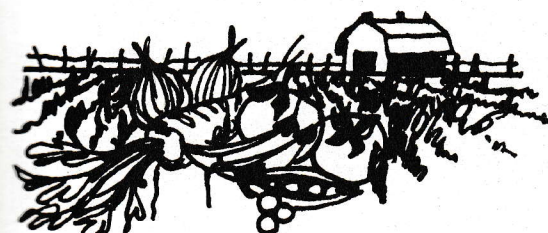


PAUL
AND
MARY
KUZMA



Family Tree of Paul and Mary Kuznia

PAUL KUZNIA b-1875, d-1952
to
MARY WOJTYSIAK b-1887, d-1919

1. Peter Kuznia b-19

2. John E. Kuznia b-1908, d-1972 to Mary Banaszewski b-1908, d-1978

A. Eva Kuznia b-1930 to John E. Quirk b-1926

- 1) Richard Quirk b-1954
- 2) Mary Quirk b-1955
- 3) Margaret Quirk b-1957
- 4) Laurie Quirk b-1958
- 5) Kathleen Quirk b-1959 to Kent Houghton b-1955
- 6) Ann Quirk b-1961
- 7) Carolyn Quirk b-1962

B. Alice Kuznia b-1935 to John H. Benson b-1932

- 1) Susan Benson b-1956 to Terry Gilbertson b-1953
 - a) Corey Gilbertson b-1977
- 2) Paulette Benson b-1957 to Craig Witkop b-1957
 - a) Danielle Witkop b-1977
- 3) Keith Benson b-1969

C. Patricia Kuznia b-1941 to Darrel Voight b-19 , d-1974

- 1) Todd Voight b-1959
- 2) Jody Voight b-1961 to Grant Wagner b-1959
 - a) Stephanie Wagner b-1979
- 3) Terry Voight b-1964

Patricia Kuznia Voight to Elroy Schwirtz b-1929

3. Thomas E. Kuznia b-1910 d-1976 to Elizabeth Gruhot b-1911

A. RoseAnn Kuznia b-1932 d-1971 to Anton Gryskiewicz b-1930

- 1) Joseph Gryskiewicz b-1950, d-1950
- 2) Monna Rae Gryskiewicz b-1951 to Michael Hjeldness b-1951
 - a) Tina Hjeldness b-1970
 - b) Christopher Hjeldness b-1971
 - c) Tamra Hjeldness b-1974
 - d) Dana Michael Hjeldness b-1976
- 3) Diane Gryskiewicz b-1953 to Terence Moe b-1954
 - a) Tracey Deanne Moe b-1975
 - b) Corey Terance Moe b-1977
- 4) Anthony Gryskiewicz b-1954
- 5) Thomas Gryskiewicz b-1954 to Pamela Hebert b-1958
 - a) Ryan Gryskiewicz b-1978
 - b) Bethany Rose Gryskiewicz b-1980
- 6) Deborah Gryskiewicz b-1957
- 7) Francine Gryskiewicz b-1971

Anton Gryskiewicz to Bernice Parent Anderson

B. John Kuznia, d-infant

C. Lawrence Kuznia b-1935 to Barbara Buchner b-1938

- 1) David L. Kuznia b-1960
- 2) Carolyn Kuznia b-1961
- 3) Kent Kuznia b-1962, d-1963
- 4) Kevin Kuznia b-1962
- 5) Kathryn Kuznia b-1964

D. Delores Kuznia b-1936

E. Esther Kuznia b-1938 to Vernon Storeby b-1935

- 1) Rebecca Storeby b-1958 to Earl Ryan b-1947
 - a) Michael Ryan b-1978
- 2) Robert Storeby b-1960
- 3) Timothy Storeby b-1961
- 4) Joyce Storeby b-1963
- 5) Dixie Lee Storeby b-1969
- 6) Troy Storeby b-1972

F. Paul A. Kuznia b-1939 to Leone Nelson Benson b-1927

- 1) Paul Kuznia, Jr. b-1955 to Giannina Ienco b-19
 - a) David E. Kuznia b-19
- 2) Lynn Marie Kuznia b-1968

G. Andrew A. Kuznia b-1941 to Kathleen Kulas b-1943

- 1) Andrew A. Kuznia, Jr. b-1963, d-1964
- 2) Kenneth Kuznia b-1964
- 3) Karlene Kuznia b-1965
- 4) William Kuznia b-1966
- 5) Koren Kuznia b-1967

4. Constance Kuznia b-1912 to Ignacy Zakrzewski b-1906, d-1952

A. Virginia Zakrzewski b-1935 to Eugene Stalock b-1933

- 1) Marjorie Stalock b-1956 to Eric Anderson b-1955
- 2) Paulette Stalock b-1957 to David Gordon b-1956
- 3) Patricia Stalock b-1960 to Marty Ekren b-1959
- 4) Kathleen Stalock b-1961
- 5) Michelle Stalock b-1964
- 6) Sheryl Stalock b-1966

B. Roger Zack b-1939 to Sandra Hennum b-1941

- 1) Stephen Zack b-1961
- 2) Mary Jo Zack b-1963
- 3) Julie Zack b-1969

C. Ignacy [Nicky] Zakrzewski, Jr. b-1953

5. Joan Kuznia b-1914 to Edward Rogus b-1908

A. Rudolph Rogus b-1937 to Alice Toppen b-1945

- 1) Monica Rogus b-1975
- 2) Paul Rogus b-1976
- 3) Carmen Rogus b-1977
- 4) Philip Rogus b-1980

B. Theresa Rogus b-1943 to Bernard George Cochran b-1938

- 1) Karen Cochran b-1969
- 2) Kirk Cochran b-1972
- 3) Kent Cochran b-1975

C. Thomas Rogus b-1947 to Venita Lindstrom b-1948

- 1) Ted Rogus b-1975
- 2) Julie Rogus b-1976
- 3) Cindy Rogus b-1978
- 4) Jim Rogus b-1980

6. Ben H. Kuznia b-1916

7. Stephania Kuznia b-1918, d-1918

Paul Kuznia to Mary Zybertowicz Krolak b-1880, d-1957

Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia

Paul Kuznia was born in 1875, the fourth son of Albert and Hedwig (Krzyzosiak) Kuznia. He immigrated to the United States with his parents in 1884 when he was nine years old.

He married Mary Wojtysiak in 1903 at the Florian Catholic Church. Mary was born in Russia in 1887. Paul and Mary farmed in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, where they lived their entire married life. Their children were: Peter (who died in childhood), John E., Thomas E., Constance, Joan, Ben H., and Stephania. Stephania was born January 7, 1918, and died June 7, 1918.

Paul and his first wife, Mary, made a home for John, Adam, and Vincent Stusynski when they first came to America. They were first cousins to Mary, and so was Nick Kazmierczak. Their three mothers were sisters.

Mary was bedridden for a long time with tuberculosis. Some of the neighborhood girls who would come and help her were Hedwig (Mrs. Anton Pietruszewski) Kuznia, Anna (Mrs. Adam Stusynski) Stalock, Josephine (Mrs. Thomas Tragarz) Kuznia, and Mary (Mrs. Stanley Bajdek) Szklarski.

Since Josephine's parents had passed away, Paul and Mary gave her a small wedding. Josephine and Thomas Tragarz were married about two and a half years when he was killed in a farm accident while seeding rye. She later remarried.

In 1911, Paul wanted to take his wife to Rochester, Minnesota, to see if the doctors could help her, but he had no money. The bank wouldn't borrow him any money, so he went to Stanley Bajdek, Sr. Mr. Bajdek borrowed him the money because he said Paul was an honest man. Paul did pay him back.

Paul and Mary lived in a small, two-room house until a new one was built in 1918. On March 18, 1919, Mary died.



Paul and Mary [Wojtysiak] Kuznia Wedding - 1903
[L-R] Paul Kuznia, John Stusynski, Mary [Wojtysiak] Kuznia, and Anna Kuznia



Paul and Mary Kuznia Family -- 1914
[L-R] Thomas, Mary holding Joan, Constance, Paul, and John E.

Paul and Mary (Zybertowicz Krolak) Kuznia

Paul tried his best to raise his family and farm his land. One summer day, he was going to work in the field and told his children to catch the lame rooster and butcher and clean it for supper. All day, the children tried to catch the rooster. They didn't catch him, so the next day Paul caught the rooster and put him under the washtub. He told his children to take care of the rooster after they did the chores. So, five little kids set out to kill the rooster. They got hold of him, but the rooster wouldn't sit still so they could cut off his head. After a few whacks with the knife, Constance's hand was cut. The terrified children grabbed her and started running, dragging her, down the field to their daddy. Paul and the horses were going away from the house, so he didn't notice the children right away. By the time they reached him, they were all crying, certain Constance was bleeding to death. It was hardly more than a scratch, but she still has the scar.

That evening, Paul went to talk to his brother, Anton, also a widower with one child. "What can I do?" Paul asked Anton. Anton looked at Paul and said one thing, "Mary is a good woman." Anton was referring to Mary (Zybertowicz) Krolak. Mary was the widow of Martin Krolak. She had been a widow almost ten years and had seven children. They were living in a house just east of Englund Store. Her husband, Martin, had passed away June 23, 1910, in the house now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Stusynski.

On July 29, 1919, Paul Kuznia married Mary (Zybertowicz) Krolak. Mary was born January 17, 1880. The seven children from her first marriage were as follows: Mike, born August 8, 1901, and died January 19, 1957; twin girls Lottie (Mrs. George Jensen) born September 15, 1902, and died February 15, 1973, and Tillie (Mrs. William Skoczylas) who died August 23, 1979; Agnes (Mrs. John Wisiewski) who was born January 15, 1904, and died April 21, 1969; Victoria (Mrs. John A. Kuznia) who was born May 21, 1906; Frank, born September 24, 1907, and died September 12, 1972; and Stanley, born April 23, 1909, and died January 16, 1966.

Paul and his second wife, Mary, had no children together. They made their home on Section 3 until 1944, when they moved into town. Mary's daughter, Victoria, and her husband, John A. Kuznia, had built a new home, and Paul and Mary moved into their old one, which was next door. This house used to be part of the Stephen depot, which had burned. Matt Sylskar bought the burned out shell and used it to build a house. In 1929, John A. Kuznia bought it. In 1965 until 1967, Paul's grandson, Andrew Kuznia, lived in it with his family. A few years later, it was burned by the firemen as practice training.

In 1947 and 1948, Thomas E. Kuznia made a total of forty-seven trips to Rochester, Minnesota, with his father, Paul. Paul died on September 22, 1952.



Paul and Mary [Krolak] Kuznia

Paul's second wife, Mary, was visiting her son, Mike Krolak, in a Chicago hospital. As she was leaving, she fell down, apparently from a heart attack, and died immediately. That was January 14, 1957. Two days after her funeral, her son, Mike, died.

When Paul thought that a member of his family was talking about or against other people, he would say to them, "Sweep your own floors first!" In other words, before you start minding someone else's business, take care of your own, because you aren't perfect!

JOHN AND MARY [BANASZEWSKI] KUZNIA

John Edward Kuznia is the second son of Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia. He was born on the home place in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, in 1908.

John married Mary Banaszewski, the daughter of Stanley and Antoinette (Zybertowicz) Banaszewski. Stanley Banaszewski and Edward Rogus, John's brother-in-law, were first cousins. John's

step-mother, Mary (Zybertowicz Krolak) Kuznia, was a sister to his mother-in-law, Antoinette.

Mary had two brothers, Frank, who operated Englund Store, and Martin. She also had three sisters: Anne (Mrs. Martin Myszkowski), Josie (Mrs. Martin Przybylski) and Helen (Mrs. Leo Przybylski).



John E. and Mary Kuznia

John and Mary lived in Chicago, Illinois, after their marriage. They also farmed where the John Szklarski family now lives in Augsburg Township. After being in business with his brother, Ben H., they moved to Arlington, Minnesota. They had three children, Eva, Alice, and Patricia.

In 1971, John was killed in a car accident. Mary passed away in 1978.



John E. and Mary Kuznia's 40th Wedding Anniversary - 1969

JOHN AND EVA [KUZNIA] QUIRK

Route 1

Fisher, Minnesota 56723

Eva Louise Kuznia was the first of three daughters born to John Edward and Mary Margaret (Banaszewski) Kuznia. She was born at Stephen, Minnesota, on December 15, 1930.

On May 22, 1954, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Arlington, Minnesota, she married John Eugene Quirk. He is the son of John Edward and Margaret Lorretta (Doyle) Quirk. They are of Irish descent. Margaret Doyle was born in Canada. John Edward Quirk was born in the United States, but his father was born in Ireland and his mother in Canada. John had seven brothers and sisters: John E. "Buddy" (deceased), Mary (deceased), twins Earl and Genevieve "Fly" (deceased), twins Matthew and a sister (who died at birth), and a brother, William (deceased).

John Eugene served with the U.S. Army from 1941 until 1945. He is presently a farmer, as were his father and grandfather before him.

John and Eva have one son, Richard, and six daughters: Mary, Margaret, Laurie, Kathleen, Ann, and Carolyn.



John and Eva Quirk Family -- 1978
[Back L-R] Rick, Eva, John, Mary
[Second row] Ann, Kaye, Laurie, Tricia
[Front] Carolyn

KENT AND KATHLEEN [QUIRK] HOUGHTON

Kathleen Marie Quirk was the fifth child and fourth daughter born to John and Eva (Kuznia) Quirk. She was born at Grand Forks, North Dakota, on October 11, 1959.

On May 17, 1980, at St. Francis Catholic Church in Fisher, Minnesota, she married Kent Lee Houghton, the son of Henry and Ovaleen Houghton.

JOHN AND ALICE [KUZNIA] BENSON
135 Mercury Drive
East Grand Forks, Minnesota

Alice Marie Elizabeth Kuznia was born at Stephen, Minnesota, on May 11, 1935, to John Edward and Mary (Banaszewski) Kuznia.

On September 17, 1955, she married John Hartley Benson, the son of Ole and Nellie (Haggerty) Benson. He has one brother, Gene, of Boston, Massachusetts, and one sister, Beverly Kill, of Durango, Colorado. John spent four years in the U.S. Air Force and is an assistant manager, tires salesman.

Alice and John have three children. Their oldest daughter, Susan, is married to Terry Gilbertson, and they live at 305 North 48th in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Their second daughter, Paulette, is married to Craig Witkop and they live at 525 North 43rd Street in Grand Forks. A son, Keith, who was born in 1969, lives with his parents. They are also the proud grandparents of Corey and Danielle.

DARREL AND PATRICIA [KUZNIA] VOIGHT

Patricia Ann Kuznia was born August 10, 1941, at Stephen, Minnesota, to John Edward and Mary (Banaszewski) Kuznia.

On June 13, 1959, Patricia married Darrel D. Voight. He was the son of Alford and Evelyn (Soeffher) Voight of German descent. His other family members include Duane, Elaine Hebeisen, LaVonne Byer, Cindy Johnson, Kenny, and Betty Latzhe.

Patricia and Darrel had three children, Todd, Jody (who is married to Grant Wagner), and Terry.

Darrel spent two years in the military service and was employed as a brick layer. On September 11, 1974, he was killed in a car accident.

ELROY AND PATRICIA [KUZNIA VOIGHT] SCHWIRTZ

209 4th Avenue N.E.
Arlington, Minnesota

On May 15, 1976, Patricia (Kuznia) Voight married Elroy Schwirtz. He is the son of Herman and Sophie (Bullert) Schwirtz, of German descent. He has two sisters, Marion Moran and Ann Bartels.

THOMAS AND ELIZABETH [GRUHOT] KUZNIA
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Thomas E. Kuznia was the third child and son born to Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia. He was born February 20, 1910, at their home in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota.

Tom attended school in a one-room rural school in Wanger Township. Some of his teachers were: Leora Beebee, Alice Williams, Zeta Drew, Hilma Skoog, Elizabeth Youngdahl, and Louise Smith (Mrs. Ingerman Becklund). Some of the students who attended the school at that time were: Mrs. A. O. Hamnes, Mrs. Ed Lundeen, Mrs. Nick Donarski, Gladys Torgerson, the Kuznias, the Hvidstens, the Gajeskis, the Williams, the Przybylskis, and the Chwialkowskis.

As a young lad, his mother became bedridden. Even while she was bedridden, she still disciplined the children, especially John and Tom. When they were bad, the hired girl would bring them to the bed, and their mother had a switch that took care of the problem. After his mother passed away, Tom lived with John Stucynski for a few years.

Tom's family attended church at Florian, Minnesota, and did their shopping in Stephen, Minnesota, but he can remember being present for the first Mass said in the present Catholic Church in Strandquist, Minnesota. Tom made sure he was present when they celebrated the fiftieth anniversary Mass at Strandquist.

Tom and his future wife, Elizabeth, met as little children. Elizabeth remembers sitting on the porch steps with Tom at his parent's home while their parents visited.

The day before their wedding, they went to the church for practice. As Tom and Elizabeth's brother, Albert Gruhot, knelt at the altar, the statue of Jesus fell down. "We were so scared," remembers Elizabeth. She thought it was a sign that they weren't supposed to get married.

Tom married Elizabeth Gruhot on October 27, 1931, at Euclid, Minnesota.



Thomas and Elizabeth Kuznia Wedding -- 1931
[L-R] Agnes Gruhot, Anton Kuznia, Elizabeth and Thomas Kuznia,
Joan [Kuznia] Rogus, Albert Gruhot
The flower girls were the Plencner girls

Elizabeth was born November 16, 1911, at Ivanhoe, Minnesota. In 1915, she moved with her parents to Section 35 of Sinnott Township in Marshall County. Elizabeth's father, John Gruhot, was born in Poland in 1884. He passed away in 1953. Elizabeth's mother, Stella Kapolczynski, was born in 1888 at Ivanhoe, Minnesota. She passed away in 1971. John and Stella Gruhot were married in 1909 at Wilno, Minnesota. Elizabeth's brothers and sisters are: Albert, Agnes (Mrs. Ben Stanislawski), Andrew, Marie (Mrs. Reese), John, Rose (Mrs. Henry Lyczenski), Bernice (Mrs. James Rodgers) and Raymond.

Tom and Elizabeth made their first home in Section 15 of Tamarac Township. When they started farming in 1931, they used horses to plant wheat, flax, barley, and oats. In 1934, they purchased a 1927 D-John Deere for about \$350 from the Stephen Implement Company, which was owned by Carl Hvidsten. After the first winter, they moved to a farm that Tom rented in Middle River Township. They lived here from 1932 until 1940. Six of their seven children were born here: Rose Ann, John (who died as an infant), Lawrence, Delores, Esther, and Paul.

When Rose Ann was a year old, Elizabeth made her two dresses, bloomers, and a slip out of her wedding dress.

Tom and Elizabeth remember carrying shocks of grain by hand to the stationary threshing machines. The shocks were made by a binder that tied bundles. Tom bought his first combine in 1937 for about \$1,100 from Lawrence Letness, a machinery dealer from Grand Forks, North Dakota. At first, grain was hauled by mules and horses. Until 1942, he hauled most of his grain by car and trailer. In 1942, he bought a used 1938 V-8 Ford truck from Roy Benson for nearly \$400.

For cash money, they would cut and sell wood to the residents of Argyle, Minnesota. While Tom worked out as a gravel hauler by Newfolden, Minnesota, Elizabeth worked the farm. Among the many animals they had, Elizabeth's favorites were two mules they got from Jack LaBine's father. The male was brown and was called Jim. He was later killed by lightning. The female was white, and her name was Jenny. The mailbox was a quarter of a mile away, and when the mailman went by, Jenny would come to the steps, kneel down so Elizabeth could mount her, and they would go for the mail. She did this without a bridle. Tom also sold wild horses at one time.

In 1940, Tom and Elizabeth moved back to Section 3 in Tamarac Township, presently the Robert Safranski, Sr. farm. Also in 1940, Andrew, their youngest child, was born. All their children had been born at home with Dr. Nimlos attending, except Andrew. Andrew was born without the presence of a doctor. While they lived here, Elizabeth had to watch Lawrence, because he would steal her chocolate chips and walnuts. She thought she had the problem solved when she bought a padlock for the kitchen cupboards. It didn't take Lawrence long to figure out a way to get the goodies. Every time the folks were gone, he would take the hinges off and help himself.



Thomas and Elizabeth Kuznia Family
[Back L-R] Delores, Paul, Lawrence, Rose Ann
[Front] Thomas, Andrew, Esther, Elizabeth

In 1943, they moved to Section 3 of Wanger Township, the place of Tom's birth. In 1953, they moved to Section 35 of Sinnott Township, the same section Elizabeth's parents had moved to in 1915. They lived there until 1962, when they moved to Stephen. Their son, Lawrence and his wife Barbara then moved into the farm home.

Andrew remembers going to town after the fire at Nowacki's 75 Service. The place was still a mess, and Andrew stole a pack of gum. When he got home, he had to get rid of the evidence. He took two sticks, and he gave Paul two sticks, but he still had one left. So they gave it to their dog, Niggy. It didn't work, and he was caught. Their dad took both boys to town, and Andrew had to confess to the Nowackis and pay them a nickel.

Tom died in January of 1976. Elizabeth now makes her home in the Hillman Apartments in Stephen.

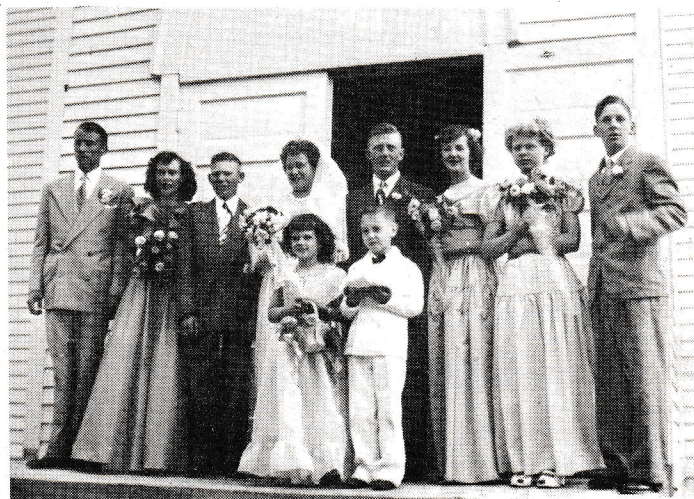


Tom and Elizabeth Kuznia

ANTON AND ROSE ANN [KUZNIA] GRYSKIEWICZ

Rose Ann Stella Kuznia was the first child born to Thomas and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia on September 13, 1932, in Middle River Township, west of Argyle, Minnesota. She was then baptized at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of Alma, east of Argyle.

Rose Ann married Anton Gryskiewicz on October 27, 1949, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Farming in



Anton and Rose Ann Gryskiewicz wedding -- 1949

Wanger Township in Marshall County was their occupation, and it was a "family affair". They lived on the Andrew Gryskiewicz home place, about ten miles east of Stephen, Minnesota.

They had seven children. Their firstborn, Joseph, died as a baby. Monna Rae married Mike Hjeldness. Their second daughter, Diane, is married to Terry Moe. Their fourth and fifth born were a set of twins, Anthony and Thomas. Deborah Ann was born November 10, 1957. After high school, she received a general business degree at Aaker's Business College in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She is presently living in Crookston, Minnesota. Francine Rose was born October 27, 1971, at the Warren Hospital, Warren, Minnesota. She attends St. Rose Catholic School in Argyle, Minnesota. All of the Anton Gryskiewicz children attended Stephen Public School and graduated from there, except for Francine.

Some of the family had nicknames: Anton - Tony or Untic; Rose Ann - Rose Anna; Monna Rae - Montgomery Wards; Deborah - Debbie or Flu Fla; Francine - Franny; Anthony - Tony; and Thomas - Tom or Tommy.

Rose Ann died on November 3, 1971, at the age of 39 at the Warren Hospital, Warren, Minnesota, from blood clots in the legs and leading to the heart.

Anton Gerard Gryskiewicz was born to Andrew and Frances (Kostrzewski) Gryskiewicz on September 24, 1930, on their homestead in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. He had three brothers, Roman of Greenbush, Minnesota, (deceased); George of Stephen, Minnesota (deceased); and Frank of Argyle, Minnesota. He also has two sisters: Emily (Mrs. Adrian Dolney) of Greenbush, Minnesota, and Leona (Mrs. Frank Vasek, Jr.) of Warren, Minnesota.

MICHAEL AND MONNA RAE [GRYSKIEWICZ] HJELDNESS Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Monna Rae Elizabeth Gryskiewicz was born April 21, 1951, at Grand Forks, North Dakota, to Anton and Rose Ann (Kuznia) Gryskiewicz. She attended and graduated from Stephen Public School, Stephen, Minnesota. While in school, she had the honor of being chosen Homecoming Queen. After graduation, she took cosmetology at the A.V.T.I. in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

On March 7, 1970, at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Stephen, Minnesota, Monna Rae married Michael Lee Hjeldness. Mike is the son of Howard and Vivian (Johnson) Hjeldness. He was born November 11, 1951, at Grand Forks, North Dakota. He has one brother, Robert, and two sisters, Mary Jane and Kimberly. Mike attended Stephen High School, was a member of the National Guard, and attended the A.V.T.I. auto mechanics course in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

On November 11, 1974, Mike and Monna Rae purchased the Coast to Coast Store in Stephen, Minnesota. In 1980 they remodeled a large three-story house north of Stephen and started farming with Mike's stepfather, Kenneth Winge.

They have four children. Tina Marie was born July 21, 1970. Christopher Allan was born May 19, 1971. Tamara Anne was born December 22, 1974. Dana Michael was born October 8, 1976.

Mike is a member of the Stephen Ambulance Corps. The family has converted a school bus into a camper for family outings.

TERENCE AND DIANE [GRYSKIEWICZ] MOE Route 3 Bottineau, North Dakota 58318

Diane Antoinette Gryskiewicz was born April 16, 1953, to Anton and Rose Ann (Kuznia) Gryskiewicz.

On June 15, 1974, at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Stephen, Minnesota, Diane married Terence Moe. Terry is the son of Alvin

and Janette (Hahn) Moe. The name Moe is Norwegian and the name Hahn is German, meaning "rooster". Terry has three brothers: Robert, Rodney, and Gregory.

Diane attended the Wahpeton State School of Science and graduated as a Licensed Practical Nurse. She is now employed at the Good Samaritan Center in Bottineau, North Dakota.

Diane and Terry have two children, thanks to God. They are Tracey Deanne, born May 24, 1975, and Corey Terence, born September 9, 1977. They live three miles east of Bottineau, where they purchased land and built a business called, "Mr. T's Speed and Auto Access, Inc." in 1977. In 1979, Diane and Terry built a home north of the shop.



Terence and Diane Moe Family - 1979
Terry, Diane, Tracey, Corey

THOMAS AND PAMELA [HEBERT] GRYSKIEWICZ Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Thomas Lawrence and a twin brother, Anthony, were born to Anton and Rose Ann (Kuznia) Gryskiewicz on June 8, 1954. He attended Stephen High School and graduated in 1972.

On November 19, 1977, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church at Argyle, Minnesota, Tom married Pamela Hebert. She is the daughter of Alfred and Pearl (Riel) Hebert and was born December 21, 1958, at Warren, Minnesota. Her brothers and sisters are: Richard, Rolland, James, Jerome, Sandra (Mrs. Mark Mosher), and Cheryl. Pam attended Argyle High School. During her junior year, the German class went on a walking tour of Europe.

Tom and Pam live on the Alfred Hebert farm north of Argyle, Minnesota. Pam helps out on her parents' farm, and Tom is employed by David Carlson of Stephen. A son, Ryan Thomas, was born to them September 7, 1978, and their second child, a daughter, arrived September 3, 1980. She was named Bethany Rose.

ANTHONY ANDREW GRYSKIEWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Anthony Andrew Gryskiewicz and a twin brother, Thomas, were born to Anton and Rose Ann (Kuznia) Gryskiewicz on June 8, 1954, at Warren, Minnesota. He graduated from Stephen High School in 1972.

In a fire accident on his uncle's farm, he received burns to most of his body. He spent two months at the Ramsey Burn Hospital in Minneapolis. Of the nine people in his ward, only two lived.

Tony is presently employed with A. O. Hamnes of Stephen and lives at the Hjelle Apartments in Stephen.

ANTON AND BERNICE [PARENT ANDERSON] GRYSKIEWICZ
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Anton Gryskiewicz married Bernice Parent Anderson in November of 1972. They moved from the farm in Wanger Township in 1973 and reside in Argyle, Minnesota, with Francine. Francine attends St. Rose Catholic School there.

LAWRENCE AND BARBARA [BUCHNER] KUZNIA
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Lawrence T. Kuznia was the third child born to Thomas and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia. He was born at their farm home in Middle River Township by Argyle, Minnesota, on May 6, 1935.

Lawrence graduated from the A.C. at Crookston, Minnesota. The winter of 1955, he worked for the U.S. Geological Survey in Florida. At that time, they went further into the Everglades, where the Seminole Indians live, than any other survey team.

Lawrence married Barbara Jean Buchner on October 3, 1959, at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Warren, Minnesota. The day Lawrence and Barbara got married, it was sugarbeet season, and the Stephen beet dump was still open. Someone (supposedly John A. Kuznia), nailed a sign to a pole which said "National Holiday". Oddly enough, that day turned out to be the only nice day of that beet season. It then snowed, froze, and we finally left 51 rows of beets in the ground.

Barbara was born December 4, 1938, to John and Helen (Zaucha Rakowski) Buchner. She graduated from Warren High School. Before her marriage, she worked as a secretary for the Sisters of St. Joseph who operated St. Michael's Hospital at Grand Forks, North Dakota. Barbara's brothers are: Jack Buchner, John, Richard, and Robert Rakowski, and one sister, Pat Rakowski Folkstad.

One of the terrible highlights of the family was when Barbara got lost in a snow storm. The following is from the Messenger files: "A search was on for Mrs. Lawrence Kuznia Saturday morning when her car was found ditched about a mile from the farm home. She had started for town at 8 a.m., just shortly after the storm hit. After the automobile went off the road, the driver started back to the farm dwelling. Unable to make her way in the wind and blowing snow, she sought shelter in a quonset storage building on the Kuznia farm. There she located grain tarps, which she wrapped herself in against the increasing cold. Tommy Kuznia, her father-in-law, enroute to the farm, saw the car in the ditch and recognized it. He went on to the house to see if the family was safe and learned that his daughter-in-law was unaccounted for at the time. He and his son, Andrew, began the search for her and located her safe in the quonset building. Barbara was found before 10 a.m. and suffered no serious chilling."

That was the only time in her life that Barbara was not afraid of mice. The family was so happy to have her back, that a little less than nine months later, they had an addition to the family.

Five children were born to Lawrence and Barbara. They are:

David, born August 4, 1960; Carolyn, born July 21, 1961; twins Kevin and Kent born July 2, 1962 (Kent died May 2, 1963); and Kathryn, who was born on the anniversary of her grandparents, Tom and Elizabeth, October 27, 1964.



Lawrence and Barbara Kuznia Family - 1980
[Standing L-R] Kathy, Barbara, Lawrence, Carolyn
[Seated] David, Kevin

At present, Lawrence and his brother, Andrew, own and operate two family corporations: Kuznia Truck Lines and Kuznia Farms, Inc. Both brothers run these operations with the help of their wives and children. Lawrence has two boys who help out with the farm work. It is the plan of both Andrew and Lawrence to have their boys become active members of their corporations.

Kuznia Truck Lines at one time owned two semi-trucks that hauled grain to Duluth, Minnesota, and Superior, Wisconsin. As their farming operations grew and grew, they decided to sell their trucks, and the Kuznia Truck Lines became a farming corporation. At one time, Kuznia Farms operated a total acreage of 4500 acres and were in the top ten of the Minnesota farm corporations.

One of Lawrence's nicest mementos was the year he received a plaque for "Knight of the Year" in 1975, and he also received a certificate from the Knights of Columbus State Council for that year.

Lawrence, Barbara, and their family reside in Section 23 of Sinnott Township, rural Stephen, Minnesota.

DELORES KUZNIA
811 9th Street South, Apartment #1
Fargo, North Dakota 58102

Delores Kuznia was the fourth child born to Tom and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia. She was born at the family home in Middle River Township by Argyle, Minnesota, on August 28, 1936.

She graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1954. She then attended Wahpeton State School of Science and graduated in 1956 as a Licensed Practical Nurse. Delores has worked in various hospitals in North Dakota and California.

VERNON AND ESTHER [KUZNIA] STOREBY
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Esther Kuznia was the fifth child born to Tom and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia. She was born at their home near Argyle, Minnesota, on March 24, 1938. She graduated from Stephen High

School in 1956.

Esther married Vernon Storeby on May 20, 1958, at Stephen, Minnesota. Vernon was born July 17, 1935, to Ellen Holmstrom, of Swedish descent, and Harry Storeby, of Norwegian descent. Storeby was once spelled "Storebo". Vernon's brothers and sisters are: Ervin, Joyce Brunow, Palmer, and Beverly Helqalson. Vernon served in the U.S. Navy from 1953 until 1956. He served on an aircraft carrier during the Korean conflict.

Esther and Vernon have six children. Rebecca is married to Earl Ryan. Robert was born February 6, 1960. Timothy was born June 25, 1961. Joyce was born November 10, 1963. Dixie Lee was born June 11, 1969, and Troy was born June 21, 1972. Vernon and his sons, Robert and Tim, are active in sports. They belong to the softball team called "The Quisters". Tim holds the Minnesota High School record for two consecutive home runs in one inning. There is no record of this having been done before.



Vernon and Esther Storeby Family
[Back L-R] Robert, Rebecca, Joyce, and Timothy
[Front] Vernon, Troy, Dixie, and Esther

The Storebys farmed on Vernon's homeplace by Strandquist, Minnesota, until 1977. Vernon, Esther, and their son, Tim, are now employed by American Crystal Sugar at Drayton, North Dakota. They still make their home in Strandquist.

EARL AND REBECCA [STOREBY] RYAN
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Rebecca Ann Storeby is the firstborn child of Vernon and Esther (Kuznia) Storeby. She was born December 5, 1958, at Warren, Minnesota. She is a 1976 graduate of Strandquist High School, Strandquist, Minnesota.

Becky married Earl Ryan at Moses Lake, Washington, on March 17, 1978. Earl was born July 11, 1947, at Drayton, North Dakota, to Gerald and Bertha (Olson) Ryan. He has one sister, Arleen Schrum, and two half-brothers, Clarence and Alfred Kile. Alfred Kile was once the sheriff of Kittson County. Earl's grandfather's real name was Leon, but as he was entering the United States, the Customs Official misunderstood the pronunciation and wrote down "Ryan" instead. At one time, Earl's Grandfather Ryan owned Whitey's Restaurant in East Grand Forks, Minnesota.

Becky and Earl have one son, Michael. The family resides in rural Strandquist, Minnesota.



Earl and Rebecca Ryan with son Michael - 1979

PAUL AND LEONE [NELSON] KUZNIA
220 Northeast 12th Avenue, Apt. #164
Homestead, Florida

Paul Kuznia was the sixth child born to Tom and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia. He was born February 20, 1939, at their farm home near Argyle, Minnesota.

Paul married Leone Nelson on June 3, 1967, at Stephen, Minnesota. Leone's parents were both born in Norway and came to the United States at an early age. They were Mary Borgon and Edwin Nelson. Leone's brothers and sisters are: Muriel (Mrs. Chester Wesolowski), Mrs. Alene Carrier, Duane, Ernest, and Nester Austin.

Paul and Leone have two adopted children. Paul, Jr. became their son in February of 1969, and Lynn Marie became their daughter in February of 1970.

PAUL, JR. AND GIANNINA [IENCO] KUZNIA
Homestead, Florida

Paul Henry Kuznia became the son of Paul and Leone Kuznia in February of 1969. He was born in Rahway, New Jersey, on December 18, 1955.

On April 24, 1973, Paul married Giannina Mariea Ienco. She was born in Chile, South America, to Carmine and Emma (Kahn) Ienco. She has two brothers, Bill Harreira and Alexi. Paul and Giannini have one son, David Edwin.

Paul, Jr. was in the U.S. Army for four years and a correctional officer at the Dade County Correctional Institute. He makes his home in Homestead, Florida.

ANDREW AND KATHLEEN [KULAS] KUZNIA
Stephen, Minnesota

Andrew Kuznia was the seventh child born to Tom and Elizabeth (Gruhot) Kuznia. He was born October 20, 1940, at their home near Stephen, Minnesota.

Andrew remembers the large house parties held on the homeplace. His dad would put him up on the big living room stove so he would be in the center of the action.

Andrew began running the farm machinery when he was five years old. People driving past the farm while he was working were startled because from the road it looked as if the tractor had no driver.

He attended country school, Stephen Public School, and the A.C. at Crookston, Minnesota. The school boy antics of country school would be enough to send any modern day teacher out of her mind. It could be anything from putting .22 shells in the wood stove to turning the clock ahead. The boys could think up many excuses to get out of class, such as getting cars stuck in ten foot drifts so all the kids would have to go and shovel. Another good excuse to go home early was to drink hot water and then have the nurse check the temperature. Sure enough, he had a fever, so he'd better go home. Undermining the snow drifts under the path where the teacher would walk was another trick, so she would fall through. Most of the boys would try their hand at chewing snuff and filling the girls' inkwells with the spit. The most enjoyable times at country school were playing softball against the other country schools.

Andrew belonged to the wrestling team when he was at the A.C. in Crookston, Minnesota. The A.C. was a high school that lasted six months instead of nine months. Many of the farm children attended the A.C. so they would have more time to help with the spring and fall farm work.

Andrew married Kathleen Kulas on April 28, 1962, at Stephen, Minnesota. Kathleen was born on February 9, 1943, at Grafton, North Dakota, to Ernest and Irene (Grabanski) Kulas, both of Polish descent. Her brothers and sisters are: Rebecca (who died as an infant), Sandra (Mrs. Bob Gilbertson), Arlyss Petrowski, Ernest Jr., Dino, Paula, and Troy. The name Kulas in Polish means "he who walks with a lame leg". The Kulas family came to Poland around the year 1000 A.D. from Greece, where there was a bloody revolution. One of Kathleen's ancestors was knighted during the Turkish War for valor in the field. This entitled all his direct descendants, which Kathleen is, to a free college education in Poland. All of Kathleen's great grandparents were born in Poland.

Andrew and Kathleen have five children. Andrew, Jr. was born June 10, 1963, and died February 15, 1964. Kenneth was born May 23, 1964. Karlene was born August 6, 1965. William was born June 27, 1966, and Koren was born May 4, 1968. The family make their home in Stephen, Minnesota.

In the spring of 1979, during the Red River flood, Andrew and his father-in-law went with a boat to check on the Kulas farm home, which was submerged in the flood. They noticed that the fuel tanks were missing, so they went up river in a boat to see if they could find them. About two miles north of the farm home, they found them. They tied the tanks to the boat to pull them home. Just as they were going to start for home, in a split second, the boat overturned in forty feet of icy cold water. Andrew was under the overturned boat for about 45 seconds before he came to the surface.



Andrew and Kathleen Kuznia Family -- 1980
[Standing L-R] Billy, Karlene, Kenneth, Koren
[Front] Kathleen and Andrew

They spent a long time trying to upright the boat. Clinging to a tree, they began to bail out the boat with Andrew's four-buckled overshoe. This took about half an hour. After this was accomplished, they had to try to get to the Kulas home. Other places were easier to reach, but were deserted and had no heat. For two hours, they paddled upstream, double team on the oars. It was slow going against the swift current and the strong southeast wind. Their hands were frozen stiff. Finally, they reached the yard. But there was one more obstacle to be faced; the fuse box on the yard pole was half in the water and the switch was completely submerged. They needed the electricity on in the house so they could get warm and dry. It was a fearful moment, not knowing if they would be electrocuted, as Andrew used an oar to put the switch on. Now to get to the house. Many of the windows and doors were boarded up to protect them from the high waves, so they broke the bathroom window on the west side of the house. It was hard for them to move and climb in with their frozen clothes and chilled bodies. To reach the stairway, they had to walk through 44 inches of freezing water. Finally they made it upstairs -- safe for now. Andrew got the heating units working, and after some time they were warm. The next morning, there were high winds, and they had almost three miles to go before they could get to dry land. Andrew finally got the motor to work, and in the afternoon, when the winds had diminished a little, they made it to safety.

One amazing note: After the flood had receded, Ernest went back to where the boat had capsized, and by the tree which they had clung to for dear life, there were the camera, tools, can of nails, and other things they had lost when the boat capsized.

IGNACY AND CONSTANCE [KUZNIA] ZAKRZEWSKI
110 Sargeant, Oak Court
Crookston, Minnesota 56716

Constance Kuznia was the fourth child born to Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia. She was born at their home on May 15, 1912.

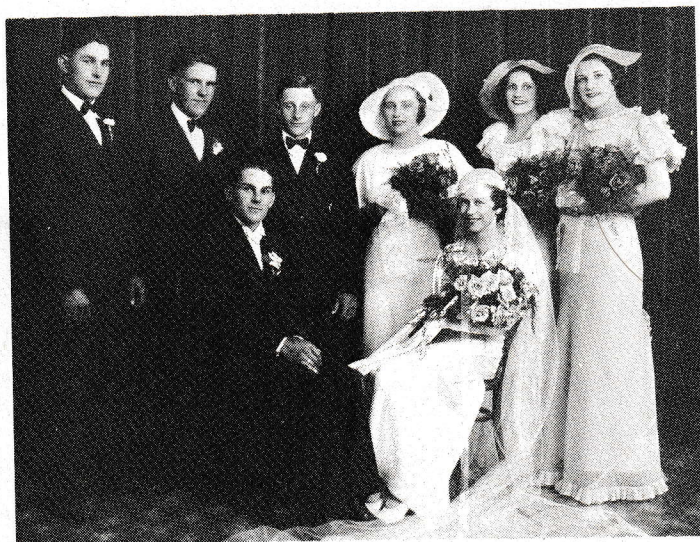
The night before Constance was to start school, her parents asked Mrs. Gratzek how to pronounce her name in English. Mrs. Gratzek said, "Christine". Her brother Tom couldn't pronounce "Christine", so he called her "Tom Anderson". Being called Christine instead of Constance didn't make that much difference

until some years later when Father Ischler told her that Christine meant "death". She went back to calling herself Constance.

When her brother, John, married Mary Banaszewski, Constance went along on their honeymoon. She cried all the way to the Cities. She didn't want to leave home. The conductor on the train couldn't understand what was going on. There sat John with his new bride, and at the same time he was trying to comfort his crying sister.

Constance lived with John and Mary in Chicago, Illinois, until they returned home. After they left, she got an apartment. She worked at Wriggly Chewing Gum factory. Pay was \$13.65 a week, and her bus fare to work was seven cents.

Constance returned to Florian to marry the first man who had kissed her, Nick Zakrzewski. He was ready and waiting for her. On a Tuesday morning, June 5, 1934, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, they were married. Father Kosian was the presiding priest, and Miss Verna Price played the wedding march. A wedding breakfast was held at the Kuznia home, and in the evening, a wedding dance was held at Florian. It was the first wedding dance that a collection was taken up for the newly married couple; they collected \$56.



Ignacy and Constance Zakrzewski Wedding -- 1934
[Standing L-R] Zygmunt Zakrzewski, Thomas Przybylski,
Ben H. Kuznia, Joan [Kuznia] Rogus, Mary and Valeria Zakrzewski
[Seated] Nick and Constance

Nick (Ignacy) Zakrzewski was born August 8, 1906, to Ignacy and Katherine (Przybylski) Zakrzewski. He attended Florian school and Stephen High School. Nick was engaged in trucking and carpentering during his years as a Florian resident. He served as the first manager of the Florian baseball team for several years. He was active in the community.

Constance and Nick had three children: Virginia, Roger, and Nick, Jr. Nick died December 11, 1952. Left a young widow with three children, Constance boarded the Florian school teacher. The teacher made a salary of \$65 a month and paid \$17.50 for her board and room. Constance decided to take a correspondence course to become a nurse so she could support her family. Mrs. Frances Donarski, also recently widowed, offered to drive her to Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where they both could take training to become Licensed Practical Nurses. Constance's first job as a nurse was at St. Francis Hospital in Crookston, Minnesota. For the first ten years, she worked on the surgical floor as the night nurse.

On Saturday evening, January 27, 1968, Constance was the victim of a hit and run driver. She received very serious injuries to her head and her right arm, and it was several months before she recovered.



Nick Zakrzewski, Jr.

VIRGINIA STALOCK
#78 Monty's Trailer Court
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

ROGER AND SANDRA [HENNUM] ZACK
8601 Second Avenue South
Bloomington, Minnesota 55420

Roger Zack was born in 1939 in Florian, Minnesota, to Ignacy and Constance (Kuznia) Zakrzewski. He attended the Florian School for eight years and then graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1957.

Roger married Sandra Hennum and they have three children: Steve, Mary Jo, and Julie.

Roger is co-owner of Viking Drywall.



Roger and Sandra Zack Family
[Back L-R] Mary Jo and Julie
[Front] Sandra, Roger, and Stephen

IGNATIUS JOHN ZAKRZEWSKI
8207 Second Avenue South
Bloomington, Minnesota 55420

Ignatius John (Nicky) Zakrzewski was born to Ignacy and Constance (Kuznia) Zakrzewski in 1953. He attended all twelve years of schooling in Crookston, Minnesota.

He lives in Bloomington and works for Viking Drywall.



Nicky Zakrzewski

EDWARD AND JOAN [KUZNIA] ROGUS
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Joan Kuznia was the fifth child born to Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia. She was born March 17, 1914.

Joan remembers that Anton Kuznia made the coffin for her little sister, Stephania, when she passed away in June of 1918. Anton put her into it to see if it would be big enough. When Joan's mother passed away, Joan's future husband, Edward Rogus, was an altar boy and carried the processional cross to the cemetery.

When Joan was young, she had a pet horse. One day her parents were gone, and the horse climbed the porch steps and pawed on the porch floor until he made a hole in it. He wanted Joan to come out.

Joan recalls that a lot of young people would come over to visit and they would have a lot of fun. Sometimes the boys would help themselves to the homemade beer that was in the crock and then put in water so it would look as if none had been taken.

She worked out at various homes and received about \$1.50 a week as pay. When Father Francis Kosian's housekeeper, Christine Gunshor, was sick, Joan worked at the parish house in Florian. This was off and on during the years of 1930 and 1931. In appreciation, Father Kosian and Christine took Joan to Grand Forks, North Dakota, to buy her a coat. Joan was so scared because Father Kosian was driving so fast; to her, it felt as if he were going 90 miles an hour.

On June 30, 1936, Joan married Edward Rogus. They made their home on the Rogus homeplace in Section 18 of Wright Township, Marshall County.



Edward and Joan Rogus -- 1936

Edward and a twin brother, Richard, were born on May 24, 1908, to Andrew and Rosalie (Nowakowski) Rogus. Andrew came

from Tarnow, Poland, which is about thirty miles east of Krakow, Poland. Rosalie came from Lowicz, Poland, which is about forty-five miles southwest of Warsaw, Poland.

Andrew Rogus lost his land to the state in 1931. The state then rented the land to him for one third of the crop share. In 1939, his son, Edward, bought the land from the state for \$3800. That year, the State of Minnesota had to sell 90 percent of the land they had repossessed back to the people who were renting. The state had to give renters three opportunities to buy it back before they could put it on the open market. The following is the price and terms Edward agreed to for the land:

"Second party agrees to pay for said real estate the sum of \$3800, together with interest on all deferred payments at the rate of 4 percent per annum payable as follows: The sum of \$400 in cash, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged. \$400 on August 10, 1939. The balance of the purchase price, \$3000, together with interest from June 1, 1939, is to be paid in semi-annual installments of \$110 each." If you couldn't make a payment, you didn't lose the land, but the state would take a third of the crop share instead.

In July of 1937, a son, Rudolph, was born. He was born at their home with Dr. Nimlos in attendance. The doctor's fee was \$12. Also in 1937, Joan and Ed bought their first tractor, a B John Deere, from Otto Sunsdahl. They paid \$690 for it and a two-bottom plow. They still used horses for some of their farming until 1949.

In 1938, they started raising potatoes. They put in ten acres of Irish cobbles for which they received 90 cents per hundredweight. The crop was harvested with horses and a one-row digger. Ed was one of the first certified potato farmers.

A daughter, Theresa, was born October 15, 1941, at home with Dr. Holmstrom in attendance. His fee for delivering her was \$35. A second son, Thomas, was born in 1947 at the Warren Hospital.

Joan and Ed are charter members of the P.N.A. Ed had been an umpire for local baseball games for many years. He was vice president of the P.N.A. for two years, on the council for four years, and has been a trustee for the Florian parish. Joan is a member of the Assumption Ladies of Florian and a past president.

RUDOLPH AND ALICE [TOPPEN] ROGUS
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Rudolph Paul Rogus was the first child born to Edward and Joan (Kuznia) Rogus. He was born at their home in Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, on July 3, 1937. In 1965, he went to California and worked in the southern part of the San Joaquin Valley on the Dean Martin Estates.

At his brother Tom's wedding in International Falls, Minnesota, Rudy met his future wife, Alice Kay Toppen. She was the soloist at Tom and Venita's wedding. Alice and Venita had at one time worked together at Augustana Nursing Home in Minneapolis, Minnesota. On September 7, 1974, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Galesville, Wisconsin, Rudy and Alice were married.

Alice Kay and a twin brother, Allen Ray, were born to Irvine and Gladys (Twesme) Toppen on August 31, 1944. She also has one sister, JoAnn Elaine Berg. Alice attended Golden Valley Lutheran College in Minneapolis for two years and the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, for two years, majoring in music and minoring in history. She was a soloist with the Golden Valley Lutheran College Choir and went on tour with them through the United States in 1964 and 1965. They gave concerts in 38 different states. In 1967, she was asked to be an alumni soloist when they went on a 29-day European concert tour. They toured nine

countries: Iceland, East and West Germany, Switzerland, Holland, France, Austria, Spain and Italy. They were the first Lutheran choir to give a concert in the Vatican, and they missed seeing the Pope by half an hour. While the choir was in Europe, they were given the opportunities to visit many interesting places and met a lot of interesting people. They traveled by bus and stayed in many different accommodations and were served many different and unusual foods in each country they visited. Before their marriage, Alice was a computer programmer and key punch operator for Sears, Roebuck and Company of Minneapolis.

Rudy and Alice have four children. Monica Joann was born June 22, 1975, at St. Michael's Hospital in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Paul Irvine was born at the United Hospital in Grand Forks, North Dakota on August 12, 1976. A second daughter, Carmen Kathryn, was born on November 5, 1977, at the Warren Hospital in Warren, Minnesota, and a second son, Philip Edward, was born January 16, 1980, at the United Hospital in Grand Forks.

Rudy, Alice, and family make their home in rural Strandquist, Minnesota, by Florian. Rudy is engaged in farming with his father.

BERNARD GEORGE AND THERESA [ROGUS] COCHRAN
524 Larkbunting Drive
Fort Collins, Colorado 80526

Theresa Rogus was the second child born to Edward and Joan (Kuznia) Rogus. She was born at home in Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, on October 15, 1941. She graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1959 and then attended the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where she received her diploma as a Registered Nurse. While working in Bismarck, North Dakota, she furthered her education in nursing. Theresa then went to Ventura, California, to work.

While in California, she met her future husband, Bernard George Cochran. Theresa and George were married at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, on October 22, 1966. George is the son of Della Mary Albert and Virgil Cochran. He has one brother, William Porter Cochran.

George and Theresa have three children: Karen, Kirk, and Kent. They have made their home in California, Grand Forks, and now in Colorado, where George is a civilian employee of the military.

THOMAS AND VENITA [LINDSTROM] ROGUS
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

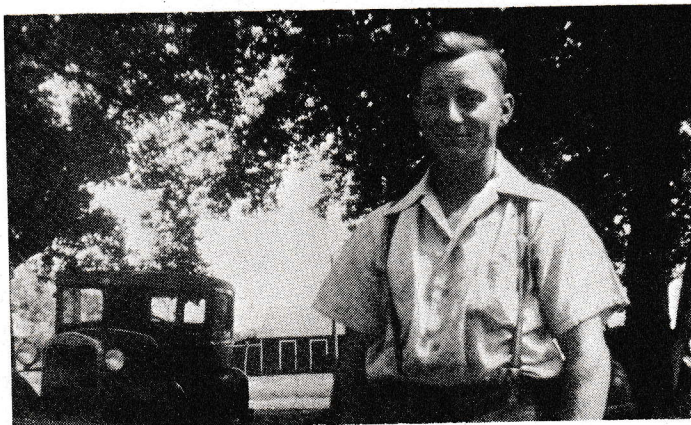
Thomas Rogus was born February 25, 1947, at the Warren Hospital, Warren, Minnesota. He is the third child of Edward and Joan (Kuznia) Rogus. He attended Stephen High School and graduated in 1965 and then went on to the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, for one year. In 1967, Tom entered the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam for one year before his discharge in 1970. He then returned to the University of North Dakota for one year and the Dunwoody Industrial Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota, for one year. He was employed at Capital Gear and Metric and American Machine Company. In 1971, Tom and his boss started making rollers for potato harvesters. The first year wasn't profitable. The boss offered to sell Tom his half of the business. Tom assembled and marketed rollers out of his garage.

On October 13, 1973, at International Falls, Minnesota, Tom married Venita Lindstrom. She is the daughter of Gunnar and Pearl (Swenson) Lindstrom and was born May 5, 1947, at International Falls, Minnesota. She is of Swedish descent. Venita's brothers and sisters are: Jan Voelker, Wayne, Gloria, and Dean. Venita is a 1965 graduate of International Falls High School. After high school, she attended the vocational school at Grand Rapids, Minnesota, and graduated a Licensed Practical Nurse. In 1968, Venita and her aunt toured the Scandinavian countries. In Sweden, they visited the area her grandparents had come from and met relatives who still live there.

The year 1972 to 1973 saw an increase in Tom's newly formed business, but it was getting impractical to work in a city residential area, so in 1974, Tom and Venita moved to Stephen, Minnesota. They purchased the old McMillian Machine Shop. Since then, they have expanded their line of replacement parts used in potato equipment and are marketing their products throughout the United States under the name Terog Manufacturing Company. The company name was derived from Thomas Edward Rogus.

Tom and Venita have four children. Ted was born March 8, 1975. Julie was born September 19, 1976, and a second daughter, Cindy, was born April 10, 1978. On January 6, 1980, a second son, Jim Thomas, was born. Tom, Venita, and family built a new home in rural Strandquist, Minnesota, in 1978, in Section 17 of Wright Township.

BEN H. KUZNIA
Argyle, Minnesota 56713



Ben H. Kuznia was born March 21, 1916, the sixth child of Paul and Mary (Wojtysiak) Kuznia. He has worked for various farmers in the area. At one time, Ben and his brother, John, had a mechanic

shop located in Nowacki DX Service. Ben now makes his home in Argyle, Minnesota.