf, Betty Boyce, Eva Hauser, Lily Voigt, Jean Wayling, Miss Bradley, Val Wirth, Miss Uprichard, Miss Boyle, Allan Penny, Winnifred Goebel, Marjorie Adolf, Irene Schmidt, Margaret Wendel, Iris Kohl, Margaret Schramm, Hazel Holtzmann, Ethel Helmer, Mary Assman, Mae Schmidt, Frances Boyce, Lydia Wendel, Minnie Hennig, Lydia Kleebaum, Bertha Fargen, Lillian Teledetski, Alma Kleebaum, Hilda Wayling, Evelyn Schmidt, Evaleen Vashon, Irene Ohly, Irene Vashon, Irene Schinbein, Leona Holtzman, Bernice Schinbein, Opal Kohl, Carl Ohly, Molly Ulmer, Winnie Issel, Minnie Issel, Johnny Wendel, Alfred Kuntz, Gordon Schmidt, Leonard Gessner, Ulmer, Raymond Voigt, Edward Beryerre, Clifford Bender, Arthur Backer, Gordon Spitznogel, Frank Mills, Ronald Schramm, Wilfred Schmidt, Kenneth Mohr, Rudolph Parr, Gerhardt Mills, Wirth, Alvin Armbruster, Gerry Norbraten, Oscar Issel, Kleebaum, Olga Schmidt, Elsie Tressel, Gustave Ohly, Eric Walters, Clarence Fairbairn, George Ulmer, Harold Kleebaum, Edward Geres, Irene Wirth, Rosina Tressel, Mavis Wayling, Georgina Williams, Gwen Ford, Schweitzer, Fern Bender, Irene Goebel, Hannah Kleebaum, Ruth Backer, Schmidt, Hannah Tressel, Doreen Stillborn, Maureen Norbraten, Helen Dixon, Nora Hauser, Joyce Mohr, Mary Issel, Elsie Underschutz, June Scharf, Myrtle Jaske, Emily Ulmer, Eleanor Herndier, Fern Kohl, Irene Geres, Roland Miller, Walter Ring, Ernie Wirth, Sydney Fairbairn, Philip Issel, Walter Kleebaum, Walter Gessner, Walter Schweitzer, Alec Martin, Arthur Renas, Fred Walters, Albert Miller, Edward Parr, Walter Backer, Tommy Dixon, Elroy Litzenburger, Teddy Wirth, Philip Issel, Jackie Haverstock, Peter Martin, Gordon Lenny, Albert Schweitzer, Wilfred Holtzmann, Roger Schmidt, Walter Miller, Lorrie Miller, Howard Schmidt, Harold Kuss, Raymond Hauser, Johnny Goebel, Donal Lenny.

Neudorf School, 1937[32]

William died on 14 February 1995 in Melville and Irene on 24 May 2009.

31 William is listed in 1945 as living on a farm in Melville. Canada, Voters Lists, 1935-1980.
32 Shared on Ancestry, by Brandi Butts, 16 January 2008.

ASSMAN, IRENE

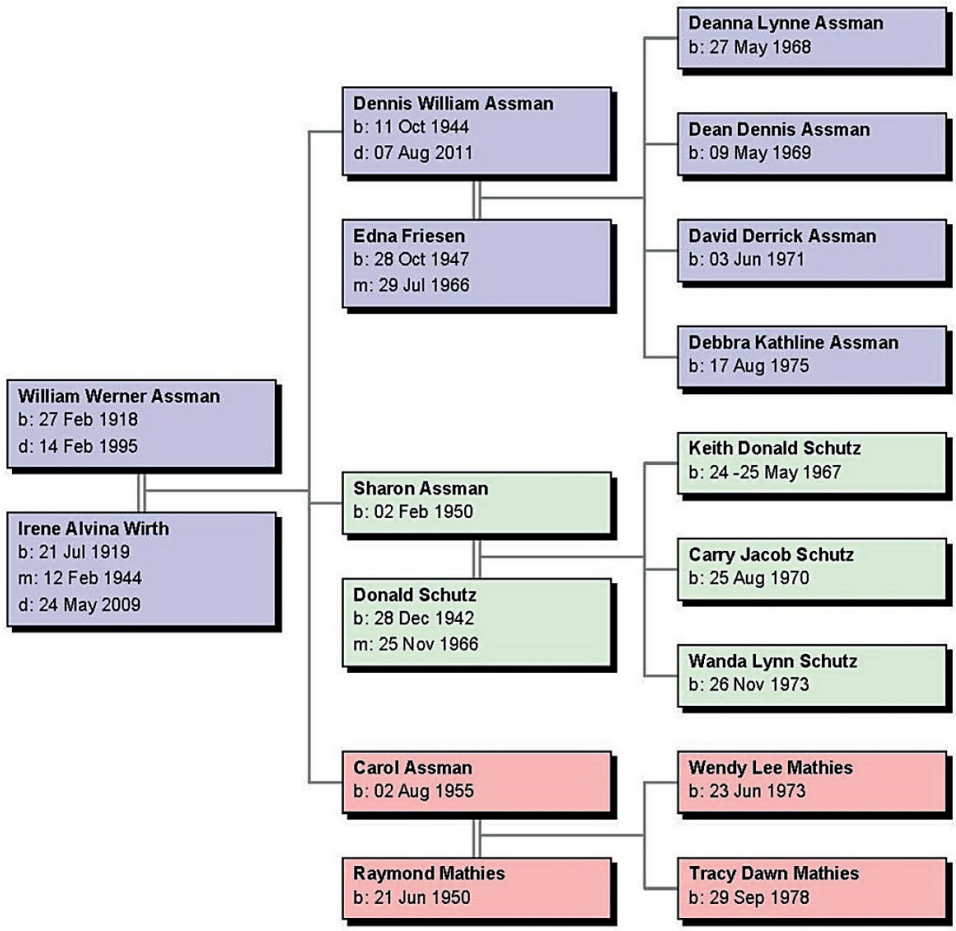
Irene Assman of Melville and formerly of Neudorf passed away May 24, 2009 at the age of 89 years. Irene was predeceased by her husband, William Assman. She leaves to cherish her memory: son, Dennis (Edna) Assman of Melville; daughters, Sharon (Wayne) Skotheim of Crooked Lake and Carol (Ray) Mathies of Melville; nine grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren; The funeral service will be held Wednesday, May 27, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf. Interment will follow in the Christ Lutheran Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Christ Lutheran Church general fund or to the St. Paul Lutheran Home Foundation. To leave a message of condolence, please visit www.matthewsfuneralhome.ca.

Irene Assman Obit[33]



Irene & William Assman headstone[34]

Irene & William Assman's family:



33 Shared on Ancestry by Charlotte Simpson on 19 January 2020.
34 Collection of Gail McConnachie.

DENNIS ASSMAN

Dennis was the first child of William and Irene, born 11 October 1944. He married **Edna Friesen** on 29 July 1966. Edna died on 7 August 2011, and Dennis on 18 August 2019.[35]

EDNA ASSMAN
1947 - 2011

Edna Assman, beloved wife of Dennis Assman of Melville, passed away August 7, 2011 at the age of 63 years. The funeral service will be held Friday, August 12, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Melville. Interment will follow in Christ Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf. To leave a message for the family, please visit www.matthewsfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville.

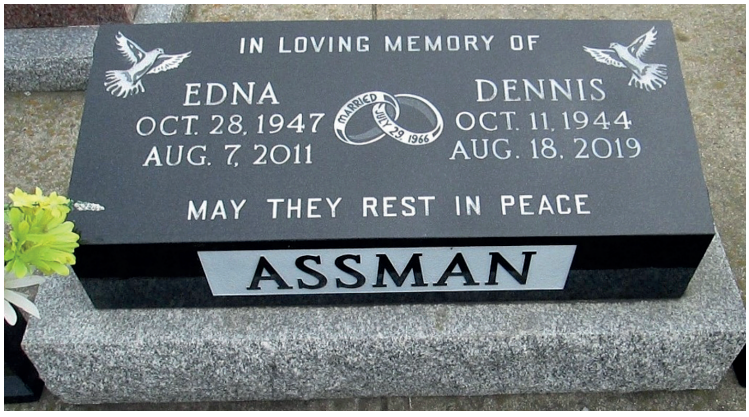
ASSMAN, Dennis
1944 - 2019

Dennis Assman of Melville and formerly of Neudorf, widower of the late Edna Assman, passed away Sunday, August 18, 2019 at the age of 74 years. Dennis' funeral service will be held Thursday, August 22, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Melville. Interment will take place in Christ Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf. Memorial donations may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, the St. Peter's Hospital Foundation, Melville, or the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Memorial Fund. To leave a message of condolence for the family or to make a charitable donation, please visit www.matthewsfuneralhome.ca Arrangements are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville.

It is always difficult saying goodbye to someone we love and cherish. Family and friends must say goodbye to their beloved Dennis Assman (Melville, Saskatchewan), who passed away at the age of 74, on August 18, 2019. You can send your sympathy in the guestbook provided and share it with the family. You may also light a candle in honor of Dennis Assman.



He was predeceased by: his parents, William Assman and Irene Assman; and his wife Edna Friesen. He is survived by: his grandchildren, Dean, Christopher, Megan, Mitchell, Eric, Scott, Kianna (Mike), Marshal and Taylen; his children, Dennis, Deanna Bobier (Brent), Dean Assman (Heidi), David Assman and Debbie Assman; his sisters, Sharon Skotheim and Carol Mathies (Raymond); and his siblings-in-law, Kathy Loos (Brian) and *Murray Richards (Mabel). He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and numerous friends.*
(Obit)

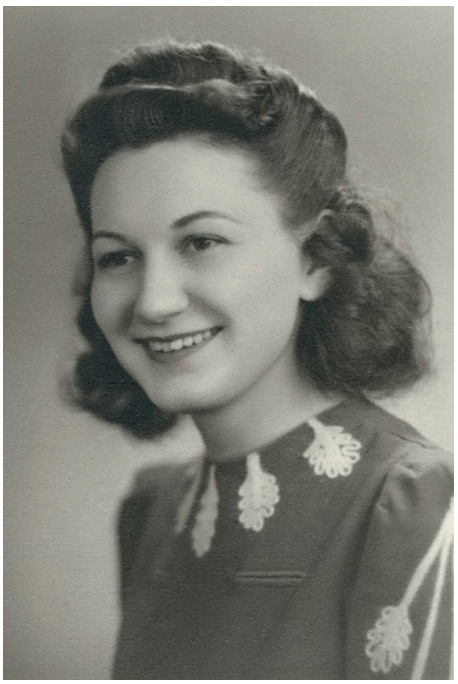


35 Obituary and all photos are from Find a Grave - https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/202285948/dennis-assman

MARY ASSMAN

Mary Assman, the youngest child of Jacob Assman and Caroline Bender, was born 13 June 1923. She grew up on the farm at Neudorf.





Above: Mary McConnachie, aged 2.
Right: Mary in her 20s

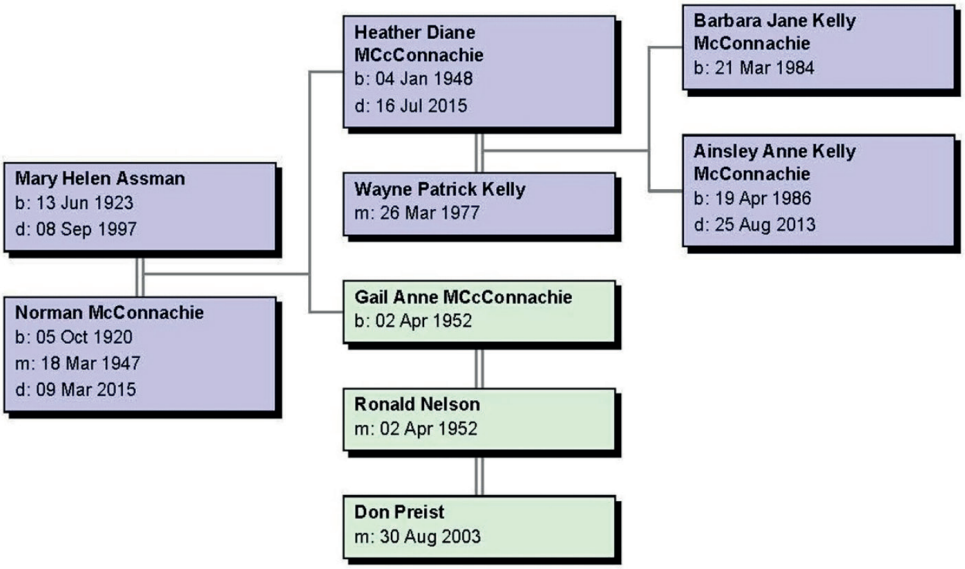
Mary met and married **Norman McConnachie** on 18 May 1947. At some point in their lives they moved to Swift Current. They had two daughters.





Above: Norman McConnachie, 1940.
Right: Norman and Mary wedding photo[36]

36 Photos from the collection of Gail McConnachie.





Mary, Gail, Heather, Norman McConnachie[37]

37 Photo from the collection of Gail McConnachie.



Mary McConnachie, Heather McConnachie, Gail McConnachie, Norman McConnachie.
In front of Gail: Ainsley Kelly, and beside Norman: Barbara Kelly.
Taken at the zoo in Calgary in 1992.



57 years old family: Barbara Kelly (Heather's oldest), Gail McConnachie, Norman McConnachie, Shirley McConnachie (Normans's second wife), Heather McConnachie, Ainsley Kelly. Taken Easter of 2004.

Mary died 8 September 1997. Her husband Norman remarried in 2002 to **Shirley Fern Wilson** (née Masson). Norman died 9 March 2015, and Shirley 3 years later in 2018.

McCONNACHIE—Mary Helen of Swift Current, Sask. passed away on September 8, 1997 at the Pasqua Hospital, Regina. The deceased is survived by her husband, Norman McConnachie; two daughters: Gail of Swift Current, Sask. and Heather (Wayne Kelly) of Calgary, Alta.; two grandchildren: Barbara and Ainsley Kelly of Calgary, Alta.; a sister, Emma (Herb Webber) of Coquitlam, B.C.; and two sisters-in-law: Beth Hersberger and Irene Assman...The deceased was born at Neudorf, Sask. Mary was working for the Royal Bank when she met and married her husband, Norman in 1947. The couple resided in many communities in the Province, where Norman was employed by the Royal Bank. The couple had resided in Swift Current since 1969. A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. September 13, 1997 at the First United Church, with Rev. Mark Malek officiating. The interment of her Cremains took place at Mount Pleasant Burial Park, Swift Current, Sask. Friends wishing can make donations to the Saskatchewan Lung Assoc., Box 58000, Saskatoon, SK. S7K 7Y4 or the First United Church Memorial Fund, 223 - 3rd Ave., NE, Swift Current, SK. S9H 2G6, would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements entrusted Warren's Funeral Home, Swift Current, Saskatchewan. R.W. (Dick) Warren 773-8831 or 1-800-267-6606

Mary's and Norman's Obits[38]

MCCONNACHIE, Norman

Norman (Mac, Sandy, Sam) of Swift Current, SK passed away on Monday March 9, 2015 at the age of 94, a life well lived. The Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday March 13, 2015 from the First United Church with Reverend Annette Taylor officiating. The Interment Service will be held from Mount Pleasant Burial Park. The pianist will be Sharon Veer, eulogist Larry Stephens, and ushers Jeremy Priest and Keagan Lockwood. Norman was born in Kenora, ON to Thomas and Catherine McConnachie. The family moved to Sutherland, SK (now part of Saskatoon, SK) where Norm completed his schooling at City Park Collegiate. Immediately after completing his education in 1938, Norm gained employment with the Royal Bank of Canada where he remained until his retirement in 1980. From 1940 until 1945 Norm obtained a leave from the bank and enlisted in the RCAF completing tours of duty in Africa and England. Norm was a wireless operator and obtained Flight Lieutenant rank. During enlistment, Norm was awarded many medals, the most outstanding being Distinguished Flying Cross for his "outstanding ability, enthusiasm and high courage." Upon his return to Canada he met Mary Assman while they both worked at the bank in Weyburn, SK. They were married in 1947 and enjoyed 51 years together, until Mary's passing in 1998. Norm and Mary had two daughters, Heather and Gail. In 2001 Norm's "girls at Safeway" set him up on a coffee date with a lovely woman they knew, and a year later, in 2002, Shirley Wilson and Norm were married, whereupon Norm immediately obtained a large extended family. Wherever he went, he immediately made life-long friendships, whether it was through transfers with the bank, travels, clubs he was a member of, or the many many committees he was involved with over the years. Above all Norman was a gentleman. Norm is survived by his wife Shirley; his daughters Heather and her daughter Barbara, and Gail (Don) Priest and their children and grandchildren; and Shirley's children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Donations in Norm's memory may be made to the Prairie Pioneer Kiwanis c/o Ray Bunnell 476 3rd Avenue N.E., Swift Current, SK S9H 2H2 or to Dr. Irwin Foundation 2051 Saskatchewan Drive, Swift Current, SK S9H 0X6. Warren's Funeral Home were entrusted with the arrangements. For further information call 1-306-773-8831 or 1-800-267-6606 or visit our website at www.warrensfuneralhome.com and express your sympathy to family members in our book of condolences.

38 Find-A-Grave: https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/144069874/norman_mcconnachie

Heather Diane McConnachie



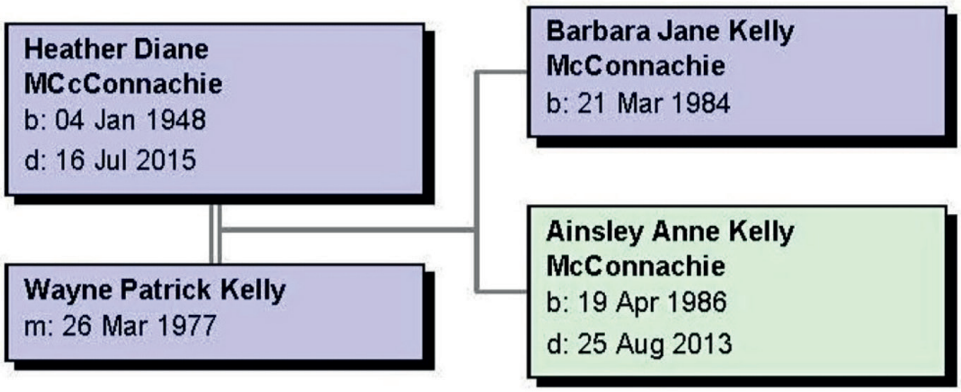
Heather was the elder daughter of Mary and Norman McConnachie. She was born 4 January 1948 in Kerrobert, Saskatchewan, and married Wayne Kelly on 26 March 1977 in Calgary, Alberta.

They had two daughters, Barbara and Ainsley, who were born in Calgary, Alberta.

Left: Heather Diane McConnachie at 50 years of age[39]
Below: Heather with Ainsley and Barbara



39 Ancestry.ca – Gail McConnachie.



Ainsley born on 19 April 1986, sadly passed away 25 August 2013 in Calgary.





Heather passed away 15 Jul 2015 in Calgary.

Heather's Eulogy

We were asked to read a eulogy honouring Heather, by her daughter Barbara. Perhaps the best place to start is by introducing ourselves and how we were a part of Heather's life and she of ours.

We have all known Heather in different times and places. This telling of her life aims to unite the pieces so that we may see the whole mosaic in its brilliant entirety. In the months and weeks before Heather passed away and the days that followed, her friends, family, former colleagues and students shared their memories and admiration of her with Barbara. Those thoughtful reflections have framed what we will share here with you today.

Heather was born in Kerrobert, Saskatchewan on January 4th, 1948 as the first child of Norm and Mary McConnachie. Younger sister Gail came along 4 years later. Considered a "city kid" by Saskatchewan standards, Heather still had plenty of exposure to the natural world playing outside as a child and going to the countryside to be with extended family. Saskatoon berry picking was a common job of Heather's, as was chasing and capturing the headless chickens after a slaughter. Perhaps this no doubt terrifying experience had something to do with Heather becoming a long-time vegetarian as an adult!

Heather saw value in having a breadth of experiences to enrich her life, and this was evident even as a school-aged girl. She was involved in curling, judo, garden club, swimming, figure skating, student council and social club, amongst other activities. I'm sure many of us identified this character trait of community involvement in the adult Heather we knew, whether through her volunteerism, participation in committees, or organization of social events amongst circles of friends. Heather is the common thread that has brought many of us together to develop friendships with each other. Friendships that may not have existed had it not been for her consideration in involving us in shared activities.

Heather was a very independent person in her pursuit of what she felt was right for herself. After graduating from high school she attended post- secondary studies at the University of Saskatchewan, majoring in biology. To pay her own way through school she worked summers at a circus selling foot- long hotdogs and held a job working at a geriatric mental health hospital. To this already interesting resume of employment, she would eventually add working as an office typist, playground supervisor, print shop worker, gas jockey, supervisor of a teen drop-in centre, phone book delivery person, dining car waitress, fruit picker, nut factory worker, florist, curriculum developer, massage therapist, retail salesperson and teacher.

After graduating with her Bachelor of Science degree she stayed at the University of Saskatchewan for an additional year to complete a Diploma of Education. It was through the medium of teaching that she would share her passion for science, discovery and pursuit of knowledge with young learners. Administrators evaluated her teaching methods and participation in school life most favourably, one saying she was "one of the finest teachers I have had the pleasure to work with. Her superior knowledge in her subject specialty and her ability to use this as a motivating force, interest in and enthusiasm for science is evident. Heather's total involvement and contribution to school programs and activities has been greatly appreciated by her students, her colleagues, and of course the community. The professional leadership she has shown at our school and her commitment to education generally and her students specifically deserves special commendation and recognition."

Another school principal reflected that "her dedication to developing a meaningful science program for students was well known. I was greatly impressed by the skill she exhibited in interpreting the science program of studies into meaningful learning activities for the students. She is an excellent teacher, and I would be very pleased to have her again as a part of my school staff. One of Ms. McConnachie's outstanding characteristics is her willingness to give of her time over and above the call of duty to assist students, staff, and the school in a variety of ways."

Heather was a true educator, understanding that learning could happen in different forms and contexts. She greatly valued the natural world as a place for people to identify relationships between concepts and reality; to make connections and have those "aha" moments of clarity and understanding. Heather provided opportunities for her junior high school students and, later in life, her English as a Second Language students to do just this. She organized outdoor nature programs, coordinated a west coast boat trip crewing a ship, took students white water rafting, camping and hiking, never missing out on an opportunity for others to add to their breadth of life experience that Heather thought was so valuable for us all to do for personal growth and development.

Heather was adventurous and uncompromising in living her life in the way that was true to her spirit. This was reflected in her travels both within Canada and internationally. After her first year

of teaching in Calgary, Heather left Canada on a ship bound for Australia. Although she left solo, in her travels she would attract other people with her vibrant spirit, good humour, kind heart, giving nature and passion for many things. Some of the people she met along the way became lifelong friends who are here among us today. Heather had many adventures in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, the former USSR and Europe, before returning to Canada with barely a penny to her name. She hitchhiked from Eastern Canada to Saskatchewan being picked up mostly by long-haul truck drivers. Her ability to appreciate people and situations as they are enabled her to take everything in stride. One such situation arose when she spent the night sleeping in a gazebo in a public park in Thunder Bay. Heather woke to a flashlight beam shining in her eyes, surrounded by police officers who drove her to the edge of town and gave her a lifetime ban from ever returning to their fine town!

Heather returned shortly to teaching science in Calgary where she married former husband Wayne and had two daughters, Ainsley and Barbara. One of her greatest gifts to her children was allowing and encouraging them to experience life in a way that was true to their spirits, just as she had. Heather shared her passion for nature and diverse experiences with them from a young age. Three weeks after Barbara was born, Heather was already taking her out cross-country skiing snuggled in a carrier, much to the surprise and admiration of fellow skiers on the trail. Heather imparted a sense of wonder in the world around us to her daughters, travelling abroad with them, spending time in the mountains she loved so dearly, and allowing them to learn from truly experiencing life.

Although Heather took time off from teaching to raise her children and support her family, this did not mean that such an active woman as she was taking it easy, by any means. She became involved in her daughters' school committees, volunteered with community associations, canvassed door-to-door for foundations, and developed new relationships as her network of acquaintances and friends grew. Heather became an important member of the local community where she was raising her family, and supported people just as they would offer love and friendship in the coming years of achievements and setbacks in her life.

On behalf of Heather's family, we thank you for being here today and giving us the time to speak. Heather has the respect of many people who experienced the generosity, kindness, integrity and passion that embodied the person she was and shall remain forever in our hearts. Thank you.

Gail Anne McConnachie

PERSONAL HISTORY OF GAIL ANNE McCONNACHIE

I was born in Weyburn, Saskatchewan on April 2, 1952 at 2:30 a.m. Dr. Eaglesham was the delivering Doctor. My parents were Norman McConnachie, who was 31 years old at the time of my birth, and Mary Helen McConnachie (née Assman) who was 28 years old. Mom always said she didn't want an April Fool's baby so kept her legs crossed until April 2.

I had an older sister, Heather Dianne McConnachie, who was 5 years of age when I was born.

My dad worked for the Royal Bank of Canada and as such, we were transferred several times while I was a youth.

First was Macklin, SK. I don't remember much about Macklin except for the fact we got our faithful, funny, loving dog there. He was a Black Labrador and was the runt of the litter. We named him Muggs and he was a faithful companion for over 11 years. I do remember a huge slide at the local school where Muggs learned to climb the wooden stairs and slid down with us. I also remember a vacant lot we walked through to go to a friend's home that was filled with dragonflies in the summer, which is where I probably began my love of dragonflies.

After Macklin, we moved to Gull Lake, SK. I believe I was about 4 years of age then. My best friend when we lived there was Gale Tesluk who was a year older than I was. Gale started school a year ahead of me, of course, but apparently many afternoons, Muggs and I would accompany Gale to school after lunch and we were allowed to sit in class during the first lesson. I have no idea what was learned, if anything, but that was a memory. In Gull Lake my parents made life-long friends and there were many coffee dates, dinner parties and social gatherings with Lloyd and Wilma Thompson and their families (Heather was best friends with one of their daughter's, Dixie), Vi and Eldie Dever and boys, Vern and Doreen Dever and their family, Dayton and Hazel Toney and their girls, and many bank employees that worked with dad. A highlight I vividly remember was after church on Sundays, on warm spring, summer, fall days, many families would pack a picnic lunch, throw swimming gear and blankets in vehicles and head to Craig's Ranch for an afternoon of socializing. We kids swam in the creek and fought with the cows for swimming rights. Parents played baseball or just sat and visited. I started school in Gull Lake and we were transferred to Estevan when I was about 9 years old. Mom signed Heather and I up for ballet and tap-dancing lessons as well as piano lessons while we were in Gull Lake. Didn't become proficient in any of these!

I did most of my adolescent life in Estevan, making many friends that are still very special to me. My best friend was Karen Rowan and to this day, we are still friends, see each other regularly and have seen each other through many ups and downs in both our lives. In Estevan both my sister and I were active in Figure Skating, United Church clubs, swimming lessons. I continued with piano lessons for several years but asked to quit when I didn't like a new teacher. I played flute in the Junior and High School Band. In 1966 the High School band travelled by train to PEI and were the guest band at the Charlottetown Lobster Festival. I learned to drive in Estevan and got my driver's licence on my 16th birthday. I remember when doing my parallel park and pulling forward I almost hit the vehicle in front of me, however I still passed! My schooling was from grade 4 to half way through grade 11, when we were transferred to Swift Current. In Estevan I was an A student.

When I was younger, each summer I went to Bible Camp at Carlyle Lake. It was a United Church camp and I usually went for 2 weeks. I think it was just a break for my parents. To this day I still remember the "camp song." "I ya ya yike us, nobody likes us, we are the girls from Carlyle camp, always a grinnin' always a winnin', always having fun!" There were probably more versus but…. After I was too old for camp, I was a leader for one summer. Not my thing!

The move to Swift Current in 1969 - halfway through a school year was very hard on me. Social groups (cliques) had already been formed and as the "new girl" I was readily accepted into the "bad girl" group. My grades declined, I skipped school, learned to drink and smoke dope! However, I did graduate!

One of the memories of my first summer in Swift Current was babysitting for a family at their cabin in Cypress Hills. I heard later that a couple of babysitters had quit before I was hired. Basically, I was a slave as well as a caregiver for their 2 children. I think the boy was maybe 8 and the girl 6 or so. Occasionally I was allowed to drive the children around Cypress in the owner's Camaro. I did not drive fast nor recklessly. Apparently, the muffler had to be replaced on the vehicle at some point and at the end of the summer when I got paid, they deducted the price of the muffler from my pay. I was devastated that they would do this without consulting me but I was too timid to say anything. After graduation I got a job at one of the local highway stop restaurants – The Voyageur Restaurant I worked for a few months there until two girlfriends and I decided we were moving to Calgary. We moved Thanksgiving weekend of 1970.

Initially the 3 of us lived together (Bernice Garry, Pam Steadman and I) until Pam moved to Cranbrook to live with her parents. I got a job with the Royal Bank as a teller with my first bank being Hillcrest Branch and the second being the Calgary Tower Branch. After a year and a half, I discovered banking wasn't for me and went to Henderson's Business College to obtain a secretarial certificate. After graduating from there I worked for Hudson's Bay Oil and Gas Company Limited, Wainoco Oil and Shaw Cable.

Calgary, at the time, was in the middle of the oil boom and it was party central. Unfortunately, I partied too much, didn't know how to budget and after 6 years in Calgary, phoned my parents one day and asked if I could move home to get my shit together as well as my lifestyle. They said they'd think about it! Thankfully they called about a week later and said I could move home, with conditions. Looking back, it must have been very difficult for them to have an adult child move home.

Shortly after returning home, I met Ron Nelson and a year later we were married and moved to the farm approximately 6 miles north of town. We had dogs, cats, horses. I always had a large garden and enjoyed the solitude of the farm. Ron and I were married in 1977 and divorced in 1993. During that time, we did several trips to Hawaii and Arizona, either having someone stay at the farm while we were gone or relying on my father to feed the animals.

After moving back to Swift Current, I obtained employment with Anderson & Company, a local law firm. At the time they were known as Anderson, Nimegeers, Walter, Gibbings, Ryan, Froslee & Keene. Initially I was front desk reception and then worked for Murray Walter. I stayed there for 10 years and then worked for Western Credit Union as the Secretary to the Manager. During that time, I did a lot of Human Resources work, writing the new HR Policy, doing initial interviews for people being hired. The work was very interesting. When my initial boss was transferred to Regina, the new Manager and I didn't quite see eye to eye and I was fired for "breach of confidentiality." I was devastated as what I had done was tease one of the other employees about an applicant having more credentials than her. Oh well. Onward. I then obtained employment with the City RCMP and worked there for 18 years. During that time, work was all shift work and became very difficult as our "supervisor" was very unfair to all staff and screwed the system royally herself. Eventually she was fired for harassment.

I transferred to the City of Swift Current and worked in the Planning and Development Services Department for almost 8 years before retiring at age 63.

In 1999, after a long friendship, Don Priest and I cohabited for a few years before marrying on August 30, 2003. We had a fabulous and fun backyard wedding at our residence with family and friends. Marrying Don, I acquired 5 step-children, David, Kari, Jaime, Daniel and Jeremy. Very interesting times as I had no experience parenting and wanted to be the "good" step-mother. The

kids teased me about being the wicked step-mother. Eventually all accepted me and since that time 4 have married and have given us 7 wonderful grandchildren.

Don and I have done quite a bit of travelling. Most of our trips were to Vancouver Island as we love Victoria and surrounding area. Our first venture together was to Vancouver Island where we stayed at a friend's house in Shawnigan Lake. The owners were absent as one worked in Swift Current and one worked overseas. It was a fun time with day trips to Victoria, Parksville and just exploring. We have done 3 cruises. The first was the end of January 2005 with co-workers in the RCMP (Rick and Sue Newstead and Doug and Karen Dersch) and was a 13 day 11 night Eastern Caribbean cruise with Celebrity Cruise Lines. We cruised from Tampa with stops in Nassau, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, St. Maarten, Tortola, Key West and back to Tampa. Our second cruise was a New England cruise with Holland America that was 7 days and 5 nights at the end of September 2015. We cruised from Montreal with stops in Quebec City, Charlottetown, Sydney, Halifax, Bar Harbor and Boston. This cruise was with 2 couples that we chum with in Swift Current (Larry and Gloria Stephens and Larry and Gloria Gerl). The third cruise was an Alaska cruise, again with Holland America. Departed from Vancouver with stops in Juneau, Skagway, Glacier Bay, Ketchikan and back to Vancouver. This was mid-September 2016. This was also with 2 couples that are friends from Swift Current (Ken and Kari Moore and Kari's dad, Cameron Driedger and Larry and Gloria Gerl). We have also done several trips to the Mayan Riviera and Dominican. All were fabulous.

My mom was diagnosed with Emphysema and dealt with the disease for approximately 6 years before her death on September 8, 1997 at age 74. My father remarried in 2002 to Shirley Wilson. He died on March 9, 2015 at age 94. My sister, Heather, was diagnosed with ALS in 2013 and died on July 15, 2015.

During my lifetime we have made many special friends that we hold very dear. Our exceptionally close friends are Larry and Gloria Stephens, with whom we have been friends for over 20 years. We have had dinner parties at each other's homes over those years. At some point we started recording dates on a wine bag that we reused and at last count we were well over 300 dinners and are now on our third bag.

In the spring of 2022, we noted changes in my speech. This included slurring and having problems enunciating. After many appointments with doctors, neurologists, having a CT scan and MRI, I was finally diagnosed with Bulbar Palsy before Christmas. It was a very frustrating time. So now that we have a diagnosis, we're just living as normally as we can for as long as I can. We have wonderful friends and family that are here for us. We have our big, goofy, loyal dog, Karl, (a Bernese Mountain Dog) to keep us active and entertained.

So that's my life! Enjoy each day because you never know what life might bring you. Cheers!!!

Johann (John) Assmann & (I) Katharina Bender & (II) Philipina Adam

Johann (John) Assmann, was born 12 January 1887, n Metnitz, Volhynia, Russia;[1] he married **Katharina Bender**[2] and after her death **Philipina Adam**. He died 22 January 1981, Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada.[3]

Johann (John) Assmann (later Assman) came to Canada with his parents at age 4. He grew up on a farm near Neudorf. He married Katharina Bender, on 12 February 1907. She was the daughter of Caroline Zaph and Philip Bender, born in Metnitz, Russia, on 15 July 1886 and became known as Katherine. They were married in a double wedding with his brother Jacob and her sister Caroline.



Katharine & John on the Assmann family photo taken 1907[4]

John and Katherine had eight children: Philip, Karl Adolf, Ernest Herman, Eva, John Earl, Frederick, Elmer Harold and Bernard.

For the first two years of their married lives they lived at Neudorf, where Karl and Philip were born. They moved to Southey for three years, where Ernest, Eva and John were born. From there they moved to Strasbourg for another three years, where Fred was born and then moved on to Ceylon for three and a half years. After this they again moved to Summerberry, where Elmer and Bernhard were born. They settled after this in a more permanent location at Lemberg.

1 Funeral Bulletin of John Assman (undated bulletin from Townsend Funeral Chapel).
2 From documents in the collection of Shelley Kloczko.
3 „Death Notice Assman," (undated clipping from unidentified newspaper shortly after his death).
4 From the collection of Judith Silverthorne.

MRS. JOHN ASSMANN DIES AT WINNIPEG

ELLISBORO, Sask., Oct. 3.—At the Winnipeg General hospital Thursday morning, Mrs. John Assmann died in her 49th year. She came to Canada from Russia when a child to the Neudorf district.

A month ago she was taken to the Winnipeg hospital, where she underwent a critical operation for tumor on the brain.

The remains were brought home to the Endfield district, near Ellisboro, where the family reside on their farm, and in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives after a brief service in the home, then in the Lutheran church at Lemberg, taken to the cemetery near Neudorf and close to her father's home, where they were interred beside her daughter, who predeceased her a few years ago.

Besides her husband she leaves to mourn her seven sons, Carl, Philip, Ernest, John, Fred, Elmer and Burnett.

The casket was covered with floral tributes.

All these years John was a farmer, either owning or renting land. He spent 26 years at Lemberg.

However, in September of 1935 Katharine became very ill and was diagnosed with a brain tumor. She went to Winnipeg, where she was operated on the 21st of September. She never recovered from this operation, passing away five days later 26 September 1935. She was buried at St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, SE 18-18-8 W2, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

Left: Katharina's obit[5]*.*

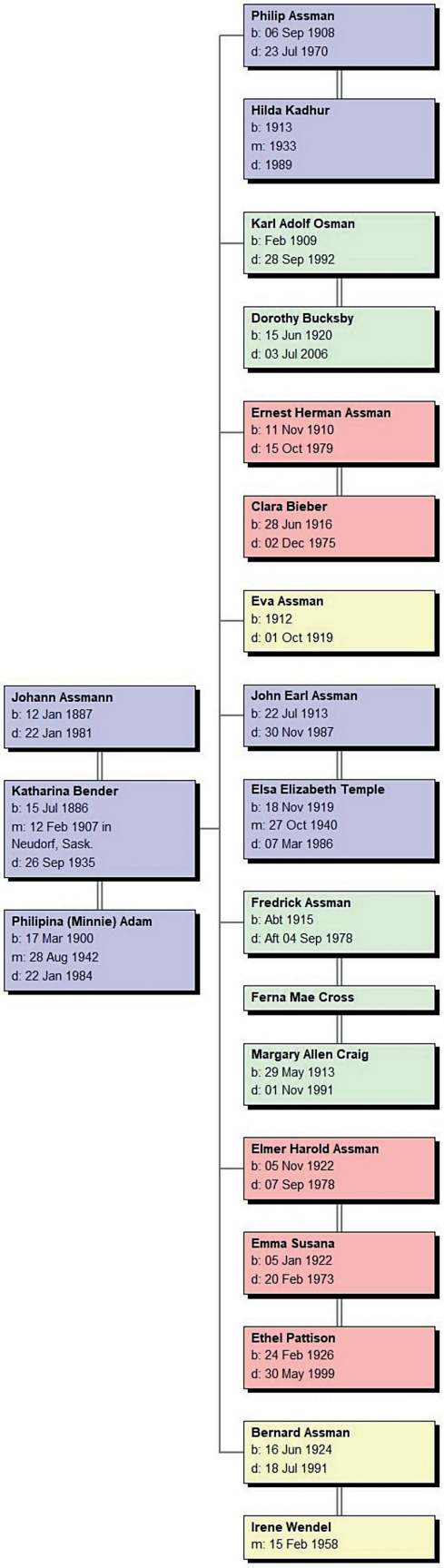
Below: Grave marker of Katherina Assman[6]
Psalm 4:9 is engraved on the gravestone in German:
"Ich liege und schlafe mit Frieden, denn allein du, Herr, hilfst mir, dass ich sicher wohne"





5 Obit from Find a Grave,: https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/167478363/katherina-assman
6 Katherina Assman grave marker photographs; digital images, privately held by Judith Silverthorne, 2008.

Descendants of
Johann (John) Assmann



Seven years later, on 28 August 1942, John married **Philipina Daunheimer (née Adam)**, who was a widow at the time with five children of her own. Minnie, as she was known, was born Philipina Adam on 17 March 1901, in Bessarabia, Russia. Her father was Jacob Adam, and her mother was Ekaterina Kilbach. She married Heinrich Daunheimer on the 25 December 1919. He passed away on 13 June 1933. Their five children are John, Margaret, Doreen, William, Fredrick.

John and Minnie retired to Lemberg in1945. In 1953[7], they moved to Melville, where John became a member of the Lutheran Home Board. They moved into the St. Paul's Lutheran Home in 1977, where they remained until their deaths. John passed away on the 22 January 1981. Philipina (Minnie) passed away in 1984.

ASSMAN—John was born January 12, 1887. He died Thursday, January 22, 1981 at Melville. He came to Canada with his parents in 1897 from Woliania, Russia. Predeceased by his parents, Karl and Maria Elizabeth (nee Ehrback) Assman, his first wife, Kathryn (nee Bender) in 1935, daughter, Eva in 1919, three sons: Philip in 1973, Elmer in 1978, Ernest in 1979 and stepson, William Daunheimer in 1976. He is survived by his wife Minnie, four sons: Karl of Regina, John of Sudbury, Ontario, Fred of Saskatoon, Bernie of Moose Jaw, two stepsons: John Daunheimer of Crooked Lake, Fred Daunheimer of Sioux Lookout, Ontario, two stepdaughters: Margaret Lay and Doreen Wihlidal, both of Melville, two brothers: Philip of Melville, Adolf of Grenfell, one sister, Mary Herneman of Kipling, 28 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Funeral service will be held on Monday, January 26, 1981 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Pauls Lutheran Church in Melville with Pastor W. Flath officiating. If friends so desire, donations to the St. Pauls Lutheran Home Memorial Fund would be appreciated by the family. Interment will follow in the Melville Municipal Cemetery. Townsend Funeral Chapel, Melville in care of arrangements.



John's Obit and John& Minnie Headstone[8]

7 Some sources say they retired to Melville in 1964.

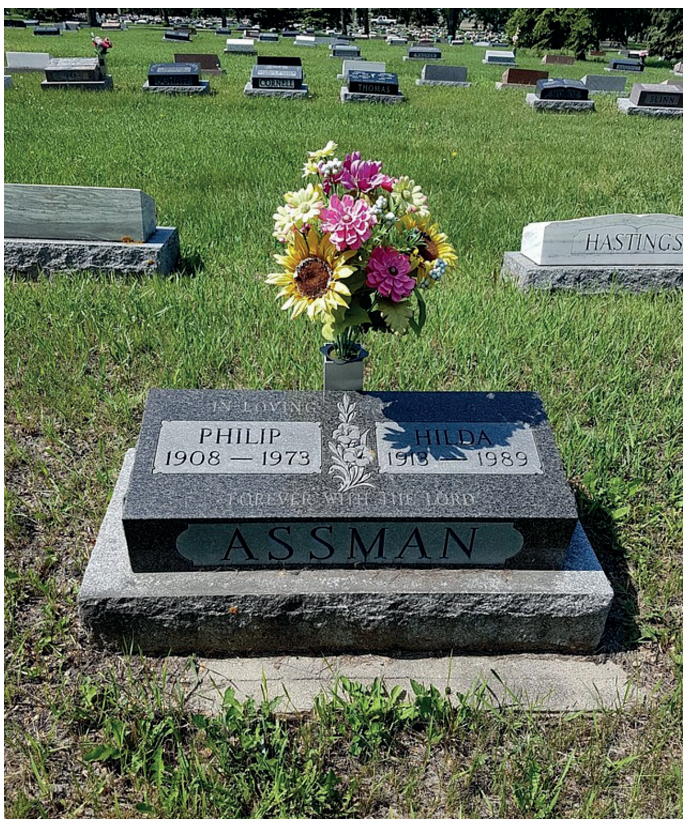
8 Obit from Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/209797678/philipina_assman

Children of John and Katherina Assmann:

PHILIP ASSMAN

Born 6 September 1908, at Neudorf, Saskatchewan; passed away 10 January 1973 in Regina, Saskatchewan, age 64.

His wife - **Hilda Kaduhr** - was born 28 October 1913, Lemberg, Saskatchewan, and passed away 15 June 1989 in Regina, Saskatchewan, age 75. They are buried in the Riverside Memorial Park in Regina. Section: 76H, Plot: 09, Lot: B. They had three children : Audrey, Beverly and Donald.



ASSMAN—On Thursday, June 15, 1989, Mrs. Hilda Assman, late of Regina, Sask., passed away peacefully into the hands of God at the age of 75 years. Predeceased by her husband, Philip in 1973; parents; three brothers: Edmund, Edward, and Ewald in infancy. Survived by two daughters: Audrey Assman, Beverley General (James); and one son, Donald, all of Regina, Sask.; two beloved grandchildren: Angela and Malcolm General; two sisters: Olga Kaduhr, Wolseley, Sask., Elsie Patzwald (Albert), Wolseley; two brothers: William Kaduhr, Vancouver, B.C. and Ervin Kaduhr (Vera), Lemberg, Sask.; sister-in-law, Dorothy Kaduhr, Regina; numerous nieces and nephews; and many special friends. Hilda was a loving mother and grandmother and devoted part of that special love to nine foster children. Funeral Service will be held Monday, June 19, 1989, at 1:30 p.m., in Speers Funeral Chapel. Interment in Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery.

Philip & Hilda Headstone and Hilda's Obit[9]

9 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/134341209/phillip_assman#view-photo=170907142

KARL ADOLPH OSMAN

Born 5 September 1909, Neudorf, Saskatchewan; passed away 28 September 1992, Calgary, Alberta, age 83. His wife - **Dorothy Ethel Osman** - was born 15 June 1920, Drumheller, Alberta and passed away 3 July 2006, Calgary, Alberta, age 86.

At some point as an adult, Karl changed the spelling of his last name from Assman to Osman. Karl and Dorothy had three children: Esther, Deonne, and Kenneth.

OSMAN — Mr. Karl Adolph Osman went to be with his Lord on September 28, 1992 at the age of 83 years. Karl is survived by his loving wife Dorothy and their family, Esther (Dick) Hart and Deown (Ben) Westermann of Calgary and Kenneth (Sandra) Osman of Victoria, B.C. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Shannon and Jason Hart, Lance, Harley and Lincoln Westermann and Kimberly Osman; one brother Fred; and many nieces and nephews. Mr. Osman was predeceased by one sister and five brothers. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, October 2, 1992 at the Harvest Hills Alliance Church, 199 Harvest Wood Drive N.E. (on Centre Street, north of the Beddington Co-op) with Rev. Anthony G. Wookey officiating. Interment to follow in the Queen's Park Cemetery. FOSTER'S GARDEN CHAPEL FUNERAL HOME, Directors. Telephone: 297-0888.

Obits[10]

Mrs. Dorothy Ethel Osman went to be with her Lord on July 3, 2006 at the age of 86 years. Dorothy was predeceased by her husband in 1992. Dorothy is survived by her loving family, Esther (Dick) Hart, Ken (Sandra) Osman of Victoria, BC, and Deonne (Lyle) Stuckle. She is also survived by six grandchildren, Shannon (Gregory) Kline, Jason (Sandy) Hart, Kimberly (Mark) Hawkshaw, Lance, Harley, Lincoln Westermann; three step-grandchildren, Mary-Ann (Guillermo) Reddekopp, Daniel Stuckle and David Stuckle, six great-grandchildren, Madeline and Sadie Kline, Evan and Kally Hart, Makhayla and Ashlynn Hawkshaw; her sister-in-law Irene Asman and many nieces and nephews. She dedicated her life to her family and family times were the happiest for her. Funeral Services will be held at the SOUTH CALGARY FUNERAL CENTRE, 12700 Macleod Trail South (corner of Macleod Trail and Lake Fraser Gate), on Friday, July 7 at 10:00 a.m. with Reverend Ray Matheson officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made directly to Alliance University College, 630, 833 - 4 Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta, T2P 3T5. Expressions of sympathy may be forwarded to www.mem.com . SOUTH CALGARY FUNERAL CENTRE & CREMATORIUM 12700 Macleod Trail South, Calgary Telephone: 403-297-0711. Honoured Provider of Dignity Memorial.



Headstone[11]

10 Obit Karl Adolph Osman: https://albertaancestors.ca/memorial/karl-adolph-osman-1909-1992/. Obit Dorothy Ethel Osman: https://calgaryherald.remembering.ca/obituary/dorothy-osman-1065561638

11 Found on Alberta Ancestors website: https://albertaancestors.ca/memorial/karl-adolph-osman-1909-1992/

ERNEST HERMAN ASSMAN

Born 13 November 1910, Southey, Saskatchewan; passed away 15 October 1979, North Battleford, Saskatchewan. His wife - **Clara W. Bieber** - was born 26 June 1916; passed a way 2 December 1975, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.



Headstone & Obits[12]

ASSMAN—On Monday, October 15th, 1979, Ernest Herman Assman, age 68 years. The funeral service will be held in The Tubman Funeral Chapel, Wolseley, Sask., on Thursday October 18, 1979 at 2:00 p.m. Officiant The Rev. Marvin Assman. Interment in Lemberg Cemetery. Predeceased by his wife, Clara, his mother, two brothers: Philip and Elmer Assman and a sister, Eva, Ernest Assman is survived by two sons: Donald Assman, Saskatoon, Sask., and Glen Assman, Port Alberni, B.C., one daughter, Mrs. Jim (Dolores) Mackie, Kamloops, B.C., his father and step-mother, John and Minnie Assman, Melville, Sask., four brothers: Karl Assman, Regina, Sask., John Assman, Sudbury, Ont., Fred Assman, Saskatoon, Sask., and Bernie Assman, Moose Jaw, Sask.

ASSMAN—On Tuesday, December 2, 1975, Clara W. Assman, beloved wife of Ernest H. Assman, 324 East Place, Saskatoon, Sask. age 59 years. Funeral service will be held in The Tubman Funeral Chapel, Wolseley, Sask. on Friday, December 5 at 2 p.m. Officiant The Reverend Don Malone. Interment in Lemberg Cemetery. Predeceased by two sisters, Mrs. Val (Martha) Goegel in 1955, and Mrs. Roy (Nellie) Korness in 1963, Mrs. Assman is survived by her husband, two sons, Donald, Saskatoon, Sask. Glen, Port Alberni, B.C. one daughter, Mrs. Jim (Delores) Mackie, Logan Lake, B.C. five grandchildren, four brothers, Jack Bieber, Melville, Sask. Sam Bieber, Saskatoon, Sask. Alfred and Walter Bieber, both of Sintaluta, Sask. four sisters, Mrs. Dave (Carrie) Baker, Melville, Mrs. Frank (Lydia) Goebel, Naudorf, Mrs. Fred (Alma) McGarry, Regina and Mrs. John (Norma) Friesen, Brandon, Manitoba.

They had a son, Glen Douglas Asman, born 1945, Lemberg, Saskatchewan; died 4 January 2020, Port Alberni, British Columbia; also another son, Donald, and a daughter, Delores.

12 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/181512807/clara_w_assman and https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/181512715/ernest_hermann_assman

Obit **GLEN DOUGLAS ASMAN**:

January 4, 2020
Asman, Glen Douglas age 75 passed away Saturday, Jan 4th, 2020. He was a graduate of Lemberg Sask high school, Devry Tech Toronto and received his B Eng in Mechanical Engineering at Universitym of Saskatchewan. He met his wife of 52 years, Geri, while working at IMCC, Esterhazy, Saskatchewan.
After graduating University, they moved to Port Alberni where he worked at the McMillan Bloedel Pulp and Paper till his retirement. He is survived by his wife Geri and two children Dean (Claudia) and Jana (Andre) and two beloved grandsons, Nate and Jack. As well as brother Don, sister Del (Jerry), Aunt Irene and many nieces and nephews.
Family and friends whose lives were touched by Glen are invited to a Celebration of Life Saturday, January 18 @ 1:30 at Crowne Isle Resort Golf Club in the Comox Valley to reminisce, support, grieve and to just be.
Flowers gratefully declined. Contributions made to the Alberni Valley Hospice Society would be appreciated.
Service Details: Celebration of Life, Saturday, January 18, 2020, 1:30 PM
Crowne Isle Resort Golf Club, 399 Clubhouse Dr, Courtenay.

EVA ASSMAN

Born 18 April 1912 Ceylon, Saskatchewan, passed away 1919 at age 7.

JOHN EARL ASSMANN

John Earl Assman was born 22 July, 1913; passed away 30 November 1987 Sudbury, Ontario. His wife, **Elsie Elizabeth Temple**, was born 18 November 1919; passed away 7 March 1986 Sudbury, Ontario. They were married on 27 October 1940. They had one daughter, Gail, who married Melvin Morrow.



John & Elsie Assmann Headstone[13]

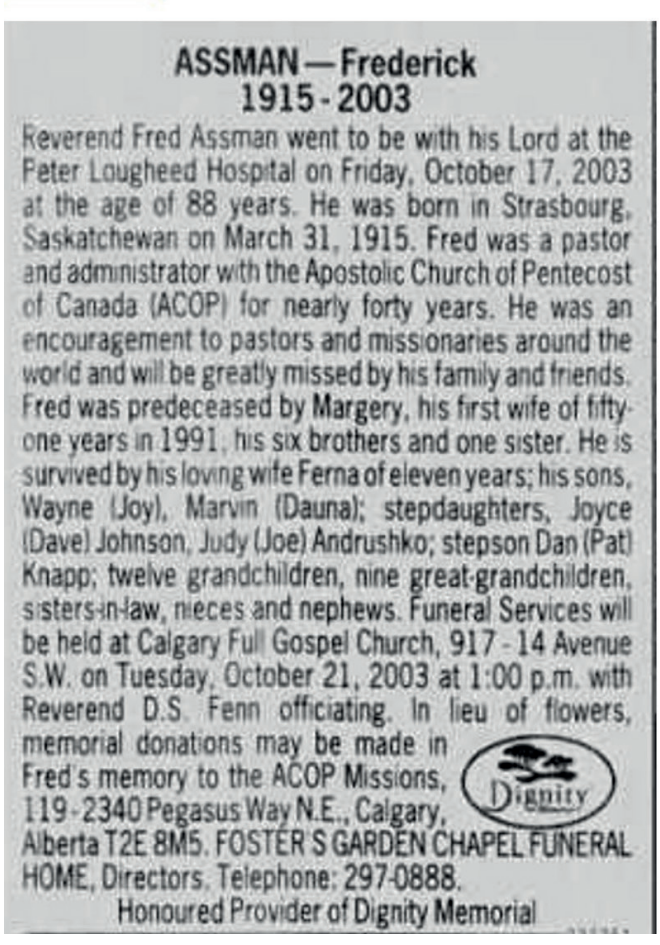
13 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/173890545/john_earl_assman#view-photo=210163699

REVEREND FRED (FREDERICK) ASSMAN

Born 31 March 1915, Strasbourg, Saskatchewan; passed away 17 October 2003 Calgary, Alberta, age 88. He was a pastor and administrator of the Apostolic Church of Pentecost Canada for over forty years.

His first wife - **Margery Allen Craig** - was born 29 May 1913, Vancouver, British Columbia; passed away 1 November 1991 Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, age 78. They had two sons, who changed their last names to Osman.

Frederick's second wife - **Ferna Mae Crosse** - was born 9 April 1917, Naco, Alberta; passed away 27 April 2008.



ASSMAN — Frederick
1915 - 2003

Reverend Fred Assman went to be with his Lord at the Peter Lougheed Hospital on Friday, October 17, 2003 at the age of 88 years. He was born in Strasbourg, Saskatchewan on March 31, 1915. Fred was a pastor and administrator with the Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada (ACOP) for nearly forty years. He was an encouragement to pastors and missionaries around the world and will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Fred was predeceased by Margery, his first wife of fifty-one years in 1991, his six brothers and one sister. He is survived by his loving wife Ferna of eleven years; his sons, Wayne (Joy), Marvin (Dauna); stepdaughters, Joyce (Dave) Johnson, Judy (Joe) Andrushko; stepson Dan (Pat) Knapp; twelve grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews. Funeral Services will be held at Calgary Full Gospel Church, 917 - 14 Avenue S.W. on Tuesday, October 21, 2003 at 1:00 p.m. with Reverend D.S. Fenn officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Fred's memory to the ACOP Missions, 119 - 2340 Pegasus Way N.E., Calgary, Alberta T2E 8M5. FOSTER S GARDEN CHAPEL FUNERAL HOME, Directors. Telephone: 297-0888.

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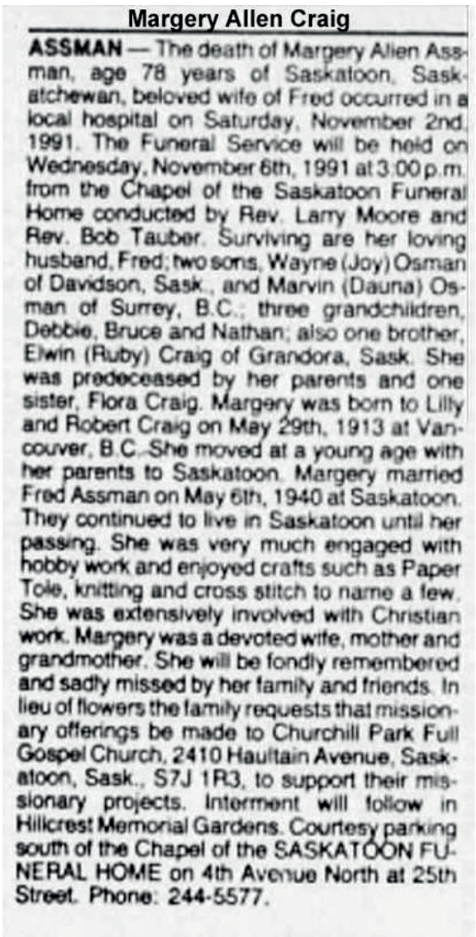


Margery Allen Craig

ASSMAN — The death of Margery Allen Assman, age 78 years of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, beloved wife of Fred occurred in a local hospital on Saturday, November 2nd, 1991. The Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, November 6th, 1991 at 3:00 p.m. from the Chapel of the Saskatoon Funeral Home conducted by Rev. Larry Moore and Rev. Bob Tauber. Surviving are her loving husband, Fred; two sons, Wayne (Joy) Osman of Davidson, Sask., and Marvin (Dauna) Osman of Surrey, B.C.; three grandchildren, Debbie, Bruce and Nathan; also one brother, Elwin (Ruby) Craig of Grandora, Sask. She was predeceased by her parents and one sister, Flora Craig. Margery was born to Lilly and Robert Craig on May 29th, 1913 at Vancouver, B.C. She moved at a young age with her parents to Saskatoon. Margery married Fred Assman on May 6th, 1940 at Saskatoon. They continued to live in Saskatoon until her passing. She was very much engaged with hobby work and enjoyed crafts such as Paper Tole, knitting and cross stitch to name a few. She was extensively involved with Christian work. Margery was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by her family and friends. In lieu of flowers the family requests that missionary offerings be made to Churchill Park Full Gospel Church, 2410 Haultain Avenue, Saskatoon, Sask., S7J 1R3, to support their missionary projects. Interment will follow in Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Courtesy parking south of the Chapel of the SASKATOON FUNERAL HOME on 4th Avenue North at 25th Street. Phone: 244-5577.

ELMER HAROLD ASSMAN

Elmer Harold Assman was born 5 November 1922, Summerberry, Saskatchewan; passed away 4 September 1978. He changed his last name to Asman.

His first wife – **Emma Susana (Sue)** – was born 5 January 1922, died 20 February 1973. His second wife was **Ethel Harriett (née Herndier) Pattison**, born 24 February 1926, died 30 May 1999.

ASMAN—On Monday, September 4, 1978 Elmer Harold Asman, Lemburg, Sask., age 55 years. The funeral service will be held in Trinity Lutheran Church, Lemburg, Sask. on Thursday, September 7, 1978 at 2:00 p.m. The Rev. Barrett B.F. Scheske officiant. Interment in Lemburg Cemetery. Predeceased by his first wife Sue and one brother and one sister, Elmer Asman is survived by his second wife Ethel, his step children Mrs. Don (Juliann) Parsons, Swift Current, Sask.; Rosemarie Pattison and Larry Pattison both of Regina; Mrs. Ron (Chloe) Stephens, Cumberland House, Sask.; and Rick, Tim and Alana Pattison, all at home; 9 grandchildren, his father and step-mother Mr. and Mrs. John Assman, Melville, Sask.; five brothers, Carl, Kelowna, B.C.; John at Sudbury, Ont.; Ernest, North Battleford, Sask.; Fred, Saskatoon, Sask.; and Bernie, Moose Jaw, Sask. Arrangements in care of the Tubman Funeral Home.



Elmer Harold Obit and Headstone[14]



Emma Susana Headstone[15]



Ethel's Headstone with her first husband[16]

14 Find a Grave, https://www.ancestry.ca/family-tree/person/tree/60662865/person/40087536917/hints
15 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/181510018/emma_susana_assman#view-photo=158258532
16 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171737355/ethel_harriet_martha_herndier

BERNARD ALBERT ASSMAN

Bernard Albert Assman, born 16 June 1924, Summerberry, SK; passed away 18 July 1991 Saskatoon, SK (67). Resided in Moose Jaw, SK. His wife was **Irene Wendel**, born 1932.

ASSMAN—Mr. Bernard (Bernie) Assman of 1044 Edmonton St., Moose Jaw, passed away at the Saskatoon University Hospital, Thursday, July 18, 1991 at the age of 67 years. Born at Summerberry, Sask., June 16, 1924. He received his education at Enfield School in the Lemberg District. Mr. Assman farmed with his father for a number of years before he began driving a truck for Floyd Barber and later Trimac Transportation System. On February 15, 1958 he married the former Irene Wendel and they made their home in Moose Jaw. He will be remembered for his enjoyment of outdoor activities, and especially his love for his Lord and his family. Predeceased by his parents; his stepmother; one sister; four brothers; two step-brothers; two step-sisters; and his father-in-law. He is survived by his wife, Irene, Moose Jaw; son, Bryan (Cherene), Spring Valley; two daughters, Lori and Brenda, both of Regina; one grandson, Devan; two brothers, Reverend Fred (Mari) Assman, Saskatoon, Karl (Dorothy) Assman, Calgary; mother-in-law, Martha Wendel, Yorkton; brothers-in-law, Richard (Gloria) Wendel, Cardston, Alta., Clifford (Stella) Wendel, Saskatoon; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Service will be held at CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 27 HOCHELAGA ST. W., MOOSE JAW, MONDAY JULY 22, 1991 AT 11:00 A.M. Reverand Beth Wagschal will officiate. Interment will take place at the Lemberg Cemetery at 5:00 p.m. Visitation Sunday evening 7 - 9 p.m. at W.J. Jones & Son Funeral Home. Memorials to the Central Lutheran Church Memorial fund would be appreciated. Lew Young Assisting Funeral Director. 693-4644.

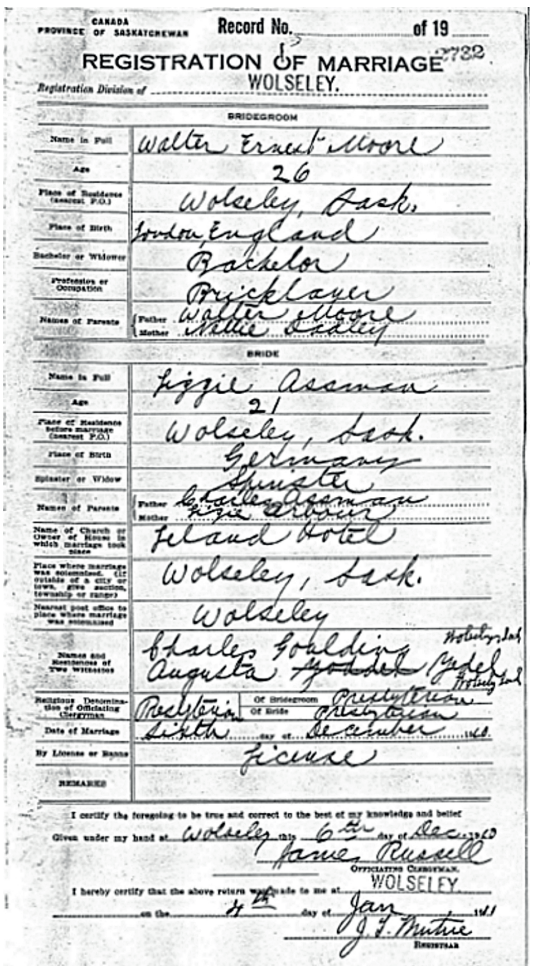


Bernard's (Bernie's) Obit and Headstone[17]

17 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/181571366/bernie_a_assman#view-photo=158301836

Elisabeth Assmann & Walter Moore

Elisabeth Assmann (later, in Canada, the name was spelled **Elizabeth Assman**) was born 1 October 1889[1] in Metnitz, Volhynia, Russia[2], to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945). She was confirmed on 9 August 1903[3]; married **Walter Ernest Moore**;[4] died 12 January 1916, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.[5]



CANADA
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REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE

Registration Division of WOLSELEY.

BRIDEGROOM

Name in Full	Walter Ernest Moore
Age	26
Place of Residence (nearest P.O.)	Wolseley, Sask.
Place of Birth	London, England
Bachelor or Widower	Bachelor
Profession or Occupation	Bricklayer
Names of Parents	Father Walter Moore Mother Nettie Dadley

BRIDE

Name in Full	Lizzie Assman
Age	21
Place of Residence before marriage (nearest P.O.)	Wolseley, Sask.
Place of Birth	Germany
Spinster or Widow	Spinster
Names of Parents	Father Charles Assman Mother Lizzie Arbour
Name of Church or Owner of House in which marriage took place	Leland Hotel
Place where marriage was solemnized. (If outside of a city or town, give section, township or range)	Wolseley, Sask.
Nearest post office to place where marriage was solemnized	Wolseley
Names and Residences of Two Witnesses	Charles Goulding Wolseley, Sask. Augusta ~~Goddel~~ Yedel Wolseley, Sask.
Religious Denomination of Officiating Clergyman	Presbyterian — Of Bridegroom Presbyterian; Of Bride Presbyterian
Date of Marriage	Sixth day of December 1910
By License or Banns	License
REMARKS	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Given under my hand at Wolseley this 6th day of Dec. 1910

James Russell
OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN.

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at WOLSELEY on the 4th day of Jan 1911

J. T. Mutrie
REGISTRAR

Registration of Marriage for Walter Moore and Lizzie Assman

She travelled to Canada with her family, arriving in 1892, where the family homesteaded at Neudorf, North-West Territories. **Lizzie**, as she was called, grew up at Neudorf; however, after her two older brothers, Jacob and John, married in 1907, she decided it was time to leave home. She acquired a job at the hotel in Wolseley. It was there she first met Walter Moore who was a bartender at the hotel, although a bricklayer by trade according to their registration of marriage. He was born on 20 November 1884 in London, England,[6] to Nettie Dadley and Walter Moore. Elizabeth and Walter were married at the Leland Hotel on 6 December 1910 by James Russell, officiating clergyman[7]. None of their family members were present. Elizabeth was twenty-one years old.

After they were married, they moved to Winnipeg, Manitoba, where their first son Norman was born on 27 September, 1911. Two years later Elsie was born on 4 April 1913. On 11 August 1914, another son, Walter George was born; however, he died in infancy. After the war broke out, Walter enlisted in the army in 1915[8] and Elisabeth returned with her two children to Neudorf. At this time, it was discovered that she had tuberculosis, so she went to the sanatorium at Fort San.

1 Manitoba Vital Statistics Agency, death notice, (1916), Elizabeth Moore, neé Asman; Manitoba Vital Statistics Agency, Winnipeg.
1901 census of Canada, Assiniboia, district 203, sub-district R(3), Tiree, p. 5, dwelling 35, family 35, Karl Asman household; RG 31; digital images, Automated Genealogy (http://automatedgenealogy.com : accessed 16 September 2016).

2 Philip Assman (Melville), interview by Judith Silverthorne January 1982, transcript privately held by Judith Silverthorne [Address for private use] Regina, Saskatchewan, 1982.

3 Judith's Assmann family research collection, from correspondence with family members.

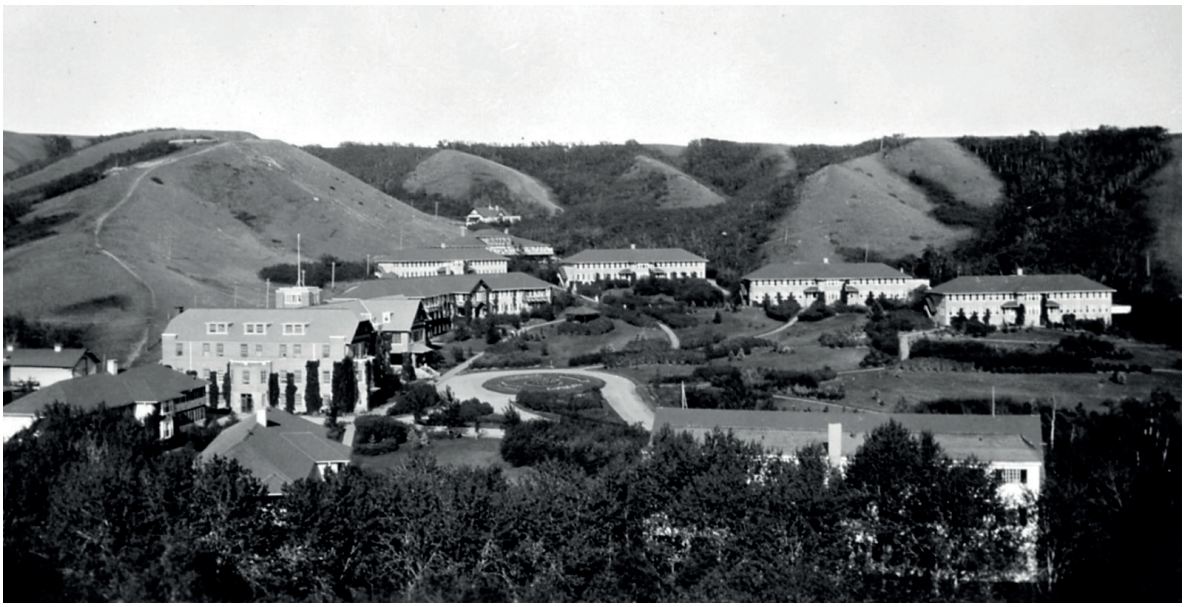
4 Saskatchewan Department of Public Health, Division of Vital Statistics, Marriage registers, 2732, Moore-Assman; eHealth Saskatchewan, Vital Statistics Registry, Regina.

5 Manitoba Province of Manitoba, Official Notice of Death, (1916), Elizabeth (Asman) Moore; Manitoba Vital Statistics Agency, Winnipeg.

6 Canada, „record of service," Walter Ernest Moore, #420764; digital images, Library and Archives Canada (https://www.bac-lac.gc.ca/ : accessed 17 October 2020).

7 Saskatchewan Marriage registers, 2732, Moore-Assman.

8 Canada, "Record of Service," Walter Ernest Moore, number 420764.



Sanatorium at Fort San (www.prairie-towns.com/fortquappelle-62.html)

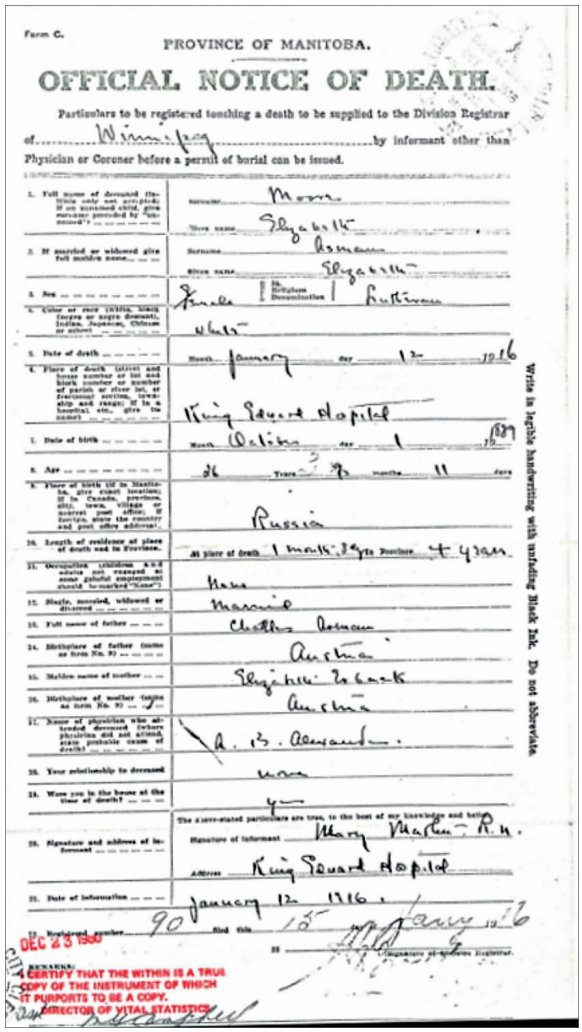
Fort San was a primary sanatorium opened in 1917 due to the increase of tuberculosis (TB) in Canada at that time. This infectious disease is caused by a bacteria affecting the lungs creating a chronic cough with blood-containing mucous, fever, night sweats and weight loss.[9] While TB has been around since antiquity and it is now uncommon in most of Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States, it is still prevalent in many countries in the world. A vaccine has been developed for it and others are being developed. Treatment of TB uses a combination of antibiotics to kill the bacteria now, but it is still difficult to eradicate, especially with the rise of drug-resistance strains in the 1980s, although it is still difficult. Back in Elisabeth's time, there was little known about it, and sunshine, eating well, resting and moderate exercising outdoors and sometimes "a range of often toxic medications."[10]

Elizabeth returned from the sanatorium to Neudorf after a time where Dr. Elliott came from Wolseley to give her regular check-ups. She decided to return to Winnipeg, when she felt well enough, and persuaded her younger brother, Philip, to go along and help with the children. He was 12 or 13 at the time.

Elizabeth stayed in Winnipeg for a while, but soon decided to return to Neudorf as the war was still on. A short time later, she decided to return again to Winnipeg. Tuberculosis, by this time, was beginning to get the better of her and she was gravely ill. Her mother and Mr. Schienbein traveled to Winnipeg to help her out. [11] A Mr. K. Schienbein owned land near them according to the RM map, and a Karl Schienbein was also Fred's the father-in-law, so he might have been the one who went with them.

After they returned home to Neudorf, it was learned Elizabeth had died on the 12 January in 1916 in the King Edward Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba,[12] at the age of 26. Her father, Karl, went to take custody of the children who were staying with a Mrs. Eger, likely a neighbour or friend.

9 "Tuberculosis," article. *Wikipedia.* (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tuberculosis : accessed 7 May 2020.)
10 TB of the lung: from the 1920s to current treatment," article. *FPM Journal, December 9, 2015.* (https://thefp-muk.wordpress.com/2015/12/09/tb-of-the-lung-from-the-1920s-to-current-treatment/ : accessed 7 May 2020.)
11 Philip Assman (Melville), interview by Judith Silverthorne January 1982, transcript privately held by Judith Silverthorne [Address for private use] Regina, Saskatchewan, 1982.
12 Manitoba Official Notice of Death, Elizabeth (Asman) Moore.



Form C.

PROVINCE OF MANITOBA.

OFFICIAL NOTICE OF DEATH.

Particulars to be registered touching a death to be supplied to the Division Registrar of Winnipeg by informant other than Physician or Coroner before a permit of burial can be issued.

1. Full name of deceased (Surname only not required; if an unnamed child, give surname intended by "unnamed"): Surname Moore. Given name Elizabeth.
2. If married or widowed give full maiden name: Surname Asman. Given name Elizabeth.
3. Sex: Female. Religious Denomination: Lutheran.
4. Color or race (White, black, Negro or negro descent, Indian, Japanese, Chinese or other): White.
5. Date of death: January 12 1916.
6. Place of death (street and house number or lot and block number or number of parish or river lot, or fractional section, township and range; if in a hospital, etc., give its name): King Edward Hospital.
7. Date of birth: November 1 1884.
8. Age: 31 Years 2 months 11 days.
9. Place of birth (if in Manitoba, give exact location; if in Canada, province, city, town, village or nearest post office; if foreign, state the country and post office address): Russia.
10. Length of residence at place of death and in Province: At place of death 1 month 3 days. In Province 4 years.
11. Occupation (children and adults not engaged at some gainful employment should be marked "None"): None.
12. Single, married, widowed or divorced: Married.
13. Full name of father: Charles Asman.
14. Birthplace of father (state as fully as possible): Austria.
15. Maiden name of mother: Elizabeth Zabark.
16. Birthplace of mother (state as fully as possible): Austria.
17. Name of physician who attended deceased (where physician did not attend, state probable cause of death): A. B. Alexander.
18. Your relationship to deceased: Nurse.
19. Were you in the house at the time of death? Yes.

The above-stated particulars are true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature of informant: Mary Marlen R.N.

Address: King Edward Hospital.

20. Date of information: January 12 1916.
21. Registered number: 90. 22. Filed this: 15 January 1916.

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REMARKS: I CERTIFY THAT THE WITHIN IS A TRUE COPY OF THE INSTRUMENT OF WHICH IT PURPORTS TO BE A COPY.

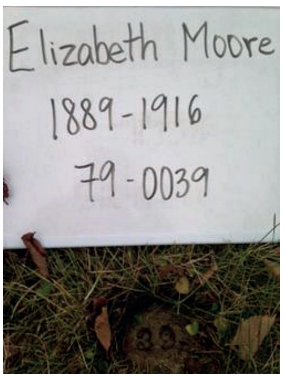
DIRECTOR OF VITAL STATISTICS

He was not established anywhere and failed to obtain custody. He had a sister in the United States who wrote them now and again. It is rumored Walter eventually returned to England, where he remarried, but nothing further has been learned about him. The children were raised by their grandparents at Neudorf.

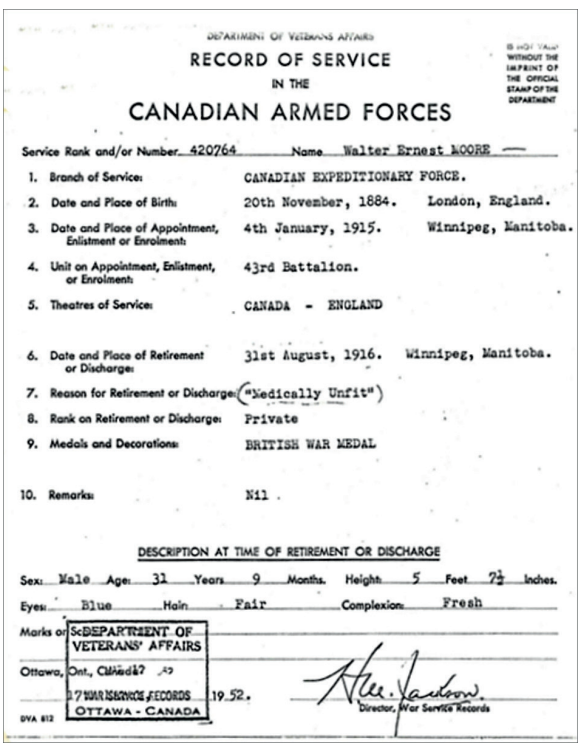
Walter Moore Service Record[17]

Left: Death Notice of Elizabeth Moore[13]

Elizabeth was buried in section 79, lot 39, grave 0, at Brookside Cemetery, Winnipeg on 10 February 1916.[14] Sadly there is no marker[15].



Walter was discharged from the army on the 31st of August, 1916. He had received the British War Medal. However, he was known as "a drunkard" and he came back as far as Winnipeg, but had turned against the Germans. His children wanted to see him, and he wrote to them from time to time, but never came to visit them, although he did try "to obtain custody of them at one time."[16]



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RECORD OF SERVICE IN THE CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

Service Rank and/or Number 420764 Name Walter Ernest MOORE

1. Branch of Service: CANADIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.
2. Date and Place of Birth: 20th November, 1884. London, England.
3. Date and Place of Appointment, Enlistment or Enrolment: 4th January, 1915. Winnipeg, Manitoba.
4. Unit on Appointment, Enlistment, or Enrolment: 43rd Battalion.
5. Theatres of Service: CANADA - ENGLAND
6. Date and Place of Retirement or Discharge: 31st August, 1916. Winnipeg, Manitoba.
7. Reason for Retirement or Discharge: ("Medically Unfit")
8. Rank on Retirement or Discharge: Private
9. Medals and Decorations: BRITISH WAR MEDAL
10. Remarks: Nil.

DESCRIPTION AT TIME OF RETIREMENT OR DISCHARGE

Sex: Male Age: 31 Years 9 Months. Height: 5 Feet 7½ Inches.
Eyes: Blue Hair: Fair Complexion: Fresh
Marks or

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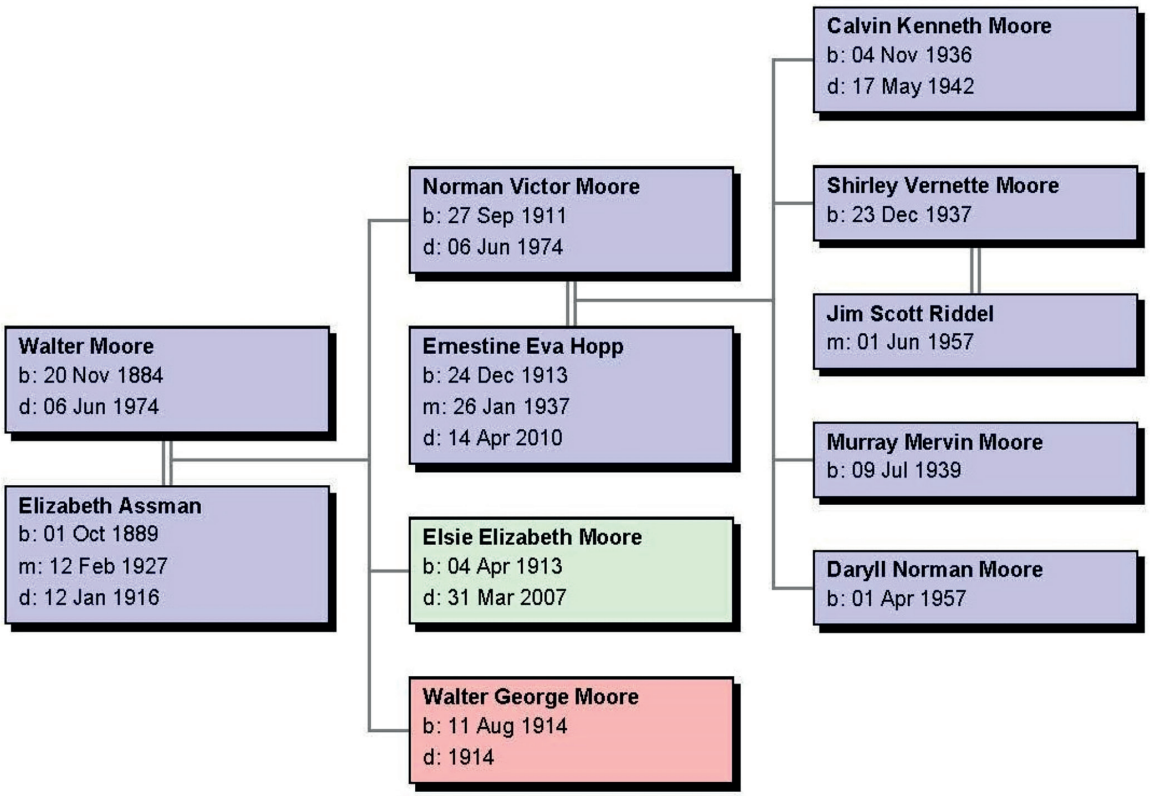
13 Manitoba Official Notice of Death, Elizabeth (Asman) Moore.
14 City of Winnipeg, „burial index," (https://www.winnipeg.ca/cemeteries/Brookside/BrooksideBurialSearch.stm : accessed 18 October 2020)
15 Find a Grave, www.findagrave.com, Elizabeth Moore, memorial ID 111562005.
16 Philip Assman, interview January 1982.
17 Canada, „Record of Service," Walter Ernest Moore, number 420764.



Children of Elizabeth and Walter Moore:

NORMAN VICTOR MOORE



Tina (Ernestine) Moore

Norman was born on 27 September 1911 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, to Walter Moore and Elizabeth Assman.[18] He married on 26 January 1937 in Saskatchewan (either Neudorf or Kipling) to **Ernestine Eva Hopp**, whose parents were Margaret Ring and Carl Hopp. Ernestine was born on 24 December 1913 in Kipling, Saskatchewan.[19]

Norman and Ernestine had four children, three of whom were born in Saskatchewan, before they moved to Kimberley, British Columbia, where their fourth child was born. **Calvin Kenneth Moore**, **Shirley Vernette Moore**, **Murray Mervin Moore**, and **Daryll Norman Moore**. They have 5 grandchildren: Wendy, Alan, Kathie, and Tom and Kri, plus one great granddaughter Rebecca.

The oldest son, Calvin Kenneth Moore died at the age of five on 17 May 1942. He was interred in the Kimberly Cemetery on 31 May 1942.[20] Norman passed away on 6 June 1974 in Kimberly,

18 British Columbia Department of Health, Division of Vital Statistics, Deaths, 74-09-010087, Norman Victor Moore (1974); digital image, Royal BC Museum (http://search-collections.royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/Genealogy: 17 October 2020).

19 Find a Grave, database and images (www.findagrave.com : accessed 18 October 2020), Ernestine Eva Moore, memorial ID 152003086.

20 Find a Grave, digital images (http://findagrave.com : accessed 18 October 2020), Calvin Kenneth Moore, memorial ID 152003085.

British Columbia. He suffered with liver cancer for a year. He is buried in the Kimberly Municipal Cemetery, British Columbia.[21] Ernestine died on 14 Apr 2010 Cranbrook, British Columbia.[22] She was buried at the Kimberly Cemetery beside her husband.





Norman Moore, headstone[23], Ernestine Moore headstone[24]

ELSIE ELIZABETH MOORE



Elsie was born on 4 April 1913 in Winnipeg, Manitoba to Walter Moore and Elizabeth Assman. She married **John Otto Pachal**[25] on 1 June 1936, Kipling, Saskatchewan.[26]

John Pachal was born 6 September 1913 in Kipling[27] to Frederick Gottfried Pachal (1868-1953) and Margaret Schienbein (1872-1951).

John and Elsie farmed at Kipling all their working lives, eventually retiring into the town. They did not have a family. John passed away on 12 December 2005 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

21 British Columbia Deaths, , 74-09-010087, Norman Victor Moore (1974).
22 Find a Grave, Ernestine Eva Moore, memorial ID 152003086.
23 Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : accessed 18 October 2020), Norman Victor Moore, memorial ID 152003089.
24 Find a Grave, Ernestine Eva Moore, memorial ID 152003086.
25 Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com : accessed 18 October 2020), John Otto Pachal, memorial ID 171501048.
26 Neudorf Celebrate 100 years 1905-2005, published 2005, History Book Committee, p. 154, 348.
27 Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com), Elsie Elizabeth Pachal, memorial ID 125659788.

Elsie moved into the Emerald Park Senior's Home at Emerald Park, Saskatchewan and was there at the time of her death. Elsie died 31 March 2007 in Regina,[28] She and John are buried in the Edenland Lutheran Cemetery at Kipling, Saskatchewan.

PACHAL—On Monday, December 12, 2005, John O. Pachal beloved husband of Elsie Pachal, Kipling, Sask. died at the age of 92 years. The Funeral Service will be held in Christ Lutheran Church, Kipling, Sask. on Friday, December 16, 2005 at 1:30 p.m. with Pastor David Hanes officiating. Interment in Edenland Cemetery. John was predeceased by his parents, Frederick and Margaret Pachal; his brothers and sisters: Charlie, Henry, William and Mary and is survived by his wife, Elsie and numerous nieces and nephews. The family would like to give thanks for the compassionate care received from all the staff at William Albert House during his brief stay. In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions to Christ Lutheran Church, Kipling, Sask. S0G 2S0 may be tokens of remembrance.

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PACHAL — On Saturday, March 31, 2007, Elsie E. Pachal, widow of John Pachal, Kipling, Sask. and late of Emerald Park, Sask. died at the age of 93 years. The funeral service will be held in the Christ Lutheran Church, Kipling, Sask. on Thursday, April 5, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. David Hanes officiating. Interment in Edenland Cemetery. Elsie was predeceased by her husband John in 2005 and her brother Norman Moore. She is survived by one sister-in-law Ernestina Moore, Kimberley, B.C. and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Christ Lutheran Church, Box 60, Kipling, Sask. S0G 2S0.

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John and Elsie Pachal Obits[29]



John and Elsie Pachal headstone[30]

WALTER GEORGE MOORE

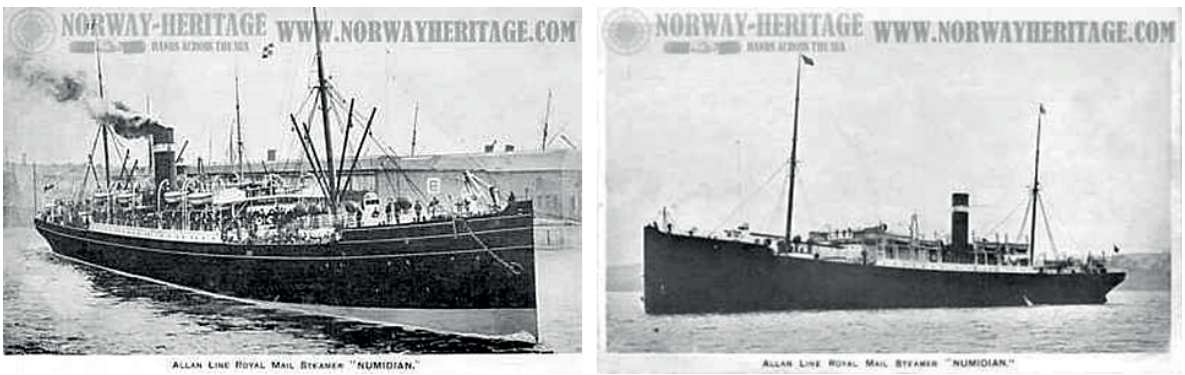
was born 11 August 1914[31] in Winnipeg, but he died in the same year. Nothing else is known about him.

28 Find a Grave, Elsie Elizabeth Pachal, memorial ID 125659788.
29 Files of Elaine Iles.
30 Find a Grave, Elsie Elizabeth Pachal, memorial ID 125659788.
31 Province of Manitoba, „birth index," database, Manitoba Vital Statistic Agency (http://vitalstats.gov.mb.ca/Query.php : accessed 17 October 2020), Walter George Moore.

Numidia Emily Assmann & Philip Rink

Numidia Emily Assmann, born 1 May 1892, S.S. Numidian, Atlantic Ocean;[1] married **Philip Rink**;[2] died 16 December 1927.[3]

Numidia Emily (sometimes spelled **Emilie, also spelled Amelie[4] or Amelia**) **Assmann** (later **Assman**) was born 1 May 1892 to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945), aboard the S.S. Numidian on the Atlantic Ocean on its way to Canada. She was the second daughter born into the family. Her full name included the more feminine version of the name of the ship, though she was known as Emilie. The captain of the ship granted Emilie free passage for the rest of her life or the duration of the ship's life. On 9 May 1892, eight days after her birth, they sailed into the Port of Montreal, after which she travelled with her family to Neudorf, Saskatchewan. (For more information about the journey, see The History of the Assmann Family. Part 1.)



S.S. Numidian,[5] the ship Emilie was named after

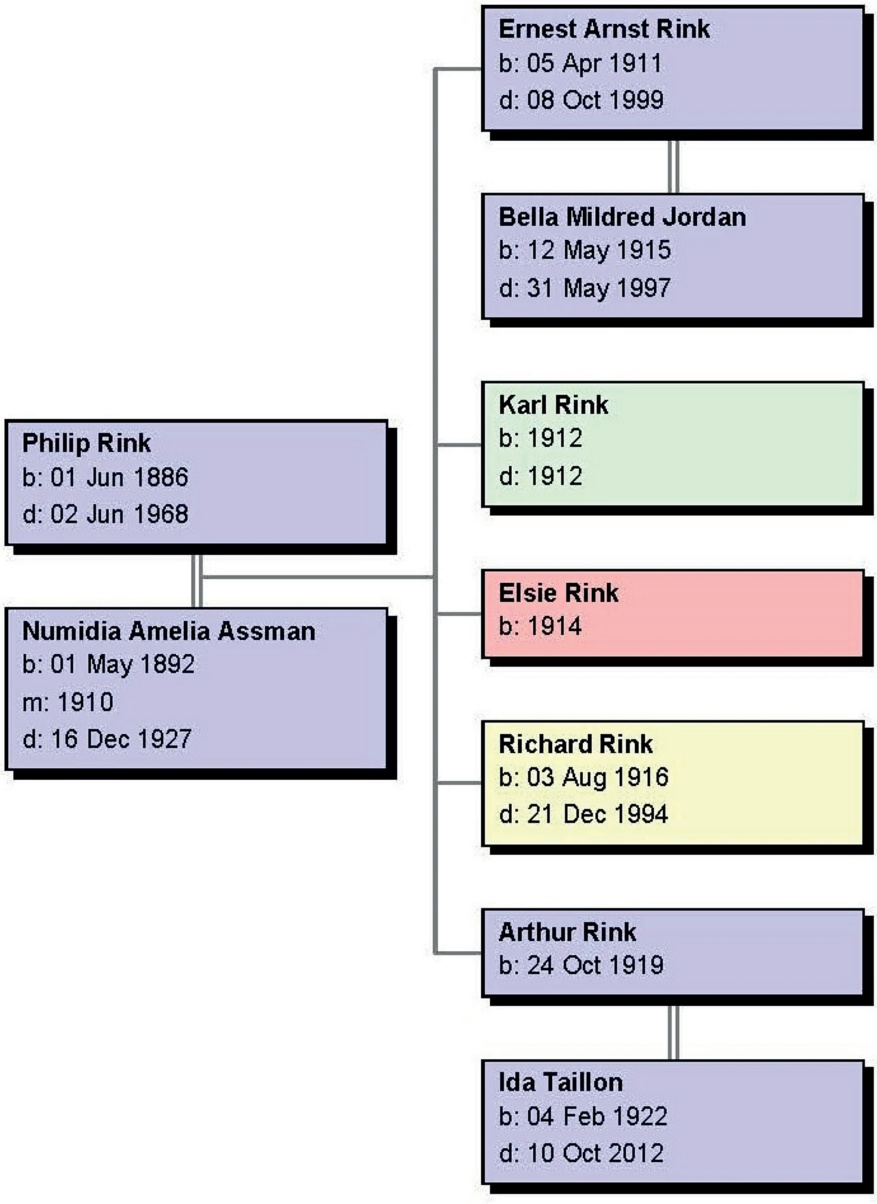
Emily grew up on the family farm on the SE ¼ SE-20-19-8-W with her ten brothers and sisters, attending Baber School as they did. At home she was known as Miltz, a fond nickname. She was confirmed in Neudorf on 3 June 1906. At the age of eighteen, in 1910[6], Emily married Philip Rink in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Philip Rink was the son of Philip Rink (1862-1899)[7] and Margarethe Rink [8] (1864-1952)[9] born 1 June 1886 in Lutz, Volhynia, Russia. (His mother Margarethe's maiden last name is also Rink). Philip was christened on 2 June 1886 in Volyhnia.[10]

1 Marine Births Indices 1837 to 1965, no. 98,659, Numidia Emily Assman (1892).
2 Judith Silverthorne, The History of the Assmann Family (Regina, Saskatchewan: self published 1982), p. 43. Names and dates about Emily and her family came from interviews with family and correspondence sent to Judith in the 1980s.
3 Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery (Neudorf, Saskatchewan; SE 18-19-8-W2), Numidia Emilie Rink marker, photographed by Shelley Kloczko, May 22, 2009.
4 Her name was Amelia according to the 1901 Census for Canada-The Territories/Assiniboia (East/est)-Tiree, p. 5, entry #24.
5 Photo of S.S. Numidian, digital image, Norway-Heritage (http://www.norwayheritage.com/p_ship.asp?sh=numid : accessed 15 September 2016).
6 Centennial Tribute: Broadview, Oakshela, Percival, 1882-1982, p 404
7 According to Family Search ID: L4KW-ITC
8 Rink/Ring is her maiden name, as well as married name. Hilfskomitee der Galiziendeutschen, Ortsfamilienbuch Heinrichsdorf 1810-1900 (http://www.galiziengermandescendants.org), p 272, family 424, Philipp Rink.
9 According to Family Search ID L4KW-ITD
10 According to Family Search. ID LHJY-Z6Z

Philip and Emilie resided at Neudorf for a time where their first son, Ernest was born in 1911. A second son, Karl was born in 1912, but he only survived for one day. Elsa (Elsie) was born in 1914, also at Neudorf, after which time they moved to Glenbush, where Richard arrived in 1916. Glenbush was about twenty kilometres from Bournemouth where Philip's brother William had homesteaded. They lived there for about three years.

Philip and Ida Rink family





Elizabeth Assman, Sophie Bender & (Numidia) Emilie Assman ca. 1907[11]

In 1919 they moved to Oakshela, where their final child, a son named Arthur, arrived in the same year.

"They settled on a quarter section of 22-17-6" where they built a small home. All of their children grew up there, attending Bradley School, which was built in 1920. Ernie and Elsie were among the first children attending there.

"With no doctors or hospitals close by, Emilie became the mid-wife in the area. Philip was the barber, and he also helped out when a veterinarian was needed."[12]



Emilie and Philip Rink and their family[13]

11 Photograph from Adolf & Elizabeth Assman Collection.
12 Centennial Tribute: Broadview, Oakshela, Percival, 1882-1982, p 404.
13 From Donna Rink-Miller, through Ancestry (www.ancestry.ca/sharing/19966776?h=14e279).



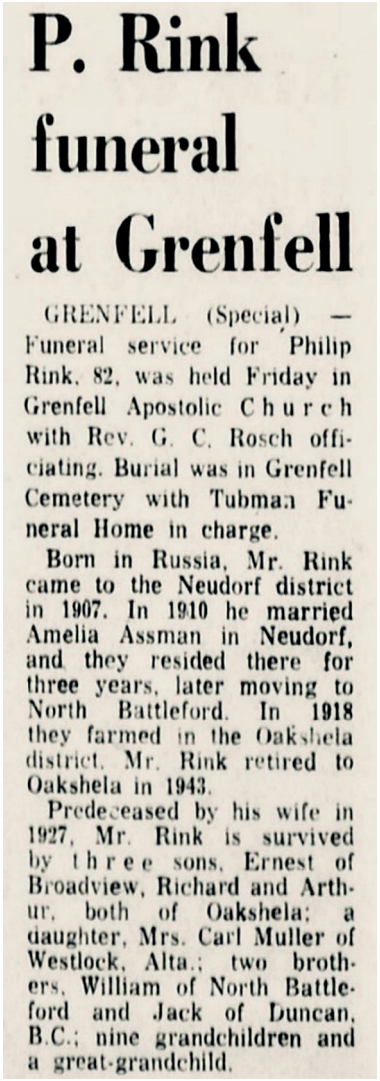
Numidia Emilie Rink headstone[15]

Numidia Emilie died 16 December 1927 in Broadview, Saskatchewan and is buried in the St. John's Cemetery near Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

Elsie was thirteen at the time of her mother's death and took over as the cook and housekeeper. Philip retired in 1943 and lived in Oakshela until his death in 1968.

Philip died 2 June 1968[14] in Broadview, Saskatchewan, one day after his 82 birthday. He is buried in the Grenfell cemetery, where some of his grown children were later buried as well. Philip Rink's memorial is in Plot: New - block 71 - plot B4. Memorial ID: 42118668.





P. Rink funeral at Grenfell

GRENFELL (Special) — Funeral service for Philip Rink, 82, was held Friday in Grenfell Apostolic Church with Rev. G. C. Rosch officiating. Burial was in Grenfell Cemetery with Tubman Funeral Home in charge.

Born in Russia, Mr. Rink came to the Neudorf district in 1907. In 1910 he married Amelia Assman in Neudorf, and they resided there for three years, later moving to North Battleford. In 1918 they farmed in the Oakshela district. Mr. Rink retired to Oakshela in 1943.

Predeceased by his wife in 1927, Mr. Rink is survived by three sons, Ernest of Broadview, Richard and Arthur, both of Oakshela; a daughter, Mrs. Carl Muller of Westlock, Alta.; two brothers, William of North Battleford and Jack of Duncan, B.C.; nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Philip Rink obit and headstone[16]

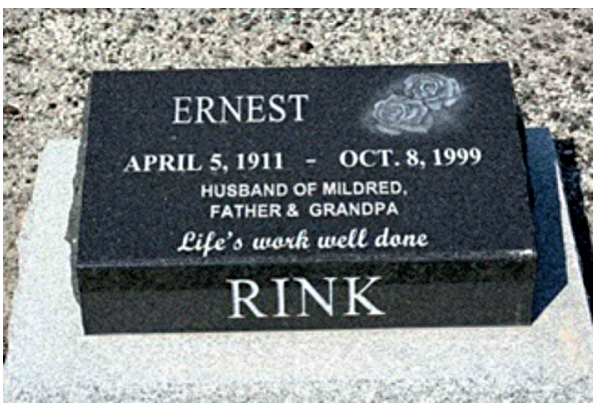
14 Family Search records LHJY-Z6Z
15 Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com), Numidia Emilie Assmann Rink, memorial ID 167478255)
16 Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com/memorial/42118668/philip-rink)

Emilie and Philip had five children:

ERNEST RINK

Ernest Rink was born on 5 April 1911 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. He married **Bella Mildred Jordan**; died 8 October 1999, buried 12 October 1999.

Ernest moved with his family from Neudorf to Glenbush, and then to the Bradley district to the Rural Municipality of Elcapo No. 154, which contains Grenfell, Oakshela, Broadview, and Pervical. He married Bella Mildred Jordan in Broadview on 16 June 1936. Three years after they married, they moved to Broadview (1939). "He worked for the C.P.R., then as a butter maker for the Co-op Creamery and finally became a maintenance and refrigeration engineer for about thirty creameries. He was recognized as an expert in refrigeration and boiler repair. He retired in 1969 to work full time at his refrigeration shop in Broadview. They had three children. Sharon, a teacher, who married Gordon Kish of Kipling, Saskatchewan, and they had two daughters. Donald, a Civil Engineer, married Judith Anderson of Regina, and they moved to Kamloops, B.C. for a time, but they returned and Donald took over the Broadview Hardware store. Their third son, Garnet, became a refrigeration technician, and married Kimberly Windrom. They have at least one child."[17]



Ernest Rink Headstone[18]

RINK—On Friday, October 8, 1999, Ernest Rink, Broadview, Sask., age 88 years. The funeral service will be held in St. Andrew's United Church, Broadview, Sask., on Tuesday, October 12, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. Officiant: Rev. Brenda Lumsden. Cremation with a private interment of cremated remains in the Broadview Cemetery at a later date. Predeceased by his wife, Mildred in 1997 and two brothers, Arthur and Richard Rink. Ernest is survived by his daughter, Sharon Kish, Carlyle, Sask.; his two sons, Donald (Judith) Rink, Kamloops, B.C.; and Garnet (Kim) Rink, Broadview, Sask., his six grandchildren, Jocelyn and Suzanne Kish, Kristin, Mitchell, Jay and Stephanie Rink, one sister, Elsa Muller, Westlock, Alta. Also survived by his nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers if friends so desire contributions to the Saskatchewan Lung Association, Box, 58000 may be tokens of remembrance. Cremation arrangements in care of the Tubman Funeral Home. Wolseley. (1-800-667-8962).

KARL RINK (RING)

Karl Rink was born 18 March 1912 and died on the same day. He is buried in the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada.



Karl Ring headstone[19]

17 Centennial Tribute: Broadview, Oakshela, Percival, 1882-1982, p 404.
18 Ancestry – photo submitted by Kimberly Rink.
19 Karl Rink (Ring) headstone. Find a Grave. (https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/167469119/karl-ring)

ELSA (ELSIE) KATHARINA RINK

Elsa (Elsie) Katharina Rink, was born 9 June 1914 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. She married **Adam Carl Muller** on 28 October 1938. She died 14 March 2007 at Westlock, Alberta, Canada at the age of 92.

Carl was born 27 November in 1913 in the Melville census area in Saskatchewan and died 21 December 1991 at Westlock Alberta.

Elsa was a member of the Westlock Royal Purple, a member of the Westlock Art Club and worked at the Westlock & District Auxiliary Hospital and Nursing Home for several years.

Elsa and Carl had two children **Barry Muller** and **Myrna Muller**. Barry and Kathy Muller live in Westlock, Alberta and have three children: Trent (Chelsie), Courtney (Karen) and Bradley (Jacky). Myrna is married to Peter Gnyp and they reside in Nestow, Alberta with their children Colin, and Cheryl (Mike) Thomson. At the time of Elsa's passing she also had three great-grandchildren Brody, Rhett and Brelayna.





Elsa Rink Muller cemetery location and headstone[20]



Adam Carl Muller headstone[21]

20 Find a Grave. (https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/132156973/elsa-katharina-muller : accessed 2 May 2020).

21 Find a Grave. (https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/119871113/adam-carl-muller : accessed 2 May 2020).

RICHARD O. RINK

Richard O. Rink was born on 3 August 1916 at Glenbush, Saskatchewan. About three years later, in 1919, the family moved to the Oakshela area.

On March 17, 1939 Richard Rink married **Freda Speidelsbach** and they took up farming north of Oakshela, where they raised their son Garry, who eventually took over the home farm with his wife and daughter.

Richard died on 21 December 1994 at Grenfell, Saskatchewan. After this, Freda moved to the Centennial Lodge in Broadview before making her new home at the Grenfell Pioneer Lodge in March 2002, following a major stroke, which left her with physical challenges and limited communication skills. She died 12 August 2009 at Grenfell, Saskatchewan.



Richard and Freda Rink Headstone[22]

ARTHUR KARL RINK

Arthur Karl Rink was born on 24 October 1919, at Oakshela, Saskatchewan, the same year his family moved there. He grew up on their family farm. He married **Ida Florence Taillon** on 16 February 1942 at the Sacred Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church, Marieval Mission, Saskatchewan, about thirty-three kilometres north of Oakshela within the Rural Municipality of Elcapo No.154. They had four children, three of whom lived to adulthood.

Richard and Ida farmed in the Bradly district from 1948 until they semi-retired to Grenfell in 1980. He died 17 September 1993 a the Grenfell Union Hospital in Grenfell, Saskatchewan. Ida died on 10 October 2012 in the Wolseley Memorial Integrated Care Centre at the age of 90 years. At the time of her death, their offspring numbered eight grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren.

Arthur and Ida Rink's children:

A daughter **Florence Marie Emily** Rink was born to Arthur and Ida on 7 February 1944 at St. Michael's Hospital in Broadview, Saskatchewan, but she died three days later on 10 February 1944. She is buried/remembered with her parents on their headstone in the Broadview cemetery, Broadview, Saskatchewan.

22 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/42251927 (accessed 2 May 2020).



Arthur and Ida Rink headstone[23]

Another daughter arrived sometime later, **Louise Rink**, who married Gerald Dyke, and they farm at Grenfell. They have three children.

Their first son, **Lawrence Rink**, also known as Lorrie, moved away for a while when he was an adult, but returned home in 1968 and bought a section of his dad's land, 33-17-6. He married and had twin daughters. In 1980 he bought his Dad's farm on which Lorrie and his wife reside.[24]

The fourth child and final child was **Gordon Rink**, who married and moved to Peace River, Alberta, where they live with their two children.

23 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/26926426
24 Centennial Tribute: Broadview, Oakshela, Percival, 1882-1982, p 404.

Karl (Carl) Assmann & (i) Helena Gollinger & (ii) Sophia Bender

Karl Assmann (later changed the spelling to **Carl Assman**), born 20 November 1894 in Wolseley, North-West Territories, Canada;[1] died 15 July 1972 at Melville, Saskatchewan.[2]

He married on 19 March 1918 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, **Helena Gollinger**, daughter of Joseph and Catherine (née Weber) Gollinger[3]. Helena was born 2 November 1900 in Tupper, Manitoba[4]; died 9 March 1921 at Killaly, Saskatchewan.[5]

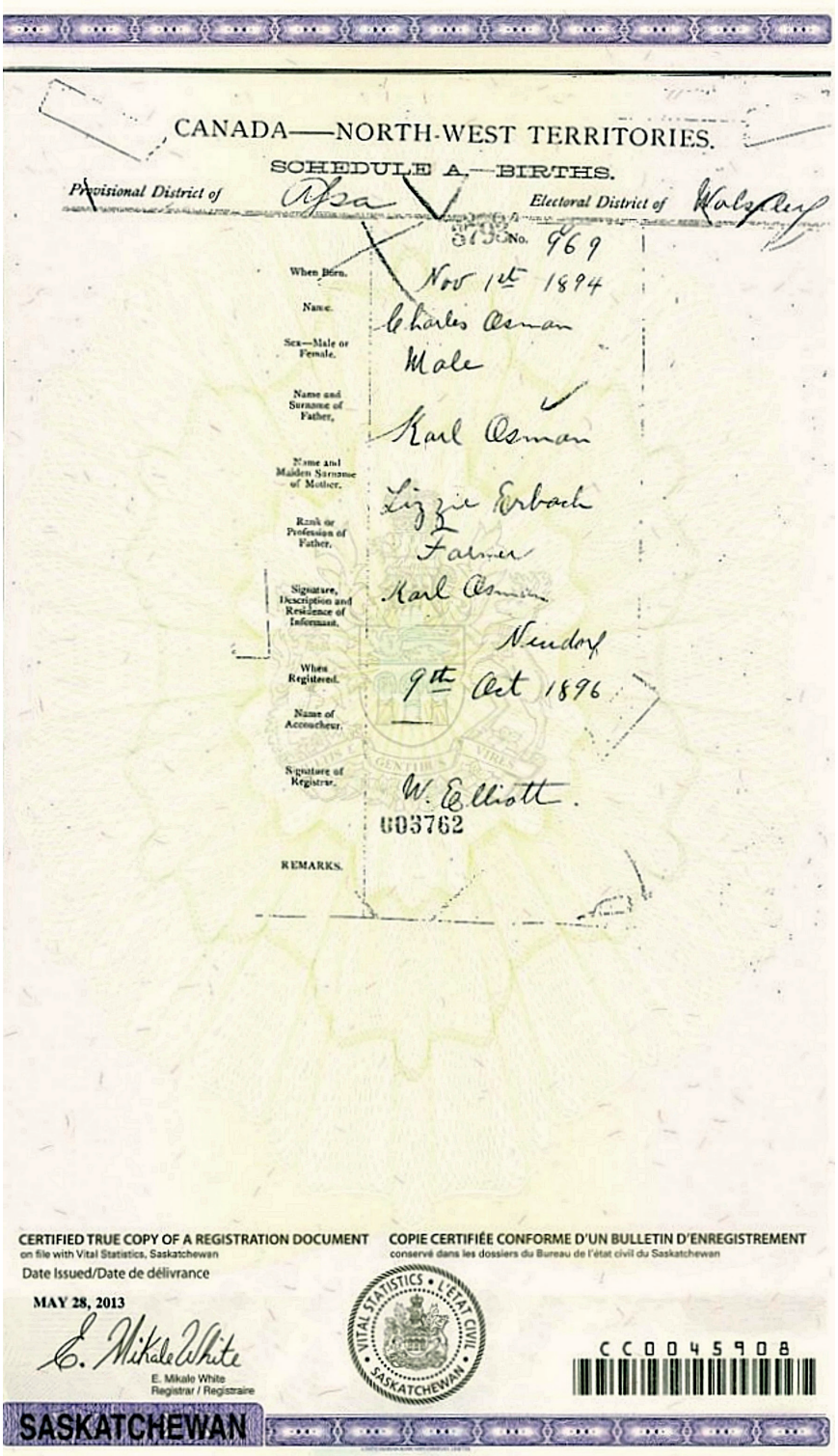
Carl married on 5 June 1921 at Zion Lutheran Church, Neudorf,[6] **Sophia Bender**, daughter of Philipp and Caroline (née Zaph) Bender.[7] Sophia was born 10 May 1900 at Neudorf, North-West Territories;[8] died 14 February 1979 at Melville, Saskatchewan[9].

Carl Assman's exact birthdate is a bit of a mystery. His birth was registered twice in the Province of Saskatchewan. Many of our relatives will tell you his birthday was celebrated November 20th every year. Well, some time ago, a birth record was located; his birth was registered by his father, our great grandfather, Karl Assman, on 9 October 1896. He told the registrar the birth occurred November 1, 1894.

Then late last year, while looking for Assman birth records, I[10] stumbled on another birth registration for Carl born 20 December 1894. This time, his birth was registered 20 June 1895 by a German Minister. The document is hard to read, but it looks like the last name of the minister is Streich. Well, I also have a scanned copy of Carl's confirmation record. Looks like Pastor H. Petschke indicated Karl (German spelling here) was confirmed at Ev[angelical] Luth[eran] St. Dreieinigskeit Kirche (Saint Trinity Church) of Neudorf, Saskatchewan, on 9 April 1909 and he was born 20 November 1894.[11]

Many phone calls and emails have been made requesting a search of the archived Saint Trinity Lutheran Church records; however, requests turned up nothing. The exact date of Carl's birth isn't important so the date the family celebrated will be used.

1 Evangelical Lutheran Saint Trinity Church (Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada), Karl Asmann confirmation certificate (1909); Shelley Kloczko, Regina.
2 „Obituary Carl Assman," *(Melville) Melville Advance*, unknown, probably shortly after death 15 July 1972.
3 McLeod RM, Saskatchewan, marriage register, August 1916 to February 1922, Assman-Gollinger, 1918; McLeod Rural Municipality Office #185, Neudorf.
4 Gerald Christoffel, "Descendant Chart of Joseph Gollinger," supplied 2016 by G. Christoffel Regina, Saskatchewan.
5 Saskatchewan Rural Municipality of McLeod, Deaths, (1921), Helene Maria Martha Assmann; McLeod Rural Minicipality #185 Office, Neudorf.
6 McLeod RM, Saskatchewan, marriage registration, Aug 1916 to Feb 1922, Assmann-Bender, 1921; McLeod Rural Municipality Office #185, Neudorf.
7 Ibid.
8 Christ Lutheran Church (Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada), "Zion Lutheran Church 1894 to 1955," Tauf Register, pg 40, item96, Sophia Bender; Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf.
9 "Assman," (Regina) The Leader Post, published shortly after death, 20 May 1974.
10 Shelley Kloczko's research.
11 Evangelical Lutheran Saint Trinity Church (Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada) Karl Asmann confirmation certificate (1909).



CANADA—NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

SCHEDULE A.—BIRTHS.

Provisional District of Assa

Electoral District of Calgary

No. 969

When Born. Nov 1st 1894

Name. Charles Assman

Sex—Male or Female. Male

Name and Surname of Father. Karl Assman

Name and Maiden Surname of Mother. Lizzie Erbach

Rank or Profession of Father. Farmer

Signature, Description and Residence of Informant. Karl Assman Nendorf

When Registered. 9th Oct 1896

Name of Accoucheur.

Signature of Registrar. W. Elliott.

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REMARKS.

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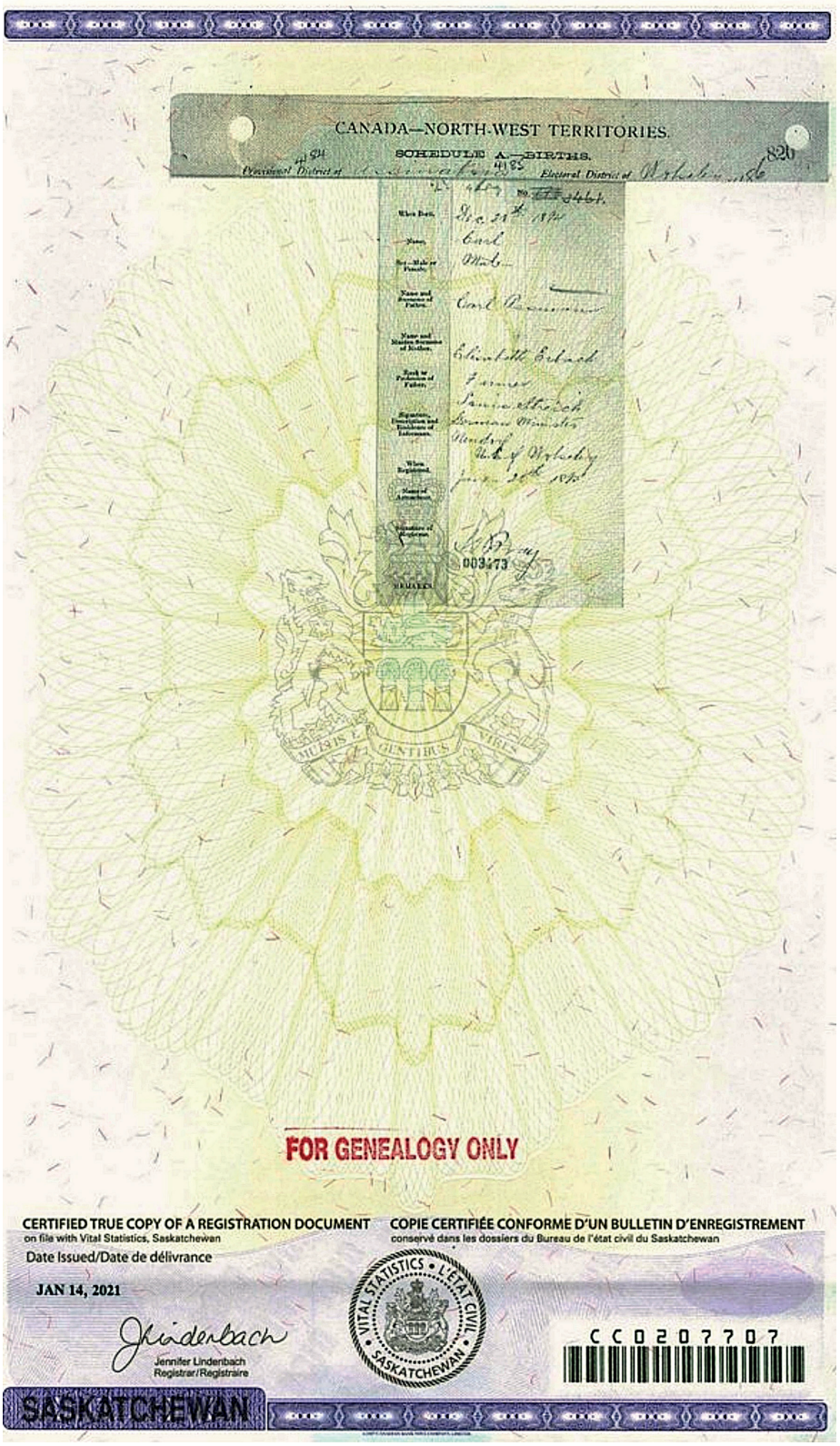
Carl Assmann, 1 November 1894 Birth Certificate
(he was named Charles in this document, which was an English translation).



Carl Assmann, 20 December 1894 Birth Certificate

Carl was the fifth child born to Karl and Katharina Elisabeth (née Erbach) Assmann. His name was registered as Charles Osman.[12] He was commonly called Charlie and later in life was referred to as Carl, as he preferred that spelling of his name.



The Karl Assman Family, with son Karl standing next to his father, 1907[13]

Carl was confirmed in the Lutheran faith 9 April 1909 at the Evangelical Lutheran Saint Trinity Church, Neudorf, by Pastor H. Petschke. It is interesting to note the date of birth recorded on this document is 20 November 1894.[14] Carl celebrated his birthday on November 20 according to his children. They do not know how his birthdate was confused or which date is correct, this one or the previous one.



This is likely Karl Assman's confirmation picture

12 Saskatchewan Department of Public Health -- Division of Vital Statistics, births 969 [handwritten] 3793 [stamped] (1896), Charles Osman; eHealth Saskatchewan, Regina.

13 NB: All photos and documents within this chapter are part of the collection of Carl's granddaughter, Shelley Kloczko, unless otherwise indicated.

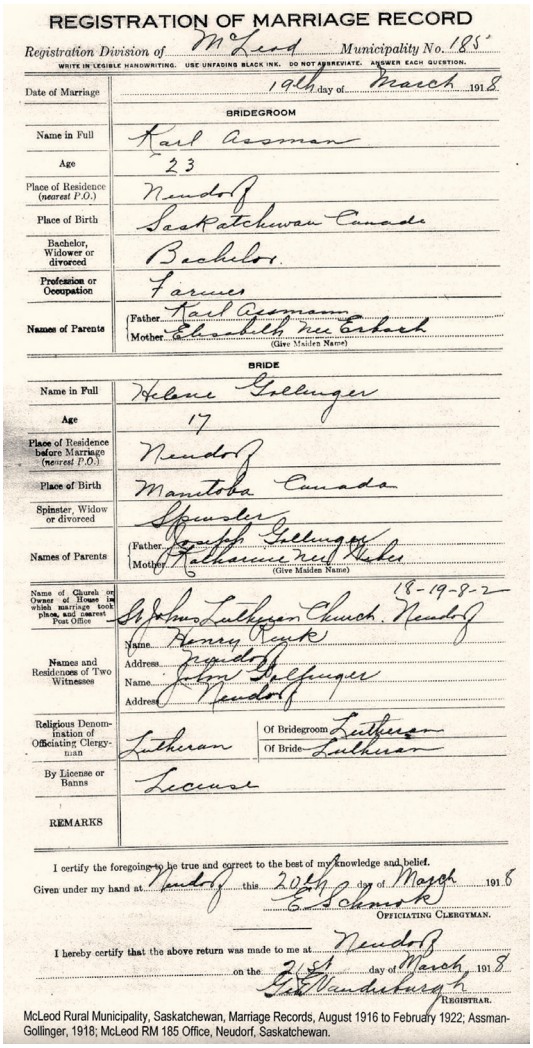
14 Evangelical Lutheran Saint Trinity Church (Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada), Karl Asmann confirmation certificate (1909); Shelley Kloczko, Regina.



Karl Assman, confirmation certificate[15]

15 Collection of Shelley Kloczko.

Carl married first Helena Maria Martha Gollinger 19 March 1918 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. She was the daughter of Joseph and Catherine (née Weber) Gollinger and often went by the name Lena. She was born 2 November 1900 at Plumas (Tupper), Manitoba, the 5th of 7 children born to Joseph and Catherina Gollinger. Shortly after her birth, the family moved to Winnipeg and in 1921 to a farm in the Neudorf, Saskatchewan district. She took her schooling at Rosewood School.



REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE RECORD

Registration Division of McLeod Municipality No. 185

WRITE IN LEGIBLE HANDWRITING. USE UNFADING BLACK INK. DO NOT ABBREVIATE. ANSWER EACH QUESTION.

Date of Marriage	19th day of March 1918
	BRIDEGROOM
Name in Full	Karl Assman
Age	23
Place of Residence (nearest P.O.)	Neudorf
Place of Birth	Saskatchewan Canada
Bachelor, Widower or divorced	Bachelor.
Profession or Occupation	Farmer
Names of Parents	Father Karl Assmann Mother Elisabeth Nee Erbach (Give Maiden Name)
	BRIDE
Name in Full	Helene Gollinger
Age	17
Place of Residence before Marriage (nearest P.O.)	Neudorf
Place of Birth	Manitoba Canada
Spinster, Widow or divorced	Spinster
Names of Parents	Father Joseph Gollinger Mother Katharine Nee Weber (Give Maiden Name)
Name of Church or Owner of House in which marriage took place, and nearest Post Office	St Johns Lutheran Church. Neudorf 18-19-8-2
Names and Residences of Two Witnesses	Name Henry Rink Address Neudorf Name John Gollinger Address Neudorf
Religious Denomination of Officiating Clergyman	Lutheran — Of Bridegroom Lutheran; Of Bride Lutheran
By License or Banns	License
REMARKS	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf this 20th day of March 1918

E. Schmok
OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN.

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf on the 21st day of March 1918

Geo Vanderburgh
REGISTRAR.

McLeod Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan, Marriage Records, August 1916 to February 1922; Assman-Gollinger, 1918; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

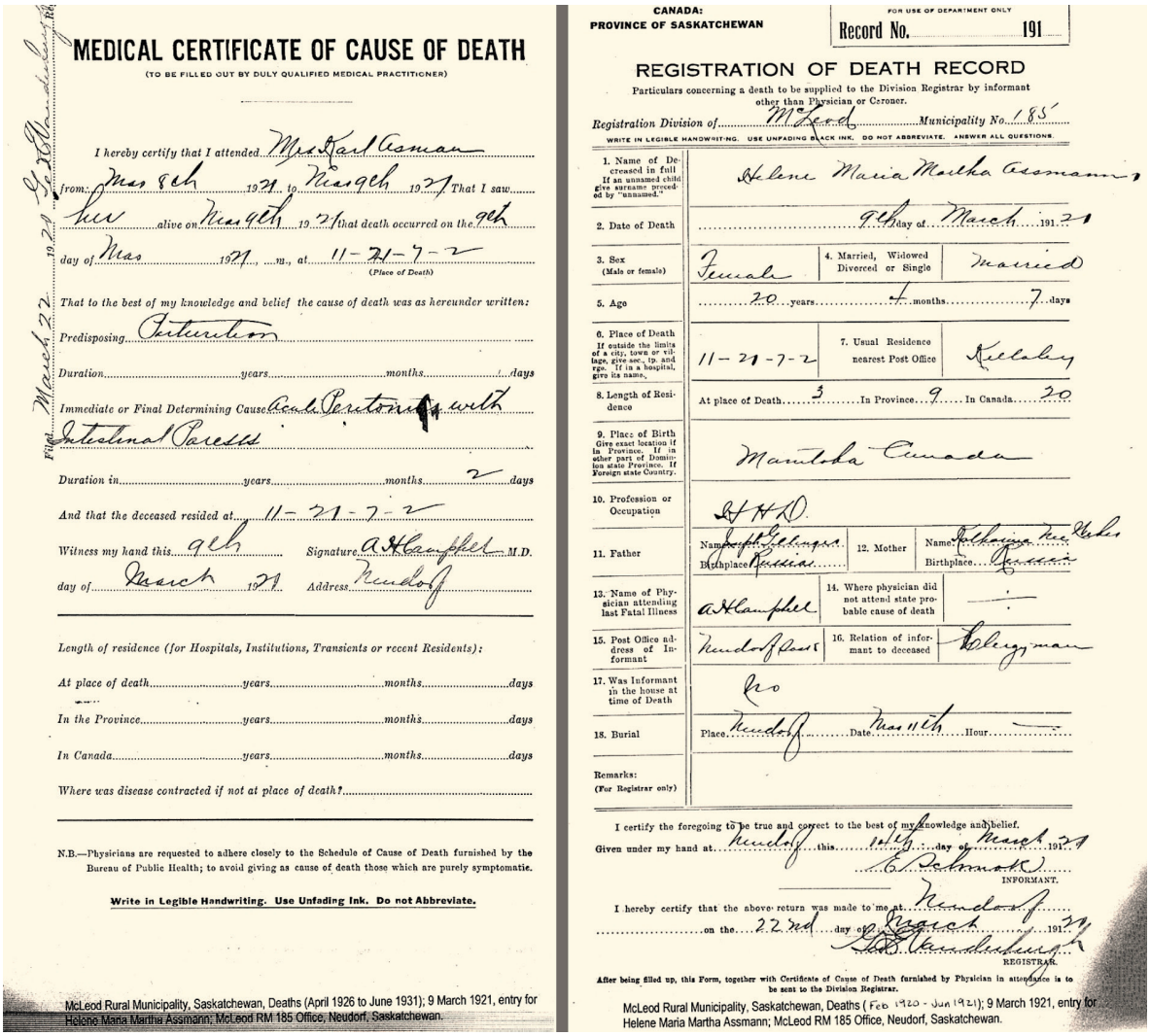


Helena and Carl wedding photo[16]

Carl and Helena resided on a farm at Killaly where they had two children: Eleanor Katherina Assman, born 4 April 1919, and Herman Jacob Oscar Assman, born 6 March 1921.

Unfortunately, Helena died three days later, on 9 March 1921, from birth complications, and her infant son Herman died on 20 March. Helena was buried March 11, Herman is buried next to her.

16 Collection of Shelley Kloczko.



MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH

(TO BE FILLED OUT BY DULY QUALIFIED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER)

I hereby certify that I attended Mrs Karl Asman from: Mar 8th 1921 to Mar 9th 1921 That I saw her alive on Mar 9th 1921 that death occurred on the 9th day of Mar 1921 m., at 11-21-7-2 (Place of Death)

That to the best of my knowledge and belief the cause of death was as hereunder written:

Predisposing Parturition

Duration ... years ... months ... days

Immediate or Final Determining Cause Acute Peritonitis with Intestinal Paresis

Duration in ... years ... months 2 days

And that the deceased resided at 11-21-7-2

Witness my hand this 9th day of March 1921 Signature A H Campbell M.D. Address Neudorf

Length of residence (for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or recent Residents):

At place of death ... years ... months ... days

In the Province ... years ... months ... days

In Canada ... years ... months ... days

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death?

N.B.—Physicians are requested to adhere closely to the Schedule of Cause of Death furnished by the Bureau of Public Health; to avoid giving as cause of death those which are purely symptomatic.

Write in Legible Handwriting. Use Unfading Ink. Do not Abbreviate.

Filed March 22 1921 G. E. Vanderburgh Reg.

McLeod Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan, Deaths (April 1926 to June 1931); 9 March 1921, entry for Helene Maria Martha Assmann; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

CANADA: PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT ONLY

Record No. 191

REGISTRATION OF DEATH RECORD

Particulars concerning a death to be supplied to the Division Registrar by informant other than Physician or Coroner.

Registration Division of McLeod Municipality No. 185

WRITE IN LEGIBLE HANDWRITING. USE UNFADING BLACK INK. DO NOT ABBREVIATE. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

1. Name of Decreased in full. If an unnamed child give surname preceded by "unnamed."	Helene Maria Martha Assmann
2. Date of Death	9th day of March 1921
3. Sex (Male or female)	Female
4. Married, Widowed Divorced or Single	married
5. Age	20 years 4 months 7 days
6. Place of Death. If outside the limits of a city, town or village, give sec., tp. and rge. If in a hospital, give its name.	11-21-7-2
7. Usual Residence nearest Post Office	Kellaley
8. Length of Residence	At place of Death 3 In Province 9 In Canada 20
9. Place of Birth. Give exact location if in Province. If in other part of Dominion state Province. If Foreign state Country.	Manitoba Canada
10. Profession or Occupation	H H D.
11. Father	Name Joseph Gellinger Birthplace Russia
12. Mother	Name Katharina Mc Herber Birthplace Russia
13. Name of Physician attending last Fatal Illness	A H Campbell
14. Where physician did not attend state probable cause of death	—
15. Post Office address of Informant	Neudorf Sask
16. Relation of informant to deceased	Clergyman
17. Was Informant in the house at time of Death	No
18. Burial	Place Neudorf Date Mar 11th Hour —
Remarks: (For Registrar only)	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf this 10th day of March 1921

E Schmoll INFORMANT.

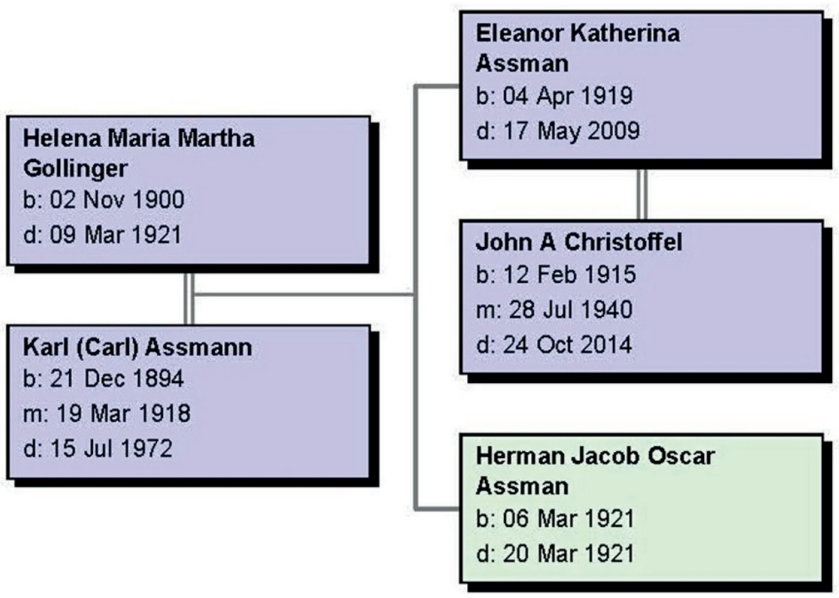
I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf on the 22nd day of March 1921

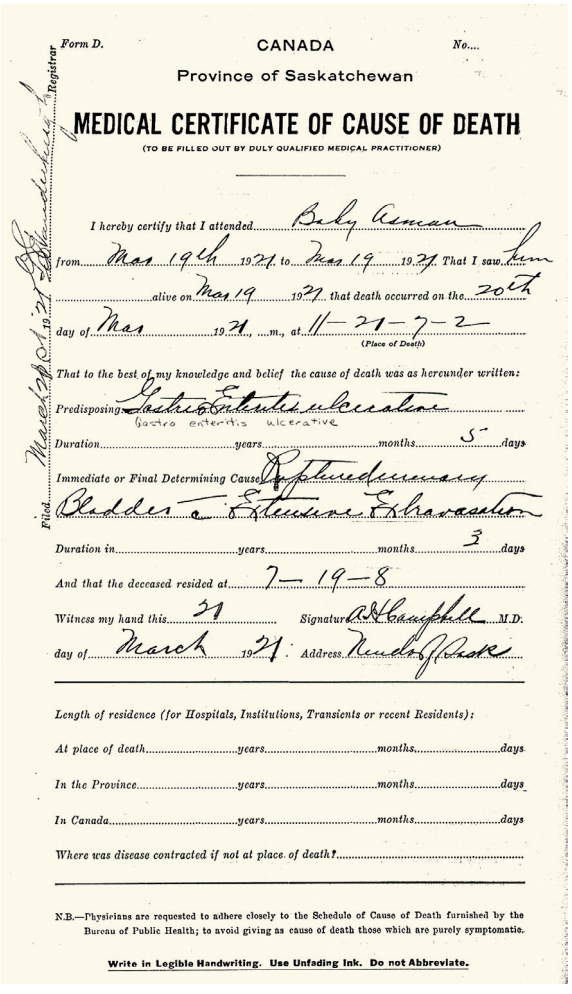
G. E. Vanderburgh REGISTRAR.

After being filled up, this Form, together with Certificate of Cause of Death furnished by Physician in attendance is to be sent to the Division Registrar.

McLeod Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan, Deaths (Feb 1920 - Jun 1921); 9 March 1921, entry for Helene Maria Martha Assmann; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

Helena's Cause of Death Certificate and Death Record





Form D. CANADA No....

Province of Saskatchewan

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF CAUSE OF DEATH

(TO BE FILLED OUT BY DULY QUALIFIED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER)

I hereby certify that I attended Baby Asman

from Mar 19th 1921 to Mar 19 1921 That I saw him

alive on Mar 19 1921 that death occurred on the 20th

day of Mar 1921, ...m., at 11-21-7-2 (Place of Death)

That to the best of my knowledge and belief the cause of death was as hereunder written:

Predisposing Gastro Enteritis ulcerative

Gastro enteritis ulcerative

Duration ..... years ..... months 5 days

Immediate or Final Determining Cause Ruptured urinary Bladder c. Extensive Extravasation

Duration in ..... years ..... months 3 days

And that the deceased resided at 7-19-8

Witness my hand this 21 Signature A H Campbell M.D.

day of March 1921. Address Neudorf Sask

Length of residence (for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or recent Residents):

At place of death ..... years ..... months ..... days

In the Province ..... years ..... months ..... days

In Canada ..... years ..... months ..... days

Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? .....

N.B.—Physicians are requested to adhere closely to the Schedule of Cause of Death furnished by the Bureau of Public Health; to avoid giving as cause of death those which are purely symptomatic.

Write in Legible Handwriting. Use Unfading Ink. Do not Abbreviate.

Filed March 28 1921 Registrar



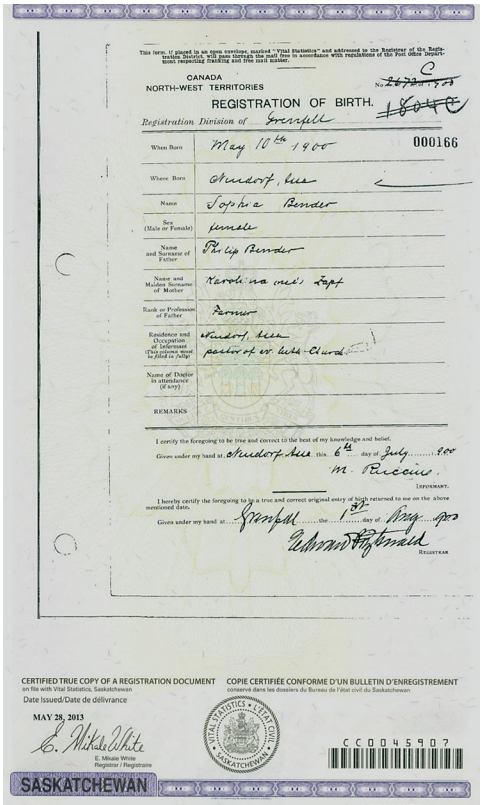
Left: Herman's Cause of Death Certificate.
Right: Helena and Baby Herman Headstone[17] with the German inscription: "Die Lieben, sie der Tod getrennt, vereint der Himmel wieder" ("The loved ones, separated by death, are reunited in heaven")

Carl married Sophia Bender 5 June 1921 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. Sophia was born 10 May 1900 to Philip Bender (1858-1929) and Karoline Zaph (1861-1940). She was the youngest of three sisters to marry into the Assman family. Her sisters Caroline and Katharina married brothers Jacob and John in a double ceremony in 1907. Carl's first daughter Eleanor was 2 years old at the time.



Sophia Bender in the centre, with Elizabeth Assman and Numidia Emilie Assman (daughters of Karl and Lizzi Assman)

17 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/170957584/herman_jacob_oscar_assman



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CANADA
NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES

No. ~~2672~~ C

REGISTRATION OF BIRTH. ~~1804C~~

Registration Division of Grenfell

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When Born	May 10th 1900
Where Born	Neudorf, Assa
Name	Sophia Bender
Sex (Male or Female)	female
Name and Surname of Father	Philip Bender
Name and Maiden Surname of Mother	Karoline nee's Zapf
Rank or Profession of Father	Farmer
Residence and Occupation of Informant (This reference must be filled in fully)	Neudorf, Assa pastor of ev. luth. Church
Name of Doctor in attendance (if any)	
REMARKS	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf Assa this 6th day of July 1900

M. Riccius.
INFORMANT.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct original entry of birth returned to me on the above mentioned date.

Given under my hand at Grenfell the 1st day of Aug 1900

Edward Fitzgerald
REGISTRAR

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SASKATCHEWAN



Gehet hin und lehret alle Völker und taufet sie im Namen des Vaters des Sohnes und des heiligen Geistes.

Tauf-Zeugnis.

Sophia Bender

geboren am 10 Mai in Neudorf, Assiniboia ist am 1 Juni 1900

im Namen des Dreieinigen Gottes getauft worden.

Eltern: Philipp Bender
Karoline yb Zapf.

Taufpaten: Ignatz Bender.
Joh. Zapf.

Solches bezeugt hierdurch

M. Riccius
ev. luth. Pastor
Neudorf Assa den 1 Aug 1900

Wer da glaubet und getauft wird der wird selig werden.

Lasset die Kindlein zu Mir kommen und wehret ihnen nicht, denn solcher ist das Reich Gottes.

Wer ist mein lieber Sohn, an welchem Ich Wohlgefallen habe.

Wahrlich ich sage Euch: Wer das Reich Gottes nicht empfängt als ein Kindlein, der wird nicht hineinkommen.

Filger-Buchhandlung, Reutlingen, Baden.

Sophia Bender's Birth Registration (above) and Baptism Certificate (right)



REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE RECORD

Registration Division of McLeod Municipality No. 185

WRITE IN LEGIBLE HANDWRITING. USE UNFADING BLACK INK. STRIKE OUT ABBREVIATE. ANSWER EACH QUESTION.

Date of Marriage: 5th day of June 1921

BRIDEGROOM

Name in Full	Carl Assmann
Age	21
Place of Residence (nearest P.O.)	Neudorf Sask
Place of Birth	Russia Sask Katchewan
Bachelor, Widower or divorced	Bachelor
Profession or Occupation	Farmer
Names of Parents	Father Gust Assmann Russia Mother Elizabeth Nu Erbach. (Give Maiden Name)

BRIDE

Name in Full	Sophia Bender
Age	21
Place of Residence before Marriage (nearest P.O.)	Neudorf Sask
Place of Birth	Sask Katchewan
Spinster, Widow or divorced	Spinster
Names of Parents	Father Philipp Bender Russia Mother Karolina Bender (Give Maiden Name)
Name of Church or Owner of House in which marriage took place, and nearest Post Office	Evang Lutheran Church Sec 22 – 19 – 8 – 2
Names and Residences of Two Witnesses	Name Karl Assmann, Address Neudorf Sask Name Sophia Bender, Address Neudorf Sask Name Heinrich Assmann, Address Neudorf Sask Name Philipp Bender, Address Neudorf Sask
Religious Denomination of Officiating Clergyman	Of Bridegroom Evangelical Lutheran Of Bride Evangelical Lutheran
By License or Banns	License No 58916
REMARKS	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf this 5th day of June 1921

M. Nichter OFFICIATING CLERGYMAN.

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf on the 6th day of June 1921

[illegible] REGISTRAR.

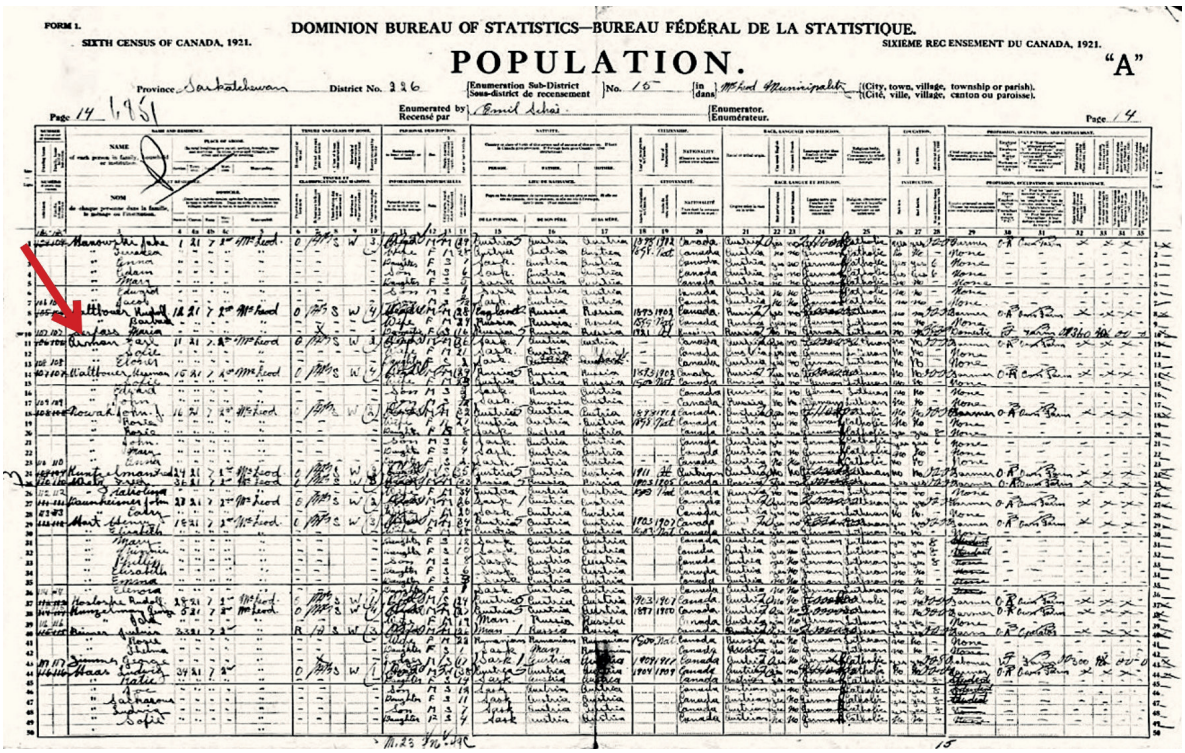
McLeod Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan, Marriages, August 1916 to February 1922; Assmann-Bender (1921); McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf, Saskatchewan

Carl & Sophia's Marriage Record (above) and Wedding Certificate (left)

The families lived in the Neudorf area and when Carl and Sophia married, they lived on the farm.



Carl Assman farm, Killaly[18]



FORM 1.

SIXTH CENSUS OF CANADA, 1921.

DOMINION BUREAU OF STATISTICS—BUREAU FÉDÉRAL DE LA STATISTIQUE.

SIXIEME RECENSEMENT DU CANADA, 1921.

POPULATION.

"A"

Province Saskatchewan District No. 226 Enumeration Sub-District / Sous-district de recensement No. 10 In / dans Municipality (City, town, village, township or parish). (Cité, ville, village, canton ou paroisse).

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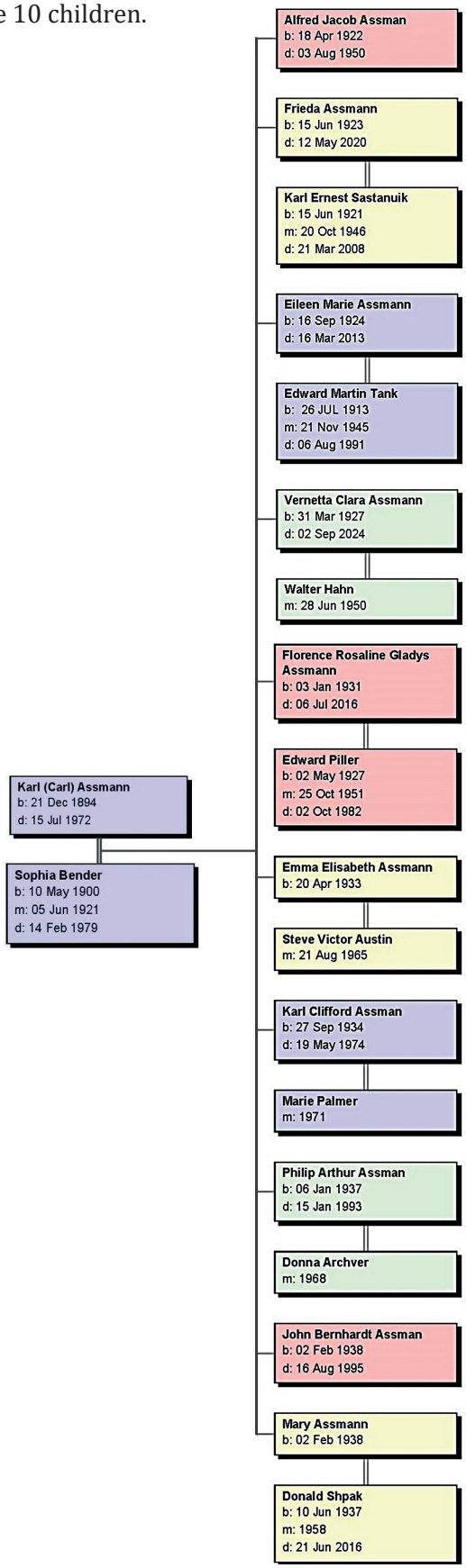
1921 Census – Karl Assmann household

18 Collection of Shelley Kloczko.

Carl and Sophia went on to have 10 children.





Carl and Sophia Bender with children, ca. 1926: presumably Alfred inside the car, with Eleanor, Frieda and Eileen standing outside with their parents



Eleanor, Alfred, Frieda, Gladys Assman



Sophia and Carl Assman anniversary

The following was written by Mary Shpak (daughter) from memory:

"I remember my mom holding her German Bible with worn pages. She knelt with us kids at her bedside Chart for nightly prayers. She was a kind and godly mother that taught us how to behave and treat others with respect and dignity. Seldom was she idle, besides her home and family responsibly she would meet with neighbors and quilt donations for Lutheran Relief.

Sundays was always a day of rest. Church services were every Sunday at 3:00. It was usually preached in German and there was no Sunday school. We all attended regularly, snow, sleet or rain. My father after morning chores before breakfast went faithfully to the living room window pulled the sheers behind him and quietly prayed. Grace was said before meals blessing our food with thankfulness.

Our family attended Killaly St. John's Lutheran Church services every Sunday, sharing congregation pastoral resources with Christ Lutheran Church in Neudorf. In the early 1950s W. Riekert was the pastor and as teenagers Philip, Johnny and I attended 2 hour confirmation classes in Neudorf. We got there via a train.

Confirmations day was a solemn commitment for 18 confirmands by confidently giving testimony to the congregation when questioned by the pastor why we believe Jesus is Lord and the Bible is the true word of God, hence becoming a Lutheran church member. A verse sang on confirmation Sunday, 'Take my hand dear Father and lead thou me and at journey's end dwell with thee, alone I will not wonder one single day so do thou guide my footsteps on life's rough way'. I am thankful to my parents, pastor and church for continuing their faith journey of Christian heritage from generation to generation. Was it a coincidence that when Pastor Riekert transferred to Trinity Lutheran Church, Regina, that my future husband Don was also confirmed at Trinity prior to our marriage?

Leaving farm life in 1963 my parents moved to Melville enjoying city living. Father was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Carl died on at age 77 on 15 July 1972. Sophie died in 1979 at 79 years of age."

Obituary

CARL ASSMAN

Services were held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church on July 19th for Carl Assman, who passed away July 15th. in St. Peter's Hospital. He was 77 years of age. Pastor F.W. Tillmanns officiated and interment was at Killaly. Arrangements were by Townsend Funeral Chapel of Melville.

Active pallbearers were John Armbruster, Arthur Rink, Bill Krahenbil, Elmer Assman, Eddy Assman and Carl Assman. Honorary pallbearers included, John Gollinger, Philip Erbach, John Lutz, John Wirth, Herman Waldbauer, Karl Gerhardt, Albert Tank and John Hauser.

Mr. Assman was born in 1894 at Neudorf, where he farmed until his retirement in 1964. He then moved into Melvlle where he lived until his death.

He is survived by his wife Sophia; seven daughters, Mrs. John (Eleanor) Christofel, Lemberg; Mrs. Ernest (Frieda) Sastaunik, Regina; Mrs. Edward (Eillen) Tank, Melville; Mrs. Vernetta Hahn, Melville; Mrs. Edward (Gladys) Piller, Neudorf; Mrs. Stephen (Emma) Austin, Penticton, B.C.; Mrs. Don (Mary) Shpak, Yorkton; three sons: Clifford of Regina; Philip of Regina; Johnny of Melvlle; one sister, Mrs. Henry (Mary) Heinaman of Kipling; four brothers: John of Melville, Henry of Grenfell, Philip of Melville and Adolf of Grenfell; 18 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mr. Assman was predeceased by one son, Alfred; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Moore and Mrs. Amelia Rink; two brothers, Jacob and Fred and one grandson Bobby Austin.

ASSMAN — Sophia, aged 78 years, of Melville, died February 14, 1979 at St. Peters Hospital, Melville. Funeral services will be conducted on Saturday, February 17, 1979 at 2 p.m. at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, Melville with interment to follow in the Killaly Cemetery. Mrs. Assman was predeceased by her husband Carl in 1972, two sons, Alfred and Clifford and one grandson. She is survived by seven daughters; (Eleanor) Mrs. John Christoffel of Lemberg, (Freda) Mrs. Ernie Sastaunik of Regina, (Eileen) Mrs. Edward Tank, Melville, (Vernetta) Ms. Assman, Regina, (Gladys) Mrs. Ed Piller, Neudorf, (Emma) Mrs. Steve Austin, Summerland B.C., (Mary) Mrs. Don Shpak of Regina, two sons; Phillip from Abbotsford, B.C. and John of Melville.

Carl Assman Obit, 1972, Sophia (Bender) Assman Obit, 1979[19]

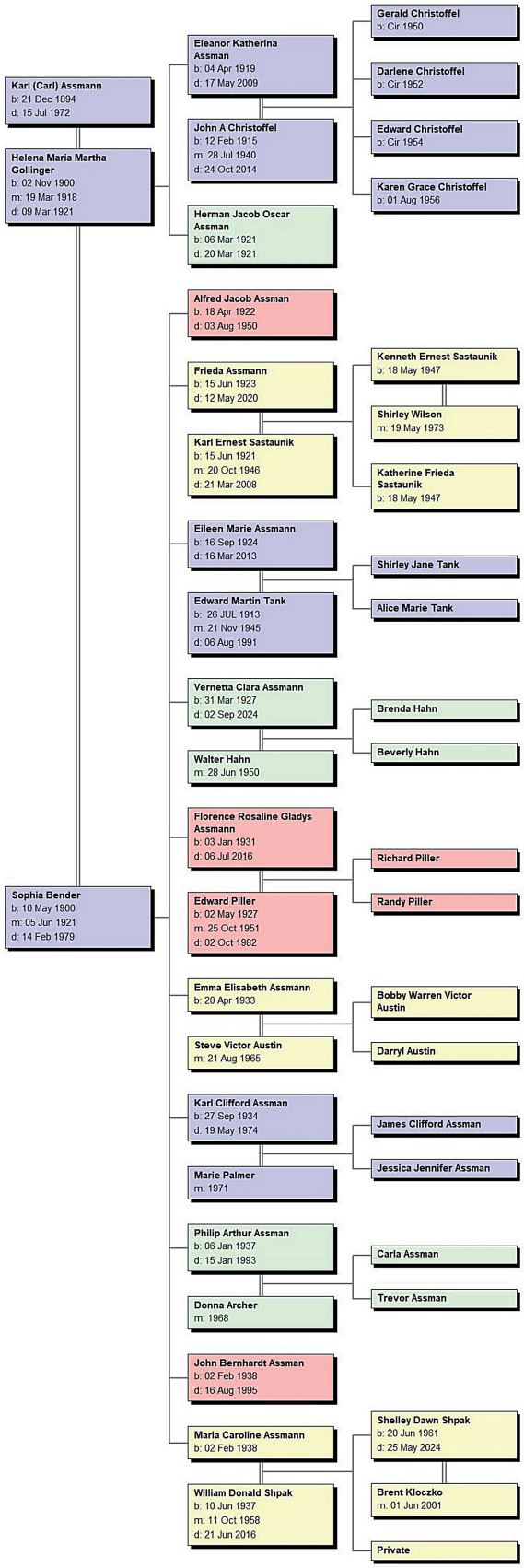


Karl & Sophia headstone, St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf[20]

19 Collection of Shelley Kloczko.

20 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/118764328/sophia_assman

Descendants of Karl (Carl) Assman





Shelley by her grandparent's graveside



Assman Sisters: Mary, Eileen, Eleanor, Gladys, Frieda, Vernetta, Emma

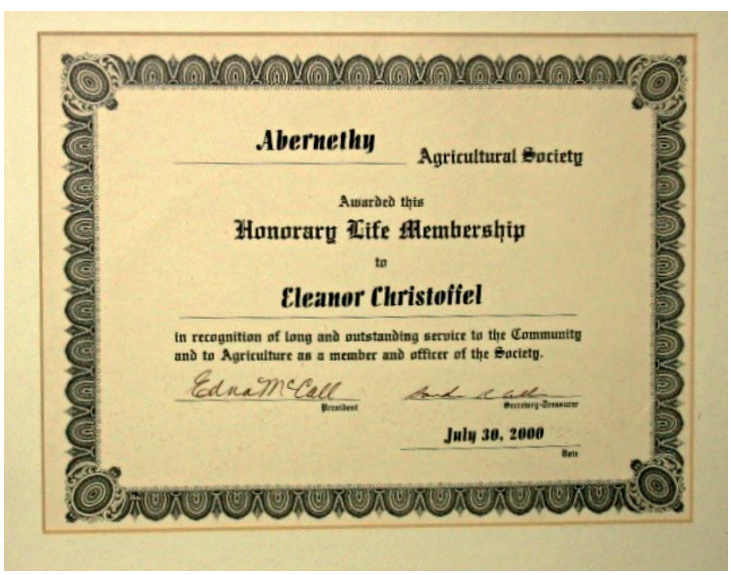
ELEANOR KATHARINA ASSMAN

Eleanor Katherina Assman was born 4 April 1919, Killaly, Saskatchewan; died 17 May 2009, Lakeside Nursing Home, Wolseley, Saskatchewan, Canada. She married **John Christoffel** 28 July 1940 in Lemberg, Saskatchewan. They had 2 sons and 2 daughters: Gerald, Darlene, Ed, and Karen.





Eleanor & John Christoffel, wedding, 28 July 1940; Marriage Certificate



Eleanor's Honorary Life Membership Certificate to the Abernethy Agricultural Society.



Eleanor & John 25th Anniversary with their family



Eleanor and John in later years.

CHRISTOFFEL – Funeral services for the late Eleanor Katherine Christoffel, who passed away Sunday May 17, 2009, in Wolseley, Sask. at the age of 90 years, were held at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lemberg, Friday, May 22, 2009. Interment was in Lemberg Cemetery, Lemberg, SK. The pallbearers were grandsons, Devin Larmet, Chad Christoffel, James Christoffel, Joel Harty and nephews Dickie Piller and Randy Piller.

Eleanor Katherine Christoffel was born in Killaly, Sask., April 4, 1919, oldest child of Carl and Helena (nee Gollinger) Assman. She was raised and educated in Killaly and moved to live with and work for her Uncle John and Katherine Assman in 1935. It was there she met her loving husband John of 68 years. They were married at the family farm on July 28, 1940, where they worked side by side for 38 years when they retired into a new home in Lemberg.

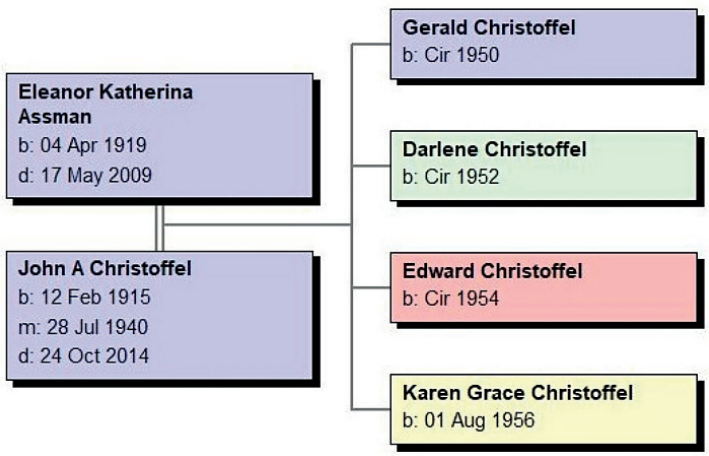
Eleanor was extremely modest about her many accomplishments in life. She was active in the community for many years and belonged to a number of organizations including Trinity Lutheran Church, Honorable Lifetime Member of the Abernethy Fair Committee, 4-H Homecraft Club, known to family and friends as "the best homemaker around". In February 2007, she left her home to move into the Lakeside Nursing Home, Wolseley, Sask.

Eleanor is survived by her loving husband, John; four children and their families - Gerald, his daughter Leandra Bell and her son, Jeremy; Darlene and her husband Grant, and her sons - Brent Larmet and Devin Larmet and his wife Frances and their daughter, Kira; Ed Christoffel and his sons - Chad Christoffel and James Christoffel; Karen Harty and her husband Tim and their children - Amy Kitchen (Derrick Rittwage) and her son, Aaron Rittwage, Joel Harty and Breawna Harty; sisters - Freida Sastaunik, Eileen Tank, Vernetta Assman, Gladys Piller, Emma (Steve) Austin and Mary (Don) Shpak.

Eleanor was predeceased by her parents, Carl and Helena Assman; infant brother, Herman and step-brothers - Alfred Assman, Clifford Assman, Phillip Assman and Johnny Assman.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Eleanor's memory to the RM of Abernethy - Agricultural Society: c/o Secretary-Treasurer, Box 177, Abernethy, Sask. S0A 0A0.





John A. Christoffel

February 12, 1915 - October 24, 2014

John Christoffel passed away on October 24, 2014 in Okotos, AB at the age of 99. John Christoffel was born in Lemberg, SK, February 12, 1915, oldest child of John and Wilhelmina (nee Augustine) Christoffel. He was raised and educated in Lemberg and bought the family farm over a period of years. It was while farming he met his loving wife of 68 years. They were married at Hill Farm Church on July 28, 1940, and worked side by side on the family farm for 38 years when they retired into a new home in Lemberg. John was passionate about farming and loved animals, gardening and music. He was an active member of the Lemberg Seniors' Centre and a lifelong member of the Trinity Lutheran Church. In June 2009, he left his home province to move in with his daughter and son-in-law Karen and Tim Harty in Okotoks, AB. The past 1 ½ years he resided in Tudor Manor, where he passed.

John is survived by four children and their families; Gerald Christoffel, (daughter Leandra Bell and son Jeremy); Darlene Cummings (sons Brent Larmet and Devin Larmet, wife Frances and daughter Kira); Ed Christoffel (wife Lupita and children Adam, Luiz and Joshua; and sons Chad Christoffel, [wife Cyntia and daughter Arianna] and James Christoffel; Karen Harty (husband Tim and children Amy Rittwage [husband Derrick and children Aaron and Addison], Joel Harty and Breawna Harty); brother Edmund Christoffel.

John was predeceased by his loving wife Eleanor Katherine (nee Assman) and parents John and Wilhelmina Christoffel, sisters Helen Christoffel, Rose Fines, Erna Temple, Anne Hoffman and Viola Pfeifer.





Headstone for John and Eleanor[21]

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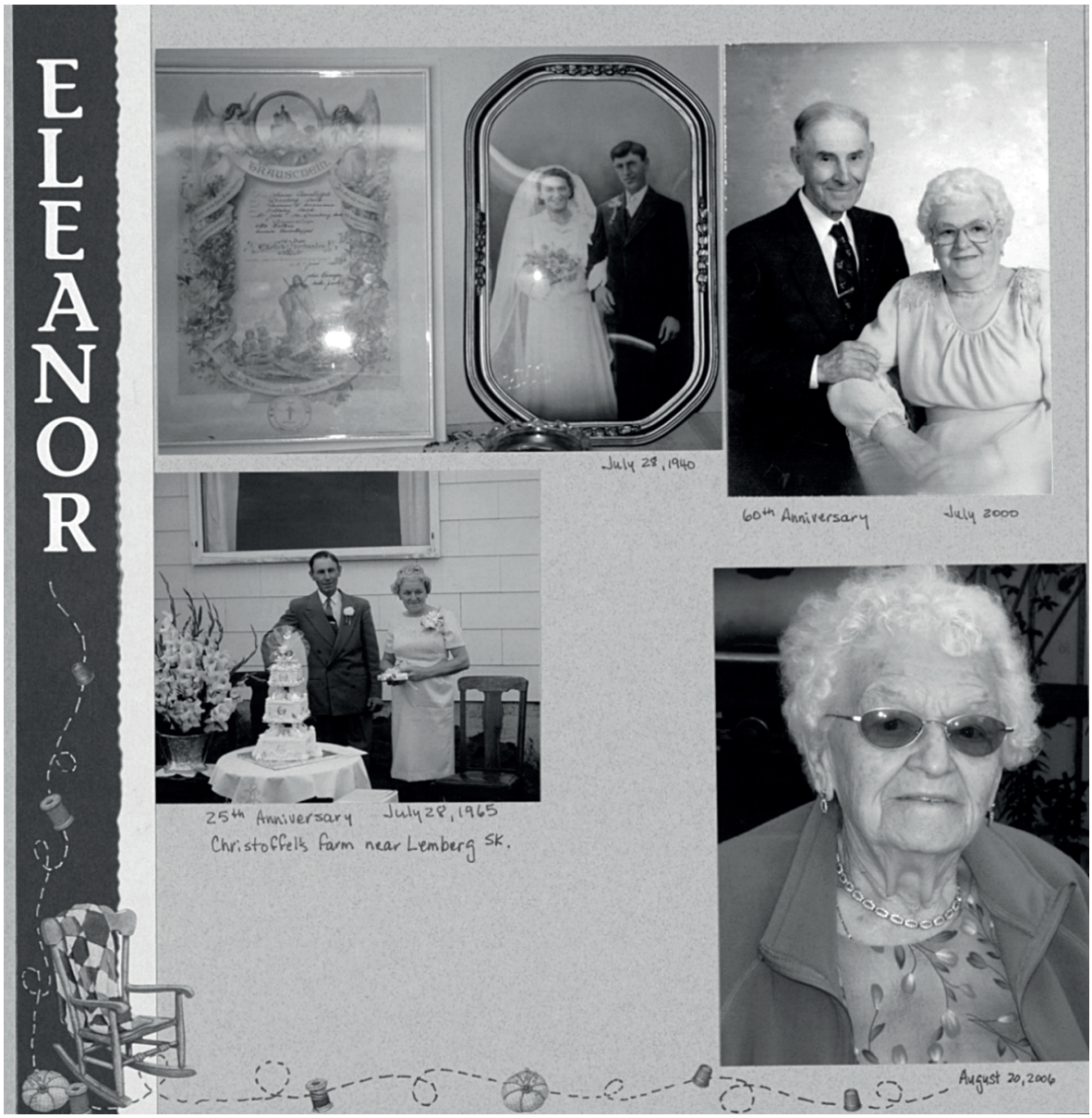
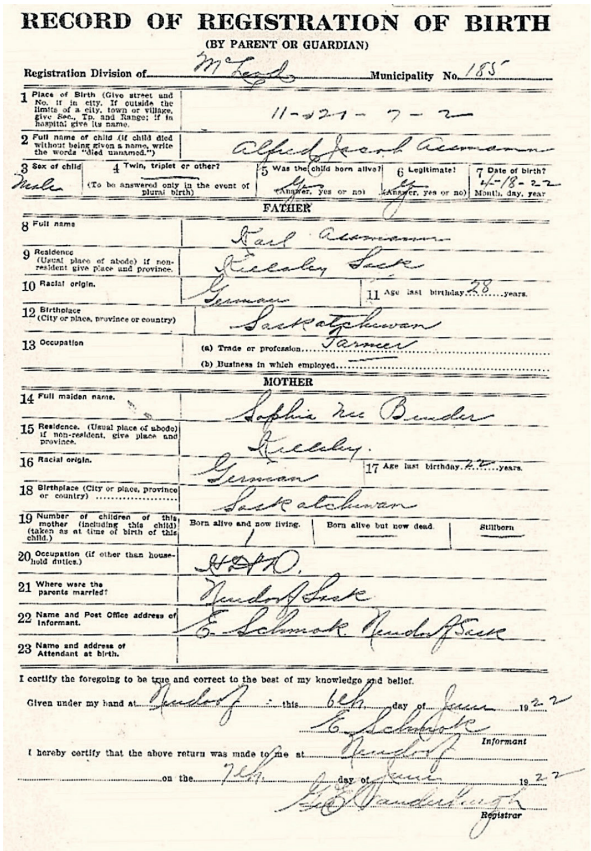


HERMANN JACOB OSCAR ASSMAN

Born 6 March 1921, died 20 March 2021. Infant. He is buried with his mother.

ALFRED JACOB ASSMAN

Born 8 April 1922, Killaly, Saskatchewan, Canada. Died 3 August 1950, age 28, Yorkton, Saskatchewan, and is buried at the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf, Saskatchewan. There is no record of him being married or having children.



RECORD OF REGISTRATION OF BIRTH

(BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN)

Registration Division of McLeod Municipality No. 185

1 Place of Birth (Give street and No. if in city. If outside the limits of a city, town or village, give Sec., Tp. and Range; if in hospital give its name.	11-21-7-2
2 Full name of child (if child died without being given a name, write the words "died unnamed.")	Alfred Jacob Assmann
3 Sex of child: Male	4 Twin, triplet or other? (To be answered only in the event of plural birth)
5 Was the child born alive? (Answer, yes or no)	Yes
6 Legitimate? (Answer, yes or no)	Yes
7 Date of birth? Month, day, year	4-18-22

FATHER

8 Full name	Karl Assmann
9 Residence (Usual place of abode) if non-resident give place and province.	Killaly Sask
10 Racial origin.	German
11 Age last birthday 28 years.	
12 Birthplace (City or place, province or country)	Saskatchewan
13 Occupation	(a) Trade or profession Farmer (b) Business in which employed —

MOTHER

14 Full maiden name.	Sophia nee Bender
15 Residence. (Usual place of abode) if non-resident, give place and province.	Killaly.
16 Racial origin.	German
17 Age last birthday 22 years.	
18 Birthplace (City or place, province or country)	Saskatchewan
19 Number of children of this mother (including this child) (taken as at time of birth of this child.)	Born alive and now living. 1 / Born alive but now dead. / Stillborn
20 Occupation (if other than household duties.)	H.D.O.
21 Where were the parents married?	Neudorf Sask
22 Name and Post Office address of Informant.	E. Schmok Neudorf Sask
23 Name and address of Attendant at birth.	

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf this 6th day of June 1922

E. Schmok
Informant

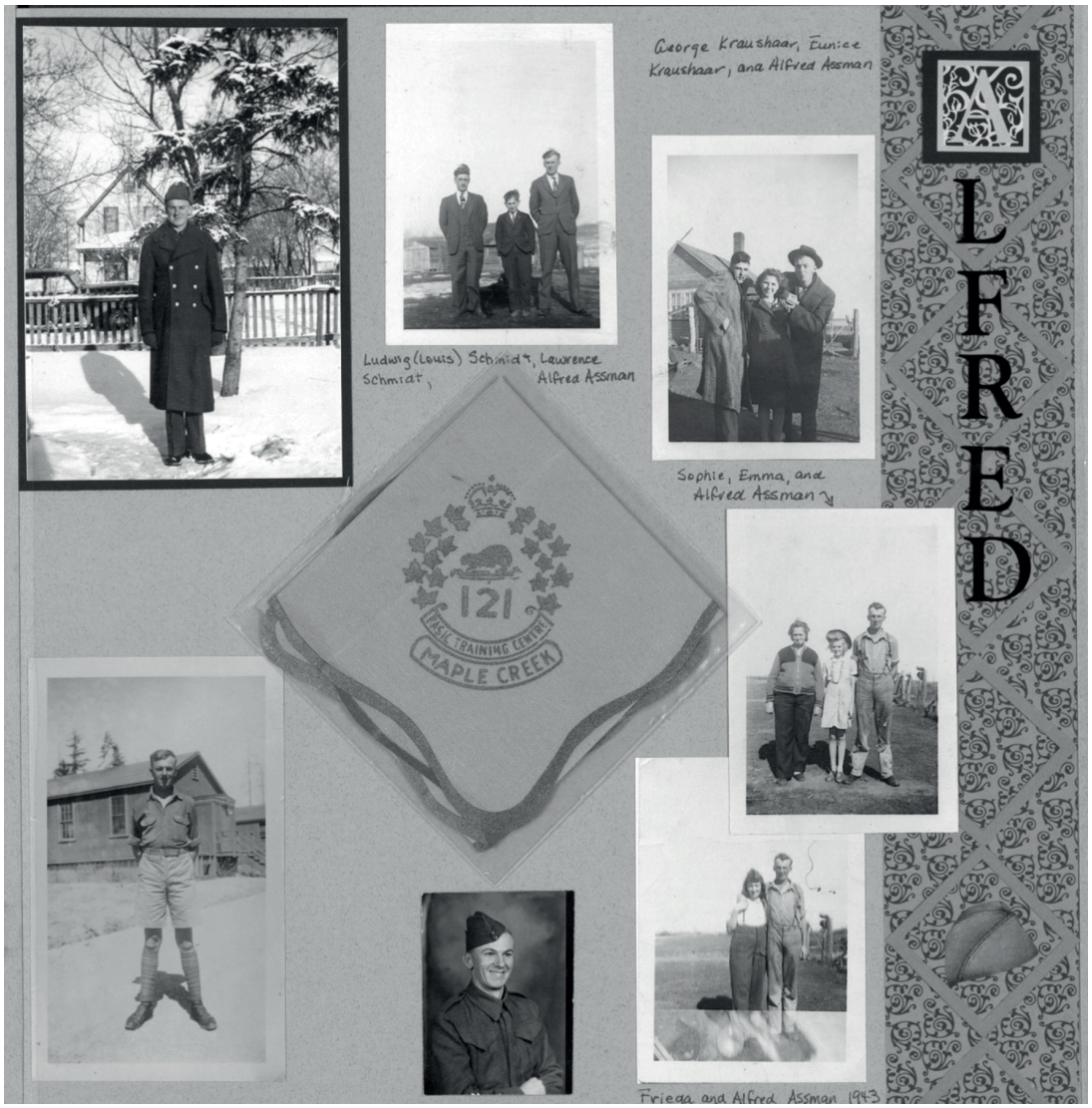
I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf on the 7th day of June 1922

G. E. Vanderburgh
Registrar



Alfred Assman Birth Registration and Baptism Certificate







Alfred Assman Headstone[22]

22 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/118756844/alfred-jacob-assman

FRIEDA ASSMAN

Born 15 June 1923, Neudorf, Saskatchewan; died 12 May 2020, Regina, Saskatchewan.



Married 1946 to **Karl Ernest Sastaunik**, born 15 June 1921, died 21 March 2008.

They had two children, a set of twins, one son and 1 daughter, Kenneth and Katherine.



Above: Frieda Assmann[23]
Right: Karl Ernest Sastaunik & Frieda Assman and family (back: Kathy, Shirley, Ken)
Below: Frieda's 90th Birthday celebration



23 Collection of Shelley Kloczko.

Karl passed away on 21 March 2008. Obituary:

MR. KARL ERNEST "ERNIE" SASTAUNIK
June 15, 1921 - March 21, 2008

Ernie - Loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather passed away peacefully on March 21, 2008 in Regina Wascana Grace Hospice at the age of 86 years. He is survived by his wife Frieda of 61 years; twin children Kathy and Ken (Shirley); grandchildren Allison and Jason; great granddaughters Shelby, Taylor, Hailey and Kate. He is also survived by his sister Gertie (Rudy) Tank; nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Ernie was predeceased by his parents Philip and Christina; brothers Bill and Henry; sisters Katie, Lizzie, Marie, Annie and Ida.
A FUNERAL SERVICE was held on Wednesday, March 26, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 4825 Dewdney Avenue, Regina, SK.
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memoriam to Regina Wascana Grace Hospice, 50 Angus Road, Regina, SK S4R 8P6 or to a charity of one's choice.
Arrangements are entrusted to Regina Funeral Home (306) 789-8850.[24]

Frieda passed away on 12 May 2020. Obituary:

SASTAUNIK, FRIEDA (NÉE ASSMANN)

It is with great sadness that we announce the peaceful passing of Frieda Sastaunik on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at the age of 96 years. Frieda was predeceased by her parents; husband Ernie (2008); four brothers; three sisters and three brothers-in-law. She will be lovingly remembered by her twins Kathy and Ken; grandchildren Allison (Brian) and Jason; great- granddaughters Shelby (Emilia), Taylor, Hailey and Kate; sisters Mary, Emma and Vernetta; sisters-in-law Marie and Donna; nieces, nephews, extended family and special friends (Jean and Rosemary).

Frieda was born on the family farm near Killaly in June, 1923. Frieda met Ernie Sastaunik, married in 1946 and resided in Melville. They were active members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church. They moved to Regina in 1966 and became active members of Christ Lutheran Church in 1967. She always made time for her church life. She worked at Sears for 20+ years and retired in 1988. This made for more time to spend in her "kitchen domain" busy baking and cooking. Family, relatives and friends were very important to her and always kept in touch with them by phone calls and/ or letters and cards. She loved writing poems and making special occasion scrapbooks for family. She will be forever missed. A private graveside service will be held on Saturday, May 16, 2020. Donations may be made in memoriam to a charity of one's choice. Family and friends are invited to sign the online obituary and tributes page at http://www.reginafuneralhome.ca. [25]



24 https://canadianobits.com/saskatchewan/webbbs_config.pl/noframes/read/4
25 Leader-Post obituaries: https://leaderpost.remembering.ca/obituary/frieda-sastaunik-1079187478



Headstone for Karl and Frieda, ad the Regina Memorial Gardens, Regina, Saskatchewan. GPS-Latitude: 50.4463889, Longitude: -104.5252778. Plot: Garden of Gethsemane and Sermon on the Mount, Lot 354, Space C[26]

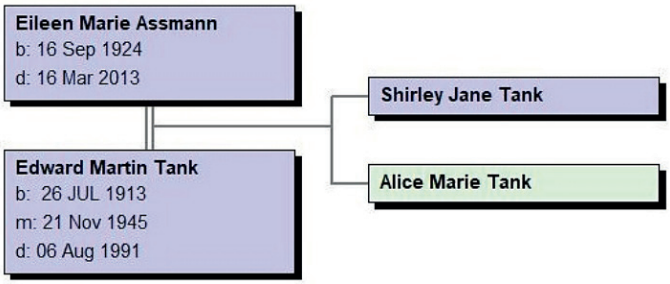


26 Find A Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/210109963/frieda-sastaunik#view-photo=232334326

EILEEN MARIE ASSMAN

Born 16 September 1924, died 16 March 2013, Bonnyville, Alberta. Married 21 November 1945 **Edward Martin Tank**, born 26 July 1913, Fowler, Pondera, Montana, USA, died 6 August 1991, Melville, Saskatchewan.

Eileen and Ed had two daughters, Shirley and Alice, both born in Melville.





Eileen and Ed, 40th Anniversary



Eileen

TANK—Edward Martin, beloved husband of Eileen Tank, Melville, passed away Tuesday, August 6, 1991, at the age of 78 years. Edward was predeceased by his parents Emil and Eva (nee Holm) Tank; a step-brother Earl and a step-sister, Marie. He leaves to mourn his passing, his loving wife, Eileen, of Melville; two daughters Shirley (Dave) Krahembil of Bonnyville, Alberta and Alice (Jack) Yeomans of Morinville, Alberta; two grandchildren, Kimberly and Keith Krahembil; a brother Ernest (Emma) Tank of Balcarres, Sask.; two sisters, Esther Scheiring of Winnipeg, Man., and Ella Hanowski of Toronto, Ont.; a special cousin, Rudolph Tank of Medicine Hat, Alberta; a number of cousins, nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held from St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Melville, on Friday, August 9, 1991, at 3:00 p.m. Interment will follow in the Melville Municipal Cemetery. Arrangments are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville.

Edward Tank and Eileen Tank Obits[27]

In Loving Memory Of

EILEEN MARIE TANK

Born: Tuesday, September 16, 1924
Died: Sunday, March 16, 2013
Age: 88 years

FUNERAL SERVICE
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Melville, Saskatchewan
Monday, March 25, 2013
at 2:00 p.m.

CLERGY
Rev. Kim Sherwin

INTERMENT
Melville City Cemetery

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
All who knew Eileen and touched her life

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Randy Piller
Keith Krahenbil
Gerald Christoffel
Quinton Tank
James McEachern
Cassidy McEachern



Eileen was predeceased by her husband Edward Tank; her parents Carl and Sophie Assman; her sister Eleanor Christoffel; her brothers Alfred, Clifford, Philip and John Assman, brothers-in-law Ernie Sastaniuk and Edward Piller; her son-in-law Jack Yeomans; her nephew Bobbie Austin. Eileen is survived by two daughters, Shirley(David) Krahenbil of Bonnyville, AB and Alice Yeomans of Morinville, AB; granddaughter Kimberly(James) McEachern of Iron River, AB; grandson Keith (Trixie) Krahenbil of Red Deer, AB; great grandchildren Cassidy, Hayley, Wade and Madison McEachern; sisters Freida Sastaniuk, Vernetta Assman, Gladys Piller, Emma Austin, Mary (Don) Shpak; brother-in-law John Christoffel; sisters-in-law Marie Osman and Donna Assman; and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Arrangements entrusted to
MATTHEWS FUNERAL HOME
Melville, Saskatchewan

27 Matthews Funeral Home: https://matthewsfuneralhome.ca/book-of-memories/1521632/Tank-Eileen/obituary.php



Eileen passed away on Saturday, 16 March 2013, at Bonnyville, Alberta. She was interred at the Melville City Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.

Edward & Eileen Headstone, Melville Cemetery Section C, Block 22, Plot 18[28]



28 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/107866829/eileen-marie-tank

VERNETTA CLARA ASSMAN

Born 31 March 1927, died 2 September 2024. Married 28 June 1950 **Walter Hahn** (div), born 6 July 1927, died 18 October 1996. They had two daughters, Brenda & Beverly.

Baptism record for Vernetta Assman[29]:



Wanetta Clara Assmann
geb. den 30ten März 1927 in Killaly Sask . Can.
ehel. Tochter von Karl Assmann
und dessen Ehefrau Sophie, geb. Bender
ist am 1ten Mai 1927
in der Ev . Luth . Christus Kirche in Neudorf, Sask .
im Namen des Dreieinigen Gottes getauft worden
Taufpaten waren
Jakob Piller
und Frau Marie , geb. Bender
W. Howebein
Ev. Luth. Pastor

English Translation:
Wanetta Clara Assmann,
born the 30th March 1927 in Killaly, Saskatchewan, Canada
legitimate dauther of Karl Assmann
and his wife Sophie, born Bender
has, on the 1 May 1928
in the Evangelical Lutheran Christ Church in Neudorf, Saskatchewan
been baptized in the name of the Triune God.
Godparents: were
Jakob Piller
and his wife Marie, born Bender
W. Howebein
Evangelical Lutheran Pastor

29 Wanetta Clara Assmann baptismal certificate (1927), in the possession of Mary Shpak, Regina, Saskatchewan. Transcription and translation by Shelley Kloczko.

Confirmation record for Vernetta Assman[30]:



Erinnerung
an den Tag der Konfirmation
Denkspruch
Suchet in der Schrift, denn ihr meinet ihr habt das ewige Leben darinnen; und
sie ist's, die von mir zeuget. Joh. 5, 39.
Vernetta Clara Assmann
geboren den 31ten Maerz 1927
konfirmirt den 4ten August 1940.
in der St. Johannis Kirche
zu Killaly, Sask.
A. Sander
Pastor

English Translation:
Memory
of the day of Confirmation
Motto
Search the Scriptures , for in them you think
you have eternal life;
and these are they which testify of Me.
John 5:39
Vernetta Clara Assmann
born the 31th March 1927
confirmed the 4th August 1940
in St. John's Church
in Killaly , Sask.
A. Sander
Pastor



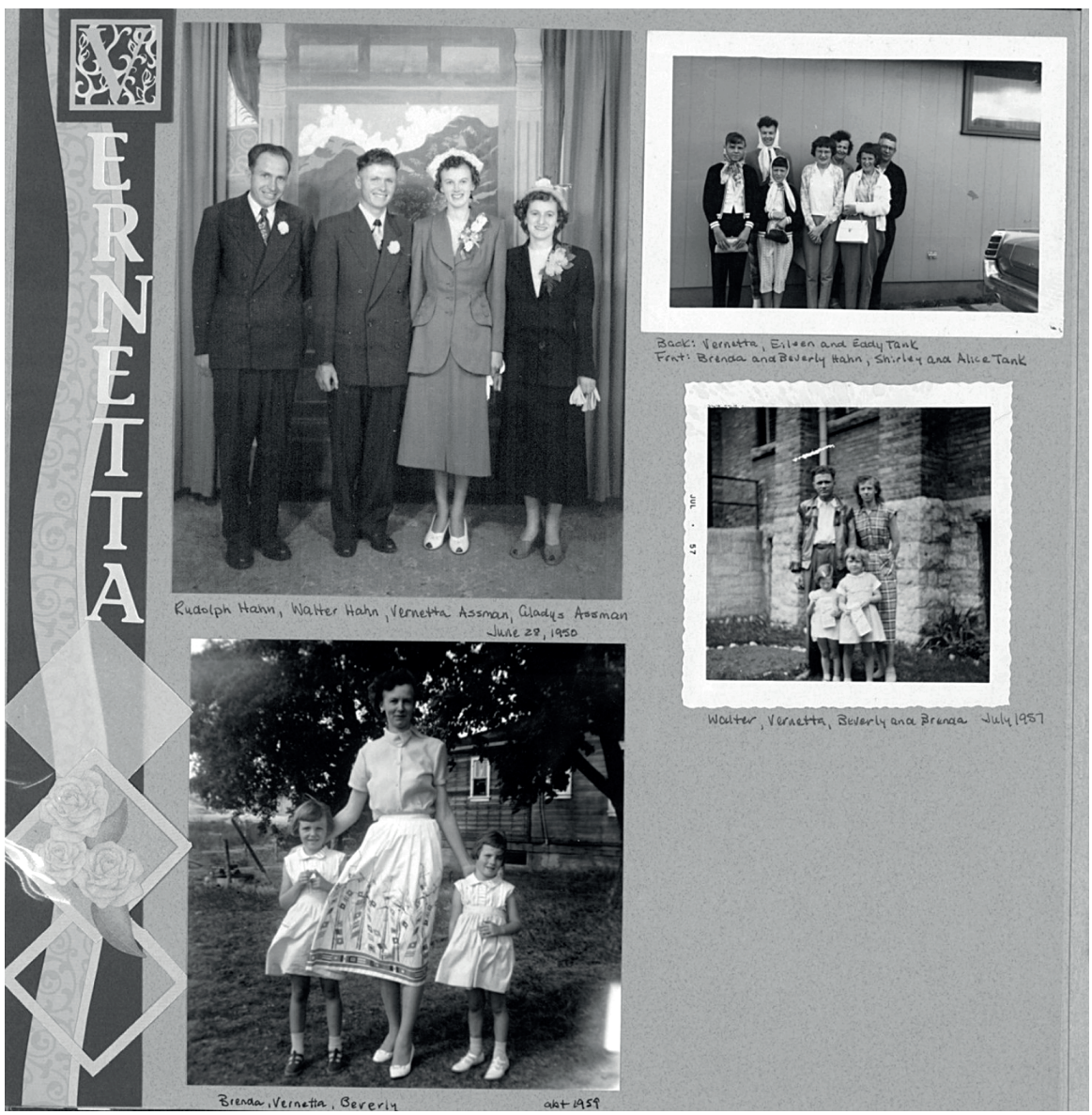
Vernetta & Brenda & ?

30 Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church (Killaly, Saskatchewan), confirmation certificate, Vernetta Clara Assmann, issued 1940, in the possession of Mary Shpak, Regina, SK.
Transcription and translation by Shelley Kloczko.





Vernetta's 80th birthday



Vernetta Obit:



With saddened hearts we say goodbye to our dear mother who passed peacefully at the age of 97. Vernetta was one of eleven children raised on the family farm near Killaly, SK. Vernetta was a loving mother to her two daughters, Brenda and Beverly, who she raised on her own in Winnipeg, MB. Vernetta took the girls on many vacations over the years to Melville, SK and surrounding area to visit relatives. In the Summer of 1967 Vernetta moved the family to Melville, where she started working at St. Paul Lutheran Home.

In 1972, Vernetta moved to Regina, where by this time some of her sisters had also moved. She worked at the Army & Navy Department Store for 19 years and retired in 1991. She made many friends at the store and had lots of fun times with her sisters. Vernetta moved to a Seniors apartment building in 1989 and lived there for 32 years - the longest-residing resident at that time. She was a long-time member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

By 2021 Vernetta was not able to live on her own and was in Qu'Appelle House Care Home for a time and then Sunset Long Term Care Home since February 2023 until her passing on September 2, 2024. Thank you to the staff at both of these Care Homes for the excellent care and compassion they showed to Vernetta.

Vernetta was predeceased by her parents Carl and Sophie Assman; brothers Alfred, Clifford, Philip and John Assman; her sisters Eleanor Christoffel, Eileen Tank, Gladys Piller and Frieda Sastaunik.

Vernetta is survived by her daughters Brenda (Cyril) Beaulieu and Beverly Johnston; her sisters Mary Shpak and Emma Austin; her sisters-in-law Marie Osman and Donna Assman.

Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 3825 Hillsdale Street, Regina, SK. Interment will take place in the Summer of 2025. Personal messages of condolence may be sent to the family at: www.AlmassyMetzFuneral.com. To plant a tree in memory of Vernetta Assman, please visit Tribute Store.

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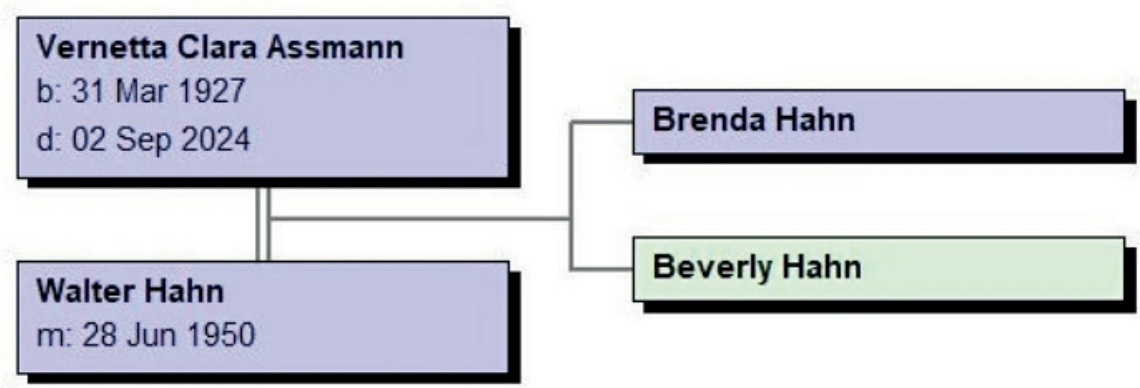
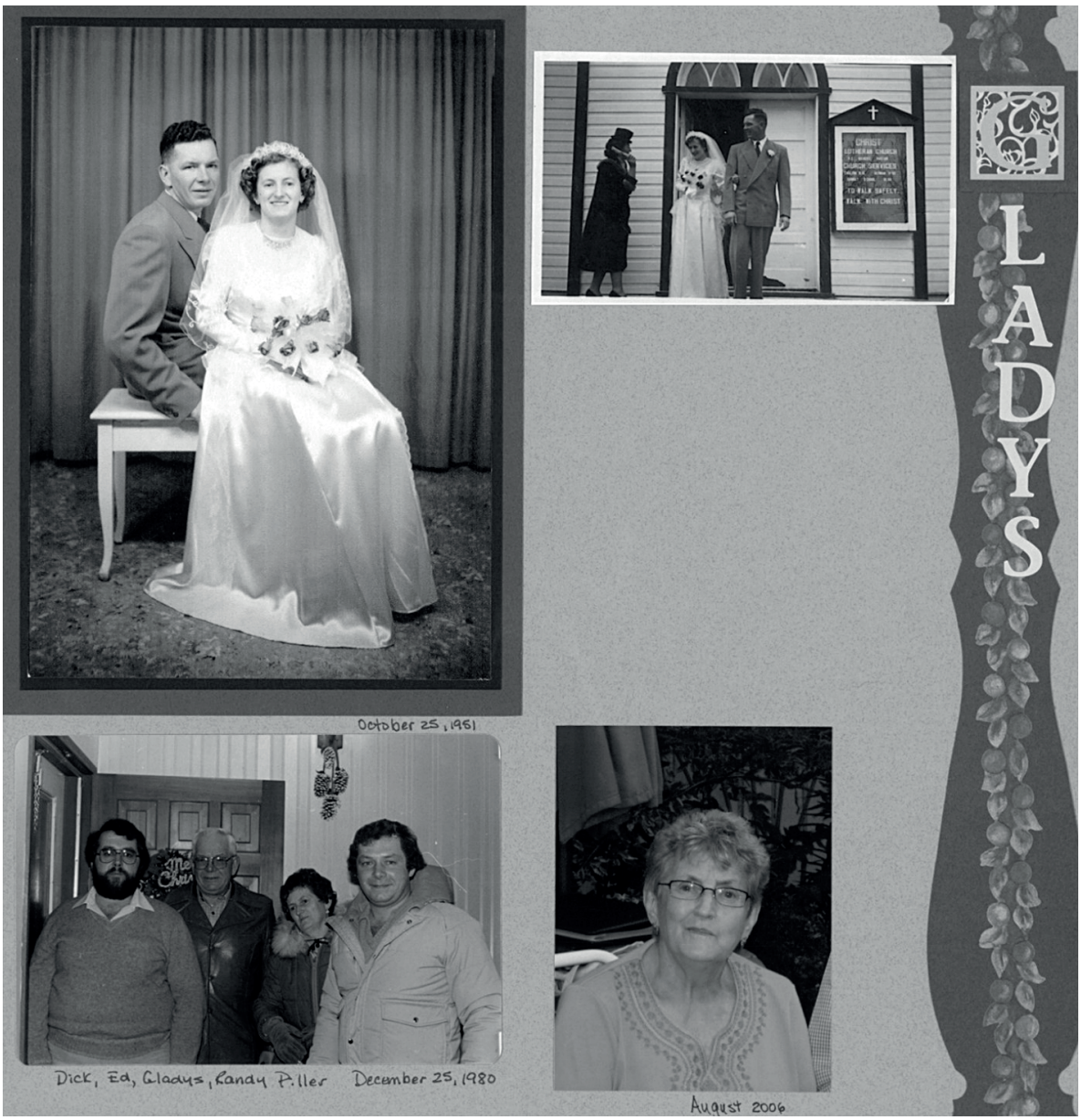


FLORENCE ROSALINE GLADYS ASSMAN

Born 3 January 1931, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. Died 6 July 2016, Wolseley, Melville Census Division, Saskatchewan. Married **Edward John Piller**, 25 October 1951.

They had two sons **Richard(Dick) Piller** and **Randy Piller.**



PILLER--Suddenly on Saturday, October 2, 1982, Edward Piller, Neudorf, Sask., age 55 years. The funeral service will be held in Neudorf Evangelical Church, Neudorf, on Thursday, October 7, 1982 at 2:00 p.m. the Rev. Harold Adam officiating. Interment in Piller Cemetery. Predeceased by one brother, Philip; and one sister, Mrs. Charles (Lizzie) Piller. Mr. Piller is survived by his loving wife, Gladys; two sons: Richard, Neudorf, Randy, Regina; two brothers: Jacob, Neudorf and Victor, Vancouver, B.C., three sisters: Mrs. Fred (Alice) Sens, Neudorf, Mrs. Arnold (Alma) Hack, Grenfell, and Mrs. Harold (Pearl) Schmidt, Regina. Arrangements in care of Tubman Funeral Home.

F.R. GLADYS PILLER

January 3, 1931 – July 6, 2016

On Wednesday, July 6, 2016, Gladys Piller, widow of Edward Piller, Regina, SK died at the age of 85 years. The funeral service will be held in the Chapel of Tubman Funeral Home, Wolseley, SK on Saturday, July 9, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. with Pastor Victoria Mwamasika officiating. Interment in the Piller Family Cemetery, Neudorf, SK. Gladys was predeceased by her husband Ed, her parents Carl and Sophia Assman; two sisters, Eleanor (John) Christoffel and Eileen (Ed) Tank; four brothers, John, Clifford, Philip and Alfred Assman. Gladys is survived by two sons, Dick Piller and Randy Piller (Debbie Brewster), two grandchildren Mark (Bianca) and Heidi; four sisters: Emma Austin, Frieda Sastaunik, Mary Sphak and Vernetta Assman, sister-in-law Jean Piller and numerous nieces and nephews. If friends so desire, contributions may be made to the Canadian Cancer Society, 1910 McIntyre Street, Regina, SK S4P 2R3. The Alzheimer Association of Saskatchewan, 301 - 2550 - 12th Ave Regina, S4P 3X1 or to a Hospital of your choice. Online condolences may be made at www.tubmanfh.com

Gladys Piller Memoriam



Published by Legacy Remembers on August 13, 2016. In loving memory of Gladys Piller January 3, 1931- July 6, 2016

The Lord in his loving mercy called Gladys home, united with Jesus in peace forevermore. Worship services at Calvary Evangelical Church were important in her life. Gladys was an amazing lady who shared her kindness and laughter with everyone. From the farm to the city she gracefully transformed: out with the butter churning, in with cash registers and metric measurements! She nurtured relationships with many customers and friends while at Fabricland and Avon Drugs. Northgate Mall outings with her friends routinely involved socializing at the food court and checking out the latest fashions. Family gatherings were always very special. We will always treasure our memories of you.

Your loving sisters, Frieda, Vernetta, Emma & Mary

EMMA ELISABETH ASSMAN

Born 20 April 1933. Married 21 August 1965 **Steve Austin**.

They had two children: 1) **Bobby Warren Victor Austin** and (2) **Darryl Austin**.

Emma currently lives in Peachland, BC.



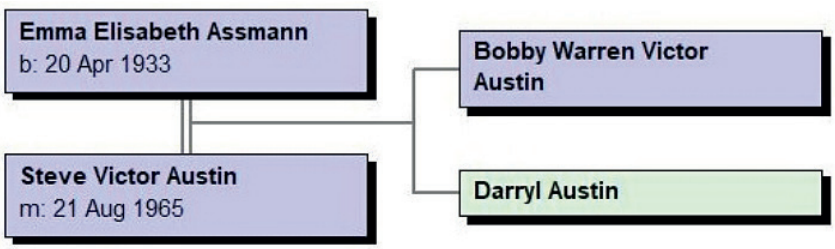




Left: Emma with niece Shelley (sister Mary's daughter) and son Bobby. Above: Emma & Steve

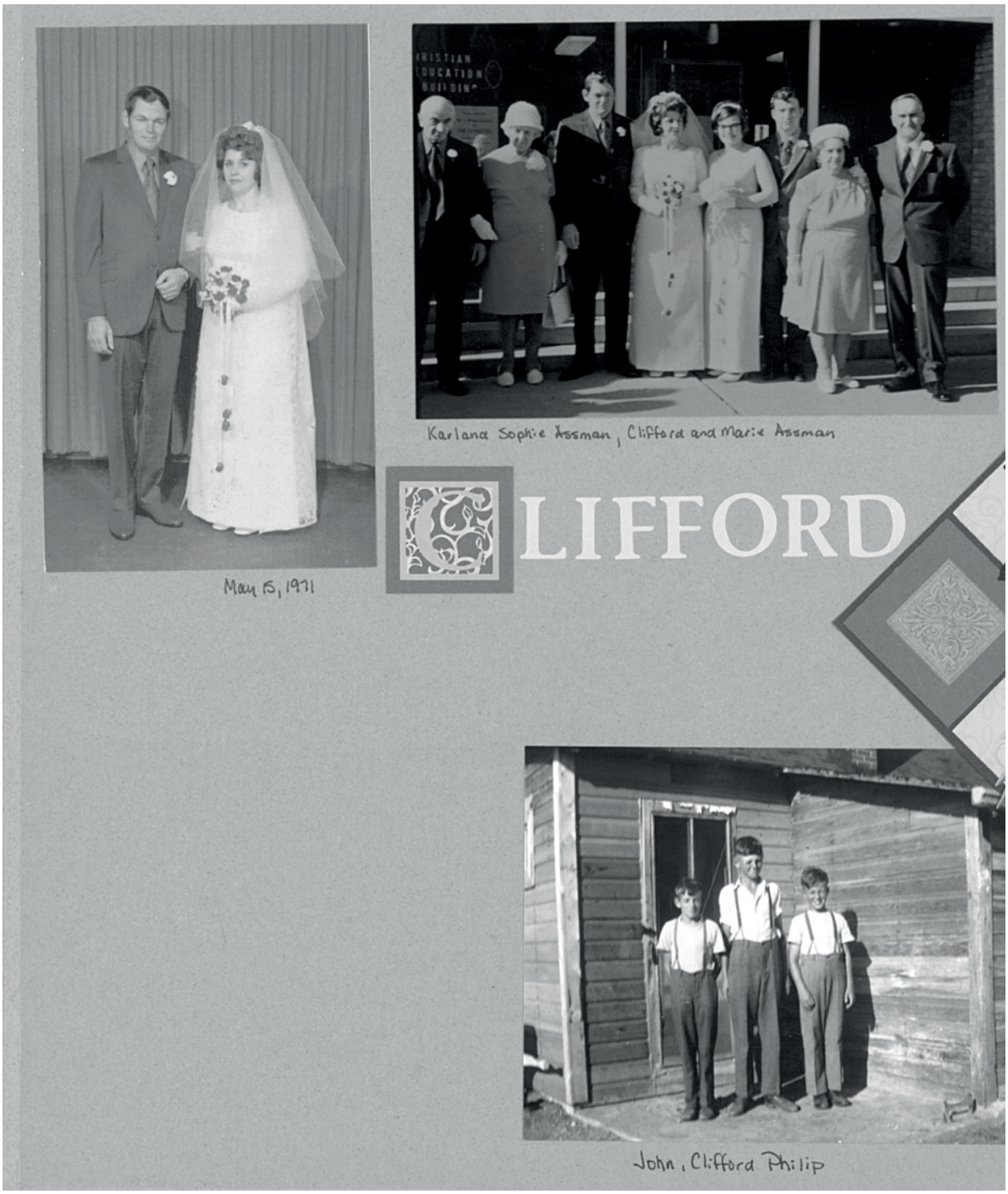


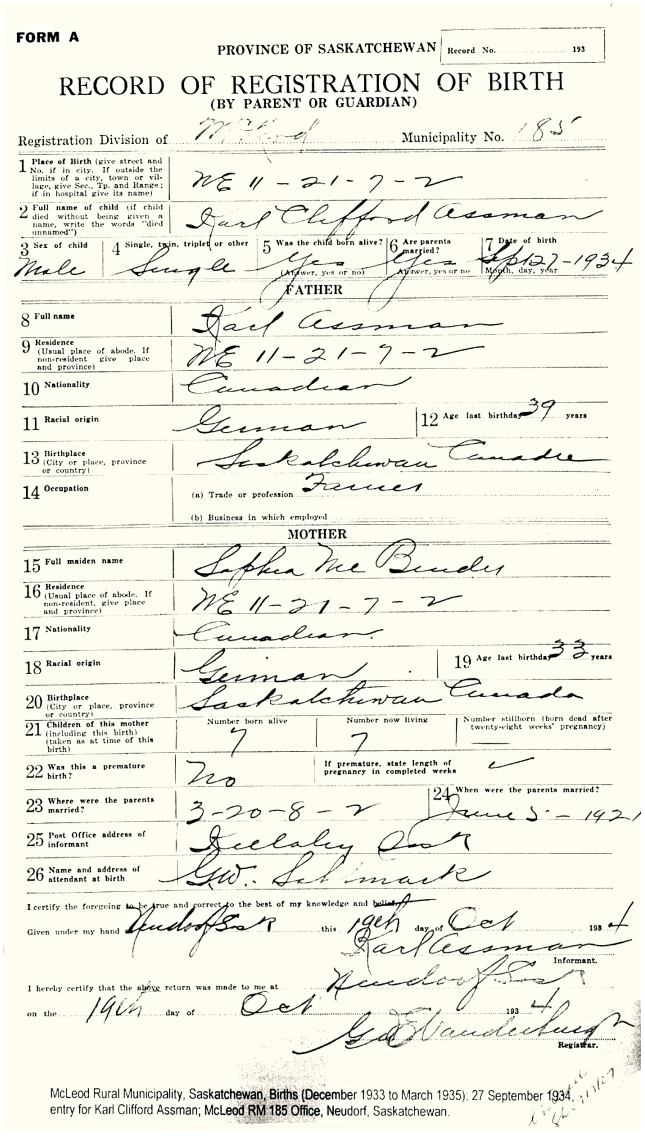
Emma & Steve with grandchildren



KARL CLIFFORD ASSMAN

Born 27 September 1935, died 19 May 1974, Killaly. Married 1971 **Marie Palmer**.
They had one son **James Clifford Assman** and one daughter **Jessica Jennifer Assman**.





FORM A

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN | Record No. 193

RECORD OF REGISTRATION OF BIRTH
(BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN)

Registration Division of McLeod Municipality No. 185

1 Place of Birth (give street and No. if in city. If outside the limits of a city, town or village, give Sec., Tp. and Range; if in hospital give its name)	NE 11-21-7-2
2 Full name of child (if child died without being given a name, write the words "died unnamed")	Karl Clifford Assman
3 Sex of child	Male
4 Single, twin, triplet or other	Single
5 Was the child born alive? (Answer, yes or no)	Yes
6 Are parents married? (Answer, yes or no)	Yes
7 Date of birth (Month, day, year)	Sep 27-1934

FATHER

8 Full name	Karl Assman
9 Residence (Usual place of abode. If non-resident give place and province)	NE 11-21-7-2
10 Nationality	Canadian
11 Racial origin	German
12 Age last birthday	39 years
13 Birthplace (City or place, province or country)	Saskatchewan Canada
14 Occupation	(a) Trade or profession Farmer (b) Business in which employed

MOTHER

15 Full maiden name	Sophia McBrinder
16 Residence (Usual place of abode. If non-resident, give place and province)	NE 11-21-7-2
17 Nationality	Canadian
18 Racial origin	German
19 Age last birthday	33 years
20 Birthplace (City or place, province or country)	Saskatchewan Canada
21 Children of this mother (including this birth) (taken as at time of this birth)	Number born alive: 7; Number now living: 7; Number stillborn (born dead after twenty-eight weeks' pregnancy)
22 Was this a premature birth?	No; If premature, state length of pregnancy in completed weeks ✓
23 Where were the parents married?	3-20-8-2
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25 Post Office address of informant	Killaly Sask
26 Name and address of attendant at birth	G.W. Schmark

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand Neudorf Sask this 19th day of Oct 1934

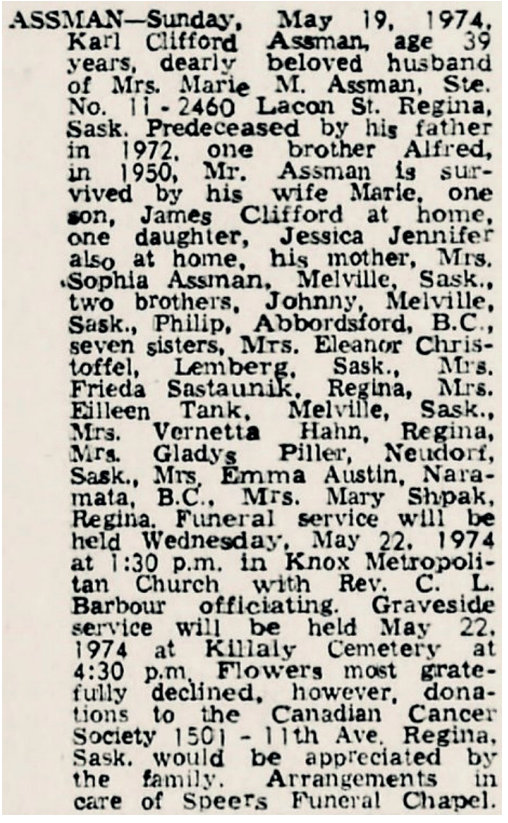
Karl Assman
Informant.

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf Sask on the 19th day of Oct 1934

G.E. Vanderburgh
Registrar.

McLeod Rural Municipality, Saskatchewan, Births (December 1933 to March 1935): 27 September 1934, entry for Karl Clifford Assman; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

Left: Karl Clifford Assman, registration of Birth. Below: Obit



ASSMAN—Sunday, May 19, 1974, Karl Clifford Assman, age 39 years, dearly beloved husband of Mrs. Marie M. Assman, Ste. No. 11 - 2460 Lacon St. Regina, Sask. Predeceased by his father in 1972, one brother Alfred, in 1950, Mr. Assman is survived by his wife Marie, one son, James Clifford at home, one daughter, Jessica Jennifer also at home, his mother, Mrs. Sophia Assman, Melville, Sask., two brothers, Johnny, Melville, Sask., Philip, Abbordsford, B.C., seven sisters, Mrs. Eleanor Christoffel, Lemberg, Sask., Mrs. Frieda Sastaunik, Regina, Mrs. Eilleen Tank, Melville, Sask., Mrs. Vernetta Hahn, Regina, Mrs. Gladys Piller, Neudorf, Sask., Mrs. Emma Austin, Naramata, B.C., Mrs. Mary Shpak, Regina. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, May 22, 1974 at 1:30 p.m. in Knox Metropolitan Church with Rev. C. L. Barbour officiating. Graveside service will be held May 22, 1974 at Killaly Cemetery at 4:30 p.m. Flowers most gratefully declined, however, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society 1501 - 11th Ave. Regina, Sask. would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements in care of Speers Funeral Chapel.

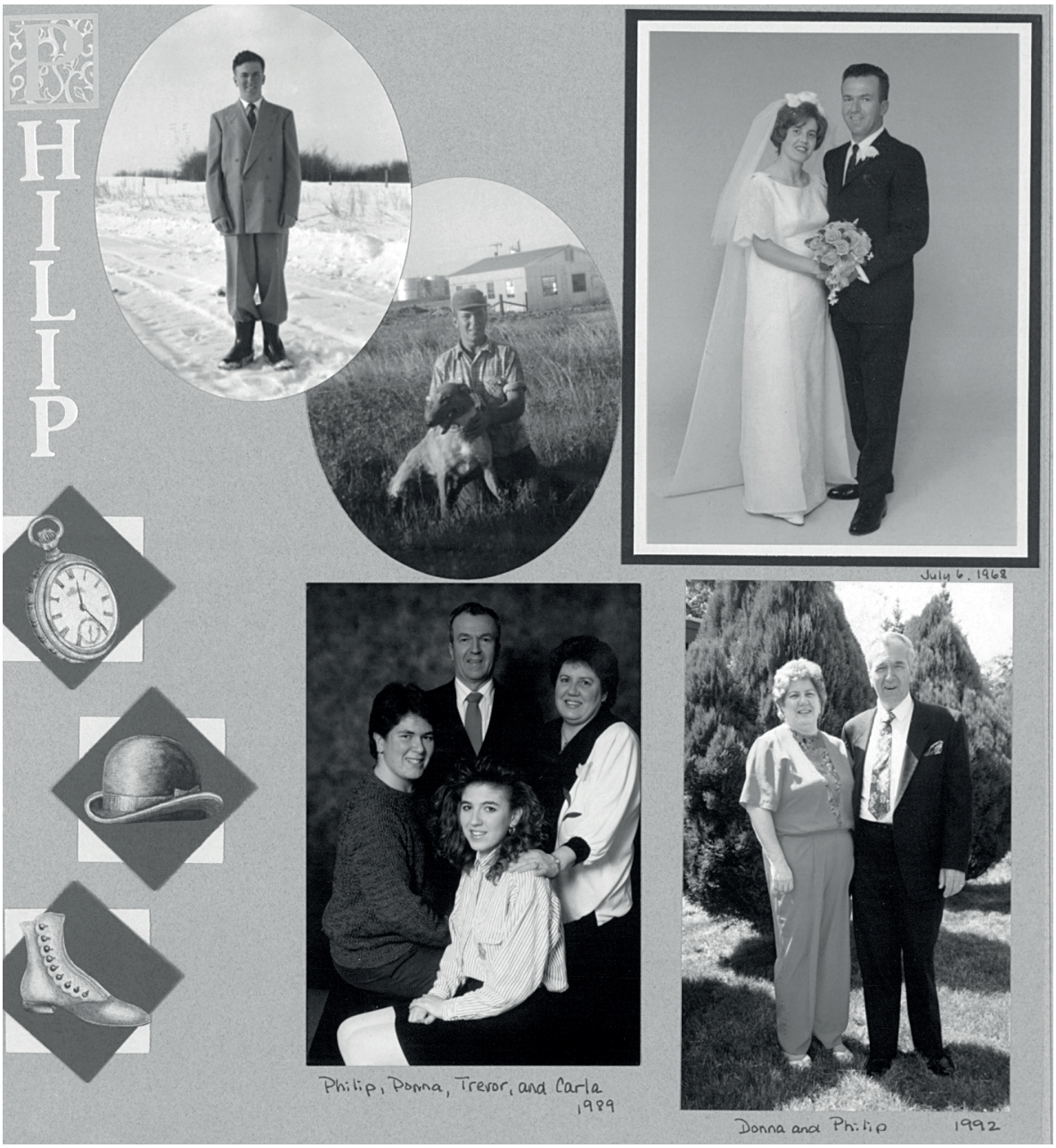


Karl Clifford Assman Headstone, St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Killaly, Saskatchewan[31]

31 Find a Grave, https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/118764466/karl_c_assman#view-photo=90969173

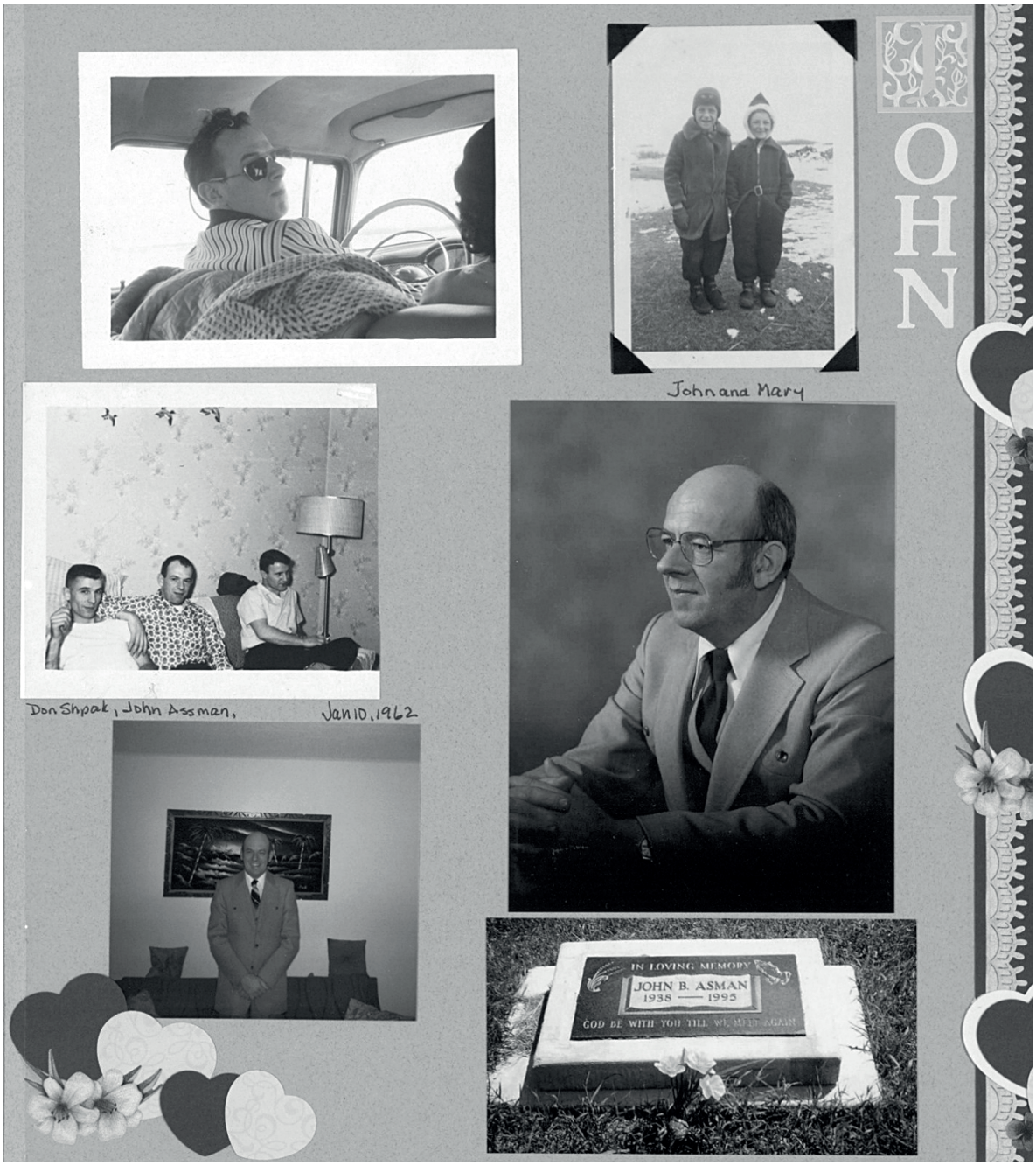
PHILIP ARTHUR ASSMAN

Born 6 January 1937, died 15 January 1993. Married 1968 **Donna Archer**.
They had two children, **Carla Assman** and **Trevor Assman**.



JOHN BERNHARDT ASSMAN

Born 2 February 1938, died 16 August 1995. John never married and had no children.



In Loving Memory Of

JOHN ASMAN

Born: February 2, 1938
Died: August 16, 1995
Age: 57 years

FUNERAL SERVICE
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Melville, Saskatchewan
Monday, August 21, 1995
at 10:30 a.m.

CLERGY
Rev. David Glawe

INTERMENT
St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Killaly

PALLBEARERS

Don Shpak
Jack Yeoman
Gerald Christoffel
Dick Piller
Randy Piller
Dave Krahenbil

John was predeceased by his parents, Karl and Sophia (nee Bender) Assman; four brothers, Herman in infancy, Alfred, Clifford and Philip; brothers-in-law, Ed Piller and Ed Tank and a nephew, Bobby Austin. He will be sadly missed by his seven sisters: Eleanor (John) Christoffel of Lemberg; Frieda (Ernie) Sastaunik of Regina; Eileen Tank of Melville; Vernetta Assman of Regina; Gladys Piller of Regina; Emma (Steve) Austin of Summerland, BC and Mary (Don) Shpak of Regina; sisters-in-law, Donna Assman of Abbotsford, BC and Marie Osman of Regina; nieces, nephews, other relatives and special friends and staff at the Yorkton Drop-In Centre.

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Melville, Saskatchewan

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
MELVILLE, SASKATCHEWAN

Rev. David Glawe — Pastor
Jamie Svenson — Organist

The Funeral of
JOHN BERNHARDT ASMAN
February 2, 1938 - August 16, 1995

August 21, 1995
10:30 a.m.

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Reading of the Obituary

The Lessons

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Psalm 1
Second Lesson: Romans 8: 31-35, 37-39

Solo: "When Peace, Like a River" — Pastor Dave
Gospel Lesson: John 14: 1-6

SERMON

Hymn: "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me" (John's Confirmation Hymn) — #333

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Hymn: "Amazing Grace" — #448

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MARIA (MARY) CAROLINE ASSMAN

Maria (Mary) Caroline Assman was born 2 February 1938, Killaly, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Karl Assmann (1894-1972) and Sophia Bender (1900-1979). She married 11 October 1958 at Killaly, Saskatchewan, to **William Donald Shpak** (10 January 1937-21 June 2016). She was known as Mary throughout her life.

Mary is the youngest of a family of 11 and is the twin sister to her brother John (no longer living). She had 5 sisters (only 1 still living as November 2024) and 4 other brothers, all of whom have passed.

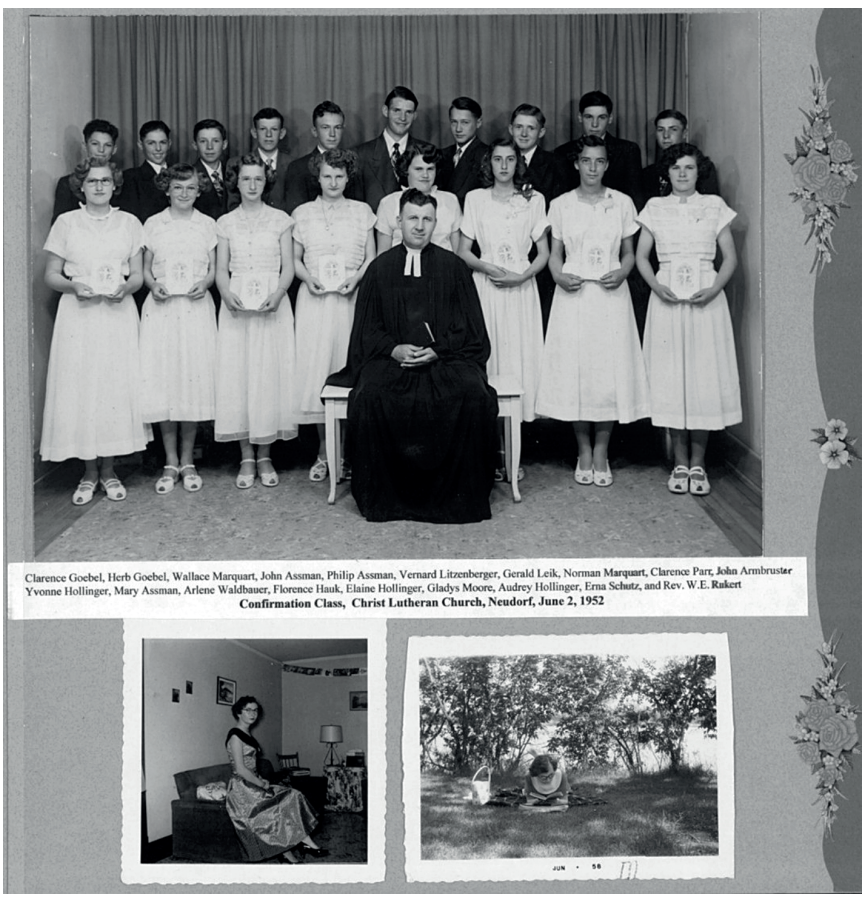
Mary attended Killaly Elementary and High School and went to the Killaly St. John's Lutheran Church services every Sunday. As she became older, she attended confirmation classes in Neudorf, travelling there by train.

As a young child and teen her playmates were her brothers since her sisters were much older and most had already moved away from home. A childhood game played by Mary and her siblings was to take the buggy or the sleigh in the winter, up the hill on the farmyard by the well and ride down. The kids would take the shaft off of the normally horse drawn buggy, attach a rope for a steering mechanism, climb on and the force of gravity would give them a thrill as they gained speed down the hill. The children had no fear of veering off into the nearby dugout or crashing into the fence. They often ran into the fence and tore their clothes. It is a miracle no one was severely injured. The neighbours used to say, "That farm has no grass. There are so many children tearing around the yard."

Mary loved horses and rode whenever she could. She recalls the numerous times she was bucked off or trampled by the horses without more than a scratch. Once she was run over by the manure sleigh, which was a close call. Again, another miracle she wasn't seriously hurt. When Shelley, Mary's oldest daughter, was three years of age, Mary was horseback riding near Regina when her leg got caught in the stirrup and she was dragged. Se ended up with a broken arm and there doesn't seem to be many stories about her riding after that time. That may have been the end of riding since she now had a child.

Mary left home about age 18 and moved to Regina and roomed with her sister Emma and her girlfriend, Shirley Brown. She worked at General Films in Regina with her sister Emma. I don't know if working at a film processing business early in her life had anything to do with Mary's love of picture taking, but she loves taking photographs. The family teases her about "couch pictures". At family gatherings, Mary insists on everyone sitting on the couch while she takes a photograph. (See more of Mary's memories of growing up in the appendices of the book.)





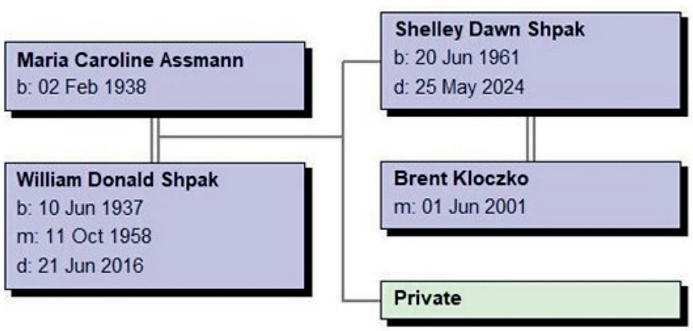
Clarence Goebel, Herb Goebel, Wallace Marquart, John Assman, Philip Assman, Vernard Litzenberger, Gerald Leik, Norman Marquart, Clarence Parr, John Armbruster
Yvonne Hollinger, Mary Assman, Arlene Waldbauer, Florence Hauk, Elaine Hollinger, Gladys Moore, Audrey Hollinger, Erna Schutz, and Rev. W.E. Rukert
Confirmation Class, Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf, June 2, 1952

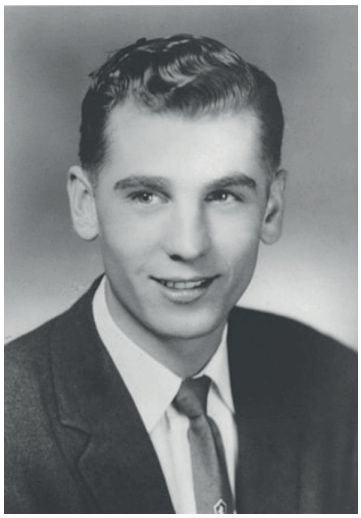


Mary married William Donald Shpak on 11 October 1958 at Killaly.

William Donald Shpak was born 10 January 1937 to Maxim Shpak (1868-1942) and Anna Rostotski (1873-1958) on the farm at West Bend, Saskatchewan. He went by Donald or Don throughout his life. Don lived in Foam Lake, nearby, until he was the age of 3. The family then moved to live on the farm with Walter's parents, Maxim and Anne who lived four miles northeast of West Bend.

They raised two daughters.





Don Shpak as a young man

The following are excerpts from Don Shpak's story....

One Saturday night, Don accompanied his friend to the Trianon Ballroom, 1850 Smith Street, Regina, where he met Mary Assman's sister Emma. Freddy Chorney took Emma to the dance, but for some reason, Don and his friend gave Emma a ride home that night. The next day, Don went back to Emma's where he was introduced to Mary. Mary's recollection is Emma introduced her to Don August 15, 1957. He was the only boyfriend she had. That memorable day, Don can remember Mary was washing clothes; she was wearing leopard print slacks. The rest is history, Emma was no longer of any interest to Don, Mary was.

Don worked at the Post Office picking up mail from the street mailboxes and delivering parcels. While courting, Don bought a black and white TV (1 channel) and let Emma and Mary keep it at their place. Of course he visited every night, so they watched TV together.

Don and Mary continued to date and were engaged at the wedding of Don's cousin, Steve. The wedding of Steve Rogoz to Doris Vachniuc was February 1, 1958. Mary's birthday is February 2, so Don may have proposed after midnight. I'm not sure, but Mary recalls the engagement on her birthday, February 2.

Without Mary knowing, Don was confirmed in the Lutheran faith at Trinity Lutheran Church, Ottawa Street, Regina while they were dating.



Don in front of Trinity Lutheran Church

They were married October 11 of that same year, 1958. The following is a newspaper article announcing the marriage:

Marriage vows were exchanged between Mary Caroline Assman and William Donald Shpak of Regina in St. John's Lutheran Church at Killaly on Saturday, October 11. The ceremony was performed by Rev. I. Hohm of Melville. The church was decorated with red and white carnations and pansies, and organist Victor Eberley accompanied Mrs. Hohm when she sang "O Perfect Love".

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Assman of Killaly, and the groom is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shpak of West Bend.

Given in marriage by her father the bride was charming in gown of white net and lace over silk, with lace bodice finished with lilypoint sleeves. Her chapel veil misted from a dainty crown and she carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations.

She was attended by her sisters, Mrs. Ernest (Frieda) Sastaunik of Melville as matron of honour, and bridesmaids, Emma Assman, a sister, and Marie Shpak, the groom's sister.

The attendants wore waltz length gowns of blue with matching feather headdresses and carried yellow daisies. The groom and his attendants, Eddie Rogoza (cousin of Don) of Melfort, the bride's

twin brother Johnny, all wore suits in charcoal shade. Out of town guests included the groom's parents and sister from West Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Marv Shpak of Barrie, Ontario, and Miss Vernetta Hahn (bride's sister) of Winnipeg.



Left to right: Walter and Helen Shpak, Don and Mary Shpak, Sophie and Carl Assman, 11 October 11, 1958, Killaly, SK

A supper was held in the Rainbow Hall for about 90 guests, given by the bride's parents. Bridal table decorations included a lovely three tier wedding cake flanked by candles and flowers. A toast was proposed by Rev. Holm and responded to by the groom. In the evening a dance attended by approximately 275 friends and relatives was held, with music supplied by Piller's Orchestra. Lunch was served. A week later, on Saturday October 18, a second reception was held at Edmore Hall, near West Bend (where the groom's parents lived), when approximately 150 guests were present.



Mary and Don had a five-day honeymoon at Black Hills, Montana.

From: 1960s and 1970s - Rented Resident Addresses in Regina - Memories of Mary - Excerpts

"Toronto Street - Married, 1 kitchen (no sink), 1 bedroom, TV 1837 Osler Street - 2nd floor, 1 kitchen, 1 bedroom, 2 months, shared bathroom.

? Osler Street - 2nd floor, kitchen, living room, shared bathroom.

2232 Rose Street - main floor, living room, kitchen access to basement laundry, shared upstairs bathroom, occupancy 18 renters $67.00 /month. Duties, hallways and bathroom clean up and collecting rent.

2338 Smith Street - 2nd floor veranda and 1 big room, shared bathroom.

2142 Scarth Street - 2nd floor, 3 rooms, shared upstairs bathroom- George Myrna Metrov. Shelley was born 1961. Washer in basement, hung clothes outside, no dryer.



Brother, Clifford, boarded with us from 1962–68 during winter layoffs as a gravel truck driver. He paid $2 a day board and room.

1962–1968. Worked until 2 months before Shaylinn was born. My duties were typing invoices and correspondence. I loved my job. I resigned from General Films and was employed at Tees & Persee, Consignment wholesale. The wages were higher."

315 Royal Street, first home, 1962 (Shelley in front)

Don wanting to provide for his wife built a house in the 300 block of Royal Street in Regina in about 1962. While they lived there a second daughter was born, Shay (1968). One week after Shay was born, they moved to Yorkton, Saskatchewan. While they were there they rented a duplex for a short time and again built a house. Don was working for the Provincial Government and was transferred there. He was a labour standards officer at the time.

Mary's memories: *"Rented a duplex first, 2-574 Circlebrook Drive. Built our own house 87 Cedarwood Crescent in 1969.*

What a busy time. Birth of baby, packing, moving, unpacking, farewell parties at Frieda's and Doris Rogoz's, birthday party for Shelley. All in June.

Moved July 1st. Ernie helped with a U haul. Don traveled a lot often stayed away some nights, his territory was Hudson Bay to Whitewood.



87 Cedarwood Crescent, 2006

Owned my first car, 1964 Ford Falcon. I was employed during summer at a government department issuing car licenses and a couple of weeks as a receptionist at the Yorkton Court House. Filled in for staff taking vacations. Otherwise I enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom in Yorkton. We attended St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Yorkton.

Relocated back to Regina in 1972. Transferred back because there was no travel involved for Don outside of Regina."



Don retired from the Government in 1987 at the age of 50. Mary worked in Regina for the Provincial Government as well in the Health Department, Communicable Disease section. She retired in 1996.

Don and Mary were active with their church their whole lives. They volunteered their time and talents in many ways. Don always wore a suit for work and church on Sunday. He wasn't concerned about changing into work clothes to do odd jobs around the house. Mary would scold him for working in his good clothes. Occasionally he would mow the lawn on a Sunday after church in his suit. I'm sure the neighbours talked about that.

Don & Mary

Memories of Don, from daughter Shelley:

"Don had always been a very handy man. There was nothing he couldn't do (according to me, his oldest daughter) including, plumbing, electrical, construction, etc. What I remember most is him coming home for lunch and working at home during his lunch break. He would put up a strip of wallpaper for example over the lunch hour in his suit, of course. At their 25th anniversary celebration their church friends portrayed Don as wearing a suit with a screwdriver in his pocket. The skit showed Don attending a church service wearing his suit. He stopped in his tracks, somewhere in the service, pulled the screwdriver out of his pocket to tighten a loose screw. (I don't remember if this is the exact way it went, but I hope you get the idea about his attention to detail and willingness to assist in any way he could use his talents.)"

Both Don and Mary enjoyed corresponding by email to many friends and relatives. Don particularly liked keeping up with the latest technology, i.e., cellular phones, sophisticated landline phones, computers, DVD players, satellite TV, and the like. Don had a wide array of tools for all of his handy work. To his daughter's dismay, he is slowly gave them to his son-in-law, Brent (husband of Shelley) filing up their garage.

Don and Mary traveled a lot. When their children were young, they took summer vacations sometimes camping (This was not a favourite thing for Don, although he liked to fish.) but most often traveling south of the border by car.

Don was always determined to get there, wherever where was, ignoring the sights along the way. Mary on the other hand wanted to stop at all the touristy places along the route. As a kid Shelley remembered staying at Motel 6 or Super 8, an economical overnight stay.



Don & Mary 25th Wedding Anniversary Portrait



This is from their 50th wedding anniversary celebration at the German Club, hosted by Shelley and Brent Kloczko

After the kids left home, Mary and Don continued to travel. They went on cruises and tropical winter holidays. They had always traveled to British Columbia annually to visit many of their relatives including sisters and their families. They travelled frequently every month within the province visiting friends and family. They are very family oriented, continuing to retain family relationships. Mary and Don loved to entertain. Nothing gave them more pleasure than having a house full of friends and relatives that they could feed.

Mary & Don raised their two daughters for the most part in Regina. They were married for 57 years. Don passed away on 21 June 2016.

<u>William Donald Shpak Obituary</u>

William Donald (Don) Shpak, late of Regina, SK, passed away suddenly on June 21, 2016 at the age of 79 years. Predeceased by parents Walter and Helen Shpak; brothers, Johnny (infancy) and Marvin. Don is survived by Mary, his loving wife of 57 years; daughters Shelley (Brent) Kloczko of Regina and Shay (Glenn Ruzicka) Shpak of Regina; grandchildren, Stephanie (Brent Schaeffer) Bruch, Danna Bruch, Tori Gawthrop and Sydney Ruzicka; great-granddaughter, Bailey Schaeffer; sisters Marie (Carl) Tozer of Surrey, BC and Audrey Gerela of Vancouver, BC; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Don was a man of God, a man of steadfast faith, very generous, full of integrity and a superb role model to his family. He loved people, loved cooking for company and welcomed any opportunity to socialize with friends and family. He was always willing to lend a helping hand; he derived happiness from others - the smile on his face would light up a room! In spite of the plethora of females around him (wife, daughters, granddaughters, great-granddaughter, sisters, sisters-in-law,) he was a man's man; he loved hunting and fishing and was admirably known as 'the tool man' to those who knew him. He was well-respected and loved very much. Don will be greatly missed. Service will take place at Celebration Church, 3130 Renfrew Cres. E, Regina, on Friday, June 24, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. Family interment at a later date. Family and friends so wishing may make donations, in memoriam, to Celebration Church or to the Heart and Stroke foundation.

https://www.speersfuneralchapel.com/obituaries/William-Donald-Shpak?obId=28860519

Memorial Service
Friday, June 24, 2016
10:30AM
Celebration Church
3130 Renfrew Crescent E.
Regina, SK S4P 1C5



SHELLEY DAWN SHPAK

Shelley Dawn Shpak, born 20 June 1961 Regina, Saskatchewan, to Maria (Mary) Caroline Assman (1958) and Donald Shpak (1937- 2016). Married 1 June 2001 Brent James Kloczko; died 25 May 2024.





Shelley, the oldest of two daughters of Maria (Mary) Caroline Assman and Donald Shpak, grew up in Regina, until the family moved to Yorkton in 1969 and then returned to Regina in 1972, where she finished her elementary and high school education. In the summer times the family went on trips by car or camping to places in Canada or often to the United States to explore places.

After high school, Shelley attended NAIT (Northern Alberta Institute of Technology) in Edmonton where she studied tailoring. In 1979, Shelley began her thirty-year plus career with the Regina Police Service in communications.

Shelley married Brent James Kloczko on 1 June 2001, and they resided in Regina.

Although Shelley passed before she could write this chapter on her life, she had many interests throughout her life, including scrapbooking, quilting, and genealogical research to name a few.

And while there are gaps in the recounting of her amazing contributions and activities, as she had not written her history before she passed, there are some nuggets we can glean from the eulogies written for her celebration of life that touch on some of her most passionate pursuits. These follow below.

<u>Eulogy from Shelley's childhood friend: Heather Crawford Hughes</u>

I've known Shelley since we were babies. But I really got to know her when we were 3 years old. It was her birthday party. And did we party, blowing up balloons through straws and dancing. As neighbours we saw a lot of each other. Going to each other's birthday party, skating at the rink in the field outside our back yard until our little feet were blocks of ice, running through a sprinkler on a hot summer day and holding hands with anticipation going to our first day of school. My mother's observation that Shelley was a serious child but always, always polite and proper.

One day Kathy, Shelley's cousin, was babysitting her. Shelley decided that she wanted to venture and

came over to my place, unbeknownst to Kathy. It gave Kathy a scare as she didn't know where she was. That was when we knew if Shelley wanted to do something she had the determination to do it.

As young women we even had apartments across the hall from one another. We were always together. One weekend we decided to take a road trip to Minot to get household items for our places. We shopped until her car was full. Upon our return we had to stop at the border not realizing that our spending spree could cost us. Not to worry, Shelley knew the border guard and we sail on through.

At that age we lived without a care - sunbathing without sunscreen, trying different foods mostly Taco Time, playing lots of backgammon, which Shelley usually won and drinking a nice cold beer. We would even go line dancing; Shelley was the expert and didn't miss a beat.

Our lives were sometimes separated during our friendship. She moved to Yorkton for several years when she was young. Then as a young woman she went to NAIT in Edmonton to study tailoring. Every time she returned to Regina it was like our friendship was reaffirmed. When I got married, Shelley was, of course, my maid of honour. She made my wedding dress which was absolutely beautiful. Then my married life took me to Saskatoon. But as Shelley had so eloquently told me 'A strong friendship doesn't need daily conversation. Doesn't always need togetherness, as long as the relationship lives in the heart, true friends will never part.'

Our friendship was strong, and we would do anything for each other. I know Shelley loved me and I loved her in return.

One day Shelley gave me a call. There was excitement and joy in her voice like I've never heard before. She said that she had met this wonderful man named Brent. She told me their first date was the best as they talked all night and drank wine until sunrise. That was when I knew she was in love. Then her next chapter began.

<u>Eulogy on Shelley's Career with the Regina Police Service:</u>

My name is Maureen Schmidt and I had the pleasure of working with, for and alongside Shelley for over 25 years. After our retirements, we have maintained a close friendship and looking back; between work, travel for work, car drives across the province and friendship I spent more time with Shelley than any other woman on this planet. So many memories.

Thank you, Brent, for asking me on behalf of all her colleagues to speak today about Shelley's career. It is an honour.

Shelley was a civilian member of the Regina Police Service for over thirty years. She was hired in 1979 and worked intermittently in different roles including Switchboard, Records and CPIC. In 1988, Shelley became a civilian dispatcher which set the foundation for the remainder of her career. Dispatching is basically telling police officers where to go – and she was a natural.

In 1993, Shelley was part of the Regina Police Service Communication Officer Class #1 and later that year became the Communications Coordinator. Goodbye shiftwork.

In 1995, Shelley was promoted to Communications Manager. Managing a 24/7 public safety centre is very stressful and Shelley was up for the challenge. Her development of this position and its responsibilities has paved the way for her successors.

Relationships were key to Shelley's many achievements. Development of her supervisory and front-line staff was a priority. Working closely with both sworn and civilian members; agencies such as Fire, EMS, Emergency Management, Sask911, industry experts and contacts from across North America, Shelley strategically managed and implemented several complex communication and radio systems that remain a fundamental part of today's Communication Centre. Her involvement

with Public Safety Professional Associations ensured that she remained up to date with technology trends and best call centre practices.

Shelley's vision, knowledge, leadership, technical expertise, professionalism and diligence awarded her much success in her career. Her dry sense of humour and wit were greatly appreciated. Humour was definitely necessary when a police officer would attend her office with a cellphone or pager that had once again been accidentally dropped in the toilet. Shelley handled it all in stride. Shelley did have a couple of workplace pet peeves; 1. People who chewed gum while talking and 2. People who sweated profusely in meetings after a lunch hour Boot Camp Workout. I can admit that I was guilty of both; much to Shelley's chagrin.

There is no way to recognize everything Shelley accomplished during her career. Her legacy speaks for itself. She was always a very proud member of the Regina Police Service. Maintaining a work/ life balance was a priority which allowed Shelley to transition easily into retirement in 2013. She committed to new projects, volunteering and education always sharing her talents with others.

Thank you, Shelley, for always remaining true to yourself. You will be missed.



<u>Shelley as a Quilter:</u>

Shelley was a quilter for many years, a member of the Prairie Piecemakers Quilters' Guild and with other groups and on her own making quilts for fundraisers, to give to charity, shows and sales, and as gifts for loved ones. The Guild's charity arm, Connecting Threads annually donates about 50 charity quilts annually to groups working with cancer patients, premature babies, sick kids, families in need and those fleeing domestic violence (donating more than 1000 quilts over 8 or 9 years). Shelley was dedicated to being part of this, and also created award winning quilts.

Eulogy on Shelley's Quilting:

Our friend Shelley is a quilter whose creativity and passion enriched our lives with warmth and beauty inside and out.

Shelley found true joy in the simple pleasures of quilting—the rhythmic hum of her sewing machines, or as Brent would call it the varoom, varoom factory, Shelley's basement became a sewing sanctuary, filled with like minded ladies the basement was a tactile pleasure of fabric beneath our fingertips, a place of industrial intelligence (gossip) and the endless possibilities that lay within her vast stash of fabrics.

Shelley was not just a quilter; she was a master of the quilting language, fluent in the intricate dialect of HST's, WOF's, FQ's and the precision of the elusive ¼ inch seam. Each glued stitch she made was a testament of her dedication and love for quilting.

And who could forget our legendary road trips in search of the finest fabrics and sewing machines? With a twinkle in Shelley's eye and a sense of adventure in her heart, we embarked on countless journeys, traversing highways, and byways in pursuit of that elusive bolt of fabric or perfect featherweight machine. Each excursion was an opportunity to discover how much fabric we could fit in a vehicle. We oohed and awed over that treasured piece of recently purchased fabric. That fabric will always remain in our stash as it is too pretty to cut up.

One of the many facets of Shelley's quilting legacy was her dedication to quilting for charity. With each quilt she created for Connecting Threads, she shared not only her skill and creativity but also her warmth and compassion. Whether it was making quilts for newborns, or for those facing illness or hardship, Shelley donated several hundred quilts. Shelley selflessly gave of herself to bring comfort and joy to others.

But it wasn't just strangers who benefited from Shelley's generous spirit. Her family and friends were also the recipients of her love-infused quilts. Each stitch was a gesture of affection, each quilt a tangible expression of her deep bonds with those she held dear. From cozy lap quilts to intricate bedspreads, Shelley poured her heart into every project, creating cherished heirlooms that will be treasured for generations to come.

Love: Bonnie, Heather and Tannis



Shelley with the quilt she made of her father's ties after his passing

Shelley as a Genealogist

Shelley was a certified genealogist, educated at the NIGS, Canada, Research Canadians, specializing in Saskatchewan, Record agent for local archives and libraries. Her time periods specialities were from the 1600s to 2000's in Ukraine and Canada, particularly Saskatchewan, working with emigration and immigration and naturalization searches. She was registered with Genealogists website (https://www.genealogists.com/pro) as a professional generalist offering paid research services to clients. She was a member of the Saskatchewan genealogical society, particularly the Regina Branch where she also severed on the board.

Eulogy of Shelley as a genealogist by Judith Silverthorne

Shelly and I shared a deep passion for genealogical research, particularly homing in on our Assman side of the family. Our grandfathers were brothers, and we took great pride and joy in tracking down our ancestors together. She as the certified genealogist and I as the writer decided we would team up to write our family history, thinking we could finish the research and the book in a year or two at most. Eight years in, we still had lots more to do but decided to publish what we already had for the time being.



Shelley in the archives in L'viv, Ukraine

Along the way, we had a few wild and wonderful adventures, especially when we travelled overseas to see where our ancestors had once lived. In what is now Ukraine, several generations of our relatives spent almost a hundred years in an area once known as Galicia, Austria, then moved a few kilometres across the border into what was then Volhynia, Russia.

Shelley and I enjoyed every minute of driving the highways and old country lanes in search of little, tiny places that had housed our ancestors. Many of the villages in Ukraine were difficult to find, had been engulfed into larger places, had been renamed or no longer existed. The cemeteries were even trickier to locate. Some were gone or abandoned. Sometimes we found ourselves traipsing across pastures and wrangling our way through deep bushes to find long grown over cemeteries and half-buried headstones. We took tons of photos of our searches and our triumphs! We had a lot of luck and fascinating finds too, and Shelley would say, "See our ancestors want us to find them." I agreed. Things happened miraculously at times!



Shelley in the middle of the bush deciphering a headstone



Judith, priest, Shelley in Ukraine



Shelley with her father's relative in Ukraine

Along the way in Ukraine, a kind-hearted soul thought they had found a long lost relative for us, surmising that they had changed their last name to avoid racial persecution. We came prepared with gifts for them from Canada. This lovely, very poor family welcomed us into their home with great ceremony, preparing a huge meal and guiding us throughout the area even though they didn't speak a word of English. When we found out later, they were not related at all, we laughed at how reverential and excited we all were when we thought we were. We still stay in touch with some of them, a family connection of another kind.



Shelley with our rental car in Germany

In Germany, we rented a little blue Renault for a few days. A snappy little car with a few operating snafus…we found out later it was known for having a tricky gear shift! After trying for ages—pushing down, pulling up, looking for buttons, twisting this way and that—we finally succumbed to asking someone how to get the car into reverse to get out of the parking lot! Successful at last, Shelley drove, and I navigated. We loved zipping around at 120 km/hour on the freeways.

We had no other problems at all, until we were driving on some narrow winding lanes deep in a little valley and came to a crossroads. My navigation skills were hampered because we had no cell phone reception. And no paper maps. We stopped the car to consider our situation. But we couldn't get the car going again!! It didn't matter what we did, the car would not start! No car manual in the glove compartment to help either!

Afters a long time of trying everything we could think of, we accidentally got it going. Turns out that when the motor's not running, the steering wheel locks. You simply CANNOT turn the key to start the car again if you don't pull the steering wheel out a bit. Somehow, through sheer exasperation, we must have wiggled the steering wheel enough to finally get going again!

Sometimes we took the train, and one day we had the bright idea to take an express one to our destination only a few minutes away. We loaded up all our luggage and set off. The fast train only made a couple of automatic stops along the way…no announcements of impending arrivals, no one seemed to pull any cords to indicate departing. As we unwittingly neared our station, the train kind of slowed a little, but didn't come to a stop. By the time we realized we'd reached our destination, we didn't have a chance to move. We were in the back of the coach hemmed in by luggage and people. The train picked up speed again and we whipped by our station. When the train finally stopped at the end of the line, we had to take another train back, but there was only a slow one available. It took us over an hour to get where we needed to go. So much for speeding up our research!

Even with the many learning experiences in travel whether overseas or here in Canada, Shelley and I had so many grand adventures and shared the thrill of getting to know our ancestors. We managed to make many important genealogical breakthroughs, and met some interesting people, including some bonafide relatives who were still living in the village in Germany where our ancestors had first ventured from in the 1700s.



Shelley in Germany

We cherished our good fortune in having magical moments, finding nuggets of confirmation and new paths to lead us onward in our research. Each time, Shelley would say, "See, our ancestors want us to find them." I agreed. I'm sure ancestors did and still do. And now she is one of them.

And, as I finish the work on our huge family history book which we set out to share with our expansive family, I am forever grateful that Shelley and I shared such wonderful adventures and for all that I've learned from her. Because of her vision, perseverance, and willingness to share her amazing talents, she has left us with a remarkable legacy that future generations will treasure for years to come.

Shelley passed on 25 May 2024 at Regina, Saskatchewan.

As the sun rose on the morning of Saturday, May 25, 2024 while holding hands with Brent, Shelley Dawn Kloczko late of Regina, Saskatchewan passed away peacefully at the age of 62 after a 2-year battle with glioblastoma.

Shelley was predeceased by her father William Don Shpak; as well as numerous uncles and aunts. She is survived by her husband Brent; mother Mary; her sister Shay; nieces Stephanie, Danna and Tori; as well as numerous relatives and friends.

Flowers gratefully declined. Donations in Shelley's memory may be made to the Sask. Genealogical Society (https://saskgenealogy.com/) or Regina Palliative Care (https://www.hrf.sk.ca/).

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Funeral & Cremation Services

In Loving Memory of



Shelley Dawn Kloczko
June 20, 1961 - May 25, 2024

23rd Psalm

The Lord is my Shepherd;
I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
For thou art with me;
Thy rod and thy staff,
they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in
the presence of mine enemies;
Thou annointest my head with oil;
My cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the
House of the Lord forever.

In Loving Memory of

Shelley Dawn Kloczko

Celebration of Life
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
3825 Hillsdale Street
Regina, Saskatchewan
Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Officiating
Pastor Jim Chimirri-Russell

Private Family Interment
Regina Memorial Gardens
Regina, Saskatchewan

Reception
Wascana Golf and Country Club
6500 Wascana Parkway,
Regina, Saskatchewan
Tuesday, June 4, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.


Shelley Kloczko
June 20, 1961
May 25, 2024

Theobald and Friedrich Assmann

Theobald Assmann, born 21 March 1897[1] ; died 26 March 1897[2].
Friedrich Assmann, born and died 1898 in infancy.[3]

Two sons were born to Karl and Katharina Elisabeth Assmann between 1895 and May 1898.[4] Theobald's birth and death were recorded; however, Friedrich's were not. Another son by the name of Friedrich was born in 1899. He survived infancy.

Theobald Assmann, born 21 March 1897[5], at Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories; died 26 March 1897[6], Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories, son to Karl Assmann and Katharina Elisabeth Erbach. It is unknown where he is buried.

Friedrich Assmann, born in 1898, at Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories; died 1898 (stillborn), Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories, son to Karl Assmann and Katharina Elisabeth Erbach.[7] It is unknown where he is buried.

1 Sask Vital Statistics, "Genealogy Index," database, eHealth Saskatchewan (http://genealogy.ehealthsask.ca/vsgs_srch.aspx : accessed 26 October 2020), Leofold Assmann, registration # 3874.
2 Sask Vital Statistics, "Genealogy Index," database, eHealth Saskatchewan (http://genealogy.ehealthsask.ca/vsgs_srch.aspx : accessed 26 October 2020),[transcribed] Leofold Assmann, death registration # 3433.
3 Judith Silverthorne, The History of the Assmann Family (Regina, Saskatchewan: self published 1982), p. 43.
4 Calculated range based on records of Carl Assmann, born 1 November 1894 and Frederich, born 17 February 1899.
5 Sask Vital Statistics, "Genealogy Index," database Leofold Assmann, birth registration # 3874.
6 Sask Vital Statistics, "Genealogy Index," database [transcribed] Leofold Assmann, death registration # 3433.
7 The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database, FamilySearch (http://www.familysearch.org : accessed 26 October 2020), entry for Theobald Assmann, person ID LHJY-C2T; no source provided.

Friedrich (Fred) Assmann & Elizabeth Schienbein

Friedrich (Fred) Assmann, born 17 February 1899;[1] married **Elizabeth Schienbein**;[2] died 8 December 1952, Melville, Saskatchewan, Canada.[3]

Friedrich (Fred) Assmann (later Assman), the son of Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth Erbach (1863-1945), was born 17 February 1899, at Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories.

Fred, who was often called Fritz (which is the usual German short form of the name Friedrich; Fred usually stands for Alfred in German), attended Baber School in the Neudorf District. (For more information on Baber School see his parent's chapter Karl Assmann & Katharina Elisabeth Erbach.) He was confirmed in 1913.[4]

He married at the age of 22 to Elisabeth Schienbein in the St. John's Lutheran Church in Neudorf, Saskatchewan. The witnesses to their marriage were Katherine Schienbein (likely her sister), Karl Schienbein (perhaps a cousin), Heinrich Assman (Fred's brother) and Margarite Erbach (perhaps a cousin).[5]

Elisabeth Schienbein was born 16 March 1902 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan to Karl Schienbein and Katharina Hahn. She was the second oldest from a family of five children, with two sisters and two brothers.

After Fred and Elisabeth married, they moved to Grayson where they farmed and raised their five children, Karl, Fronie, Wilfred, Arnold, and Irwin. Fred was on the church council for the Grayson Church for many years.

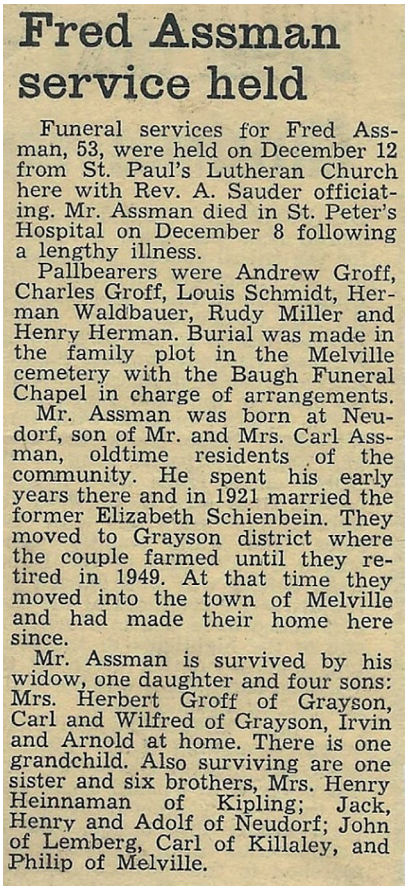
They retired to Melville in 1949, and attended St. Paul's Church in Melville, Saskatchewan.

Fred passed away in Melville, Saskatchewan Canada on 8 December 1952. Elizabeth lived out her days with her son Irvin and his family in Grayson, Saskatchewan. She died 21 February 1987 in Melville and was buried next to Fred in the Melville Municipal Cemetery.



Fred and Elizabeth Assman headstone[6]

1 1901 census of Canada, Assiniboia, district 203, sub-district R(3), Tiree, p. 5, dwelling 35, family 35, Karl Asman household; RG 31; digital images, Automated Genealogy (http://automatedgenealogy.com : accessed 16 Sept 2016).
2 Rural Municipality of McLeod #185, Saskatchewan, Marriage Registrations, Assmann-Schienbein, 1921; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf.
3 Obituary of Fred Assman (December 17, 1952, from unidentified (possibly Melville) newspaper).
4 From Judith's Assmann family research collection of correspondence with family members.
5 From correspondence with family members, included in Judith's Assmann family research collection in the 1980s.
6 Fred and Elizabeth Assman headstone. Find a Grave. (https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/174000821/friedrich-assman : accessed 2 May 2020.)



Fred Assman service held

Funeral services for Fred Assman, 53, were held on December 12 from St. Paul's Lutheran Church here with Rev. A. Sauder officiating. Mr. Assman died in St. Peter's Hospital on December 8 following a lengthy illness.

Pallbearers were Andrew Groff, Charles Groff, Louis Schmidt, Herman Waldbauer, Rudy Miller and Henry Herman. Burial was made in the family plot in the Melville cemetery with the Baugh Funeral Chapel in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Assman was born at Neudorf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Assman, oldtime residents of the community. He spent his early years there and in 1921 married the former Elizabeth Schienbein. They moved to Grayson district where the couple farmed until they retired in 1949. At that time they moved into the town of Melville and had made their home here since.

Mr. Assman is survived by his widow, one daughter and four sons: Mrs. Herbert Groff of Grayson, Carl and Wilfred of Grayson, Irvin and Arnold at home. There is one grandchild. Also surviving are one sister and six brothers, Mrs. Henry Heinnaman of Kipling; Jack, Henry and Adolf of Neudorf; John of Lemberg, Carl of Killaley, and Philip of Melville.

Left: Fred Assman Obit[7]

Children of Elizabeth and Fred:

CARL EDWARD ASSMAN

was born 23 December 1922 in Grayson, Saskatchewan, Canada. He married **Elsie Hilda Helen Miller** (22 June 1922 - 6 September 2015) on 17 May 1948 in Melville. They had one daughter, Charlotte, born 24 July 1952. Carl died on 11 October 1978 in Melville, Saskatchewan at the age of 55. Elsie passed at the St. Peter's Hospital in Melville on 6 September 2015. They are buried in the Melville Municipal Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.[8]



Carl Edward & Elsie Hilda Assman headstone[9]

FRONIE ASSMAN

began life on 23 October in 1924 at Grayson, Saskatchewan. She married **Herbert John Conrad Graff** (born 3 October 1920). She died on 23 April 2005 in Grayson. They had a son, Brian, born 13 April 1959. Herbert died 21 March 1980 at Grayson. They are buried in the Melville Municipal Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.



Fronie and Herbert Graff headstone, Melville Municipal Cemetery[10]

7 Files of Elizabeth Assman.
8 Find a Grave - https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171579793/karl-edward-assman
9 Find a Grave- https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171579793/karl-edward-assman
10 Find a Grave - https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171580145/fronie-graff and https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171580328/herbert-john_conrad-graff

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Melville, Saskatchewan

PASTOR: Rev. Kim Sherwin
ORGANIST: Gaylene Matthews
READER: Cathy Richards

The Funeral Of

FRONIE GRAFF

October 23, 1924 - April 23, 2005

Thursday, April 28, 2005 2:00 p.m.

Prelude
Entrance Rites p. 206
Hymn - *"Just As I Am"* #296
The Prayer p. 207
Special Music - Beth Graff
The Obituary

Scripture Readings:
Ecclesiastes 3:1-8
Psalm 23 & Psalm 86:11
1 Corinthians 13
Matthew 11:28-30

The Sermon

Hymn - *"Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"* #333
The Apostles Creed p. 209
The Prayers p. 209
The Lord's Prayer p. 211
The Commendation p. 211
The Benediction
Hymn - *"How Great Thou Art"* #532

LUNCHEON

The family invites everyone to join them
downstairs following the interment
for refreshments and a time of fellowship and reminiscing.

Fronie Graff

Fronie was born October 23, 1924, in the Grayson district to Fred and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman. She was baptized in Grayson on November 16, 1924. Fronie received her education at Hauer School in the Grayson district. She was confirmed on May 16, 1937, at Zion Lutheran Church, Grayson, and she was a member at Zion until it closed in 1945, when she became a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Melville.

On October 9, 1948, Fronie was united in marriage with Herbert Graff in Melville. They were blessed with one son, Brian. Fronie and Herbert farmed in the Grayson district from 1948 until his passing in 1980. While they lived there, Fronie was active in the community of Grayson; she enjoyed curling and was vice president of the curling club for several years. She moved to Melville from the farm in 1985.

Fronie was always willing to help anyone in any way that she could. She was a good mother and grandmother and loved her family very much. Fronie was a faithful and active member of St. Paul's and was involved in the ELW, altar guild and other church activities. Away from church, she loved gardening, quilting, baking and doing fancy work. She always loved having company over for visits and going out with friends for coffee.

Fronie passed away Saturday, April 23, 2005, at the age of 80 years.

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MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

All who knew and loved Fronie

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Tim Graff — Blair Graff
Grant Assman — Lorne Schaible
Lloyd Armbruster — Richard Armbruster

INTERMENT

Melville Municipal Cemetery

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

St. Paul's Lutheran Church Memorial Fund

In Loving Memory Of

FRONIE GRAFF

Born: Thursday, October 23, 1924
Died: Saturday, April 23, 2005
Age: 80 years

FUNERAL SERVICE

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Melville, Saskatchewan
Thursday, April 28, 2005
at 2:00 p.m.

CLERGY

Rev. Kim Sherwin

INTERMENT

Melville Municipal Cemetery

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Tim Graff — *Blair Graff*
Grant Assman — *Lorne Schaible*
Lloyd Armbruster — *Richard Armbruster*

Fronie was predeceased by her parents, Fred and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman and her brothers Carl, Wilfred and Arnold Assman. She leaves to mourn her passing: her son, Brian and his wife Karen, and her granddaughter, Beth Graff, all of Medicine Hat, Alberta; her brother, Irvin (Lily) Assman of Regina; her sisters-in-law, Elsie Assman of Grayson, Edna Assman of Melville and Margaret Assman of Waterloo, Ontario; her brother-in-law, Norman (Roxie) Graff of Yorkton and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services Directed By
MATTHEWS FUNERAL HOME LTD
Melville, Saskatchewan

WILFRED ROY ASSMAN

breathed his first on 8 August 1926 in Grayson, Saskatchewan, and went on to marry **Edna Christina Miller** (born 4 August 1925). He died on 7 November 1999 in Melville, and she died in the same location on 5 August 2016. They had one son, Grant, born 5 July 1957. They are buried in the Melville Municipal Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.

ASSMAN—Wilfred Roy, beloved husband of Edna Assman of Melville, passed away Sunday, November 7, 1999 at the age of 73 years. Wilfred was predeceased by his parents, Frederick and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman; a brother, Carl and a brother-in-law, Herbert Graff. He leaves to mourn his passing his loving and caring wife, Edna; his son, Grant and his wife, Fawna and two grandchildren, Tiffany Elizabeth and Erin Mariah, all of Oakville, ON; a sister, Fronie Graff of Melville; brothers, Arnold (Margaret) Assman of Waterloo, ON and Irvin (Lily) Assman of Regina; sister-in-law, Elsie Assman of Grayson; niece, Charlotte (Neil) Edmunds of Calgary, AB and nephew, Brian (Karen) Graff of Medicine Hat, AB. Prayers will be said Thursday, November 11, 1999 at 7:30 p.m. from the chapel of Matthews Funeral Home, Melville. The funeral service will be held Friday, November 12, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. from Zion Lutheran Church, Melville. Interment will follow in the Melville Municipal Cemetery. If friends so desire, memorial donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation or to Zion Lutheran Church Organ Fund. Arrangements are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville.



Left: Wilfred Roy Assman Obit
Above: Wilfred and Edna headstone, Melville Municipal Cemetery[11]
Following: Funeral cards and bulletins for Wilfred and Edna Assman[12]

In Loving Memory Of

WILFRED ROY ASSMAN

Born: August 8, 1926
Died: November 7, 1999
Age: 73 years

FUNERAL SERVICE
Zion Lutheran Church
Melville, Saskatchewan
Friday, November 12, 1999
at 2:00 p.m.

CLERGY
Rev. David Mellecke

INTERMENT
Melville Municipal Cemetery

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Victor & Alice Haas
Alvin & Mary Miller
Ernie & Helen Graff
Bill & Joey MacDonald
Bart & Cathy Abrahamson

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS
Dale Miller
WallyKauk
Neil Edmunds
Brian Graff
Larry Miller
Lorne Schiable

Wilfred was predeceased by his parents, Frederick and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman; one brother, Carl; brothers-in-law, Jacob Miller, Herbert Graff and Otto Rittaler and sisters-in-law, Mary Kauk, Emma Steward and Hilda Miller. He leaves to mourn his passing: his loving and caring wife, Edna; their son, Grant and his wife, Fawna and two grandchildren, Tiffany Elizabeth and Erin Mariah, all of Oakville, ON; a sister, Fronie Graff of Melville; brothers, Arnold (Margaret) of Waterloo, ON and Irvin (Lily) of Regina; sister-in-law, Elsie Assman of Grayson; niece Charlotte (Neil) Edmunds of Calgary, AB; nephew, Brian (Karen) Graff of Medicine Hat, AB; sister-in-law, Erna Rittaler of Surrey, BC; brothers-in-law, Russel Miller, Walter (Iris) Miller and Les Steward, all of Melville and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services Directed By
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Melville, Saskatchewan

11 Find a Grave: https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171580759/wilfred-roy-assman, photo by Sunshine.
12 Files of Elizabeth Assman.

In Loving Memory of Edna Assman

Born: August 4, 1925
Called Home: August 5, 2016
Aged: 91 years

Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 2:00 p.m..
Zion Lutheran Church, Melville, SK
Officiant: Rev. Todd Guggenmos
Organist: Simeret Miller

Pallbearers: Larry Miller, David Graff, Sandra Miller, Brian Graff, Joanne Miller, Wally Kauk.

THE FUNERAL SERVICE **LSB 278 - 281**

The congregation rises as the family enters

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus", No. 770

INVOCATION - Page 278

REMEMBRANCE OF Edna's BAPTISM

SOLOIST: Madeline Ileys "Psalm 23"

KYRIE

SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 43:1-3a

PSALM 121:

Pastor: I lift up my eyes to the hills.
People: From where does my help come?
Pastor: My help comes from the Lord,
People: Who made heaven and earth.
Pastor: He will not let your foot be moved;
People: He who keeps you will not slumber.
Pastor: Behold, he who keeps Israel
People: Will neither slumber nor sleep.
Pastor: The Lord is your keeper;
People: The Lord is your shade on your right hand.
Pastor: The sun shall not strike you by day,
People: Nor the moon by night.
Pastor: The Lord will keep you from all evil,
People: He will keep your life.
Pastor: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in
People: From this time forth and forevermore.

All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

EPISTLE: Romans 6:3-11

VERSE - Page 279

HOLY GOSPEL: St. John 14:1-6

APOSTLES' CREED - Page 279

HYMN OF THE DAY (Choir): "Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me"

SERMON

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH - Page 280

LORD'S PRAYER

NUNC DIMITTIS

CONCLUDING COLLECT

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Amazing Grace". No. 744

The Committal will follow the Funeral Service at the Melville Municipal Cemetery.

The family invites everyone for lunch and fellowship in the church basement following the Committal.

Memorials in Edna's name may be given to the Zion Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or Canadian Cancer Society and will be received in the narthex of the church.

Obituary

Edna Christina was born August 4, 1925 to George and Christina (nee Bender) Miller in the Grayson area. Edna had eight other siblings. During her youth, she attended the Wymer School and worked on the family farm until she married Wilfred Assman in November 1950. They settled on the Assman family farm and in 1957 Edna gave birth to Grant. Shortly after Grant finished University, Edna and Wilfred sold the farm and moved to Melville. While on the farm, when she lived in Melville and up to her last days, Edna's door was always open to friends and family for coffee, card games and gatherings. While they lived on the farm, Edna was an active member of the Grayson Curling Club. She was also known to put a few pennies in the slot machines. In 1999, Wilfred passed away, just short of their 49th wedding anniversary. In 2012 Edna moved into the St. Paul's Lutheran Home. Even while in the home she continued to enjoy many visits from her friends and family, often seen in the hospital cafeteria having a "coffee party". When not socializing with friends and family, Edna participated in almost all activities in the home, often joking with the staff. Even when facing physical difficulties in her later years, Edna was always positive and "did the best she could". She was always grateful for everything anyone did for her.

Edna will be greatly missed by her son Grant and his wife Heather. She also leaves behind her greatest pride and joy, her two granddaughters, Tiffany and Erin as well as her step granddaughter Madeline. She is survived by her beloved brother Walter Miller and her sister-in-law Margaret Assman, nephews and nieces and countless friends, many of whom Edna considered family.



Zion Lutheran Church

Funeral Service

Office: 728-5689

Pastor Todd Guggenmos

ARNOLD LESLIE ASSMAN

was born on 29 August 1928 at Grayson. He went on to marry **Margaret Konechny** on 29 August 1952, but he and his wife did not have a family. He died 25 April 2001 in Kitchener, Waterloo Regional Municipality, Ontario, Canada. He is buried at the Parkview Cemetery, Waterloo, Ontario. His wife at this writing is still alive.

ASSMAN, Arnold L. - At K-W Health Centre of Grand River Hospital, on Wednesday, April 25, 2001, Arnold Lesley Assman, age 72 years, of Waterloo.

Mr. Assman was a longtime member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Waterloo. He was employed with B.F. Goodrich and Epton Industries for 34 years until his retirement, and was also an avid curler.

Beloved husband of Margaret (nee Konechny); dear brother of Irvin Assman and his wife Lily of Regina, Sask., Mrs. Fronie Graff of Melville, Sask.; also survived by his sisters-in-law, Mrs. Edna Assman of Melville, Sask., Mrs. Elsie Assman of Grayson, Sask. and his nieces and nephews.

Predeceased by his parents, Frederick Assman and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein); two brothers, Carl and Wilfred and brother-in-law, Herbert Graff.

Friends and relatives may call at the **Ratz-Bechtel Funeral Home,** 621 King St. W., Kitchener, today (Friday), 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. The funeral service will be held in the Ratz-Bechtel Chapel on Saturday at 11 a.m., with Rev. Doug Kranz officiating. Interment Parkview Cemetery, Waterloo.

Reception to follow in the Ratz-Bechtel Family Centre.

Memorial donations to the Grand River Regional Cancer Centre or St. John's Lutheran Church would be appreciated as expressions of sympathy by the family.



Arnold Leslie Assman Obit and Headstone, Waterloo, Ontario[13]

IRVIN ERNEST ASSMAN

was born on 14 November 1939 at Grayson. He married on 29 October 1964 in Yorkton, Saskatchewan, to **Lily Konechny** (born 29 December 1940). Irvin passed on 21 March 2006, and Lily on 15 January 2011. They did not have a family. They are buried in the Melville Municipal Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.



Left: Headstone of Irvin and Lily Assman[14]
Following: Irvin and Lily Assman obits and funeral bulletin for Irvin[15]

13 Find a Grave - https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/174001165/arnold-leslie-assman

14 Find a Grave: https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/171581357/irvin-ernest-assman Photo by Sunshine.

15 Files of Elaine Iles.

ASSMAN—Irvin Ernest, beloved husband of Lily Assman of Regina, passed away March 21, 2006 at the age of 67 years. Irvin was predeceased by his parents, Fred and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman; his brothers, Carl, Wilfred and Arnold Assman and his sister and her husband, Fronie and Herbert Graff. Besides his wife, Lily, Irvin leaves to cherish his memory: sisters-in-law, Elsie Assman of Grayson, Edna Assman of Melville and Margaret Assman Assman of Waterloo, ON; as well as nieces, nephews and friends. The funeral service will be held Saturday, March 25, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Melville. Interment will follow in the Melville Municipal Cemetery. A prayer service will be held Friday, March 24, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the chapel of Matthews Funeral Home, Melville. Arrangements are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville.



ASSMAN

Lily Assman of Regina and formerly of Melville, widow of the late Irvin Assman, passed away Saturday, January 15, 2011 at the age of 73 years. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday morning at 11:00 at St. Henry's Roman Catholic Church, Melville. Interment will follow in the Melville City Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Pasqua Hospital Palliative Care or to a charity of choice. To leave a message for the family, please visit www.matthewsfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements are entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home, Melville, SK.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Melville, Saskatchewan

PASTOR: Rev. Kim Sherwin
ORGANIST: Gaylene Matthews

The Funeral Of

IRVIN ERNEST ASSMAN

November 14, 1938 - March 21, 2006
Saturday, March 25, 2006 2:00 p.m.

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HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Everyone in Attendance

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Paul Dietz
Grant Assman
Fred Litzenberger
Brian Graff
Elroy Assman
Boris Wasylenki

IRVIN ERNEST ASSMAN

Irvin Ernest Assman was born November 14, 1938, in the Grayson district to Fred and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman. He attended Hauer School in the Grayson district and took his high school in Melville. Irvin then worked for K.W. Wholesale in Melville and was transferred to Yorkton in 1964, where he worked for H.B. Wholesale. Irvin was united in marriage to Lily Konechny in Yorkton on October 29, 1964. In 1987 Irvin was transferred to Regina, where he worked for the Red Carpet Wholesale until retiring in his early sixties.

Irvin enjoyed bowling and playing cards with family and friends. He looked forward to going out for lunch with friends and family every Saturday. He had a great sense of humour and loved to bug his nieces, nephews and friends.

Irvin was predeceased by his parents, Fred and Elizabeth (nee Schienbein) Assman, his brothers, Arnold, Carl and Wilfred and his sister and her husband, Fronie (Herbert) Graff. He leaves to mourn his passing and cherish his memory: his loving wife, Lily of Regina; sisters-in-law, Elsie Assman of Grayson, Edna Assman of Melville and Margaret Assman of Waterloo, ON; a niece, Charlotte Edmunds and nephews, Grant Assman and Brian (Karen) Graff.

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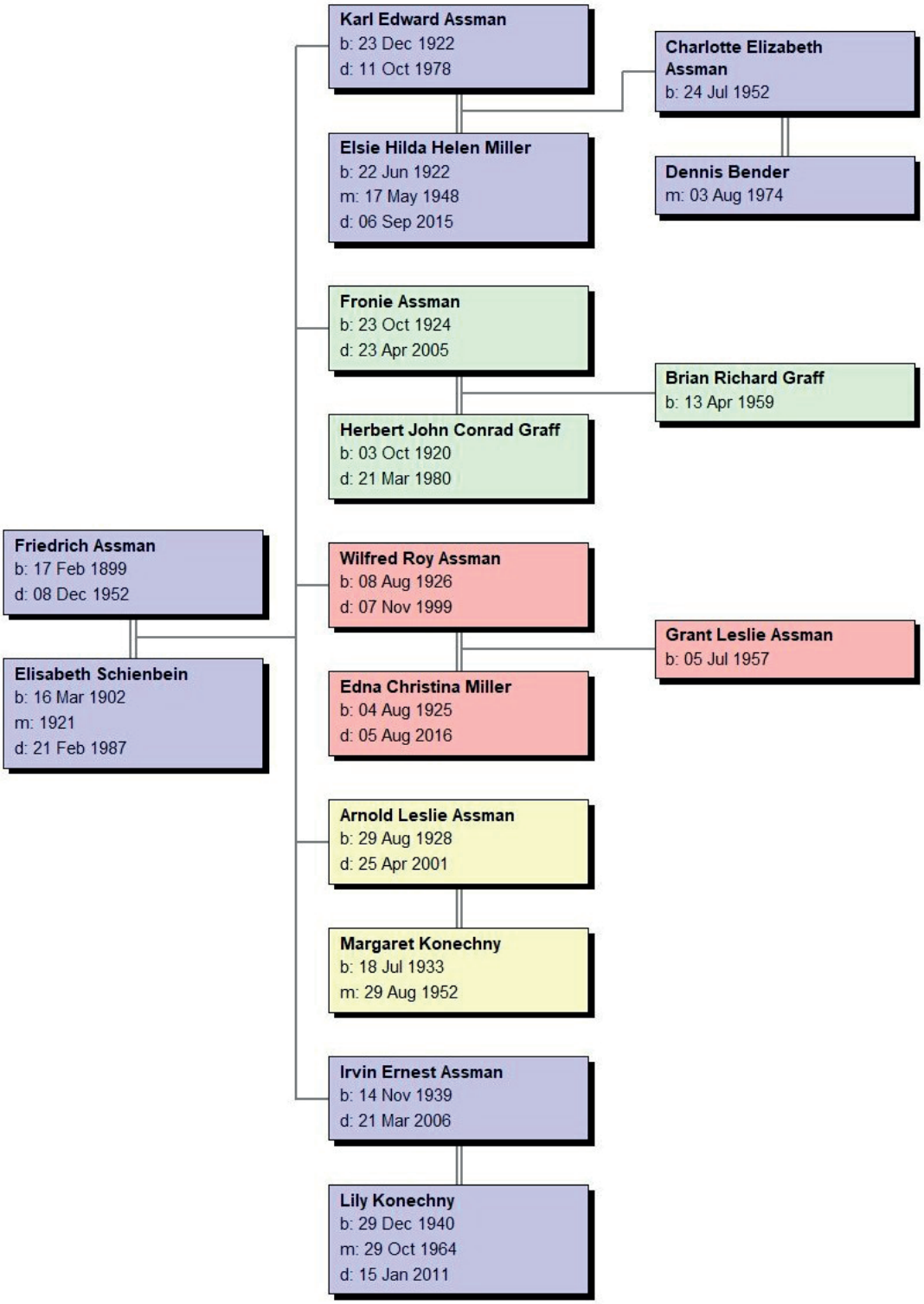
MAY HE REST IN PEACE

INTERMENT
Melville Municipal Cemetery

DONATIONS
St. Paul's Lutheran Church Memorial Fund
Charity of Your Choice

LUNCHEON
Everyone is invited to gather
downstairs following the interment
for refreshments and a time of fellowship.

Friedrich and Elizabeth Assmann's family:



Heinrich (Henry) Assmann & Philipena Ulmer

Heinrich Assmann, born 4 April 1901;[1] married **Philipena Ulmer**;[2] died 12 January 1979.[3]

Henry Assmann (later Assman) was born on 4 April 1901 at Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories, Canada to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945), most likely at home on the farm as many of his other siblings had been born. Henry was baptized on 20 April 1901. He grew up on the farm, attending Baber School with his siblings. He was confirmed in 1915.[4]

1926 was a significant year for Henry. Sixteen days after he turned twenty-five (4 April) his father died (20 April). His father bequeathed him some land including the SE ¼ of 9-19-8 W2[5] and the north half of NW 4-19-8 W2. It is surmised that the south half of this quarter was where the home buildings were located, and his mother was still living there. A condition for having the land also meant he had to pay $1500 in three annual payments of $500 to his mother starting one year after he came into possession of the property.

By 23 November 1926, Henry married Philipena Ulmer in Neudorf, Saskatchewan. She was the daughter of Gottlieb Ulmer and Maria Frick, born to them on 7 August in 1904. They farmed at Neudorf for many years where their four children were born: Clarence, Raymond Elmer, Fern, and Glen. At one point they moved with their son, Glen, to Kitchener, Ontario (where two of their adult children lived and also other relatives), but returned west to Neudorf (back to the farm and sometimes in the town of Neudorf for the winters) and later settled in Grenfell.

Henry died on the 12th of January 1979 in Grenfell and was buried in the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. Philipena lived with her son Glen in Grenfell until her death 11 February 1989. She was laid to rest beside her husband in the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery at Neudorf.

ASSMAN on Friday January 12, 1979. Henry Assman, Grenfell, Sask., age 77 years. The funeral service will be held in Grenfell Apostolic Church, Grenfell, Sask. on Monday, January 15, 1979 at 1:30 p.m. Offiates Pastors Carol Oshowy and R. Richardson and K. Kennett. Interment in St. John's Cemetery, S.W. Neudorf, Sask. Predeceased by a son Elmer, one grandchild, three brothers and two sisters, Mr. Assman is survived by his wife Philipenia, two sons, Clarence Ausman, Kitchener, Ontario, and Glen Assman, Grenfell, Sask., one daughter Mrs. Ken (Fern) Rickert, Florida, U.S.A., five grandchildren, three brothers, John and Phillip, both of Melville, Sask. and Adolph Assman, Grenfell, Sask., and one sister Mary Heineman, Kipling, Sask. Arrangements in care of the Tubman Funeral Home.

ASSMAN—On Saturday, February 11th, 1989, Philipena Assman, widow of Henry Assman, Grenfell, Sask., age 84 years. The Funeral Service will be held in the Grenfell Apostolic Church on Wednesday, February 15th, 1989 at 1:30 p.m. Officiants: Rev. Allan Buchanan, Rev. Russell Richardson, and Pastor Carol Oshowy. Interment in St. John's Cemetery S.W. Neudorf. Predeceased by her husband in January 1979; a son, Elmer, in 1947; a grandson, Darrell Ausman; three brothers: Lewis, Jake, and John Ulmer; three sisters: Katie Voigt, Marie Ulmer, and Dorthy Ulmer; four half sisters: Margaret Hollinger, Sofia Ulmer, Barbara Trithart, and Elizabeth Schutz. Mrs. Assman is survived by two sons and one daughter: Clarence Ausman, Kitchener, Ont., Mrs. Fern (Ken) Rickert, Port Charolotte, Florida, Glen Assman, Grenfell; five grandchildren; a brother, Pete Ulmer, Waterloo, Ont.; and a half sister, Ann Bender, Kitchener, Ont.; several nieces and nephews. Arrangements in care of Tubman Funeral Home Ltd., Wolseley, Sask. (1-800-667-8962).

Henry Assman obit[6]
and Philipena Assman obit[7]

1 Neudorf, McLeod, Saskatchewan, Births December 1933 to March 1935, p. 86, 10 December 1934, Henry Assman; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf.

2 Neudorf, McLeod, Saskatchewan, Births (December 1931 to December 1933), p. 57, Leonard Elmer Assman, child of Henry Assman and Philippina Ulmer; McLeod RM 185 Office, Neudorf.

3 Erb & Good Family Funeral Home, „Obituary," database and images, (www.erbgood.com : accessed 5 Jan 2013); Obituary of Clarence „Clare" Ausman 1931-2012; Obits for Life.com.

4 From notes taken in 1980s by Judith Silverthorne during an interview with a family member.

5 This land was purchased for $3/acre ($480) 21 March 1898 from CPR. „CPR Land Sales," database, Glenbow Museum (http://ww2.glenbow.org/search/archivesCPRSearch.aspx : accessed 23 Oct 2016), Karl Asman.

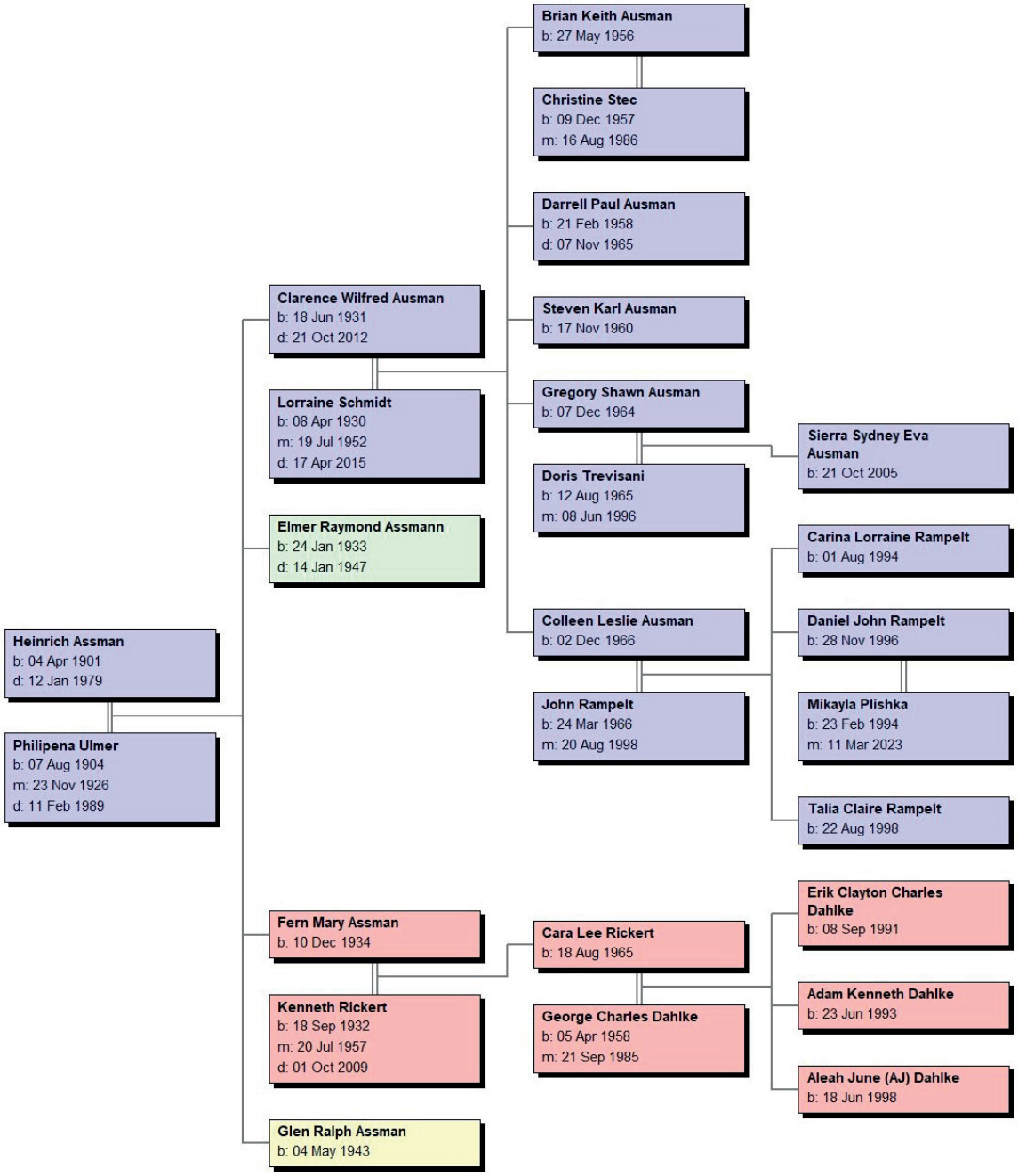
6 Clipping collection of Elaine Iles.

7 Find a Grave. https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/113499590/philipena-assman



Headstone for Henry and Philipena Assman[8]

Heinrich and Philipena Assmann's family:



8 Find a Grave. https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/114905044/henry-assman

CLARENCE WILFRED ASSMAN (AUSMAN, 1931-2012)

was born on 18 June 1931 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. At some point in his life he changed the spelling of his last name to **Ausman**, possibly in his late teens when he left for the east to settle in Kitchener, Ontario. He married **Lorraine Schmidt** (1930-2015) in 1952 in Waterloo, Ontario. Lorraine was from Wellesley Township, Ontario. All of their five children were born in Kitchener, Ontario.



Elmer Assman headstone[9]

ELMER RAYMOND ASSMAN

was born on the 24 of January in 1933 at Neudorf. He unfortunately passed away at almost the age of fourteen at Neudorf on 14 January 1947. He was laid to rest in the St. John's Lutheran Cemetery at Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

FERN MARY ASSMAN

arrived on the farm at Neudorf, Saskatchewan on 10 December 1934. As a young adult, she joined her brother Clarence in Kitchener, Ontario, where some members of their mother Philipena's family also resided. She married **Kenneth Rickert** on 20 July 1957 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Bridgeport, Ontario. Ken Rickert was born on 18 September 1932 in Breslau, Ontario. Their daughter was born in Kitchener, Ontario and the family moved to Florida, where they continued to reside. Kenneth died on 1 October 2009 in Port Charlotte, Florida, leaving behind his wife Fern, and their daughter and three grandchildren.

GLEN ASSMAN

was born at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. He never married. He lives in Grenfell, Saskatchewan.



Glen, Philipena, Henry, Clarence

9 Find a Grave. https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/114905158/elmer-assman

Philip Assmann & Anna Schütz

Philip Assmann, born 26 April 1903, Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories; married **Anna Schütz**;[1] died 11 December 1991.[2]

Philip Assmann (later Assman) was born 26 April 1903 at Neudorf, Assiniboia, Northwest Territories to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945).

Philip attended Baber School for approximately six years. He travelled three miles cross-country to get to school. For three summers, Mr. Goldstein was the teacher. He was also the town photographer and stenographer. One year Philip was the only student, and as they had to keep the school open by law, Mr. Goldstein would arrive in the morning to give Philip his assignments and then leave to take pictures or do other duties for the town. He would return at the end of the day to see how Philip was progressing.

Philip's school career ended a few years later after he was wrongly accused of some misdemeanour by a different teacher (not Mr. Goldstein) and given the strap across his hands. He was unable to use his hands for several weeks and when he finally returned to school, he lasted one more day and gave it up for good.



Philip, Anna, Elroy and Harold Assman – unknown date

When Philip was thirteen years old, he reluctantly agreed to accompany his sister Elisabeth to Winnipeg to help her look after her children. While waiting for the train to come into the station, he was approached by a Mr. Borac, who offered to cut his hair. It had become very long as it was not often in those days to make it to town for a haircut. They eventually made it to Winnipeg, although Philip does not recall any direct circumstances of the return trip.

In 1927 on December 4th, Philip married Anna Schütz (Schuetz) at the home of John Schütz, father of the bride; Reverend Krahn officiated. Anna Schütz, fondly known as Annie, was born 23 July 1908 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Johann (John) Schütz and Katharina Mohr.[3]

1 Saskatchewan Vital Statistics of Saskatchewan, marriage registration, (1927), Assman Schuetz; eHealth Saskatchewan, Regina.

2 Philip Assman, funeral bulletin, 1991; scanned image privately held by authors, Regina, Saskatchewan. 2019.

3 Saskatchewan Vital Statistics of Saskatchewan, marriage registration, (1927), Assman Schuetz; eHealth Saskatchewan, Regina.

Philip and Annie farmed at Neudorf on land south of his parent's farm, where their three children were born.

They remained there until their retirement in the fall of 1952, the year their son Elroy married and took over the family farm. Philip became a painter and they lived in Melville until their deaths. They owned two quarter at home and three quarters about four miles away.



Philip and Annie's 60th Wedding Anniversary[4]

Philip died 11 December 1991 in Melville, Saskatchewan and is buried in Melville Municipal Cemetery, section C, block 14, plot number 7. Annie died 25 April 2004. She was buried three days later in the Melville Municipal Cemetery, Melville, Saskatchewan.



Philip and Anna Assman headstone, Melville Municipal Cemetery[5]

4 "Philip and Annie Assman, 60th Wedding Anniversary," photo. *Sharon Assman Collection.*

5 Find a Grave, database and images (https://www.findagrave.com : accessed 24 August 2020).

Funeral Service for PHILIP ASSMAN

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Saturday, December 14, 1991
2:00 p.m.

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Gospel: John 14: 1 - 7

SERMON

Hymn "So nimm denn meine Hande"
Apostles' Creed p. 209
Prayers p. 209

Commendation

Hymn # 532: "How Great Thou Art"

Committal at Melville Cemetery

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ACTIVE PALLBEARERS
Wilfred Assman, William Assman, Raymond Assman, Jerry Hrynkiw, Larry Schutz and Rodney Schutz

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
All of his friends

PRESIDING MINISTER: Rev. Michael A. Rodgers
ORGANIST: Gaylene Matthews

MEMORIALS: The family suggests that those so wishing may give memorials to St. Paul's Memorial Fund.

Obituary for PHILIP ASSMAN

Philip Assman was born April 26, 1903 on a farm in the Neudorf district to Karl and Elizabeth (nee Erbach) Assman. Philip received his education at the Baber school. He was united in marriage to Anna Schutz on December 4, 1927, following which the couple began farming together south of Philip's parents. In the fall of 1952, they moved to Melville, where Philip worked as a painter until retiring in 1963.

Philip enjoyed hunting and socializing with his friends. He was an avid card player and often walked downtown to shoot a game of pool.

Philip was predeceased by his parents; an infant son, Gordon; five brothers, Jacob, John, Karl, Fred and Henry; and two sisters, Elizabeth and Emilie. He leaves to mourn his passing and cherish his memory: his loving wife, Anna of Melville; two sons, Harold (Orma) of Kitchener, Ontario and Elroy (Eleanora) of Neudorf; five grandchildren, Gordon and Cordelle (Judy) of Kitchener, Ontario, Donald of Regina, Calvin (Sharon) of Wolseley and Penny (Murray) Novak of Regina; eight great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary Heineman of Kipling; a brother, Adolph (Elizabeth) of Grenfell; numerous nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Lunch and Fellowship: The family invites you to attend the coffee and fellowship in the Church basement following the committal.

Funeral Arrangements by Matthews Funeral Home - Melville

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
Melville, Saskatchewan

PASTOR: Rev. David Hanes
ORGANIST: Gaylene Matthews

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The Funeral Of
ANNA ASSMAN
July 25, 1908 - April 25, 2004
Wednesday, April 28, 2004 2:00 p.m.

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Hymn - *"Softly and Tenderly"* WOV #734

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Psalm 23
1 Peter 1:3-9
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The Sermon

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Hymn - *"How Great Thou Art"* #532

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Anna Assman

Anna Assman passed away April 25, 2004 at St. Paul Lutheran Home, Melville, at the age of 95 years.

Annie was born on the family farm at Neudorf, Saskatchewan on July 25, 1908, to Johan and Catherina (nee Mohr) Schutz. She was united in marriage to Philip Assman on December 4, 1927. The couple farmed in the Neudorf area until 1952, at which time they moved into Melville and their son Elroy took over the farm. Philip passed away December 11, 1991.

Anna was predeceased by her parents; her husband, Philip; a son, Gordon; a daughter-in-law, Eleanora; four brothers, Walter, Jake, Phillip and Ronnie; and three sisters, Mary, Katie and Elsie. She is lovingly remembered by her two sons, Harold (Orma) of Kitchener, Ontario and Elroy of Neudorf, Saskatchewan; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; three brothers, John, Bill and Norman and a sister, Irene.

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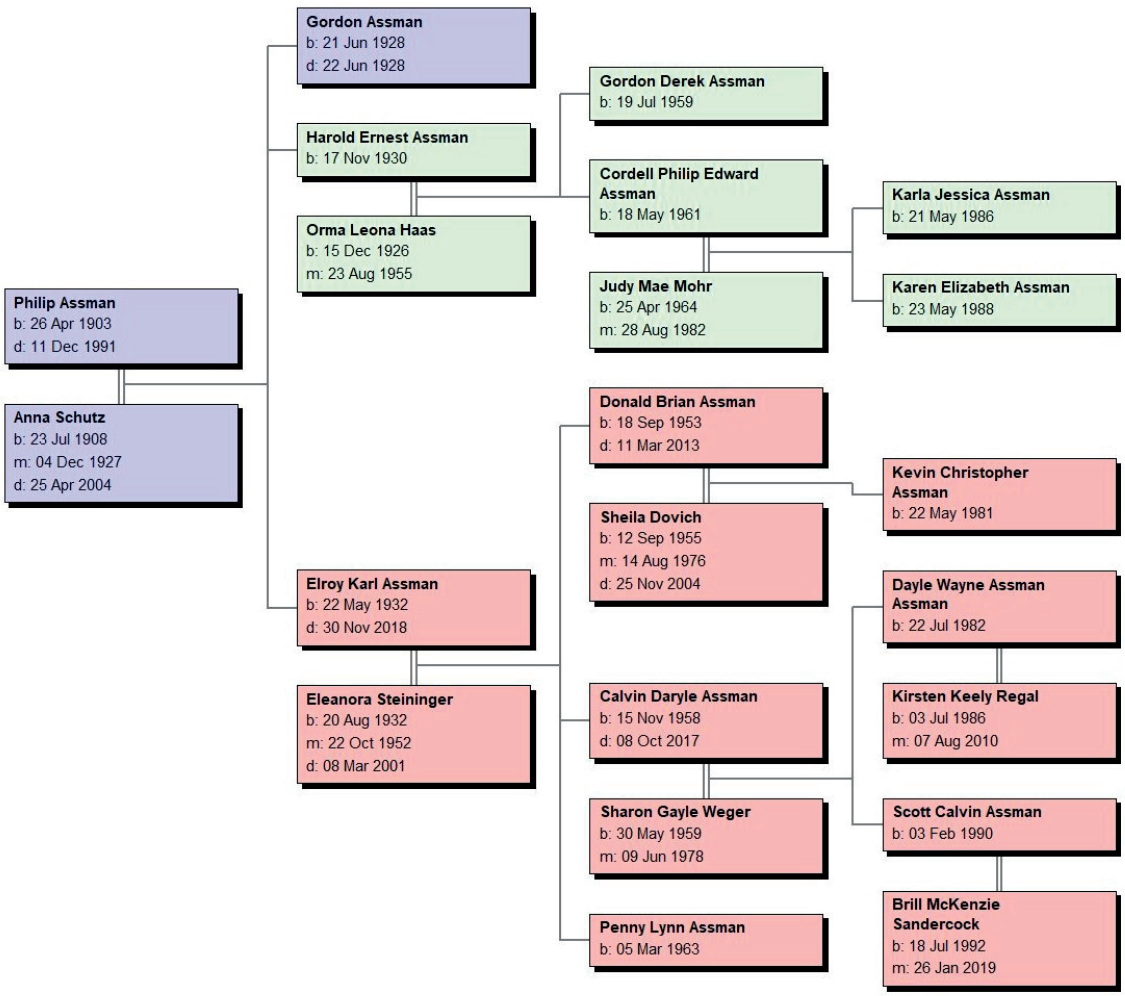
MAY SHE REST IN PEACE

Philip & Anna Assman Funeral cards and obits[6]

6 Files of Elaine Iles

Philip and Anna had three children all born in the Neudorf district:



GORDON ASSMAN

was born on the 21st of June in 1928 at home SE 20-19-7 W2 (Karl Assmann homestead) in the Neudorf district, Saskatchewan; however, he only survived two days.[7]



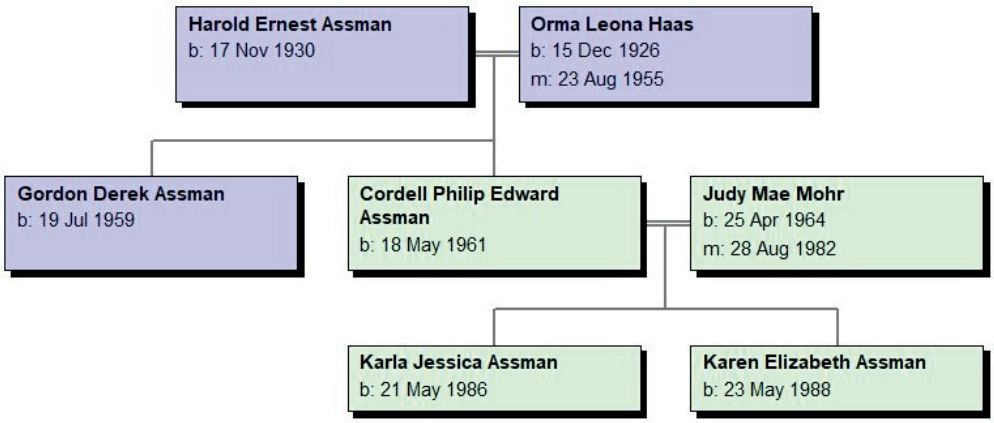
Gordon Assman, headstone, St. John's Lutheran Cemetery, Neudorf[8]

HAROLD ERNEST ASSMAN

was born on 17 November 1930 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. He grew up, married **Orma Haas** 23 August 1955, and moved to Kitchener, Ontario, working for a tire factory. Harold and Orma had two boys, Gordon and Cordell. They all live in Kitchener, Ontario.



Orma and Harold Assman – 65th Anniversary



7 Saskatchewan Deaths April 1926 to June 1931, death registration, (1928), Gordon Assman; eHealth Saskatchewan, Regina.

8 Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery (Neudorf, Saskatchewan) Gordon Assman headstone, photographed by Shelley Kloczko 2009.

ELROY KARL ASSMAN

was born on 22 May 1932 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. He married **Eleanora Steininger** on 22 October 1952 after which time they took over the family farm when Elroy's parents moved to Melville. Elroy died 30 November 2018 at age 86 at Westview, Saskatchewan, Canada. He is buried at the Saint John's Cemetery, Neudorf. Eleanora was born 20 August 1932 and died 8 March 2001. She is buried beside her husband.

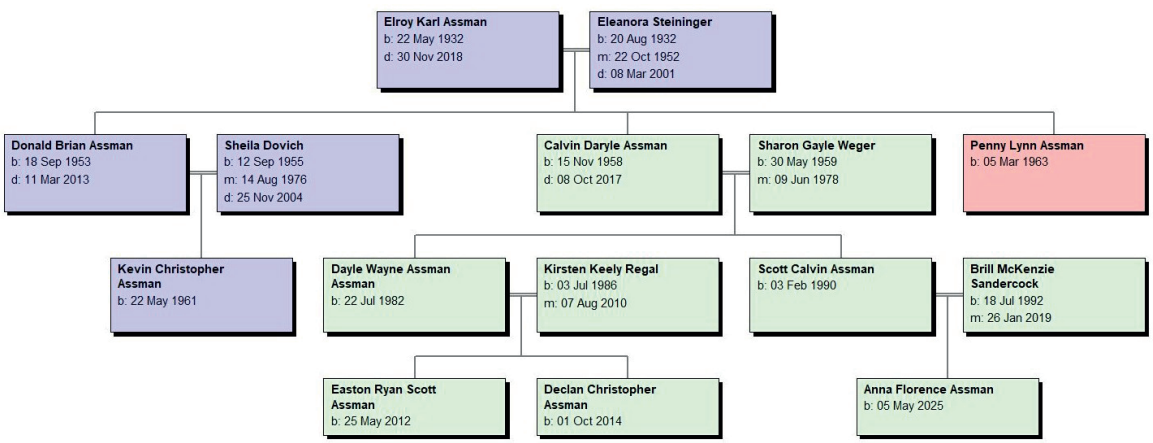


Eleanora and Elroy Assman



Elroy and Eleanora Assman headstone[9]

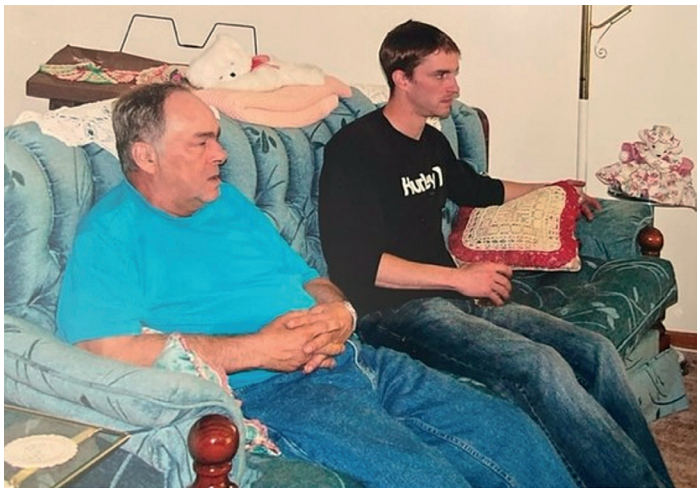
Elroy and Eleanora had two sons and a daughter:



Elroy Carl Assman and Eleanor Steininger Descendants[10]

9 Saint John's Lutheran Cemetery (Neudorf, Saskatchewan) Elroy, Eleanora, & Donald Assman marker, photographed by Sharon Assman 2020.

10 For privacy reasons, the daughter of Elroy and Eleanora Assman and her descendants are not on the chart.



DONALD BRIAN ASSMAN

was born 18 September 1953 and died in Regina 11 March 2013.[11] He was married to **Sheila Dovich** 14 August 1976. She was born 12 September 1955 and died 25 November 2004, in Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.[12] They had one son. Donald is buried with his parents in St. John's Cemetery, Neudorf. He was employed by the City of Regina until his retirement.

Donald Assman and son Kevin[13]

CALVIN ASSMAN

married **Sharon Gayle Weger**, 9 June 1978[14], in Christ Lutheran Church, Neudorf; they had two sons.[15] Calvin bought grain for 35 years for Sask Wheat Pool and Agricore. Then he moved on to Sherwood Coop where his passion for mentoring young people shone through. Sharon was a stay at home mom until 2000 when she started working at Wolseley IGA and in 2010 at Sherwood Coop. Calvin died 8 October 2017 in Wolseley. He is buried in Ellisboro Cemetery.[16]



Calvin Assman

11 "Donald Brian Assman," The Leader-Post, 30 March 2013; digital images, Regina Leader Post (www.leaderpostremembering.ca : accessed 11 May 2020), obituaries.

12 "Shiela (sic) Carlston," The Leader-Post, 1 Dec 2004; digital images, Regina Leader-Post (leaderpost.remembering.ca : accessed 11 May 2020), obituaries.

13 Photo: Sharon Assman Collection.

14 Sharon Assman, Regina, Saskatchewan to Shelley Kloczko PLCGS, e-mail, 8 September 2020, "Philip Anna Assman."; privately held by Kloczko, Regina, Saskatchewan.

15 "Obituaries," database, Dignity Memoria (https://dignitymemorial.com : accessed 11 May 2020), Calvin Assman; Tubman Cremation and Funeral Services.

16 Find a Grave, database and images (www.findagrave.com : accessed 22 August 2020), Calvin Daryle Assman, memorial ID 212008464.

Adolf Assmann & Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil

Adolf Assmann, born 20 March 1906;[1] married **Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil**[2]; died 21 May 1998; married 13 February 1930, Neudorf, Saskatchewan.

Adolf Assmann (later Assman) was born on 20 March 1906 to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945), at home on the farm at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. SE1/4-20-19-8-W2nd.

He was a year old when his two oldest brothers married. One sister (Mary) was born after him, making him the youngest boy in the family. Adolf grew up on the family farm at Neudorf.



Karl & Elisabeth Assmann family, 1907. Adolf sitting on his dad's lap, brother Carl standing. Carl and Adolf are grandfathers of the authors[3]

Adolf was baptized on 24 May 1906 in Neudorf with W. Willing officiating. His sponsors were Jacob Ring (probably a neighbour), Theobald Erbach (his uncle - mother's brother), Catharine Ring (likely Jacob's wife) and Maria Bender.

1 Saskatchewan Health, Vital Statistics, Saskatchewan Health, Vital Statistics Birth Records (On-line http://vsgs.health.gov.sk.ca/vsgs_srch.aspx), September 8, 2006.

2 In some of Lizzie's documents, the name is found in the original German spelling as Krähenbil (sometimes also Kraehenbil or Kraehenbiel)

3 Collection Judith Silverthorne.



Adolf Assmann Baptism Certificate[4]

Like his brothers and sisters before and after him, Adolf attended Baber School, where he was fortunate to continue until he achieved grade seven.[5]

In 1916 the family was living on 19-8-2nd, according to the census taken then, and only the younger children from son Carl on were living there at this time.[6] Only the township and range were listed, no parcel description, so most likely this was SE ¼ of 9-19-8 2nd, which his father

4 A photocopy of his baptism certificate, courtesy of Elaine Iles, his oldest daughter.

5 For more information on the Baber School, see the chapter Karl Asmann & Katharina Elisabeth Erbach, Assmann Family History Part 1.

6 1916; Census Place: Saskatchewan, Saltcoats, 06; Roll: T-21943; Page: 4; Family No: 30 Ancestry.com and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 1916 Canada Census of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and Alberta [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2009.

had homesteaded in 1893 and he still owned in 1920.[7] By 1920 Adolf's father owned other quarters - NE ¼-17-1 9-8-W2, and both the NW and DE 1/4s of 9-19-8 W2nd. Adolf's father had obtained even more quarters by the time he died.

Adolf's confirmation took place on his fifteenth birthday, 20 March 1921, Palm Sunday, at the Evangelical Christ Lutheran Church in Neudorf, Saskatchewan with Pastor E. Schmok officiating.



Adolf Assmann Confirmation Certificate[8]

7 Ibid.

8 A photocopy of his confirmation certificate, courtesy of Elaine Iles, his oldest daughter.



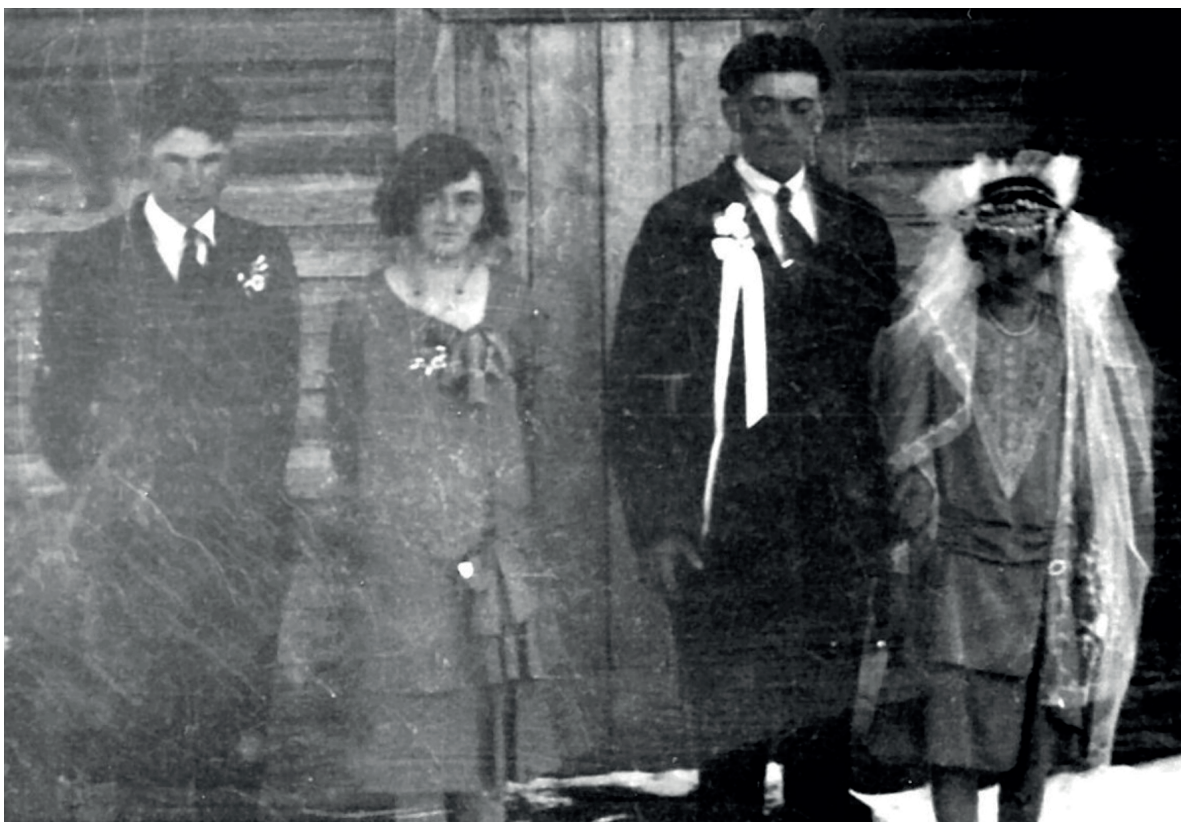
Adolf Assman as a young man[9]

Adolf was known for his easy-going manner, his sense of humour, and his kindness.

He married Maria Elisabeth (Lizzie) Krahenbil on the 13th of February 1930 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada, just a few weeks before he turned twenty-five.

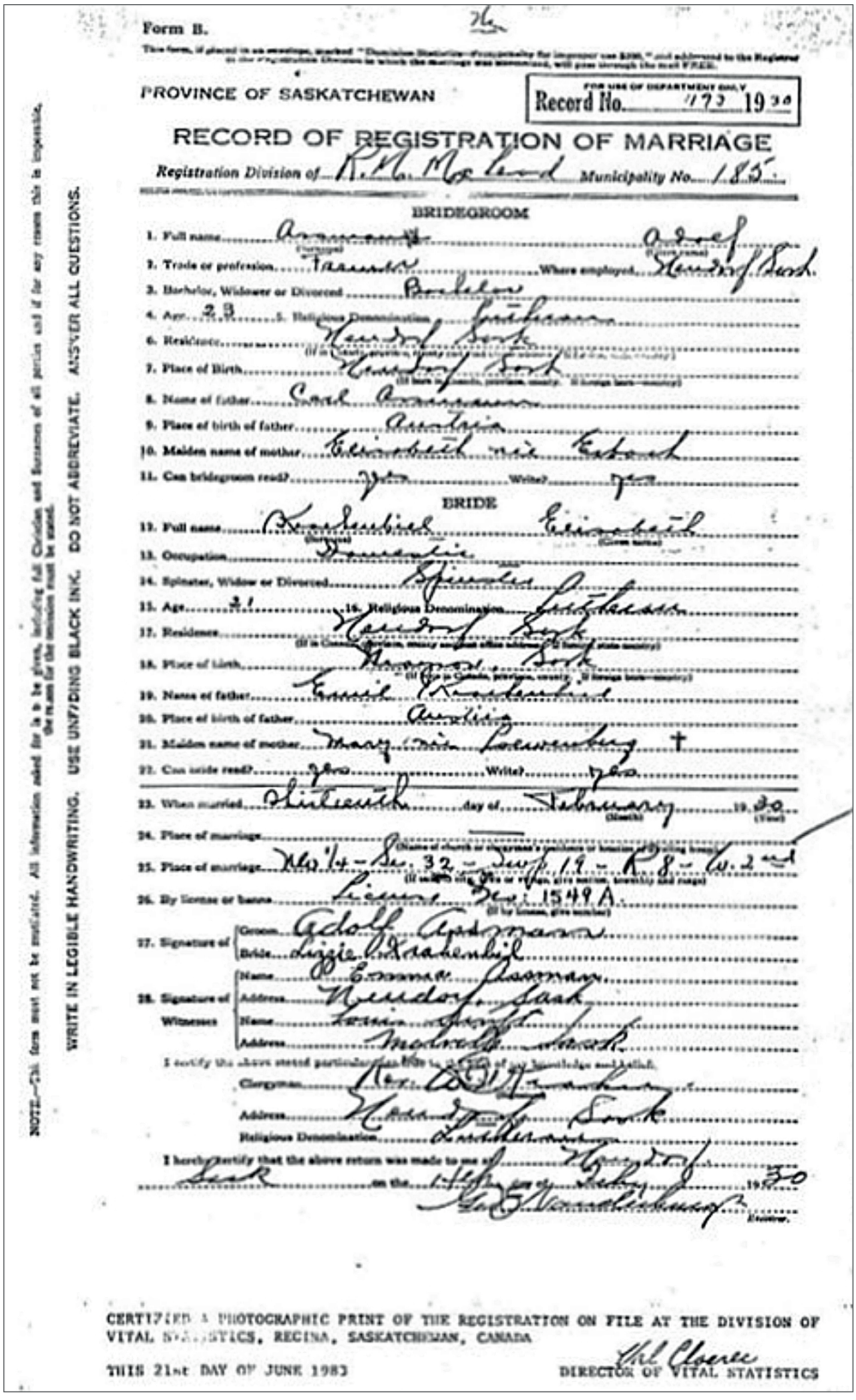
They were married on NW ¼-Sec 32-Twp 19-R8- W of 2nd according the to marriage registration form, License No: 1549A. This location might be wrong, as the next quarter south belonged to them in 1926 (NE 29), but this one in 1920 was held by their neighbour W. Arndt. They could have been married at their neighbours. It's unknown who owned the place before this time.

Rev W. F. Krahn of Trinity Lutheran Church officiated at their wedding. Louis Senft was the best man. He was Lizzie's uncle, brother to her stepmother Barbara Senft (Krahenbil). Emma Assman was the bridesmaid. Emma was Adolf's uncle Jake and aunt Carrie's daughter, so Adolf's cousin.



Louis Senft (best man), Emma Assman (bridesmaid), Adolf Assmann and Marie Elisabeth Krahenbil, wedding photo, 13 February 1930[10]

9 Collection Elaine Iles.
10 Collection Judith Silverthorne.



Form B.

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

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RECORD OF REGISTRATION OF MARRIAGE

Registration Division of K.M. McLeod Municipality No. 185

NOTE—This form must not be mutilated. All information asked for is to be given, including full Christian and Surnames of all parties and if for any reason this is impossible, the reason for the omission must be stated. WRITE IN LEGIBLE HANDWRITING. USE UNFADING BLACK INK. DO NOT ABBREVIATE. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

BRIDEGROOM

1. Full name (Surname) Assman (Given names) Adolf
2. Trade or profession Farmer Where employed Hendon, Sask.
3. Bachelor, Widower or Divorced Bachelor
4. Age 23 5. Religious Denomination Presbyterian
6. Residence Hendon, Sask.
7. Place of Birth Hendon, Sask.
8. Name of father Carl Assman
9. Place of birth of father Austria
10. Maiden name of mother Elizabeth nee Eckert
11. Can bridegroom read? Yes Write? Yes

BRIDE

12. Full name (Surname) Krahenbiel (Given names) Elizabeth
13. Occupation Domestic
14. Spinster, Widow or Divorced Spinster
15. Age 21 16. Religious Denomination Presbyterian
17. Residence Hendon, Sask.
18. Place of birth Hendon, Sask.
19. Name of father Emil Krahenbiel
20. Place of birth of father Austria
21. Maiden name of mother Mary nee Loewenberg †
22. Can bride read? Yes Write? Yes

23. When married Thirteenth day of February 1930
24. Place of marriage (Name of church or clergyman's residence or location if neither being known)
25. Place of marriage NW ¼ - Sec. 32 - Twp. 19 - R. 8 - W. 2nd (If within city, town or village, give section, township and range)
26. By license or banns License Dec. 1549 A. (If by license, give number)
27. Signature of Groom Adolf Assman Bride Lizzie Krahenbiel
28. Signature of Witnesses Name Emma Assman Address Hendon, Sask. Name Address

I certify the above stated particulars true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Clergyman Rev. A.J. Traub
Address Hendon, Sask.
Religious Denomination Presbyterian

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Hendon, Sask. on the 14th day of February 1930

J.B. Wendelboe Registrar.

CERTIFIED A PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT OF THE REGISTRATION ON FILE AT THE DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS, REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA

THIS 21st DAY OF JUNE 1983

Chl Closure
DIRECTOR OF VITAL STATISTICS

Record of Registration of marriage for Adolf and Lizzie Assman[11]

11 Division of Vital Statistics, Regina, Saskatchewan, 1983.



Marriage Certificate from the Trinity Lutheran Church[12]

Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil[13] was the daughter of Emil Krahenbil and Maria (Mary) Elisabeth Löwenberg. She was born on 10 December 1908 in Grayson, Saskatchewan, Canada.[14] Sometimes her name was spelled Marie Elisabeth on various documents, and even Elisabeth Mary on her Confirmation Certificate, as she usually went by Lizzie (and often said her first name was Elizabeth). She was the oldest of three children, a fourth having died as an infant at six weeks old, prior to Lizzie's birth. Lizzie was named the same as this older sister in commemoration of her. Her family lived at Grayson on the SE ¼-18-21-05 W2nd.



Emil and Mary Krahenbil with Lizzie in the middle[15]

12 Collection Elaine Iles.
13 On the Marriage Certificate spelled Kraehenbiel.
14 Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil, Baptism certificate says Hartfeld, Saskatchewan birth, but marriage registration says Grayson, Saskatchewan.
15 Photo courtesy of Judith Silverthorne from her Family Photo Collection.



Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (here spelled Kraehenbil) Baptism Certificate[16]

16 Collection Elaine Iles.

Text of the Baptism Certificate:	Translation:
Maria Elisabeth Kraehenbil,	*Maria Elisabeth Kraehenbil,*
Tochter der Eheleute Emil und Marry	*daughter of the married couple Emil and Marry*
Kraehenbil geborene Lemberger,	*Kraehenbil née Lemberger [Löwenberg][17],*
geboren den 10 December in	*born 10 December in*
Hartfeld Saskatchewan	*Hartfeld Saskatchewan*
ist am 10 Januar 1909 durch	*was, on 10 January 1909 by*
den Unterzeichneten	*the undersigned*
im Namen des	*in the name of the*
Dreieinigen Gottes	*Triune God,*
getauft worden	*baptised*
Taufzeugen waren	*Witnesses were*
Philip Ott, Christine Müller	*Philip Ott, Christine Müller*
Freiherr W. v. Borke, Maria Ott	*Baron W. v. Borke, Maria Ott*
Joh. G. Focsch ev. Pastor	*Joh. G. Focsch, Protestant pastor*
an der St. Paul's Gemeinde	*at St Paul's parish*

Lizzie spent her early life in Grayson. After her brother Albert was born in 1913, the family moved to Canora for a couple of years where her father worked at the grain elevator. [18] Following this, they moved to Neudorf and lived about one third of a mile from her grandfather Adam Krahenbil's farm.

Lizzie, as the oldest daughter came to be called, started school there in 1916. School lasted year-round, with six weeks off in the summer. As there were no older brothers, Lizzie was usually taken out of school for three weeks in the fall to help with harvesting. She walked a mile and a half every day to the Piller school, even in the winter, unless it was extremely cold. Every day her mother had hot food waiting for her in the warming oven above the wood heated stove, which is the first place Lizzie headed when she arrived home. One year she went to the Baber school after Easter. She attended there for six or seven months until Christmas time, and then resumed classes at the Piller school for the rest of her school years.



Lizzie, Clara, & Albert[19]

In June of 1919, her younger sister Emma Clara was born. Six months later, Lizzie's mother had to travel to Rochester, Minnesota, to the Mayo Clinic for a goiter operation. Although it was a success, unfortunately Mary Krahenbil succumbed to influenza on the 31st of January 1920.

17 Lizzie's mother's maiden name was Löwenberg. In Lizzie's Baptism Certificate, however, it was incorrectly entered as Lemberger.

18 From interviews done by Judith with her grandmother, Lizzie Assman in the 1980s.

19 Photo courtesy Judith Silverthorne.

Although young Clara was cared for by an aunt and an uncle, the housework and chores fell on Lizzie's shoulders. Before she went to school each day, she made breakfast for her father and little brother, did the dishes, made beds, and milked the cows outside in the pen. Lunches also had to be made as school was too far away for Lizzie to come home and cook for her father at noontime. Lizzie basically took over her mother's work after she died. Understandably, when her father Emil remarried, she recalls being upset when she was no longer the chief cook and bottle washer. She felt she had been thrust aside by her stepmother, Barbara Senft.

In 1924 the family moved to NW ½ of Section 22 in the Neudorf area, where her two stepsisters, Ella and Esther, were born. This was also close to where Adolf and Lizzie later bought a farm.

Lizzie was confirmed on 13 April 1924 at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Neudorf.



Lizzie's Confirmation Certificate[20]

20 Collection Elaine Iles.



Lizzie as a young woman[21]

After Adolf and Lizzie's marriage, they resided on the Assmann family farm, where Adolf had been living and taking care of his mother. His father had died four years previously and Adolf and Lizzie stayed to work the farm and continued to care for his mother. At the time of his father's death, Adolf had also been bequeathed two quarters of land, with stipulations as follows from his dad's will:

"To Adolf, NW 9-19-8 W2 and NE 17-19-8 W2[22]*, when Adolf reaches the age of 25 and provided he pays Katharina Elisabeth Assman $1000 in three annual payments of equal denominations beginning one year after coming into possession of the property."*





Adolf & Lizzie's first residence, living on the farm with his widowed mother Katharina Elizabeth Assman (née Erbach)[23]



Adolf and Lizzie remained at this residence with his mother, where their first four children were born: Elaine (1931), Wilbert (1932), Richard (1934), and Pearl (1935).

21 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles

22 This land was purchased from CPR 15 November 1900 for $3 per acre ($480) „CPR Land Sales," database, Glenbow Museum (http://ww2.glenbow.org/search/archivesCPRSearch.aspx : accessed 23 Oct 2016), Karl Asman. (RE Shelley's find, 2016)

23 Photos courtesy Judith Silverthorne's collection



Left to right, back: Elizabeth (Lizzie) Assman, Mathilda Krahenbil (sister-in-law); front: Pearl, Elaine, Wilbert, Richard. Ca. 1937[24]



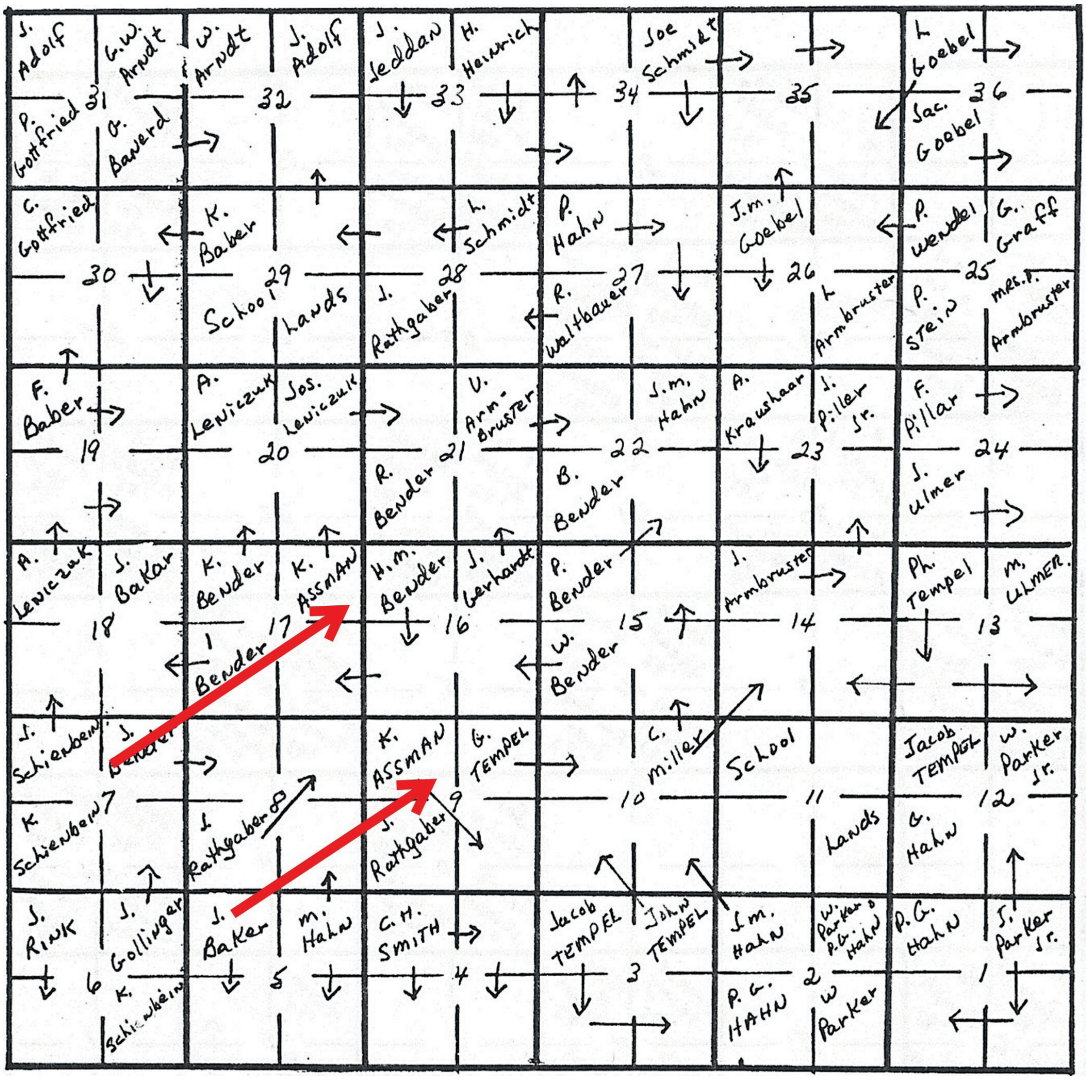
Back: Wilbert, Elaine, Richard; front: Janet Goebel, Pearl, Raymond

Besides somewhat cramped conditions with their growing family, Lizzie felt a bit like a servant, catering to Adolf's mother, who seemed quite demanding and had high expectations of what her daughter-in-law needed to do for her.

They eventually bought their own farm two miles away NW 27-19-R8-W2. They ended up being across the road from Lizzie's sister Clara.

There the rest of the family was born: Raymond (1940), Joan (1943), Jean (1945), Norma (1947), and Marlene (1950).

24 Photos: Collection Elaine Iles



RM of McLeod, TWP 19, R8, W2nd (map from 1920) – Solid arrows show land Adolf inherited. Dotted line at top shows the home quarter where Adolf and Lizzie were married. NW ¼-Sec 32-Twp 19-R8- W of 2nd.



Adolf Assman farm 1960s. Elaine and family in front of the house[25]

25 Collection Elaine Iles.



Aerial photo of Adolf Assman Farm, 1960s[26]



Left to right, back: Wilbert, Adolf, Richard, Raymond; middle: Joan, Lizzie, Elaine, Pearl; front: Jean, Marlene, Norma, ca. early 1950s[27]

26 Collection Elaine Iles.
27 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles.



Back: Jean, Joan; front: Marlene, Norma[28]



Front: Judith; middle: Marlene, Norma; back: Jean, Joan



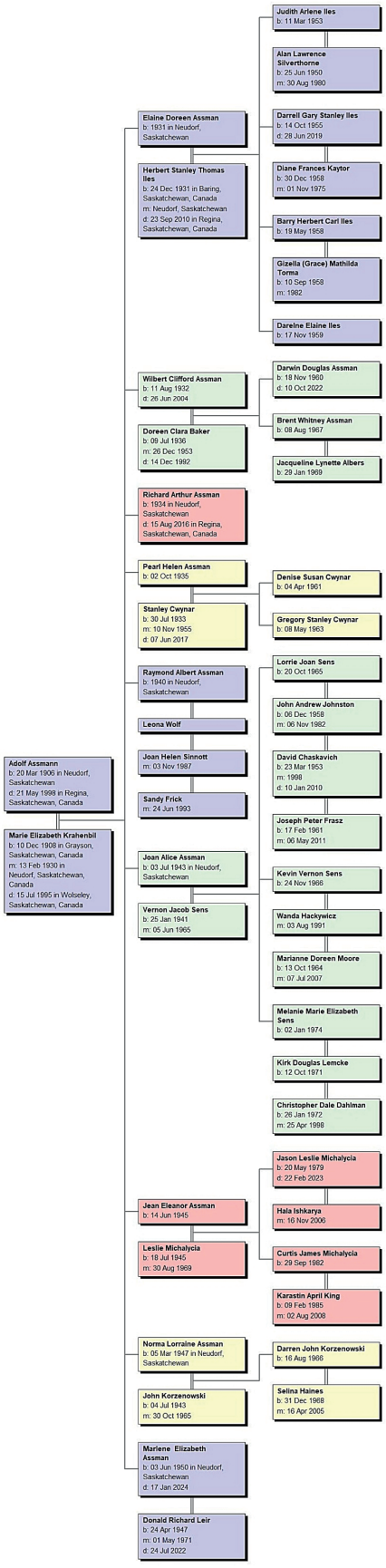
Elaine, 1954



Adolf & Lizzie, 1955

28 Photos: Collection Elaine Iles.

ADOLF & LIZZIE'S FAMILY





Assmann Family Visit (Canada/US): Family with relatives from Wisconsin in 1958[29]



Lizzie & Adolf Assman, Aug 1959[30]

In 1961, Adolf and Lizzie sold their three-quarters of land at Neudorf and moved to a full section of land at Grenfell. The location of the house was on NE ¼ 9-16-8 W2nd. The barn, however, was on the next section: SE 1/4-16-16-9 W2nd.

The circumstances were such that one of the previous owners, Sir Richard Lake, a Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, had purchased the road allowance between the two quarters. The road coming from east had to end anyway, because there was a lake in the way on the property. This was not a practice that was normally allowed; however, it remains part of the land deed to this day.

At this time there were still the five youngest members of the family at home: Raymond, Joan, Jean, Norma, Marlene. The others had married or struck out on their own. These younger ones attended Summerhill country school until it closed in 1964. Then the youngest girls had to board in Grenfell for their high school years.

29 Photo: Collection Judith Silverthorne.
30 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles.



Lizzie & Adolf, early 1960s after they moved to the farm at Grenfell[31]

Adolf and Lizzie farmed the land with their son Raymond, and the younger daughters helped with other farm and household work. They lived at the farm until they retired into a newly built house in the town of Grenfell in 1973. When they moved into it in 1974, they turned their farm over to their son Raymond.

During his life, Adolf was heavily involved in the church board or school board, sometimes both at the same time. Some years were really tough for the family to survive. When Adolf started farming in the 1930s and 1940s, he was only being paid 2 and 3 cents for a bushel of wheat. Although some years the crops weren't good because of the dry conditions, there were many years when there were bumper crops, but there was no market. When they got a Wheat Board set up, this gave them something a little more stable for income though still not high amounts. Back then, Adolf sold a cow for $70 and now they're even going for as much as $5000 each. The family survival relied heavily on the huge gardens that Lizzie grew and all the preserving, canning, and the use of the root cellar, along with the butchering of their farm animals, like pigs, and beef, or chickens. They also sold cream and eggs.

They got their water from a well, and at first, they used oil lamps and lanterns for lighting their homes, but there was always the danger and fear of starting a fire if someone mistakenly dropped one or had an accident. While still on the farm at Neudorf, they eventually turned to a 32-volt battery system. They had an old generator run by a by gas engine, and a windmill. Housed inside the house, they would start the generator to do the laundry and charge batteries at the same time. They had 16 batteries, about the height of a cream can, and with two put together, they would get the 32 volts they needed to run various appliances or pieces of equipment, plus the lights. Lizzie used a treadle sewing machine for sewing and mending and was incredibly excited when she eventually got an electric one. She always had to haul water from a well, until they eventually were able to put in a cistern, and have running water.



Left to right, front: Adolf and Lizzie; middle: Wilbert, Richard, Raymond; back: Elaine, Pearl, Joan, Jean, Norman, Marlene. 1971

31 Photo: Collection Judith Silverthorne.

Judith Silverthorne recalls of her grandmother Lizzie Assmann when excited or telling a story with emphasis saying in German: "Mein Gott im Himmel" – a German interjection which means "my god in heaven" (another way of saying "oh, my goodness"). The family recalls Lizzie doing a great deal of needlework, mostly crocheting. She was always doing laundry, cooking, baking, cleaning, and milking, so she never got out too much otherwise nor was involved too much in the community activities. She did attend church every Sunday and there were tons of people coming for eggs and cream, timing it for coffee time or meals, as her talents shone in that area. People always showed up on Sunday afternoon and often stayed for supper. With their large family and the host of visitors a baseball game was a huge activity in the summertime.

Everyone remembers that Lizzie was always the last one to bed, mending late into the night and the first one up in the morning. Except in the winter when it was really cold, they said. Then Adolf got up first and stoked the fire as the water froze in the tea kettle on those days. At that time there was no insulation in the house, and the blanket's on the beds would freeze to the interior wall of the house.

Lizzie was always charitable. When the church had students coming from Concordia College and they needed to be billeted, Lizzie always had two people staying with them. She liked to go to town Saturday night as the stores were open then and they could do their weekly shopping. Once this was done, she'd go to visit her stepmother Barbara Hain[32] for the evening while the men went for coffee somewhere. (See more about her life in at the end of this chapter in the eulogy.)



Lizzie Assman, 85th Birthday, 10 Dec 1993.[33]
Left to right, front: Adolf & Lizzie seated; back: Richard, Wilbert, Marlene, Jean, Raymond Elaine, Joan, Norma, Pearl.

Adolf laughed a lot and had a wonderful sense of humour. The family members said although he was strict, he never raised his voice or spanked anyone. He just had to give them the "look" and they toned down and behaved. He loved farming. Even on a Sunday, he loved walking around

32 Barbara, whose maiden name had been Senft, had married Henry Hain after the death of Lizzie's father.
33 Collection Elaine Iles.

the farm to see if fencing was good, how the crops and livestock were doing. He loved picking berries in the summertime too. In later years, he was somewhat hard of hearing, but eventually got a hearing aid. He was heavily involved in the church as an elder, and in his senior years went to the local senior's centre almost daily to play cards. (See more about Adolf in the eulogies at the end of this chapter.)



Adolf & Lizzie's home in Grenfell where they retired after they moved from the farm[34]



Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Assman celebrate 60th

Adolf and Elizabeth Assman
Feb. 13, 1930 - Feb. 13, 1990

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Assman gathered at the Ellis Hall in Grenfell on February 10th for a buffet supper to honor the couple on their 60th Wedding Anniversary. In attendance were all of their nine children and numerous grand children & great grand children. Special guests at the head table were Mrs. Mary Heinemann, sister of the groom, Mrs. Clara Goebel and Mrs. Esther Wirth sisters of the bride. A toast was given to the bride and groom by Rev Simpson. Son-in-law John Korzenowski read the congratulatory messages and son-in-law Stan Iles congratulated them on behalf of the in-laws.

Also in attendance were relatives from Regina, Kipling, Neudorf and Grenfell. The groom thanked everyone for making this such a memorable occasion.

From the local Grenfell newspaper, the celebration of Adolf and Lizzie Assman's 60th anniversary[35]

34 Collection Elaine Iles.
35 Clipping courtesy of Vera Maurer.

Marie Elisabeth (Lizzie) Assman died 15 July 1995 at the Wolseley Nursing Home, Wolseley, Saskatchewan, Canada. She had lived there for several months.



Marie Elizabeth was born at Grayson, Saskatchewan on December 10, 1908 to Emil and Marie Elizabeth (Lowenberg) Krahenbil. Elizabeth was Baptized in the Christian faith January 10, 1909 and Confirmed this same faith on April 13, 1924.

She was raised in the Neudorf area and on February 13, 1930, was united in marriage to Adolf Assman at Neudorf. Elizabeth and Adolf farmed in the Neudorf area until 1961. They moved to Grenfell and farmed there until 1974 when they retired and moved to town. Elizabeth spent the past year as a resident of Lakeside Home in Wolseley, Saskatchewan where she died on July 15, 1995 at the age of 86 years, 7 months and 5 days. Elizabeth's body will be laid to rest at Grenfell Cemetery until the Day of Resurrection.

During her life Elizabeth was a faithful member of her church. She loved hymns and organ music. In her younger days she loved gardening, baking, cooking, knitting; doing everthing to help her home run smooth.

Elizabeth was predeceased by her mother in 1920, her father in 1952; one sister, Marie Elizabeth, in infancy; one sister, Ella (Hupp) in 1986; one daughter-in-law, Doreen Assman in 1992.

Elizabeth is survived by her beloved husband Adolf; 9 children: Elaine (Stan) Iles of Regina, Wilbert and his friend Marilyn of Grenfell, Richard of Regina, Pearl (Stan) Cwynar of Regina, Raymond (Sandy) of Grenfell, Joan (Vern) Sens of Grenfell, Jean (Les) Michalycia of Regina, Norma (John) Korzenowski of Regina and Marlene (Don) Leir of Pilot Butte; step - mother Barbara Hain of Regina; one brother, Rev. Albert (Tillie) Krahenbil of Oliver, B.C.; sisters: Clara (Jake) Goebel of Regina and Esther (Ted) Wirth of Regina; one brother in law: Johnny Hupp of Neudorf; 14 grandchildren; 13 great grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.

The family gives thanks to God that you have joined them in this celebration of Elizabeth's earthly life. They invite you to the church basement for a fellowship luncheon after the cemetery committal to express condolences. Memorial donations in lieu of flowers may be given to Lakeside Home, Wolseley, Peace Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or charity of choice.

We give thanks to God for the many blessings He has given to us through Elizabeth. To God alone be all honor, glory and praise forever!

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Grass withers
and flowers fade,
but the word of
our
God
endures forever.



Pallbearers-grandsons, left to right: Darren, Darrell, Brent, Barry, Kevin, Darwin[36]

36 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles.

THE SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
FOR THE LIFE OF
MARIE ELIZABETH ASSMAN
July 18, 1995
PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Grenfell, Saskatchewan

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THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR THE LIVING:
(all present are asked to actively participate)

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE PROCESSIONAL (Congregation rise)

THE HYMN OF COMFORT: # 519 "How Great Thou Art!"

THE GREETING AND INVOCATION

THE RECALLING OF HOLY BAPTISM: Romans 6:3-5
"If we have been united with Christ in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection!"

THE PSALM OF CONFIDENCE: Psalm 139
"O Lord, You know me. I am unable to flee from Your presence; You love me so."

THE PRAYER TO COLLECT OUR THOUGHTS

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON - Lamentations 3:22-23
"Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail."

THE EPISTLE LESSON - Revelation 7:9-17
"Who are they around the Throne of The Lord?"

THE HOLY GOSPEL - John 5:24-27
Jesus said: "Whoever hears My Word and believes Him who sent me has eternal life and will not be condemned."

HYMN OF CONFIDENCE: #507 "Beautiful Savior"

THE MESSAGE FOR THE LIVING: Hebrews 4:7
"There remains, then, a Sabbath rest for those who are in Christ."

A REFLECTION ON ELIZABETH'S LIFE: Here we recollect Elizabeth's life to see how richly God has blessed us through her.

THE APOSTLES' CREED: (Pastor) God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope in Christ, we confess our faith.

(Congregation) I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS FOR THE LIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING HYMN: # 490 "Abide With Me"

THE ORGAN RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE

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SERVING US TODAY:
The Officiant: Pastor David Kihn
The Organist: Lavone Unverricht
Pallbearers: Darrel Iles
Barry Iles — Darwin Assman
Greg Cwynar — Darren Korzenowski
Kevin Sens — Brent Assman
Lunch Providers and Servers: Peace Lutheran Ladies
Funeral Arrangements: Tubman Funeral Home

"Come unto Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." (Mt.11:28)

Funeral service held for Marie Elizabeth Assman

Funeral service for the late Marie Elizabeth (Lizzie) Assman, who died on Saturday, July 15, 1995, at Wolseley, age 86 years, was held in Peace Lutheran Church, Grenfell, on Tuesday, July 18, 1995. The officiating clergy was Rev. David A. Kihn. Interment followed in Grenfell Cemetery. The pallbearers were grandsons Darrel Iles, Barry Iles, Darwin Assman, Greg Cwynar, Darren Korzenowski, Kevin Sens, Brent Assman.

Lizzie was born at Grayson, on December 10, 1908, to Emil and Marie Elizabeth Kranhenbil (nee Lowenberg) who immigrated from Austria. She was baptized on january 10, 1909 and confirmed on April 13, 1924. She was rasied in the Neudorf area and on February 13, 1930 was united in marriage to Adolf Assman at Neudorf. Lizzie and Adolf farmed in the Neudorf district until 1961 then moved to Grenfell where they farmed until 1974 and at this time they retired and moved into Grenfell. Elizabeth spent the last year as a resident of Lakeside Home at Wolseley.

During her life, Elizabeth was a faithful member of her church, loved hymns and organ music. As long as she was able she enjoyed gardening, baking, cooking, knitting, and doing everything to help her home run smoothly.

She is suvived by her loving husband, Adolf; nine children: six daughters and three sons: Elaine (Stan) Iles, Regina; Wilbert Assman and friend Marilyn, Grenfell; Richard, Regina; Pearl (Stan) Cwynar, Regina; Raymond (Sandy) Assman, Grenfell; Joan (Vern) Sens, Grenfell; Jean (Les) Michalycia, Regina; Norma (John) Korzenowski, Regina; Marlene (Don) Leir, Pilot Butte; 14 grandchildren; 13 great grand children; her stepmother, Barbara Hain, Regina; one brother: Rev. Albert (Tillie) Krahenbil, Oliver, B.C. two sisters: Clara (Jake) Goebel and Esther (Ted) Wirth, both of Regina; one brother-in-law: Johnny Hupp, Neudorf; also survived by her nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her mother in 1920; her father in 1952: two sisters, Marie Elizabeth in infancy; Ella Hupp in 1986; a daughter-in-law Doreen Assman in 1992.

The funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Tubman Funeral Home Limited.

Marie Elizabeth Assman Obits, left: Grenfell paper[37]; right: Regina Leader-Post newspaper[38]

8 DEATH NOTICES

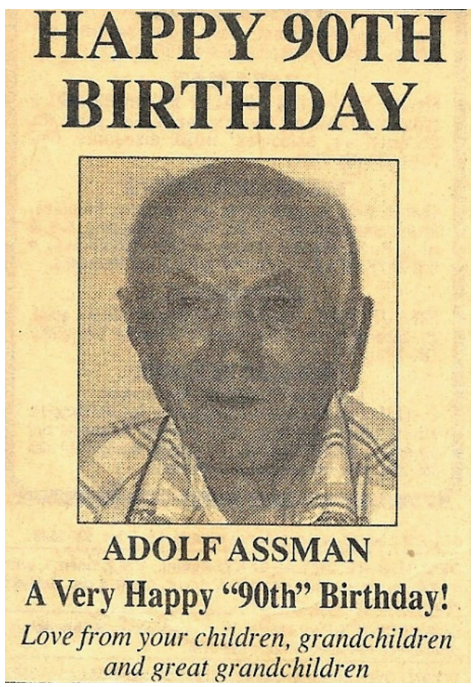
ASSMAN—On Saturday, July 15, 1995, Marie Elizabeth (Lizzie) Assman, beloved wife of Adolf Assman, Grenfell, Sask., age 86 years. The funeral service will be held in the Peace Lutheran Church, Grenfell, Sask., on Tuesday, July 18, 1995 at 2:00 p.m. Officiant Rev. David A. Kihn. Interment in the Grenfell Cemetery. Mrs. Assman was predeceased by her mother Marie Elizabeth (nee Lowenberg) Krahenbil in 1920, her father Emil Krahenbil in 1952, one sister Marie Elizabeth in infancy, a sister Ella Hupp in 1986 and a daughter-in-law Doreen Assman in 1992. Mrs. Assman is survived by her beloved husband Adolf and nine children: Elaine (Stan) Iles of Regina, Wilbert (Marilyn) of Grenfell, Richard of Regina, Pearl (Stan) Cwynar of Regina, Raymond (Sandy) of Grenfell, Joan (Vern) Sens of Grenfell, Jean (Les) Michalycia of Regina, Norma (John) Korzenowski of Regina, and Marlene (Don) Leir of Pilot Butte; fourteen granchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren; step-mother Barbara Hain of Regina; one brother Rev. Albert (Tillie) Krahenbil of Oliver, B.C.; two sisters: Clara (Jake) Goebel and Esther (Ted) Wirth both of Regina; one brother-in-law Johnny Hupp of Neudorf, Sask. Mrs. Assman is also survived by her nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions to the Lakeside Nursing Home, Wolseley, Sask., S0G 5H0 or to the Peace Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, Grenfell, Sask., S0G 2B0, may be tokens of remembrance. Arrangements in care of the Tubman Funeral Home, Wolseley, (1-800-667-8962),

37 "Marie Elizabeth Assman Obit," The Grenfell Sun, Grenfell, Saskatchewan, Tuesday, August 15, 1995, p. 16.
38 "Marie Elizabeth Assman Obit," The Leader-Post, Regina, Saskatchewan.





Adolf Assman, 1990s[39]



HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY

ADOLF ASSMAN

A Very Happy "90th" Birthday!

Love from your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren

After Lizzie passed, Adolf stayed in the family home. He continued to do a little gardening, drive his car and go to the Senior's Club to play cards and enjoy coffee with his friends. Sometimes he'd get meals brought in from the Meals on Wheels service, and if he needed home care, they would come and help him.

In March 1996 he celebrated his 90th birthday in several ways - with a big family supper, and another smaller supper with friends and neighbours in the local hotel dining room.

Leader-Post clipping, 1996[40]

For the most part Adolf did very well on his own until an accident ensued. After an outing, he had been getting out of a truck driven by a friend. As he headed around the front of the truck to get into his house, the friend, who thought he was in reverse, moved forward and nudged Adolf, who then fell and broke his hip. Adolf succumbed to heart problems while in hospital for his hip. He died 21 May 1998 in the Regina General Hospital, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

39 Ibid.

40 Collection Elaine Iles.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF ADOLF ASSMAN

1906 - 1998

Adolf was born at Neudorf, Saskatchewan on March 20, 1906 to Karl [born December 25, 1858, Galatia, Austria - died April 10, 1926, Neudorf] and Katherina Elizabeth (Erbach) [born November 13, 1863, Galatia, Austria - died January 30, 1945, Neudorf] Assman. Adolf was Baptized in the Christian faith on May 26, 1906 and confirmed this same faith on March 20, 1921.

Adolf was raised in the Neudorf area and on February 13, 1930, he was united in marriage to Marie Elizabeth Krahenbil. Adolf and Elizabeth farmed in the Neudorf area until 1961. They moved to Grenfell and farmed there until 1974 when they retired and moved to town.

The Lord called Adolf from this life on Ascension Day, Thursday May 21, 1998 at the age of 92 years, 2 months and 1 day. Adolf's body will be laid to rest beside that of his wife at Grenfell Cemetery until the Day of Resurrection.

During his life Adolf was a faithful member of his church. He faithfully continued to be strengthened to live the Christian life through hearing God's Word and in taking part in the Lord's Supper. By God's grace Adolf served the Lord through His Church as both Elder and Trustee. He encouraged many in the Christian faith.

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The family gives thanks to God that you have joined them today in this celebration of Adolf's earthly life. They invite you to the church basement for a fellowship luncheon after the cemetery committal to express condolences. Memorial donations in lieu of flowers may be made to Peace Lutheran Memorial Fund or a charity of your choice. We give thanks to God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us through Adolf.



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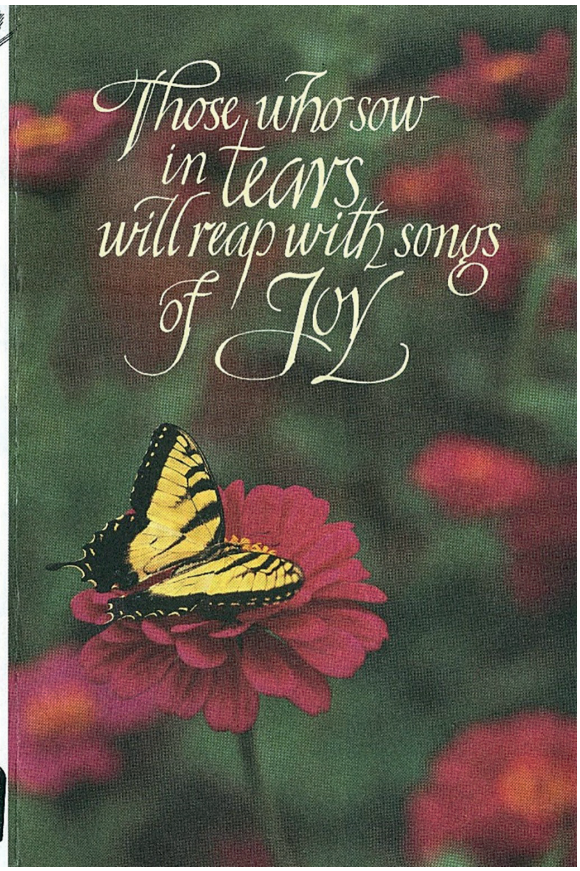

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THE SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING
FOR THE LIFE OF
ADOLF ASSMAN
May 26, 1998
PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Grenfell, Saskatchewan



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THE ORGAN PRELUDE

THE PROCESSIONAL (Congregation rise)

THE HYMN OF INVOCATION: "Just As I Am" # 359

THE RECALLING OF HOLY BAPTISM: Romans 6:3-5
"If we have been united with Christ in His death, we will certainly also be united with Him in His resurrection!"



PSALM 137 "You know me very well. O Lord."

THE PRAYER TO COLLECT OUR THOUGHTS

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Job 19:21-27
"I know that my Redeemer lives!" What sweet comfort this gives!

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 8:31-39
"For I am convinced that ...nothing [in] all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 14:1-6
Jesus answered, "I am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."

HYMN OF CONFIDENCE: "Lord, Take My Hand" # 512

THE MESSAGE FOR THE LIVING: "Christian Hope Fulfilled"
(Hebrews 9:24-28)



THE APOSTLES' CREED:
God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope in Christ, we confess our faith.
(Congregation) I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS FOR CONSOLATION
THE LORD'S PRAYER & THE BENEDICTION



CLOSING HYMN: "Beautiful Saviour" # 507
A TRIBUTE TO OUR FATHER-IN-LAW: (Stan Iles)
A TRIBUTE TO OUR GRANDFATHER: (Judy Silverthorne)
RECESSIONAL HYMN: "How Great Thou Art" # 519

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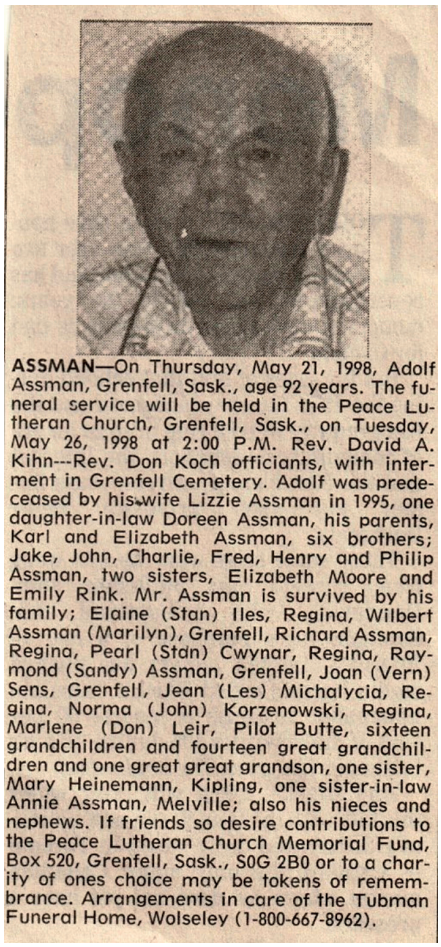
The Officiants: Rev. David Kihn, Pastor of Peace/Zion Parish
Rev. Don Koch, Pastor of Grace, Regina, Parish
The Organist: Mrs. Lavone Unverricht
Pallbearers: Billy Assman, Brent Assman, Bruce Assman, Darwen Assman, Greg Cwynar, Darrell Iles, Barry Iles, Darren Korzenowski, Curtis Michalycia, Jason Michalycia, Kevin Sens
Honourary Pallbearers: Carl Leir, Raymond Richardson, Henry Schmidt, Barney Stopanski, Fred Switzer, Alf Whitley
Lunch Providers and Servers: Peace Lutheran Ladies/L.W.M.L.
Funeral Arrangements: Tubman Funeral Home

- To God alone be all the glory; now and forever! Amen! -





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Adolf Assman Obits:
left: Regina Leader-Post;
right: Grenfell newspaper [41]

41 Collection Elaine Iles.

ADOLF ASSMAN

(1906-1998)

Adolf was born at Neudorf Saskatchewan on March 20, 1906 to Karl and Katherina Elizabeth (Erbach) Assman. Adolf was baptized in the Christian faith on May 26, 1906 and confirmed in this same faith on March 20, 1921.

He was raised in the Neudorf area on and February 13, 1930, he was united in marriage to Marie Krahenbil. Adolf and Elizabeth farmed in the Neudorf area until 1961. They moved to Grenfell and farmed there until 1974 when they retired and moved to town.

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Adolf and Lizzie are buried in the Grenfell Cemetery, Plot: New - block 18 - plot A3, Grenfell, Melville Census Division, Saskatchewan.



Adolf and Elizabeth Assman headstone in the Grenfell Cemetery[42]

42 Headstone, Adolf and Elizabeth Assman, Collection of Judith Silverthorne. 2018.

EULOGIES OF ELISABETH AND ADOLF ASSMAN

IMAGES OF MY GRANDMA

Eulogy of Elisabeth Assman by Judith Silverthorne, 16 July 1995

My grandmother was born, Marie Elizabeth Krahenbil, at Grayson on December 10 in 1908 to Marie Elizabeth Lowenberg and Emil Krahenbil. She soon became known as Elizabeth or Lizzie to those around her. As a young girl in 1916 she walked a mile and a half to Piller school, which she attended for most of her education, except for a few months when she went to Baber school.

When she was eleven years old in 1920, her mother passed away, and young Lizzie was left to care for the family, which included her father and seven-year-old brother, Albert. Her sister, Clara, a seven-month-old baby at the time, was cared for by an aunt and uncle some distance away. A year later, Lizzie was happy and relieved when her father married a loving woman, Barbara Senft, and she could turn over many of her former duties and become a child once again, especially with the addition of two more children, Esther and Ella, in due course.

She was baptized in the Christian faith in 1909 and confirmed in 1924. Several years later, in 1930, on the 13th of February, Elizabeth married a gentle, neighbouring farmer, Adolf Assman. Over the ensuing years, she gave birth to nine precious children: Elaine, Wilbert, Richard, Pearl, Raymond, Joan, Jean, Norma and Marlene.

For the first few years they farmed at Neudorf, living in the same yard as her husband's family, but in 1937 the young Assmans bought their own farm two miles away. Then in 1961 they moved to a farm in the Grenfell district, and later retired into the town in 1974. Her cherished offspring went on to give her 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, all of which were close to her heart.

To her family, Elizabeth Assman, was much more than wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her inner beauty and love shone forth from deep within her being, reflected in the warm twinkling of her eyes. For me, she was a solid foundation. She gave me the courage to be who I am today. She showed me that by sheer determination of strength of spirit you could overcome any problem. She did this just by being who she was, by the example of how she lived.

From as early as I can remember my grandparent's house, whether at Neudorf or Grenfell, seemed to bulge at the seams with people - laughing, talking, a joyous noisy profusion of happenings, with unexpected visitors driving into the yard, dogs barking, the radio turned to hymn sings or country music, and people sitting down at the kitchen table for several shifts of meals. At the heart of all the excitement stood my grandmother - a playful smile that lit up her face and made her eyes sparkle with warmth and merriment, taking everything in stride. Nothing seemed to ruffle her, she welcomed everyone.

I can still see her in her crowded kitchen, surrounded by caring, helpful daughters, praised by the menfolk and children alike for her delicious meals, and coffee breaks with fresh baked cinnamon rolls and kuchens never to be equalled anywhere. Sometimes I'd watch as she expertly cut strands of homemade noodles and delicately laid them across a cloth on a back of a chair, or punched down bread dough and later slipped the steaming loves from the oven onto the counter. I can even still taste her wonderful cabbage rolls.

At times I'd marvel at her inner strength and patience, at her ability to accomplish so much in one day. She bustled about doing chores from early morning til late at night. I never knew when she went to bed or when she got up. She was always the first and the last to do so ... at least in my memories.

Even when she took time out to watch the soap operas on television some afternoons, her hands were never idle. In the summer she shelled peas or cleaned saskatoons or chokecherries while she tuned into the set. In the winter she crocheted, and in later years even made afghans for every member of her large family.

I can still picture Grandma working in her huge garden, waist high with a hoe in the tall pea patch, or half-hidden in the corn, or sitting on the porch step, shelling peas. She was so efficient whether milking cows, feeding chickens, gathering eggs or doing housework. She worked hard, simply because it had to be done.

Sometimes there'd be quiet times with my Grandmother - when all her chores were complete. She'd tell me of her past, the family life she'd led. A small woman with open arms and a big heart, she always took the time to talk to people, to make them feel special. She discussed things with me, always treating me with respect, as if I were an adult like her. She made me feel important, and hardly ever scolded me, even when I was five years old and kept sticking my fingers in the butter that rested on the dumbwaiter. She'd just laugh at my antics.

When I was older and on my own, I tried to visit my grandparents as often as I could. One weekend in particular while they still lived on the farm at Grenfell, I recall when I went for such a visit. I stayed as long as I could that weekend, even spending Sunday night and arising extra early on the Monday morning so I could drive straight back to my job in Regina. I remember how thrilled my grandma was that I took the time to see her and stay so long, but I did it because I wanted to, she made me feel special. How could I resist Grandma's warm loving smile and those twinkling eyes that reached right into the depths of her humanitarian soul? I loved her wonderful sense of humour and how good she made me feel.

Besides, she gave me guidance that I am only just now coming to realize was true wisdom. Whenever I'd go to her with some problem or ask her advice, she'd give me answers that were never direct, but ones I'd have to contemplate before I could understand. "Grandma," I'd say after carefully explaining a situation to her, "What do you think I should do?"

She'd look long into my eyes and tilt her head to one side. "Well, that's up to you, you have to make up your own mind," she'd gently say. "You have to do what you think. Do what's right for you."

In later years when her mind sometimes failed her, she still had a special smile for me, and I remember even a year ago she told me the same thing when I asked her opinion about a dilemma. "You do what you think," she said, and I remember laughing because she was just as knowing as she'd always been, and I told her so. Then she laughed, because she was a humble woman and never considered herself wise, but she was pleased that I thought her so.

I'll always remember my grandmother because she constantly gave from the heart, never expecting much in return, and, although, I always felt my grandmother and I had a special bond, I know she cared equally as much for each and everyone of her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I also know that she has gone to a far better place where she can watch over us all, with a twinkle in her eyes and a smile in her heart, and that her gentle, loving spirit will live on in each of us, carrying us forward to each new day.

EULOGY OF ADOLF ASSMAN BY SON-IN-LAW STAN ILES

I'm Stan Iles husband of Adolf Assman's eldest daughter Elaine to give a tribute to our father-in-law.

The first time that I met Adolf Assman was on May 8, 1954 when Elaine asked me to come home with her to meet her parents [at Neudorf]. Going to be the first to ask for the hand of one of his 6 daughters in marriage, I was very apprehensive. My fears were unfounded for when I arrived, I met a very warm and friendly family that made me very welcome.

Adolf, whom I quickly took to calling Dad, was a kind and gentle man with a quick wit and friendly disposition. The first weekend spent at the Neudorf farm, Dad taught me the art of throwing horseshoes. There are so many pleasant memories of Dad but one that comes to mind was when Dad and Mum and 3 of the youngest children arrived in Glenavon on a stormy winter afternoon to visit us at our farm 6 miles from town.

A typical Saskatchewan winter storm soon made roads impassable, and we soon realized that travel back home to Neudorf was impossible and we were having a rapid increase in the size of our family 2 bedrooms and 7 people. As the storm blocked all roads for about a week, Mum started to fret about getting home. Dad on the other hand just laughed and said we have all the older children at home to look after the farm, so I am just going to have a holiday and help Stan with his chores. When Mum talked about other ways of getting home, Dad just laughed and said I'm not going home without my car if it takes until spring.

Dad enjoyed life to the fullest, but his main priorities were his church, his family and farming. In recent years after retiring to town [Grenfell] his priorities were still his church, his family, his friends and playing cards (he was a formidable opponent in a game of cards). Mum and Dad where blessed with 9 loving children who were always close to their parents, they visited together often. And celebrated Christmas, birthdays, anniversaries and many other good times together as a large happy family who enjoyed being together throughout the years.

The common thread that holds a family together is sometimes weakened when the parents have passed on, but this family will always be close and will continue to celebrate as one large and happy family whenever possible, and nothing would have made Mum and Dad happier.

God bless you, Dad; we will all miss you very much but our loss is heaven's gain.

SOMEONE WHO MADE A DIFFERENCE

Eulogy of Adolf Assman by granddaughter Judith Silverthorne

This memory is one I always put off writing about- I guess I expected, or at least secretly hoped, my grandfather would be around forever, even though I knew this couldn't be possible.

When I began recalling my grandfather and how he affected me, I thought of his life in terms of being a celebration.

The first thing that comes to mind was his wonderful sense of humour and the twinkle in his eyes. He was always the solid comforting person, who never spoke harshly to me. In my memory, he was a gentle man, who was often silently observing, quietly chatting away, and then there'd be an unexpected comment, or a joke and we'd be laughing around the kitchen table. He was always so spontaneous and fun.

Other early memories are those of my grandpa working hard outdoors in the fields or at the barn, where I only joined him occasionally. I remember him in the giant potato fields, hilling or hoeing, and doing it cheerfully, just because it had to be done, chiding me playfully, if I complained about it being too hot or so much work. It seemed like an ominous chore to me as a child. He'd finish that task, and then move on to something else, whether that was repairing a tractor, or feeding the animals, methodically completing one thing after another with a jaunting step, and that twinkle in his eyes.

Above all my grandfather was a hard-working farmer. Sometimes, I'd be one of the lucky ones to haul lunches out into the fields at harvest time and catch glimpses of him at work. Those were magical moments to me, being out in the field with my grandfather; his smiling face smudged a little with dirt as we sat under the slanting autumn sun with the smell of freshly combined grain and the hint of crispness in the air. I'd become part of his world, his world of working the land, and providing sustenance for others, another job he did joyfully.

I think one of the things he enjoyed most, was being out in the berry patch, picking saskatoons. I remember, whenever my aunts and I would go out to the bushes in the pasture with my grandfather, he'd disappear for a long time. Even though the rest of us would be laughing and talking, and eating the berries, we'd never hear a word from him. He'd appear silently, and yes he'd have a few berry stains around his mouth, too, but his pail would be fuller than everyone else's.

In the wintertime, I remember him most at mealtimes, keeping a lively conversation going around the table, or in the evenings, reading newspapers and magazines, or sitting quietly and watching a hockey game in the darkened living room. I also remember him surrounded by family, friends, and neighbours dropping in, and huge fun family gatherings at Christmas time, where the house would be bulging at the seams, and we'd have to squeeze as many as we could into beds and on makeshift ones on the floors so everyone had a place to sleep after the late night talks and the crowded noisy card games.

Perhaps one of the things I remember most was his sense of wonder and excitement. In his later years, after he retired from the farm, he had more time to spend with others. This is when I learned of his sense of adventure. I'd show up at his house, and decide to do a little family research, and he'd hop in the car, eager to go with me to tromp through cemeteries and point out landmarks and important sites. We'd spend wonderful summer afternoons, talking and laughing about all kinds of topics. One time, he even made a trip all the way up to my home in the north. I was thrilled he'd made the effort and taken the time.

Grandpa was an outgoing, social man, who loved gardening, and visiting with friends and family, attending ball games, and playing cards with his buddies.

People were important to him. He also seemed to have a wide range of knowledge about many topics, and if he didn't know about something, he'd find out. His attitude was always positive.

What I also know of being around my grandpa and watching him throughout the years was that he was a man of integrity, honesty, fairness, and generosity, often to a fault. He was also a deeply sensitive man, with a gentleness and tenderness that endeared him to his family. In many ways he was a quiet, shy man, who kept his feelings to himself. In particular, I know he was proud of his family, especially his children, although he may never have expressed it directly to anyone. For me, he always seemed to have a smile on his face, and an understanding and acceptance of whatever I said or did.

He always made me feel special, and he was dear to me, as I'm sure he was to all of us. I'm also sure we all have particular memories of him, and that we'll miss him for different reasons. My sadness at his passing extends in a different way. This means a close to a chapter of my life, the last link to that part of my childhood, my last grandparent to outlive the others.

But I can also find comfort and rejoice for having known him, for knowing that he had a full and engaging life, still living in his own home, still healthy and active, still interested in gardening, still meeting with friends and enjoying visits from family, still teasing and joking and laughing.

I think we can all say his memory will endure and that he was someone whose presence affected our lives. I, for one, will always remember the twinkle in my grandfather's eyes and be able to recall the memories of a wonderful man who made a difference in my life, and I am comforted in knowing his spirit lives on.

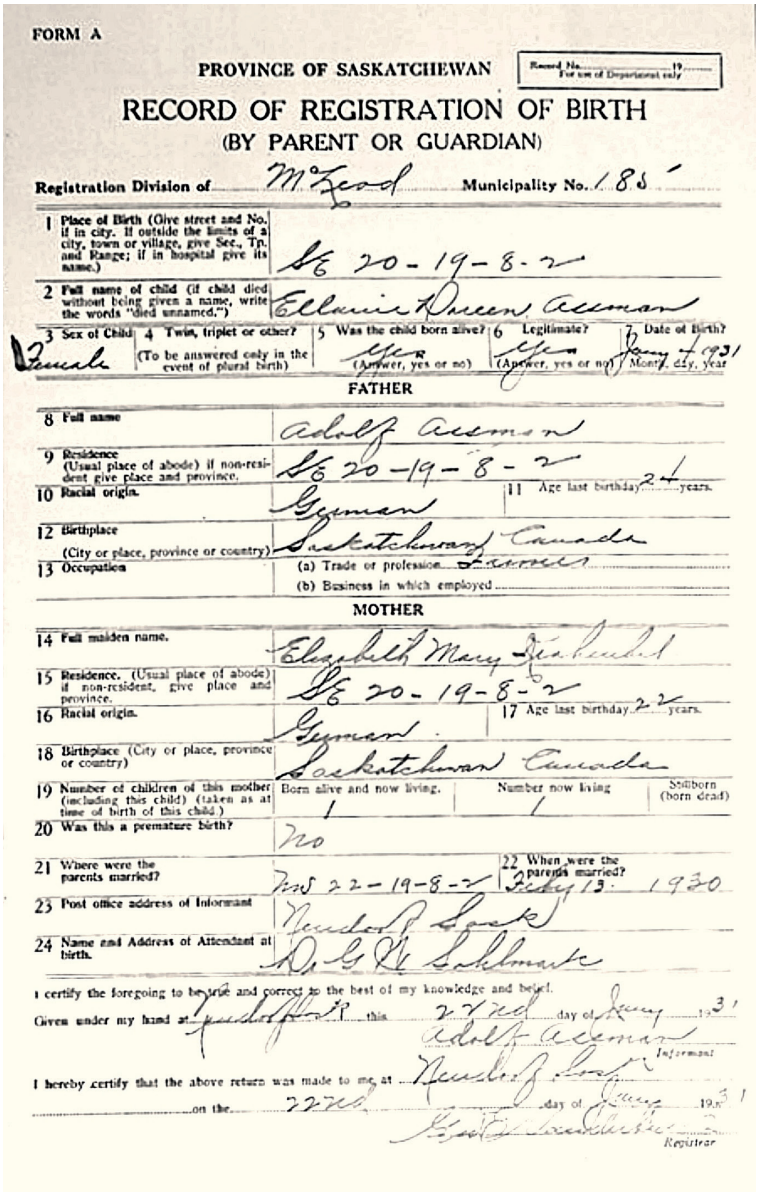


Adolf and Lizzie Assman's children:
Left to right, back: Elaine, Norma, Joan, Jean, Marlene, Pearl; front: Wilbert, Raymond, Richard. 22 May 1998

ELAINE DOREEN ASSMAN

Elaine Doreen Assman, was born 4 January 1931, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She married Stanley Iles 19 November 1954, Neudorf, Saskatchewan. **Herbert Stanley Thomas Iles**, born 24 December 1931 to Henry Iles (1891-1990) and Mary Vipond (1903-1994); died 23 September 2010.[1]

Elaine Doreen Assman was the oldest of what later became a family with nine children. When she was baptized her Uncle Henry and Aunt Pina (Henry Assman & Philipena Ulmer) became her sponsors (godparents).



FORM A

PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

RECORD OF REGISTRATION OF BIRTH

(BY PARENT OR GUARDIAN)

Registration Division of Melfort Municipality No. 183

1 Place of Birth (Give street and No. if in city. If outside the limits of a city, town or village, give Sec., Tp. and Range; if in hospital give its name.) SE 20-19-8-2

2 Full name of child (If child died without being given a name, write the words "died unnamed.") Ellaine Doreen Assman

3 Sex of Child: Female 4 Twin, triplet or other? (To be answered only in the event of plural birth) 5 Was the child born alive? Yes (Answer, yes or no) 6 Legitimate? Yes (Answer, yes or no) 7 Date of Birth? January 4 1931 (Month, day, year)

FATHER

8 Full name Adolf Assman

9 Residence (Usual place of abode) if non-resident give place and province. SE 20-19-8-2

10 Racial origin. German 11 Age last birthday 24 years.

12 Birthplace (City or place, province or country) Saskatchewan Canada

13 Occupation (a) Trade or profession Farmer

(b) Business in which employed

MOTHER

14 Full maiden name. Elizabeth Mary Krahenbil

15 Residence. (Usual place of abode) if non-resident, give place and province. SE 20-19-8-2

16 Racial origin. German 17 Age last birthday 22 years.

18 Birthplace (City or place, province or country) Saskatchewan Canada

19 Number of children of this mother (including this child) (taken as at time of birth of this child.)

Born alive and now living.	Number now living	Stillborn (born dead)
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20 Was this a premature birth? No

21 Where were the parents married? Melfort Sask 22-19-8-2 22 When were the parents married? July 13 1930

23 Post office address of Informant Neudorf Sask

24 Name and Address of Attendant at birth. Dr G H Saltmarsh

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Given under my hand at Neudorf Sask this 27th day of January 1931

Adolf Assman Informant

I hereby certify that the above return was made to me at Neudorf Sask on the 27th day of January 1931

Registrar

Elaine Doreen Assman, birth registration[2]

1 Note: All information and photographs in this chapter come from the records and collections of Elaine Iles and Judith Silverthorne unless otherwise indicated.

2 Collection of Elaine Iles, originally from the Saskatchewan Vital Statistics of Saskatchewan.

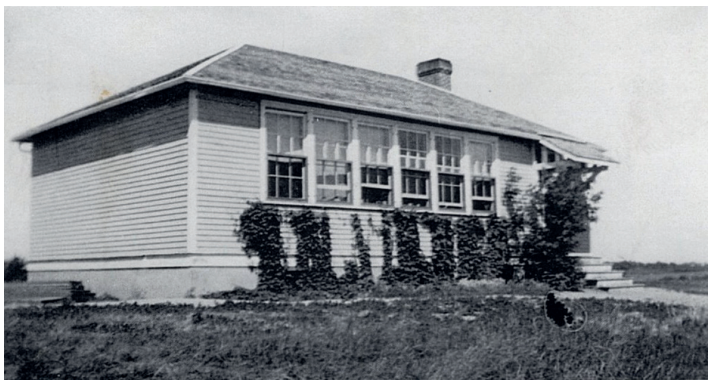


Elaine was born at the farm on Sec 20 TWP 19, RG 8 west of the 2nd Meridian, where her parents were living with her widowed grandmother, Elizabeth Assman. They remained living there while her next three siblings were born. (See photos in Adolf and Elisabeth chapter.)

Her parents eventually bought their own farm two miles away NW 27-19-R8-W2, where Elaine grew up and went to the local rural school.

Photo left to right:
Back: Wilbert, Elaine
Front: Richard, Raymond, Pearl,
ca 1942/43

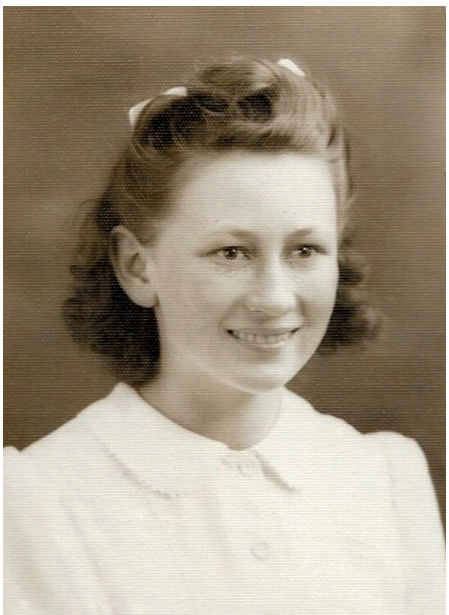
Elaine attended Baber School #456 at Neudorf. Elaine said she made it through grade seven, but then her sister Jean was born at the end of the school year, and she had to stay home and help, so couldn't complete her grade eight. She was good in math and spelling, and even was in regional spelling bees. She said she didn't like nature science classes as much.



Above: Baber School. Below: Baber School children, 1939. Elaine is in the front row, squatting on the far right



She recalls going with her dad with a cart and pony to her grandmother's house to colour Easter eggs for the rest of the children. Another time she recalls, Richard driving the horse and cart to school and he hit the gate post, and they all went flying out. She recalls that we lived with Grandma Assman before I went to school. She also remembers getting a child's China tea set from her grandmother, but when she was walking upstairs with it, it slipped and broke.





Above: Wilbert, Elaine, Richard, (front) Janet Goebel, Pearl, Raymond.
Left: Confirmation picture. Elaine was confirmed in Neudorf in April 1945.

In her own words, Elaine said: *"The work at home was mostly housework, and barn chores, such as milking cows, feeding the chickens, gathering eggs, gardening, and preserving and other general daily tasks along with helping with the younger children and constant company that arrived on Sunday afternoons that had to be fed. I baked a lot of sponge cake.*

I had to help with everything, whatever there was to do. I learned to do everything, outside, inside. Lots of gardens, and chickens that we sent to the eggs to the hatchery. We canned beef stew, fish. The Goebels came and sold fish to us. We had an icehouse cellar in the house with a trap door. We would melt snow for water. We had eleven cows to milk, and we always had to go and get them they weren't just waiting for us. Cooking, cleaning, washing, ironing seemed constant. Mondays was laundry day. We had batteries. Our telephone ring was three long ones and one short one.

In the summertime we always made it out to Aunt Frieda's for a big ball game. No work, no farming on Sundays, just chores. I saved my money, and I bought a chest; it was $20 when I bought it. That's the only thing I remember buying, and I still got it and I did lots of embroidery. Always working, embroidering or rocking the little ones to sleep."





Photos left to right: Elaine with brother Wilbert Assman - Elaine with her younger sister Marlene in the background - Elaine with Arnold Assman (cousin)



Fun on the farm. Riding in the cart is Elaine seated at the front, with Joan standing at the back. Others are unknown



Elaine Assman and Stan Iles wedding portrait, 19 November 1954

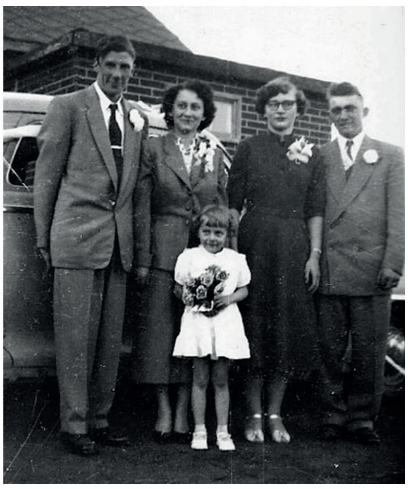
At the age of 22, Elaine went to work in Regina for a time as a housekeeper, and then took a job at Glenavon as a housekeeper and to help with the children for Reta and Thomas Vipond on their farm. This is where she met one of the neighbouring relatives, who became her husband. She also worked for a time for Bella and Bud Kelsey, and a short stint at Fillmore.

She married Herbert Stanley (Stan) Thomas Iles on 19 November 1954 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan.



Elaine & Stan's wedding booklet

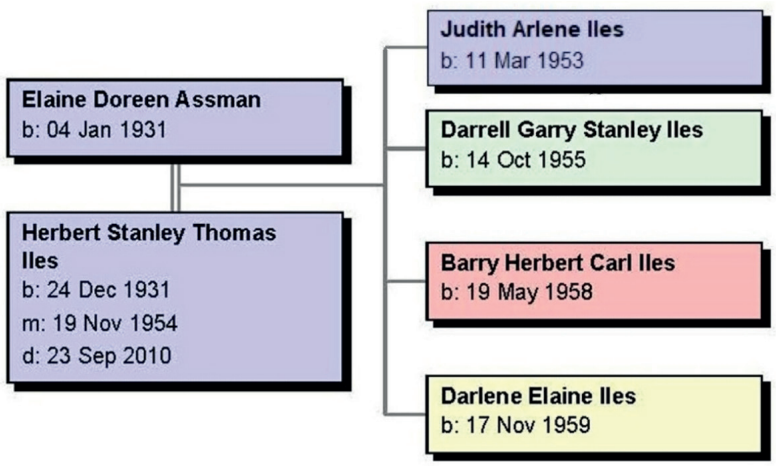




Wedding party with Richard Assman as best man, Lorraine Parley, maid of honour, and Marlene Assman, flower girl

After their marriage Elaine and Stan lived on a farm rented from Thomas Vipond at Glenavon for a time, where the community welcomed Elaine. They farmed and Stan did electrical work on the side.

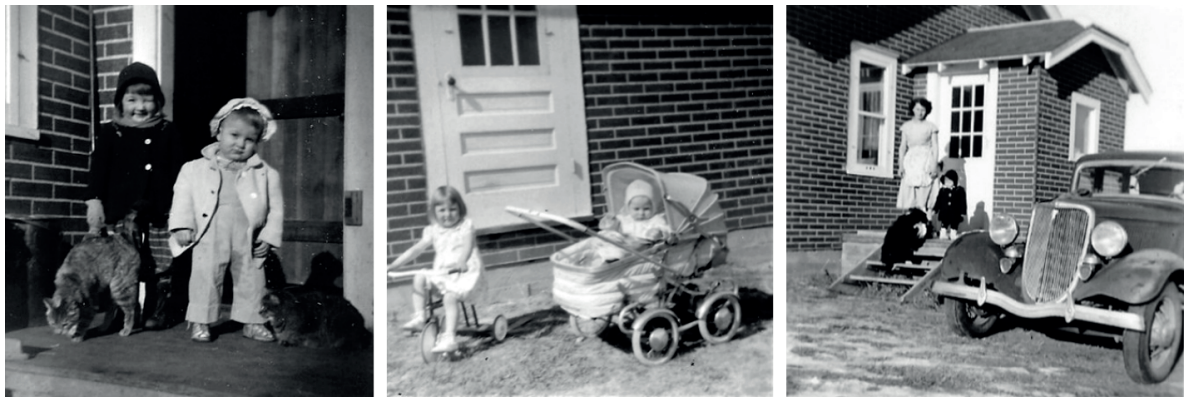
They raised four children:







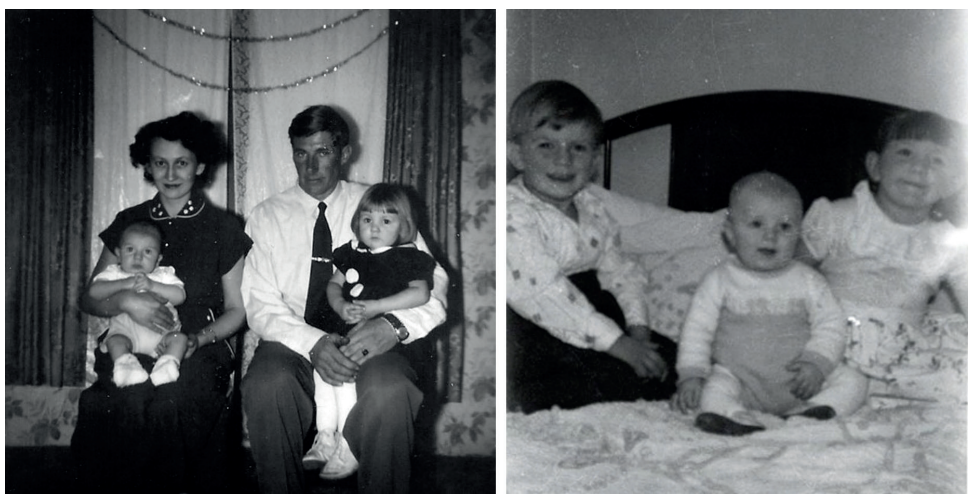
Judith was born on 11 March 1953, and Darrell arrived 14 October 1955





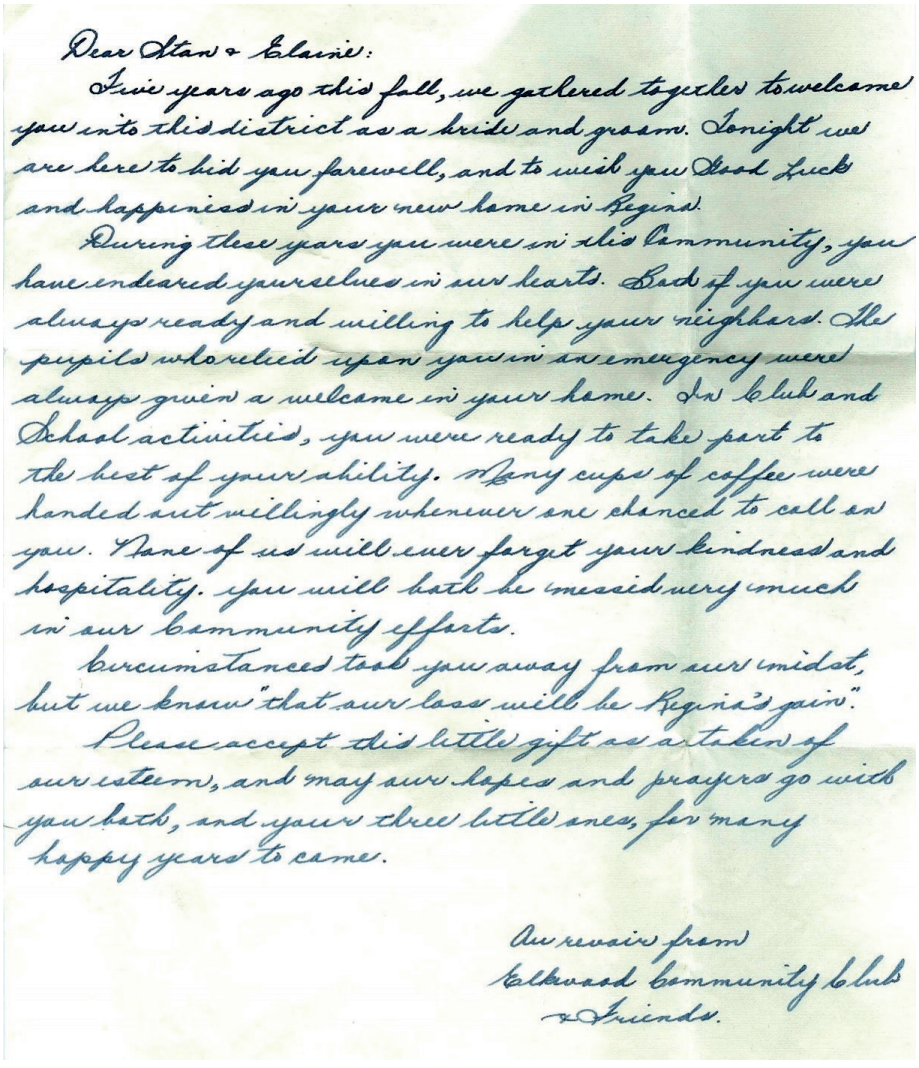
Photos above of Judith and Darrell with Elaine on the rented farm at Glenavon

Barry was born 19 May 1958, the last to be born while they lived on the Glenavon farm.
At this time, Elaine and Stan decided to move to Regina, where Stan would become a full-time electrician.



Left: Elaine with Darrell & Stan with Judith. Right: Darrell, Barry & Judith

Elaine and Stan had obviously been heavily involved in the community, which was sad to see them go.



Dear Stan & Elaine:

Five years ago this fall, we gathered together to welcome you into this district as a bride and groom. Tonight we are here to bid you farewell, and to wish you Good Luck and happiness in your new home in Regina.

During these years you were in this community, you have endeared yourselves in our hearts. Both of you were always ready and willing to help your neighbors. The pupils who relied upon you in an emergency were always given a welcome in your home. In Club and School activities, you were ready to take part to the best of your ability. Many cups of coffee were handed out willingly whenever one chanced to call on you. None of us will ever forget your kindness and hospitality. You will both be missed very much in our community efforts.

Circumstances took you away from our midst, but we know "that our loss will be Regina's gain".

Please accept this little gift as a token of our esteem, and may our hopes and prayers go with you both, and your three little ones, for many happy years to come.

Au revoir from
Elkwood Community Club
& Friends.

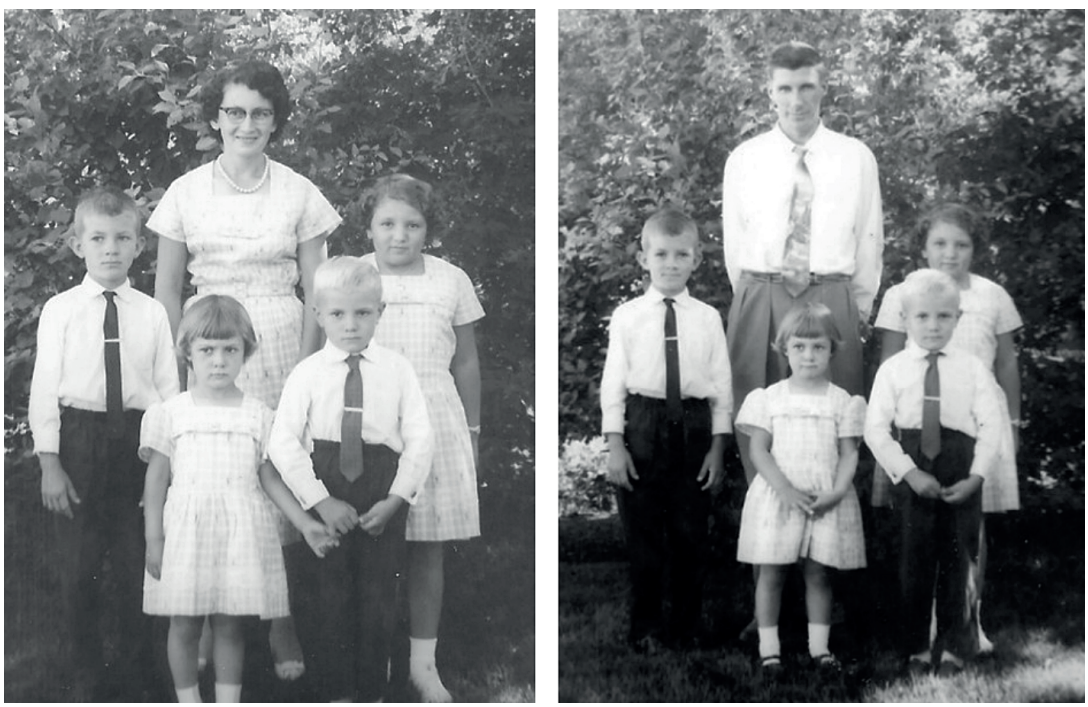
Farewell letter from local community



710 King Street, Regina, Saskatchewan, when Elaine and Stan first arrived.

Darlene was born in Regina, 17 November 1959.





Elaine and Stan each with the children, ca. 1963




Left: Darlene's brithday party, ca 1963. Right: Darrell, Barry, Judith behind Darlene



Darrell's brithday, ca 1964

In the early years, Elaine was fully occupied as a housewife and mom, and grew a large garden in the summer time from which she did lots of preserving, canning. She also did many tasks in the winter like sewing and mending, laundry, cooking, and cleaning. She sewed clothes for herself and both daughters, always wanting them to match, like the mauve checked dresses in the photo below.




Left: Matching outfits, Christmas ca. 1960. Right: Family photo ca. 1964

As the children grew up, Elaine started doing a few hobbies. She became keenly interested in doing ceramics and took her first class in April of 1968, eventually coming to own her own kiln. She also poured greenwear for other people, and made many gifts for family and friends. She took a typing class in the fall of 1982 and cake decorating class in January of 1983. Although she finished driver training in June of 1966 and got her driver's license, Elaine never felt too comfortable driving on her own, and encouraged Stan to do it most of the time.

In order to help make ends meet, Elaine took in boarders, sometimes 2, 3 and even 4 at a time, which made for some hilarious and precarious situations, until she learned it was best to have either all girls or all guys, with guys being the easiest, otherwise our one bathroom was occupied too long with the girls getting ready in the morning, holding up kids getting ready for school, and Stan off to work. Elaine also did daytime babysitting for the local neighbours until 1970.

By then the oldest children were in high school, so on 27 August 1970 Elaine began working for Sears Catalogue Shopping Centre, where she helped fill catalogue orders on a parttime basis. In 1990 she was celebrated for twenty years service, and she finally retired from Sears in 1993.



Elaine's Anniversary at Sears, 1990[3]



Sears, Retirement Supper, 1993.
Elaine's boss, Elaine, Stan

3 "Happy Anniversary," page 2, *The Digger*, Sears Canada newsletter, Fall 1990.

Elaine became involved in singing in the church choir in later years, which she enjoyed very much. They were members of the Redeemer Lutheran Church where the children attended Sunday School, and later were confirmed. When it closed, they moved over to the Mount Olive Lutheran Church.

Throughout their lives, Stan and Elaine loved dancing. For several decades they took up square dancing on a regular basis, attending regular Thursday night dances with the St. Cecilia Happy Hearts, and travelling to other places as well. They danced for other events, and occasions, simply for the joy of dancing! They also loved socializing and often appeared in matching outfits.







Stan was also keen to learn to fly an airplane. On 28 March 1971, Stan took his first training flight from the Regina Flying Club. He certified as a pilot on 2 October 1971. He furthered this achievement by obtaining his night endorsement on 21 March 1972. Stan & Elaine joined the Regina Flying Club and were elected to various officers of the committees. In 1972 they joined the Sherwood Forest Country Club, later becoming shareholders, of which Elaine remains to this day.

In May of 1979 they moved to another house on 639 Argyle St. By this time Darlene was the only one still living at home.

Although Stan had been working as an electrician a little on the farm, when they moved to Regina, he began his life-long work as an electrician. He worked first for other companies, like Stetner Electric, and then on May 19, 1982, he formed Iles Electric, an electrical company with his youngest son, Barry.

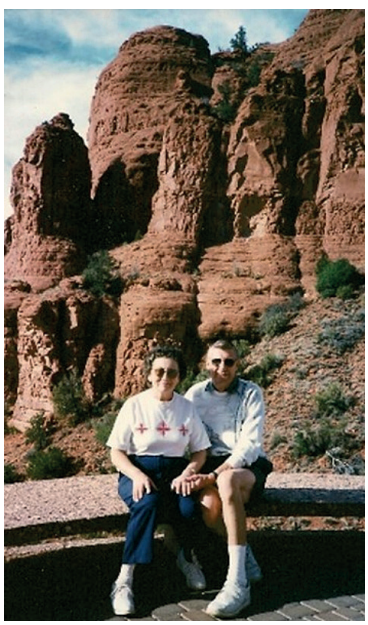


Over the years it expanded and grew. He remained there, until he retired in 1992.



Barry, Grace, Elaine and Stan at Stan's retirement party for Iles Electric, 1993

Stan & Elaine travelled a great deal throughout their lives as well, with Stan even building campers to haul behind the car to take the family on economical holidays. First, he built a collapsible tent trailer and then a folding solid walled camper and he took the family mostly into the US to Disneyland one year, to visit cousins in Colorado, another to Florida one winter.



<u>Here's a brief synopsis of their travels with the family:</u>
Travelling became a favorite pastime each year. In 1963 Stan & Elaine & Joan, Elaine's sister, travelled to the Black Hills, South Dakota for a four-day long weekend, sleeping in the back of their station wagon, while the children stayed at Grandma and Grandpa Assman's farm. In 1964, Stan & Elaine went to B.C. & Oregon for two weeks, minus the children again. This time the children stayed with Grandma & Grandpa Iles's farm.

In 1965 the whole family travelled to Colorado and New Mexico. The following summer (1966) was spent in California and Mexico and surrounding areas with the family. In 1967 the whole



family traveled Montreal for Expo 67, the international exposition held to celebrate Canada's centennial. From the end of Dec 1968 to sometime in January 1969 the family travelled to Colorado for Christmas, then on to Texas, Mexico and Florida for a month. In the summer of 1969 a Saskatchewan tour was planned, complete with children and Iles grandparents. Although mostly an okay time, the boat was damaged in a highway accident when the car, camper, and boat trailer jackknifed. 1970 was spent in Banff, with the family except for Judith. 1972 brought an excursion to Alaska following the Alaskan Highway with everyone present, except Darrell who had a job, and Judith flew back early for work. In 1971 was an excursion to the East Coast, including Maine, P.E.I., and Washington, D.C. minus Judith again.

In 1975, Mary, Henry, Stan & Elaine toured England for the month of April. 1973 Elaine and Stan and the youngest kids spent at Sherwood Forest Country Club, a camping site just outside of Regina, and 1974 was a trip to Waterton, Alberta with just Darlene along. In 1977 Stan, Elaine, Darlene, Mary & Henry went to Colorado in the summertime. In the winter Darlene, went with Stan & Elaine to Hawaii. Darlene also accompanied Stan & Elaine to the Black Hills, South Dakota again in 1976. In 1982 in February, Stan & Elaine toured Phoenix for two weeks.

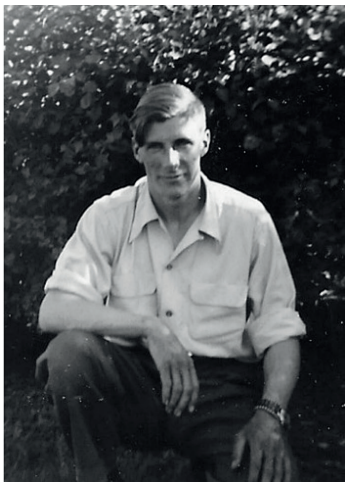
In later years Stan and Elaine travelled on their own with their RV to many places in North America, especially after they both retired in 1993. Not too long after this, Stan and Elaine became "Snowbirds," and spent their winters in Arizona, purchasing a park model trailer they situated in Mesa. Although they still kept their RV to travel to various places, they sold the park model in Mesa sometime before 2010.





Left: Stan & Elaine's RV. Right: Park Model in Arizona (with Elaine's sister, Pearl, and husband, Stan)

The following is Stan's story in his own words:



Stan as a baby, and as a teenager

Although I don't remember, I was told that I came into this world on Christmas Eve 1931, what a surprise when all were expecting Santa!

My parents, Henry and Mary Iles (Vipond) say that it was nice weather with very little snow. Dr Cook traveled by car from Wolseley to attend my mother, Dad said he stayed in the barn petting the cats, as there was no place for him in the house (16x20 ft - 2 rooms and a pantry, small, but warm and cozy). They named me Herbert Stanley Thomas Iles after my two grandfathers (Herbert Iles and Thomas Vipond) and an army friend of my dad's, Stanley Bales, who had died in the First World War. Thus I came to be called Stan throughout my life.
Growing up I did not realize that we were poor and in the middle of a depression as all families were the same, warm, safe and loved. We were never hungry. Mother always had a large garden and she carried water from the well to keep it growing. She also raised chickens, which supplied us with eggs.

Dad always had cattle and sometimes pigs so there was milk and meat, and all being well some to sell. Whenever Dad could be away from the farm, he would work with his team of horses helping to build roads in the district to earn extra money for other staples. Trees chopped down during the winter months in the local area and hauled home for sawing into firewood lengths provided wood for the stove for heat and cooking.

In summer, there were always piles of nice sandy dirt everywhere, along fences, in bushes and in the lea of buildings to play in. What I did not know at the time that it was all the good soil blown by the high winds from the fields that were scoured down to the hard pan along with any vegetation that had survived (Russian thistle and low weeds).

Other things that added to my parent's hardship during the 30s was when my mother was hospitalized for 58 days due to complications with a ruptured appendix and my father severed the thumb off his hand helping a neighbour saw firewood. He traveled to Regina by train with the severed thumb held on by some sinew, bandaged into his palm of his hand and the doctor reattached the thumb (a true marvel in those years).

In 1939, I started school at Huntingford #1412, a rural school 31/2 miles away from our home. From Easter to summer holidays in June was kindergarten and then into grade one in August. All went well until May of 1940 when I had a appendix attack and was hospitalized. After 10 days in hospital, I was sent home only to have a relapse and then spent another two weeks in bed. As there was no health insurance in those years, Dad was burdened by a large debt as each of us had been in hospital over a period of 8 years.

Also in 1939, war was declared and many things changed. There was a shortage of many of things that we took for granted. Each member of a family received a ration book and you could only buy the amount of food that you had coupons for. Some that I can remember were sugar, butter, syrup, meat, coffee, tea and then there was other food that I fail to remember. It was at

this time that my father took up beekeeping as the honey was used in place of sugar, syrup and any other sweeteners. Chocolate and candy of any kind were unavailable.

In the early 1940's weather and crops started to improve (Dad's best crop was in 1944), enabling him to purchase a used Ford tractor for fieldwork and help relieve the burden on the horses.

The war years are hard to describe, as with war, the economy improves with the cost of the lives of many of the young men and women from every community. It seemed worlds away from us and yet so very close. We could not imagine what it was like in Europe. We were kept up to date with the war by radio, if you had one (which we did not have), and by weekly newspapers.

It was at this time that the flying bug bit me, as young men from many countries were training in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta and were constantly flying over the farm (some at tree top height). Although it was many years latter (1971) that I took pilot training for my license, it was always a dream that I would be able to do it someday (no fool like a 40-year-old fool).

The 40's were good farming years and Dad bought a second ¼ section of land on the west side of the home quarter from Tom and Ernest Nelson. They were to retain the use of their yard and buildings until they moved. After a time they moved to Pender Island, BC, but soon returned, as they missed the country, farm life and their friends. They then built a new two-room house in their yard, as the old shack they had lived in for many years was getting past repair. Soon after the house was built, and before they moved in, Ernest took their shotgun to hunt for Prairie Chicken. When he was climbing through a fence, the gun discharged, and he was killed. Tom no longer wanted to stay alone on the farm and moved to Regina until his passing.

Dad then moved their new house over to the home quarter and attached it to our existing house. He hand dug the cellar before moving it in place. This made a much larger home with two bedrooms, kitchen, living room and pantry. He then insulated the new part and finished the inside. Over the years a veranda was added, the cellar was dug out and cement walls and floor put in (this was all done by hand with pick and shovel).

By this time, I had completed my schooling with grade 8 and helped Dad operate the farm. More bush was cleared and land broken. We were in the early 50's and I wanted to make extra money so took on the job of telephone repairman for the "Baring Rural Telephone Co," maintaining three rural lines. As I was only 15, I could not apply for a driver's license so had to travel by horse or have Dad dive me to make repairs and installations.

Also during this time, I became interested in music as Dad played the violin and my Aunt Bella the organ and accordion. I purchased a used piano accordion, practiced and was soon playing by ear. I later ordered a guitar from Eaton catalogue and learned to play it. It was in this period that we got together with Rueben Tennant and started to play at local dances. As time went on, we added new members (Stan, Joe & Edwin Cwynar) to the band and were known as "The Deveron Country Cousins."

In the late 40's a curling rink was built in Baring and soon we all joined the "Baring Curling Club." Mum, Dad and I traveled by team and sleigh to Baring after an early lunch and returned at suppertime, so the winter months then became much busier. Also at this time, Uncle George Vipond purchased a "Bombardier," an 18-passenger snowmobile and many times, we drove the horses the mile to Grandma's farm and traveled with him and my Aunt Jean, as they were very involved with curling.

Also in the same years, I wanted to change our way of life and have electricity on the farm. With money that I saved, we purchased a 32-volt lighting plant and batteries from a farmer in Manitoba and shipped them in by train. This started a whole new career, as I worked and

watched Uncle George with the power plant at his farm and under his tutoring was soon on the way into the electrical field. A year or so later I purchased a large "Jacobs" wind charger and after a few tries (because of the height) Dad and I built the tower. It was built one piece at a time and bolted together to a height of 60 feet, and the generator installed on top (the generator alone weighed 1200 pounds). That being done, others became interested and Tommy & Reta Vipond and Vern & Susie Sharpe bought the same type of wind chargers for their farms and Dad and I built their towers and installed there equipment. Now being involved with this work required an "Electrical Contractors License," so it was off to Regina by train to write for a license, which I obtained.

At about this time the farm electrification was being promoted by the government of the day and power lines were being strung in all of the local districts. With this, there was call for Electrical Contractors, (right place, right time) and I was in business. With the help of Dad and Uncle George, we wired many farms throughout the local districts. Whenever it rained or farm work was caught up, the tools and supplies were put in Uncle George's truck or Dad's car and off we went as electrical contractors.

In the spring of 1954, another change took place. A beautiful young girl came to work in the district for Tom & Reta Vipond by the name of Elaine Assman, and after a whirlwind courtship, we were married on November 19, 1954. This of course entailed other problems, but with the help of Dad, we were able to rent land of our own. We rented a ¼ section of land with house & barn from Tom Vipond (the Urcyl Dyer farm across the road from the final location of Elkwood School).

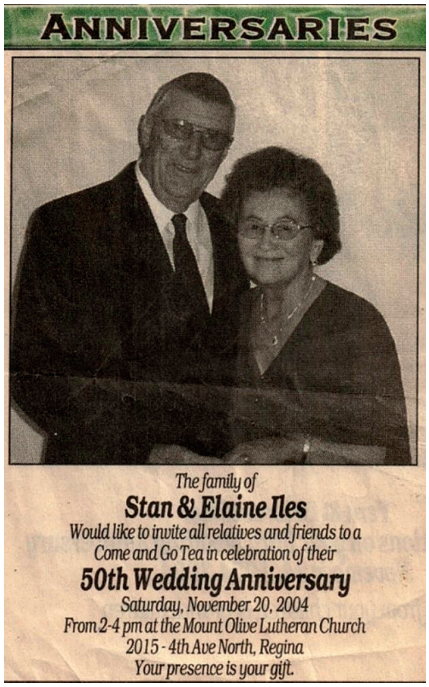
That winter I was asked if I could look after lighting the fire and emptying the ashes for the school. I carried over a supply of coal and wood for the day, so that it would be warm when the teacher and pupils arrived (about an hour's work and I was paid 10 cents per day). We also had another ½ section rented, and with the equipment that I acquired during that summer, Dad and I worked together. The farms were only 3 miles apart as the crow flies. Each of our parents gave us a cow and with other cattle that we bought, we were soon doing well with the farm. I was able to supplement the farm income doing electrical contracting. I also served on the Elkwood School Board as secretary treasurer.

Tom Vipond had just bought a Caterpillar tractor for some of his land work and he asked me if I was interested in operating the "Cat" when I was not busy on our own farm. This was another opportunity for more income, so I grabbed it. When we were finished fieldwork with the "Cat," we worked for the town of Glenavon moving earth with the scraper or bulldozer. During this time, the only time I was home was late at night or on Sundays. One thing led to another and soon we were doing work all over the district, bulldozing large pits to bury stone piles, and clearing bush off land for breaking. Many times when it was busy, I ran the "Cat" 12 – 14 hours a day clearing bush. We worked well into the winter months, as I had more time as there was no field work. There was no time to play at dances, so I also dropped out of the band (so the band lost a cousin) Most of the electrical contracting was done in winter when we were not clearing bush. Usually the roads were blocked with snow, so the supplies and tools were loaded into the sleigh and I traveled to jobs with horses.

By mid 1958, we had three children, Judith, Darrell & Barry, and Elaine was doing most of the milking and farm chores. A lot of our income was from the electrical contracting and we decided that we would be better off if we left the farm and did electrical work only. I was also having a hard time with grain dust due to allergies, so the decision was made. Much as we both loved farm life, it was time to move on. In the spring of 1959, I secured work in Regina and Elaine looked after the farm until we could sell our livestock and equipment, and we were able to buy a house and move the family to the city. We still reside in Regina 50 years later. (Written in 2009).



Stan & Elaine 1994 (40th anniversary)





Because you have shared in our lives with your friendship and love, we invite you to join in the celebration of the..

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY
of Stan and Elaine
On Saturday November 20th, 2004
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Mount Olive Lutheran Church
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Followed by
Cocktails & Introductions @ 7:30 pm
Dance 8:00 – 12:00 pm (lunch @ 10:30)
Holy Trinity Church Hall
Sherwood Drive & McIntosh Street

RSVP - By Nov 1st
(757-6549 weekdays 9:00 am –
4:00 pm - Amanda / Donna or 789-4729
evenings & weekends – Diane)

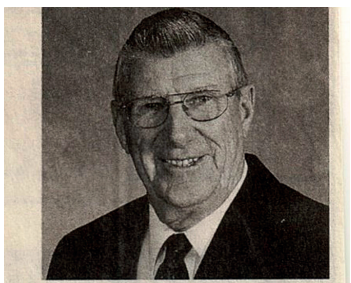
(cash bar)
(gifts graciously declined)

Stan & Elaine celebrated their 50th anniversary in 2004



Christmas 2008

Stan died by suicide in the fall of 2010 after many years of struggles with depression. Elaine moved into Regina Village Senior's complex the following year after Stan died. She was there for almost twelve years before moving in the fall of 2022 to a senior's care home, moving to a second one, the Sunset Place Care Home in 2024, where she continues to live as of this writing.



Stanley Thomas Iles
Dec. 24, 1931 — Sept. 23, 2010

With great sadness we announce the sudden passing of Stanley Thomas Iles of Regina at the age of 78. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and a loyal friend. A man with a strong work ethic, cheerful disposition and always on the go; he loved dancing, photography, flying, RV travelling, and belonged to many clubs and organizations. He was predeceased by his parents Henry and Mary Iles. He is mourned by Elaine, his loving wife of 55 years, his daughters Judith Silverthorne of Regina and Darlene Ellis of New Zealand, and his sons Darrell (Diane) Iles of Regina and Barry (Pamela) Iles of White City, as well as his granddaughters Michelle (Scott) Tremblay and their family Emma and Tyson (Saskatoon); Christine Culbert (Lyndon Stopanski) and family Kelsey, Elaina, Michael (Regina); Amanda Iles (Regina); Amie Iles (Derek Eskowich) and their family Damien, Cole, Jayden, Brooke (Margo); Tayla Ellis, Zara Ellis, Shania Ellis (all of Auckland, New Zealand) and his grandsons, Aaron Silverthorne (Regina) and Grant Hawes (White City) and numerous nieces and nephews. The funeral will be held at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2015 4 Ave North in Regina, officiated by Pastor Terry Defoe on Wednesday, September 29 at 11:00 a.m. Lunch at the church will be immediately after the service, where there will be a chance for friends to share a few words. Interment will follow at approx 3:00 pm at Moffat Cemetery, 14 km south of Wolseley on Grid 617. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Tubman's Funeral Home, Wolseley, SK, 1-800-667-8962. In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions may be made to the Canadian Mental Health Association (Saskatchewan Division), 2702-12th Avenue, Regina, SK, S4T 1J2 or Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, 279-3rd Ave S, Saskatoon, SK S7K 2H8. On line condolences may be made at www.mem.com.



Stan Iles obituary, and headstone, Moffat Cemetery, Saskatchewan

Funeral Bulleting Contents:

Herbert Stanley Thomas Iles was born to Henry and Mary Iles on 24 December 1931 at his parent's home near Baring, SK on Sec. 14, Tp. 15, Range 9, west of the 2nd Meridian. Named after his two grandfathers and a friend of his father's who'd died in the First World War, he was known as Stan. He attended Huntingford School, District A412, beginning at Easter of 1939. He finished the 8th grade in 1947.

When old enough he began playing in the family orchestra called the "Devron Country Cousins." They played for local dances and weddings, often playing every weekend or anytime they were requested. They continued until 1955.

Stan helped farm the home farm and also worked for the Baring Rural Telephone Company as a telephone lineman, beginning at the age of 15. After his marriage to Elaine Assman from Neudorf on November 19, 1954, they rented the Urcyl Dyer Farm and the Kelsey Farm, which was then owned by Tom Vipond. He continued to work as a telephone lineman as well as working on the rented farm. Two years were spent running a caterpillar for Tom Vipond.

Stan had also obtained his Electrician License on May 3rd, 1952 and did electrical contracting until they left the Elkwood District. In 1953 he quit working for the Telephone Company, but he did take on the job of the secretary of the Elkwood School Board, which incidentally was just across the road from the farm where he lived. By this time the family consisted of Judith, Darrell and Barry. Stan began working for Tegart Electric in Regina in May of 1959. Later that month, the family moved into Regina, where they remained. Their youngest daughter, Darlene, was born in the fall of 1959.

At a young age Stan developed an interest in photography, which he kept up all his life. In 1967, he and Elaine began square dancing with the St. Cecilia Happy Hearts and continued for 30 years. On 2nd October 1971Stan became a pilot through the Regina Flying Club. In 1972 Stan and Elaine joined the Sherwood Forest Country Club. In 1963 he began working for Stetner Electric where he remained for 19 years. On May of 1982 Stan and his youngest son Barry officially began Iles Electric Ltd. Stan retired in 1990, though he occasionally helped out in the shop over the next 3 or so years after retirement.

Stan and Elaine became involved in 1991with the Queen City Sams –a branch of the international Good Sams RV Club, and ten years ago started the Prairie Lily Chapter of the Newmar Kountry Club, another RV social club. Not only were Stan and Elaine involved in all of these Clubs, they also served on the Board of Directors, were President couple and did many tasks, such as organizing events, tours, activities, keeping archives, and writing newsletters. Stan and Elaine also volunteered to work at the Nordic HostFest in Minot for the past six years. In 1982 Stan and Elaine began wintering in Mesa, Arizona, which they enjoyed for 25 years.

Stan was predeceased by his parents Henry and Mary Iles. He is mourned by Elaine, his loving wife of 55 years, his daughters Judith Silverthorne of Regina and Darlene Ellis of New Zealand, and his sons Darrell (Diane) Iles of Regina and Barry (Pamela) Iles of White City, as well as his granddaughters Michelle (Scott) Tremblay and their family Emma and Tyson (Saskatoon); Christine Culbert (Lyndon Stopanski) and family Kelsey, Elaina, Michael (Regina); Amanda Iles (Regina); Amie Iles (Derek Eskowich) and their family Damien, Cole, Jayden, Brooke (Margo); Tayla Ellis, Zara Ellis, Shania Ellis (Auckland, New Zealand) and his grandsons, Aaron Silverthorne (Regina) and Grant Hawes (White City).

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions may be made to the Canadian Mental Health Association (Saskatchewan Division) or Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan. On line condolences may be made at: Tubman Funeral Home



Mary & Henry Iles, Darlene, Barry, Judith, Stan, Darrell & Elaine, ca 1968

Eulogy for Dad (by daughter Judith Silverthorne)

I could speak volumes about the goodness and fun and loving ways of my Dad, but the right words are hard to find, and so many memories come to mind.

I know whenever I'll recall my dad, I will see his smile, hear his laugh, and yes, occasionally recall when he gave me a firm guiding voice of reason as I grew up. I have to say, I didn't always appreciate his advice at the time, but he was one of the best dad's a kid could have, providing everything he felt was good for us, and more besides. He listened when we talked and shared in our challenges and joys.

He adored my Mom, and treated her really well, often writing poems to her for their special occasions. They did everything and went everywhere together, enjoying dancing, travelling, sharing their pet Buddy and their involvement in many clubs and organizations. My dad and mom shared a passion for taking photographs and my dad would go home and immediately print some for my mom after every event they attended.

He had a brilliant mind – an inventor and entrepreneur at heart...he hand-built not one but two camping trailers so he could take us on many adventurous holidays as kids. Anyone who had a question of any kind regarding electricity turned to his expertise. His enquiring mind wouldn't give up on finding a solution to something, which sometimes required inventing a new system.
Travelling captured his spirit and my Dad and Mom did this several times a year, whether it was when they graduated to owning an RV and travelled all over North America, went to Mesa, Arizona for the winters, visited my sister Darlene and her family in New Zealand, went on a holiday to Scotland with my son Aaron and I, or with my brother Darrell and his wife Diane last year to France and England, or up north to one of my brother Barry's cottages.

Although this past year and in his last days he found his illnesses insurmountable, he usually had so much zeal for life and a fun-loving nature, though he liked his quiet times too and enjoyed reading. He enjoyed company and socializing with family and friends. His family meant a great deal to him and he was always so pleased when his children, grand-children and great-grandchildren came to visit or were present for special occasions.

We'll miss his welcoming open arms giving us a hug and his loving smile.

Michelle's Tribute (granddaughter)

Grandpa was always there for a big hug and kiss. You could hear his laugh from a mile away. He made everyone feel comfortable. He was so easy to get along with. Everywhere we went someone knew him. We would go out for supper in Saskatoon and he would know someone. I lived with Grandpa and Grandma for a bit and boy oh boy there was a standing joke with him and I and my big stuffed bunny rabbit that I had. Many times I would come out of my room and there would be my huge stuffed bunny rabbit sitting in front of my door or the bunny was propped on my bed or sitting on the chair in my room.

He could pack away more sweets than I thought humanly possible. He always made sure he made room for dessert and if he did not he would make room. He loved playing cards and dice!

Kids called him Grandpa Great! That is how he will be remembered. Grandpa Great!! Because that is what he was a Great Grandpa Great. He has 8 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren! Grandpa was always on the ground playing with the kids or playing video games. Grandpa was known for his sayings that he would say to each great grandchild when he saw them. Grandpa Great would always have his arms open ready for one of his great grandchildren to come running for a big hug. Some of the sayings remembered by his Great Grandchildren were…

Right on mate!!
Thumbs Up!!!!
"I wuv you! I wuv you!" said the little blue man.
"I wuv you, I wuv you to bits!"
"I wuv you!" He loved me said the little blue man,
And scared me right out of my wits!

Grandpa would want us to celebrate his life today, not to dwell on what if's and why's. He lived to be 78 years old. He was married to my Grandma for 55 years. He accomplished so much in his life!!! He is in heaven with God probably eating a big piece of pie.

We all love you very much Grandpa.



Front: Grace, Diane with Christine, Judith, Darlene. Back: Barry, Al, Darrell with Michelle, ca 1977

Christine's Tribute (granddaughter)

Sadness is in our hearts.
Anger is in our heads.
Questions we ask, how could he?
Answers we believe, for love.
How sad and scared Grandpa must have felt to believe that he had no other options.
I know Grandpa loved us all very much. He was not a selfish man.
I believe he thought he was making things better and fixing things he had no control over.
Do we blame him for his intentions and the love that he has for his family?
I wonder if there was something that I could have done to help, to make things better, to fix anything?
We can't blame ourselves and we can't blame Grandpa.
I blame his actions on an illness that lead him to lose hope but I will not lose the love I have for my Grandpa.
I refuse to dwell on what he did and how he died and will focus on how he lived and how he loved.

Stan Iles Tribute – from a Member of the Queen City Good Sam

Herbert Stanley (Stan) Thomas Iles passed away September 23, 2010. Stan and Elaine were Charter Members of the Queen City Good Sam Chapter in Regina for the start in 1991. Stan also provided his experiences of business in a number of positions on the executive as President for a number of terms, Wagon master, planning the social activities, keeping archives and writing newsletters for a number of terms.

Stan and Elaine were a fun-loving couple enjoying summer camping and then heading south for the winter months. Elaine still continues to be part of the Associate group of the Queen City Chapter.

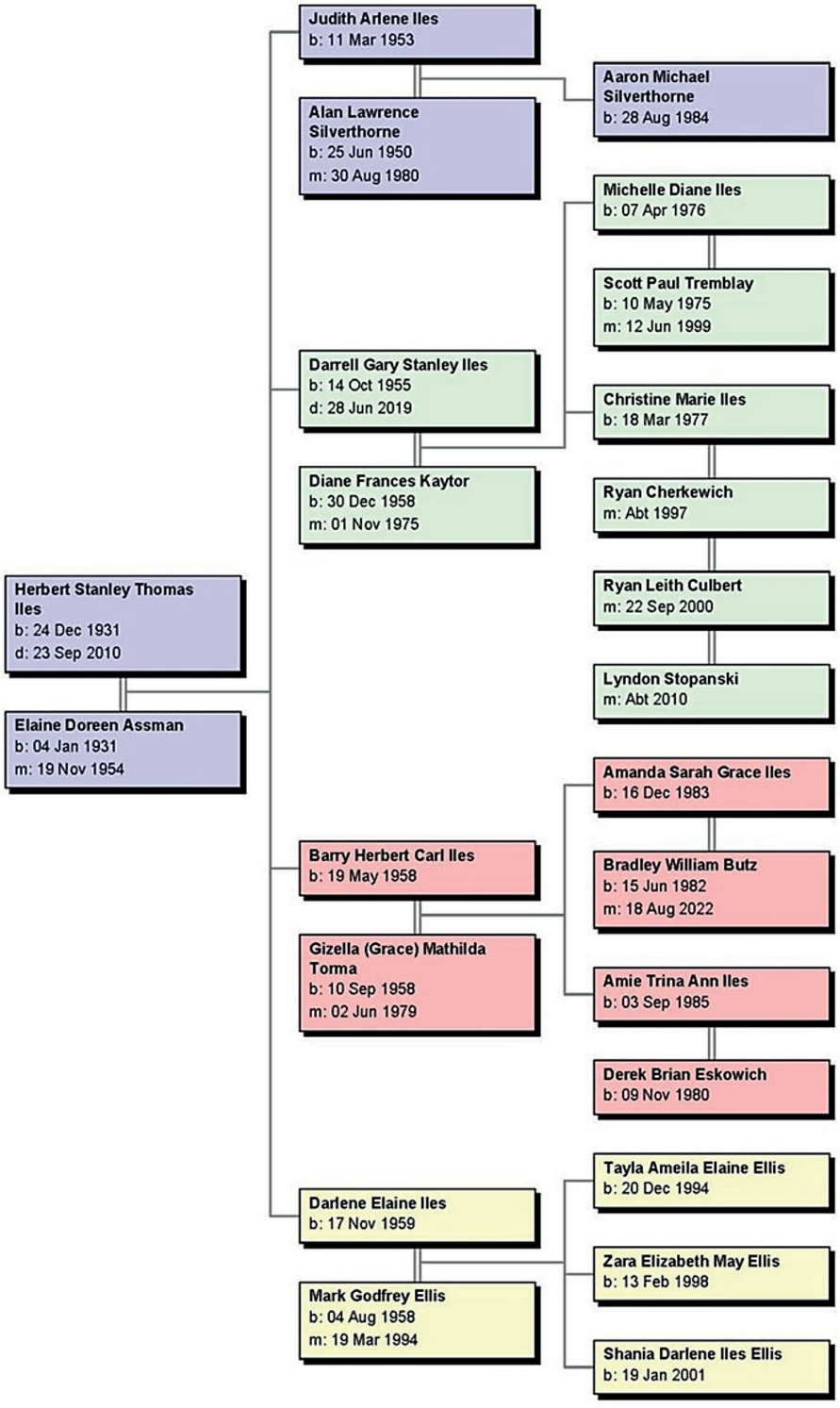
Family Representatives were not able to attend this Memorial Service. Pat and Les Moore of the Queen City Good Sam will participate in the Memorial Service.



Barry, Stan & Darrell, 2009

Children of Stan and Elaine Iles

By the time of Stan's passing the family had grown exponentially with all the children married, although three had divorced (Judith, Barry & Darlene) and the addition of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren (see the following individual family stories).



JUDITH ARLENE ILES

Judith Arlene Iles, born 11 March 1953, Regina, Saskatchewan; married 29 August 1980, Regina, Saskatchewan to **Alan Lawrence Silverthorne** (1950-).

"I grew up for the first six years of my life on the farm at Glenavon with my parents and eventual siblings and surrounded by many pets. I loved exploring and being in nature on the prairies, which I continue to find exhilarating and nurturing to this day.[1]











1 NB: All photos in this chapter are from the collection of Judith Silverthorne.

I began my education at a one-room schoolhouse, which happened to be right across the road from the farm the family was renting from land owned by Thomas Vipond. I attended Elkwood School for several months before the family moved to Regina."





In Regina, Judith finished kindergarten in May and June of 1959 at Wascana Elementary School about 7 blocks away from where they lived on 710 King Street. She attended Wascana Public School until June of 1967, completing her Grade 8 there. She then attended Scott Collegiate, graduating from Grade 12 in 1971. She indicated in her high school yearbook that she wanted to be a journalist, and she was one for a while, along with other related fields, expanding her repertoire.



Wascana School



Scott Collegiate

When she was in in Grade 4, she had her tonsils out at the Grey Nuns Hospital (now called the Pasqua Hospital). She took piano lessons for several years, and throughout her life she enjoyed telling stories, taking photographs, and travelling, which eventually translated into the type of jobs she secured through the years.

As a teenager she had various parttime jobs in high school: Empringham's Catering, Tommy Tinker Ice Cream Parlor, Dewdney Drugs, and the 5th Ave Drug Store. After graduating she obtained full-time employment in December 1971 with the Regina Public Library on the bookmobiles that moved around the city to serve patrons. During this time she was also a member of the Saskatchewan Poetry Society and several of her poems were published in anthologies.

In August 1973, she moved to Calgary for a short time to work for the Glenbow-Alberta Institute Library. She returned to Regina from October 1973 until end of January 1974, where she was employed at the Provincial Library as a typist in a temporary position. Then she moved to Peterborough Ontario and worked at Woolworths for a few weeks, waiting for a friend to finish her classes at the local college, then they toured the East coast for several weeks.

After she returned to Regina she started work with King Size Photo in May 1974, before switching to work with the University of Regina library services as a clerk typist. In May of 1975 she took holidays to Vancouver and Victoria, where she met her future husband for the first time, Alan Silverthorne. He moved to Regina in August 1975, where they met again and began seeing each other, eventually living together for five years until they decided to get married.

In the summer of 1977, Judith was the Confidential Secretary for the director of Radio for the CBC in Saskatchewan. Judith and Al also had some joint ventures like working for Greta's Restaurant as cooks from March 1978 for 5 weeks until it closed its doors. In April Judith took a job as cook at the Regina Golf Corse until the end of June. Then she got work with the newly opened Bartleby's restaurant where she was a cook and eventual dining room manager. Alan continued in the carpentry and woodworking line of work.

Judith also partnered with a colleague during this time to start a black and white photo business, but eventually started her own Custom Developing and Enlarging. This didn't last long, and she eventually found regular work again, and they bought a house at 510 St. John Street. Christmas 1977 and 1978 they spent in Winnipeg with Al's mother and aunt and uncle and again at Easter in April 1978.

Judith and Alan married on 30 August 1980 in Regina.



SILVERTHORNE—ILES

The marriage of Judith Arlene Iles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Iles, to Alan Lawrence Silverthorne, son of Mrs. Ada Silverthorne, took place on Saturday, August 30, 1980 at the home of the bride's parents. Reverend Ramsey officiated at the ceremony.

The bride wore a ¾ length white knit dress with long sleeves. The neckline and cuffs were trimmed with sculptured lace. Royal blue bachelor buttons with white baby's breath were entwined throughout her hair. She carried a full bouquet of royal blue bachelor buttons, carnations and white baby's breath with trailing lace.

Maid of honor was Darlene Iles, sister of the bride. The bestman was Bill Schmidt, friend of the groom.

The bride's mother chose a ¾ length burgundy dress with designs. The groom's mother wore a deep pink ¾ length dress with a black sash at her waist.

A reception was held at Empringham's in the Brougham Room where Darrell Iles, brother of the bride, was Master of Ceremonies. A house party followed the reception attended by close relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Silverthorne will reside in Regina.

Alan was born on 25 May 1950, Flin Flon, Manitoba to Leila Ada Mundel (11 January 1911-11 April 1981) and Harold Silverthorne (20 April 1907- 2 December 1980). He had grown up at Oxbow, Saskatchewan, where his mother was a hairdresser after she separated from Alan's father. Alan was working at a variety of carpentry jobs for construction and woodworking companies, and also worked from the provincial Government doing construction and maintenance from June 1979 until the fall of 1981.

Six weeks prior to their marriage, Judith started working with the Saskatchewan Government in the Photo Services department on 17 July 1980. During this time Al's mother became quite ill with cancer, and they moved her from her home in Winnipeg and brought her to live with them in Regina after their wedding. They care for her until she died 11 April 1981in the Pasqua Hospital, having spent her last week there.

Judith and Alan lived in Regina for a few years, before purchasing a quarter section of land they bought at Endeavour, Saskatchewan, in about 1977. Here they built their own house and woodworking workshop from the ground up. They had a neighbour clear a section of trees off the land and dug out roots themselves.

Al and Judith built the workshops first, then the house themselves. They did the building during holiday times in the spring, summer or fall until the shop was built, then they moved up to the property in May 1983 and finished building the bouse with occasional help from friends or neighbours for heavier structural pieces like the rafters, and with help from Judith's electrical dad and brothers to accomplish the wiring.



For the first few years they did not have running water, hauling water from a well for drinking or a dugout to do laundry or melting snow in the winter. They also heated with wood, acquiring a woodburning stove from Norway. They first cooked on a wood stove as well, but later had electrical appliances when the power was installed to their property.









Al continued to do carpentry work in the area, and Judith eventually began writing for the local newspapers and the western Canadian newspaper called the Western Producer and their magazine insert called Western People. For several years she wrote feature articles for Endeavour and surrounding area for the Preeceville Progress, a weekly newspaper. Judith also began writing for other newspapers and magazines, as well as taking photographs to go with them, and started a recipe column.

Their son Aaron was born on 28 August 1984 at the Preeceville Union Hospital in Preeceville, Saskatchewan.







While pursuing articles on local people for the various newspapers she wrote for, Judith stumbled across a man by the name of Peter Rupchan, an early immigrant potter who homesteaded on land just outside of the neighbouring village of Usherville. She began researching and writing a book about him with the help of some of the local people who had known him and family members who could give her information and provide photographs.

In the winter of 1989, Judith, Al and Aaron were featured on a CBC TV show called *Countryside*, about how they were "back-to-the-landers", going back to the way pioneers lived at one time, clearing their land, no running water, and basically building their place from scratch. After this show aired, they thought more about their lives.

In 1990, as Aaron had just started kindergarten, they decided they wanted a better education for their son than was being offered at the time at Endeavour, so they moved to Regina to a house at 2816 – 24th Avenue. This three-bedroom bungalow became a great place to live, and that fall Aaron started grade 1 at Argyle School about two blocks away.



2816 – 24 th Avenue, Regina

In 1991, Judith's book on Peter Rupchan was published by Prairie Lily Co-operative Ltd., called *Made in Saskatchewan: Peter Rupchan, Ukrainian Pioneer and Potter*. She launched it in the fall at a branch of the Regina Public Library along with an exhibition of Rupchan's pottery.

During this time, Judith kept in contact with the producers of the *Countryside* show, they had started another one called *One in a Million*. They asked Judith to be a researcher on the show, which she did for several episodes until the show was no longer produced.

Shortly thereafter, the producer of the show partnered with Judith to turn her book on Rupchan into a docudrama which they produced into a half hour show for CBC called *Rupchan: Spirit of a Prairie Potter.* She did a bit of research and writing work for a few other shows and editing of books for a self-publishing company during this time. Eventually she decided to go to university and began taking classes in English and film at the University of Regina. She dabbled in Reiki classes, and wrote her first fiction book, *The Secret of Sentinel Rock*, which was a children's middle grade time shift novel published by Coteau Books in 1996.

Around this time, Judith and Al decided to split and their divorce was finalized at the end of 1996.

Although Judith sometimes took in students from other countries who came to Canada to learn English, she found living at this location financially difficult to maintain and eventually sold the house on 24th Ave, moving to 2 ½ story house on 2310 Retallack Street with Aaron. During this time, she and a friend, Melonie Old, took Aaron to Guatemala for a two-week holiday from 31 December 1996-14 January 1997.



2310 Retallack St, Regina



Judith also started her own production company, Spiral Film Productions Inc, and began producing television documentaries. She did several documentaries but found this difficult on her own and had to make the decision whether to get bigger and partner with another company or to quit. This was also around the time that the provincial government stopped the film tax credit that helped producers get productions started, and she knew she had to be able to raise her son, so she took a regular job again. She became the Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Library Association, where she stayed for over seven years.

She eventually moved in with someone, buying a different house, but this didn't last, and she moved again with Aaron to another house on 2033 Retallack Street (later sold) and has been on her own ever since living in an apartment.

In 2001 she started teaching sessional classes on Freelance Business Skills in Film & Video and Stress Management in Film & Video at SIAST (Saskatchewan Institute of Applied Science and Technology, now called Saskatchewan Polytechnic). She taught these classes once or twice a year for ten years as well as teaching scriptwriting classes, for the University of Regina, Extension Department. All the while she kept writing novels for children, completing several series, the Secret series, the Dinosaur Series, and a ghost series.

In 2007, Judith, Aaron, and her parents went to Scotland for a holiday. Judith and Aaron continued on to England for an additional week. Judith took training to teach English as a second language for foreign students and got her Advanced TESOL Certificate. She decided to do some traveling around the world and look at possibilities for teaching English in foreign countries. She sold her house and Aaron moved into an apartment.

Judith did extensive travel in Europe: Cypress, Spain, Italy. And then after she received her TESOL certificate in Teaching Adults English from the Global TESOL College, she eventually went to China to teach English in 2008, but this didn't work out very well, so she travelled instead to explore Tibet. Unfortunately this was at the time China was invading Tibet and taking control, so she had to escape in the dead of night, returning surreptitiously to Canada. When she returned, she rented the apartment, where she remains to the current time.

By 2008-2009 she was teaching English online to Japanese students. She then began teaching writing classes at the University of Regina, centre for Continuing education for several years. In 2010, she became the Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Writers' Guild (SWG), where she remained until 2017. During this time she toured England for a month (in 2014) doing research for an adult historical novel (yet to be completed). In 2015, she published an all-ages picture book *Honouring the Buffalo: A Plains Cree Legend* in collaboration with Ray Lavallee of the Piapot First Nation, and illustrator Mike Keepness of the Pasqua First Nation. Originally published in English and Cree, the book was published in French/Cree in 2016. She also published a YA novel in 2016, *Convictions*. She retired from the SWG regular employment and became self-employed in 2017, and then in 2019 *Honouring the Buffalo* was published by a German publisher in German/Cree and she launched it at the Frankfurt Book Fair, followed by 2 or three tours throughout Germany and Europe over the next couple of years. In 2018-2019 she was the Writer-in-Residence at the Regina Public library for their 9-month term.

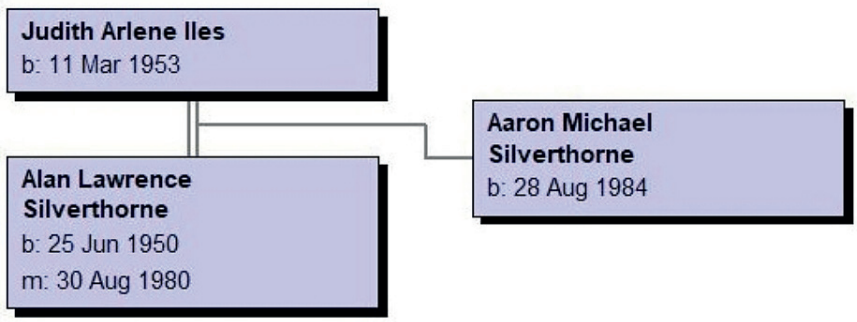
In 2016 she had established another film production company with her son, Silverlight Productions Inc. in 2016. (https://silverlightproductionsinc.com/). They produced a documentary in 2019 about Kay Parley (a former patient of the Weyburn Mental Institute and person who tried LSD in the 1950s at the hospital, who went on to become a psychiatric nurse and later an instructor).

Judith produced other documentaries throughout the next few years, and another with her son in 2023 for AMI broadcasters on stuttering called *Echoed Words*. One show she produced was an animated adaptation for preschoolers based on *Honouring the Buffalo* and another was a co-production with a colleague about a young man with muscular dystrophy who inspired his mother to start a Foundation to assist people to form volunteer teams to help people with disabilities.

Also during this time, Judith became heavily involved in researching her grandfather Adolf Assman's family history with her cousin Shelley Kloczko and they travelled to Ukraine and Germany in search of their roots I m2017 and 2018, which led to this family history publication.

In 2021 Judith filmed a documentary on a quadriplegic who has started alternative rehabilitation gyms for people with severe physical disabilities, and throughout 2022 to 2024, Judith travelled with a cinematographer and filmed a project about bison and buffalo all over the world, both of these have yet to be finished and broadcast. Judith's final middle grade novel was published in 2023.

Judith continues to produce documentaries for television, and she consults, critiques, evaluates, and edits books and screenplay for writers, as well writing freelance articles. She also continues to write books, albeit now in adult fiction and non-fiction, expanding on her nature photography pursuits. https://judithsilverthorne.ca/



Aaron Michael Silverthorne

Born 28 August 1984. Preeceville, Saskatchewan at the local hospital to Judith and Alan Silverthorne. Aaron lived with his family on the farm at Endeavour until 1989.





Left: Aaron, in the back of the truck on the farm. Right: Aaron in the garden beds at Endeavour



Above: Judith and Aaron.
Right: Aaron as Robin Hood when he was a 1 year old



Aaron attended Endeavour Public School for kindergarten, taking the school bus on alternate days of the week for a full day. As the bus driver was a neighbour, Aaron was always the first to get on the bus early in the morning and the last one off at the end of day.



First day of kindergarten and first day on the school bus





Kindergarten graduation



After Aaron graduated from kindergarten, the family moved to Regina. There he attended Argyle Elementary School. He also played lots of sports on teams, especially soccer and baseball in the summer, and also some golf with his dad. He also belonged to the Beaver Scouts (forerunner to Boy Scouts), and he loved his pets, dogs and cats!



Very much into music, Aaron began piano lessons when he was quite young, eventually switching to guitar. He curently plays guitar with a church band, and jams with other musicians.





Aaron attended Sheldon Williams Collegiate in Regina for high school, where he graduated from Grade 12.



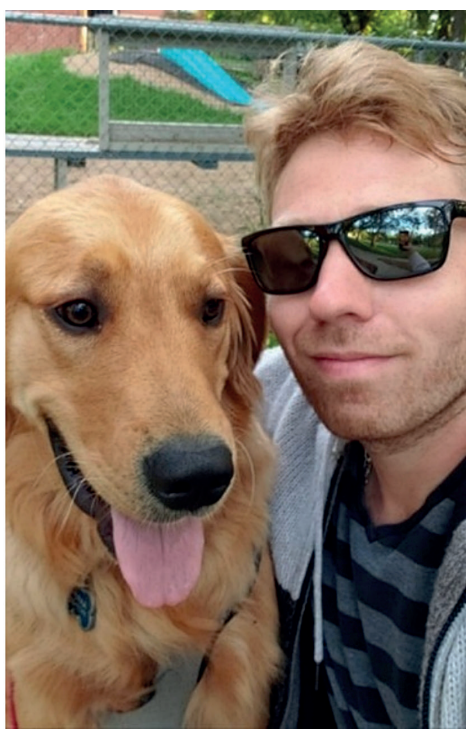


Above: Aaron in Grade 12
Right: Aaron at 30 years old

Aaron has currently achieved his Third Class Power Engineer status, and is working for the Saskatchewan Government for the Ministry of Health at the Provincical Laboratory building in Regina, and he also works parttime at the Saskatchewan Polytechnic Regina Campus in maintenance.

Aaron currently owns a 2 ½ story house similar to ones he grew up in, and has both a cat and a dog (Layla and Rico).







Aaron became of a member of the Masons in the Wascana Lodge #2 branch in Regina in January of 2014. He has since become a Master Mason.

Aaron is also a current member of the Prince of Wales Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons.

For a time he was also a member of the Knights Templar.



On 17 November 2018, Aaron officially became a Shriner. He is very active in their pursuits to raise funds for children's hospitals and dedicated to providing care for children and families in need. In particular, he is a member of the Saskatchewan Dino Unit to raise funds through parades, parties and special events.

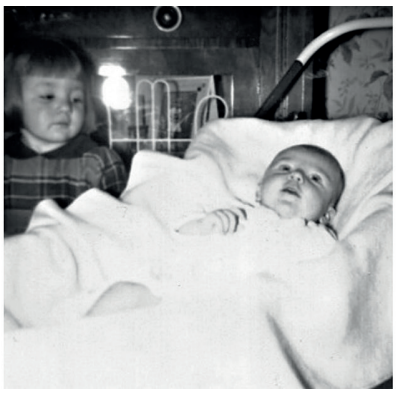




Shriner's Dino Unit, raising funds for children's hospitals

DARRELL GARRY STANLEY ILES

Darrell Garry Stanley Iles born 14 October 1955 in Wolseley, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Elaine Assman (1931-) and Herbert Stanley Thomas Iles (1931-2010); died 28 Jun 2019 in Southey, Saskatchewan; married Diane Frances Kaytor 1 November 1975 in Regina, Saskatchewan.


Left to right: Darrell as a new born; Darrell introduced to Judith; Darrell with his grandma, Mary Iles



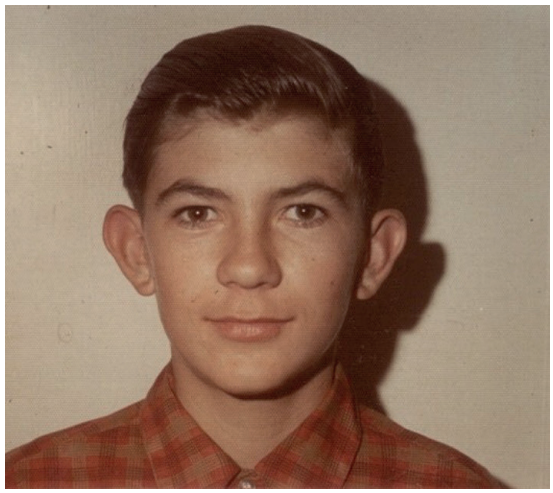





For the first four or so years Darrell lived with his family on the farm at Glenavon, where they enjoyed the farm life, had many cats and a dog, they had tricycles, and wagons too.

Then the family moved to Regina in 1959. Darrell did his education first at Wascana Elementary School, graduating in 1969, then he went to Scott Collegiate, where he graduated from Grade 12.

Darrell, 9th birthday, 14 Oct 1966





Above: Darrell, ca 1968.
Right: Darrell's Grade 8 graduation, 18 May 1969, with his parents

Darrell had a newspaper route for many years through while attending school, and he enjoyed fishing when he had the opportunity with the family.

He also had a pet Beagle, named Peso, like the Mexican coin. (Peso's mom was also called after a Mexican coin so he carried on the tradition.)





Both Darrell and Barry belonged to the Police Boys Band where they both learned to play instruments. They also travelled to music festivals. Darrell played the clarinet. Barry played the trumpet and then went to the cornet.



17 March 1970, Barry, Elaine (Mom), and Darrell

Darrell also had a love of riding motorcycles from the time he learned to drive, which carried on throughout his adult life. His eventual wife, Diane also shared this passion, and they often went on motorcycle runs together, as holidays or for charity fundraisers. When they lived in Ottawa, Darrell became a member of Motorcycle Chapter 011.



Darrell & Diane ready to ride!

Darrell also worked at the Regina Flying Club, after his dad started taking flying lessons, and eventually Darrell took flying lessons too once he was out of high school. He got his pilot's license as well. After finishing high school, he worked for a while as a brakeman for CN (the Canadian National Railway).

Darrell & Diane started dating in May 1974. They moved in together and lived in a basement suite. While the SaskTel worker (Don Fuller) was there connecting their phone line, Don said that SaskTel was hiring. Darrell applied and got a job with SaskTel in June 1974.

Darrell and Diane were married 1 November 1975 in Regina. Diane Frances Kaytor was born on 30 December 1958 to John Stanley Kaytor (3 January 1933-6 July 2004) and Ann Hellen Seibel (30 July 1937-)

Weddings

ILES—KAYTOR

The marriage of Diane Frances, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kaytor, to Darrell Garry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Iles, took place on Saturday, November 1, 1975 at Redeemer Lutheran Church, Regina. Reverend R. Raedeke officiated at the double ring ceremony. Organist was Mrs. Raedeke.

Given in marriage by her father the bride wore a floor length white gown with a flowing train and long sleeves. The bodice, sleeves and stand up collar were trimmed with sculptured lace. A waist length veil fell from a jewel headpiece. She carried a trailing bouquet of red sweetheart roses.

Maid of honor was Delores Kaytor, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Dona Stang and Judy Iles. Bestmen were Barry Iles, brother of the groom, Murray Stang and Terry MacFarland. Train bearer was Calvin Warren, 3 year old cousin of the bride. Ushers were John Kaytor Jr., brother of the bride and Gregory Cwynar, cousin of the groom.

The bride's mother chose a floor length deep coral gown with a matching floral jacket. The groom's mother wore a blue floor length gown with sheer sleeves topped with a floor length sleeveless overcoat.

A reception was held in the Odd Fellows Hall where Bob Seibel, the bride's uncle, was master of ceremonies. A dance followed the reception.

Following a wedding trip to British Columbia and the United States, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Iles will reside in Regina.





Stan, Barry, Darrell, Diane, Elaine, Darlene, Judith

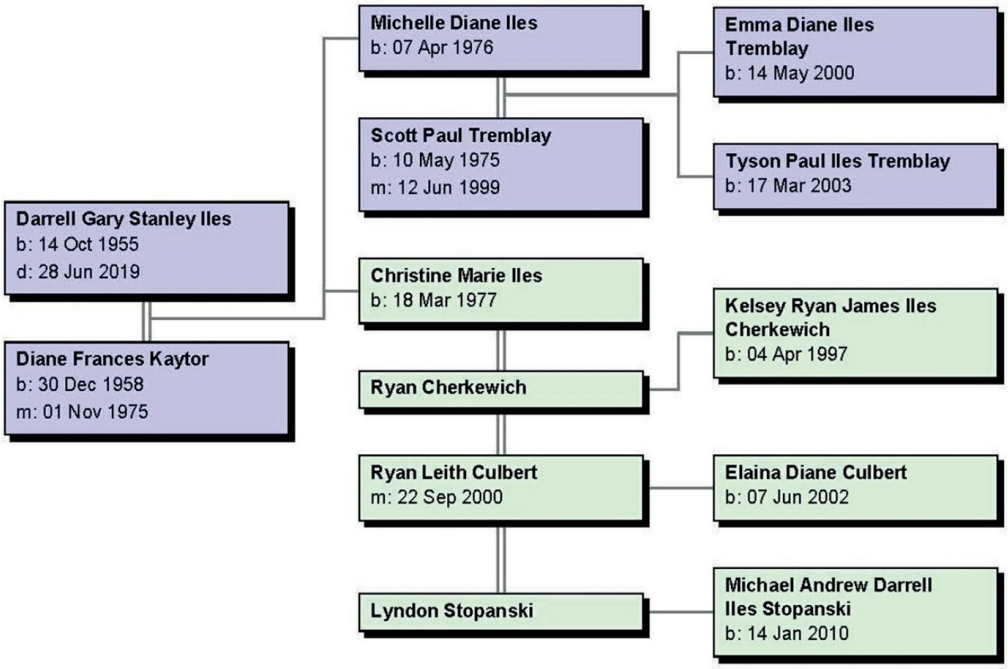


Stan, Elaine, Darrell, Diane, Ann & John Kaytor



After Darrell & Diane were married, they moved from the basement suite to an apartment on 14th Avenue and Albert Street, which ironically turned out was also where their contact from SaskTel, Don Fuller's apartment was. Michelle was born while they were living in the apartment, but that apartment didn't allow kids, so they had to move again. That is when they bought their first home on Garnet Street, where Christine was born.

Michelle & Christine



While Darrell worked for SaskTel, Diane worked at some odd jobs to help ends meet. She didn't have her driver's licence so she would take her girls on the city bus to different places that she would clean. The girls would play on the floor while Diane cleaned. Elaine Iles made majority of the girl's clothes as times were tough for Darrell and Diane.

In May 1981, Darrell got a transfer with SaskTel in Regina to the smaller Saskatchewan community of Eston about 400 km north and west of Regina. They moved into an apartment there while they built their new home on Larson Crescent where Michelle started Kindergarten. After a couple of years, they moved to a different house right across from Eston School and Michelle and Christine loved being able to run across to get to school and come home for lunch. Although Michelle was known for hopping on the school bus to go over to friend's houses. Eventually the bus drivers were told not to let Michelle on the school buses.

They lived in Eston for 4 years and then returned back to Regina where they bought their family home on Church Drive. Both Michelle and Christine graduated high school while they lived in that house. While back in Regina, Darrell continued to work at SaskTel. In 1985, Diane started working at Keen Kids Preschool where she later bought the business in 1987 and owned and ran it for 10 years.

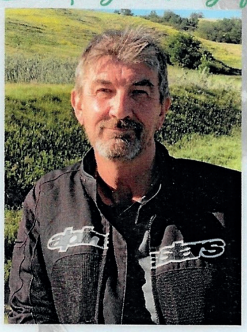
In 2005, Darrell retired from SaskTel and stayed in retirement for 6 months until he took a similar job with TD (Toronto Dominion Bank) and CUETS, doing the telephone/communication systems. They moved from Church Drive to an apartment on Cambridge Avenue and then they eventually purchased a condo on Dewdney Avenue in an old building on top of where Bushwakkers Brewpub still exists. The complex developed a warehouse space with freight elevators in that building and Darell & Diane put a lot of sweat and tears into that home. They turned it into family home where the grandkids grew up and could run and play! They then moved to an apartment on Cornwall Street but not staying too long before they moved to Ottawa, Ontario, in 2014. They lived in Ottawa for two and half years and Darrell retired for the second time from TD while living in Ottawa.




Diane & Darrell, left: 25th Wedding Anniversary; right: ca. 2019

They moved back to Regina in an apartment at Galloway Street for a bit and then moved to Southey where they bought a house on Keats Avenue. Darrell passed away on 28 June 2019 at Southey, Saskatchewan. He is buried at the Moffat Cemetery near Wolseley, Saskatchewan. Diane moved back to Regina where she now lives in an apartment.

In Loving Memory of



Darrell Garry Stanley Iles

October 14, 1955 - June 28, 2019

A Grandparent's Love

It seems like only yesterday our lives were just beginning.
Your love for us never failed, our hearts continually mending.
It is strange to watch the time fly before our very eyes,
Which reminds me of the blessing, that we have you in our lives.
To have yet to feel the touch, that's as gentle as your hand.
The closeness of our family one could never understand.
As each of our lives continue to change,
Reflections of your love in each of us remains.
You have pointed out the path and led us along the way;
The wisdom you have planted, we each still hold today.
You sheltered us through childhood and saw us through today,
Taught us of the Lord above, about faith, and how to pray.
One day we'll all be in heaven dancing on the throne,
Praising God for giving us a family like we've never known.
No matter where our lives may go, we will trust the Lord above,
And through it all always thank him for our grandparents' love.

Love Emma

Darrell was born on October 14, 1955 at Wolseley, SK and lived in Regina, Eston, Ottawa and Southey. He met his soul mate, Diane at a young age and they were married on November 1, 1975. Diane was his princess and he was her knight - they were inseparable. As each others first and only love they did everything together. He was a quiet laid back guy with a huge heart.

He put everyone around him first from the big things to the little things every day of his life.

Darrell and Diane were known as gypsy's - they loved to travel. As long as they had each other nothing else mattered. They had what some would say crazy ideas but they didn't care, as long as they had each other nothing else mattered.

Darrell worked at SaskTel for many years. After he took early retirement from SaskTel he worked at TD Bank and CUETS where he had made many friends. Darrell was always known as the go to person to get things done. In Ottawa, Darrell was part of the Motorcycle Chapter 011, a community where he found a deeper love for riding.

Darrell was, an easy to be around Grandpa who always gave his time, was patient and would always listen. He was a kid at heart and loved to share his "toys", gadgets and the newest technology with them. He would always be in the middle of whatever the grandchildren were doing and in many cases was the instigator

He was the best dad and role model to his girls Christine and Michelle. He taught them by the way he lived his life and treated others, how to feel worthy, be independent, kind and strong.

In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions may be made to the Canadian Mental Health Association (Saskatchewan Division), 2702-12th Avenue, Regina, SK, S4T 1J2.

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Darrell Garry Stanley Iles, Obituary, Alternatives - Southern Saskatchewan

Darrell Garry Stanley Iles

June 28th, 2019



Darrell Garry Stanley Iles, soul mate, dad, grandpa, son, brother, uncle and friend passed away suddenly on June 28, 2019 in Southey, SK.

He was predeceased by his dad Stanley Iles and his father-in-law John Kaytor.

Darrell is survived by his wife Diane; his daughters Christine Iles and her children Kelsey, Elaina and Michael and Michelle (Scott) Tremblay and their children Emma and Tyson; his mom Elaine Iles; sisters Judith Silverthorne and Darlene Ellis and brother Barry (Pamela) Iles; mother-in-law Ann Kaytor, brother-in-law John Kaytor and sisters-in-law Donna (Murray) Stang and Lori (Darren) Aebig; as well as numerous well-loved nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles and treasured friends.

Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2015 - 4th Ave. North, Regina, SK with Pastor Ted Giese officiating. Lunch at the church will be immediately after the service, where there will be a chance for friends to share a few words. In lieu of flowers, if friends so desire contributions may be made to the Canadian Mental Health Association (Saskatchewan Division), 2702-12th Avenue, Regina, SK, S4T 1J2.



Darrell, Diane, Scott, Michelle, Christine, Lyndon, Kelsey, Emma, Elaina, Tyson with Michael walking in the front – 2011

Bullet points of stories/memories from Christine and Michelle growing up:

Michelle's stories/memories:

- Always going on picnics and going to a farmer's field to eat lunch, fly kites and use the pellet guns to shoot old pop cans and the odd gopher
- Camping and going on the boat all of the time
- Watching storms while sitting in the garage with the big garage door open
- My dad having a lit smoke hanging out of his mouth when we were working on things with him
- Dad always making sure everyone else was ok and if we were, then he was!
- Barn dances and swimming at Sherwood Forest
- Tobogganing all of the time at Sherwood Forest
- Bingo nights in basement of St. Cecilia's Church with my Granny (Grandma Kaytor's mom)
- Mom and Dad would play the game where they are the kids, and we were the parents
- Scott & Michelle recalled another memory of when Darrell & Diane - they had multiple clocks around the house, so you would always here ticking and every hour they would all go over AT DIFFERENT TIMES so you literally had to pause a movie to let them do it's thing. When Scott would sleep over before we were married a lot of times he was on the couch and they had to stop the clocks for him so that he could sleep.

Christine's stories / memories:

- Going fishing with Mom & Dad, everything was going great, Michelle and I casting and reeling and casting and reeling – not catching anything. Mom and Dad were enjoying the day as we were trolling. Then Michelle and I lost our worms on our hooks and there was no way we were touching them. Dad steered to a spot where we could float a bit and bait our hooks, telling us the best way to catch a fish was to give the minnow a "good lick" before hooking it. Chuckling as we were gagging, he looked towards the boat motor and low and behold we were moving into the weeds Attempting to get away from the

weeds, he started the motor only to find out that it was also tangled in weeds. Michelle and I thought it was pretty funny as Mom and Dad were trying to get the motor free. It reminded us of a popular TV show at the time called Married with Children and we started singing the theme song "Love and Marriage" I can still remember Dad saying, "Oh real funny guys."

- I have another one about us when we all went ice fishing. We got thrown from the toboggan while Dad was whipping us around on the snowmobile leaving Mom watching all of the holes (which was technically illegal, too many holes drilled). She was panicking as she watched these two little bodies fly through the air!!

- Michelle couldn't say Endeavor and when Mom, Dad, Michelle and I went to visit our Auntie Judith and Uncle Al at Endeavour, she would ask how to say it and we would tell her and then she would just say "whatever" so now every time I think to say whatever, it comes out as "endeavor"

- I remember having friends that would come over and hang out and when they saw Mom and Dad cuddle together in an armchair, they couldn't figure out how it was possible to both fit of them and they were in awe seeing how much they loved each other. It always made me smile and filled my heart with pride on how close we all were!

- When we lived in Eston, while Mom and Dad were building the house, my sister and I were entrepreneurs at a very young age, we planted sunflowers in the garden and then we decided to put the seeds in little bags to sell to the neighbours, which left none for Mom and Dad. We even did a bottle drive for Brownies – but there wasn't even a bottle driver, needless to say Mom and Dad made us go around and give the bottles back. When we lived in Regina, we got gravel delivered for our driveway at Church Drive where we grew up and we found the biggest & best rocks to draw faces on and put up posters for a Pet Rock Sale. We had a very large cat growing up named Ringo. When were having a basement sale we put Ringo in a bedroom and put a curtain up and had a sign that said largest cat in the world and people could go into the room to see him for $1 (or something like that).

Michelle & Christine with Ringo



To Darrell from his sister, Darlene:

Although our life in New Zealand has kept us physically apart, our memories of Darrell are of a quiet, gentle, selfless man.

A brother and uncle who put others before himself with never an unkind word spoken.

A man who cared and loved his family deeply.

Darrell, you shall be remembered and loved forever.

Tayla, Zara, Shania and I would like to share a poem.

"A Letter From Heaven" © Alena Hakala Meadows

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry
The way you did today;
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me
As much as I love you;
And each time that you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.

When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.

Michelle Diane Iles



Michelle, Grade 9



Grade 10



Grade 12

After high school, Michelle moved from Regina, Saskatchewan, to Lake Louise, Alberta, to work at the Mountaineer Lodge as a housekeeper. She wasn't sure what she wanted to be or do when she got older, so she decided to move to the mountains and see what life would bring her! She worked there for the season and stayed in touch with a good friend she made there, as she was also from Saskatchewan.

Then in the summer of 1996, she decided to take a job at the Golf Course at Good Spirit Lake, where her friend she met in Lake Louise lived close to. Here is where her friend introduced Michelle to her now husband Scott. Scott lived in Canora, Saskatchewan (only 15 minutes from Good Spirit Lake), and they started dating. Scott lived in Canora during the summer with his parents. He attended the University of Saskatchewan where he took classes and received a degree in Land Use & Environmental Studies. After a few short months, Michelle decided to take a leap of faith and move to Saskatoon to live with Scott where she was working as a restaurant server and also went to Kelsey Institute for an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician).



Engagement Photo

When Scott was done university, Michelle & Scott moved to Regina and were both working at various places. In April of 1997, Scott went to Michelle's parents house and asked for their permission to marry their daughter. Scott proposed to Michelle on one knee at Victoria Park in Regina and of course Michelle said YES!

At that time, they were living on Argyle Street at Stan & Elaine's house while they went to Mesa, AZ, for the winter. Then they decided to move to Calgary, AB, as Scott found a job at John King Oilfield Services and Michelle found a job at a doctor's office.

They were married on12 June 1999 in Regina, SK, but were living in Calgary, AB.

Only a couple of months after they were married, they found out they were pregnant with their daughter, Emma. They then decided to move back to Regina to be closer to both Scott and Michelle's parents while they raised their new baby.

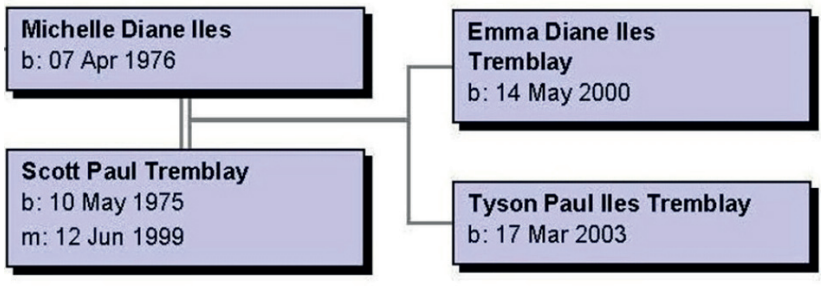
Emma Diane Iles Tremblay was born in Regina on May 14, 2000. They wanted to include Michelle's maiden name in their kid's full names as there were no other boys in the Iles family to pass on the name, and Michelle wanted her kids also to know their family history.

Once back in Regina, both Scott & Michelle started working at the CIBC Call Center as Contact Service Rep. Michelle then went on maternity leave, which was only 6 months at the time. Once Emma was 6 months old, Michelle's mom, Diane, babysat Emma until she was 1 year old. After that Emma was in a day home while both Michelle & Scott worked. Then Michelle got a job at Aon Reed Stenhouse as an Administrative Assistant, and Scott continued at the CIBC Call Center then they moved to Saskatoon as Scott had the opportunity to become a Mortgage Broker and Michelle was able to get transferred to Aon in Saskatoon.

Tyson Paul Iles Tremblay was born in Saskatoon on March 17, 2003. He is their St. Patty's baby who came a bit early by c-section. Michelle was on maternity leave for almost a year and then she went back to work at Aon.



Scott, Tyson, Emma and Michelle



More bullet point notes about us:

We camped every summer in either our tent trailer or camper and brought our boat to go tubing or water skiing. We also went camping with a group of family/friends every year for a week or so at different campgrounds.

We were fortunate enough to go to Disneyland and Disneyworld because Scott's parents would pay for the hotel and flights and we would pay for the food and tickets.

We went to Sherwood Forest to the dugout and barn dances.

For many years we would go to Edmonton for a family get away and stay at the Fantasy Land hotel. We would go to the mall, wave pool and Galaxy Land.



Christmas 2023

In 2011, Scott and Michelle started their own mortgage brokerage called iSask Mortgage Brokers. Scott was the Mortgage Broker and Michelle did a lot of the back end tasks, paperwork, payroll, etc.

They now work together as a team with Scott being the broker and Michelle doing the paperwork for clients and the rest of the tasks from before. Scott and Michelle are still working with their own business iSask Mortgage Brokers.



Scott & Michelle in front of their office in Saskatoon

Children of Michelle and Scott:

Emma Diane Iles Tremblay, born 14 May 2000, Regina, Sasaktchewan.

Stories about Emma, told by Michelle:



Hockey, April 2016

She never crawled, she scooched on her back and the bag of head to get around and started walking at 9 months

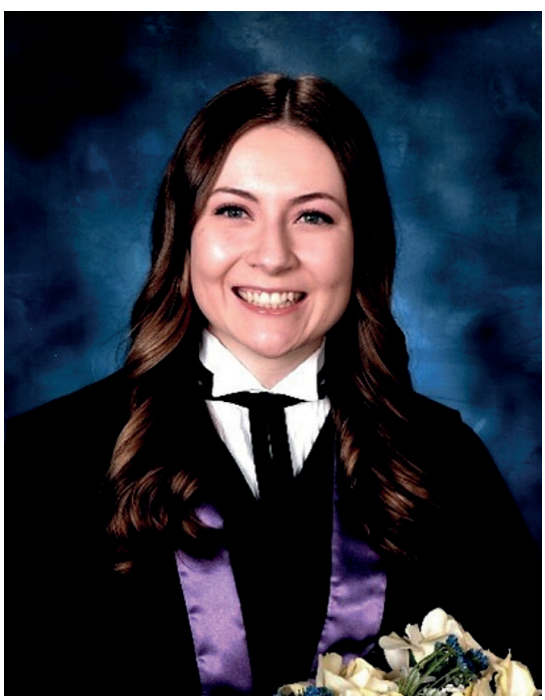
She was born a teacher, she was teaching her dolls and Tyson in class before she even went to pre-school

Emma was a dancer and went to Tyson's hockey games and found a love for hockey. I made her choose between them and with great sadness she chose hockey. But so happy she did.

Emma was grandma's "Dollie"

Emma received her Bachelor of Education along with a Math Degree at the University of Saskatchewan. She is now permanent full-time teacher at Bethlehem High School (which is the same high school she and Tyson went to) as one of the Math teachers.

She has her own house, a cute little bungalow with a basement suite that she is renting out to a tenant.



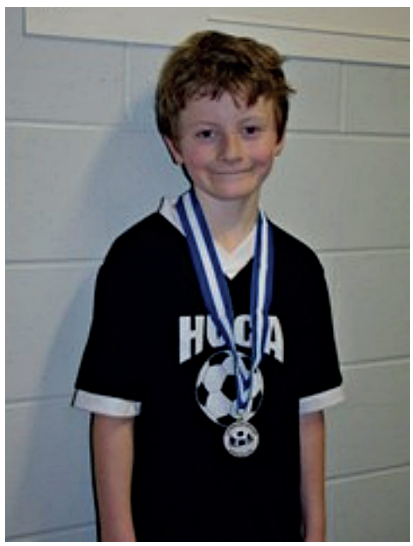
Emma, University Graduation, June 2022

Tyson Paul Iles Tremblay, born in Saskatoon on March 17, 2003.

Stories about Tyson, told by Michelle:

When camping at Good Spirit Lake, he was 2 and he broke his leg by following to close to Scott and tripping. He was taken to the hospital in Yorkton and got a cast.

We were painting our deck one weekend and promised the kids once were done we would go to the Fun Factory. While we were painting we had to get something from Canadian Tire to finish it up and while we were there, Tyson did a funny spin and fell on the floor and started crying, when I went to him I told him to stop being silly and to get up and he couldn't, he then said to me, Mom I think I broke my leg again, so went straight to the ER and yup it turned out he broke his femur! He was in the hospital for 10 days and then a body cast for 6 weeks. He had a wheelchair to help us move him around. He was just about to start kindergarten in September, and we had to hold him back because there wasn't anyone at the school who could help him around. My mom came and looked after him while Scott and I worked.



Tyson Soccer, 2012

He played one year of hockey – got his sister loving it and then stopped playing and started playing soccer.

Tyson received his Diploma for Computer Systems Technology at Sask Polytech in Saskatoon.

He is living at home saving his money for his first home and working at a tech company in Saskatoon called Levi's Tech.



Tyson's Grade 12 Grad, 2021

Christine Marie Iles





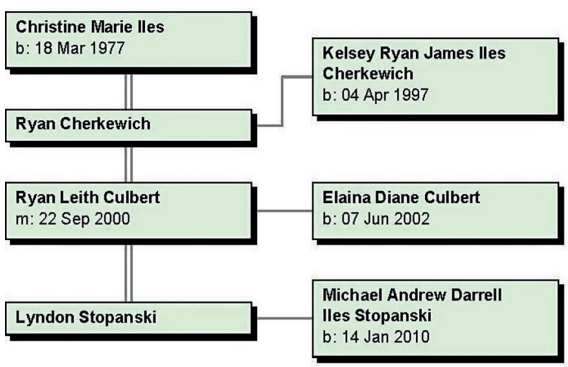
Christine was born on 18 March 1977 in Regina, Saskatchewan.
(See some of the family activities in her parent's chapter above)

After high school, Christine went on to work for several banking institutions and has held various positions, and jobs over the years.

She met Ryan Cherkewich while working at Pizza Hut. There was an instant connection and they had a beautiful boy, Kelsey Ryan James Cherkewich, born on April 4, 1997. He is the oldest of what later became a blended family of three. Kelsey's godparents are Michelle Tremblay and Uncles Kevin & Dallin.

Although Ryan and Christine were engaged their relationship broke down early after their son Kelsey was born. Christine then married Ryan Culbert on September 22, 2000 and had a vibrant girl, Elaina Diane Culbert, born 7 June 2002. She was named after Christine's Grandma and Ryan's moms middle name was also Elaine. It was Ryan's grandma, Christine who suggested Elaina as her name. Her godparents are Auntie Sheila and Uncle Phuc. Elaina had a keen interest in dance and acting and spent many years performing with the SaskExpress Theatre Company.

Michael Andrew Darrell Iles-Stopanski was the youngest of the blended family born on January 14, 2010. Christine never married his father Lyndon David Stopanski but they were together for almost ten years. They separated in November 2017. Christine co-parents her three children



with their fathers.
The three siblings are very close, despite having different fathers and have grown to be successful in their endeavors.

As of 2024, Elaina is in university studying psychology, Kelsey works at various jobs, and Michael is in grade 9.





Elaina & Kelsey



Back: Diane & Darrell. Front: Michelle, Kelsey, Lyndon holding Michael, Christine, Emma in front of her

Kelsey Ryan James Cherkewich, born on April 4, 1997, Regina, Saskatchewan.



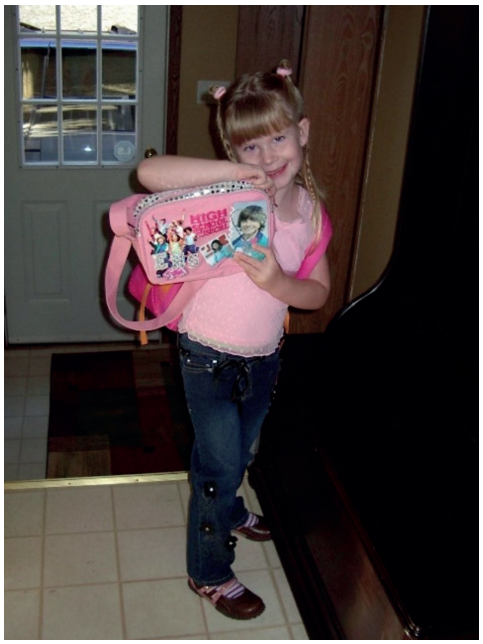


Christine & Kelsey



Kelsey with his grandparents, Diane & Darrell Iles

Elaina Diane Culbert, born on June 7, 2002, Regina, Saskatchewan.





Elaina Grade 12 Graduation



Elaina heading off to university

Michael Andrew Darrell Iles-Stopanski, born on January 14, 2010 in Regina, Saskatchewan.





Michael in his football uniform



Michael at his Grade 8 Graduation

BARRY HERBERT CARL ILES

Barry was born on 19 May 1058 at Wolseley, Saskatchewan, to Elaine Assman and Stan Iles, when the family still lived on the farm at Glenavon. But soon afterwards they all moved to Regina.



Barry as a baby, 1958[1]



L to R: Grandpa Iles (Pop), Judith, Darrell and Barry on Pepper, February 1960





Barry's 9th birthday (above) and keeping the cat warm (right)

1 Note: All photos in this chapter are from the collection of various family members.

As a kid, Barry was heavily involved in playing baseball, and whenever the family went camping or out to the lake on a weekend, he was fishing and catching lots of fish too!





Barry in his own words:

"I spent the first couple of years on the farm although I don't remember them, I think farming was always in my blood.

I attended Wascana School for my first 8 years of school and then moved on to Scott Collegiate. At 11 years old, I was helping my brother Darrell with his paper route and soon got my own when I was 12. At 14, I worked at a restaurant doing dishes and cleaning tables.

By this time in my life I knew I would be working for myself no matter what it was going to be. At 15 ½, I started working at the Regina Flying Club as a ramp rat. It was a pretty cool job considering I had to move planes around to fuel up and get ready for customers. We also started a few of them by flipping the propeller. I had 1 close friend die in a plane crash and witnessed another trying to pull up a glider. Not long after this I moved on to a different job at a gas station.

In grade 11 (1975) I bought a new van and spent many weekends customizing into a small RV.

In 1977 I bought a new van to customize and sold the 1975 one. I spent many weekends travelling to Van Runs camping in farm fields with many other vanners. I spent most of my high school years with my then girl friend. I spent my first summer after school was finished putting up steel quonsets on farms in southern Saskatchewan.

After I finished school I took a job selling vacuums, awaiting a chance to get a job as an apprentice electrician at Stetner Electric where Dad worked. I did 5 ½ years working for them until Dad and I started Iles Electric. Iles Electric was started in 1982 when the electrical union decided to go on strike, so we became very busy in a very short time.

In this time, I got married to my 1st wife and lived in the house I bought earlier in 1979. We lived there until 1981 when we bought a new house on Maier Bay. In family life we had two beautiful girls, Amanda Sara Grace in 1983 and Amie Trina Ann in 1985.

Life was busy between running the office side and working in the field at Iles Electric, and I needed a get away from all work. So in 1987 we were able to purchase a lake front cabin at Pelican Pointe on Long Lake. We had already bought a boat in 1985 and spent many weekends putting it in and out of the lake. So buying a lake front cabin was a blessing, so I thought.

Now I spent a lot of the weekends working on an old property to get a water and septic system into the cabin so we could have a tub and shower available along with a new boat house and new concrete retaining wall and new concrete stairs going down to the water were just some of the weekend tasks that started to consume my time away from my family.

In 1997/1998 I was looking at building onto the new house but couldn't justify the additional costs for that area so we started to look at new property to build a new house of our liking and found a property in White City to build on. The drawings were done up in the winter of 1998 and the new build was started in early 1999. By late 1999 our relationship had become so distant that we eventually split and divorced.

I remarried in June of 2002.

In 2008 we bought acreage property in Preeceville on the Assiniboine river where we figured that some day we may retire out there. As life goes on building a retirement home is not in the cards and decided to just take out a travel trailer for a place to stay. A year later we purchased an additional 7 acres on the other side of the river which also had power available. The property has been transformed into a park like area used for enjoying wildlife and great summertime weather. The area also allows me several accessible lakes to enjoy fishing all within an hour or two.

In 2009 I also started to take off every Friday and have a 4 day work week. In 2009 we also started another business venture called Iron Mountain Excavating which also purchased 5 lots behind Iles Electric for the storage of equipment and trailers.

In September of 2010 I lost my former business partner and dad, which was totally unexpected.

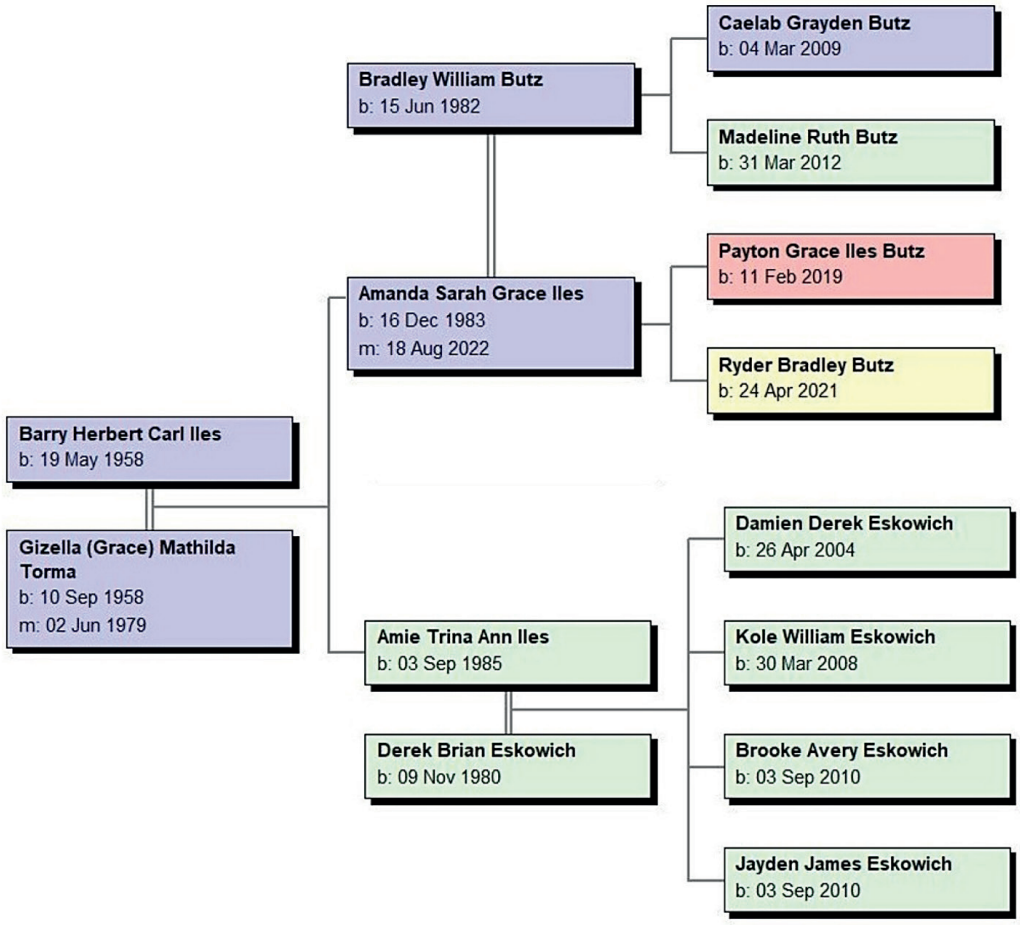
In 2012 I sold the lake property at Pelican Pointe which allowed me to build a new shop and put in an inground pool. After the shop was built 2013 I started doing woodworking over the winter months.

In 2017 I was able to quit smoking as I realized I wanted to see my kids and grandkids grow up and spend time with them in Preeceville.

In total surprise to all of us 2019 we all lost a brother, and our mom lost her eldest son to mental health.

In the last 5 years, it's all been status quo."





Amanda Sarah Grace Iles

Amanda Sarah Grace Iles, born 16 December 1983 to Barry Herbert Carl Iles and Gizella Matilda Torma in Regina, Saskatchewan. She is the older of two children. She has one younger sister, Amie. She grew up in Regina and surrounding area. Amanda married **Bradley William Butz**, 18 August 2022 in Fernie, British Columbia.



Amanda & Amie, 1988



1992, Iles Christmas – Cousins: Michelle, Amanda, Christine, Amie, Aaron

Amanda attended St. Jerome Elementary School and after graduation from Michael A. Riffle High School in 2001 she attended the University of Regina where she achieved her Bachelor of Business Administration, Majoring in Accounting in 2010.



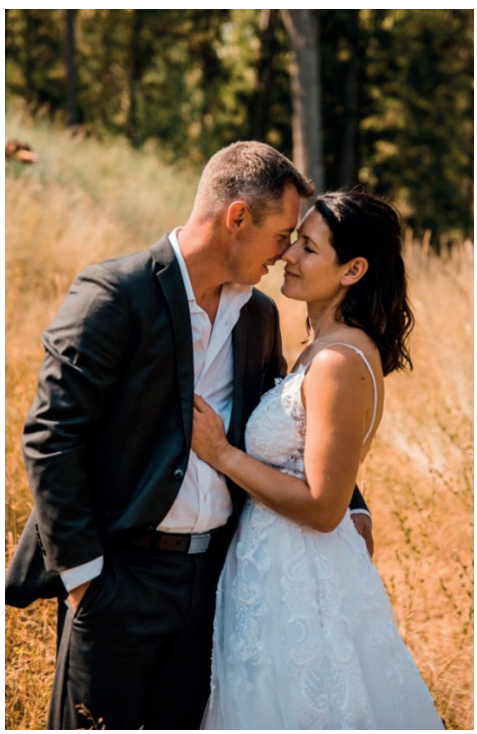
2010 – University of Regina Convocation

She accepted a position at the Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan in 2011 where she obtained her Chartered Accounting (CA) designation (which later amalgamated with other accounting bodies to become CPA; CPA, CA) and Certified Information System Auditor (CISA) certification. She stayed at Provincial Auditor of Saskatchewan for 12 years before taking on a new role at Farm Credit Canada as Manger of Internal Audit. While at FCC, Amanda also obtained her Certified in Risk and Information System Control (CRISC) certification.

In 2022, she married the man she had been waiting for, Bradley William Butz, on the 18th of August in Fernie, British Columbia. Amanda and Brad met in 2017 and purchased a house to live together in Southey, Saskatchewan, in 2018.

Bradley William Butz, born 15 June 1982 to Valerie Grandel and Rick Butz in Regina, Saskatchewan. Brad has one older sister, Kristy Emmons. Brad grew up in Earl Grey, Saskatchewan.

Brad graduated from Early Grey School in 2001. After high school he worked for Westridge Construction where he obtained his Journeyman's in carpentry through SIAST (now Saskatchewan Polytechnic) in Moose Jaw.



Brad & Amanda, wedding day

In 2008, Brad went on his own and has been self-employed for over 16 years, operating as Ascent Contracting. Brad enjoys hunting, shooting, and just being outside and on the go, when it is not minus forty out.



Front left to right: Caeleb, Ryder and Amanda, Madeline; back: Payton and Brad



Brad had two children, Caeleb Grayden Butz, born 4 March 2009, and Madeline (Maddy) Ruth Butz, born 31 March 2012, (mother: Dawn Ruth Butz, née McLean). Caeleb and Maddy lived with Amanda and Brad part-time.

Back: Brad, Caeleb; front: Amanda, Maddie

Together, Amanda and Brad have a daughter, Payton Grace Butz, born 11 February 2019, and a son, Ryder Bradley Butz, born 24 April 2012.

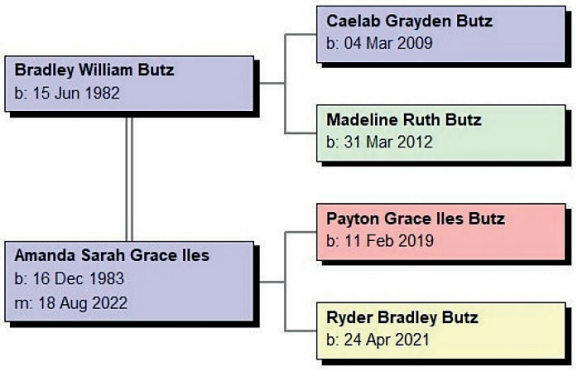


Family photo in 2022: Maddy, Brad, Ryder, Amanda, Payton, and Caeleb

The Butz family of six continues to live in Southey, Saskatchewan, and moved into their forever home in 2024 located at 356 Burns Avenue.



Family photo in 2024: Maddy, Caeleb, Ryder, Brad, Payton, and Amanda



All four kids attend Robert Southey School. In 2024, Caeleb is in grade 10, Maddy is in grade 7, Payton is in kindergarten, and Ryder is in preschool.

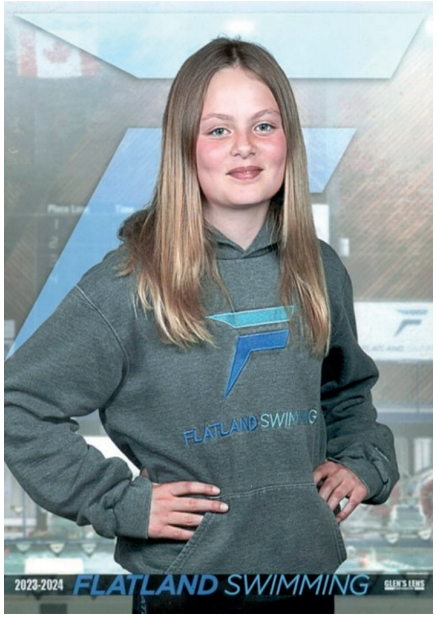
Caeleb Grayden Butz, born 4 March 2009, is the first son of Bradley William Butz (mother Dawn Ruth Butz, née McLean).

Caeleb was part of the 155 Royal Regina Rifles Royal Canadian Army Cadet for 3 years (2020-21-2023-24). He started on the Southey Eagles football team as soon as he was able in grade 9 (2023). In 2024, the Southey Eagles merged with the Cupar football team called Highway 22 Storm. Caeleb also enjoys dirt biking, hunting, fishing and his X-box.

He is working toward his driver license which he expects to receive in March 2024. He purchased his first car, a silver 2006 Chevy Cobalt with the help of his dad in 2023.



2023 – Remembrance Day Ceremony



Madeline (Maddy) Ruth Butz, born 31 March 2012, is the first daughter of Bradley William Butz (mother Dawn Ruth Butz, née McLean).

Maddy loves swimming, whether it be competitive or for leisure, she loves to be in the water. She also enjoys baking, volleyball, hanging out with her friends, and helping out around the house and with her sister.

In 2024, Maddy is in Grade 7 at Robert Southey School and does very well in her studies.

2024 – Swimming portrait

Payton Grace Butz, born 11 February 2019 to Amanda Sarah Grace Butz and Bradley William Butz.

Payton is a very strong-willed little girl. She enjoys playing outside in every season, as long as she has someone with her. Payton loves gymnastics, baseball, and swimming, and she LOVES her big sister and her brothers. She is a great little helper around the house as well.

In 2024, Payton is in kindergarten. She loves school, specially taking the bus.



2024 – Kindergarden school picture



November 2024 - Ryder's first day of preschool

Ryder Bradley Butz, born 24 April 2022 to Amanda Sarah Grace Butz and Bradley William Butz.

Ryder loves playing with his dirt bikes and tractors, coloring, play fighting with his dad and playing out with his brother and sisters.

In 2024 Ryder is in preschool, even though he doesn't really want to be there yet. Ryder is moms little guy.



2021 – Maddy, Ryder, Caeleb, and Payton

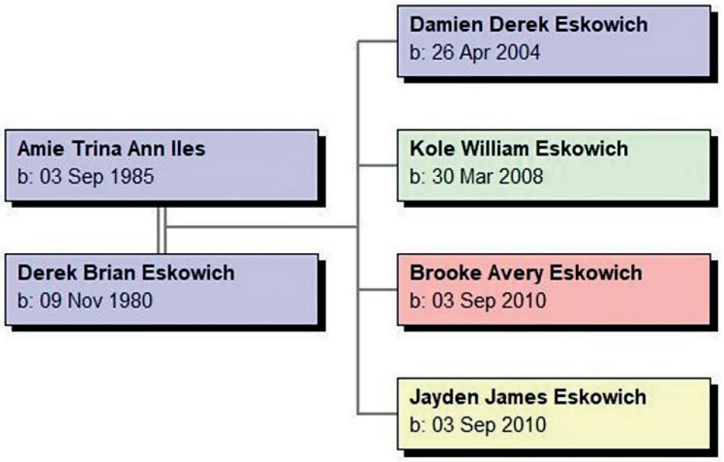
Amie Trina Ann Iles

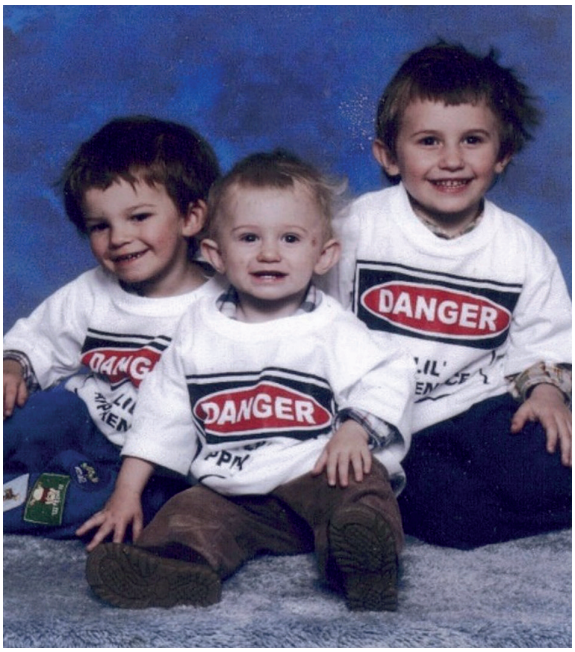
Amie was born 3 September 1985 in Regina, Saskatchewan, to Barry Herbert Carl Iles and Gizella Matilda Torma. She is the youngest of two daughters, and grew up in Regina and White City, Saskatchewan.

Amie and her partner, Derek Eskowich have been together for many years and share four children. They lived in the city of Melville for many years and recently moved to Yorkton, both in Saskatchewan.



Derek & Amie at her Grade 12 graduation





Kole, Jaden, Damien



Brooke



Back: Damien, Derek, Amie, Kole. Front: Brooke, Jayden

DARLENE ELAINE ILES

I was born on Tuesday, 17th November 1959 at 11:11pm in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada. My parents are Elaine Assman and Stanely Iles, and I am the youngest of four children following Judith, Darrell, and Barry.



Barry, Darlene, Judith, Darrell[1]



Stan, Darlene, Elaine



Darrell, Barry, Darlene, Judith



I attended my elementary years at Wascana elementary school and then attended Scott Collegiate. I went on to study travel and tourism towards becoming a travel agent and attended Grant MacEwan Community College in Edmonton, Alberta. I then secured a job as a travel agent back in Regina with the CAA (Canadian Automobile Association).

I advanced to manage an opening in the Golden Mile Plaza location and at the age of 24 I decided to travel the South Pacific. Upon resigning from my job, I travelled to Australia and New Zealand for 6 months. Upon my return, I secured another travel agent job for a couple of years and then moved to the airline industry.

At the age of 34, I moved to New Zealand and got married at the age of 35 to Mark Ellis who was a New Zealander.

1 All photos in this chapter are from the collections of Elaine Iles, Judith Silverthorne & Darlene Ellis.



I have three beautiful daughters, Tayla, Zara and Shania who were all born and raised in Auckland, New Zealand. I am a very proud mother of my three daughters who have all excelled in their professions and personal lives. After 15 years of marriage, it dissolved, and we parted our ways. The girls and I moved out on our own, the girls at the time being 8, 11, 14 respectively.



Above: Zara, Tayla (back), Shania.
Right: Tayla, Shania, Darlene, Zara.
Below: Gary & Darlene

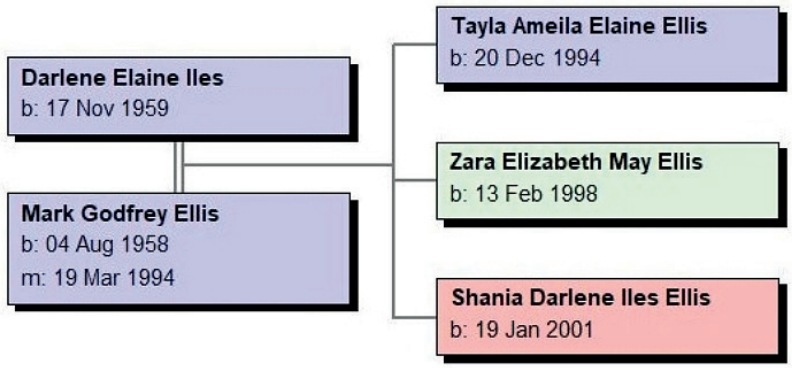


The past 5 years I have had a relationship with Gary Kirk, who I am still currently with.

I worked at a primary school as a teachers aid and cleaned part time to fit within school hours. I then moved into administrative jobs over the next few years. I am presently working for Vitaco Health. Over years we have had many beloved pets Luke, Mia and Evie being the three family dogs over the many years. Evie is still with us currently.



Zara, Darlene, Shania, Tayla
(Darlene's 65th birthday, 17 November 2024)



Tayla Amelia Elaine Ellis

I was born on Tuesday, 20th December 1994, in Auckland, New Zealand. My parents are Darlene Ellis and Mark Ellis, who have since divorced. I am the oldest of three sisters, my younger sisters are Shania and Zara. I attended Pigeon Mountain Primary School, Bucklands Beach Intermediate and Macleans College. I graduated high school in 2012 and went to Auckland University to study Medicine. I graduated with a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery in 2019.



Tayla & Logan

I am now completing my training to become an Anaesthetist with the Australian and New Zealand college of Anaesthetists. I am engaged to my fiancé Logan Guild and we are getting married in March 2026. Logan works in commercial banking. I have a cat who is 12 years old called Doonie and is extremely well loved. I have a love for animals, the outdoors and spending time at the beach with friends and family.



Zara Elizabeth May Ellis

I was born on Friday, 13th February 1998, in Auckland, New Zealand. My parents are Darlene Ellis and Mark Ellis; however, they are now divorced. I am the middle child and have a younger sister Shania and older sister Tayla. I attended Pigeon Mountain Primary School, Bucklands Beach Intermediate and Macleans College. I went straight to university after finishing high school to study Physiotherapy. I graduated with a Bachelor Degree of Physiotherapy in 2019. I am still currently working as a physiotherapist.

My partner of five years, Isaac Harraway, also grew up in Auckland, New Zealand and works as a builder. I have played soccer nearly my whole life and have a love for the outdoors, traveling and spending time with my friends and family.

Zara & Isaac

Shania Darlene Iles Ellis



I was born on Friday, 19th January 2001, in Auckland, New Zealand. My parents are Darlene Ellis and Mark Ellis, who have since divorced. I am the youngest of three sisters, my two older sisters are Tayla and Zara. I attended Pigeon Mountain Primary School, Bucklands Beach Intermediate and Macleans College. I graduated high school in 2018 and moved to Sydney, Australia, to study dance. I completed my diploma in Dance at Ettinghausen Dance studio and moved back to Auckland, New Zealand, in 2020. Due to covid hitting and affecting potential dance contracts on cruise ships, I decided to study.

I attended Aukland University of Technology (AUT) and studied Physiotherapy. I am graduating in December 2024 with a Bachelors of Physiotherapy. I will be moving to the Gold Coas, Australia, in February 2025 to live there and have a physiotherapy job over there already. I have a love for animals, sports, outdoors and spending time with friends and family.



Zara, Shania, Tayla

WILBERT CLIFFORD ASSMAN

Wilbert Clifford Assman, born 11 August 1932, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995), the second child and first son. He married 26 December 1953, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, **Doreen Clara Baker** (1936-1992); died 26 June 2004, Regina, Saskatchewan.

For the first years of his life, the family resided on his grandparent's farm at section 20-T18-R8-W2. When he was about four years old, the family moved to their own farm at Sec 27-T19-R8-W2 in the RM of McLeod. He attended Baber School until age fourteen when he went to work as a harvester.



Richard, Wilbert, Elaine, Pearl, Raymond (front) ca 1942/43[1]



Wilbert married Doreen Clara Baker on 26 December 1953 at Ellisboro, Saskatchewan, Canada.

Doreen Clara Baker was born 9 July 1936 to David Baker and Caroline (Cary) Beiber at Ellisboro, Saskatchewan.

She had five sisters and one brother (another passed away in infancy - Nelson): Kathleen Kilbach, Edna Dorothy (Malcolm) Schienbein, Les (Gladys) Baker, Myrna (Bill) Kardash; Nora Baker, and Alice (Bob) Wassill (Baker).

Wilbert and Doreen Wedding Photo, 1953[2]

1 Collection of Elaine Iles.
2 Ibid.





Left: Wedding party, Wilbert & Doreen with Pearl Assman and cousin Harold Assman, attending[3].
Right: Wilbert & Doreen leaving the church[4]



Above: Wilbert with his grain truck[5]
Right: Doreen and Wilbert Assman, 1954[6]

After they were married, they farmed on his grandfather Emil Krahenbil's farm for four years. Then they moved to Devron in the spring of 1956.

When Wilbert's parents and family moved to Grenfell in 1961, he and Doreen also moved there, buying a farm just outside the town to the north.



3 Collection of Elaine Iles.
4 Photo collection of Jillian Assman.
5 Photo collection of Elaine Iles.
6 Ibid.

By this time, their first son, Darwin had been born at Wolseley, Saskatchewan, on 18 November 1960. Their second son, Brent was born seven years later at Wolseley, on 8 August 1967.





Darwin and Brent, years unknown[7]



Back: Wilbert, Doreen, Richard; front: Adolf & Elizabeth Assman[8]

7 Photos of Darwin and Brent from the collection of Jillian Assman and Elaine Iles.
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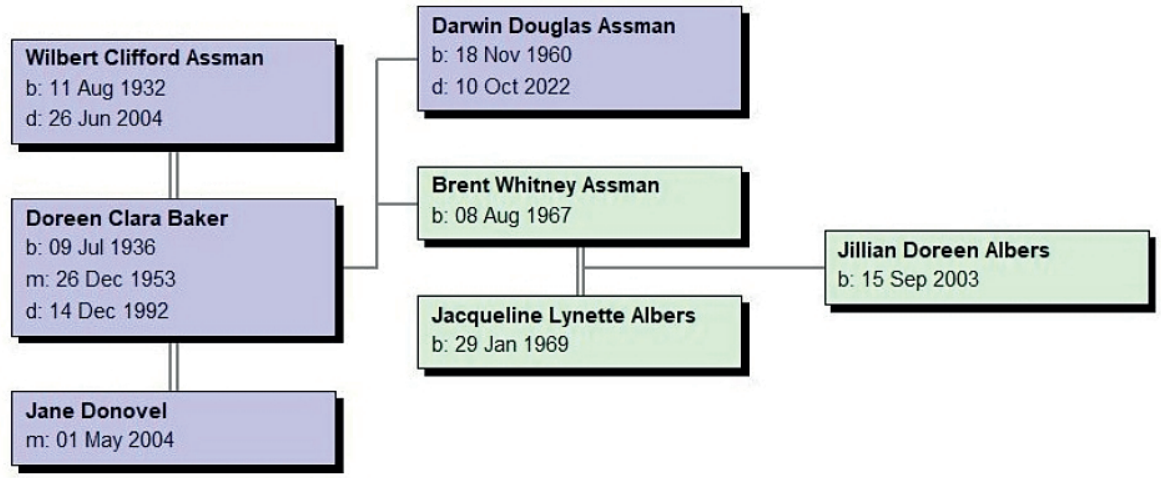

Doreen died on 14 December 1992 at home on the farm at Grenfell, Saskatchewan, Canada.

ASSMAN—On Tuesday, December 14, 1992, Doreen Clara Assman, beloved wife of Wilbert Clifford Assman, Grenfell, Sask., age 56 years. The funeral service will be held in the Peace Lutheran Church, Grenfell, Sask. on Friday, December 18, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. Officiant Rev. Ronald L. Simpson. Interment in the Grenfell Cemetery. Predeceased by her parents, David and Caroline (nee Bieber) Baker; as well as one brother, Nelson Baker in 1936. Besides her husband, Wilbert Mrs. Assman is survived by two sons: Darwin of Meadow Lake, Sask. and Brent of Kindersley, Sask.; her sisters: Kathleen Kilbach, Vancouver, B.C., Edna (Malcolm) Schienbein, Neudorf, Sask., Nora Baker, High River, Alta., Alice (Bob) Wassil, Yorkton, Sask., Myrna (Bill) Kardash, Regina, Sask.; and one brother, Les (Gladys) Baker, High River, Alta.; her mother and father-in-law, Adolph and Elizabeth Assman of Grenfell. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Arrangements in care of the Tubman Funeral Home. (1-800-667-8962)

Above: Obituary, Leader-Post
Next page: Doreen Assman, funeral card and funeral bulletin[9]

9 Collection of Elaine Iles.

Safely Home

I am home in heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in heaven at last.

There is work still waiting for you.
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth -
You shall rest in God's own land.

When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!

FUNERAL SERVICE

DOREEN CLARA ASSMAN
beloved wife of Wilbert C. Assman,
Grenfell, Saskatchewan,

in Peace Lutheran Church,
Grenfell, Saskatchewan,

on Friday, December 18th, 1992,
at 2:00 p.m.

Officiant: Rev. Ronald L. Simpson.

Interment in Grenfell Cemetery.

** ** ** **

Born: Wolseley District,
July 9th, 1936.
Died: Grenfell, Saskatchewan,
December 14th, 1992.

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH

The Order of Funeral Service for

DOREEN CLARA ASSMAN

December 18, 1992

THE PRELUDE

THE HYMN OF COMFORT: "Abide with Me" # 490

THE INVOCATION

THE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DEATH

THE HYMN OF CONSOLATION: "Amazing Grace" # 509

THE SCRIPTURE:

The Old Testament Reading ..... Isaiah 25: 6-9
The New Testament Reading ..... 1 Corinthians 15: 1-26
The Gospel Reading ..... John 6:37-40

THE HYMN OF CONFIDENCE: "Beautiful Savior" # 507

THE SERMON ADDRESS: "Do You Know Him?" John 17:3

THE PRAYER FOR CONSOLATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE BENEDICTION

THE HYMN OF COURAGE: "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" # 516

THE POSTLUDE

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ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Greg Cwynar
Darren Emke
Darrell Iles
Darren Korzenowski
Clinton Kardash
Terry Schienbein



THE ORGANIST: Lavone Unverricht
THE OFFICIANT: Pastor Ronald L. Simpson

DOREEN CLARA ASSMAN



Born: July 9, 1936
Reborn: July 19, 1936
Confirmed: May 1, 1952
Died: December 14, 1992

Doreen was born in the Wolseley District but lived most of her life in the Grenfell area. She was predeceased by her parents: David & Caroline (Bieber) Baker; and one brother: Nelson Baker in 1936.

She was a homemaker by choice, who enjoyed gardening, keeping her yard looking nice, and bingo. Looking after her chickens and ducks, and milking her cow, was also a delight. She lived to help her family and friends, especially the two boys. Whenever the boys would come home she would cook and bake and load their cars up with food to take with them as they left.

Following sudden heart failure, loved ones, friends, and members at Peace remain to reflect on shared experiences and common memories of her.

Doreen is survived by her loving husband, Wilbert -- two sons: Darwin of Meadow Lake and Brent of Kindersley -- five sisters: Kathleen Kilbach of Vancouver, B.C.; Edna (Malcolm) Schienbein of Neudorf; Nora Baker of High River, Alberta; Alice (Bob) Wassil of Yorkton; and Myrna (Bill) Kardash of Regina -- one brother: Les (Gladys) Baker of High River, Alberta -- her father and mother-in-law: Adolph & Elizabeth Assman of Grenfell -- and also survived by her nieces and nephews.

Her body will be laid to rest at the Grenfell Cemetery until the Day of Resurrection. She will be deeply missed by her loved ones and many friends. All are invited to a fellowship luncheon after the committal to meet with the family for expressing condolences.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Peace Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, or to the charity of choice in memory of Doreen Assman.



In 1999 Wilbert sold the farm at Grenfell and bought another one in the Glenavon District along highway 47 going south 5 or 6 miles from his brother Ray's place.

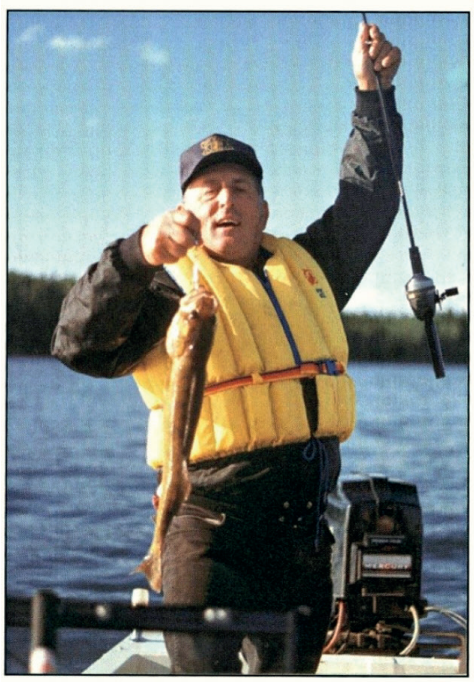
Wilbert farmed and raised cattle all his life. He also trucked cattle for 20 years. He loved to fish, which prompted his move to northern Saskatchewan.

On 1 May 2004, Wilbert married Jane Donovel in Regina, and they moved to Meadow Lake, SK.

Wedding party:
Richard, Linda Cox, Jane, and Wilbert (front)[10]

Wilbert passed away at the age of 71 years on 26 June 2004 at the Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada. He was buried in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan.

From Death Notice in the Regina Leader-Post: *After a valiant struggle with cancer, Wilbert passed away at the age of 71 years. He was predeceased by his first wife Doreen in 1992, and his parents Adolf in 1998 and Elizabeth in 1995. Besides his wife, Jane, he is survived by his sons, Darwin and Brent (Jackie) of Meadow Lake; three grandchildren, Jessica, Brody, and Jillian; his two brothers Richard (Linda), Raymond (Sandy), and six sisters, Elaine (Stan), Pearl (Stan), Joan (Vern), Jean (Les), Norma (John), and Marlene (Don). He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.*



In Loving Memory of
Wilbert Assman
Born August 11, 1932, Neudorf, Sask.
Passed away June 26, 2004, Meadow Lake, Sask.

FUNERAL SERVICE
3 p.m. Wednesday June 30, 2004
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Meadow Lake, Sask.
Pastor Erwin Tipple officiating.

PALLBEARERS
Terry Scheinbein - Lyle Kruger - Clint Kardash
Derrick Brucks - Darrel Iles - Joe Pruitti

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Elroy Assman - Larry Baran - Kenny Piller - Ken Kruger
and all who knew and loved Wilbert.

Eulogy: Stan Iles & Judith Silverthorne. **Pianist-Soloist:** Toby Esterby.
Survived by: Loving **Wife:** Jane.
Sons: Darwin Assman & Brent (Jackie) Assman.
Grandchildren: Jillian, Jessica & Brody.
Brothers: Richard Assman,(Linda), Regina, Sask.; Raymond (Sandy) Assman, Grenfell, Sask.; **Sisters:** Elaine (Stan) Iles, Regina, Sask.; Pearl (Stan) Cwynar, Regina, Sask.; Joan (Vern) Sens, Grenfell, Sask.; Jean (Les) Michalycia, Regina, Sask.; Norma (John) Korzenowski, Regina, Sask.; Marlene (Don) Leir, Pilot Butte, Sask. Numerous Neices & Nephews.
Predeceased By: Wife: Doreen in 1992.
Parents: Father: Adolf in 1998 & **Mother:** Elizabeth in 1995.

Tributes in Memory of Wilbert may be made to
The Canadian Cancer Society, Battlefords Unit
Box 112 - 1266 - 100th StreetNorth Battleford, Sask. S9A 2X6
The Meadow Lake Hospital Foundation, Box 511, Meadow Lake, Sask. S9X 1Y4. -OR- The Charity of the Donor's choice

INTERMENT
Woodlawn Cemetery, Meadow Lake, Sask.

Wilbert Assman Funeral Card[11]

10 Collection of Elaine Iles.
11 Ibid.

Darwin and Brent made arrangements to have a baseball field in Meadow Lake created after their father. Darwin at first wanted to call it Castle Field (after their lumber yard business), but Brent suggested it be their last name: “Something to remember us by.”



Memories of Wilbert’s Sons (written with his sons help and delivered by Judith Silverthorne)

My Uncle Wilbert, as I knew him, had two very special joys in his life - his sons, Darwin and Brent. What follows are some of memories of him as seen through their eyes as they came to know him as an adult, but most of all as their much-loved dad.

He was a very fun-loving person, always willing to share a joke or humorous story that he had heard that day. He was very much a people person. It didn’t matter where he was, he could strike up a conversation with anyone about anything.

He was always well informed about the weather. His first question in any phone call to his boys was «So, how's the weather up there?»

He did just about everything according to the moon... seeded, harvested and even travelled according to the new and full moons.

Besides farming, he also started a cattle hauling business, which he did for many years.

He enjoyed all kinds of auction sales whether it be for animals or merchandise - he was always looking for a deal, and usually found it, too!

All his life, he loved music and dancing, especially Old Time Waltzes and Polkas. In his younger years, he played guitar & banjo in a band and they would play at nearby towns. In later years, he relished going to the Polkafest in Grayson to see all the Old Time Bands.

He also enjoyed watching all kinds of sports, especially ones his boys played in. Wrestling was a big favourite of his and often got him pretty riled up on a Saturday afternoon. He even had the opportunity to see Wrestlemania in Houston, Texas with his sons.

He took pleasure in playing canasta and cribbage. There was many a heated canasta game during the weekends at the kitchen table. Another favourite pastime was playing horseshoes, especially in Ole Ferch’s backyard.

Anyone that knew Wilbert, knew of his love for ice cream. Not a single ice cream stand was safe

from him. He would always have time to stop for ice cream. Afterwards, he would try to decide if that was the best flavour he'd had or if he should continue his quest to find some even better tasting than the first one.

After he retired from farming, his main interests were travelling and fishing. Whenever a friend would call to say the fish were biting, he would want to go and usually did. He made many a trip with his camper to the states and was always finding a «deal» somewhere on his trip that made it all worthwhile going in the first place.

He moved to Meadow Lake with his wife Jane to be close to his two boys of whom he was very proud.

He very much enjoyed the visits from his grand children, especially little Jillian, who brought a smile to his face whenever he saw her.

There is little doubt that his family was very important to him, and him to them. Speaking on behalf of his many nieces and nephews, we celebrate Uncle Wilbert being part of our lives. Although he will be missed enormously, the wonderful memories he imparted will live on in everyone's heart.

Obituary

Wilbert was born on 11 August 1932 on the family farm at Neudorf, Saskatchewan. He was the second child and first son of Adolf and Elizabeth Assman. For the first years of his life, the family resided on his grandparent's farm at section 20-T18-R8-W2. When he was about four years old, the family moved to their own farm at Sec 27-T19-R8-W2 in the RM of McLeod. He attended Baber School until age fourteen when he went to work as a harvester.

He married Doreen Baker in 1953. They farmed on his Grandfather Krahenbil's farm for four years. Then they moved to Devron in the spring of 1956. Three years later they bought a farm at Grenfell, where their two sons were born. Darwin in 1960, and Brent in 1967. In 1999 he sold the farm, and bought another one in the Glenavon District. In 2004, he married Jane Donovel and they moved to Meadow Lake, SK.

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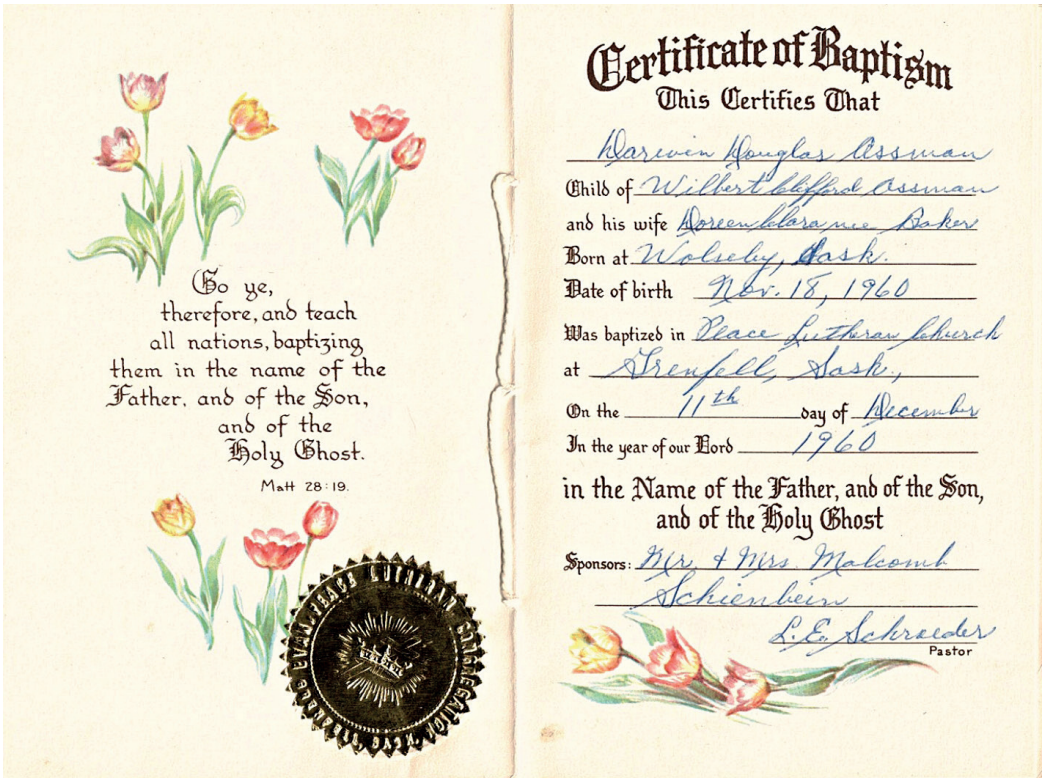
After a valiant struggle with cancer, Wilbert passed away at the age of 71 years. He was predeceased by his first wife Doreen in 1992, and his parents Adolf in 1998 and Elizabeth in 1995. Besides his wife, Jane, he is survived by his sons, Darwin and Brent (Jackie) of Meadow Lake; three grandchildren, Jessica, Brody, and Jillian; his two brothers Richard (Linda), Raymond (Sandy), and six sisters, Elaine (Stan), Pearl (Stan), Joan (Vern), Jean (Les), Norma (John), and Marlene (Don). He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.



ASSMAN—On Saturday, June 26, 2004, Wilbert Clifford Assman, beloved husband of Jane Assman of Meadow Lake, Sask. passed away at the age of 71 years. Wilbert was predeceased by his first wife Doreen Assman (1992), his parents Adolf (1998) and Elizabeth (nee Krahenbil) (1995) Assman. Besides his wife, he is survived by his sons, Darwin of Meadow Lake, Sask. and Brent (Jackie) of Meadow Lake, Sask.; three grandchildren, Jessica, Brody and Jillian; his two brothers Richard (Linda), Raymond (Sandy), and six sisters, Elaine (Stan), Pearl (Stan), Joan (Vern), Jean (Les), Norma (John), and Marlene (Don). He is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews. Prayers will be held on Tuesday, June 29 at 8:30 p.m. at the J.E. Thomas Funeral Home in Meadow Lake, Sask. The funeral will be held on Wednesday, June 30 at 3:00 p.m. in the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 416-2nd St. West, Meadow Lake, Sask. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to the Canadian Cancer Society. Arrangements in are of J.E. Thomas Funeral Home, 204-3rd Street East, Meadow Lake, Sask. Condolences may be sent to acelumberdarwin@sasktel.net

DARWIN DOUGLAS ASSMAN

Darwin Douglas Assman was born on 18 Nov 1960 at the hospital in Wolseley, Saskatchewan to Wilbert Assman and Doreen Baker. He grew up on a farm north of Grenfell. He did not marry and did not have any children. He died on 10 October 2022.



Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.
Matt 28:19.

Certificate of Baptism
This Certifies That
Darwin Douglas Assman
Child of Wilbert Clifford Assman
and his wife Doreen Laraine Baker
Born at Wolseley, Sask.
Date of birth Nov. 18, 1960
Was baptized in Peace Lutheran Church
at Grenfell, Sask.,
On the 11th day of December
In the year of our Lord 1960
in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost
Sponsors: Mr. & Mrs. Malcomb Schienbein
L. G. Schroeder
Pastor

Darwin's baptism certificate[12]

Darwin was very active in sports. He excelled at high school football as a placekicker. Most people don't know that he was so good he was invited to try out for the Saskatchewan Roughriders, but he declined. He played for the Grenfell Blues Baseball team, and then later for the Grenfell Gems Fastball team. He also played minor hockey in Grenfell and spent the majority of his winters reffing hockey. Darwin was an avid Saskatchewan Roughriders football fan. He also loved the Edmonton Oilers hocky team, and later owned four season tickets to their home games, which he liked to share with his friends.

He was generous to a fault, always helping others. He did like to party and have friends and family around him. Sometimes he would rent a bus from Meadow Lake and pick up his closest people along the way to attend an Oilers game in Edmonton or go all the way to Regina for a Roughrider game, stopping off in Saskatoon to pick up more people. He also loved going to concerts in Saskatoon and Regina and was known to buy several tickets and rent a bus for those events as well.

He loved dogs, especially Beagles. His first, named Jackson, was his constant companion and when he was laid to rest, Darwin's next beagle was called Bentley.

12 From the collection of Jillian Assman.




Left: Darwin at an Oilers game. Right: Darwin & Bentley[13]

As an adult Darwin worked at lumber yards, including at Foam Lake, Saskatchewan and eventually moved to Meadow Lake, where he and his brother Brent had their own company, Ace Lumber & Building Supplies. He later bought out his brother and ran the business on his own.



Ace Lumber yard[14]

He owned properties in Meadow Lake and in Las Vegas, and a beach house at Jeannette Lake north of his home in Meadow Lake. He loved visiting his hometown of Grenfell and seeing his family.

He had some Bucket List Moments, such as attending Game 6 of the Stanley Cup Finals in Boston in 2011 (the Bruins won the Cup that year). He also sat atop the Green Monster at Fenway Park to see his beloved Boston Red Sox.

13 Photos from the collection of Darwin Assman.
14 Photo collection of Darwin Assman.





Darwin's home in Meadow Lake



Cousins: Lorrie (née Sens) Froese, Darwin Assman, Judith Silverthorne (née Iles), 2019.

Darwin died on 10 October 2022 at his cabin at Jeanette Lake, Saskatchewan, following a heart attack. He's buried in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan.



Born November 18, 1960, Wolseley, Saskatchewan
Passed Away October 10, 2022, Jeanette Lake, Sask.

Celebration Of Life
10:00 a.m. Monday, October 17, 2022
Alliance Church, Meadow Lake, Sask.
MC: Merlin Seymour
Deacon Brody Albers Officiating

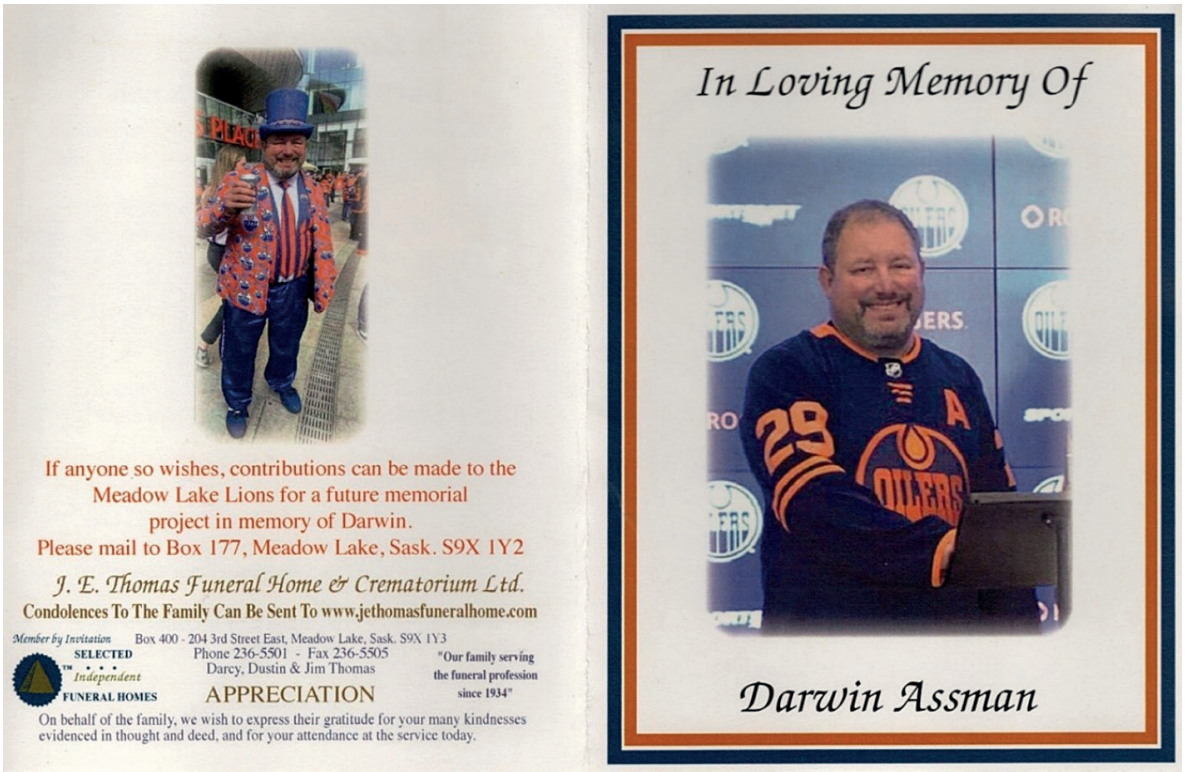
PALLBEARERS
Shea Andersen - Rob Kozinski - Larry Mackrell
Drew McDonald - Joe Prutti - Ian Turberfield

Honourary Pallbearers
Ace Lumber family and all the kids in his life:
Sienna, Jersie, and Cambri Andersen; Seth Fisher;
Tyler and Avery Kozinski; Riley Kwasniuk; Percy and
Nolan McDonald; Ariella Salter; Kacy Turberfield

Darwin will be sadly missed by his beloved niece:
Jillian Albers

INTERMENT
Woodlawn Cemetery, Meadow Lake, Sask.

Service Details
Visitation
When: Sunday, October 16th, 2022 7:00pm
Location: J. E. Thomas Funeral Home & Crematorium Ltd.
Address
204 - 3rd Street East
MEADOW LAKE, SK S9X 1Y3



If anyone so wishes, contributions can be made to the
Meadow Lake Lions for a future memorial
project in memory of Darwin.
Please mail to Box 177, Meadow Lake, Sask. S9X 1Y2

J. E. Thomas Funeral Home & Crematorium Ltd.
Condolences To The Family Can Be Sent To www.jethomasfuneralhome.com

Member by Invitation SELECTED Independent FUNERAL HOMES
Box 400 - 204 3rd Street East, Meadow Lake, Sask. S9X 1Y3
Phone 236-5501 - Fax 236-5505
Darcy, Dustin & Jim Thomas
"Our family serving the funeral profession since 1934"

APPRECIATION

On behalf of the family, we wish to express their gratitude for your many kindnesses evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at the service today.

In Loving Memory Of

Darwin Assman

LIFE WELL LIVED

A life well lived is a precious gift,
of hope and strength and grace,
from someone who has made our world
a brighter, better place.

It's filled with moments, sweet and sad
with smiles and sometimes tears,
with friendships formed and good times shared,
and laughter through the years.

A life well lived is a legacy,
of joy and pride and pleasure,
a living, lasting memory
our grateful hearts will treasure.

In Loving Memory Of

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Darwin Obit and Funeral Card[15]

15 Assman, Darwin funeral card, Thomas Funeral Home, https://www.jethomasfuneralhome.com/memorials/darwin-assman/5044271/

BRENT WHITNEY ASSMAN

Brent Whitney Assman was born 8 August 1967 at Wolseley, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Wilbert Assman and Doreen Baker. His middle name was originally going to be Wesley, but his mom changed it to Whitney just before she registered him.

Brent was the youngest of two sons, and attended schools in Grenfell, and followed in his older brother's footsteps playing baseball and hockey, and reffing hockey. He was very active in school sports, choir and drama, participating in two musicals ("The Mikado" & "Oklahoma"). (After he graduated, he was asked to come by the lead in "Oklahoma".) He played golf, Slo Pitch, Hockey, and reffed Minor Hockey, as well as in the SJHL (Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League).

In 1985 he graduated from Grade 12 and went to work full time at the Grenfell Coop. He was promoted to Hardware manger and received the Hardware Manager of the year in 1988. He moved to Kindersley in 1989 as Hardware Manager.

He moved to Meadow Lake in 1993 to work construction and in the spring of 1994 was hired by Beaver Lumber. In 1999, he and his brother bought the franchise, which eventually became Ace Lumber & Building Supplies. They opened their brand-new store in 2001.

In 2021, Brent made the decision to leave Ace Lumber. By 2023, he realized he missed the retail industry and found his lifelong dream job, managing a golf course. He has properties at Greig Lake and Huatulco, Mexico, but his favourite locations is his home by the golf course.





Left: Brent's home on the golf course. Right: Cabin at Greig Lake

Brent partnered with **Jackie Albers** and they had one daughter, **Jillian Doreen Albers**, born 15 September 2003.

Jillian grew up in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, and was close to her Uncle Darwin. She moved to attend university in Saskatoon in 2021 to study Studio Art at the University of Saskatchewan and is currently living there with her mom.

Her dad says, Jillian wasn't a sports fan (though she did know who Bobby Orr was), but her love for music and the Arts was immense. She loved taking pictures and her drawings were incredible. Brent says, "she did win a gold medal in Floor Hockey, which brought tears of joy to my eyes."

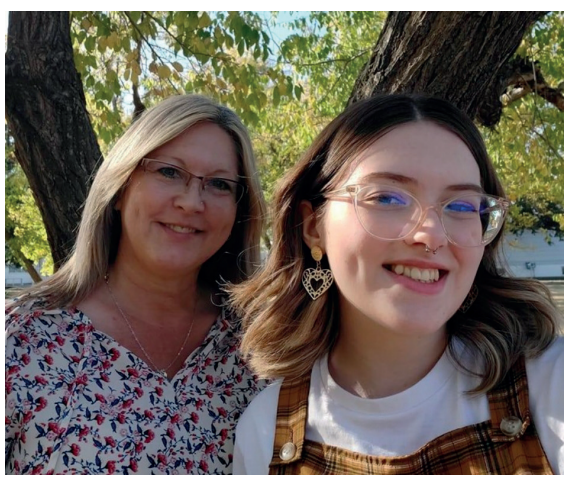


Brent & Jackie with Jackie's children, and Jillian (centre)





Left: Jillian's first trip to Vegas
Above: Jillian, July 2010. Below: Jackie & Jillian



RICHARD ARTHUR ASSMAN

Richard Arthur Assman, born 14 February in 1934, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. Died 15 August 2016, Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.[1]

Richard Arthur Assmann was born on Valentine's Day, 14 February 1934 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). He died 15 August 2016 at the Regina General Hospital in Regina, Saskatchewan.[2]

He was raised at Neudorf. As a small youngster, he lived with his family at his grandmother Katharina Assman's house, until the family moved into their own house and farm. He was confirmed on 23 May 1948 in the Trinity Lutheran Church in Neudorf.



Photo left to right:
Back: Wilbert, Elaine
Front: Richard, Raymond, Pearl,
ca 1942/43[3]



Richard and Wilbert in their teens[4]

1 Leader-Post obit: https://leaderpost.remembering.ca/obituary/richard-assman-1065744309
2 Speers Funeral Home Obituaries: https://www.speersfuneralchapel.com/obituaries/Richard-Arthur-Assman?obId=28860613
3 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles.
4 Ibid.



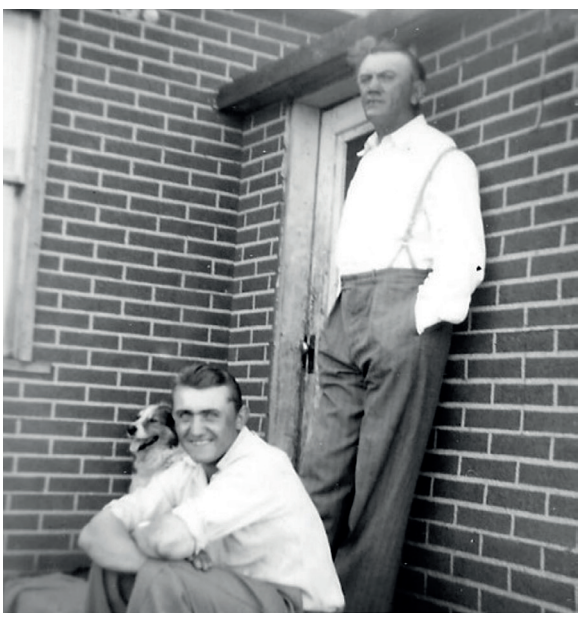
Confirmation Certificate

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple. Psalm 27:4.

This Certifies
that
Richard Arthur Assman
Born Feb. 14, 1934
was received into full Communion with
Trinity Lutheran Church
of Neudorf, Sask.,
by the solemn rite of
Confirmation
on the 23rd
day of May A.D. 19 48.
F. A. Miller
Pastor

Richard Assman confirmation Certificate[5]





Left: Richard with his grandmother Barbara Krahenbil (née Senft). Right: Richard with his father Adolf Assman[6]

One day when he was about age 4 or 5, Richard was with his family visiting relatives on a farm near the neighbouring town of Lemberg, some fourteen miles or so away from his home at Neudorf. He decided he wanted to go see his Aunt Clara, who lived back near Neudorf on the farm across the road from his home, so off he set on his own. He was found two hours later, still trying to find his way.

5 Photo from collection of Elaine Iles.
6 Ibid.

When Richard turned 21, he struck out on his own again. This time he moved to Regina, getting into the construction trade where he worked on basements. About six months later, he began pumping gas at the Co-op Service Station on Robinson and Dewdney Ave. He switched to the BA Gas station on Garnet Street & Dewdney Ave in about 1958. Over the years, Richard gained experience and diligently worked his way up from gas attendant and operating the till, doing mechanical and repair work to the financial and administrative paperwork and learning all he could about the business until he worked and became a manager. He continued to work at service stations in Regina his entire adult life.

With taking on a more significant role in operations, when the BA company was taken over by Gulf Canada in 1969, he became the proud co-proprietor of the Gulf Garnet Service, and then sole owner. Years passed until 1985, when once again the parent company sold the service station, this time to Petro-Canada. At some point soon afterwards, the new company raised the rent at his location. Richard quit and went into retirement.

This didn't last, of course. He loved meeting and chatting with people. He truly enjoyed working as a gas attendant and was soon employed at the Northgate Petro Can. In 1995, he and a co-worker re-located to the Victoria Square Petro-Can, announcing their move in the Leader-Post. This announcement in the newspaper caught the attention of researchers on the David Letterman show. This promptly propelled him to celebrity status when he was made a household name across North America for four months in 1995, which became known as "Assmania". As a gas-station operator, with an unusual nickname name (Dick Assman), he attracted his "15 minutes of fame". David Letterman invited him onto his show in August of that year, which was televised from the Ed Sullivan Theater in New York city. When Richard walked on stage, he was presented with a bouquet of roses by Letterman.[7] He was still working, only this time at a Petro-Canada.



Richard with roses from David Letterman.[8]

7 "Dick Assman," article. Wikipedia. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dick_Assman : accessed 27 Apr 2020.)

8 From Richard Assman Personal collection of photos and newspaper clippings.





Throughout his life, Richard loved watching sports - hockey and football, with a little baseball in-between seasons. He developed an interest in thoroughbred horse racing in the 1960's. For several decades he owned and raced horses with some degree of success in Regina, Saskatoon, and Winnipeg, aided by his jockeys and trainers.



Richard in days of David Letterman, 1995

Richard was still working at Petro-Canada, when he passed away. He died peacefully in his sleep on 15 August 2016 at the age of 82 in the General Hospital in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.

He remained single and had no offspring. He is buried at the riverside Cemetery in Regina.[9]



Richard's birthday, 14 Feb 2016[10]

9 Speers Funeral Home Obituaries: https://www.speersfuneralchapel.com/obituaries/Richard-Arthur-Assman?obId=28860613

10 Photo: Collection Elaine Iles.

RICHARD ARTHUR ASSMAN

With sadness in our hearts we announce the peaceful passing of Richard (Dick) Arthur Assman on Monday, August 15, 2016 in Regina, SK. Born in Neudorf, SK in 1934, Richard worked as a manager, mechanic and gas attendant at service stations in Regina his entire adult life. He was predeceased by his parents Adolf (1998) and Elizabeth (1995), his brother Wilbert Assman (2004), sister-in-law Doreen Assman (1992), his brother-in-law Stan Iles (2010), and his nephew Jason Michalycia (2013). Left to cherish Richard's memory is his loving friend Linda Cox, and his family: Elaine Iles, Regina; Pearl (Stan) Cwynar, Regina; Raymond (Leona Wolfe), Grenfell; Joan (Vern) Sens, Grenfell; Jean (Les) Michalycia, Regina; Norma (John) Korzenowski, Regina; Marlene (Don) Leir, Pilot Butte; and numerous nieces and nephews. Flowers most gratefully declined. Donations may be made in his memory to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, Unit 26 – 1738 Quebec Avenue, Saskatoon, SK S7K 1V9 or to a charity of your choice.

To leave an online message of condolence, please visit
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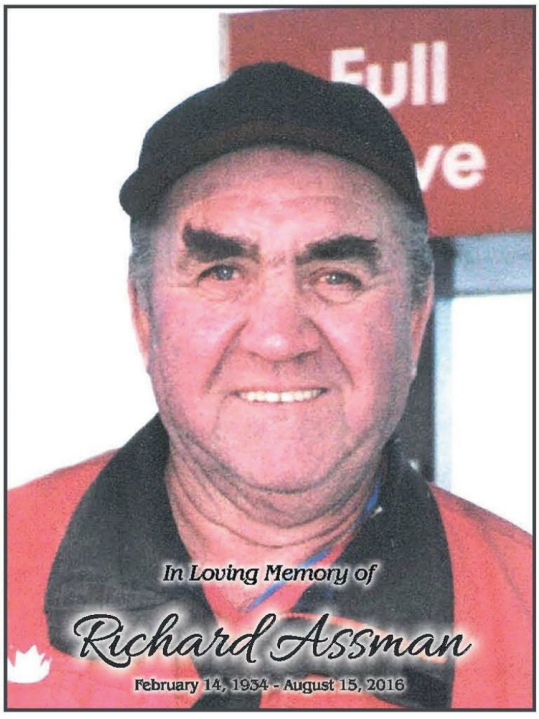
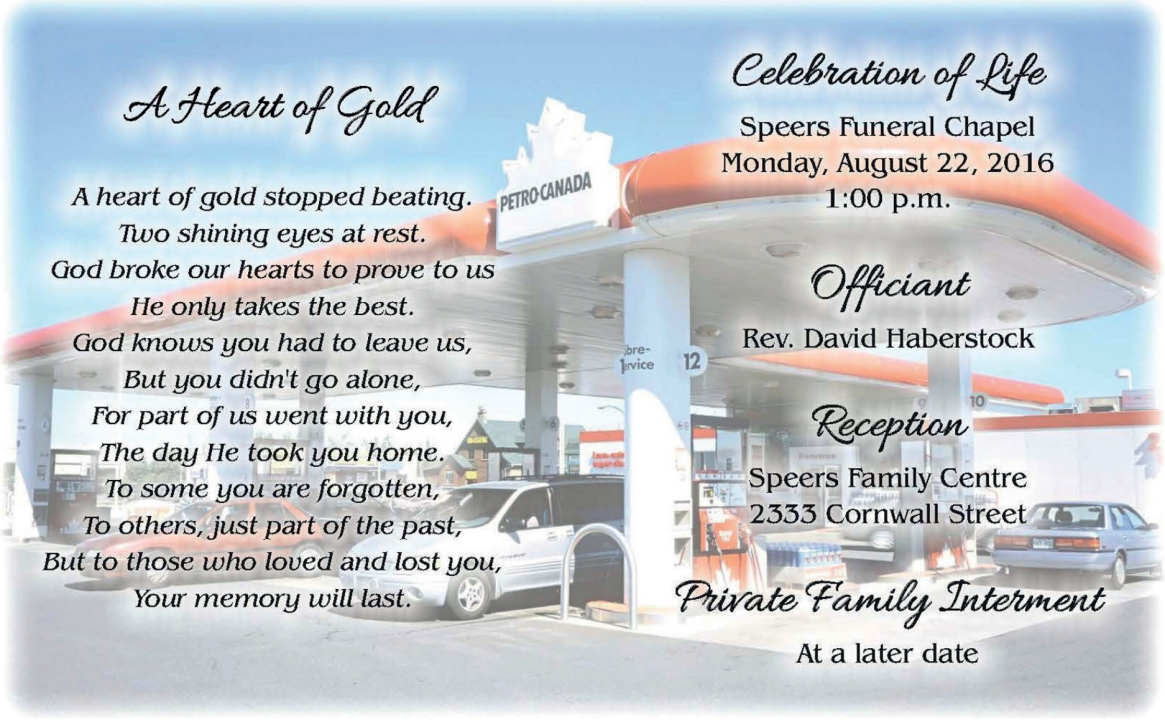




SASKATOON

Sask.'s Dick Assman, who gained fame on late-night TV, dies at 82

CTVNews.ca Staff
Published Friday, August 19, 2016 10:36AM CST



In this Tuesday, May 19, 2015 file photo, Dick Assman smiles at a South Albert St. Petro-Canada gas station in Regina, Saskatchewan. (Michael Bell / THE CANADIAN PRESS)

A Saskatchewan man who gained fame on late-night TV in the mid-1990s for his unusual and rather humorous name has died at 82.

Richard Arthur Assman, a.k.a. Dick Assman, was a gas station manager whose name caught the attention of TV host David Letterman in 1995, after it appeared in a local job notice.

Letterman ran with the joke on-air, and sure enough, it became a regular bit and fan-favourite on the 'Late Show with David Letterman."

Assman eventually travelled to New York to make a well-received appearance on the show.

"When I went on the stage, that was something else," Assman told The Associated Press last year, as Letterman prepared to retire as host. "You walk on there, everybody is hollering.

"It was great, everything was first class. I enjoyed it."

Assman noted, with good humour, that the correct pronunciation of his name was actually OSS-man. But he played along with the joke, nonetheless.

Assman's older brother Ray told AP last year that, in the wake of "Assmania," his brother became known internationally. He recalled that on a trip to Las Vegas, a border security guard looked at his passport and asked him if he knew the Letterman guest.

Despite his brush with celebrity, Assman continued to work as a manager, mechanic and gas station attendant in Regina.

"If he won the lottery, he wouldn't change his lifestyle," Ray said in the 2015 interview. "All he has ever done is work all his life."

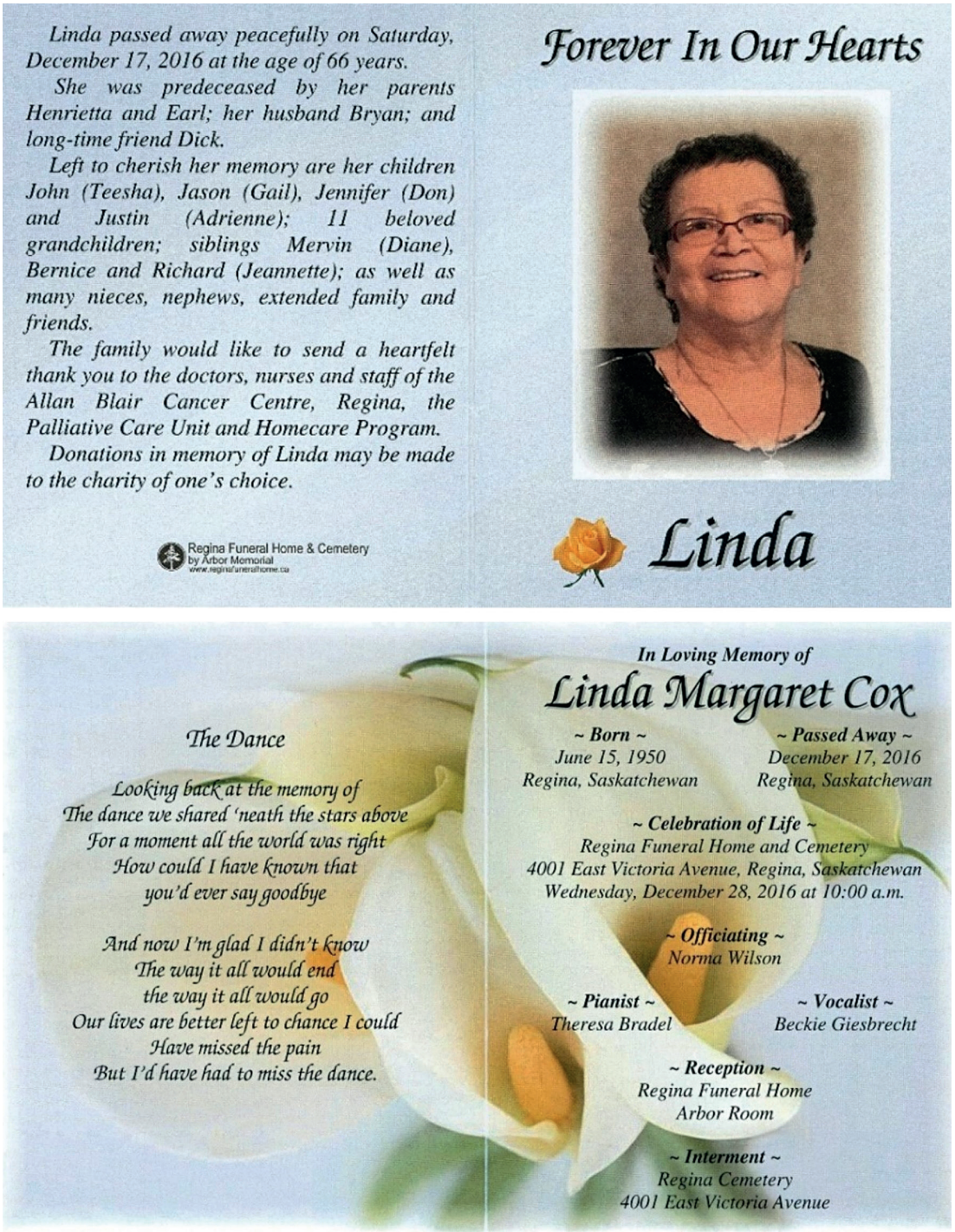
According to his memorial notice on the Speers Funeral Chapel website, Assman died peacefully in Regina on Aug. 15.

He leaves behind his brother, nephew, in-laws and other family and friends.

CTV News, 19 August 2016[11]

11 https://saskatoon.ctvnews.ca/sask-s-dick-assman-who-gained-fame-on-late-night-tv-dies-at-82-1.3035591

Richard had a long time companion, **Linda Cox**.
She passed away 17 December 2016, several months after his death.



Linda passed away peacefully on Saturday, December 17, 2016 at the age of 66 years.

She was predeceased by her parents Henrietta and Earl; her husband Bryan; and long-time friend Dick.

Left to cherish her memory are her children John (Teesha), Jason (Gail), Jennifer (Don) and Justin (Adrienne); 11 beloved grandchildren; siblings Mervin (Diane), Bernice and Richard (Jeannette); as well as many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

The family would like to send a heartfelt thank you to the doctors, nurses and staff of the Allan Blair Cancer Centre, Regina, the Palliative Care Unit and Homecare Program.

Donations in memory of Linda may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Regina Funeral Home & Cemetery
by Arbor Memorial
www.reginafuneralhome.ca

Forever In Our Hearts

Linda

In Loving Memory of

Linda Margaret Cox

~ Born ~
June 15, 1950
Regina, Saskatchewan

~ Passed Away ~
December 17, 2016
Regina, Saskatchewan

~ Celebration of Life ~
Regina Funeral Home and Cemetery
4001 East Victoria Avenue, Regina, Saskatchewan
Wednesday, December 28, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

~ Officiating ~
Norma Wilson

~ Pianist ~
Theresa Bradel

~ Vocalist ~
Beckie Giesbrecht

~ Reception ~
Regina Funeral Home
Arbor Room

~ Interment ~
Regina Cemetery
4001 East Victoria Avenue

The Dance

Looking back at the memory of
The dance we shared 'neath the stars above
For a moment all the world was right
How could I have known that
you'd ever say goodbye

And now I'm glad I didn't know
The way it all would end
the way it all would go
Our lives are better left to chance I could
Have missed the pain
But I'd have had to miss the dance.

Linda Cox Funeral Card[12]

12 Files of Elaine Iles.

PEARL HELEN ASSMAN

Pearl Helen Assman, born 2 October at 1935 Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada; married **Stanley Cwynar**.

Pearl Helen Assman was born 2 October 1935 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She was the second oldest daughter and was the last one to be born at the farm where her family was living with her widowed grandmother. Pearl grew up on the family farm at Neudorf, attending Baber School.



She married Stanley Cwynar on 10 November 1955 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada. He was born on July 30, 1933 near Glenavon, Saskatchewan, to Michael Cwynar and Annie Stopanski. He grew up in the Glenavon area on a farm, attending school in the Huntington school district and his family was the closest neighbour to the Iles family, the husband of her sister.

They moved to Regina where Stan became employed at Weston's bakery. He remained there for his entire working career. Pearl worked as a cashier for Dominion Grocery Stores and became head cashier at Safeway, after the Dominion grocery stores were bought out.

Above and right: Pearl and Stan with Denise and Greg, (above ca. 1964)[1]



They had two children:

DENISE SUSAN CWYNAR, born on 4 April 1961. She has one son Kyle Daniel Cwynar, born 17 June 1990. She worked as an administrator for many years and now runs a senior's care home facility.

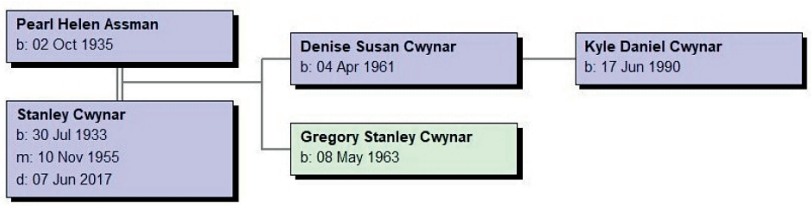
GREGORY STANLEY CWYNAR, born on 8 May 1963 in Regina and works in security at the General Hospital. He remained single and does not have any children.

1 Collection Elaine Iles.





Above: Stan & Pearl, 10 Nov 2015, 60th Anniversary
Left, front: Stan, Pearl; back: Greg, Denise, Kyle[2]



Stan Cwynar died on 7 June 2017 at the Regina General Hospital in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada.



Stan Cwynar headstone,
Riverside Memorial Gardens, Regina[3]

2 Photos: Collection Judith Silverthorne.
3 Ibid.

Stanley Cwynar
1933 - 2017

Stanley Cwynar, 83, passed away suddenly on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at his home in Regina, SK after a lengthy illness. Stanley was born on July 30, 1933 in Candiac, SK and grew up in Glenavon, SK. He was the oldest of 6 children. In 1955, he married Pearl Assman and in 1956 they moved to Regina to start their life together. Stanley made his career working at Weston's Bakery for 38 and a half years as a baker. He was very active in the church as an elder and usher. He was always there to lend a helping hand whenever needed. He enjoyed fishing, camping, travelling, gardening, walking and playing his fiddle. Stanley was predeceased by his parents Michael and Annie Cwynar and step brother Andrew. Left to cherish his memory is his loving wife Pearl Cwynar of 61 years; daughter Denise Cwynar; son Greg Cwynar; grandson Kyle; sister Julie Aquin; brothers Joseph (Dee) Cwynar, Edward Cwynar, Tony (Arline) Cwynar, Allen (Donna) Cwynar; as well as sisters in law; brothers in law, nieces, nephews and good friends. Flowers most gratefully declined.

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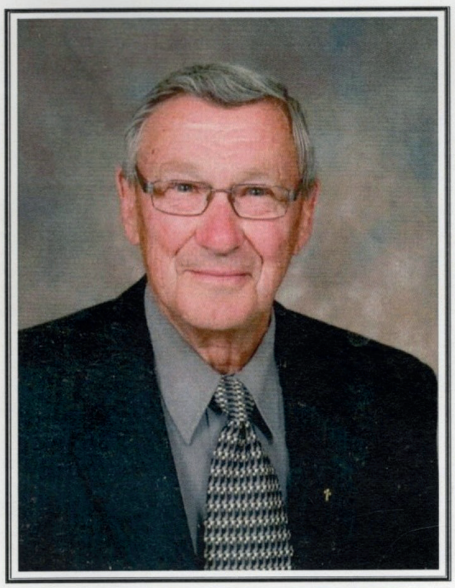


Stanley Cwynar
1933 – 2017

Obituary, published on June 10, 2017[4]

God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be,
So he wrapped you in
His loving arms,
and whispered,
"Come with Me".

You suffered much in silence,
your spirit did not bend.
You faced your pain with courage,
until the very end.

You tried so hard to stay with us,
your fight was all in vain.
God took you to His loving home
and freed you from all pain.

In Loving Memory of
Stanley Cwynar
Born in Candiac, SK
~ July 30, 1933 ~
Passed away in Regina, Saskatchewan
~ June 7, 2017 ~

Funeral Service
Tuesday, June 13, 2017
1:00 p.m.
Grace Lutheran Church
1037 Victoria Ave.
Regina, Saskatchewan

Officiating
Rev. David Haberstock

Pallbearers
Ted Pister, Curtis Buck,
Steve Kesslering, Ken Manz,
Darrel Neu, Albert Meyer

Luncheon to follow in St. Mary's Hall,
2026 Winnipeg St.
Interment will be held at Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery following the luncheon.

4 Leader Post, Regina, SK, obit 2017. https://leaderpost.remembering.ca/obituary/stanley-cwynar-1065455311

RAYMOND ALBERT ASSMAN

Raymond Albert Assman, born 18 May 1940, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada; married (1) 3 November 1978 **Joan Helen Sinnott**; married (2) 24 June 1993 **Sandy Frick**; partnered 2010 with **Leona Wolf**.



Raymond in 1944

Raymond Albert Assmann was born 18 May 1940 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995).

He was the youngest son. He attended Baber School, a rural school near Neudorf started by his grandfather and other members of the community.

He was confirmed in 1954 at the age of 14 in the Trinity Lutheran Church in the town of Neudorf.



Raymond about 1948



Raymond and his cousin Janet at their confirmation in 1954[1]

1 Photos from the collection of Elaine Iles.

Raymond lived and farmed at Neudorf with the family until they all moved to Grenfell in 1961.

In 1962 he had bought a ½ section of land two miles from the home farm. He continued helping his dad farm their home farm and then in 1973, he bought his dad's farm when his parents moved into the town of Grenfell. He bought the Esso there in 1979 and kept it for 21 years until 2000, while he continued to farm.



Brothers Richard and Raymond and their parents, Adolf and Lizzie Assman;
below: Richard and Raymond, ca. 2014



The family farmed with an open tractor until about 1978 when they bought an air conditioned one with a closed cab. His dad liked to drive it and even after he moved into the town of Grendell, he kept helping Ray.

Raymond married 3 November 1978 Joan Helen Sinnott at Peace Lutheran Church in Grenfell. She was the daughter of Claude Sinotte and Lean Rancourt and had two sons from a previous marriage. They were together for nine years until 1987.

He lived with Sandy Frick (Bennett) for a few years and then married her on 24 June 1993 at Grenfell. They built a new house on the family home property (his parent's original farm at Grenfell) and built a horse arena. They eventually moved to Pilot Butte to build a horse arena there, renting a house and barn on an acreage/quarter nearby in about 2007.

At this time, Raymond sold the farm and quit farming altogether. Their marriage ended after twenty years, and they split in 2008.

Raymond spent the winter in Regina and bought an acreage at MacLean, Saskatchewan, in 2009. He put a house trailer on it and lived there for the summer. In the fall, he went back to Grenfell to help with the harvest for the new owner of his previous family home farm.



Leona and Raymond[2]

Although he still lived at MacLean, during the week when he was harvesting, he stayed at the nearby farm of Leona Wolf as she owned another house in Grenfell where she lived and worked. By 2010, Leona and Ray were a couple, and they bought a house together in Grenfell. Leona worked as a care worker in several senior's homes. They are both retired now and continue to live in Grenfell.

2 Photo taken by Judith Silverthorne.

JOAN ALICE ASSMAN

Joan Alice Assman, born 3 July 1943, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She was married on 5 June 1965 in Grenfell, Saskatchewan to **Vernon Jacob Sens**, born 25 January 1941 at Neudorf Saskatchewan, Canada, to Jacob Sens and Mary Ulmer.





Left: Joan in the back (with her younger sisters). Right: Joan in the centre of siblings and cousins.
Below: Joan with Judith and their dog



Joan's story:

I was born July 3, 1943, the sixth child of nine. I attended Baber School to Grade X. We moved to Grenfell in 1961. I worked as a nurse's aide in Wolseley Nursing Home until 1965, which is when Vern and I were married. Shortly after, we moved to Regina after Vern quit his job with Ulmer Construction. In Regina, he worked for Regina Glass and Queen City Glass. I was working at Wascana till we moved back to Grenfell on the farm.

We moved an old large house onto the farm and remodelled it and put on an addition where we are still presently residing. We now had our three children, Lorrie, Kevin and Melanie. We also had some help with milking cows, raising chickens and pigs, planting gardens, etc.

Vern and Kevin purchased a semi and trailer and trucked for Triangle Movers for many years.

I was back at the Wolseley Nursing Home and worked there until I retired in 2006. I still have a large garden and many flowers in the summertime, with pansies being my favourite flower.

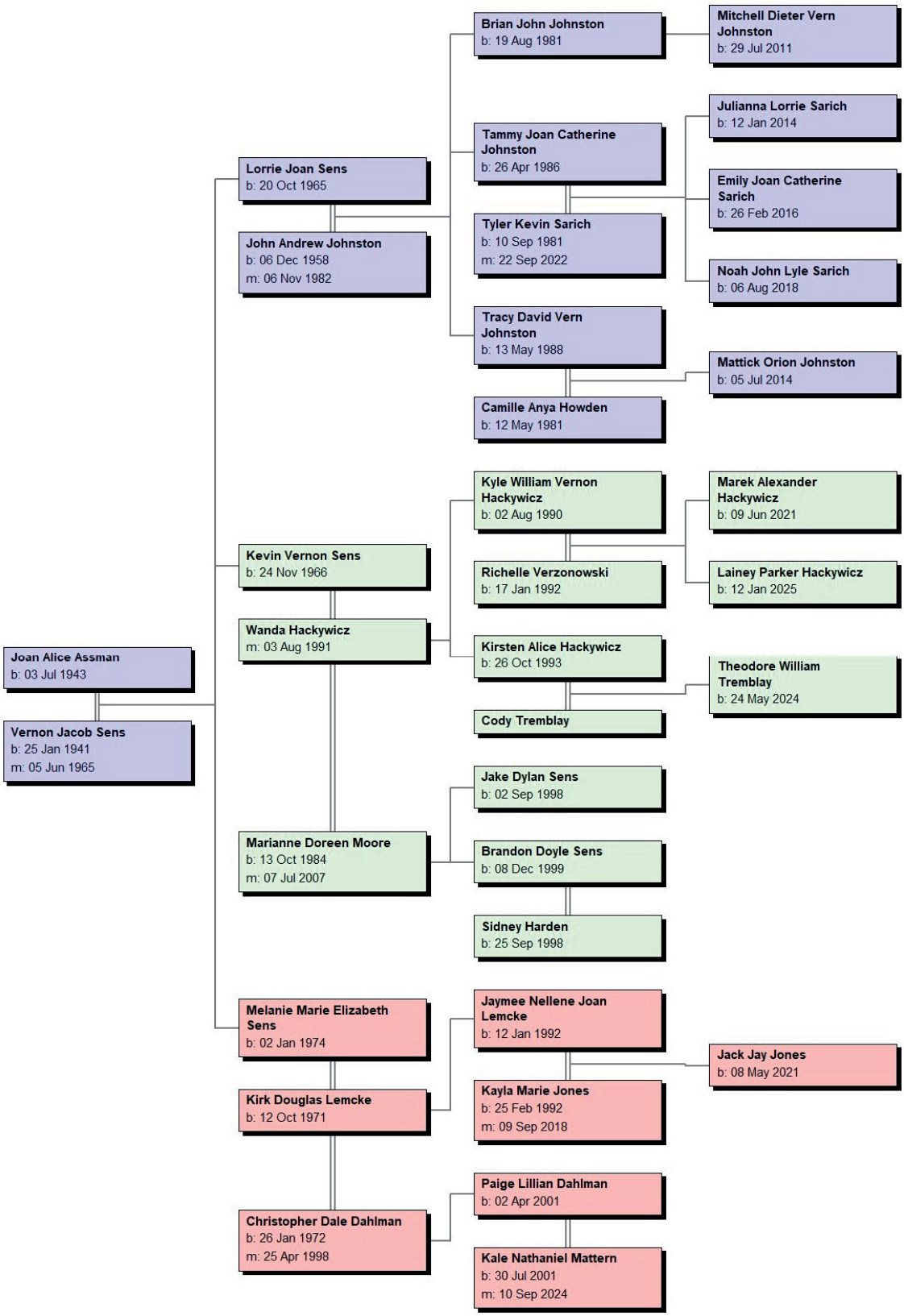




Above, left: Joan and Vern with their dogs;
right: Vern & Joan celebrating birthdays.
Left, front: Vern & Joan; back: Melanie, Lorrie, Kevin

We now have nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. When all of our family get together for our special family gatherings like Christmas, Easter, etc and our special perogy making days, it can add up to 27 guests at one time, where everyone has a job to do, pitching in one way or another; an enjoyable good and best day ever!

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Vernon Jacob Sens
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m: 05 Jun 1965
Lorrie Joan Sens
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John Andrew Johnston
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m: 06 Nov 1982
Kevin Vernon Sens
b: 24 Nov 1966
Wanda Hackywicz
m: 03 Aug 1991
Marianne Doreen Moore
b: 13 Oct 1984
m: 07 Jul 2007
Melanie Marie Elizabeth Sens
b: 02 Jan 1974
Kirk Douglas Lemcke
b: 12 Oct 1971
Christopher Dale Dahlman
b: 26 Jan 1972
m: 25 Apr 1998
Brian John Johnston
b: 19 Aug 1981
Mitchell Dieter Vern Johnston
b: 29 Jul 2011
Tammy Joan Catherine Johnston
b: 26 Apr 1986
Julianna Lorrie Sarich
b: 12 Jan 2014
Emily Joan Catherine Sarich
b: 26 Feb 2016
Tyler Kevin Sarich
b: 10 Sep 1981
m: 22 Sep 2022
Noah John Lyle Sarich
b: 06 Aug 2018
Tracy David Vern Johnston
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Mattick Orion Johnston
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Camille Anya Howden
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Marek Alexander Hackywicz
b: 09 Jun 2021
Richelle Verzonowski
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Lainey Parker Hackywicz
b: 12 Jan 2025
Kirsten Alice Hackywicz
b: 26 Oct 1993
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b: 24 May 2024
Cody Tremblay
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b: 25 Feb 1992
m: 09 Sep 2018
Paige Lillian Dahlman
b: 02 Apr 2001
Kale Nathaniel Mattern
b: 30 Jul 2001
m: 10 Sep 2024



Left to right: Camille, Tracy with Mattick (in front), Tammy, Tyler (behind), Julianna and Noah (in front) Mitchell, Lorrie with Emily in front. Back, Brian, Joe, Chris, Melanie, Jaymee, Jack with Kayla, Kevin, Marianne, Brandon, Sidney (girlfriend). Front: Vern & Joan (seated). Kneeling front: Paige, Kale, and Jake

LORRIE JOAN SENS



I was born October 20,1965 in Neudorf, Saskatchewan to Vern and Joan Sens. We lived in Regina for awhile and I attended Kindergarten and Grade 1 at Coronation Park School.

Then we moved to Pense, and I went to Grade 2 there. Made another move to the Assman Family Farm at Grenfell in 1974. I thrived on the farm. My love of animals blossomed! Definitely learned to work! No such thing as being too ladylike for any job. We had cattle, pigs, chickens, and horses. Also milked cows and sold cream.

Met and married John Johnston. Our 1st son Brian John was born August 19, 1981. Followed by our daughter Tammy Joan Catherine on April 26, 1986. Our 2nd son Tracy David Vern was born on May 13, 1988 completing our family. Sadly our marriage failed.

Back: Brian, Lorrie, Tracy, Tammy. Front: Vern & Joan

I then moved to Grenfell and missed the farm terribly. I met David Chaskavich and together we bought an acreage just outside of Wolseley. We had chickens and a few rabbits. Back to animals. Dave had cancer and after 12 courageous years died on January 10, 2010. I was devastated. I'm very blessed to have an Amazing loving and supportive family! They helped me through a difficult time. During this time I also had a very special puppy, Rollie. My Rollie passed when he was 14 and my heart has never been the same.

In time I met and married Joseph Frasz on May 14, 2011. Joe made the move to Wolseley and we have sheep, goats, potbelly pigs, ducks, chickens, cats, dogs and also had cattle and ponies for several years. Back in my element! In 2022 I retired after 33 years from working in the kitchen at Lakeside Nursing Home in Wolseley. I then started a part-time job at the Post Office in Grenfell. I love reconnecting with people in my hometown.

Other than my children my Greatest Love are my Grandchildren:

Mitchell Vern Dieter Johnston born on 29 July 2011 to my son Brian.

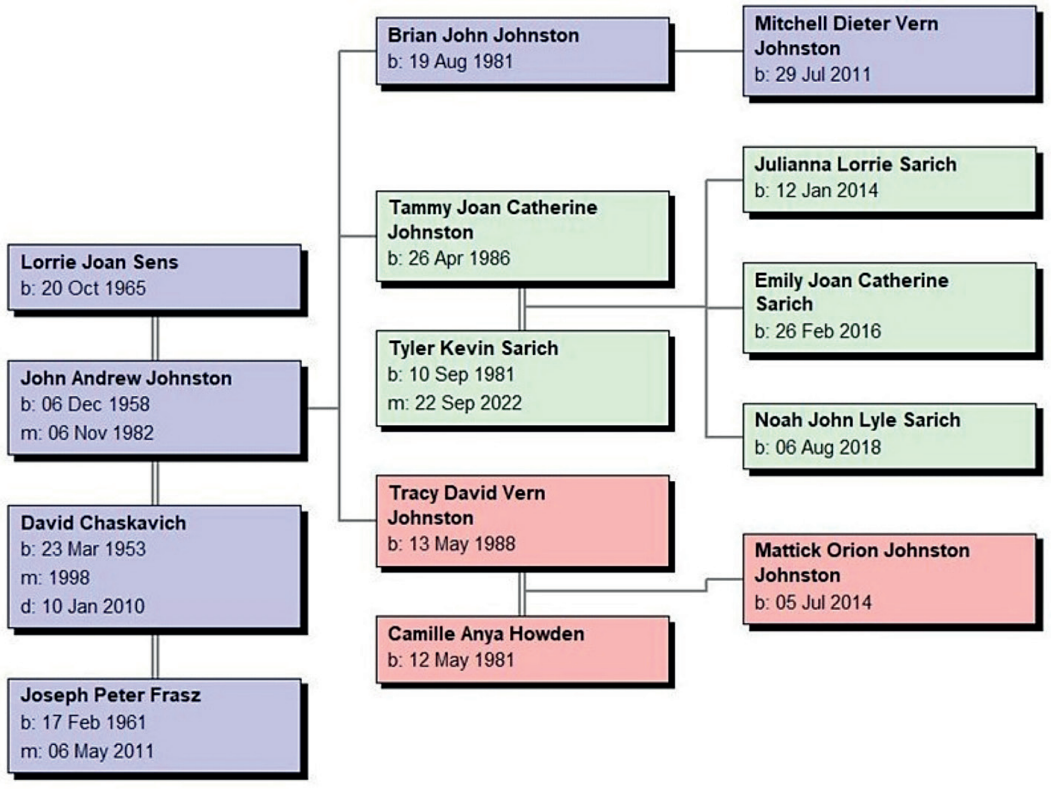
Granddaughter Juliana Lorrie Sarich born on 12 January 2014 to Tammy and Tyler Sarich.
Grandson Mattick Orion Johnston on 5 July 2014 to Tracy and Camille.
Granddaughter Emily Joan Catherine Sarich on 26 February 2016 to Tammy and Tyler.
Grandson Noah John Lyle on 6 August 2018 to Tammy and Tyler.
These 5 little people have My Heart!

In January 2024 Joe and myself travelled with my kids and grandchildren to Los Angeles, California and spent 9 glorious days at Disneyland, Legoland, California Adventure and Universal.
It was simply an Amazing Adventure!!!
This time with my Family will be Forever etched in my memory as THE BEST TIME EVER!!
Looking forward to Many More Memories in this Life!!





Left: Brian, Tammy, Tracy.
Right: Lorrie with grandchildren. Left to right, back: Mitchell, Lorrie, Julianna; front: Mattick, Emma, Noah



Brian John Johnston

Brian graduated from Grenfell High School in 2000. When he was 19, he travelled and worked in Australia for a year.

Brian worked hard and spent a lot of time on farms over the years and learned how to fix almost anything from his Grandpa Sens. He acquired his Welding ticket and is an excellent welder-fabricator presently working at Forged Well Drill Company.

Brian's son Mitchell was born, 29 July 2011. Brian currently lives just outside of Pilot Butte, Saskatchewan, on an acreage.



Brian and Mitchell

Tammy Joan Catherine Johnston

Tammy graduated from Grenfell High School in 2004 and went on to study at the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon for four years to be a biochemist, before deciding to become a Medical Radiology Technician (X-ray technician) and she loves her job. She currently works at Royal University Hospital in Saskatoon.

Tammy met and married Tyler Sarich in Saskatoon and they have three beautiful children. Tyler works in the family business, Silverado Demolition Incorporated, in Saskatoon.



Family 2019

Tracy David Vern Johnston



Tracy graduated in 2006 from Grenfell High School and went on to obtain a Small Engine Repair certificate and later upgraded to become a mechanic to work on larger vehicles and equipment. He currently works as a mechanic in Balgonie.

He lives in Qu'Appelle with his partner Camille and their son Mattick. Camille is an elementary school teacher in Ft. Qu'Appelle.

Tracy, Mattick & Camille

KEVIN VERNON SENS

Kevin is the second of three children of Vern Sens and Joan Sens (née Assman) born 24 November 1966, in Regina, Saskatchewan.

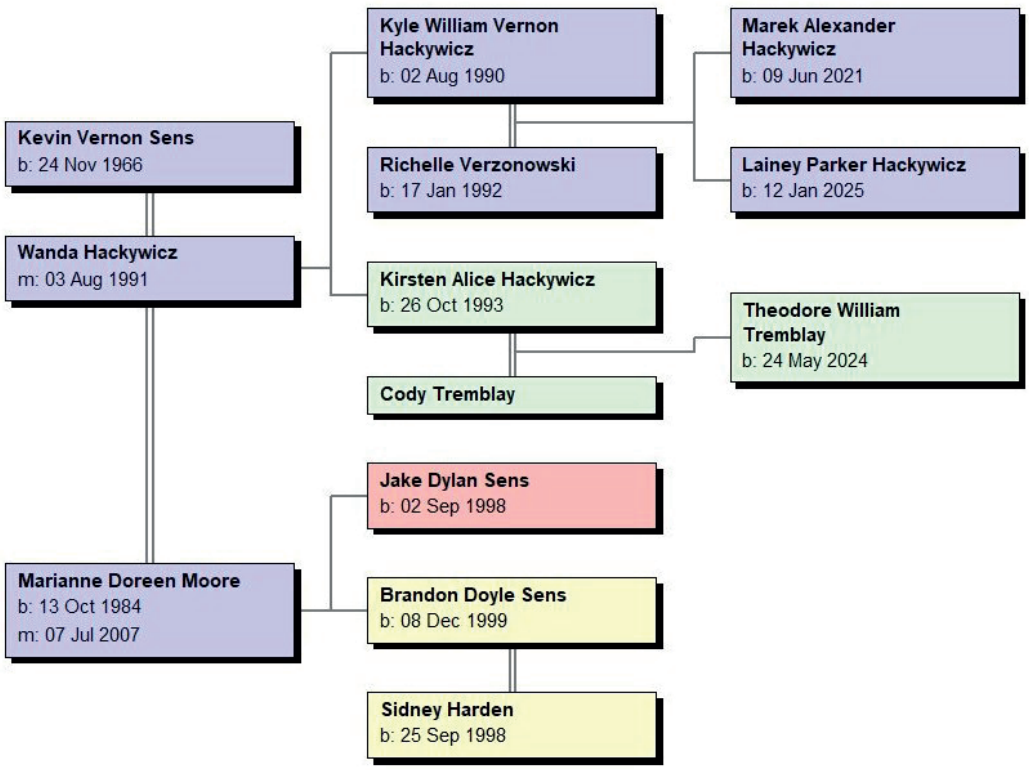
We lived in Regina and Pense for a while before moving to the farm in Grenfell, Saskatchewan, in 1974. After high school, my love for cars and mechanics drew me to SIAST Wascana Campus (aka and now Saskatchewan Polytechnic) where I completed their motor vehicle mechanic course in Regina.

During and after completing school I worked at (Pilot Butte Domo, Independent Lift Truck, Pro Tech Automotive, Regina Muffler & Brake). I obtained my 1A drivers' licence and long hauled trucked with dad for Triangle Movers for many years.

I married Wanda Hackywicz on 3 August 1991. We had two children together, Kyle, born August 2, 1990, and Kirsten on 26 October 1993. Kyle and his partner, Richelle Verzonowski, have a son, Marek Alexander Hackywicz, born 9 June 2021, and a daughter, Lainey Parker Hackywicz, was born 12 January 2025. Kyle, Richelle and Marek, currently live in Nipawin, Saskatchewan. Kirsten and her partner, Cody, have a son, Theodore William Tremblay, born on 24 May 2024. Kirsten and her family currently live in Regina, Saskatchewan.

I operated several bars also, in Preeceville, Hubbard, and Qu'Appelle. My second wife Marianne and I then purchased an acreage just outside of Pilot Butte where I own and operate a tow truck business.

I married Marianne Moore on July 7, 2007. We have two boys together. Jake Dylan Sens, born 4 September 1998 and Brandon Cody Sens, born 8 December 1999. Jake currently lives in Pilot Butte, Saskatchewan. Brandon and his partner, Sidney Harden (born 25 September 1998), currently live in Milestone, Saskatchewan.





Jake, Marianne, Kevin, Brandon, Sidney

MELANIE MARIE ELIZABETH SENS

Melanie is the youngest daughter of Vern Sens and Joan Sens (née Assman), born 2 January 1974 in Regina, Saskatchewan.

We moved to Grenfell shortly after I was born. I attended elementary school and high school in Grenfell graduating in June of 1992. I moved to Regina where I obtained my Office Education Certificate at SIAST in Regina, Saskatchewan, in May 1994.

On 12 January 1992, I gave birth to my daughter Jaymee Nellene Joan Jones (née Lemcke) in Regina, Saskatchewan, with her biological father, Kirk Douglas Lemcke (born 12 October 1971). I moved to Balgonie, Saskatchewan in 1994.

In March of 1996, Jaymee and I moved to Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, with Christopher Dale Dahlman (born 26 January 1972). Chris and I were married on 25 April 1998, and our daughter, Paige Lillian Mattern (née Dahlman) was born on 2 April 2001. Both of my children completed their elementary school and high school careers in Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.

I worked as a legal assistant for 18 years, a newspaper editor with my mother-in-law and father in-law for 12 years, and currently as an administrative assistant with the Government of Saskatchewan, Ministry of Social Services in Fort Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan.

My daughter Jaymee obtained her Social Work degree from the University of Regina. She married Kayla Jones (DOB: 25 February 1992) on 9 September 2018. Kayla gave birth to their son, Jack Jay Jones, on 8 May 2021. They reside in Regina, Saskatchewan.

My daughter Paige obtained her Psychology degree and her Human Justice degree from the University of Regina. She married Kale Mattern (DOB: 30 July 2001) on 10 September 2024. They reside in Regina, Saskatchewan.



Paige, Melanie, Chris, Jaymee

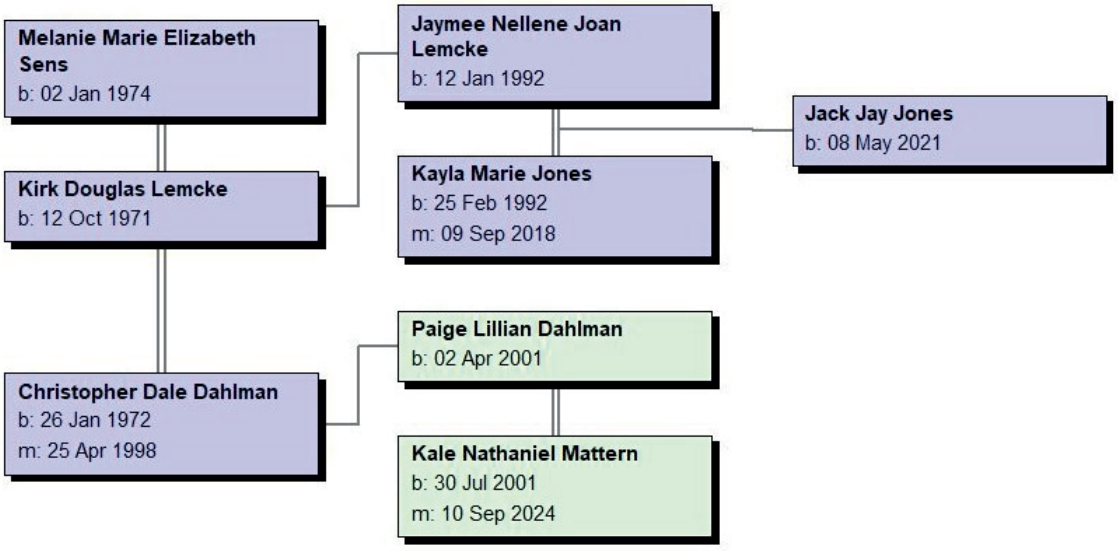


Back, left to right: Jaymee, Jack, Kayla, Melanie and Chris; front: Paige and Kale, September 2023[1]

1 Photo courtesy Melanie Dahlman.



Kale and Paige, wedding photo, 10 September 2024



JEAN ELEANOR ASSMAN

Jean Eleanor Assman was born on 14 June 1945, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She married **Leslie Michalycia**, Grenfell, Saskatchewan, Canada.

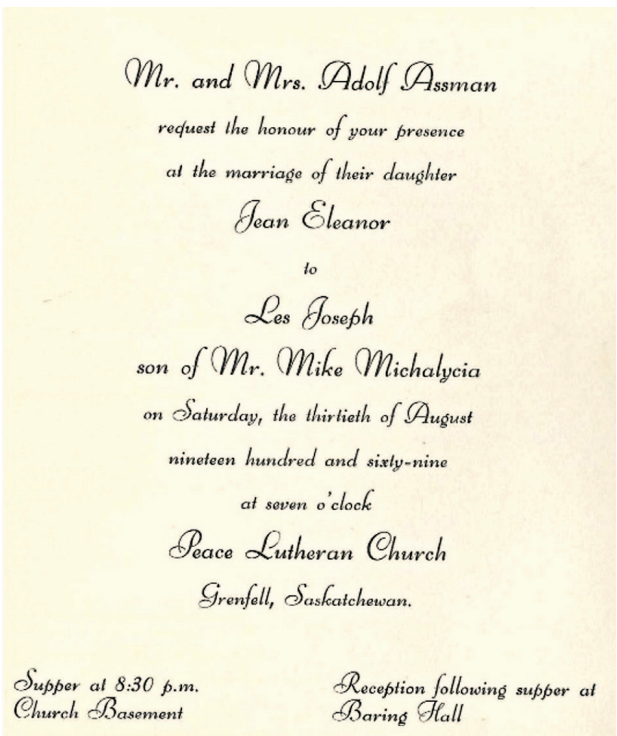
She attended Baber School near Neudorf until the family moved to Grenfell in 1961. She completed her education in Grenfell.

Jean and her sisters Marlene and Joan performed at a singing talent show in Yorkton that was televised. They were second prize winners, and their picture was in the newspaper.

Jean attended Summerhill country school until it closed, and then because there was no busing into Grenfell for high school, she and her sisters boarded during the week in Grenfell at Mrs. Turner's.

After high school, Jean moved to Regina and worked at a variety of jobs. Later on in life, she sold monuments and real estate. She later worked for many years at the Wascana Rehabilitation Centre Hospital and later at the Regina Pasqua Hospital.

She married Leslie Michalycia on 30 August 1969 at Grenfell, Saskatchewan, Canada. He was born on 18 July 1945. Les worked as a maintenance man and as a waste management professional with the City of Regina (garbage and roadways).


Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Assman
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their daughter
Jean Eleanor
to
Les Joseph
son of Mr. Mike Michalycia
on Saturday, the thirtieth of August
nineteen hundred and sixty-nine
at seven o'clock
Peace Lutheran Church
Grenfell, Saskatchewan.

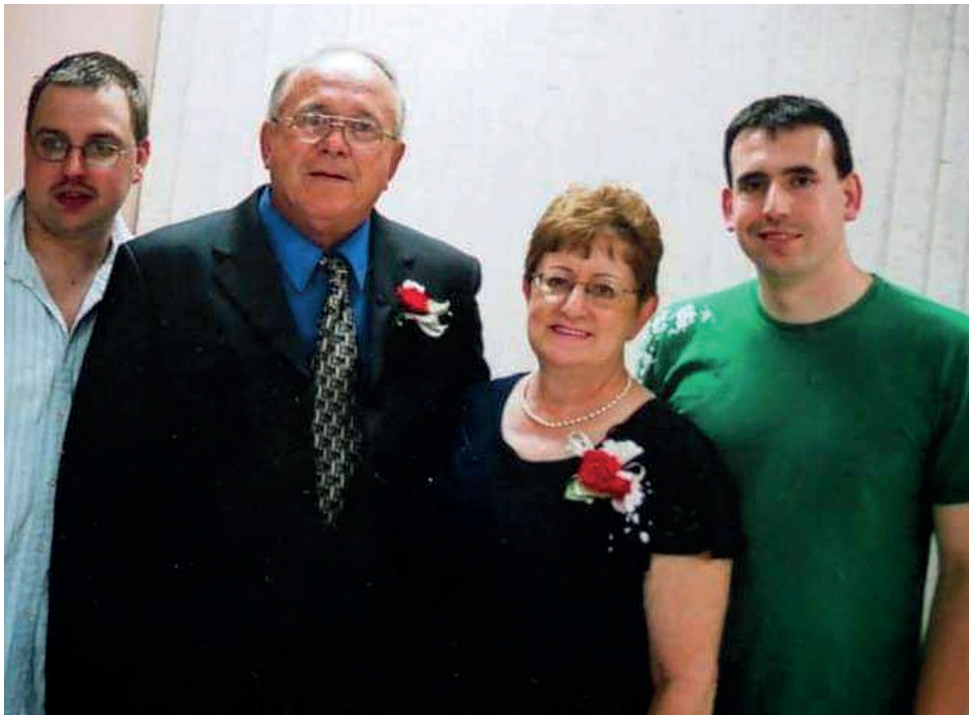
Supper at 8:30 p.m.
Church Basement

Reception following supper at
Baring Hall

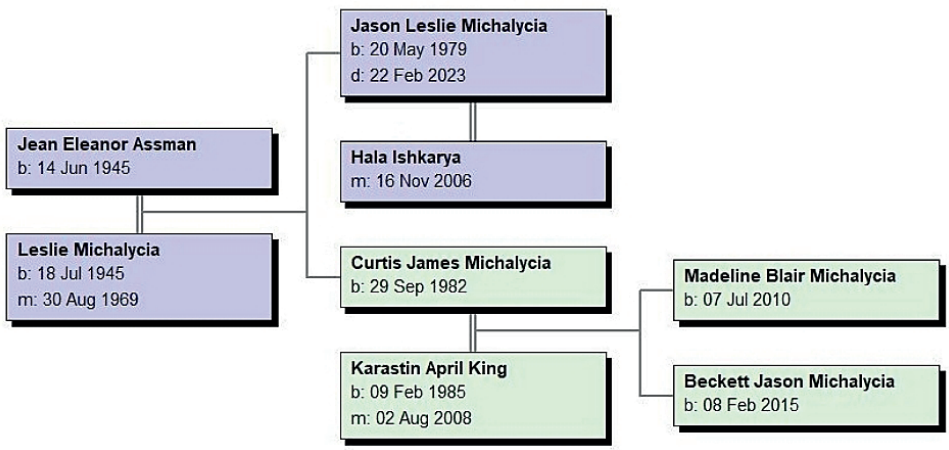


Above: Wedding photo, 30 August 1969[1]
Left: Wedding Invite[2]

1 Collection of Elisabeth Assman.
2 Ibid.



Jason, Les, Jean, Curtis (possibly 40th anniversary celebration)[3]



3 Photo courtesy of Curtis Michalycia.




50th Wedding Anniversary photos[4]



August 2019, Jean, Les, Curtis holding Beckett, with Madeline in front, and Karastin[5]

4 Photos by Judith Silverthorne.
5 Photo by Judith Silverthorne.

JASON LESLIE MICHALYCIA

Jason Leslie Michalycia was born in Prince Albert, Sask., on May 20, 1979, the first son of Leslie Michalycia, the maintenance man at an orphanage, and his wife Jean (née Assman), who sold cemetery monuments. He spent his early childhood in Indian Head, a farming town of 1,500, before the family, including younger brother, Curtis, moved into Regina. On 16 November 2006 Jason married **Hala Iskharya**.

He adored the Roughriders almost as much as reeling in a big walleye. For eight years, he had season tickets at Taylor Field, right beside his Uncle Don. After high school, Jason took a job in the production plant of the local newspaper, the Regina Leader-Post. It was there he met Hala Iskharya, whose family had fled Saddam Hussein's Iraq and settled in the Prairies.



Jason took a job at Jay's Freight, a moving and storage company. He bought a camper and a new pickup truck (a red Ford Ranger) and dabbled in archery. Though famously social - he was a regular at one particular Robin's Donuts - Jason was not a fan of cameras, ducking out of the way whenever someone tried to snap a photo.

Jason married Hala Iskharya on 16 November 2006. The reception was in his parent's backyard. They resided in Regina, and Jason was very active in the church.

Hala and Jason, wedding day

Jason was especially close to Madeline, his two-year-old niece. "He was talking about having his own kids, and he felt that his job here couldn't properly provide for a kid", his brother says. "He wanted to better his life."



Jason and Madeline[6]

6 Photo courtesy of Curtis Michalycia.

Several years later, one of Jason's cousins on his father's side owned a plumbing and heating company in Edmonton and offered him the chance to be an apprentice. It meant moving eight hours from home, but Jason was anxious for the opportunity. Jason left for Alberta on 8 February 2013.

The plan was to settle in Edmonton, spend a few weeks on the job, and prepare for Hala to join him. He texted his mom every day, telling her how much he was enjoying his new job and his new city.

Five days later, on 12 February, Jason was at a job site in nearby Fort Saskatchewan, working in the basement of a partially finished house. For some reason, a gas leak triggered a massive explosion. Severely burned, Jason died the following morning.

Two of his cousins, brothers Wilf and Wes Michalycia, remained in hospital, one later dying. Jason was 33 years old when he died.

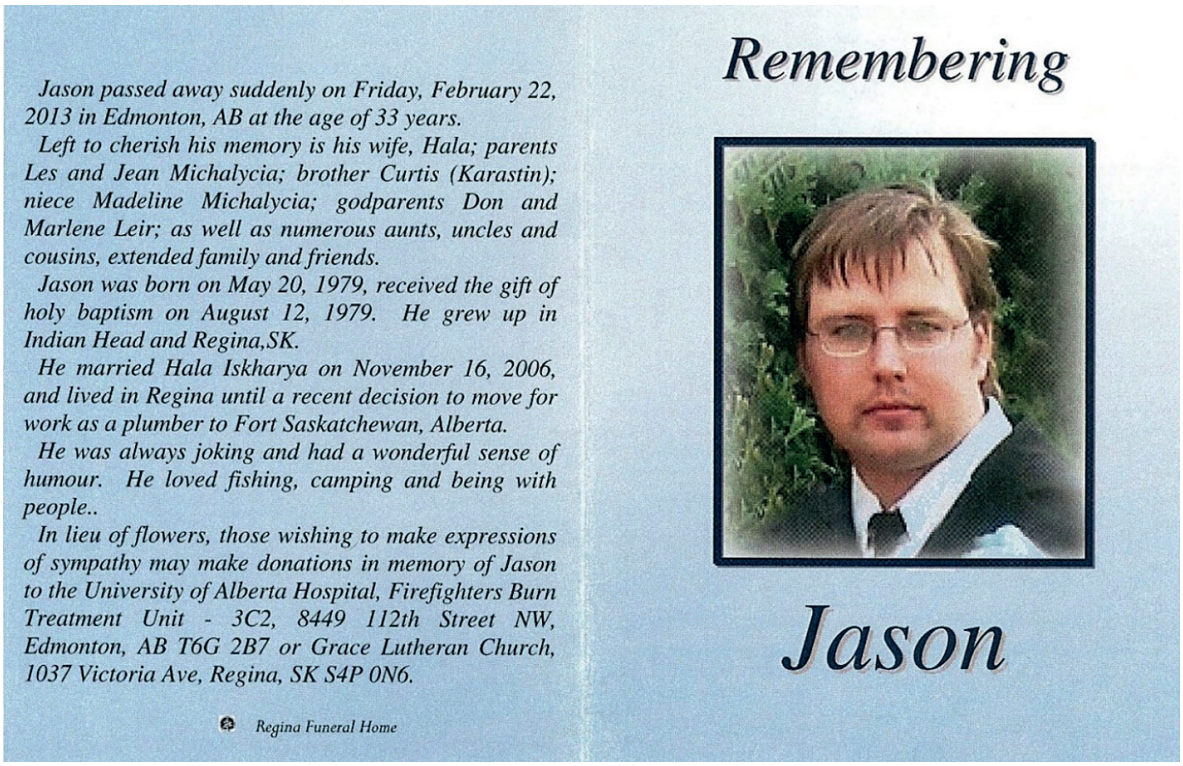


MICHALYCIA, Jason Leslie

Jason passed away suddenly on Friday, February 22, 2013, in Edmonton at the age of 33 years. Left to cherish his memory is his wife Hala, parents Les and Jean Michalycia, brother Curtis (Karastin), niece Madeline Michalycia, godparents Don and Marlene Leir, as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins, extended family and friends. He was born on May 20, 1979, received the gift of holy baptism on August 12, 1979. He grew up in Indian Head and Regina. He married Hala Iskharya on November 16, 2006, and lived in Regina until a recent decision to move for work as a plumber to Edmonton, AB. He was always joking and had a wonderful sense of humour. He loved animals, fishing, camping, and being with people. A MEMORIAL SERVICE TO REMEMBER AND HONOUR Jason will be held on Saturday, March 9 at 1:00 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 1037 Victoria Ave, Regina. In lieu of flowers, those wishing to make expressions of sympathy may make donations to the University of Alberta Hospital, Firefighters Burn Treatment Unit – 3C2, 8449 - 112 Street NW, Edmonton, Alberta, T6G 2B7, or Grace Lutheran Church, 1037 Victoria Ave, Regina, SK S4P 0N6. Arrangements entrusted to Regina Funeral Home (306 789-8850.

Jason Michalycia obit[7]

7 Regina Leader-Post newspaper clipping, February 2013.



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Remembering

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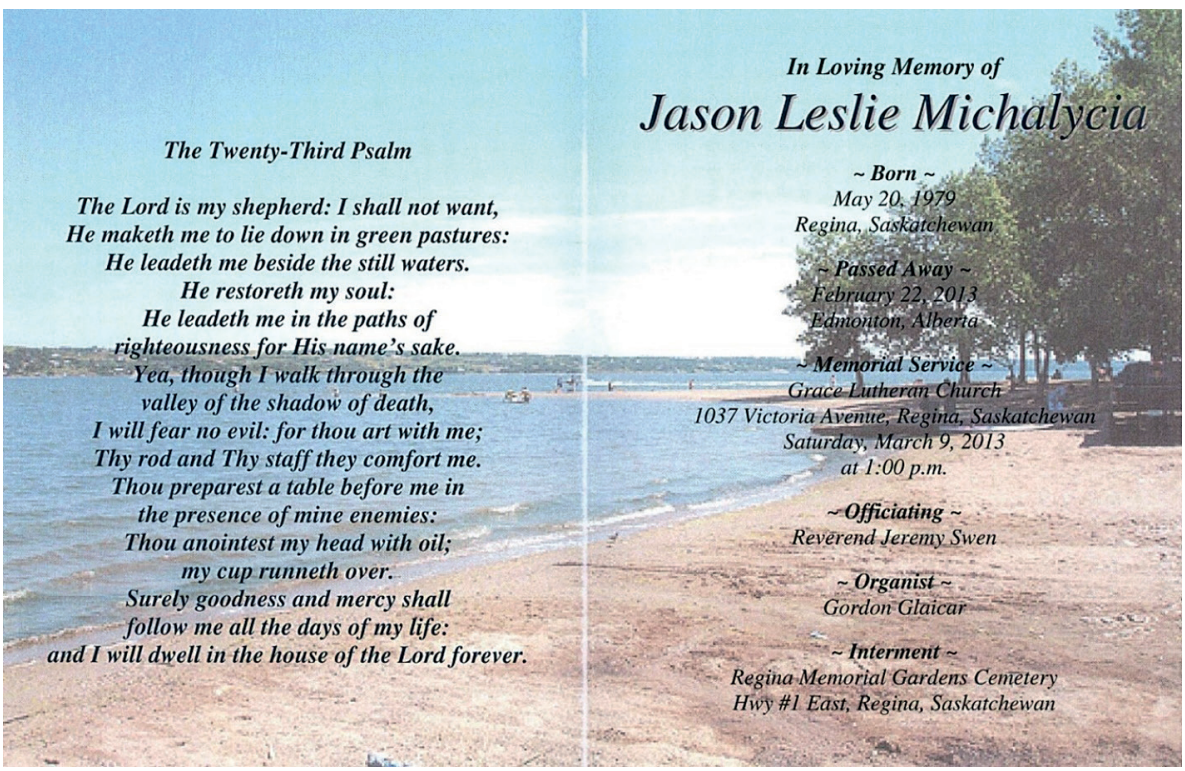


The Twenty-Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want,
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness for His name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the
valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in
the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall
follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

In Loving Memory of

Jason Leslie Michalycia

~ Born ~
May 20, 1979
Regina, Saskatchewan

~ Passed Away ~
February 22, 2013
Edmonton, Alberta

~ Memorial Service ~
Grace Lutheran Church
1037 Victoria Avenue, Regina, Saskatchewan
Saturday, March 9, 2013
at 1:00 p.m.

~ Officiating ~
Reverend Jeremy Swen

~ Organist ~
Gordon Glaicar

~ Interment ~
Regina Memorial Gardens Cemetery
Hwy #1 East, Regina, Saskatchewan

Funeral service card for Jason Michalycia[8]

8 Collection of Judith Silverthorne.

CURTIS JAMES MICHALYCIA

Curtis James Michalycia was born on 29 Sep 1982 in Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, the second of Leslie Michalycia and Jean (née Assman). He spent his early childhood in Indian Head, a farming town of 1,500, before the family, including older brother, Jason, moved into Regina. Curtis married **Karastin April King** on 2 August 2008.



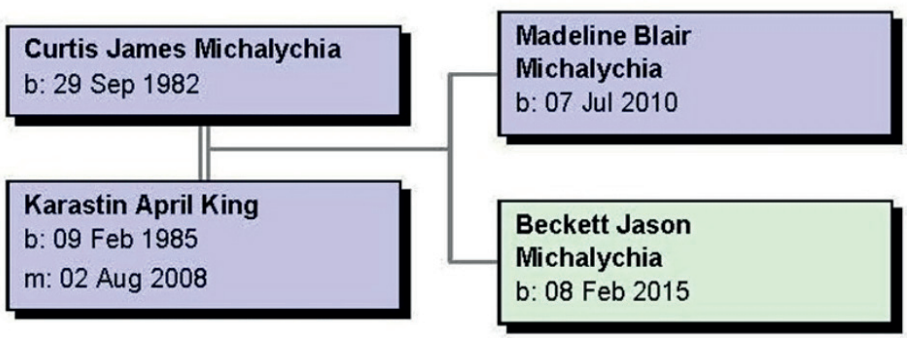
In November 2024, Curtis said, *"My first job was a paperboy, then I worked at a bakery for 11 years, then steel worker for 11 years and now I work as a maintenance person for the Rm of Springfield in Manitoba for a year now."*

They have two children, **Madeline Blair Michalycia**, born 7 July 2010, and **Beckett Jason Michalycia**, born 7 Feb 2015, both born in Regina.

They lived in Regina for many years, where Karastin worked as an account for the Pat's Hockey Team, before moving to Winnipeg in 2023.

Curtis said, *"Our move to Manitoba was to chase a goal of Karastin's to work in the NHL and are working towards our life goal to live somewhere warm year-round as we hate the winter. We travel the world to different places if we can every year."*

Curtis & Karastin wedding, 2008[9]



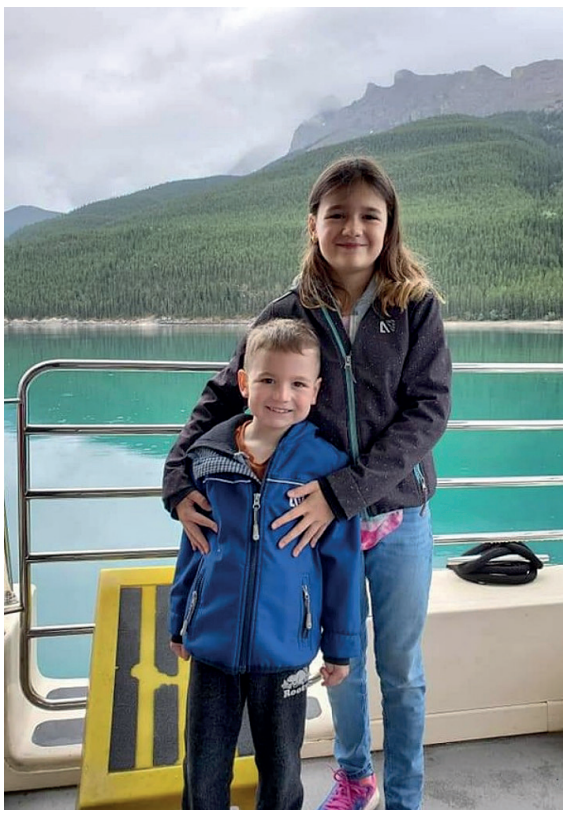
9 Collection of Elaine Iles





Above: Karastin, Madeline & Curtis in Winnipeg.
Left: Karastin on the ice in Regina, home of the Regina Pat's[10]





Left: Beckett, Curtis, Karastin, Madeline. Right: Madeline & Beckett

10 Photos courtesy of Curtis Michalycia.

NORMA LORRAINE ASSMAN & JOHN KORZENOWSKI

Norma Lorraine Assman, born 5 March 1947 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada; married J**ohn Korzenowski**.

Norma Lorraine Assman was born 5 March 1947 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She attended Baber School at Neudorf until the family moved to Grenfell in 1961. She completed her education in Grenfell.

She married John Korzenowski 30 October 1965 in Grenfell. He was born 4 July 1943 on a farm south of Mikado, Saskatchewan, to Joseph Korzenowski and Lena Yaholnitzky.





Wedding photos, John and Norma Korzenowksi, 1965[1]

Norma worked in offices most of her life, most notably at Sears for 44 ½ years before retiring in 2009. She was a great walker after her retirement, walking every day.



Darren 3 years old

John grew up at Mikado and left home in November 1959. He worked in Manitoba for a while, then in 1962 moved to Regina where he worked in a car wash until 1974. He later worked as carpet salesman for 29 years, retiring in 2003.

John and Norma had one son, Darren born in Regina, Saskatchewan, on 16 August 1966.

1 From the collection of John Korzenowski.



Norma and John's 50th Anniversary Celebration[2]

On 1 November 2022, Norma moved to the Kozy Korner Care Home in Regina because she developed Alzheimer's disease in 2016.

Norma passed away on 21 March 2025 at the age of 78



Norma in the Care Home, 2024[3]

2 From the collection of John Korzenowski.
3 From the collection of John Korzenowski.

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Norma Lorraine Korzenowski, aged 78, of Regina, Saskatchewan. She passed away peacefully on Friday, March 21, 2025.

Born in Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Norma moved to Grenfell in 1961, where she would later meet and marry her beloved husband, John Korzenowski, on October 30, 1965. Together, they shared a life full of love and family.

Norma is survived by her loving husband, John; her son, Darren (wife Selina); her granddaughter, Sydney; and her four sisters, Elaine, Pearl, Joan (Vern), and Jean (Les), as well as her brother Ray (Leona). She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews, all of whom brought her much joy throughout her life.

She was predeceased by her parents Adolph and Elizabeth, two brothers Dick and Wilbert, and a sister Marlene, who are now reunited with her in peace.

Norma had a deep love for the outdoors, and she especially enjoyed camping and spending time with her family. She spent 44 and a half years working at Sears, a job she loved, and she embraced retirement with the same joy and enthusiasm. Norma's greatest joy came from her family, and she treasured every moment spent with them.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association of Canada, a cause close to her heart.

Norma's family would like to express their heartfelt thanks for all the love and support shown to them during this difficult time.

Norma will be deeply missed, but her memory will live on forever in the hearts of all who knew her. May she rest in peace.

Online messages of condolence may be left at www.paragonfuneralservices.com

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Norma Korzenowski

1947 ~ 2025

Miss Me - But Let Me Go

When I come to the end of the road
and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room.
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little but not too long
and not with your head bowed low,
Remember the love that we once shared
Miss me - but let me go.
For this is a journey we all must take
and each must go alone;
It's all part of the Master's plan,
a seat on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart
go to the friends you know, and bury
your sorrows in doing good deeds.
Miss me - but let me go.

Edward A Guest

Celebrating the Life of

Norma Lorraine Korzenowski

Born in Neudorf, Saskatchewan
~ March 5, 1947 ~

Passed Away in Regina, Saskatchewan
~ March 21, 2025 ~

GRAVESIDE SERVICE
Thursday, March 27, 2025
at 11:00 a.m.
Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery
815 Assiniboine Avenue East
Regina, Saskatchewan

OFFICIATING
Pastor Aaron Gust

PALLBEARERS

Greg Cwynar	Barry Iles
Alex Lenko	Darren K.

DARREN JOHN KORZENOWSKI

Darren John Korzenowski was born in Regina, Saskatchewan, 16 August 1966.

He went to elementary school at Haultain and high school at Balfour Collegiate. Leaving high school he worked for Buy Rite furniture for 4 years. He moved onto the Brick for 18 years. Starting as sales person and ended as General Sales manager. He moved to End of the Roll flooring store.

Darren married **Selina Haines** on 16 April 2005. She was born 31 December 1968 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, to Randie and Donalie Haines and has one sister.



Darren and Selina met on a blind date for coffee at the Hotel Saskatchewan and were married there a couple of years later.

Darren currently works at End of the Roll as a Sales Manager and has been for 17 years. Previous to that he worked at The Brick for 18 years, as a Sales Manger (promoted from Sales), and before that Buy-Rite Furniture.

Selina has been working at SaskTel for 36 years, currently as an HR Assistant on the Learning & Development team and previous to that as an Admin. Assistant and a number of clerical positions in Engineering and Payrolls.

They have one daughter Sydney Lauren Korzenowski, born 18 May 2006 in Regina. Sydney is graduated from Grade 12 in June 2024, and is currently attending The Style Academy and is enrolled in the Esthetician: Skin Care and Nail Technician program. She loves her cats, arts and crafts and anything shopping. She currently works at a clothing boutique and enjoys it very much.

Left: Darren and Selina, wedding photo, 2005.
Below: Sydney 3 years old[4]





4 Photos collection of Darren and Selina Korzenowski.

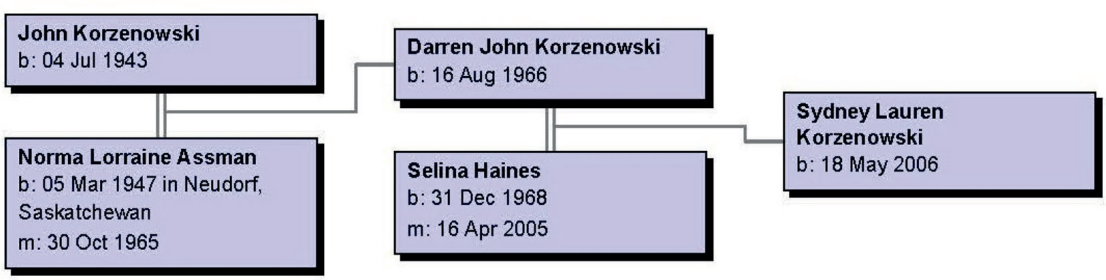
Sydney, Selina, Darren, April 2013[5]







Sydney , above at age 10; below age 18[6]



5 Photos collection of Darren and Selina Korzenowski.
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MARLENE ELIZABETH ASSMAN

Marlene Elizabeth Assman, born 3 June 1950, Neudorf, Saskatchewan Canada; died, 17 January 2024, Regina, Saskatchewan; married Donald Richard Leir, 1 May 1971 in Grenfell, Saskatchewan. **Donald Leir** was born 24 April 1947 in Grenfell, Saskatchewan, to Christian and Elizabeth Leir, the youngest of nine children.

Marlene Elizabeth Assman, born 3 June 1950 at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, to Adolf Assman (1906-1998) and Maria Elisabeth Krahenbil (1908-1995). She was the youngest of nine children. She had three brothers, Wilbert, Richard, and Raymond, and five sisters, Elaine, Pearl, Joan, Jean, and Norma. She grew up on the family farm in the Neudorf area until they moved to Grenfell area in 1961.





Left: Marlene with older sisters, Joan (back), Jean and Norma, ca 1951;
middle: Marlene at age 4 as flower girl for her sister Elaine, 19 Nov 1954; right: Marlene with Judith, ca 1954[1]

Marlene, along with her siblings, did a lot of singing at home, and like them, she learned to play the family organ by ear. At 10 years of age Marlene along with her sisters Joan and Jean performed at a singing talent show in Yorkton that was televised. They were second prize winners, and their picture was in the newspaper.

Marlene was 11 in 1961, the family moved to Grenfell. Marlene attended Summerhill country school until grade 8, then because the school closed and there was no bussing into Grenfell for high school, she along with her next two older sisters, Jean and Norma, boarded during the week in Grenfell at Mrs. Turner's.

Their brother Ray recalls how he often drove them into town on a Sunday afternoon or evening, and the family picked them up again on Friday. Grandma sent food with them for the week, so they just paid to sleep there and otherwise took care of themselves. Mrs. Turner was widowed and enjoyed their company with Marlene on her own there for the last couple of years of her high school.

1 Photos: Collection Elaine Iles.

Marlene with family. She is the youngest at the front, ca 1954[2]



After graduation from high school in Grenfell, Marlene relocated to Regina where her first job was at the Army & Navy store. A career change to The Leader Post came next where she stayed for 33 years.



Marlene & Don Leir with their flower girl and ring bearer, Lorrie and Kevin Sens[3]

In 1971, she married the love of her life, Donald Richard Leir on the 1st of May at the Lutheran church in Grenfell, Saskatchewan.



Bridesmaids:
Judith Iles, (l) and Elaine Wolfe (r)
Groomsmen:
Dale Leir (l) and Gary Lowenberg (r), plus Lorrie and Kevin Sens

After Don and Marlene married, they lived in Regina for about 6 years, first renting a place, then buying a house on Fischer Crescent. At one time they had a dog named Happy. They moved into a newly built house in 1978 in Pilot Butte which had more of a small-town atmosphere, which they enjoyed for the rest of their lives.

She loved going garage saling with her sisters too. This annual tradition started because Marlene, and sisters Jean and Joan's birthdays were within a month's time of each other. They made it a yearly tradition to get together and go to garage sales, out for lunch, exchange gifts and maybe even go shopping. They did that for years and always had a good time. Marlene was always the chauffeur.

2 Photos: Collection Elaine Iles.
3 Collection of Marlene Leir.

Sometimes Jean and Marlene would go shopping on their own and then out for lunch as well. Marlene also enjoyed participating in family gatherings for special occasions to celebrate birthdays and anniversaries. Marlene, Norma, and Joan also went to Minot together for a few days. Joan said it was the best trip and most fun they'd ever had. Occasionally Marlene and Don travelled to Arizona to visit with Don's family vacationing there.



Although Marlene and Don didn't have a family, they generously opened their home to several family members to live with them for a time, like when Don's nephew Dale was job hunting, or his nephew Darrell and others needed a place to stay. Marlene's side of the family, nephew Kevin and grand-nephew Brian were also boarders for a while.

Marlene opened her heart and her generosity to friends and people in the community as well. She became kind of like a special aunt to the neighbours' kids - and their pets too - giving them special gifts and treats, acknowledging them and spending time with them. She often commented what good friends and neighbours she had. They were all very willing to help her out too whenever she needed something.

Above and below: Marlene and Don[4]

She attended Mount Olive Lutheran Church for many years, meeting my mom, her oldest sister, Elaine to sit together, and socializing after the service, and often going for lunch afterwards. Marlene never missed a Sunday church service unless extreme weather or extenuating circumstances changed her plans.

Marlene was an exemplary baker, having learned the skill from her mother and older sisters and adding her own flair to recipes. She was always cooking and baking for the community groups, the Seniors Centre, called the Golden Sunset Club and at the Pilot Butte Rodeo where they worked the food booth. She and Don volunteered for many years at both places doing putting in countless hours. They assisted with events and fundraisers, dedicating years of service at the Senior's Club which you will hear more about shortly. When Marlene wasn't cooking or baking, or helping to arrange activities, she relished playing cards and crib. She was very busy with the senior's club, but she said she enjoyed every minute of it.



In her retirement, Marlene kept keep busy with family and friends. She said, "My passion for flowers, gardening and baking are some of my enjoyments. Presently I sit on the Board of Directors at the Golden Sunset Club in Pilot Butte. I help with many club activities. Life is good."

4 Photos from collection of Marlene Leir.

Donald worked at Stelco Fabrication for 14 years, and another 24 years at Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery. He was a huge Roughriders fan and season ticket holder, and also loved watching the Blue Jays. After retirement, Don enjoyed going to the Golden Sunset Club to play cards and socialize with all his friends and getting together with his "University group" for early morning coffees. He was a chartered member of the Pilot Butte Lions Club and helped with the Pilot Butte Rodeo.



Don & Marlene, 50th wedding anniversary, 2021[5]

Don died on 24 July 2022 in Pilot Butte, Saskatchewan and is buried in the Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery in Regina.

Obituary of Donald Richard Leir

April 24, 1947 - July 24, 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Don the morning of Sunday, July 24, 2022, at the age of 75 years. He is survived by his loving wife, Marlene, of 51 years.

Predeceased by his parents, Christian and Elizabeth Leir; his brothers, Alfred and his wife Lillian, Karl, Victor, Edward, and Herb; his sister, Ida and her husband Louis Penno, and sister Helen and her husband Ron Wilson. Don is survived by his sister Myrna and her husband Keith Shipley; sisters-in-law Elsie, Joyce, Adaline, and Rose Anne; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Don was born on April 24, 1947, in Grenfell, SK, the youngest of nine children. He worked at Stelco Fabrication for 14 years, and another 24 years at Riverside Memorial Park Cemetery. Don enjoyed going to the Golden Sunset Club to play cards and socialize with all his friends, loved watching the Roughriders and Blue Jays, and getting together with his "University group" for early morning coffees. He was a chartered member of the Pilot Butte Lions Club and helped with the rodeo.

5 Photo by Judith Silverthorne.

A Funeral Service for Don will be held at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2015 4th Avenue North, Regina, SK on Friday, July 29, 2022, at 1:00 p.m., officiated by Pastor Ted Giese with a reception to follow.



In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Lutheran Women's Missionary League Canada (L.W.M.L), 3074 Portage Avenue, Winnipeg MB R3K 0Y2, Mount Olive Lutheran Church, 2015 4th Avenue North, Regina, SK S4R 0T5, or to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada, 1200-2300 Yonge St, Box 2414, Toronto, ON M4P1E4.

Donald Leir, plaque.
Riverside Memorial Gardens Columbarium.
Regina, Saskatchewan[6]

Marlene passed away on 17 January 2024 in the Palliative Care Unit, Pasqua Hospital, Regina, Saskatchewan. The funeral was on 25 January 2024 at Mount Olive Church.

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Marlene on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, at the age of 73 years.

She was predeceased by her husband, Don Leir (2022); her parents, Adolph (1998) and Elizabeth (1995) Assman; her brothers, Richard (2016) and Wilbert (2004) (Doreen 1992) Assman; her brothers-in-law, Stan Cwynar (2017) and Stan Iles (2010); and her nephews, Jason Michalycia (2013), Darwin Assman (2022), and Darrell Iles (2019). She is survived by her sisters, Elaine Iles, Joan (Vern) Sens, Jean (Les) Michalycia, Pearl Cwynar, and Norma (John) Korzenowski; her brother, Ray (Leona) Assman; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Marlene was born on June 3, 1950, in Melville, SK, the youngest of nine children. She met the love of her life, Don, and they were married for 51 years. After marrying, they lived in Regina for six years and later moved to Pilot Butte. Marlene's working career was at the Regina Leader Post, where she retired after 33 years of service. Marlene loved spending time with friends and family, being retired, going to church, volunteering, flowers and gardening, baking, checking out garage sales, and collecting bears in all shapes and sizes.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to a cause of your choice in memory of Marlene.

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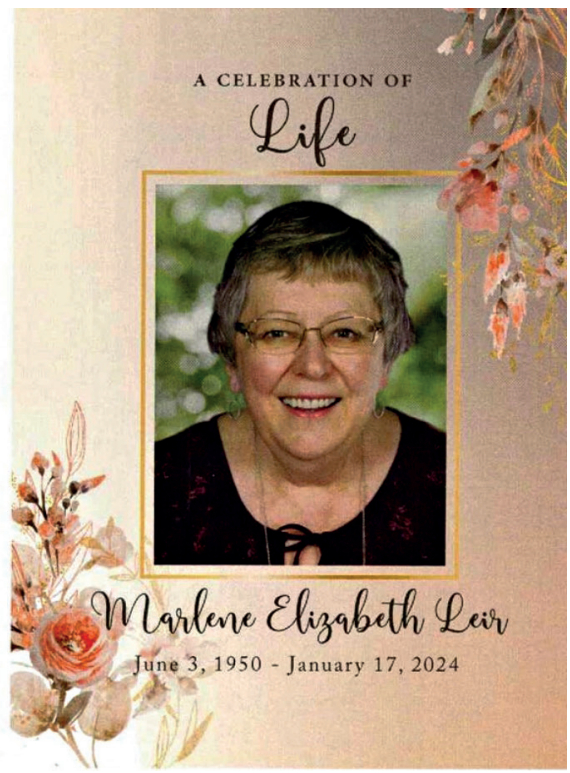
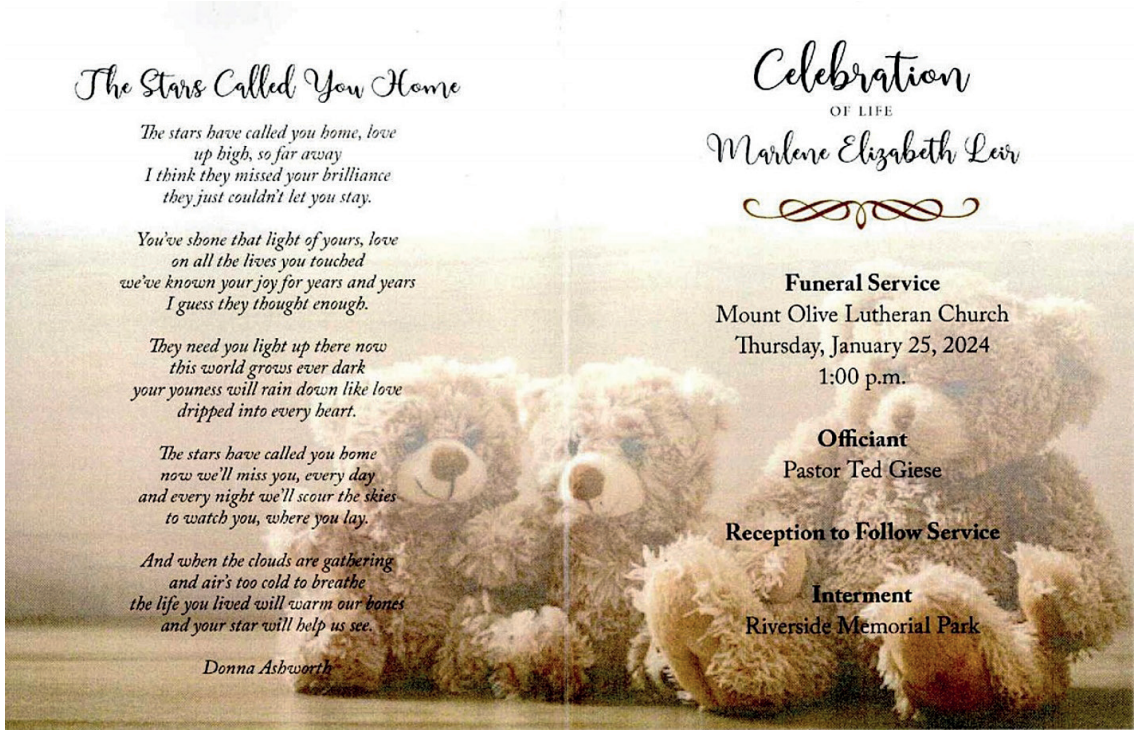


Marlene Elizabeth Leir Obituary[7]

6 Photo by Judith Silverthorne, 2023
7 Speers Funeral Home. (https://www.speersfuneralchapel.com/obituaries/Marlene-Elizabeth-Leir?obId=30432163 : accessed 22 Jan 2024)



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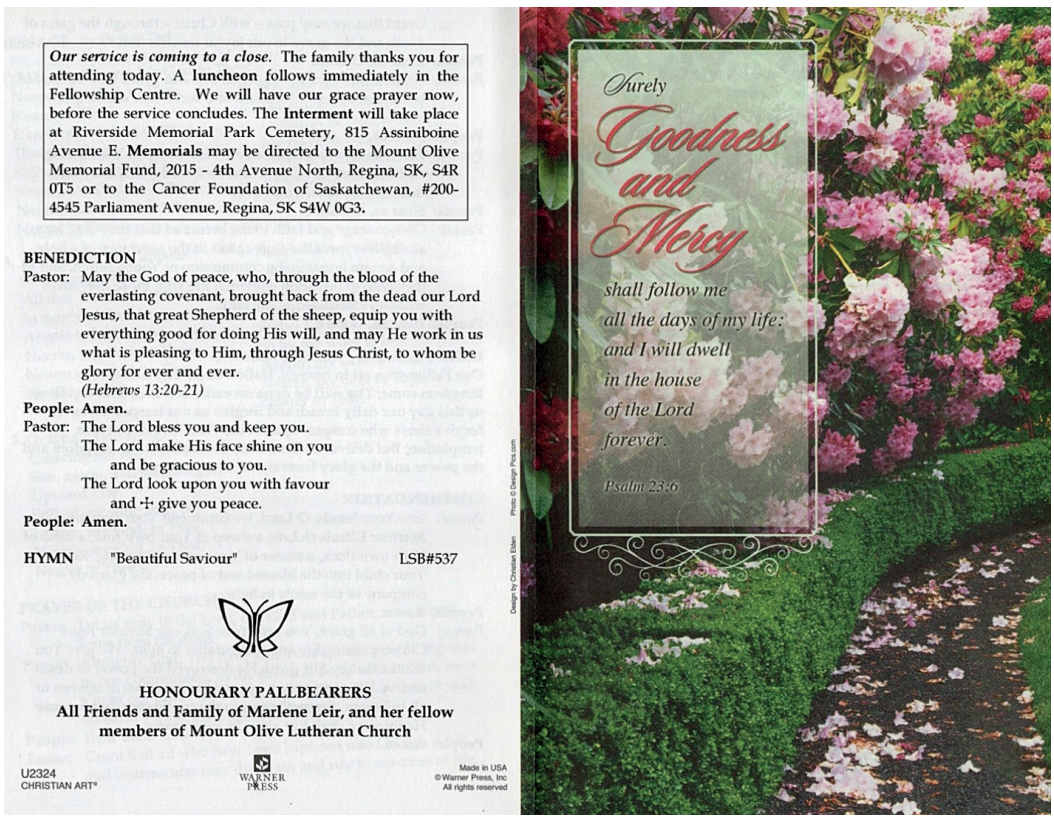


Funeral bulletin[9]

8 Collection of Judith Silverthorne, from funeral service attended.
9 Ibid.

Mount Olive Lutheran Church
Regina, Saskatchewan

A Service of Worship and Praise to God
in Remembrance of

Marlene Elizabeth Leir

Thursday, January 25, 2024 - 1:00pm
Born June 3, 1950
Baptised July 19, 1950
Confirmation of Baptism May 31, 1964
Died Wednesday, January 17, 2024 - age 73 years

Officiant, Pastor Ted Giese
Organist, Diane Schweitzer

**Please remember to turn phone to silent/off prior to service. Thank you.*

AS WE GATHER - As the Church ponders the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, we know His coming was ultimately to die and then to rise for us. Today, we gather for a service of celebration for the life and death of one of His saints, who has been given a new birth into the kingdom of heaven.

HYMN "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" LSB#739

TRIBUTE by Judith Silverthorne

INVOCATION
Pastor: In the Name of the Father and the ✠ Son and the Holy Spirit.
People: Amen.

REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM WITH FUNERAL PALL
Pastor: In Holy Baptism Marlene was clothed with the robe of Christ's righteousness that covered all her sin. St. Paul says: "Do you not know that all of us who have been baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into His death?
People: We were buried therefore with Him by Baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His." *(Romans 6:3-5)*

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.
People: And also with you.
Pastor: Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has come and redeemed His people. Because of the tender mercy of our God, the rising sun has come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace. (*Song of Zechariah*)
People: Amen.

PRAYER
Pastor: Dearest Jesus grant us the grace to see You, not only as the Babe in Bethlehem
People: but as the victorious, risen Lord, sitting at God the Father's right hand.
Pastor: Comfort us in our sorrow, and bring us at last,
People: to know the joy that awaits Your own, gathered around Your throne, praising You in heaven.
Pastor: Living Lord, in Your appearing, You became one with us, both in life, and on the cross, in death. Now make us one with You in Your resurrection, that we may rejoice in Your grace - both now on earth and forever in heaven. Lord in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

LITANY
Pastor: Blessed are they that mourn
People: for in their mourning they shall have comfort.
Pastor: Those who sow in sorrow
People: shall reap with rejoicing.
Pastor: All mortal flesh is as the grass and all the glory of mankind is like the grass and the flower.
People: The flower falls, the grass dries out and withers.
Pastor: Therefore, be patient, dearest brothers and sisters, and wait for The Day of the Lord. The flower falls, the grass dries out and withers.
People: But still the Word of the Lord endures! And the ransomed of the Lord shall return to Zion with rejoicing. Gladness and joy everlasting shall be showered on them and sighs and sorrows shall flee far away from them.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 23 (ESV)
The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

PRAYER
Pastor: O Prince of Peace, fill us with Your peace and comfort.
People: Come, Lord Jesus, with peace.
Pastor: To our fearful and troubled hearts, send Your angelic message "Be not afraid."
People: Come, Lord Jesus, and calm our fears.
Pastor: To our consciences troubled by sin and guilt, send Your assurance of forgiveness.
People: Come, Lord Jesus, to save Your people from their sins.
Pastor: To those who remain faithful, and yet still having doubt and uncertainty.
People: Come, Lord Jesus, as our sure and certain salvation.
Pastor: As You made Your home with us that we might make our home with You,
People: bring us at last to that place where there is neither mourning nor tears to our heavenly home. Amen.

LITANY
Pastor: Here on earth we have no enduring home
People: but we seek the one which is to come.
Pastor: Look, for I show you a mystery. We shall not all sleep but we shall all be changed, in a moment we shall be transformed, in the twinkling of an eye, at the sound of the trumpet. For the trumpet shall sound and the dead shall rise from their graves, immortal, incorruptible, forever. Then the saying of old shall be fulfilled: death is swallowed up in victory. *(1 Corinthians 15:51-54)*

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 3:14-21 (ESV)
For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of His glory He may grant you to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.
Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

GOSPEL READING Matthew 28: 16-20 (ESV)
Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw Him they worshiped Him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."
Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to You, O Christ

APOSTLES' CREED *(said in unison)*
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN "Abide With Me" LSB#878

MESSAGE by Pastor Ted

HYMN "Nearer My God to Thee"

1. Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me,
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.

2. Tho' like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone,
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.

3. There let my way appear
Steps unto heav'n;
All that Thou sendest me
In mercy giv'n;
Angels to beckon me
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.

4. Then with my waking thoughts
Bright with Thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs
Bethel I'll raise,
So by my woes to be
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.

5. Or if on joyful wing,
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot,
Upward I fly,
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord, our God and Father, who raised Jesus from the dead.

Pastor: Almighty God, You have knit Your chosen people together in one communion, in the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Give Your whole Church – in heaven and on earth – Your light and Your peace.

People: Hear us, O Lord.

Pastor: Grant that all who have been baptized into Christ's death and resurrection may die to sin and rise to newness of life.

Grant that we may pass – with Christ – through the gates of death and the grave to our joyful resurrection.

People: Hear us, O Lord.

Pastor: Grant Your faithful people pardon and peace that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve You with a quiet mind.

People: Hear us, O Lord.

Pastor: Grant to all who mourn a sure confidence in Your loving care that, casting all their sorrow on You, they may know the consolation of Your love.

People: Hear us, O Lord.

Pastor: Give courage and faith to the bereaved that they may have strength to meet the days ahead in the assurance of a holy and certain hope, in the communion of Your Church, and in the joyful expectation of eternal life with those they love who have departed in the faith.

People: Hear us, O Lord.

LORD'S PRAYER *(said in unison)*

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

COMMENDATION

Pastor: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend Your servant, ***Marlene Elizabeth Leir,*** a sheep of Your own fold, a lamb of Your own flock, a sinner of Your own redeeming. Receive Your child into the blessed rest of peace, the glorious company of the saints in light.

People: Amen.

Pastor: God of all grace, You sent Your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to bring life and immortality to light. We give You thanks that by His death He destroyed the power of death and by His resurrection opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Strengthen us in the confidence that because He lives we shall live also. In Jesus' name.

People: Amen.

Song sung at the internment at Riverside Memorial Gardens.

Maria Carolina Assmann & Heinrich Heinemann

Maria (Mary) Carolina Assmann was born 11 August 1908 to Karl Assmann (1858-1926) and Katharina Elisabeth (Lizzie) Erbach (1863-1945), at home on the farm at Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada.[1] She died 28 January 2002, Kipling, Saskatchewan.[2] She was married to **Heinrich (Henry) Heinemann,** born 27 November 1905 to Karl Heinemann and Anna Heinemann, neé Karius. Heinrich died 21 June 1973.

Mary was the youngest in her family, and like many of her older siblings, she attended Baber school, while growing up on the family farm.[3] Mary married Heinrich Heinemann on 22 July 1928 at St. John's Lutheran Church, Neudorf. Witnesses to this wedding were Adolf Assman (her brother), Emma Assman (a niece), Philip Erbach (possibly her uncle on her mother's side of the family) and Clara Heineman (maybe a sister or niece on Henry's side of the family.)[4]



Wedding 22 July 1928 : Karl and Anna Heinemann, Henry and Mary, and Mary's mother, Lizzie Assmann[5]

Henry had been previously married to Elsie Zorn in 1927, however she died later that same year.[6]

1 Saskatchewan Department of Public Health -- Division of Vital Statistics, birth certificate 28 (1908), Marie Caroline Asmann; eHealth Saskatchewan, Regina. Rec. Date: 10 January 2015. Cit. Date: 28 November 2022.
2 Leader-Post (Regina, Saskatchewan), Mary (Assman) Heinemann obituary, January 28, 2002.
3 For more information on the Baber School, see the chapter Karl Asmann & Katharina Elisabeth Erbach, Assmann Family History Part 1.
4 Saskatchewan Department of Public Health, Division of Vital Statistics, Marriage registers, Heinemann-Assmann; eHealth Saskatchewan, Vital Statistics Registry, Regina. Rec. Date: 18 October 2013.
5 Photos collection of Darren and Selina Korzenowski.
6 Obituary of Henry Heinemann, Kipling paper.



Henry and Mary

Mary and Henry lived on their farm at Kipling with their home being on a quarter of 4-14-5 W2. They raised their two daughters there, Bernice and Agnes. They remained on the farm until 1962, when they retired into the town of Kipling. Henry took up carpentry there until he passed on 21 June 1973 at the age of 67.

Mary spent her later years in Willowdale Lodge, Kipling, before passing 28 January 2002 at the age of 93. She and Henry are buried at Edenland Lutheran Cemetery, Kipling, Saskatchewan.

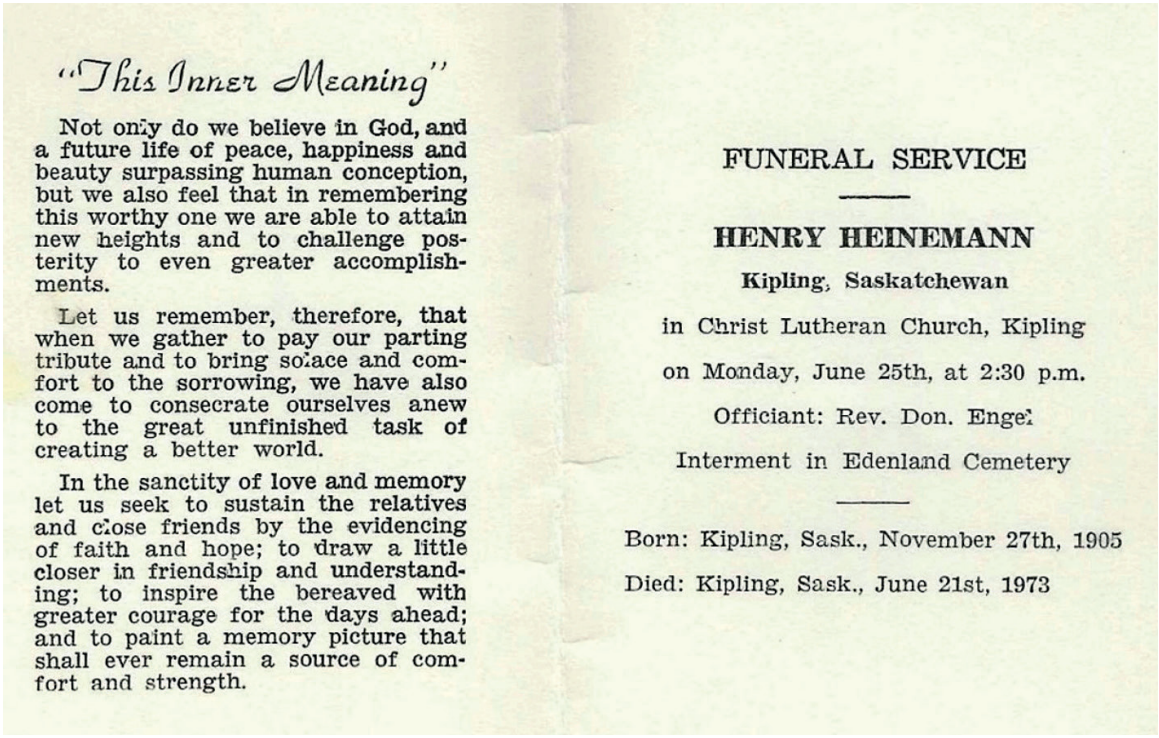


Mary Heinemann, June 1992



Henry and Mary Heinemann's headstone[7]

7 Edenland Lutheran Cemetery, Kipling, (https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/206251501/mary-heineman-n#view-photo=198101152 : accessed 3 Apr 2020).



"This Inner Meaning"

Not only do we believe in God, and a future life of peace, happiness and beauty surpassing human conception, but we also feel that in remembering this worthy one we are able to attain new heights and to challenge posterity to even greater accomplishments.

Let us remember, therefore, that when we gather to pay our parting tribute and to bring solace and comfort to the sorrowing, we have also come to consecrate ourselves anew to the great unfinished task of creating a better world.

In the sanctity of love and memory let us seek to sustain the relatives and close friends by the evidencing of faith and hope; to draw a little closer in friendship and understanding; to inspire the bereaved with greater courage for the days ahead; and to paint a memory picture that shall ever remain a source of comfort and strength.

FUNERAL SERVICE

HENRY HEINEMANN

Kipling, Saskatchewan

in Christ Lutheran Church, Kipling

on Monday, June 25th, at 2:30 p.m.

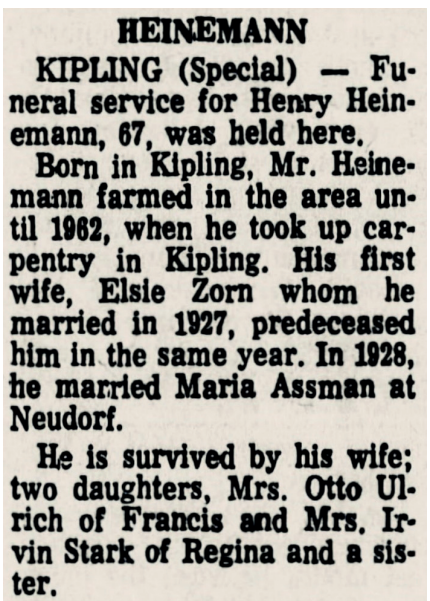
Officiant: Rev. Don. Engel

Interment in Edenland Cemetery

Born: Kipling, Sask., November 27th, 1905

Died: Kipling, Sask., June 21st, 1973

Henry Heinemann funeral card[8]

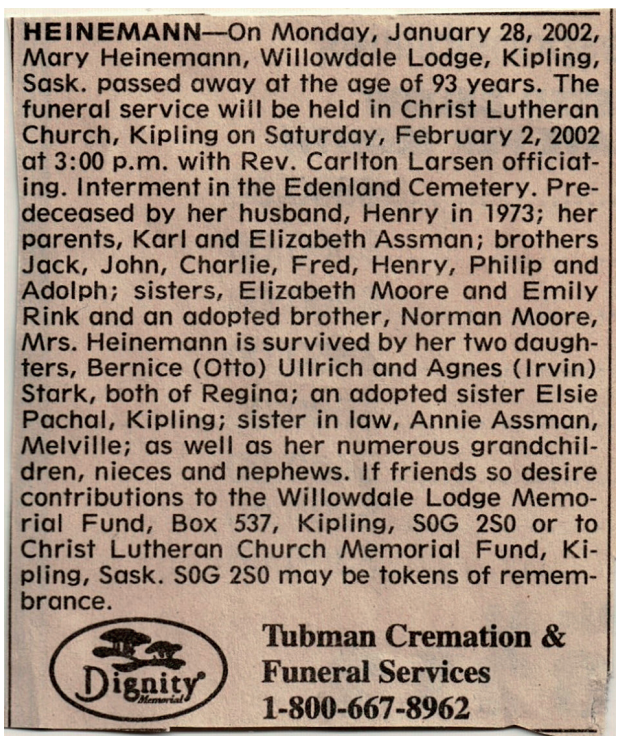


HEINEMANN

KIPLING (Special) — Funeral service for Henry Heinemann, 67, was held here.

Born in Kipling, Mr. Heinemann farmed in the area until 1962, when he took up carpentry in Kipling. His first wife, Elsie Zorn whom he married in 1927, predeceased him in the same year. In 1928, he married Maria Assman at Neudorf.

He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Otto Ulrich of Francis and Mrs. Irvin Stark of Regina and a sister.



HEINEMANN—On Monday, January 28, 2002, Mary Heinemann, Willowdale Lodge, Kipling, Sask. passed away at the age of 93 years. The funeral service will be held in Christ Lutheran Church, Kipling on Saturday, February 2, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. Carlton Larsen officiating. Interment in the Edenland Cemetery. Predeceased by her husband, Henry in 1973; her parents, Karl and Elizabeth Assman; brothers Jack, John, Charlie, Fred, Henry, Philip and Adolph; sisters, Elizabeth Moore and Emily Rink and an adopted brother, Norman Moore, Mrs. Heinemann is survived by her two daughters, Bernice (Otto) Ullrich and Agnes (Irvin) Stark, both of Regina; an adopted sister Elsie Pachal, Kipling; sister in law, Annie Assman, Melville; as well as her numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews. If friends so desire contributions to the Willowdale Lodge Memorial Fund, Box 537, Kipling, S0G 2S0 or to Christ Lutheran Church Memorial Fund, Kipling, Sask. S0G 2S0 may be tokens of remembrance.

Dignity Memorial

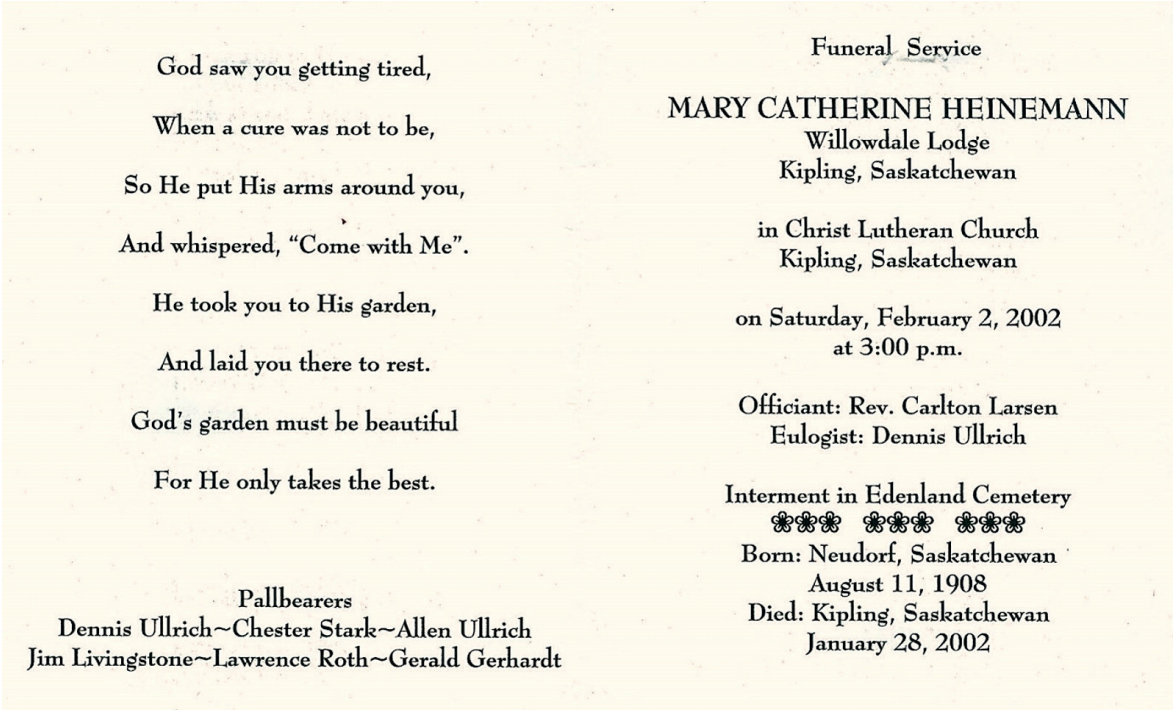
Tubman Cremation & Funeral Services
1-800-667-8962

Obituary clippings for Henry Heinemann[9] *(left) and Mary Heinemann*[10] *(right)*

8 Files of Elizabeth Assman

9 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/206251501/mary-heinemann#view-photo=198101152 : accessed 3 Apr 2020).

10 Files of Elaine Iles



God saw you getting tired,

When a cure was not to be,

So He put His arms around you,

And whispered, "Come with Me".

He took you to His garden,

And laid you there to rest.

God's garden must be beautiful

For He only takes the best.

Pallbearers
Dennis Ullrich~Chester Stark~Allen Ullrich
Jim Livingstone~Lawrence Roth~Gerald Gerhardt

Funeral Service

MARY CATHERINE HEINEMANN
Willowdale Lodge
Kipling, Saskatchewan

in Christ Lutheran Church
Kipling, Saskatchewan

on Saturday, February 2, 2002
at 3:00 p.m.

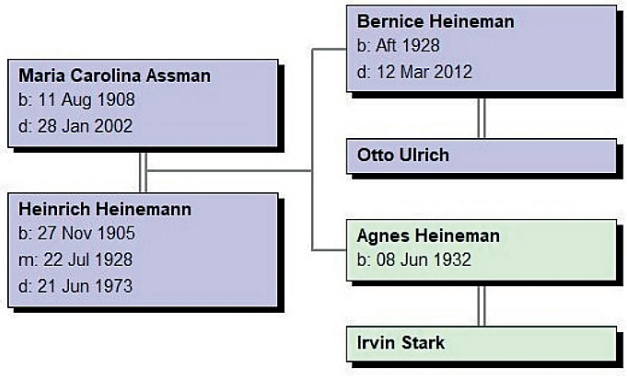
Officiant: Rev. Carlton Larsen
Eulogist: Dennis Ullrich

Interment in Edenland Cemetery

Born: Neudorf, Saskatchewan
August 11, 1908
Died: Kipling, Saskatchewan
January 28, 2002

Mary Heinemann funeral card

Henry and Mary had two daughters, both born in Kipling: Bernice Elizabeth and Agnes Eleanor.



Bernice Elizabeth Heinemann

was born on 21 June 1929 at Kipling, Saskatchewan, where she was raised with her sister. She married **Otto Ullrich** on 3 February 1949. Otto Ullrich was born on 1 January 1919 at Kronau, Saskatchewan, to Rudolph Ullrich (1891-1967) and Elizabeth Euteneier (1891-1965).

Bernice and Otto had two sons, **Dennis Heinemann** and **Allan Heinemann**. They farmed in the Francis area for 44 years before retiring in Regina in 1994. Otto died 13 March 2002 in Regina, Bernince died 12 March 2012 in Regina, Saskatchewan. Both are buried at the Regina Memorial Gardens.

At the time of Bernice's passing there were four grandchildren and one great-grandchild in their family.[11]



Henry and Mary Heinemann's headstone[12]

Agnes Eleanor Heinemann

was born 8 June 1932. She became a salesclerk. She married **Irvin Stark** on 31 May 1951; his parents are unknown. Agnes and Irvin had a son and a daughter. Irvin was a car salesman for Hauser Chev Olds.



Agnes and Irvin wedding photo, 1951. Far right is Elaine Assman as bridesmaid[13]

Irvin passed away in 2012 at the age of 82 or 83.

Obit:

IRVIN STARK

Irvin Stark passed away on Monday, May 28, 2012 at the Pasqua Hospital at the age of 82. Left to cherish his memory are Agnes, his wife of 61 years; son Chester (Dianne); daughter Judy Livingstone; grandchildren Rose Duddy (Jeremy), Leanne Brown (Joel), Katie Livingstone (Jesse Tocker), and Dr. Laura Stark ND (Chaun McCurdy); 8 great grandchildren all of Regina and

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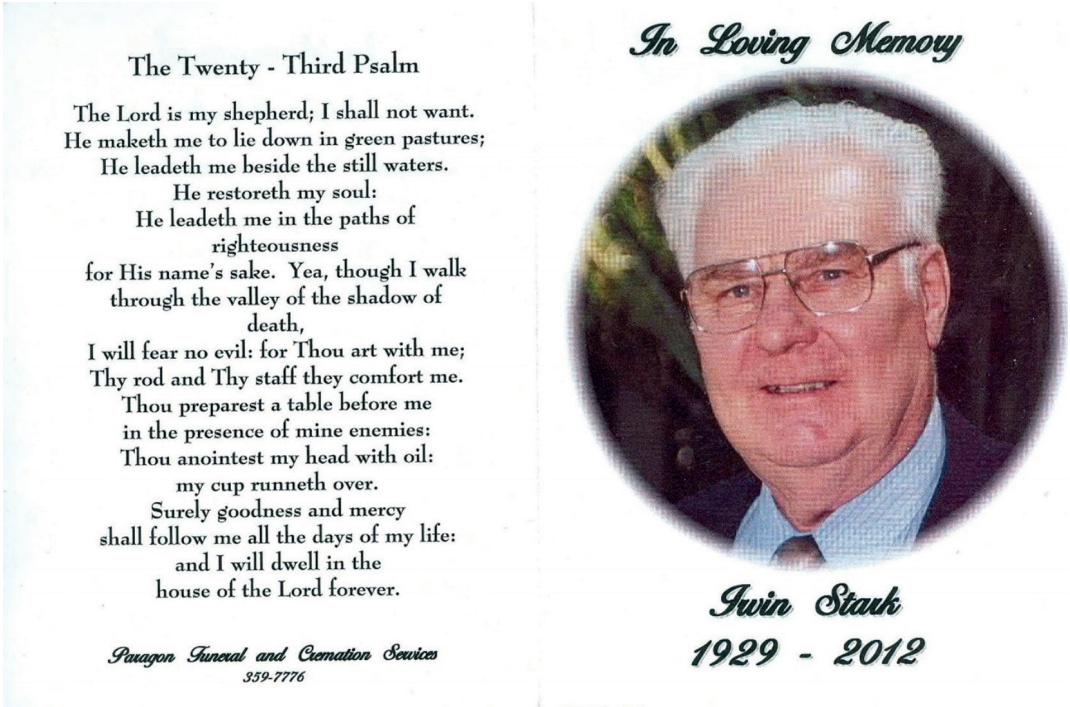
12 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/125193454/otto-ullrich
13 Collection Elaine Iles (neé Assman)

brother Allan (Karen) Staerk of Vancouver, B.C. A celebration of Irvin's life will be held at Zion United Church, 120 Broad St. on Friday, June 1, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Saskatchewan, 279 3rd Ave. N. Saskatoon, SK. S7K 2H8 or to a charity of your choice.



The Twenty - Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;
He leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of
righteousness
for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of
death,
I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me;
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil:
my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the
house of the Lord forever.

Paragon Funeral and Cremation Services
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In Loving Memory

Irvin Stark
1929 - 2012



Irvin and Agnes Stark headstone[14]

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POSTSCRIPT

So this is the “History of the Assmann Family” as it can be told at the end of 2024.

And, to say it straight away: some biographical data and facts may not be complete, some are probably missing, and there will most likely also be a few mistakes or errors to be discovered in the text.

But that is the characteristic of every historical account: it is based on the material that is available, and it can hardly ever be absolutely objective, but is always the result of interpretation. And, of course, it also depends on how much time and energy was available for the research. Womanpower, to be precise here.

Moreover, the story doesn't end here, it continues. It would be wonderful if this family history could be an inspiration for many of you to rummage through your own memories. There are certainly many things that would make this family picture even more colourful and detailed. Variety is the motto here: from e.g. photos, documents or newspaper clippings to everything that makes individual family life so special – be it the recollections of special traditions, be it songs or stories, be it special recipes.

The “History of the Assmann Family” shows that the Assmanns have made their homes in many different places around the world: In Canada, the USA, New Zealand, Germany and Austria. And the wonderful thing is that they have not lost touch with each other, but that contacts have even intensified in recent times - which is certainly related to the current interest in this special family history.

So: the story continues - may it bring us all happiness and joy.

Judith Silverthorne, 31 December 2024

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APPENDIX 1

Mary Shpak

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THE SPECIAL DAY FEBRUARY 2, 1938

It was a cold stormy windy day.

Dad took the lantern and walked up on the hill. Walking back and forth (west was the well, good water). Waiting for the Dr. [W.A. Bearden] to come by cutter and horse. I think Dr brought Aunt Mary Piller (Lorraine Bruch's mother). By early morning Mary and Johnny were born. Johnny always said he was a gentleman (lady's first). When we went to the bedroom, there was Phil, Mary and Johnny on the bed. Mary was called Gertie and Johnny was Henzie. It was when they started school when they were called Mary and Johnny. Always happy and pleasant to everyone young or old. Always had friends.

Cold winter evening, Johnny would walk from one window to another, waiting for someone to come and visit or play. As for Mary, when Eddy [Tank] came my courting days. One time he came, brought me cherries. HIs words were to (cool your temper).

Next time he came, Mary went and asked, "Where are the cherries?"

Eddy had a red truck on the box he put his initials, E.M. Tank by this time they could read. So Mary asked, "Is your name, Mary, too!?

Eddy also in summer time he wore white trousers with a coloured shirt. Mary asked him why he is wearing underwear?
Was a busy but happy household – washday every day. We were happy when we came to school. Children Adults. Always asked how are the Twins? We always felt very proud and happy to say they are doing well.



I guess by the time they started school/church everyone was glad to see, hear, and play with them.
My evening chore was to rock the 3 to sleep [Phil 13 months old, Mary and Johnny]. Johnny right, Philip left side in the rocking chair and Mary in the middle. Most of the time, I succeeded, I think, putting them to sleep.

Submitted by Eileen Tank

WHAT WAS IT LIKE LIVING ON A FARM?



Parents Karl & Sophie Assman.
Eileen, Emma, Karl, Johnny, Philip, Gladys, Clifford Vernetta & Frieda
Missing on photo :wife Sophie, Eleanor & Alfred

Homestead - 4 miles NW of Killaly, ¾ section 11-21-7 W2, mixed farming.

No Electricity: kerosene or coal oil lamps were used for light.

Car garage was built with an extra length added for the purpose of storing ice blocks in the cellar below. Ice was carved by saw from a dugout and hauled by sleigh and stacked on top of each other and covered with saw dust; this kept perishable food (dairy products and table food) cool all summer.

Included in this addition was a separator that separates milk into cream and skimmed milk which was consumed while the rest was used to feed calves. Enough cream was saved to make butter and cottage cheese; the excess was sold. The cream was stored in a 5 gallon cream can and sold to the Co-op creamery for $5.00.

Eggs sold from about 50 chickens were also sold for about $.35 dozen. The money from the eggs and cream was Mom's spending money for daily household needs. Pigs were also a source of income at about $40, cows $200, chickens $1.

Firewood was used for oven cook stoves and coal burning heaters for warmth.

Drinking water pumped from a well.

Rain collecting system was the runoff water from the house roof into a large water tank. In the '50s when another addition to the house was added a hand pump was installed beneath the floor.

Laundry day (Mondays) water or snow was collected in a large boiler and heated on the wood stove.

A wringer washing machine was hand powered; soiled clothes were rubbed and moved through water.

Clothes were hung outside on clothes lines. In the winter when clothes froze would be taken indoors or to a grain bin to dry. Clothes were sprinkled with water and pressed with stove heated irons.

We had a windmill to provide power in the early 1950s. The windmill charged 32 batteries in the house basement which generated power for household use. It is at this time kerosene and coal oil lamps were replaced with light bulbs, electric irons and washing machine. When the wind didn't blow, we couldn't us the electric appliances.

Out-house two seat toilets or indoor chamber pot.

Smoke sheds used for smoking sausage, bacon sides and other meats dominate the prairie landscape.

Telephone party line circuit shared by 6 local farm subscribers. A central phone station operator in Neudorf connected long distance callers and emergency alerts. The wooden box phone was attached to the wall.

Carrots, cabbage, poppy seeds and several hundred pounds of potatoes stored in the house cellar (half earth, half cement). Peas, corn, beans, rhubarb, chicken, beef, liver sausage and cream were preserved in two quart sealers in a hot water canner on the stove. Mother would literally preserve hundreds of quarts of vegetables and fruit. Wild Saskatoons, chokecherries, raspberries and bought fruit were prepared in jars of jams and jellies.

Six horses were required for the operation of the farm used to pull implements to cultivate, seed and harvest crops of wheat, oats and barley. In Fall 4 horses are hitched to a binder where grain sheaves are bound with twine physically eight sheaves made up one stoke of many to dry until threshing began. When rain would wet the stokes it would delay the threshing until it dried again. My dad and neighbor Carl

Gerhardt co-shared ownership of a steel wheeled tractor and threshing machine. Four neighboring farmers involved met deciding the rotation of farm land to be threshed.

Many long hours of hard work six days a week. House wives prepared 3 meals and 2 lunches for all the men. Often teens help was not available because school had started. The women would take over the fall chores and continue with daily duties with the children.

The family farm, church, and school were Mary's life — sheltered and reserved. The radius of her travel for the first 16 years were about 50 miles from home.

WHAT WERE YOUR MOM AND DAD LIKE WHEN YOU WERE A CHILD?

I remember my mom holding her German Bible with worn pages. She knelt with us kids at her bedside for nightly prayers.

She was a kind and godly mother that taught us how to behave and treat others with respect and dignity. Seldom was she idle besides her home and family responsibly she would meet with neighbors and quilt donations for Lutheran Relief.

Sundays was always a day of rest. Church services were every Sunday at 3:00. It was usually preached in German and there was no Sunday school. We all attended regularly, snow, sleet or rain.

My father after morning chores before breakfast went faithfully to the living room window pulled the sheers behind him and quietly prayed. Grace was said before meals blessing our food with thankfulness.

Our family attended Killaly St. John's Lutheran Church services every Sunday sharing congregation pastoral resources with Christ Lutheran Church in Neudorf. In the early '50s W. Riekert was the pastor and as teenagers Philip, Johnny and I attended 2 hour confirmation classes via a train to Neudorf.

Confirmations day was a solemn commitment for 18 confirmands by confidently giving testimony to the congregation when questioned by the pastor why we believe Jesus is Lord and the Bible is the true word of God, hence becoming a Lutheran church member.

A verse sang on confirmation Sunday, "Take my hand dear Father and lead thou me and at journey's end dwell with thee, alone I will not wonder one single day so do thou guide my footsteps on life's rough way."

I am thankful to my parents, pastor and church for continuing their faith journey of Christian heritage from generation to generation. Was it a coincidence that when Pastor Riekert transferred to Trinity Lutheran Church, Regina, that my future husband Don was also confirmed at Trinity prior to our marriage?

Leaving farm life in 1963 my parents moved to Melville enjoying city living. Father was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer suffering severe pain for many months cared for by mother and older sisters. Three days prior to his death he was hospitalized and with his loving family at his bedside recited his familiar prayer of faith and consciously participated in the Lords supper. Passed away at 78.

Mother was hospitalized for 2 ½ years with a stroke completely paralyzed also effecting her ability to speak. It was with compassion we understood her frustration with her many attempts to communicate with us. Prayed that she felt our hugs and kisses. Passed away at 79.



HOW DID YOU GET TO SCHOOL AS A CHILD?

We lived on a farm 4 miles from Killaly School. Two elementary rooms and one high school.

My dad during the winter hitched a horse to a sleigh, handed the reins to the oldest brother as the driver. A blanket made with tanned horse hide and a heated stone were used for warmth to and from school. Because we lived in a remote area there was no snow ploughing for most of the winter. Fresh snow sleigh trails were made winding through several farm yards and fields. I recall when we tipped out of our sleigh because of a high snow drift. Fortunately our horse did not run away and we arrived home safely.

Our transportation to school was a one horse drawn sleigh or buggy. Our trip of 3.5 miles to the livery barn in Killaly followed by a 12 minute walk to the two-room school. Our horse was kept in the livery barn for the day. Our wearing apparel consisted of: hooded parka, breeches, long underwear, felt shoes inside boots, knitted scarves and mitts. A one horse buggy was used for the summer months.

In 1954-1955, because Mary was the last child in the family attending school, she was boarding with Aunt Mary Piller during winter Monday to Friday. My bedroom was in a unheated attic with an open stairway. It was used for storage, for clothing etc., hanging on rafters, one light bulb. It was cold and sometimes I felt afraid. A mature teacher also roomed and boarded with us. She ate her meal and disappeared into her room until morning. We all went to bed at 9:00. My weekly clothing suitcase from home consisted of underwear, PJ's, perhaps 1 top brush, comb and pads. I wore 1 pair of jeans for the week and I exchanged washed jeans when I returned to school the following week.

The warmer season Mary continued to ride alone in a horse drawn buggy.

Mary did not socialize outside of school hours. There were only six students in her class in a one-room Killaly High School. She completed grade 9 but did not pass, that is she was the only one taking Home Economics. I did not received instructions of any kind she was given a book to read.

At 17, Mary regrettably did not return to school.

When living in Yorkton I attended high school upgrade classes and received my GED grade 12 Certificate which was required for Provincial Government employment.



Mary is the girl wearing a plaid dress in the front row. Johnny, her brother is to the right of the teacher, Mr. G. Hack. c. 1949.



Killaly School - Mary is seated in the first row, second from the back, c. 1954.
Standing left to right: Jack Hanoski (principal), Donald Sapara, Rynold Paidel, Claude Hoedel, Clayton Hack, Jim Sapara, Arthur Holstein, Harol Holstein, and Audrey Dietrick. Sitting left to right: Corrine Rogolski, Sylvia Hanoski, Linda Paidel, Leona Sapara, Shirley Brown, Mary Assman, Delphia Meier, and Corolie Dietrick.

HOW DID YOU GET YOUR FIRST JOB?

In the Fall of 1957, at age 18 with suit case, $40 and a one way ticket to Regina via Greyhound bus, I left my secure farm life behind. I moved in with my sister Emma and her friend Ethel Hauser. We shared a kitchen and a large room in the upstairs of a house; rent was $37.

I wasted no time looking for work. I accepted my first job offer from the Co-Op Creamery starting immediately. My temporary position was to towel dry turkeys that had been soaked in cold water prior to being sealed in plastic freezer bags ready for market. I received $10 per day.

My second job in Regina was working three weeks at Simpson Sears Catalogue warehouse packaging children's parkas for mail orders.

Amazingly my sister Emma submitted a character reference at General Films where she was employed and I started work two weeks later. I held several positions and worked there for five years, 1957 - 1963.



Mary, Marilyn Cline, and Emma Assman

My first position I was revising 16 mm films which were rented out to small town theaters. (Reels of film were checked for tears by placing your fingers over the film and running the whole reel from beginning to end and splicing the tear. Boring!)

Last 4 years, I was promoted to photographic equipment advertising and managing office mailings. I loved this job.

I worked until June 1st prior to the birth of Shelley June 20, 1961. I resigned my job for 10 months and was rehired. I stayed home collecting unemployment insurance for 9 months before returning to work at General Films.

Babysitters for Shelley were: Freda Sprigs, Arlene Peppler, Doris Rogoz, and Sue Crawford between 1961 and 1968.

These photos are from General Films Ltd.:



General Films





General Films Ltd. - 5 year gold ring award banquet

EMPLOYMENT CAREER

GENERAL FILMS LIMITED 1956 - 1961
Movie film reels distributors
Movie film reels shipped to small town theatres
Movie film reels returned, inspected for damages and mended
Postal office manager, sent advertisement to photographic stores and handled office mail.

TEES & PERSE Limited 1962 – 1968
Wholesale food & general consignment warehouse Invoice calculation and typing – receptionist

SASKATCHEWAN HEALTH DEPT.
Communicable Disease Control Clerk II
Admin. Officer Jo Hislop 1973 – 1987
Director Dr. G. Davidson 1973 – 1978
Director Dr. R. Mathias 1979 – 1981 Clerk III
Director Dr. A. Heimann 1981 – 1983 Exec.
Director Dr. R. West. 1983 – 1986
Laboratory Disease Control, Management Support MS4
Executive Director, Dr. R. West 1986 – 1989
Chief Microbiologist, Dr. E. Chan 1988 – 1989
Director, Dr. G. Horsman 1989 – 1996
Executive Director, Dr. L. Strand 1989 – 1996
Pediatrician, Dr. H. Grocott 1980 - 1986

Summary job descriptions in order listed

Provide secretarial duties to the Provincial Epidemiologist and administration officer.

Knowledgeable of ordering, distributing, receiving vaccines and drugs for immunization and VD Control.

Handle or assist in all necessary requirements for stock, check inventory, expiry date, telephone orders, returns, back orders, process accounts for payment costing and issuance.

Supervise and train 2 typists and 1 statistical clerk.

Weekly management meetings, record and distribute minutes.
Monthly Sask. Health Deputy Minister's secretarial meetings for the purpose of gathering feedback from other departmental colleagues.

MARY'S TESTIMONIES

My First Time Experiencing a Healing

In 1973, at the close of the church board meeting Pastor Koester prayed for a healing for Don as he could barely speak and had mentioned he was scheduled for surgery on his sinuses in 10 days.

This surgery involved operating through his mouth and stuffed with cotton to stop the bleeding before returning home.

On January 9, Don was admitted to the hospital and another x-ray was taken prior to his surgery the next morning which was a normal practice.

January 10, Don was prepared for surgery by injection him with anesthetic in the operating room. The doctor approached with x-ray in hand announced with astonishment that Don's sinuses were normal and the surgery was cancelled.

After a short nap to overcome the drowsiness from the anesthetic, Don called me to my surprise to pick him up and take him home. Don's office had a gift delivered to the hospital that morning before he had a chance to tell them the surgery was cancelled and that he would return back to work.

Don had an appointment preciously scheduled with his doctor following surgery and looked forward to seeing him and to tell him about his miraculous healing but suddenly his doctor had passed away before he saw him.

Full Gospel Businessmen, 1977

It is a Christian God believing bible based organization where men gather monthly to pray and share the gospel.

Don was invited to attend and was listening intently to several testimonies of past sessions one of which was how the power of the Holy Spirit was able to curb the desire to smoke.

He had started smoking at age 9 often rolling his own cigarettes. Now at age 40 he had tried kicking the habit without success. When the alter call was presented to come forward for prayer he did without hesitation folding his hands, closed eyes and agreeing with the prayer to stop smoking.

The next day, Don, did not desire to smoke but carried his cigarettes in his pocket for days before finally discarding them for good.

Mary Diagnosis of Suspicious Breast Cancer.

I had a hysterectomy in 1979, the operation went well and it was recommended to have an 8 week convalescent time off work. Following an 8 day discharge from the hospital I begin to notice that I had noticeable secretion leaking from my nipples which alarmed me; I called my gynecologist for a checkup.

To my surprise the doctor phoned Don at his work place whom he had never met to tell him he suspected cancer and he made an appointment for me to have a CT scan at the Plains Hospital in 3 weeks.

This news put me in a tailspin of fear as the C word could mean many things which I could not cope with very well . Many fearful thoughts haunted me: Will my life come to an end? Shelley (12) Shay (5), how would Don manage raising our daughters? My nerves were so intense I had to stand up in order to swallow water.

Pastor Dan was a preacher that would persistently encourage our congregation to read, trust and have faith in God's promises, which he was so capable of teaching. Weekly life with God classes and the added Sunday evening services became our way of life. His preaching included healing sessions.

Now that my life was in an uncertain situation I had to draw on my faith to get me through this ordeal so I didn't hesitate searching for spiritual intervention.

1. Pastor Dan and Pastor Muller, a visiting pastor, prayed with me in his church office.

2. Glen Elm Church prayer chain from the church prayed. (I was also a coordinator at the time.

3. Don, without hesitation, asked the elders after a council meeting to come to our house to pray for me which they did, anointing me with oil on my forehead.

James 5:14-16

Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess your faults one to another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much.

4. I called my school friend Marlene and her husband from Langley. I explained my dilemma and my request for prayer; we often discussed the power of prayer taught by Pastor Dan which they also believed in the divine healing by the Holy Spirit.

Their prayer group were gathering the next evening and Marlene would sit in proxy for me.

During that same night I was very restless and could not sleep until shortly before dawn. In desperation I cried out to God help me, take control of my life; a term I never heard before, immediately a surge of warmth entered my body and a sense of relief encompassed me into a deep sleep. The next morning Marlene called saying yes we did pray for you last night and the interpretation from the Lord was that you have been healed. Then continued, I am not sure how you would be convinced this happened via proxy as this is a new revelation for us. Yes, Marlene it did happen I felt a surge of warmth all over my body.

On the third week the CT scan result revealed that the results were negative. I cannot confirm either way if there was a healing or if there never was cancer, BUT what I do know is that I had a spiritual healing.

Perfect Timing

My twin brother Johnny was a normal fun-loving hard working individual; he never married and as an adult occasionally lived with our parents. He had various jobs over the years but his passion was farming and later in life gave that up. In his mid-50s he suffered from mental illness, which likely was brought on following our mother's stroke leaving her paralyzed in hospital for 2 years before she passed away. He could not bear to visit her in the hospital. Our family was saddened as he distanced himself from our family of 11 and eventually was hospitalized and cared for by the psychiatric unit at the Yorkton hospital. We visited him several times a year while a patient there.

On one Sunday evening church service at prayer time pastor Dan asked us to find someone near us and pray together. Don moved to pray with another man across the aisle and I remained sitting with a lady I had never met before. I asked her if she had any special prayer requests and she told me that her brother from B.C. and she had an argument which she desperately wanted prayer to reconcile. I could not recall what my prayer need was at that time.

When we were through praying together she asked did you notice a veil covering us while in prayer blocking out all sound from others praying and I said, "no, tell me about it I had never heard of that before." God was in our midst she tearfully implied.

Returning home at 9:30, we unlocked our door to a ringing phone. It was brother Johnny, I was in disbelief it was him, I asked him if there was any special reason he called but he said no just thinking of us. The conversation was like a dream come true since not receiving calls from him for several years.

That was the last time we communicated followed by a suicidal overdose sometime later.



I believe that the prayer at church for this lady's brother for reconciliation and forgiveness was also my heart's desire for me and my brother. It is no coincidence that God's perfect timing for the phone call from Johnny is a reminder how much God loves me, giving me peace by not feeling guilty about how Johnny ended his life.



APPENDIX 2

JUDITH SILVERTHORNE: HOW I BECAME A FAMILY HISTORIAN. A TRIBUTE TO EDWARD ASSMANN

Without Edward Assmann, this Assmann Family History would not exist!

When I was about ten or twelve, my family visited my grandparents on their farm near Grenfell, where they had moved in 1961. One day, my mom's cousin, Edward (Eddy) Assmann, stopped by. I was captivated by the way he asked questions—digging for stories, dates, and details about our ancestors. That encounter planted a seed.

Years later, in the 1970s, I was inspired to begin my own family history research. I reached out to Edward, only to learn he had sadly passed away on March 1, 1975, at the age of 59. Undeterred, I contacted his widow, Elizabeth (Beth) Assmann, and eventually, she arrived at my doorstep with a box of his research—first as a loan, then as a gift. Inside were precious details collected from older relatives, many already gone.

From there, I began writing letters across North America, connecting with family members and collecting stories. I was fortunate that some grandparents, great-grandparents, and great-aunts and uncles were still alive, offering memories that enriched the growing archive.

In 1980, using Edward's notes and my own research, I compiled a modest family history booklet. I typed it by hand on an old typewriter, added a few photographs and hand-drawn maps, and made family tree charts. I distributed copies to relatives for the cost of printing. Then life took over—I moved, started a family, and set the project aside for many years.

It wasn't until meeting Shelley in 2013 that my passion was reignited. We initially focused on the North American branches, but as she discovered the depth of my research into earlier times, we expanded our research to the Old Countries. Our travels through Europe became a shared journey of discovery, piecing together the lives of our ancestors.

It has been a deeply rewarding experience—but it all began with that early encounter with Edward Assmann and the curiosity he sparked in me.

This family history is dedicated to his memory, with heartfelt thanks to Beth Assmann for preserving and sharing his invaluable collection.

Judith Silverthorne, June 2025