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PARPART-KAMTZ GENEALOGY

1838-1980

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David Parpart

Born: About 1838

Died: September 22, 1885

Married Bertha Werner 1874

Born: December 25, 1853 Simkau, West Prussia, Germany

Died: February 8, 1938 Hampton, Nebraska

David Parpart homesteaded on a farm two miles east of Hampton, Nebraska. He lived in a sod house and was a charter member of the Zion Lutheran Church northeast of Hampton, Nebraska. He was a farmer and also a blacksmith. David became a widower early in his married life, being left with five children. The youngest an ailing baby girl who was being cared for by a Grandmother Rhode. Other children were Rudolph, Emelie who married a Mr. Pohl, Ferdinand, and Emma who married a Mr. Buller.

Bertha Werner, Daughter of Annie Taube, West Preusen, Germany was born on Christmas day at Simkau, West Prussia, Germany. In early infancy she was baptized in the Lutheran Church at Bekowitz, and later was confirmed in Zitrotzke, West Prussia. For a time her family lived in Poland.

In the year 1874, Bertha and a companion left Germany and their families and came across the ocean in a sail ship to begin a new life in the United States of America. It was a very sad day in her life; but a friend had written to her and said she could marry a good provider in Nebraska.

Some of the days on the ocean were very trying. They saw whales as large as their sail ship and she told that many times they went backward more than forward in a day.

When they got to the United States they were given some rides, but also had to do a lot of walking toward their destination to Nebraska. Bertha and her friend had to cross an icy river in the east. They jumped from iceberg to iceberg carrying their belongings tied in a bundle. They finally arrived in Seward, Nebraska where they were met by two men. When Bertha saw the men, she hoped that the man driving the team of horses would be the man she would marry. That man was David Parpart.

David Parpart and Bertha Werner were married in the year 1874. For a little over ten years they lived on a farm two miles east of Hampton, Nebraska. To this union five children were born to them: Louis, Henry, Bertha, Mary and Richard.

Tragedy struck early again in this marriage. While putting up hay, David was bitten by a rattle snake. He had to be taken to Aurora, Nebraska to the closest Doctor, by horse and wagon. He died on the way. Funeral services were conducted in Zion Lutheran Church and burial was in Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Bertha Werner Parpart

Born: December 25, 1853 Simkau, West Prussia, Germany

Died: February 8, 1938 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Albert Kamtz March 9, 1886

Born July 2, 1861 Flackenheidt Province Pommern, Europe

Died: June 8, 1947

Albert Kamtz was born in Flackenheide Province, Pommern, Europe. The county seat was Neustettin. He was the son of Master Cabinet Maker Carl Kaemz and his wife Henriette nee Petzke. He was baptized Johann Heinrich Albert Kaemz. He was born on July 2, 1861 and was baptized July 14, 1861. This information was on Alberts baptism certificate which had been given to me by Elaine. The certificate had been legally documented in Pommern on December 17, 1920.

Albert immigrated from Westphalia Preusen. The only family he talked about was a brother in Germany who was a banker. Albert lived in Cleveland, Ohio working in a lumber yard until he came to Hampton, Nebraska. On April 30, 1890 he became a Citizen of the United States of America in Hamilton County. Albert mastered the English language real well.

On March 9, 1886 Albert Kamtz, age 24 and Bertha nee Werner Parpart, age 31 were married by the Rev. C.F. Burger at Zion Lutheran Church northeast of Hampton, Nebraska. Witnesses were William Peetzke Sr. and Paul Strehlow. Four children were born to them: William, Mathilda, Carl and Alma.

Albert bought the farm from the Parpart estate; where they lived until the year 1916. They retired to a new home in Hampton, Nebr. which was built by the Parpart sons. On March 9, 1936 they were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding Anniversary.

Albert and Bertha were active church members. Albert serving many years as church elder. Bertha was able to speak the German and Polish languages and in her later years also some English. She was a loving Christian wife, mother and grandmother, bringing sunshine into her home with her Christian hymns, which she would sing daily. She was very joyful when her children came to visit her and was always happy to be "surprised" on her birthday. Her children and grandchildren gathered every year on Christmas day to help her celebrate her birthday until her death.

Funeral services were conducted from St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Hampton, Nebraska. Rev. O.A. Graebner officiating. Interment was in Zion Lutheran Cemetery northeast of Hampton, Nebraska.

The parents of Bertha spent their last years in Illinois. Bertha had a sister who attained the age of 108 years. She also had two brothers, William and August and another sister Anna May, husband Edward Nightengale. These all lived in Coal Valley, Illinois and were buried there.

Albert later married Mrs. Christine Fichtner. ^{31 1934} Albert died in June 1947. Funeral services were conducted from St. Peter's Lutheran Church by Rev. Albert Colcher, as vacancy Pastor of Zion Lutheran Church near Hampton. Interment was in Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Louis A. Parpart

Born: January 15, 1877 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: May 29, 1958 Deshler, Nebraska

Married Minnie Stettner February 21, 1898

Born: June 14, 1876

Died: March 23, 1966

Louis and Minnie lived on a farm near Hampton for a while, later moving to Deshler, Nebraska. Louis was a carpenter. They were privileged to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on February 21, 1958. They were the parents of three children: Cora, Clarence and Earl.

CHILDREN

Cora Parpart

Born: January 21, 1899

Married John Hessler

CHILD

Son

Clarence Parpart

Born: March 23, 1902

Died: 1924 Deshler, Nebraska

Earl Parpart

Born: August 5, 1903

Married Ella February 19, 1927

Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

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Henry E. Parpart

Born: December 6, 1878 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: April 17, 1960 York, Nebraska Burial York, Cemetery

Married Alma Emilie Hankel February 21, 1906

Born: March 30, 1884

Died: March 20, 1978, Memorial Hospital, Aurora, Nebraska

Burial York, Cemetery

Henry Parpart having lost his father at the age of five lived with his mother and brothers and sisters and a little later a step father. As a young man he took up the carpentry trade with Charles Stettner and Alek Eberhard and others.

At about age 20 he and Alek Eberhard and Henry Klone loaded all their possessions into a freight car and headed for Cody or Sho Shonee, Wyoming to stake a homestead claim. The Federal Government was building a dam for irrigation, and his claim was in the area to be irrigated. But the government was too slow coming on, and after many promises and several crop failures they came back to Nebraska..

Henry went back to carpentering and a few years later, married Alma Hankel and settled on a farm known as the Gust Rhode place. After five years they bought the farm six miles north east of Hampton, known as the Robert Hankel farm where they stayed until 1940..

When Henry's sons became old enough to help with farming and not being able to get enough land to keep them busy, Henry again went on the carpentry trail. He built school houses and dwellings. Some of the highlights were building the Bethesda Mennonite Church in Henderson, Nebraska; which at that time was the largest wooden structure in York, County. This was built about 1933. He and Henry Bamesberger got the contract for building the Hampton Auditorium, a PWA project in 1938. In 1940 he joined his son Art, who at that time lived in Fort Dodge Iowa. After several years there he came back and worked at the Hastings Ammunition Depot.

By 1947 he was preparing for retirement and came back to York, Nebraska where he built a home in 1948. He had a stroke at age 72 or 73 and passed away at age of 82 years.

Henry and Alma celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary. They were married 54 years. They were the parents of three children; Selma, Raymond and Arthur.

Selma Clara Parpart

Born: March 16, 1907 Hamilton County

Died: April 19, 1978 Cambridge, Illinois

Married Leo David Wooley December 18, 1929 Zion Lutheran Church
Near Hampton, Nebraska

Born: June 12, 1901 Cable, Illinois

Died:

When a young girl Selma went to Rock Island, Illinois to find work. Here she found her husband Leo Wooley. She came home to be married in Zions Lutheran Church, near Hampton, Nebraska. Selma and Leo spent all of their married life on the farm. At first they lived near Coal Valley, Illinois and later bought a farm near Cambridge, Illinois. They both enjoyed the country life and their garden. They were the parents of four daughters: Lois, Ava, Elma and Velma. Elma dying in infancy.

THEIR CHILDREN

Lois Iva

Born: March 25, 1931 Moline, Illinois

Married Harold Jerome Hegna, January 21, 1956 Coal Valley,
Illinois

Born: May 10, 1923 Granite Falls, Minnesota

THEIR CHILDREN

Marcia Ann

Born: November 12, 1956 Granite Falls, Minnesota

Bruce Allan

Born: September 6, 1960 Granite Falls, Minnesota

Twin Baby Boy

Born: Septmeber 6, 1960 Granite Falls, Minnesota

Died: September 6, 1960 Burial Hawk Creek Cemetery
Sacred Heart, Minnesota

Ava Sylvia (Married Herbert Berryhill, Deceased)

Born: July 26, 1932 Coal Valley, Illinois

Married Charles Frederick Krupla March 26, 1955, Berwyn, Ill.

Born: June 21, 1922, Los Angeles, California

THEIR CHILDREN

Linda Sue Berryhill

Born: December 11, 1952 Kenosha, Wisconsin

Married Lawrence Le Blanc June 28, 1969 Long Island, N.Y.

Born: March 28, 1947 New York

THEIR CHILDREN

Catherine Sue

Born: April 29, 1971 Long Island, New York

Died: September 9, 1971

Erick Joseph Le Blanc
Born: December 8, 1972, Long Island, New York
Charles Jamie Krupla
Born: May 18, 1970 Hinsdale, Illinois

Elma Hulda
Born: August 6, 1936 Coal Valley, Illinois
Died: August 9, 1936 Coal Valley, Illinois
Burial Coal Valley Cemetery

Velma Alma
Born: March 23, 1941 Lutheran Hospital, Moline, Illinois
Married Milburn Buck Spradling August 15, 1959
Lutheran Church, Coal Valley, Ill.
Born: December 23, 1937 St. Louis Missouri

THEIR CHILDREN

Milburn Buck Spradling III
Born: March 24, 1961 Rock Island, Illinois

Raymond William Parpart

Born: January 31, 1909 Hamilton County, Nebraska

Married Anna Driewer March 3, 1935 Zion Lutheran Church near Hampton

Born: October 26, 1910

I was born on a farm two miles east and six miles north of Hampton, Nebraska. At the age of eleven I was Nebraska State's witness in the German Lawsuit Case which was eventually decided in the United States Supreme Court. This was the case in which a law was passed by the Nebraska State Legislature, making it unlawful to teach any language other than English in the elementary schools in the state of Nebraska. Naturally this law was unconstitutional, and was so decided by the United States Supreme Court.

Ann and I were married during the depression years when there were no food stamps or welfare checks. Both of our girls, Joline and Luree were born during the time we lived on a farm three miles north and one half mile east of Hampton, Nebraska where we lived the first five years of our married life. In 1940 we moved to the place we now live, which has been in the same member of the Hankel family for about 93 years. Our entire married life up to the present time was spent farming, during which time we saw farming change from horses to the modern tractor and power farming.

We spent four days vacationing in the Bahamas in January 1972 and an exciting week with our entire family in Hawaii in January 1974. We are building a new home in Hampton and hope to move into it soon.

OUR CHILDREN

Juline Anne

Born: March 30, 1937 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Willis Bonderson October 14, 1962 Zion Lutheran Church, Hampton, Ne.

Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Anne LuRae

Born: December 1, 1977

California

Luree Alma

Born: December 5, 1939 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Richard Wiese February 24, 1979

Born:

Arthur Clarence Parpart

Born: May 12, 1911 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Martha Emma Kohtz March 7, 1937 Zion Lutheran Church
near Hampton, Nebraska

Born: August 8, 1911 Hampton, Nebraska

We lived on the Henry Pohl farm, 1/2 mile east of Zion Church for 3 years. During the drouth and depression there were no crops for 3 years. Our income came from carpenter work that Art was skill@d in

In the fall of 1937 we went to Nampa, Idaho to visit relatives and find work. In five days Art was lucky to get a house to build in Nampa. With the help of Em's brother, Harlan, he started to build getting lumber from a mill in the mountains of Idaho. We came back in February 1938 to farm another year, without any luck. In 1938 to 1939 Art's father and Henry Bamesberger got the contract to build the Hampton Auditorium. Art was asked to be Supervisor on the project. At that time we realized building was to be our way of life. We sold what little livestock we had, bought an all steel blue "Hayes" trailer and left family and friends in October 1939 for Rockwell City, Iowa where Art got a job as a "finish" carpenter for a building contractor.

On Memorial Day, 1940 we moved to Fort Dodge, Iowa and later that year Art went into the building business on his own. We dug basement for our first new home on December 7, 1941, Sunday--Pearl Harbor Day. Due to building restrictions on account of World War 2, construction business came to a halt. We were able to finish our own home. Art planned to join the "Sea-Bees" but the Lord had other plans for him. He was asked to be a Superintendent for the Horn Mfg. Co, who had government contracts. The government granted deferments due to the nature of the work. He traveled 4 years to Air Force bases from coast to coast. During that time Em worked at Olson's Jewelry in Fort Dodge, Iowa. Late in 1945 Art went back into the building business. We developed areas we purchased and built a great many homes, which we love to go back and see and visit folks we built for.

In 1959 we decided to move to San Diego, California to manage an apartment building we had acquired in 1956. We lived their eight years, two years of that time we spent at the Upton Travelodge, a business we traded other property for. We were associated with the Travelodge Corporation for two years. We sold the 24 unit motel and moved to Escondido, California into one of our apartments there and Art took a job with a Cabinet Shop there. Part of that time Em managed a 52 unit Travelodge motel while the owners took an extended vacation.

In the fall of 1967 we came back to Nebraska and have lived in York, Nebraska since that time. Art built a Cabinet Shop and several homes. His business in the York Cabinet Shop has kept him very busy. We enjoy our membership at Faith Lutheran Church and are active in that organization. We have had our share of illnesses but the Lord has been good to us in many ways. We just recently built another new home which we now are enjoying.

Bertha Clara Parpart
Born: December 1, 1880 Hampton, Nebraska
Died: December 22, 1970 York, Nebraska
Married Edward F.A. Collett February 8, 1900 Zion Lutheran Church
Hampton, Nebraska
Born: April 12, 1876 Hampton, Nebraska
Died: January 21, 1936 York, Nebraska

CHILDREN

Infant Boy
Birth and death date unknown

Raymond Arthur Collett
Born: July 8, 1903 near Henderson, Nebraska
Died: September 1, 1976 York, Nebraska
Married Ada Mathilde Schlueter September 17, 1939
Emmanuel Lutheran Church, York, Nebraska
Born: October 31, 1909 near Waco, Nebraska
Died:

THEIR CHILD

Edward Carl
Born: November 10, 1940 York, Nebraska
Married Sandra June Schmitt August 24, 1963 Ventura, Calif.
Born: July 18, 1943

THEIR CHILDREN

Jefferson Ryan
Born: August 16, 1969

Benjamin Marcus
Born: December 21, 1975

Ed and Bertha farmed near Bradshaw and Hampton, until 1934 when they retired to York, Nebraska. Bertha worked very hard and even after they retired. After Ed passed away she kept herself busy helping her neighbors, especially one I recall who she helped with her cleaning and washing dishes when she entertained. They were the parents of two sons, one dying in infancy. Ed lived only two years in retirement leaving Bertha a widow for 34 years.

Ray and Ada lived in York, Nebraska all their married life. Ray was associated with a produce firm for many years. He suffered from Parkinson's disease bearing his burden with patience, his faithful wife caring for him. Ray and Ada were the parents of one child, Edward. After Ray's death Ada moved to California to be near her son and family.

Mary Martha Parpart
 Born: July 29, 1883 Hampton, Nebraska
 Baptized at Zion Lutheran Church near Hampton, Nebraska by Rev. ^{Burger} Theo. Moellering
 Confirmed April 11, 1897 Zion Lutheran Church by Rev. Theo. Moellering
 Died: February 12, 1978 York, Nebraska
 Married Henry Adolph John Rhode May 26, 1904
 Born: March 27, 1879
 Died: March 3, 1966 York, Nebraska

Mary and Henry lived on a farm for three years, then moved to Hampton where he and Wm. Mueller operated a Grocery and Dry Goods store. After five years he returned to the farm on account of his health. In 1946 they retired to York, Nebraska. On May 26, 1954 they celebrated their Golden wedding anniversary; and on May 26, 1964, ten years later were privileged to celebrate their 60th anniversary. Mary and Henry were the parents of five children: Esther, Norma, Cora, Carl and Ronald.

CHILDREN

Esther Rhode

Norma Paula Rhode
 Born: August 31, 1909 Hampton, Nebraska
 Married Russell H. Knight March 7, 1942
 Born:

Before I was married I lived with Grandpa and Grandma Kamtz for more than a year helping care for them. At this time we did a lot of reminiscing of which is recorded in the history of Grandpa and Grandma Kamtz. I worked at Lincoln General Hospital and Bankers Life in Lincoln, Nebraska. Russ and I were married in the home of my parents northeast of Hampton, Nebraska. Russ served his country in the armed services. We are the parents of one child, Eugene. We have lived in Lincoln, Nebraska most of our married life.

OUR CHILD

Eugene Lehman
 Born: October 29, 1943 Junction City, Kansas
 Married Jackie Bolton January 9, 1971 Omaha, Nebraska
 Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Heather Renae
 Born: April 12, 1975

Cora Rhode
Born: Seotember 27, 1911
Married Ferdinand Klone
Born:
Died: December 2, 1968 Kearney, Nebraska

OUR CHILD

David
Born:
Married Lori Kahler
Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Chad
Born:

Mark
Born:

Carl David Rhode
Born: August 4, 1917, Hampton, Nebraska
Married Wanita Dethloff March 11, 1944, Albany, Oregon
Born: April 6, 1919, Polk, Nebraska

Carl was in the Air Force during World War Two--serving from 1941 until 1945. One and a half years spent in the Aleutian Islands..

Wanita served four years with the Army Nurse Corps from 1941 until 1945 during World War Two--serving one and half years in Europe.

We lived on a farm, 2 miles east and 3 miles north of Hampton, Nebraska, from 1945 to 1960. We moved to Seward, Nebraska in 1960. Carl operates his own Building and Contracting Business. Wanita has been employed as supervising Nurse of the Health Center at Concordia Teachers College since August 1961. Each year Wanita travels with the A-Cappella Choir as their Nurse, having gone to every state several times. Since 1971, Carl has been accompanying her on these tours. Both went to Europe in 1971 with the choir traveling through Holland, East and West Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy and France. In 1974, we traveled with the choir, 75 in the group, on a six and one half week World Mission Tour. We especially enjoyed Greece, Egypt, Jerusalem--The Holy Land, Bangkok, Hong Kong and Tokyo and ending our travels with a five day stay in Hawaii. Carl and I are the parents of four children: Cheryl, Jaeris, Carol and ~~David~~.

CHILDREN

Cheryl Ann Rhode

Born: May 22, 1946 Hampton, Nebraska

Married George Stuckenschneider July 10, 1966 Seward, Nebr.

Born: May 11, 1945 St. Charles, Missouri

THEIR CHILDREN

Cale

Born:

Gina

Born:

Jaeris Carl Rhode

Born: March 9, 1949 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Jeri Ann Marr June 14, 1968 Lincoln, Nebraska

Born: December 7, 1950 Utica, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Jennifer

Born:

Janette

Born:

Julie

Born:

Carol Louise Rhode

Born: September 10, 1951 Hampton, Nebraska

Married George Knisley July 5, 1969

Born: May 12, 1949 Goehner, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Jamie

Born:

Ronald Henry Rhode

Born: Septmeber 5, 1927 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Delores Leona Heermann March 21, 1948 Holyoke, Colorado

Born: October 3, 1928 Revenna, Nebraska

Ronald graduated from Hampton High School in 1945, served in the United States Army from February 1946 to April 1947--some of this in Anchorage, Alaska. He attended the University of Colorado from 1947 to 1952, receiving his Bachelor of Science in 1951 and graduate work for one year. He worked in Denver, Colorado with a Certified Public Accounting firm from 1952 until 1956. Since then he has worked in Boulder and since 1957 has been a partner in C.P.A. firms. He is currently with Rhode, Titchenal, Baumann & Scriptor C.P.A.

Delores has served in local and district offices in the Lutheran Womens Missionary League and in July 1979 at the International Convention of Lutheran Womens Missionary League in Omaha, Nebraska; she was elected Third Vice-President, of the International L.W.M.L. Board. Ronald and Delores are the parents of four children: Michel, Paul, David and Kevin.

THEIR CHILDREN

Michel Ann

Born: March 2, 1952

Married Russell Best June 12, 1971

Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Angela Michelle

Born: July 11, 1975

Paul Gerald

Born: December 17, 1953

Married Jayne Nuss August 8, 1975

Born:

David Ronald

Born: February 28, 1957

Kevin Carl

Born: September 2, 1959

Richard David Parpart

Born: November 18, 1885 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: May 26, 1947 Rock Island, Illinois

Married Clara Ristau June 19, 1907 Coal Valley, Illinois

Born: March 14, 1885 Coal Valley, Illinois

Died: Oct. 10, 1979 Rock Island, Illinois

Richard Parpart was born of German decent on the farm two miles east of Hampton, Nebraska. He was baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church near Hampton. Richard's father died before he was born. The following year his mother married Albert Kamtz. Richard lived most of his young life in Nebraska, working and also active in church. While visiting relatives of his mother's in Coal Valley, Illinois he acquired a job on the Schroeder farm. Here he met his wife to be, Clara Ristau. They were married at her home in June 1907 as there was no Lutheran Church in Coal Valley at that time.

After their marriage they came back to Hampton, Nebraska to live on a farm $\frac{1}{4}$ mile east of Zion Lutheran Church. He had the first Model T Ford in the 1900's in that area. He was a great mechanic! He helped many friends and relatives with their car troubles. Richard and his brother Henry operated the steam engine and Rein Klute the separator for a number of years in that neighborhood. He was also a carpenter, a handy-man in many things. He was a great lover of baseball, played on a number of teams. The children in his family loved to see him come as he would play ball or some fun thing with them. He took Berdina, his only daughter around to many places and he loved to go fishing.

After 16 years he left the farm and moved to Fairfield, Nebraska where he bought and ran a garage for a while, then back to Nebraska for a short time, and moving to Rock Island, Illinois where the rest of his life was spent. Richard had a Chicken Hatchery selling baby chicks in the spring and doctoring the chickens the rest of the year. He loved playing with and taking his grandson, David with him when he went to the country. Also loved to play with his granddaughter Diane not a year old yet. He died suddenly on May 26, 1947 at the early age of 61. Richard and Clara were married forty years and were the parents of one daughter, Berdina.

Berdina Clarice Bertha Parpart

Born: June 5, 1914 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Bernard Theodore Olson August 28, 1935 Immanuel Lutheran
Church, Rock Island, Illinois

Born: November 8, 1908 Davenport, Iowa

Berdina was born northeast of Hampton, Nebraska and was baptized at Zion Lutheran Church. She attended school at Zion one year. After living in Fairfield, Nebraska a few years and back to Hampton a short time, she moved with her folks to Rock Island, Illinois. She was confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Rock Island. She graduated from High School in 1932. After graduation Berdina helped her folks with the Chicken Hatchery.

In 1935 Berdina married Bernard Olson, a banker. Berdina was active and still is, in church activities. Bernard was called to service for his country in September 1943 shortly after the birth of their first child, David. Berdina went to live with him for a year at Fort Riley, Kansas where he was stationed. When attending church in Junction City, Kansas Berdina saw her cousin Esther Rhode. Esther's sister, Norma was also living in Junction City with her husband Russ Knight, who was also stationed at Fort Riley. Bernard was discharged in October 1945.

It seemed only a few years until we celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary, with an open house for relatives and friends. After an evening dinner our children gave an interesting program acting out our lives from the past 25 years.

Most of Berdina and Bernard's vacations were spent traveling to "Travelers Protectives Association" conventions, an organization in which Bernard was very active. The most ourstanding and enjoyable trip was to Miami, Florida where we went on a Carribean cruise of eight days.

We celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in August 1975 with an open house in our home to 200 people. In the evening relatives had a buffet dinner for us and about 80 guests. Berdina's hobbies include home decorating, knitting, crocheting, sewing ofr children and playing golf. Her favorite color is blue.

Berdina and Bernard come to Nebraska often joining in on the festivities of the cousins parties held yearly. They also attended the Centennial celebration of the Zion Lutheran Church near Hampton, Nebraska in September 1973. Berdina and Bernard are the parents of three children: David, Diane and Doreen.

David Bernard Olson
Born: June 23, 1943
Married Jean Ellen Westmeyer August 14, 1965
Born: March 8, 1943

THEIR CHILDREN

David Bernard Jr.
Born: January 4, 1968

Michael Joseph
Born: February 8, 1970

Philip Theodore
Born: August 13, 1974

Diane Claire Olson
Born: August 2, 1945
Married David Paul Mueller May 1, 1976
Immanuel Lutheran Church, Rock Island, Ill.
Born: December 11, 1945

THEIR CHILDREN

Heather Marie
Born: January 17, 1978

Doreen Berdina Olson
Born: June 20, 1948
Married Russell Main Marquis November 16, 1969
Born: September 8, 1947

THEIR CHILDREN

Amy Lee
Born: June 2, 1967

William Karl August Kamtz
Born: July 14, 1888 Hampton, Nebraska
Died December 3, 1966 York, Nebraska
Married Clara Wilhemina Otto November 1, 1911
Born: September 20, 1887
Died: October 24, 1968 York, Nebraska

Will and Clara farmed all their life until they retired to York, Nebraska in 1948. Will enjoyed going to farm sales, which he attended when time would permit. Clara played the piano and gave lessons, mostly to her son Donald. I remember the family played several instruments and could produce nice music for their own entertainment. On October 29, 1961 they were privileged to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary at Emmanuel Lutheran Church with an open house. Many friends and relatives wished them well at this happy occasion. Will and Clara were the parents of three sons: Willis, Glade and Donald.

THEIR CHILDREN

Willis Ralph Kamtz
Born: August 9, 1914 Hampton, Nebraska
Married Winifred Bernice Werth October 20, 1940 Hampton, Nebraska
Born: October 17, 1919 Hampton, Nebraska

We lived for two years in York, Nebraska where Willis worked at Towle Motor Company. On December 26, 1942 Willis left to serve in World War Two. He was gone three years of which 29 months were spent overseas. We then moved back to York where we bought our first home. Since then we have lived in two other new homes. Willis worked for Towle Motor until September 1958, then the York Foundry until December 1962 and now he works for Geis Motors. I (Winifred) was a seamstress for a number of years. For the past 17 years I have worked for Boyer Pharmacy.

OUR CHILDREN

Bonnie Lou
Born: September 28, 1942 Hampton, Nebraska
Married Martin Gates Jr. October 1, 1961 York, Nebraska
Born: August 14, 1940 Lincoln, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Lori Ann
Born: June 22, 1962 Salina, Kansas

Kelly Ross
Born: April 25, 1964 York, Nebraska

Brett Stuart
Born: May 30, 1965 York, Nebraska

Heather Elizabeth
Born: July 4, 1968 York, Nebraska

Eric Jon
Born: December 16, 1969 Omaha, Nebraska

Glade Virgil Kamtz

Born: March 22, 1918 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Norma Elaine Madsen March 18, 1944 Hampton, Nebraska

Born: June 16, 1924 Hampton, Nebraska

Glade lived at Hampton all his life--farmed, first 9 miles northeast of Hampton on the Dr. Walter Roehrs farm and when his parents retired to York, Nebraska; Glade and Norma moved on his fathers place, 1½ miles of Hampton, Nebraska. In February 1960 we moved to Lincoln, Nebraska. Glade became a city mail carrier in 1961 and still is busy with this job. Norma worked for the District Office, Missouri Synod from 1961 until 1971. Since then she has had a Civil Service job. First with Dept. of Agriculture and last with the Veterans Administration, Lincoln, Nebraska as a clerk-typist. Glade and Norma are the parents of four children: Janice, Gerald, JoAnn and Jean.

THEIR CHILDREN

Janice May

Born: May 19, 1946 Hampton, Nebraska

Married John C. Wright December 11, 1976 Lincoln, Nebr.

Born: December 10, 1947 Sydney, Australia

Gerald Lee

Born: September 23, 1949 Hampton, Nebraska

JoAnn Elaine

Born: March 21, 1951 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Rick Elliott--Divorced

Re-married Rick Wassenberg September 3, 1977

Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Todd Richard Elliott

Born: February 2, 1969

Jean LaVonne

Born: January 31, 1958 Hampton, Nebraska

Donald Edward Kamtz

Born: July 15, 1923 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Dorothy Henrietta Grotelueschen June 6, 1948

Columbus, Nebraska, Christ Lutheran Church

Born: August 19, 1926

Donald and Dorothy lived in York, Nebraska for a number of years. Donald as a Rural mail carrier and other jobs and Dorothy worked in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church office in York for many years. Several years ago they bought a farm near Axtell, Nebraska. They are now living on their farm a dream come true. Donald and Dorothy are the parents of three children: Katherine, Warren and MinDee Jo.

THEIR CHILDREN

Katherine Ann

Born: July 5, 1949 York, Nebraska

Married Stephen Bergstrom August 18, 1968 York, Nebraska

Born:

THEIR CHILDREN

Brian Jeffrey

Born: November 10, 1972

Kevin Jay

Born: October 1, 1974

Warren William

Born: October 6, 1953 York, Nebraska

MinDee Jo

Born: November 28, 1955 York, Nebraska

Mathilda Kamtz

Born: October 23, 1890 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: January 14, 1971 York, Nebraska

Married Henry J. Pohl April 9, 1913 Zion Lutheran Church, Hampton
by Rev. C.F. Brommer

Born: September 15, 1890

Died: January 1, 1976 York, Nebraska

Tillie and Henry lived on their farm 4 mile east of Zion Lutheran Church all their married life until in May 1936 they moved to York, Nebraska. Henry managed a Farmers Union Produce Station until he retired. They were married 58 years. Henry and Tillie were the parents of two children: Ruby and Dale. Dale died at the age of six.

THEIR CHILDREN

Ruby Evelyn Pohl

Born: April 3, 1914 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Carl Julius Schlueter April 9, 1939 Emmanuel Lutheran
Church, York, Nebraska

Born: September 15, 1913

Died: January 25, 1978 York, Nebraska

THEIR CHILD

Linda Ann

Born: January 1, 1942

Married Eugene R. Rathjen July 10, 1960 Emmanuel Lutheran
Church, York, Nebraska

Born: June 6, 1936

THEIR CHILDREN

Melinda Marie

Born: April 26, 1965

Michael Eugene

Born: February 22, 1967

Matthew Kevin

Born: October 31, 1969

Michelle Sue

Born: February 27, 1974

Dale

Born: 1928 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: 1934 Hampton, Nebraska

Karl Gustave Albert Kamtz

Born: April 1, 1893 Hampton, Nebraska

Died January 30, 1975 Aurora, Nebraska Burial York, Cemetery

Married Alma Louisa Emma Klute April 26, 1916 St. John Lutheran
Church Seward, Nebraska

Born: March 27, 1894 northeast of Hampton, Nebraska

Died: May 8, 1966 York, Nebraska Burial York Cemetery

Carl and Alma both were baptized and confirmed at Zion Lutheran Church by Rev. Theo. Moellering. They also attended the Parochial School at Zion. They were married in 1916 and farmed on the place where Carl was born until the spring of 1944 when they retired to York, Nebraska. During their retirement Dad did odd jobs to keep him busy and Mother enjoyed her church activities and visiting the sick. Their children surprised them on their 40th wedding anniversary by inviting their relatives for an afternoon of visiting. Dad played the piano for pastime and Mother always enjoyed this, especially after she became bedfast. They lived a life of happiness together for 50 years. Carl and Alma were the parents of three children: Velma, Melvin and Janelle.

THEIR CHILDREN

Velma Arline

Born: December 3, 1917 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Louis Otto Bamesberger April 13, 1941 Hampton, Nebraska
St. Peter Lutheran Church

Born: July 24, 1916 Hampton, Nebraska

I was baptized in Zion Lutheran Church by Rev. C.F. Brommer and confirmed by Rev. H.W. Degner. Louis was baptized in Salem Lutheran Church by H. Wm. Meyer and confirmed in St. Peter Lutheran by Rev O.A. Graebner. We both attended Parochial School and were graduated from Hampton High School. We farmed for 33 years. In 1964 a tornado went through the state of Nebraska of which we were among the victims. Most of our buildings were destroyed beyond repair, and a lot of our machinery. We built a new home and other buildings which were needed. One good thing came from this disaster in realizing how much people really care. I will never forget how quickly our community got organized and how they fed all of the help who came to clean up. We will forever be grateful to all of our relatives and friends. Louis' folks farm buildings were also destroyed, which land we also were farming. Which doubled our work.

In 1974 Louis turned the farming over to the boys and was sales manager for Todd Seed Company for one year. This involved quite a bit of traveling which he was not especially fond of. He was offered the job of Feed Manager for the Hampton, Co-op Elevator which was more appealing. As I write this in 1980 he still holds that job. In 1975 we moved to Aurora, Nebraska where we built a brick home. Eugene was the contractor and Dale and the rest of the family helped too. We have five children, Kathleen, LaVerne, Eugene, Dale and Dean. Life has been interesting and we do thank the Lord for all the blessings he has given us.

OUR CHILDREN

Kathleen Sharon

Born: May 25, 1942 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Gwynuel Dee Johnson August 12, 1961 St. Peter Luth.
Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: November 3, 1939 Polk, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Bradley Dee

Born: April 4, 1962 Central City, Hospital

Sandra Kay

Born: March 2, 1964 Central City Hospital

Beverly Ann

Born: September 1, 1966 Lincoln General Hospital

Laverne Louis

Born: September 16, 1943 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Gloria Mae Dissmeyer April 14, 1963 Zion Lutheran
Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: June 19, 1943 Hampton, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Robin Lee

Born: March 13, 1965 Aurora Hospital

Craig Allen

Born: October 20, 1968 Aurora Hospital

Eugene Charles

Born: November 15, 1944 York Hospital, York, Nebraska

Married Petra Joy Schlechte October 28, 1967 St. Peter's Lutheran
Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: June 6, 1947

THEIR CHILDREN

Heidi Jean

Born: August 11, 1969 Lincoln, Nebraska

Ryan E.

Born: March 22, 1972 Aurora Hospital

Dale Lynn

Born: January 4, 1957 Aurora Hospital

Dean Allen

Born: January 4, 1957 Aurora Hospital

Melvin Wayne Kamtz

Born: August 2, 1921 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Donna Burnette Hansen December 10, 1944 Danish Lutheran
Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: September 6, 1924 Hampton, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Russell Howard

Born: August 18, 1946 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Carol Jean Driewer August 20, 1967 Zion Lutheran
Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: January 11, 1948

THEIR CHILDREN

Malory Debra

Born: August 18, 1970 Loveland, Colorado

Sarah Lee

Born: November 18, 1973 Loveland, Colorado

Patricia Lee

Born: April 29, 1948 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Daniel Meteler July 3, 1971 Loveland, Colorado

Born: December 13, 1948

THEIR CHILDREN

Andrea Michelle

Born: November 11, 1977 California

Benjamin Earl

September 11, 1977 Minot, North Dakota

Robert Wayne

Born: September 25, 1950 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Carolyn Gardner January 8, 1972 Loveland, Colorado

Born: February 13, 1951

THEIR CHILDREN

Matthew Wayne

Born: October 16, 1976 Loveland, Colorado

Lucas Jay

Born: October 3, 1978 Loveland, Colorado

James Allen

Born: February 21, 1953 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Kathy Kindsfater February 14, 1975 Loveland, Colo.

Born: October 12, 1956

THEIR CHILDREN

Jacin Arnold

Born: November 30, 1976 Loveland, Colorado

Nicole Rae

Born: January 29, 1979 Loveland, Colorado

Jeffery Lynn

Born: July 13, 1960 Hampton, Nebraska

Melvin helped his Dad farm until he was called to serve his country. He served for two years as a mechanic in the Air Force. When he came home his Dad and Mother retired and he and Donna took over the farming. In the fall of 1966 they moved to Loveland, Colorado. Mel and Donna have enjoyed several new homes which he and his sons built. They are in the construction business. Mel and Donna are the parents of five children: Russell, Patricia, Robert, James and Jeffery.

Janelle Ruth

Born: August 4, 1934 Hampton, Nebraska

Married Thomas Roy Burge April 25, 1953 Divorced

Remarried Fred Klouda June 8, 1967

Born: August 29, 1930

Janelle was a hairdresser for a number of years. Worked for a Credit Bureau and now keeps books in Fred and her own business the "K&K Automotive Paint and Supply Store. Fred worked as a dairyman on his parents ranch in Wyoming. In 1959 he went into the car parts business, a career which led them into owning their own business. Janelle and Tom were the parents of three sons; Michael, Steven and Jay. Fred has a son and a daughter; Frederick(Bruce) and Barbara.

THEIR CHILDREN

Michael James Burge

Born: October 5, 1955

Steven Thomas Burge

Born: February 19, 1959 Lincoln, Nebraska

Jay Charles Burge

Born: October 15, 1963 Laramie, Wyoming

Barbara Jo Klouda

Born: October 5, 1951

Married William L. Lawson September 17, 1977
Encampment, Wyoming

Frederick Bruce Klouda

Born: February 1, 1954

Alma Louise Sofia Kamtz

Born: February 14, 1896 Hampton, Nebraska

Died: October 25, 1976 Henderson Community Hospital, Henderson, Ne.

Married Theodore Frederick Wilhelm Klute December 1, 1915

Born: February 17, 1890 Hampton, Nebraska

Died March 30, 1947, Burial Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Hampton,

Ted and Alma resided on a farm, north of Bradshaw all of their married life, 32 years. Ted became ill and died at the age of 57 years. Alma moved to York, Nebraska where she made her home until she became ill and had to be hospitalized, where she died. She was buried beside her husband in Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery near Hampton, Nebraska. Ted and Alma were the parents of two children, Kenneth and Elaine.

THEIR CHILDREN

Elaine Ruth

Born: May 23, 1921 Bradshaw, Nebraska

Married Raymond Arnold Kohtz December 17, 1944

Zion Lutheran Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: November 13, 1916 Bradshaw, Nebraska

Ray and Elaine were married during World War Two. After Ray finished his term in the service he and Elaine lived in Grand Island Nebraska for a while. Elaines father became ill and soon after his death they moved to the farm. They have resided at this same place ever since. In the fall of 1954 Elaine and daughter, Diane contacted polio which left Elaine a semi-invalid. Ray built a new home which would be more convenient for Elaine in her wheel chair. Elaine and Ray are the parents of three children: Diane, Nancy and Daniel.

THEIR CHILDREN

Diane Kay

Born: December 12, 1946, York, Nebraska

Married Robert Willey May 8, 1971 Divorced

Remarried Douglas Carson August 18, 1977

Born: January 10, 194

Nancy Rae

Born: May 3, 1949 York, Nebraska--Hospital

Married Gary Eberle August 30, 1969 Zion Lutheran
Church. Hampton, Nebraska

Born: April 8, 1949

THEIR CHILDREN

Twins Craig Eugene

Born: May 29, 1977

Kirk William

Born: May 29, 1977

Daniel Wayne Kohtz

Born: March 30, 1953 York Hospital

Married Terri Lynn Janzen August 23, 1974

Zion Lutheran Church, Hampton, Nebraska

Born: July 24, 1954 Baltimore, Maryland

Kenneth Wayne Klute
Born: December 15, 1918 Bradshaw, Nebraska
Married Doris Browitt Miller August 8, 1949 Boulder, Colorado
Born: March 3, 1911 York, Nebraska
Died June 6, 1970 York, Nebraska Burial York, Cemetery

CHILD

Donald Eugene Miller
Born: August 30, 1937 York, Nebraska
Married Barbara Joyce Shannon June 8, 1958
Born: April 1, 1938

THEIR CHILD

Jon David Miller
Born: July 15, 1967 Lincoln, Nebraska

Kenneth remarried Esther Anna Markworth Heiden
February 23, 1973 York, Nebraska
Born: January 4, 1921 McCool Junction, Nebraska

STEP CHILD

Robert Ervin Heiden
Born: October 11, 1942 York, Nebraska
Married Jeannine Samson August 5, 1962
Born: February 6, 1942 York, Nebraska

THEIR CHILDREN

Ronda Jean
Born: May 23, 1963 York, Nebraska

Robert Ervin II
Born: December 6, 1966 York, Nebraska

Kenneth spent from May 1, 1942 until December 21, 1945 in the Army during World War Two. He has lived in York, Nebraska for a number of years and is employed as Book-Keeper at Dresdens Wholesale Company which job he has held ever since he came back from Army life.