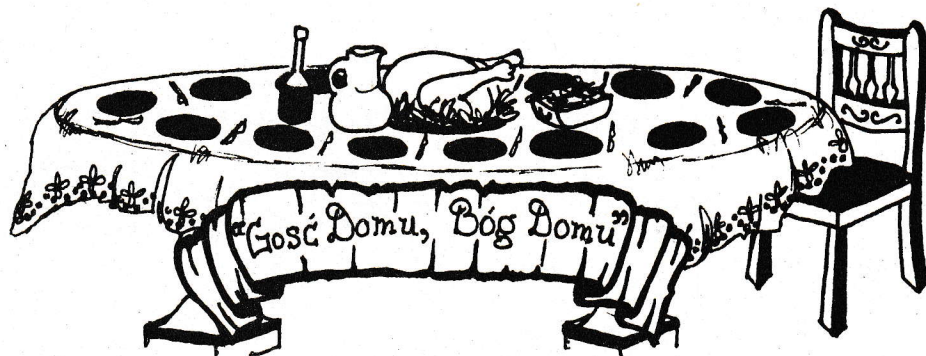


**MICHAEL
AND
ELIZABETH
KASPROWICZ**



Family Tree of Michael and Elizabeth Kasprowicz

ELIZABETH KUZNIA b-1881, d-1928
to
MICHAEL KASPROWICZ b-1870, d-1940

1. Stefan Kasprowicz b-1900, d-1973 to Steffie Tulibaski b-1909

A. Lorraine Kasprowicz b-1929 to Harry Adamski b-1923

- 1) Dale Adamski b-1965
- 2) Donna Adamski b-1968

B. Frank Kasprowicz b-1931 to Veronica Schmitz b-1943

C. John Kasprowicz b-1933

D. Margret Kasprowicz b-1937, d-1937

E. Lawrence Kasprowicz b-1938 d-1938

F. Walter Kasprowicz b-1938 to Jeanette Erickson b-1942

- 1) Janet Kasprowicz b-1962
- 2) Robert Kasprowicz b-1963, d-1964
- 3) JoAnn Kasprowicz b-1965
- 4) Janel Kasprowicz b-1965
- 5) Judy Kasprowicz b-1967
- 6) Deborah Kasprowicz b-1974

G. Leona Kasprowicz b-1941 to Darwin Knutson b-1936, d-1972 **Leona Kasprowicz Knutson to John Konickson b-1940**

- 1) LaNette Konickson b-1967
- 2) Terry Konickson b-1974

H. Evelyn Kasprowicz b-1944 to Bruce Erickson b-1941

- 1) Jared Erickson b-1971
- 2) Kevin Erickson b-1975

I. Theresa Kasprowicz b-1946 to Laures Kleinwachter b-1942

- 1) Alan Kleinwachter b-1964
- 2) Jeffrey Kleinwachter b-1966, d-1979
- 3) James Kleinwachter b-1968
- 4) Tami Kleinwachter b-1971

J. Joseph Kasprowicz b-1950, d-1950

2. Balbina Kasprowicz b-1902, d-1976 to Frank Borowicz b-1898, d-1970

A. John Borowicz b-1919 to Alice Gryskiewicz b-1926

- 1) Ronald Borowicz b-1949
- 2) Ramona Borowicz b-1951 to Neil Little b-1951
- 3) Michael Borowicz b-1953
- 4) Vernon Borowicz b-1955
- 5) John Borowicz, Jr. b-1958
- 6) Marcia Borowicz b-1960
- 7) Donan Borowicz b-1963
- 8) GeriLynn Borowicz b-1966
- 9) Julie Borowicz b-1967

B. Ray Borowicz b-1920 to Loretta Gratzek b-1922

- 1) Donalda Borowicz b-1947 to Arnold Kuznia b-1943
 - a) Michelle Kuznia b-1970
 - b) Karla Kuznia b-1971

c) Jayson Kuznia b-1975

d) Nathan Kuznia b-1978

2) Kenneth Borowicz b-1950 to Arnette Nowacki b-1953

- a) Brandie Borowicz b-1973
 - b) Season Borowicz b-1976
 - c) Garrett Borowicz b-1978
 - d) Kimberly Borowicz b-1979
- ### **3) Kathleen Borowicz b-1952 to Timothy Votel b-1954**
- a) Kelly Kathleen Votel b-1980
- 4) Allen Borowicz b-1956
 - 5) Renee Borowicz b-1958
 - 6) Randy Borowicz b-1958
 - 7) Jeffrey Borowicz b-1964

C. Gabriel Borowicz b-1925, d-1951

D. Conrad Borowicz b-1927, d-1974 to Lillian Perkerewicz b-1928

- 1) James Borowicz b-1951 to Virginia Poirier b-19
- 2) Marie Borowicz b-1952 to Robert Reader b-1950
 - a) Christopher Reader b-1979
- 3) Theresa Borowicz b-1954
- 4) Louise Borowicz b-1955
- 5) Lawrence Borowicz b-1956, d-1960
- 6) Carol Borowicz b-1960
- 7) Elizabeth Borowicz b-1961
- 8) Margaret Borowicz b-1963
- 9) Jean Borowicz b-1966
- 10) Wayne Borowicz b-1968

E. Henry Borowicz b-1928

F. Eleanor Borowicz b-1923 to Gordon Przybylski b-1919, d-1963

- 1) Marlene Przybylski b-1947 to Cameron Gray, Jr. b-1943
 - a) Lynnette Gray b-1966
 - b) Kristen Gray b-1968
 - c) Stephanie Gray b-1969
- 2) Mary Przybylski b-1950
- 3) Leonard Przybylski b-1952 to Catherine Krieger b-1954
 - a) Anna Przybylski b-1980
- 4) Gordon Przybylski, Jr. b-1953 to Yvonne Mortenson b-1955
- 5) Thomas Przybylski b-1956
- 6) David Przybylski b-1957 to Soozie Rodseth b-1957
- 7) Daniel Przybylski b-1961
- 8) John Przybylski b-1962

Eleanor Borowicz Przybylski to Gilbert Solberg b-1913

G. Frank Borowicz, Jr. b-1931 to Delphine Stallock b-1933

- 1) Perry Borowicz b-1956
- 2) Paulette Borowicz b-1961 to Scott Olson b-19
- 3) Lana Borowicz b-1963
- 4) Donna Borowicz b-1967
- 5) Mitchel Borowicz b-1971

H. Thomas Borowicz b-1932, d-1980 to JoAnn Donarski b-1935

- 1) Bradley Borowicz b-1955
- 2) Rick Borowicz b-1957 to Barbara Fischer b-1953
 - a) Sara Borowicz b-1979
- 3) Jerome Borowicz b-1958
- 4) Steven Borowicz b-1959
- 5) Scott Borowicz b-1966

I. Ralph Borowicz b-1937 to Dorothy Nelson b-1936

- 1) Gregory Borowicz b-1959
- 2) Gary Borowicz b-1960
- 3) Douglas Borowicz b-1962
- 4) Bonnie Borowicz b-1964
- 5) Barbara Borowicz b-1964
- 6) Dennis Borowicz b-1966
- 7) Rodney Borowicz b-1968
- 8) David Borowicz b-1973

J. Dorothy Borowicz b-1934 to Peter Orcutt b-19

- 1) Pamela Orcutt b-1958
 - a) Randolph Orcutt b-1976
- 2) Kevin Orcutt b-1960
- 3) David Orcutt b-1961
- 4) Debra Orcutt b-1962

K. Adele Borowicz b-1939 to Carl Beach, Jr. b-1937

- 1) Brenda Beach b-1960
- 2) Brian Beach b-1962
- 3) Cynthia Beach b-1963
- 4) Timothy Beach b-1965
- 5) Carl Beach III b-1970

L. Ambrose Borowicz b-1943 to JoAnne Safranski b-1945

- 1) Jodi Borowicz b-1966
- 2) Patrick Borowicz b-1967
- 3) Paula Borowicz b-1970
- 4) Phillip Borowicz b-1971
- 5) Jeremy Borowicz b-1977
- 6) Janna Borowicz b-1979

3. Lucille Kasprowicz b-1904 to Stanley Gruhot b-1898

A. Irene Gruhot b-1926 to Louis Capistran b-1924

- 1) Marilyn Capistran b-1946 to Robert Mesna b-1947
 - a) Michelle Mesna b-1976
 - b) Lorrie Mesna b-1978
- 2) Vernon Capistran b-1948 to Kazue Matsunaga b-1944
 - a) Liz Capistran b-1974
 - b) Chris Capistran b-1978

Irene Gruhot Capistran to John Burke b-1928

B. David Gruhot b-1929 to Delores Pokrzywinski b-1937

- 1) David Gruhot, Jr. b-1958
- 2) Louis Gruhot b-1960
- 3) Jeanette Gruhot b-1961
- 4) Diane Gruhot b-1962
- 5) Daniel Gruhot b-1962
- 6) Kathleen Gruhot b-1963
- 7) Robert Gruhot b-1965
- 8) Patricia Gruhot b-1966
- 9) Susan Gruhot b-1969

C. Delores Gruhot b-1930 to Willis LaPlante b-1928

- 1) Michael LaPlante b-1956 to Brenda Shimpa b-19
- 2) Thomas LaPlante b-1960

D. Kenneth Gruhot b-1933 to Darlene Laurin b-1939

- 1) Rebecca Gruhot b-1958 to Dale Morris b-1957
- 2) Deborah Gruhot b-1959
- 3) Cynthia Gruhot b-1962
- 4) Kevin Gruhot b-1965
- 5) Keith Gruhot b-1965

E. Theresa Gruhot b-1935

F. Clarence Gruhot b-1939 to Helen Johnson b-1941

- 1) Ramona Gruhot b-1961
- 2) Wayne Gruhot b-1962
- 3) Marilyn Gruhot b-1964
- 4) Gary Gruhot b-1965

4. Antonette Kasprowicz b-1906 to Thomas Pietruszewski b-1901, d-1972

A. Edmund Pietruszewski b-1926 to Helen Ignaszewski b-1927

- 1) Diane Pietruszewski b-1950 to Gale Vaudrin b-1950
 - a) Scott Vaudrin b-1971
 - b) Kristi Vaudrin b-1974
- Diane Pietruszewski to Ricky Sundby b-1952
- 2) Daniel Pietruszewski b-1953 to Lenore Hanevold b-1956
- 3) Gary Pietruszewski b-1957 to Kim Kalin b-1959
- 4) Gail Pietruszewski b-1960 to Michael McGrath b-1958
- 5) Carol Pietruszewski b-1964

B. Dolores Pietruszewski b-1931 to Robert Stusynski b-1929

- 1) Thomas Stusynski b-1952 to Debbie Hammett b-19
- 2) Ronald Stusynski b-1953
- 3) Richard Stusynski b-1955 to Karen Grossklaus b-1956
 - a) Benjamin Stusynski b-1979
- 4) Jeffrey Stusynski b-1957
- 5) Mary Stusynski b-1960
 - a) Amy Stusynski b-1977
- 6) Lori Stusynski b-1968

C. Eugene Pietruszewski b-1938 to Rosella Asselin b-1944

- 1) Chad Pietruszewski b-1967
- 2) Tonya Pietruszewski b-1970
- 3) Tory Ann Pietruszewski b-1977

D. Roger Pietruszewski b-1939 to Bernadette Chwialkowski b-1943

- 1) Alan Pietruszewski b-1963
- 2) Dale Pietruszewski b-1964
- 3) Todd Pietruszewski b-1967
- 4) Tamara Pietruszewski b-1974

E. Gloria Pietruszewski b-1941 to Leo Bedard b-1941

- 1) Randall Bedard b-1962
- 2) Renae Bedard b-1963
- 3) Michael Bedard b-1966

5. Francis Kasprowicz b-1907, d-1909

6. Cecilia Kasprowicz b-1909 to Daniel Borowicz b-1906, d-1962

A. Robert Borowicz b-1932 to Adeline Bukowski b-1932

- 1) Carol Borowicz b-1953 to Arlen Gustafson b-1951
- 2) William Borowicz b-1954
- 3) Mary Jo Borowicz b-1957 to Steven Vraa b-1957
 - a) Lisa Vraa b-1978
 - b) Amanda Vraa b-1979
- 4) Leonard Borowicz b-1959
- 5) Lawrence Borowicz b-1962

B. Richard Borowicz b-1933 to Yvonne Lefrooth b-1934

- 1) Bryan Borowicz b-1960
- 2) Todd Borowicz b-1962
- 3) Craig Borowicz b-1963

C. Rita Borowicz b-1934 to Ted Chwialkowski b-1931

- 1) Phillip Chwialkowski b-1953
- 2) Rebecca Chwialkowski b-1954

- 3) Gary Chwialkowski b-1955
 - 4) Bruce Chwialkowski b-1957 to Jacqueline Jose b-1955
 - a) Adam Chwialkowski b-1978
 - 5) Keith Chwialkowski b-1961
- D. Rudolph Borowicz b-1935 to Vernice Bakke b-1937**
- 1) Daniel Borowicz b-1962
 - 2) Maria Borowicz b-1963
- E. RoseMary Borowicz b-1937 to Raymond DeMeyere b-1928**
- F. Raymond Borowicz b-1938 to Linda LaRoque b-1942**
- 1) Ramona Borowicz b-1969
 - 2) Emilie Borowicz b-1970
 - 3) David Borowicz b-1972
 - 4) Joseph Borowicz b-1975
- G. Roger Borowicz b-1939 to Margaret Fritz b-1941**
- 1) Michele Borowicz b-1962
 - 2) Mark Borowicz b-1964
 - 3) Michael Borowicz b-1965
 - 4) Jeffrey Borowicz b-1966
- H. Rhodella Borowicz b-1942 to Arthur Ness b-1937**
- 1) Daniel Ness b-1966
 - 2) Steven Ness b-1970
- 7. Edmund Kasproicz b-1911 to Gertrude Kujava b-1914**
- A. Jeanette Kasproicz b-1937 to Raymond Berthold b-1925**
- 1) Gerald Berthold b-1962
 - 2) Ramona Berthold b-1965
- B. Victor Kasproicz b-1939 to Margaret Kostrzewski b-1945**
- 1) Cynthia Kasproicz b-1964
 - 2) Donna Kasproicz b-1967
 - 3) Darryle Kasproicz b-1969
 - 4) Chad Kasproicz b-1979
- C. Bernadine Kasproicz b-1942 to Rudolph Gratzek b-1928, d-1969**
- 1) Jay Gratzek b-1964
 - 2) Scott Gratzek b-1966
 - 3) Roderick Gratzek b-1969
- Bernadine Kasproicz Gratzek to Courtney Abel b-1948**
- D. Vivian Kasproicz b-1950 to Lawrence Srnsky b-1947**
- 1) Rhonda Srnsky b-1973
 - 2) Mitchell Srnsky b-1976
- 8. Thomas Kasproicz b-1913 to Elizabeth Myszkowski b-1919**
- A. Margaret Kasproicz b-1942 to John Buchner b-1937**
- 1) Gregory Buchner b-1965
 - 2) Jodi Buchner b-1969
 - 3) Bradley Buchner b-1974
- B. Veronica Kasproicz b-1943, d-1947**
- C. Beatrice Kasproicz b-1948 to Douglas Berg b-1945**
- 1) Ryan Berg b-1972
 - 2) Regan Berg b-1974
 - 3) Bryce Berg b-1975
 - 4) Brandon Berg b-1976
 - 5) Daysha Berg b-1978
- D. Thomas Kasproicz, Jr. b-1953 to April Ryba b-1955**
- 1) Sarah Kasproicz b-1977
 - 2) Matthew Thomas Kasproicz b-1980
- 9. Theresa Kasproicz b-1916 to Felix Pietruszewski b-1910**
- A. Maxine Pietruszewski b-1940 to Gordon Pagnac b-1939**
- 1) Lynelle Pagnac b-1966
 - 2) Carlene Pagnac b-1969
 - 3) Darren Pagnac b-1971
 - 4) Jami Lynne Pagnac b-1972
- B. Gordon Pietruszewski b-1942 to Delphine Kostrzewski b-1950**
- 1) Donovan Pietruszewski b-1969
 - 2) Dawn Marie Pietruszewski b-1971
 - 3) Jeanne Pietruszewski b-1976
 - 4) Jonathan Pietruszewski b-1980
- C. David Pietruszewski b-1943 to Janice Batalden b-1942**
- 1) Nathan Pietruszewski b-1976
 - 2) Jill Pietruszewski b-1979
- D. Conrad Pietruszewski b-1948**
- E. Terance Pietruszewski b-1951 to Betty Kleinwachter b-1954**
- F. Denise Pietruszewski b-1954 to Larry John Lund b-1946**
- 1) Jeremy Lund b-1976
 - 2) James Lund b-1977
- G. Myron Pietruszewski b-1956**
- H. Wendell Pietruszewski b-1957**
- 10. Sylvester Kasproicz b-1918 to Clara Bukowski b-1923**
- A. Roger Kasproicz b-1942 to June Kleinwachter b-1943**
- 1) Benedict Kasproicz b-1964
 - 2) Kelly Kasproicz b-1965
 - 3) Bradley Kasproicz b-1967
 - 4) Brian Kasproicz b-1968
 - 5) Kari Kasproicz b-1972
 - 6) Brandon Kasproicz b-1977
- B. Richard Kasproicz b-1944, d-1977 to Rita Kuznia b-1952**
- 1) Tracy Kasproicz b-1970
 - 2) Jennifer Kasproicz b-1974
- C. Mary Kasproicz b-1945 to Gerald A. Carlson b-1933**
- 1) Mark Carlson b-1966
 - 2) Todd Carlson b-1967
 - 3) Dawn Carlson b-1968
 - 4) Wade Carlson b-1972
- D. Leonard Kasproicz b-1947 to Barbara Lofstrom b-1949, d-1967**
- 1) Nancy Kasproicz b-1966
- Leonard Kasproicz to Virjean Blazejewski b-1948**
- 2) Kevin Kasproicz b-1970
 - 3) Mona Rae Kasproicz b-1973
- E. Michael Kasproicz b-1949 to Audrey Grandstrand b-1953**
- 1) Matthew Kasproicz b-1975
 - 2) Joshua Kasproicz b-1979
- F. Robert Kasproicz b-1951 to Judith Blazejewski b-1952**
- 1) Lisa Kasproicz b-1974
 - 2) Nathan Kasproicz b-1976
- G. Gabriel Kasproicz b-1954 to Linda Kalinowski b-1955**
- 1) Carmyn Kasproicz b-1973
 - 2) Dana Marie Kasproicz b-1977
- 11. Monica Kasproicz b-1920**
- 12. Irene Kasproicz b-1922, d-1924**

Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprowicz

Michael Kasprowicz, the son of Peter and Josephine (Lasinski) Kasprowicz, was born on September 29, 1870, in Poland. He grew to manhood in his native land. At the age of 21, he joined his family in Chicago, Illinois, and worked in a packing plant there. After two or three years, the family moved to the Florian, Minnesota, area to a farm located in Wright Township. Michael went to work on a large farm in the area known as the Stephen Farm. After making enough money, he bought his own farm in the southeast quarter of Section 7, Wright Township from John Arendt for the price of \$850. He bought the land on December 15, 1894. On legal documents, his first name is spelled Michel.

Michael Kasprowicz married Elizabeth Kuznia on February 12, 1899, in Warsaw, North Dakota. Elizabeth was the daughter of Albert and Hedwig (Krzyszosiak) Kuznia. She was born in Poland on November 4, 1881. In 1884, as a small child, she came to the United States with her parents and brothers. They first made their home in Chicago, Illinois, and later moved to the Florian, Minnesota, area.

Michael and Lizzie were to get married in September of 1898, but Michael had become very ill with typhoid fever. At that time, the Florian parish was just a mission with a priest coming to the church once every three months to baptize babies, hear confessions, say Mass, and perform marriages -- all in one day! Since they had to miss their wedding date in September, Michael and Lizzie went to Warsaw on February 11, 1899, with their attendants, stayed overnight, and were married the next morning. After the wedding mass, they returned to Florian for a wedding celebration which lasted two days.

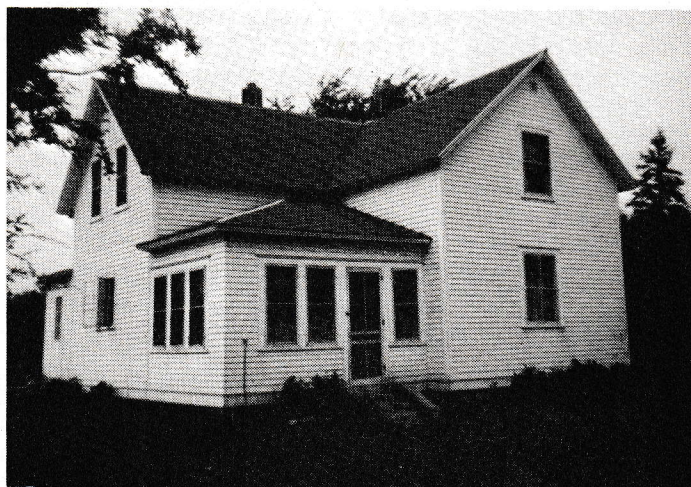


Michael and Elizabeth [Kuznia] Kasprowicz - 1899

Michael and Lizzie made their home on their farm, where they worked hand in hand bringing up a family of twelve children. Two of the children died as infants, Irene and Frank. Their other children were: Stefan, Balbina, Lucille, Antonette, Cecilia, Edmund, Thomas, Sylvester, Theresa, and Monica.

Elizabeth died on April 18, 1928, at the age of 46. Michael continued to make his home with his children, enjoying his grandchildren. He died on April 21, 1940.

Michael had three brothers. William married Catherine Kujava; Vincent married a Perkerewicz girl in Warsaw, North Dakota, (she died and he then married Rose Novak); and John, who died as a young man. He also had two sisters: Mary, who married Stanley Rominski, and Rosalia, who married Frank Kuznia.



Michael and Elizabeth Kasprowicz Home
[Now the home of grandson Tom Kasprowicz, Jr.]

Thomas Kasprowicz Reminisces About His Parents, Michael and Lizzie Kasprowicz

"My parents' home was open to anyone who needed a roof over his head. Leokadia Kuznia and her father, Anton, lived with us for a while. Anton was a carpenter and built the house that is still on the homelace. When Leokadia married, Anton went to live with her. I also remember that Mary (Kuznia) Plencner, who was around Balbina's age, also lived with us for a while.

All of us did our share of work on the farm. Each morning, my father would assign chores to each of his children, and then he constantly supervised us throughout the day. I remember that if I did my chores well, my mother always had something to eat and drink ready for me. If we failed to do our chores properly, our dad had a good talk with us and let us know exactly what we had done wrong. Our parents did not believe in striking their children, but by their example, we always knew what was expected of us.

Some of the chores we had to do when we came home from school were to clean the barn, carry water to the cattle, ducks, etc., haul wood, and milk the cows outside. "Nellie" was the only good cow. She would take her place by the gate and stand still to be milked. The others walked away, would not take their stance, or simply kicked away.

In the evenings, we often visited the neighbors. We played cards or stripped feathers for pillows. If we stayed home, my mother did her sewing. She sewed clothes for the whole family. My father liked

to read a lot. He read both Polish and English papers, and would often read until the mantle on the oil lamp turned black. He also spoke and read German, as he had served in the German army for three years when Poland was under German rule. I also remember that he smoked a pipe. One time when we were making kielbasa, the handle on the machine flew up and knocked the pipe right across

the room!

My mother loved flowers very much, and her huge garden east of the house was filled with beautiful flowers. When the evergreen trees were planted, she moved her garden to the west side of the woods."

STEFAN AND STEFFIE [TULIBASKI] KASPROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Stefan Joseph Kasproicz was born September 2, 1900, to Michael Kasproicz and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasproicz on Section 7 of Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, and grew to manhood.

When Stefan was a young man, his father, Michael, bought a quarter of land in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. Stefan set out to farm this quarter of land. He built a small granary in which he lived during the summer while he was working on the farm. He also built a barn to give shelter to the horses and cows.

On October 30, 1928, he married Steffie Tulibaski, at Assumption Catholic Church of Florian. Steffie was born November 29, 1909, of Polish descent to Stephen and Mary (Hulis) Tulibaski near Warsaw, North Dakota. She moved with her family to the Alma community near Argyle, Minnesota, as a small child. Steffie has



Stefan and Steffie Kasproicz -- 1928

three sisters: Cecilia, Helen, and Gertrude, and three brothers: Walter, Dennis, and Steve. Two brothers are deceased: Stanley and Bruno.

Stefan and Steffie lived with his family the first winter after their marriage, as they had no house built. In the spring of 1929, they moved into the small granary on the farm in Wanger Township until a house could be built. The granary was only a single wall, so it got very hot to live in during that summer. The house was finished in August of 1929 and ready to move into. Lorraine was born October 16, 1929.

In August of 1931, Stefan bought his first car, a used car from Frank Kuznia for \$35. Steffie had raised and sold chickens to pay for the car.

Frank was born September 18, 1931; John was born July 26, 1933; and on July 27, 1937, Margret was born, but when she was about a month old she contacted whooping cough. Margret died on August 30, 1937. On August 19, 1938, twins were born: Walter and Lawrence. Lawrence died at birth.

Another daughter, Leona, was born November 19, 1941. Three years later, Evelyn was born on November 20, 1944; and Theresa was born November 25, 1946. Joseph, the youngest child, was born on December 1, 1950. He died at birth. The three youngest children were born in the Warren Hospital.

Stefan passed away December 13, 1973. His wife, Steffie, still lives on the same farm in rural Stephen, Minnesota, where they raised their family of seven children; three boys and four girls. They have 14 living grandchildren.

HARRY AND LORRAINE [KASPROWICZ] ADAMSKI
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Lorraine Kasproicz was born October 16, 1929, to Stefan and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasproicz in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. She attended country school.

On October 21, 1952, she married Harry Adamski at Assumption Catholic Church of Florian. Harry Adamski was born of Polish descent to Joe and Helen (Grochowski) Adamski on September 11, 1922, near Florian. Harry has two brothers: Peter and Steve; and four sisters: Frances, Bernice, Zefrina, and Katherine. Three brothers are deceased: Stanley, Bernard, and Joe.

They lived and worked near Stephen, and in May of 1954, they purchased a house in Stephen, Minnesota.

In May of 1965, Lorraine and Harry adopted a son, Dale. Dale was born May 23, 1965, of German descent. When Dale was five days old, Harry and Lorraine went to Red Lake Falls Social Service Headquarters in Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, to pick him up.

They adopted a daughter, Donna, on June 24, 1969. Donna was born June 5, 1968, of Swedish and Bohemian descent. They went to Fargo Social Service to get Donna.

At present, they live in Stephen in the house they purchased in 1954. Dale and Donna attend Stephen School.

FRANK AND VERONICA [SCHMITZ] KASPROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Frank Kasprowicz was born September 18, 1931, to Stefan Kasprowicz and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz in Section 3, Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota.

He attended country school. After completing school, he farmed with his dad until he was drafted into the U.S. Navy in November of 1955, serving until August 1957. During this time, he served on board the USS Chemung during the Formosa Crisis. After his discharge from the Navy, he again farmed with his dad until his father retired.

Frank married Veronica Schmitz on November 7, 1970, at Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Veronica was born of German descent on November 16, 1943, to Theodore Schmitz and Leona (Hoefer) Schmitz in Crookston, Minnesota, and lived near Red Lake Falls, Minnesota. She is the second born of nine children; four brothers: Delbert, Daniel, Theodore Jr. and Thomas; and four sisters: Bonita, Pauline, Ruth Ann, and Dolores.

Frank and his wife Veronica now live on and operate the farm on which Frank grew up.

JOHN KASPROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

John Kasprowicz was born July 26, 1933, to Stefan Kasprowicz and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota.

He attended country school and Stephen High School, graduating from high school in 1952.

He worked in California and Minneapolis, Minnesota, in meat packing plants and also worked for many farmers in and around the Stephen area.

At present, he lives at home with his mother, Steffie, on the home farm.

WALTER AND JEANETTE [ERICKSON] KASPROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Walter Kasprowicz was born August 19, 1938, to Stefan and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz in Section 3, Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota.

He attended country school and also attended one year at the agricultural school in Crookston, Minnesota. After completing one year of school in Crookston, he worked for Ralph Hvidsten at Stephen, Minnesota.

On September 2, 1961, he married Jeanette Erickson at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church at Greenbush, Minnesota. Jeanette was born of Swedish descent to Robert and Esther (Kimble) Erickson in Roseau County near Strathcona, Minnesota, on December 10, 1942, the youngest of six children, two brothers: Kenneth and Milton; and three sisters: Victoria, Mae, and Lillian.

Walter was drafted into the U.S. Army in November of 1961 and was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. He was on alert during the Cuban Crisis. During Walter's basic training, Jeanette lived with her sister in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and during this time, their first child, Janet, was born on July 23, 1962. After Janet was born, Jeanette and baby Janet joined Walter on base in Texas. Walter was discharged from the Army in August of 1963 and again worked for Ralph Hvidsten. They made their home in Stephen, Minnesota.

On November 25, 1963, a son, Robert, was born, but sadness came to the family when on January 7, 1964, Robert died of crib death.

In January of 1964, Walter purchased a house in Stephen. During this time, they applied for adoption of a child, and on May

27, 1965, they received word that they could come to Red Lake Falls Social Service Headquarters, Red Lake Falls, Minnesota, and get a little girl. So, on May 27, 1965, they got JoAnn. JoAnn was born of German, French, and Irish descent on April 27, 1965. On November 28, 1965, another daughter, Janel, was born. This was a very busy time for Walter and Jeanette, with two small girls to care for.

Judy, the fourth daughter, was born on September 5, 1967. As a small child, Judy had to have surgery for a dislocated hip. Jeanette and Walter were again very busy, caring for a small child in a cast. On October 9, 1974, a fifth daughter was born, Deborah.

By this time, the house purchased in 1964 was too small for the family, so Walter purchased a larger house across the street. They lived there from May 11, 1975, to December 6, 1975, then Walter purchased a 40 acre farm east of Stephen from Donald Smith. Walter and family now live on the farm.

Walter still works for Ralph Hvidsten and Sons. The girls attend school at Stephen Public School.

JOHN AND LEONA [KASPROWICZ KNUTSON] KONICKSON
Plummer, Minnesota

Leona Kasprowicz was born November 19, 1941, to Stefan Kasprowicz and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz in Section 3 of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. She attended country school for seven years and then Stephen High School. After graduating from high school in 1959, she moved to Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where she worked at Northwestern Hospital.

On October 29, 1966, she married Darwin Knutson at Assumption Catholic Church of Florian, Minnesota. Darwin was born September 2, 1936, to Art Stromberg and Gladys Johnson. Of Swedish descent, he was the oldest of two children. He has a sister, Darlene.

On January 24, 1967, a daughter, LaNette, was born to Leona and Darwin at Greenbush, Minnesota.

On February 10, 1972, Darwin passed away at the Veterans Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota.

Leona, with daughter LaNette, moved to Thief River Falls, and Leona then worked for Land O'Lakes Turkey Processing Plant.

On December 15, 1973, she married John Konickson at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. John Konickson was born October 5, 1940, to Alvin and Olga (Johnson) Konickson of Swedish and Norwegian descent, near Plummer, Minnesota. He is an only child.

Leona and John lived in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, for about a year. Then they built a house on a farm near Plummer, Minnesota. On November 27, 1974, a son, Terry, was born to Leona and John.

They now live on the farm near Plummer, Minnesota, where they are engaged in farming and Leona works for Land O'Lakes Turkey Processing Plant. The children attend school at Plummer Public School.

BRUCE AND EVELYN [KASPROWICZ] ERICKSON
1203 Arnold Avenue North
Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701

Evelyn Kasprowicz was born November 20, 1944, to Stefan Kasprowicz and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz at Warren, Minnesota, Marshall County, and lived near Stephen, Minnesota.

She attended country school for four years, and eight years in Stephen, Minnesota. After graduating from high school in 1962, she moved to Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where she worked at Oakland Park Nursing Home, Northern Chevrolet, and Bell Telephone Company.

On August 22, 1970, she married Bruce Erickson at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Thief River Falls. Bruce was born

September 20, 1941, the youngest of six children of Elmer and Belle (Peterson) Erickson, of Swedish descent. They are from the Thief River Falls area. Bruce has three brothers: Donald, Robert, and Wayne. One brother, Wallace, and one sister, Joan, are deceased.

Evelyn continued to work for Bell Telephone Company in Thief River Falls after her marriage to Bruce. They purchased a small house in 1971 in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Evelyn quit work when, on August 9, 1971, a son, Jared Bruce, was born to them. In January of 1973, they purchased a lot in Thief River Falls and built a new house and sold their small house. A second son was born to them on July 7, 1975. They named him Kevin Wade.

Evelyn is now employed by Land O'Lakes Turkey Processing Plant in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. The boys attend St. Bernard's Catholic School in Thief River Falls.

LAURES AND THERESA [KASPROWICZ] KLEINWACHTER Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Theresa Kasprowicz was born November 25, 1946, to Stefan and Steffie (Tulibaski) Kasprowicz at Warren, Minnesota, Marshall County. She attended first and second grades in country school, and third through twelfth grades in Stephen, Minnesota, graduating from high school in 1964.

On June 20, 1964, she married Laures Kleinwachter at Assumption Catholic Church of Florian, Minnesota. Laures Kleinwachter was born April 3, 1942, of German, Norwegian, and Swedish descent to Art and Selma (Steen) Kleinwachter of rural Strandquist, Minnesota. Laures has six brothers: Wally, Eugene,

Leland, Clare, Harvey, and Thomas; and one sister, Audrey. Laures entered the Army February 18, 1964, and when home on leave from the Army, Theresa and Laures were married. After their marriage, they left for Fort Hood, Texas, where Laures was stationed. While at Ford Hood, their first son, Alan, was born on October 26, 1964.

On February 8, 1966, a second son, Jeffrey, was born, also at Fort Hood, Texas. When Jeffrey was only nine days old, Laures was discharged from the Army, and the family moved to Stephen, where they rented a basement apartment from Frank Borowicz. In the summer of 1968, they purchased a house in Stephen, Minnesota. James, a third son, was born October 4, 1968, and on February 1, 1971, a daughter, Tami Lynn, was born to them.

On May 1, 1975, Laures, Jeffrey, and James were out to the farm which Theresa and Laures had purchased a few years before. Theresa was waiting for them to come home that afternoon when someone knocked on the door and told her that Laures and the two boys had been involved in a two-car accident. The accident sent Laures, Jeffrey, and James to the hospital with several broken bones, cuts, and bruises. They were hospitalized for some time. Theresa spent much time visiting and just being with them in the hospital.

The family was saddened when, on January 28, 1979, Jeffrey passed away at the age of 13 years from complications from the accident.

Theresa worked at Robertson Companies, Inc., as secretary and bookkeeper from 1977-78. Prior to the accident, she was employed as a waitress at the Uptown Cafe in Stephen for almost three years. At present, she is again working as a waitress there. Alan, James, and Tami attend Stephen School. Laures, Theresa, and family live in Stephen in the house they purchased in 1968.

FRANK AND BALBINA [KASPROWICZ] BOROWICZ

Balbina Borowicz, the second eldest of twelve children, was born on March 31, 1902, to Michael and Elizabeth Kasprowicz, in Wright township of Marshall County, Minnesota. There she attended grade school for eight years.

On July 30, 1918, Balbina married Frank Borowicz, the son of Martin and Agnes (Nika) Borowicz, who came from Pozan, Poland. After their marriage, Frank and Balbina moved to McCrea Township, Section 4, where they farmed for two years. Traveling to the Florian church from their home took about six hours by horse and wagon.

After their first child, John, was born, the family moved to Augsburg Township, Section 35, because they were unable to finance the farming operation. Frank, now without a job, had to work for Gillespies (also known as the Stephen Farm). During this time, Ray, their second son, was born.

In 1922, the family once again had moved; this time to the Tamarac Township area southeast of Stephen. Here the rest of the children were born: Eleanor, Gabriel, Conrad, Henry, Frank, Thomas, Dorothy, Ralph, Adele, and Ambrose. Frank rented the farm from Pioneer Land and Loan Company until 1941, when the land came up for sale. The family had the first opportunity to buy the land, but in order to make a down payment, the two boys, John and Ray, had to work. The boys went picking potatoes for 2½ cents a bushel at the Jens Jensen, Sr. farm until earning enough money for the payment.

All farm work was done with horses until 1928. Then Frank bought his first tractor, a used Fordson, trading a team of horses for the down payment. A good example of this could be seen during the threshing season. Frank owned his own threshing machine and did a large amount of custom threshing for several area farmers. Again,

time had passed, and the machinery had changed to more modern styles, as in the combines, making the threshing machine obsolete.

Frank and Balbina retired in 1965 and moved to Stephen, Minnesota. The farm was rented to Ralph, their son. On August 4, 1970, Frank passed away. Balbina continued to live in Stephen until her death on September 11, 1976. Two children had preceded them in death: Gabriel died in a car accident in Florida on March 27,



**Frank and Balbina Borowicz Family
Golden Wedding Anniversary -- 1968**
[L-R] Ray, Ambrose, Frank Jr., Henry, Adele, Conrad, Dorothy,
Eleanor, Ralph [hidden], Thomas, John
[Seated] Balbina and Frank

1951, at the age of 25. Conrad died on October 20, 1974, at the age of 47. On March 22, 1980, Thomas passed away at the age of 47.

The marriages of Frank and Balbina's children are as follows: John and Alice (Gryskiewicz) Borowicz are farming in the Tamarac Township area; Ray and Loretta (Gratzek) Borowicz are farming in Wanger Township; Eleanor married Gordon Przybylski, who died January 4, 1963, and she was then married to Gilbert Solberg in 1971 and they live in Boxville Township; Conrad married Lillian Perkerewicz and they live in Pembina, North Dakota; Henry lives in Minneapolis; Frank and Delphine (Stallock) Borowicz are living in Argyle, where Frank has his own construction business; Thomas married JoAnn Donarski and she lives in Bloomington, Minnesota, where he did construction work; Dorothy married Peter Orcutt and she lives in Minneapolis, Minnesota; Ralph and Dorothy (Nelson) Borowicz are farming on the home place in Tamarac Township; Carl and Adele (Borowicz) Beach are living in El Toro, California; Ambrose and JoAnne (Safranski) Borowicz are living near Stephen, and Ambrose owns a dry wall business.

JOHN AND ALICE [GRYSKIEWICZ] BOROWICZ Argyle, Minnesota 56713

John Borowicz, born June 24, 1919, son of Frank and Balbina (Kasprovicz) Borowicz, was the eldest of twelve children. He attended rural school for eight years and also helped out at home with the farming and housework.

In 1941, John was drafted into the Armed Forces, where he completed his basic training at Fort Eustis, Virginia. During this time, the second World War was declared, and John was stationed in the Caribbean for twenty-two months. Two years later, he came back to the United States with a thirty day furlough, only to be transferred overseas. At this time, John served in the European Theatre of Operation, which took place in Germany (also called the Battle of the Bulge). There he was with the 75th Infantry Division, combating against the German Army. John served almost four and one half years in the military service and was discharged from the Armed Forces in November of 1945.

On June 15, 1948, John married Alice, the daughter of August and Angeline Gryskiewicz. Alice has two brothers: Conrad and Donald Gryskiewicz, and three sisters: Irene (Mrs. John Urbaniak), Pauline (Mrs. Sven Olsson), and Mary (Mrs. Ed Robertson). Following their marriage, they made their home in Tamarac Township, Section 24, and are farming the 320 acres which they



John and Alice Borowicz Family -- 1980
[L-R] Ronald, Julie, Marcia, Ramona, Michael, Alice, John Jr., John, Donan, Geri Lynn, and Vernon

own, along with some rented land. It is farmed into certified grain, potatoes, and sunflowers.

To their union, nine children were born: Ronald, Ramona, Michael, Vernon, John Jr., Marcia, Donan, Geri Lynn, and Julie.

Ron graduated from Stephen High School in 1967. He pursued a pre-med biology major at the College of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota, graduating in 1971. After four years of medical school at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, he received a Doctorate of Medicine degree in June of 1975. Three years of residency in family practice through the University of North Dakota with affiliation through St. Luke's, St. John's, and Dakota Hospitals of Fargo completed his training. In August of 1978, Ron entered private practice in family medicine at the West Fargo Medical Center, West Fargo, North Dakota, again with affiliation through St. Luke's, St. John's, and Dakota Hospitals of Fargo and St. Ansgar's of Moorhead, Minnesota.

Dr. Borowicz is board certified by and a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Medicine, completing specialty exams in June of 1979. He also holds a rank of Assistant Clinical Professor of Family Medicine at the University of North Dakota, associated with the teaching staff of the medical school. Ron resides in Fargo, North Dakota.

Ramona married Neil Little of Wyndmere, North Dakota, on June 21, 1980. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Little. They are living in West Fargo, North Dakota. Ramona is a 1969 graduate of Stephen High School. She attended St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minnesota, and graduated in 1973 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in sociology. Mona is currently employed as an optometric assistant and optician by Drs. Geiger and McAndrew in Fargo, North Dakota.

Michael is a 1971 graduate of the Stephen High School and a 1975 graduate of St. Thomas in St. Paul, Minnesota, obtaining a Bachelor of Arts degree in the field of finance. Presently, he is engaged in farming in the Stephen area.

Vern is a 1973 graduate of Stephen High School and a 1979 graduate of North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota, obtaining a Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy. He is a dual pharmacy licensee in the states of Minnesota and North Dakota. Vern is currently employed at the Rexall Drug Store in Warren, Minnesota.

John attended the Stephen Public School for eight years. He then enrolled at Crosier Seminary, Onamia, Minnesota, graduating in 1976. Jack attended Moorhead State College for two years and is currently employed with American Wheel and Brake Company in West Fargo, North Dakota.

Marcia graduated from Stephen High School in 1978. She pursued a general studies major at the University of North Dakota, finishing one year at the University in Grand Forks, North Dakota. With completion of that year, she was accepted and is currently pursuing studies at the United Hospital in Grand Forks for x-ray technology.

Donan, a junior, Geri Lynn, an eighth grader, and Julie in sixth grade are now attending Stephen Public School.

RAY AND LORETTA [GRATZEK] BOROWICZ Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Ray Sylvester Borowicz was born December 8, 1920, in Marshall County to Frank and Balbina (Kasprovicz) Borowicz. On October 15, 1946, Ray and Loretta Gratzek, daughter of John P. and Stella (Przybylski) Gratzek, were united in marriage at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

Loretta has one sister, Isabel (Mrs. Clarence Nowacki), who is living on a farm near Argyle, Minnesota. She also has two brothers: Lambert Gratzek, also living on a farm near Argyle, and John C. Gratzek, residing at Shoreview, Minnesota.

Ray spent three and one-half years in service during World War II, serving at the Aleutian Islands. After the War, he decided on farming as an occupation, specializing in approved certified seed potatoes and grain.

Presently, he is very active in the community, serving as Director for the Red River Valley Potato Association; Director for the Co-op Elevator at Stephen, Minnesota; and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Previously, he has served as different officers for the Polish National Alliance. He has also been active at the Assumption Church of Florian, where he was chairman of the church council.

Ray and Loretta have seven children: Donalda, who is married to Arnold Kuznia and is engaged in farming; Kenneth, who married Arnette Nowacki and is associated with his father in farming; Kathy married Tim Votel and both are working in Shoreview, Minnesota; Allen is associated with his father in farming; Renee is currently employed as a nurse for the Grand Forks Clinic; Randy is a student at Moorhead State University; and Jeff is in the ninth grade at Stephen High School.

ARNOLD AND DONALDA [BOROWICZ] KUZNIA
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Donalda (Borowicz) Kuznia is the oldest daughter of Ray and Loretta (Gratzek) Borowicz. She is married to Arnold C. Kuznia, and they live in the Florian area.

They were married on June 8, 1968, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. They have four children: Michelle, Karla, Jayson, and Nathan.

Arnie is engaged in farming with his father, Chester, and his three brothers.

(For more information and picture, see the Peter and Agnes Kuznia section of this book.)

KENNETH AND ARNETTE [NOWACKI] BOROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Kenneth Ray Borowicz was born February 9, 1950, at the Warren Hospital, Warren, Minnesota, to Ray and Loretta (Gratzek) Borowicz.

On November 27, 1971, he married Arnette Phyllis Nowacki at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at Alma, Minnesota. Presently, they are living in Stephen, Minnesota, and have a family of four: Brandie, Season, Garrett, and Kimberly.

Arnette is the daughter of Arnold and Theresa (Przekwas) Nowacki. She has three sisters: Suzanne (Mrs. Larry Wilkerson) of Chicago, Illinois, Marcella (Mrs. Tim Kazmierczak) of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and Dolores (Mrs. Norman St. Germain) of Anoka, Minnesota. She also has three brothers: Robert and Mark of Warren, Minnesota, and John of West Fargo, North Dakota.

Ken graduated in 1968 from Stephen High School, the University of Minnesota at Crookston, Minnesota, in 1970, and Moorhead State College in Moorhead, Minnesota, in 1972 with a B.A. degree in accounting and business administration. Presently, he is farming with his father, Ray.

Arnette is a 1971 graduate of Argyle Public School, Argyle, Minnesota, and Josef's School of Hair Design in 1972. She presently owns and operates New Hair Dimensions beauty salon in Stephen, Minnesota.

TIMOTHY AND KATHLEEN [BOROWICZ] VOTEL
603 Emil Avenue
Shoreview, Minnesota 55112

Kathleen Mary Borowicz was born September 3, 1952, at Warren,

Minnesota, the second daughter and third child of Ray and Loretta (Gratzek) Borowicz. She attended Stephen Public School and graduated in 1970. After graduation, she attended the College of St. Catherine in St. Paul, Minnesota, and graduated in 1974 with a degree in business administration.

On May 14, 1977, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, she married Timothy John Votel, the son of Ben and Rita (Reick) Votel. Tim was born July 26, 1954. His brothers and sisters are: Henry, Charlie, Joanne, Collette, Ben, Marty, Jeanne Shaw, and Anne Weber. Tim graduated from Mounds View High School in 1972 and attended the University of Minnesota for three years, majoring in art.

Kathy is presently an executive secretary for the Director of Safety at Briggs Transportation Company. Tim is a housing inspector for the city of St. Paul.

On May 12, 1980, they became the parents of a little daughter, Kelly Kathleen, who was born at Unity Hospital.

CONRAD AND LILLIAN [PERKEREWICZ] BOROWICZ
Pembina, North Dakota

Conrad Lucian Borowicz was born February 11, 1927, in Marshall County, Minnesota, to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz. He grew up in the Florian-Stephen area and first attended the country school two miles south of their home. He graduated from Stephen High School in 1945 and then went on to attend the University of Minnesota for two years. In 1949, he purchased the L.B. Hartz Store in Pembina, North Dakota.

On August 8, 1950, at St. Stanislaw Catholic Church in Warsaw, North Dakota, he married Lillian Perkerewicz. She is the daughter of Joseph and Tekla (Przepiora) Perkerewicz. Her brothers and sisters are: Rose Przybylski, Steve, Chester, Raphael, Theresa Hapka, Loraine Wesolowski, Joseph, and Raymond.

Conrad and Lillian had ten children: James, Marie, Theresa, Louise, Lawrence, Carol, Elizabeth, Margaret, Jean, and Wayne. Marie, Theresa, and Louise were all in the United States Navy at one time. Marie is now married to Robert Reader and they have one son, Christopher. James was stationed in Germany with the United States Army. Conrad passed away in 1974.

ROBERT AND MARIE [BOROWICZ] READER
15 Willow Way
Atco, New Jersey 08004

Marie Borowicz was born June 15, 1952, the second child and first daughter for Conrad and Lillian (Perkerewicz) Borowicz. She was born at St. Vincent, Minnesota. She received all early schooling at and graduated from the Pembina Public School, Pembina, North Dakota. In 1971, she joined the United States Navy and remained in the service for seven years. While she was stationed in Washington, D.C., she met her future husband, Robert Reader.

Robert and Marie were married on April 27, 1974, at Ft. Myers Chapel, Ft. Myer, Arlington, Virginia. Robert is the son of William L. and Lillian Reader. He was born November 20, 1950, at Elizabeth, New Jersey. He has one brother, William R. Reader.

Robert lived in Watchung, New Jersey, and attended school there. He played the saxophone in the school band and also in a rock band. After high school, he attended junior college for computer training. He then joined the Navy Reserve and was stationed in Washington, D.C. for two years. It was at this time that he met Marie.

After they were married, while Marie was still in the service, they lived on a Navy Base. Robert then went back to college.



Christopher Michael Reader
[six months old]

Currently, he works as a computer programmer for the United States government in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Marie is attending college to pursue a business degree.

They are the parents of a son, Christopher. He was born February 17, 1979, at the Garden State Hospital in Marlton, New Jersey.

The family enjoys many outdoor activities, including bicycle riding and tennis.

HENRY BOROWICZ

3708 Lyndale
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408

Henry George Borowicz was born to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz on December 1, 1928, in Stephen. Early in life during my youth, I lived with my parents and family on the farm, at which time I was also a part of the Florian community. In reflection, these times were a beautiful part of growing up, as I learned the Polish language, belonged to the Florian parish, enjoyed their folklore and all its Polish surroundings. As a young boy, I attended elementary school about two miles down the road from the family farm near the Tamarac River.

Upon graduating from Stephen High School (class of 1947), I ventured to the University of Minnesota, majoring in ag. education. The Korean conflict broke out, and I served in the Armed Forces from 1951 to 1953.

When returning home from service life, I moved again to the Twin City area. I held various types of jobs with different companies for about six years. In 1959, I settled into a permanent position with International Harvester Company parts distribution, and for the past 21 years, I have established my bread and butter with them to the present day.

GORDON AND ELEANOR [BOROWICZ] PRZYBYLSKI

Eleanor Borowicz was born in 1923 to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz, in Tamarac Township, Marshall County, Minnesota.

In 1946, I married Gordon J. Przybylski from Argyle, Minnesota, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. His parents were Joseph and Emelia (Gratzek) Przybylski. Gordon had two brothers: Ralph (now deceased), and Marion, who is now farming the homeplace by Argyle, Minnesota. He also had two sisters who are married and living in Minneapolis, Minnesota: Alice and Maxine.

Gordon served in the Armed Forces in the South Pacific from February of 1942 until his discharge in May of 1945.

After we were married, we lived in Argyle and operated a grocery store from 1947 until 1956. During this time, five of our children were born: Marlene, Mary, Leonard, Gordon Jr., and Thomas. We then purchased a grocery store in Park Rapids, Minnesota, and lived there only two years. It was during this time that our fourth son, David, was born. We sold the store and moved to Crookston, Minnesota, where Gordon was employed as an insurance agent for the Knights of Columbus. Our last two sons, Daniel and John, were born here.

Gordon died at Bemidji, Minnesota, in January of 1963 of a heart attack while he was there on business. I continued to live in Crookston with the eight children. Some were very young when their father passed away.

Our children are as follows: Marlene graduated from R.N. training at St. Luke's Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota. She is married to Cameron Gray of Climax, Minnesota. They have three girls. She is presently nursing at Riverview Hospital, Crookston, Minnesota. Mary also graduated from R.N. training at St. Luke's in Fargo and is presently nursing at Methodist Hospital in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Leonard graduated from St. John's at Collegeville, Minnesota, in 1974. He married Cathy Krieger from Minneapolis, Minnesota, in August of 1979. He works for Minnesota Diversified Industries in Minneapolis. Gordon graduated from St. John's University at Collegeville, Minnesota, in 1976. He works as district executive for the Boy Scouts. He married Yvonne Mortenson from Thief River Falls, Minnesota, in November of 1979. They live in Fargo, North Dakota. Thomas graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, in 1977. He lives in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and is district executive for the Boy Scouts. David is attending St. Cloud State at St. Cloud, Minnesota, and will graduate in the spring of 1980. Daniel is a freshman at St. Cloud State, and John is a senior at Warren High School, Warren, Minnesota.

CAMERON AND MARLENE [PRZYBYLSKI] GRAY Climax, Minnesota

Marlene Frances Przybylski was born June 4, 1947, to Gordon and Eleanor (Borowicz) Przybylski at Warren, Minnesota.

My education took place in Catholic school with graduation at Mount St. Benedict in Crookston, Minnesota, in 1965. I liked school, and was involved in many activities (too many sometimes). When my father died, I got a job after school and weekends washing dishes at St. Francis Hospital. This and school kept me very busy! I think I was proudest when I won the essay contest for the VFW. I got \$15, which was considered a huge sum. I was also a candy-striper at St. Francis Hospital in Crookston.

With interests in both teaching and medicine, my career was difficult to decide. I enjoyed piano lessons and played the organ at the Cathedral in Crookston. A few days after graduation, I attempted skateboarding, which gave me a broken leg and complications. I went to NDSU with an interest in a medical career. I didn't go long, but married my high school boyfriend. That marriage ended in divorce after seven years. It is then I went to LPN training and met the brother of a friend. He used to fix my never-ending troublesome car. A romance started, and one day my daughter found an engagement ring in my purse.

On June 28, 1975, at Sandhill Church in Climax, Minnesota, I married Cameron Valor Gray, the son of Cameron Ruben and Marion (Valor) Gray. My three daughters were flower girls. When the annulment process for my first marriage was finally finished, we were married again at the Cathedral in Crookston. I then pursued my nursing career and got my R.N. diploma from St. Luke's in Fargo, North Dakota.

Cameron Valor Gray was born September 23, 1942, at Grand Forks, North Dakota. He has one sister, Aldine B. Ellisor.

I was raised on a farm north of Climax, Minnesota, where we raised wheat, barley, beans, corn, and raised a few head of livestock. Like most boys raised on a farm in our vicinity, I was mainly interested in farming. We went out of the livestock business because the area raised too many good crops to be taken up by pasture, alfalfa, and corn. I attended Climax Public School. While in school I participated in many sports and music, also judging contests.

After high school, I went to one year of college and farmed during the summer months. I played college football, but

discontinued going because 1962 was very wet and we had to work all summer just trying to get the ground in shape for the next year. That winter, I went to California and had a small job cleaning swimming pools. That got tiresome, so I came back home for another lesson in farming. That fall, I went to South Dakota to work in the gold mines and ended up with a job clearing woods for a new road. My car got stolen, so back home I came -- with greetings from the selective service board. I was in the service for two years and when I returned I started work at the Farmers Union Oil Company, where I've been for the last fourteen years. While working there, I met a friend of my sister, because I had to do various things on her car. Everytime I saw her, something built up inside me, which I guess was love, because eventually we got married. After the wedding, we had a dance at the Nielsville Legion Hall. We had a trip all planned, but we only made it to the first town on our travel tour, Winnipeg, Manitoba. There were so many things we wanted to see there, we didn't make it any farther. We got back home and for a while we lived in Crookston while looking for a house. A school teacher had a home in Climax which was fairly new, and we bought it. We moved to Climax in 1975 and have lived here ever since.



Cameron and Marlene Gray Family -- 1978
[L-R] Stephanie, Marlene, Lynnette, Cameron, Kristen

We have three children. Lynnette Marie was born July 7, 1966, at Dakota Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota. She is a cheerleader and takes piano and clarinet lessons. Kristen Elizabeth was born June 22, 1968, at Dakota Hospital. She loves horses, takes piano and trombone lessons, and wants to be a vet and a part-time artist. Stephanie Leigh was born October 13, 1969, at Dakota Hospital. She also takes piano lessons and enjoys school. We took part in our own adoption proceeding at the courthouse in Crookston.

Butch is the manager of the Cenex fertilizer plant and Marlene is the supervisor of pediatrics in Crookston. As a family, we go snow skiing, swimming, and take part in many outdoor sports. In the winter, we bowl on a couples league. What we enjoy most is getting together with families.

LEONARD AND CATHERINE [KRIEGER] PRZYBYLSKI
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Minneapolis, MN 55404

Leonard Przybylski was born July 7, 1952, at Warren, Minnesota, to Gordon and Eleanor (Borowicz) Przybylski. When he was a child, the family had moved from Argyle to Park Rapids to Crookston, Minnesota. Crookston became their permanent home after the death of his father. After high school graduation, he attended St. John's University at Collegeville, Minnesota, and

graduated with a B.A. in history. He traveled to Europe to become a teacher of the Transcendental Meditation program. He met his future wife, Catherine Krieger, at a party held with other TM meditators and teachers.

On August 31, 1979, at the Annunciation Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Leonard and Cathy were married. She is the daughter of David and Janet (Houle) Krieger. She was born at Minneapolis, Minnesota, on February 4, 1954. Her brothers and sisters are: Theresa, Jeanne, Michael, Julie, and Steven. Cathy was born and raised in Minneapolis. She had studied dance periodically but decided to attend the University of Minnesota instead of continuing in ballet. After a year and a half at the University in liberal arts, she enrolled in an eighteen-month course at the vocational school and learned the phases of jewelry manufacturing. Since then, she has worked for a small wholesale jewelry company, gaining the experience to become a self-employed jeweler.

Leonard and Cathy have a daughter, Anna Simone. She was born April 11, 1980, in Minneapolis.

Leonard has been a grant writer - fund raiser for a non-profit organization, Minnesota Diversified Industries. Presently he is self employed as a resume writer.

GORDON, JR. AND YVONNE [MORTENSON] PRZYBYLSKI
145 Oak Manor Court
Fargo, North Dakota

Gordon Przybylski, Jr. was born November 2, 1953, to Gordon and Eleanor (Borowicz) Przybylski at Warren, Minnesota.

All twelve years of my schooling were in private Catholic schools. I attended Mount St. Benedict at Crookston, Minnesota. After graduation, I entered St. John's at Collegeville, Minnesota, and graduated in 1976. I played hockey for the four years I was there. After graduation, I took employment with the Boy Scouts of America working as a District Executive in Northwest Minnesota. I have been working with the Scouting organization full time ever since. Some of my Scouting responsibilities include the organization of summer camps, the training of new Scout leaders, the raising of our council financial budget, the servicing of existing Scout units, the coordination and planning of activities such as camporees, summer camp, Scout expositions, day camps, and the on-going recruitment of new Scouting leaders.

On November 23, 1979, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, Gordon married Yvonne Mortenson, the daughter of Elmer Mortenson and Ruby Mortenson (Carlson). Yvonne was born November 26, 1955, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. She has one brother, James, and two sisters, Marva and Elaine.

There are seven years difference between my brother and sister, James and Marva, and my younger sister, Elaine, and myself, so there was only Elaine and myself at home when I grew up. My mother was divorced when I was very young, so I learned very fast how to survive without a "man around the house". I attended school for twelve years in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and then an accredited dental program in Rochester, Minnesota, in 1974. I have worked as a certified dental assistant ever since. I met Gordy in December of 1978 and we dated "from afar". I lived in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and he in Thief River Falls, so there was a lot of miles and driving between us. After our wedding, we moved to Fargo, North Dakota. We're both happily working and enjoying married life in North Dakota.

GILBERT AND ELEANOR [PRZYBYLSKI] SOLBERG
Warren, Minnesota 56762

On December 27, 1971, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Crookston, Minnesota, Eleanor Przybylski married

Gilbert Solberg. He is the son of Andrew and Anne Solberg and was born November 6, 1913, at Warren, Minnesota. His sister, Eleanor Mundt, lives in Illinois. A brother, Lawrence, lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, and another brother, Warren, lives in Warren, Minnesota. Gil attended high school at Alvarado, Minnesota, and graduated in 1932. He has been engaged in farming. He has three children from his first marriage. His son, Terry, lives in Missoula, Montana, and is employed by the Forest Service. One daughter lives in Minneapolis, and the other in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. He also has seven grandchildren.

We got married right after Christmas so all our children could be home with us. Our reception was held at the Upper Deck in Crookston, Minnesota.

We have traveled some since we were married. Seven years ago, we went on a Caribbean Cruise and enjoyed it. Five years ago, we went to Hawaii and also toured the Black Hills, Yellowstone National Park, Craters of Moon in Idaho, and now we have a cabin at Twin Lakes by Mahnomen, Minnesota, and spend our summers there. God willing, we plan to spend a month or so in the winter in Arizona. Otherwise, we make our home on a farm west of Warren, Minnesota.

FRANK, JR. AND DELPHINE [STALLOCK] BOROWICZ
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Frank Daniel Borowicz was born on January 15, 1931, in Tamarac Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, to Frank and Balbina (Kasprovicz) Borowicz. He grew up in the Stephen-Florian area and attended country school two miles south of the home place. He later graduated from Stephen High School in 1949. He then went to Pembina, North Dakota, and entered business with his brother, Conrad, in the L. B. Hartz Store for two and a half years.

On June 24, 1952, he married Delphine Stallock. She was born on March 25, 1935, in Wanger Township to Anzelm and Polly (Pietruszewski) Stallock. She has five brothers: Leonard, Conrad, James, Robert, and Rudolph; and two sisters: Lorraine (Mrs. Henry Bengtson) and Sharon (Mrs. Miles Wayne). Delphine attended Karlstad school and then graduated in 1951 from Strandquist High School. She was employed at the Argyle State Bank in Argyle for twenty years.

Frank and Delphine have five children: Perry, Paulette, Lana, Donna, and Mitchel. They have lived in Argyle, Minnesota, since 1952. Frank has a construction and cabinet business, and Delphine is a homemaker.

THOMAS AND JOANN [DONARSKI] BOROWICZ
8949 Chicago Avenue South
Bloomington, Minnesota 55420

Thomas M. Borowicz was born at Stephen, Minnesota, on December 28, 1932, the eighth child and seventh son of Frank and Balbina (Kasprovicz) Borowicz.

I met JoAnn Donarski at a wedding dance at the Florian Hall in May of 1953. After a summer courtship of going to many more wedding dances in Florian, Karlstad, and other surrounding towns, we set a wedding date for June 1 of 1954.

We had an old fashioned wedding at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Everything was brought to the church basement and cooked there. I remember my father-in-law, Walter Donarski, peeling potatoes for hours before we had three cream cans full.

After a short honeymoon, we set up housekeeping in the Arnold T. Johnson apartments in Stephen, Minnesota. I worked for my dad and also got my first job in construction with Rudy Olson Construction. JoAnn worked at the 75 DX Cafe and at Merv's grocery store off and on for thirteen years, between having babies.

Bradley Gene was born October 3, 1955. Rick Jon was born February 5, 1957. Jerome Mark was born June 7, 1958, and Steven Jay on August 19, 1959. On March 24, 1966, Scott Thomas joined the clan. (All big brothers need someone to pick on.)



Thomas and JoAnn Borowicz Family -- 1978
[Standing L-R] Scott, Jerome, Rick, Bradley, Steven
[Seated] JoAnn and Tom

In the fall of 1967, we made the big move to Bloomington, Minnesota, where I am employed with Rauenhurst Construction and JoAnn at the Radisson South.

We celebrated our 25th wedding anniversary last summer, 1979. We are also now grandparents to little Sara Therese.

Four of our boys are still at home as Brad and Jerry were just discharged from the U.S. Army in October of 1979. They are both employed with Rauenhurst Construction. Rick is married and lives in Shakopee, Minnesota. Scott is an eighth grader at Oak Grove Junior High.

We spend many weekends visiting and enjoying the many other relatives from up North that live here too.

JoAnn is the daughter of Walter and Clarice (Ekman) Donarski. She has four brothers: Wayne, Ronald, Robert (deceased), and Gary (deceased).

Thomas M. Borowicz passed away March 22, 1980.

RICK AND BARBARA [FISCHER] BOROWICZ
4166 Rahn Road, Apartment 20
Egan, Minnesota 55122

Rick Jon Borowicz was born at Karlstad, Minnesota, on February 5, 1957, to Thomas and JoAnn (Donarski) Borowicz. He attended Stephen Public School, Stephen, Minnesota, until the fourth grade. The family then moved to Bloomington, Minnesota, and he attended Cedar Crest Elementary School, Portland Junior High, and graduated from John F. Kennedy Senior High in 1975.

He met his future wife, Barbara Jo Fischer, while working at Midland Glass Company in Shakopee, Minnesota, in 1976.

On August 18, 1978, at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church in Bloomington, Minnesota, they were married. Barb is the daughter of Marcel and Delores Fischer. She was born January 13, 1953, at



Sara Therese Borowicz

Shakopee, Minnesota. Her brothers and sisters are: Frank, Alta, Gertrude, Theresa, Linda, Bruce, Mary, Susan, Bonnie, and Marcella. Barb grew up in a lot of small towns. They lived in the country and the family moved a lot.

After Rick and Barb were married, their first home was in Prior Lake, Minnesota. Then they moved to Shakopee, Minnesota, where their daughter, Sara Therese, was born on December 22, 1979, at St. Francis Hospital.

RALPH AND DOROTHY [NELSON] BOROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Ralph Julius Borowicz was the ninth child born to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz. He was born at Warren, Minnesota, on January 9, 1937. He grew up in Tamarac Township and attended the rural school two miles south of home. After school, he started working for his father on the farm.

On June 10, 1958, at St. Stephen Catholic Church, he married Dorothy Nelson, the daughter of Herman and Mildred (Brekke) Nelson. She was born on September 30, 1936. Her brothers and sisters are: Lila (Mrs. Gordon Grandstrand), Gayhard, Eulalie (Mrs. Leonard Stallock), Merlyn, Jeane (Mrs. Verner Fredrick) and Ina Lou (Mrs. William Baumgartner). Dorothy graduated from Strandquist High School in 1954. She then worked in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where she met Ralph. She then worked for Joe Myhre at the Stephen Implement until she married Ralph.

Ralph and Dorothy make their home on the farm in rural Stephen, Minnesota, where Ralph grew up. Ralph is engaged in farming, and Dorothy works at Roy Benson and Son and the Stephen High School, where she is an assistant computer operator.

They have eight children: Greg, Gary, Douglas, Bonnie, Barbara, Dennis, Rodney and David. The family enjoys bowling, playing cards, and basketball games in the winter.

DOROTHY [BOROWICZ] ORCUTT
9824 Pleasant Avenue
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55420

Dorothy Borowicz, the second daughter and tenth child born to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz, married Peter Orcutt on January 11, 1958. Four children were born to this union. Pamela Kay was born December 15, 1958. Kevin Gabriel on July 22, 1960. A second son, David Christopher, was born October 24, 1961, and a second daughter, Debra Renee on October 28, 1962.

CARL, JR. AND ADELE [BOROWICZ] BEACH
24621 Coleford Street
ElToro, California 92630

Adele Elizabeth Borowicz was born in 1939 at Stephen, Minnesota, to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz. She was their eleventh child and third daughter.

She married Carl Edward Beach, Jr., the son of Carl, Sr. and Jeanette (Lothar) Beach. His other family members include: Marion Skinner, Robert, Georgianna Jordan, Jack, David, and Lily Kienzle. A previous spelling for Beach was Beche.

Carl and Adele have five children: Brenda, Brian, Cynthia, Timothy, and Carl III.

Carl spent 22 years with the United States Marine Corps and seven months in the Navy Reserve. He is a foreman at ACL Filco, Santa Ana, California. Adele is a homemaker and administrative secretary for the Auto Club of Southern California.

AMBROSE AND JOANNE [SAFRANSKI] BOROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Ambrose Eugene Borowicz was born at Warren, Minnesota, in 1943, to Frank and Balbina (Kasprowicz) Borowicz.

On June 6, 1964, at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Stephen, Minnesota, he married JoAnne Safranski, the daughter of Robert and Delphine (Sczepanski) Safranski. Her brothers and sisters are: Robert Jr., James, Susan, William, Richard, Mary Lee, and Carol.

Ambrose and JoAnne have six children: Jodi, Patrick, Paula, Phillip, Jeremy, and Janna.

Ambrose is employed in the dry-wall business. They make their home in rural Stephen, Minnesota.

STANLEY AND LUCILLE [KASPROWICZ] GRUHOT
235 3rd Avenue North
Crookston, Minnesota 56716

Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot was born to Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprowicz on January 5, 1904, in Section 7 of Wright Township, Marshall County. She grew up in the Florian area and attended the Florian School. On July 28, 1925, Lucille married Stanley Gruhot at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Stanley and Lucille Gruhot and Thomas and Antonette Pietruszewski had the first double wedding in the Florian Catholic Church.

Stanley Joseph Gruhot was born on March 25, 1898, in Towton, Minnesota, near Marshall, Minnesota. In 1919, the family moved to

Alma Township near Argyle, Minnesota.

After Stanley and Lucille were married, they lived in Alma Township. They then moved to Wanger Township, where they farmed for ten years. Later they moved to Middle River Township (west of Argyle), where they farmed until they retired. In 1953, Stanley and Lucille moved to Crookston, where they now live in retirement.

Stanley had two brothers and five sisters; they are all deceased.

Stanley and Lucille have six children: Irene, David, Delores, Theresa, Kenneth, and Clarence.



Stanley and Lucille Gruhot
Golden Wedding Anniversary - 1975

LOUIS AND IRENE [GRUHOT] CAPISTRAN

Irene Gruhot was born June 18, 1926, at Stephen, Minnesota, to Stanley and Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot.

On October 17, 1945, she married Louis Capistran, the son of Adolf and Angus (LaPlante) Capistran. Louis was born November 16, 1924. He has one sister, Lorraine Johnson, and two brothers, Fred and Melvin. Louis served the service from 1944 to 1946. He was an M.P. in the States.

They had two children: Marilyn is married to Robert Mesna, and Vernon is married to Kazue Matsunaga.

ROBERT AND MARILYN [CAPISTRAN] MESNA **10617 Douglas Drive** **Brooklyn Park, Minnesota 55443**

Marilyn Capistran was born in 1946 at Long Branch, New Jersey, to Louis V. and Irene Elizabeth (Gruhot) Capistran.

On April 27, 1974, at Minneapolis, Minnesota, she married Robert W. Mesna. He is the son of Lee and Marjorie (Weidner) Mesna. He has two brothers: Alan and Gary; and three sisters: Carole, Anne, and Lois. Robert served in the U.S. Army from January 1967 until December 1969. He served in Vietnam from May of 1968 until May of 1969. He is now an accountant at the University of Minnesota student union.

They have two daughters. Michelle was born in 1976 and Lorrie was born in 1978.

VERNON AND KAZUE [MATSUNAGA] CAPISTRAN **27744 South Robert Stockton Place** **San Pedro, California 90732**

Vernon Capistran was born in 1948 at Warren, Minnesota, to Louis V. and Irene E. (Gruhot) Capistran.

On August 23, 1974, at Fukuoka, Japan, Vernon married Kazue Matsunaga. She is the daughter of Masayuki and Shizuyo (Tominaga) Matsunaga. She has two brothers: Toshimitsu and Motosada. Matsunaga means "long pine tree".

They have two children. Liz was born in 1974 and Chris was born in 1978.

Presently, Vernon is in the U.S. Navy and has been since 1967. Kazue is a dental technician and a homemaker.



Stanley and Lucille Gruhot Family -- 1975
[L-R] Clarence, Theresa, Irene, Stanley, Lucille,
David, Delores, and Kenneth

JOHN AND IRENE [GRUHOT CAPISTRAN] BURKE **145 Twin Drive** **Crookston, Minnesota 56716**

Irene Gruhot Capistran married John Burke, the son of Kenneth and Alma (Staley) Burke, on July 29. John was born May 2, 1928. His brother and sisters are: Alden Burke, Gloria Addrich, and Shirley Burke.

DAVID AND DELORES [POKRZYWINSKI] GRUHOT **Rural Route 2** **Crookston, Minnesota 56716**

David Gruhot was born January 27, 1929, the second child and first son of Stanley and Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot. He was born at Stephen, Minnesota. He served in the U.S. Army for two years and was discharged in 1954. In 1956, he began farming in the rural Crookston, Minnesota, area.

On November 12, 1957, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, he married Delores Pokrzywinski. She is the daughter of Florian and Helen (Czapiewski) Pokrzywinski. Delores was born May 4, 1937, at Oslo, Minnesota. She has two brothers: Jerome and Dennis, and three sisters: Donna (Mrs. Val Koralewski), Elena (Mrs. Daniel Caillier), and Lauri.

They are the parents of nine children. All of the children were born at the St. Francis Hospital in Crookston, Minnesota. Their oldest, David Jr., was born September 11, 1958. He is presently a third-year student at Mayville State College, Mayville, North Dakota. Their second son, Louis, was born March 7, 1960, and graduated from high school in 1978. Their first daughter, Jeanette, was born April 10, 1961, and graduated from high school in 1979. She is employed at Riverview Hospital in Crookston. Their fourth and fifth children were a set of twins, Diane and Daniel. They were born September 24, 1962, and are presently juniors in high school. On December 9, 1963, Kathleen was born. She is in tenth grade. Robert was born January 18, 1965, and is in ninth grade. Their third daughter, Patricia, was born February 14, 1966, and is in eighth grade. Susan was born July 5, 1969, and is in fifth grade.

David is engaged in farming near Crookston, Minnesota.

WILLIS AND DELORES [GRUHOT] LaPLANTE
Rural Route 2
Crookston, Minnesota 56716

Delores Gruhot was born at Stephen, Minnesota, on October 9, 1930, to Stanley and Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot.

At Argyle, Minnesota, on October 9, 1950, she married Willis LaPlante. Willis is the son of Frank and Georgine (Bildn) LaPlante. He has three brothers: Virgil, Francis, and Robert, and two sisters: Betty (Mrs. John Kuznia), and Doris Coauette. Willis served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War.

They have two children. Michael Patrick was born in Ramsey County, St. Paul, Minnesota, on February 22, 1956. Thomas Joseph was born in Beltrami County, Bemidji, Minnesota, on March 17, 1960.

Willis and Delores live in rural Crookston, Minnesota. Willis is employed as a service manager for Massey Ferguson, Inc., and also farms.

KENNETH AND DARLENE [LAURIN] GRUHOT
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Kenneth Gruhot was born March 24, 1933, to Stanley and Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot at Stephen, Minnesota.

On June 27, 1957, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, Kenneth married Darlene Laurin, the daughter of Daniel and Theresa (LaBine) Laurin. Darlene was born February 13, 1939, at Argyle, Minnesota. She has one brother, Gene Laurin.

They are the parents of five children. Their oldest daughter, Rebecca, is married to Dale Morris. Their second daughter, Deborah, was born November 30, 1959, at Crookston, Minnesota. She graduated in 1977 from Argyle High School, Argyle, Minnesota, and from the University of Minnesota, Crookston, Minnesota, in 1979 with a major in legal and executive secretary. She is presently employed at American National Insurance Company in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Their third daughter, Cynthia, was born February 5, 1962. She will graduate from Argyle High School in 1980 and then attend the University of Minnesota at Crookston to major in business computer systems. Twin sons, Keith and Kevin, were born October 5, 1965, and are in the eighth grade at the Argyle Public School.

DALE AND REBECCA [GRUHOT] MORRIS
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

Rebecca Gruhot was born at Crookston, Minnesota, on September 2, 1958, the first child of Kenneth and Darlene (Laurin) Gruhot.

On September 23, 1978, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, Rebecca married Dale Morris. He is the son of Louis and Sybil (Prelvitz) Morris. His brothers and sisters are: Margret Thomas, Nancy Benson, Sherry James, Melvin, Shelley Meresca, and Louie. The name Morris is German; however, it originated in Wales.

Nine months after they were married, they bought half an acre of land four miles north of Grand Forks, North Dakota, and moved their mobile home onto it.

Dale is a Tech. III at the American Crystal Sugar Company, East Grand Forks, Minnesota, and Becky is assistant manager of the "County Seat" in Columbia Mall, Grand Forks, North Dakota.



Dale and Rebecca Morris - 1978

CLARENCE AND HELEN [JOHNSON] GRUHOT
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Clarence Lavern Gruhot was born May 4, 1939, to Stanley and Lucille (Kasprowicz) Gruhot at Argyle, Minnesota.

All my life I have lived on the farm northwest of Argyle. During my youth, I attended country school near my home. During high school, I attended the University of Minnesota at Crookston, Minnesota, from which I graduated. I have always farmed with my brother, Kenneth. When Kenneth got married, my folks bought their home in Crookston, Minnesota. I lived there until my marriage.

On January 26, 1961, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at Crookston, Minnesota, Clarence married Helen Marie Johnson, the daughter of Reuben L. and Verna H. (Danielson) Johnson. Helen M. was born January 17, 1941, at Kennedy, Minnesota. Her brothers are: Earl Johnson of Warren, Minnesota, and Vern Johnson of Independence, Oregon.

As a young girl, I attended and graduated from Kennedy High School at Kennedy, Minnesota. Following graduation, I went to L.P.N. training at Bethesda School of Nursing at Crookston, Minnesota, and received my L.P.N. license. I met Clarence while at nurse's training. We were married and moved to the Stanley Gruhot farm northwest of Argyle. We lived there for nine years. During this time, our four children were born. In 1969, we built a home in Argyle. Clarence wasn't happy with being a "city slicker", so we decided to purchase the farmstead where he had lived previously. We did, and every year since then, we have moved to the farm, during the summer months.

We have four children. Ramona was born August 25, 1961. Ramona graduated from Argyle High School in 1979. She is presently attending Moorhead A.V.T.I. at Moorhead, Minnesota.

and will graduate in May of 1980. Wayne was born November 13, 1962. He is planning on going into diesel mechanics. Marilyn was born April 29, 1964. Gary was born July 11, 1965. At this time, their

future plans are undecided.

We try to go on family picnics, etc., but as you can see, our family is at the age when they like to be with their own age group.

THOMAS & ANTONETTE [KASPROWICZ] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Antonette Kasproicz married Thomas Pietruszewski on July 28, 1925, in a double wedding ceremony along with her sister, Lucille, to Stanley Gruhot. They were married at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Father Skopowski was the priest at that time.



Thomas and Antonette Pietruszewski -- 1925

Thomas and Antonette both received their education at the school in Florian. They had five children: Edmund, Dolores, Eugene, Roger, and Gloria.

They farmed in Tamarac Township from 1925 to 1928 and then in Wanger Township from 1928 to 1947. They then bought Section 36 in Tamarac Township and farmed there until 1972, when they sold the farm to two of their sons, Eugene and Roger.

Thomas and Antonette moved to Stephen in 1966, where they built a new home. Thomas passed away in July of 1972. Antonette still lives in Stephen, Minnesota.



Thomas and Antonette Pietruszewski -- 1962



Thomas and Antonette Pietruszewski Family -- 1963
[Back L-R] Edmund, Gary, Eugene, Roger, and Bernadette Pietruszewski, Dolores Stusynski, [Middle] Antonette, Gloria Bedard holding Renae Bedard, Thomas [Front] Thomas, Ronald and Jeffrey Stusynski, Gail, Daniel and Diane Pietruszewski

EDMUND AND HELEN [IGNASZEWSKI] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Edmund Thomas Pietruszewski was born July 16, 1926, to Antonette (Kasprowicz) and the late Thomas Pietruszewski, of Polish descent, in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. After attending rural school for eight years, he attended the Northwest School of Agriculture in Crookston, Minnesota.

Edmund married Helen Marie Ignaszewski on October 25, 1949, at St. Stephen Catholic Church, Stephen, Minnesota. Helen's parents are Frances (Kulla) and the late Andrew Ignaszewski. Her brothers and sisters are: Edward, John, Loretta Goblirsch, Angeline (Mrs. Steve) Adamski, Anton, and Norbert. Helen attended rural school and was employed, until the time she married Edmund, by different families to take care of their children and help with the duties around the house. Edmund worked with his father on the farm. In April of 1953, he started working for Earl Hvidsten and is still employed there, working with grain, potatoes, beets, and sunflowers.

Edmund and Helen have five children: Diane, Daniel, Gary, Gail, and Carol. Diane is living in Stephen, Minnesota, with her two children Scott and Kristi. Daniel and Gary are both working, along with their dad, for Earl Hvidsten. Daniel also has a trucking business of his own. Gary lives in Stephen with his wife, Kim. Gail is living on a farm near Fisher, Minnesota, with her husband, Michael McGrath. Carol attends Stephen Public School.



Edmund and Helen Pietruszewski Family
[Standing L-R] Carol, Gail, Gary, Daniel, Diane
[Seated] Helen and Edmund

RICKY AND DIANE [PIETRUSZEWSKI] SUNDBY
Rt. 1 Box 139
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Diane Pietruszewski was born to Edmund and Helen (Ignaszewski) Pietruszewski on September 13, 1950, in Warren, Minnesota. She grew up and attended school in Stephen, Minnesota. During her sophomore year of high school, Diane attended Mount St. Benedict in Crookston, Minnesota. After high school, Diane moved to Crookston. She worked in the St. Vincent's Nursing Home.

On August 8, 1970, Diane was married to Gale Vaudrin, son of Thomas and Agnes Vaudrin of Crookston. They moved to Oceanside, California, where Gale was stationed in the Marine Corps. Scott was born there in 1971.

They then moved back to Crookston, where Gale was employed as a motor technician. In 1974, Kristi was born. They later moved to

Houston, Texas. In 1978, Diane, Scott, and Kristi came to Stephen, Minnesota, to make their home.

On May 5, 1980, Kristi had open heart surgery at the University of Minnesota Hospital at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Diane was married to Ricky Sundby in 1980. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Sundby of Stephen. The family farms near Argyle, Minnesota, and Scott and Kristi both attend Stephen Public School.



Diane Sundby with Kristi and Scott

GARY AND KIM [KALIN] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Gary Pietruszewski, son of Edmund and Helen (Ignaszewski) Pietruszewski, was born April 5, 1957, at Warren, Minnesota. He grew up in Stephen, Minnesota, and attended school there, also. After his completion of high school, he worked at Lundeen Motors and completed a course at General Motors Training Center in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Gary is presently working at the Earl Hvidsten farm.

On September 1, 1979, he married Kim Kalin, daughter of Lloyd and Audrey (Anderson) Kalin of Stephen. Kim attended St. Luke's School of Nursing and is presently working at the Warren Hospital in Warren, Minnesota. She has one sister, Kaye (Mrs. Glen) Smidt, and one brother, Ken.



Gary and Kim Pietruszewski

MICHAEL AND GAIL [PIETRUSZEWSKI] McGRATH
Fisher, Minnesota

Gail Ann Pietruszewski, daughter of Edmund and Helen (Ignaszewski) Pietruszewski, was born February 5, 1960, in Warren, Minnesota. She grew up and attended school in Stephen, Minnesota. Upon graduation, she moved to East Grand Forks, Minnesota. There she attended the Area Vocational Technical Institute and later was hired as coordinator's secretary.

On May 17, 1980, Gail was married to Michael McGrath. Mike was raised on a farm near Fisher, Minnesota, attended school in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, and is presently employed by



Michael and Gail McGrath

Pillsbury Grain Company.

Michael's parents are Donald and Audrey (Oliver) McGrath. Michael has two sisters: Monica and Carmen, and one brother, Corey.

DOLORES [PIETRUSZEWSKI] STUSYNSKI
1542 Marion Street Apartment G-A
St. Paul, Minnesota 55117

Dolores Pietruszewski was born in 1931 to Thomas and Antonette (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski. After attending rural school for eight years, she attended Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota.

In 1951, Dolores married Robert Stusynski. They lived in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where they were both employed. Later they moved to the Cities. They have six children: Thomas, Ronald, Richard, Jeff, Mary, and Lori.

Dolores is presently employed at the Best Western Motel in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Richard married Karen Grossklaus in 1977, and they have one son, Benjamin, who was born October 5, 1979. Thomas married Debbie Hammett on April 18, 1980.



Dolores Stusynski Family
[L-R] Ronald, Richard, Thomas, Dolores, Robert,
Jeffrey, Mary, and Lori

EUGENE AND ROSELLA [ASSELIN] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Eugene Robert Pietruszewski was born at Drayton, North Dakota, on March 28, 1938, to Antonette (Kasprowicz) and the late Thomas Pietruszewski. After attending rural school for eight years, he attended the Northwest School of Agriculture in Crookston, Minnesota, for four years. Eugene then entered the Armed Forces from 1959 until 1961. After he returned, he farmed with his father.

In 1966, Eugene met Rosella Asselin at a dance in Argyle, Minnesota. Rosella attended school in Oklee, Minnesota, and later worked at the Hartz Store in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. They

were married at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in Oklee, Minnesota, on June 25, 1966. Rosella is the daughter of Homer and Clarice (Deschene) Asselin. Her brothers and sisters are: Stella, Phyllis, Evelyn, Roland, Bernadette, Bernard, and Duane.

Eugene farmed with his father until 1971, and then he took over the farm along with his brother, Roger. Eugene and Rosella now live on the home farm.

They have three children: Chad Eugene was born May 7, 1967, and now attends Argyle Public School. Tonya Lynn was born September 8, 1970, and attends St. Rose School in Argyle. Tory Ann was born January 29, 1977.

ROGER & BERNADETTE [CHWIALKOWSKI] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Roger Pietruszewski was born at Warren, Minnesota, on December 23, 1939, to Antonette (Kasprowicz) and the late Thomas Pietruszewski. He married Bernadette Chwialkowski on May 5, 1962, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

Roger worked for Frank Parr from 1963 until 1967. From 1967 to 1972, he rented land from Frank. He then took over farming his dad's land in 1972 with his brother, Eugene. He also bought Bert Hjelle's farm. Their place of residence is on the Bert Hjelle farm ½ mile east and ½ mile north of Argyle, Minnesota. In 1978, they built a new home.

Roger and Bernadette have four children. Alan was born in 1963 and was baptized at St. Stephen's Church in Stéphen, Minnesota. Dale was born in 1964, and Todd was born in 1967. Both were baptized at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Tami was born in 1974 and was baptized at St. Rose of Lima Church in Argyle, Minnesota.

Bernadette was born and raised on a farm near Florian, Minnesota. Her parents are Michael and Mary (Kilichowski) Chwialkowski. Her mother was raised on the farm which is now the Florian Park. Bernadette has one brother, Hilary, and three sisters: Evelyn Anderson, Adeline Kurowski, and Diane Boroski.

LEO AND GLORIA [PIETRUSZEWSKI] BEDARD
14817 Deerwood Drive
Burnsville, Minnesota 55337

Gloria Pietruszewski was born in Warren, Minnesota, in 1941 to Thomas and Antonette (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski. She graduated

from Argyle High School in Argyle, Minnesota, in 1959. She then attended business college for a year and worked for an insurance company in Grand Forks, North Dakota, before her marriage to Leo Bedard on June 10, 1961, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

Leo Bedard is the son of Philip and Aurore (St. Germain) Bedard. He has one sister, Alice Voorhees, and two brothers: Emil and Dale. The Bedard name originated in France. Leo graduated from Argyle High School in 1959.



Leo and Gloria Bedard Family
[L-R] Randy, Leo, Gloria, Renae, and Michael

Leo graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with a bachelor of science degree and accepted a teaching position in Larimore, North Dakota. They lived there for three years, and during this time, in 1962, a son, Randall, was born. In 1963, a daughter, Renae, arrived. In 1966, Leo accepted a position with School District #191 in Burnsville, Minnesota, as an instructor in instrumental music and area leader. During this time, he received his masters degree in music education at the Vandercook College of Music in Chicago, Illinois. Their youngest child, Michael, was born in September of 1966.

Gloria is vice president of CEM, Inc., in Burnsville, Minnesota. She has been with the firm since 1976.

DANIEL AND CECILIA [KASPROWICZ] BOROWICZ
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Cecilia Elenore Kasprowicz was born to Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprowicz on November 6, 1909, at Florian, Minnesota. She attended grade school at Florian, Minnesota, and high school at Stephen, Minnesota.

She married Daniel Borowicz on June 9, 1931, at the Assumption Church in Florian, Minnesota. Their wedding was the first held in the newly completed church, which is now the Assumption social hall.

Daniel, son of William and Angeline (Gratzek) Borowicz, was born October 2, 1906. He attended grade school in Florian, Minnesota, and high school in Stephen, Minnesota.

Daniel and Cecilia took a great interest in their community.

Daniel was the first financial secretary of the Polish National Alliance Lodge #3060, Florian, Minnesota. He served on the local town board (Wright Township) and served on the school board at Florian, Minnesota. Daniel has a brother, Leonard, who is a doctor in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He also had two brothers and twin sisters who died in infancy.

Daniel left us for his Father's Home on August 24, 1962. Cecilia continued to make her home on the family farm east of Florian until June of 1972. She then moved to Stephen, Minnesota, where she presently resides.

Daniel and Cecilia have eight children. They are: Robert, Richard, Rita, Rudolph, Rosemary, Raymond, Roger, and Rhodella.



Daniel and Cecilia Borowicz Family -- 1952
[Standing L-R] Rudolph, Rosemary, Richard,
Robert, Roger, Raymond
[Seated] Daniel, Rhodella, Rita and Cecilia

ROBERT AND ADELINE [BUKOWSKI] BOROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Robert "Bob" Borowicz was born to Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz on May 23, 1932, at Warren, Minnesota. He attended School District #44 at Florian, Minnesota, for eight years, where he received a good fundamental education in reading, writing, spelling, math, ancient world and state history, and "what goes on behind the barn"! District #44 school was located in the NW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 8 in Wright Township. It had a good sized playground, but many noon hours were spent playing tag upstairs in the barn (where John Kazmierczak, Jr. now lives) with a five-cent bag of Dukie's Mixture and a five-cent chunk of Spark Plug on hand for an after-dinner treat!

After attending Stephen High School for one year, the "big decision" had to be made: should he go on to school or smoke cigarettes? After looking back at the education he received at Florian, he chose the latter!!

On June 2, 1952, Bob married Adeline Bukowski, the daughter of John and Helen (Pawlowski) Bukowski, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Alma, Minnesota.

Adeline was born at home in Alma Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, where she lived for the first five years. Then, with her parents, Adeline moved to Wanger Township, where she attended St. Rose Parochial School and the Kathman School. Before marriage, she worked at the Stephen Locker. She has two brothers: George, who died in 1978, and Louie, who lives in Stephen, Minnesota.

After their marriage, Bob and Adeline lived in Stephen, where Bob worked for Vernon Abel and Stephen Potato Warehouse. While living in Stephen, their first child, Carol, was born. In 1954, they purchased 240 acres in Section 16 of Wright Township -- or what at that time was known as the old Voytilla Farm -- from Frank Gajeski. Here is when the work started, and four more children were born: William, Mary Jo, Leonard, and Lawrence (Larry).

Bob is a charter member of the Polish National Alliance, Lodge #3060, Florian, Minnesota, where he held the office of financial secretary for 25 years and various offices in Council 195.

Bob and Adeline now live on the farm in rural Strandquist, Minnesota, and work with their three sons, William, Leonard, and Larry, who are engaged in a partnership with them. Bob, who is now semi-retired from farming, holds an office with the Polish National Alliance Supervisory Council as Commissioner of District #14.



Robert and Adeline Borowicz Family -- 1977
Standing [L-R] Bob, Bill, Leonard, Larry
[Seated] Adeline, Mary Jo, Carol

ARLEN AND CAROL [BOROWICZ] GUSTAFSON
Route 3
Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701

Carol Angeline (Borowicz) Gustafson was born on April 18, 1953, in Karlstad, Minnesota, to Robert and Adeline (Bukowski) Borowicz. She attended the Lindstrom School District #138 for two years, the Strandquist Public School for eight years, and graduated from Stephen High School. Following graduation, she attended the Thief River Falls Area Vocational School, and in July of 1972, she graduated as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

On August 19, 1972, she married Arlen "Gus" Gustafson at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

Arlen, the son of Marvin and Regina (Halvorson) Gustafson, was born on March 12, 1951. He attended school in Thief River Falls. Following graduation, he was employed as a service attendant at the Holiday Station. In April of 1972, he enlisted in the Army, serving two years, six months at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri. In October of 1972, he was assigned to serve near Munich, Germany. Carol met him there in December of 1972, and they lived there until February of 1974. After they returned from the service, Gus was employed by the Soo Line Railroad out of Thief River Falls, Minnesota, as a laborer in the roundhouse. At present, he is

employed as an engineer. Carol is employed as a family planning worker for Planned Parenthood of Minnesota.

Gus has two sisters: Mrs. Erving (Marlene) Kezar (deceased), and Mrs. John (Angeline) Myerchin of California.



Arlen and Carol Gustafson

WILLIAM BOROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

William "Bill" Borowicz was born December 23, 1954, at Crookston, Minnesota, to Robert and Adeline (Bukowski) Borowicz. Bill attended the Lindstrom School for one year, Strandquist Public School for eight years, and then graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1972. Since then, he has farmed with his father in a dairy and small grain operation.

Bill still remembers helping Rudy Gratzek do chores when he was ten years old and letting the bull out of the barn when he wasn't supposed to. Bill and his cousin, Jim Bukowski, were just curious to see what would happen. After coming back home, Rudy asked the boys if they had their fun.

STEVEN AND MARY JO [BOROWICZ] VRAA

Mary Jo Borowicz was born on August 29, 1957, at Crookston, Minnesota, to Robert and Adeline (Bukowski) Borowicz. She attended Strandquist Public School for four years and then went to Stephen Public School, where she graduated in 1975. After graduating from school, she worked as a nurse's aide at Northwestern Hospital in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where she met Steve Vraa.

They were married on November 26, 1977, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Steve was born on August 23, 1957, to Curtis and Laurie (Stenvick) Vraa at Thief River Falls. He attended school at Embarrass, Minnesota, and graduated from Babbitt High School in 1975. He served two years in the U.S. Air Force. He has four brothers: Neal, Tom, Kevin, and Mike.

After their marriage, they lived in Argyle, Minnesota, where they were employed. They then moved to Virginia, Minnesota, where Steve was employed by U.S. Steel. On October 1, 1979, he joined the Keewatin Police Force, where he is now employed.

They have two daughters. Lisa Marie was born November 9, 1978, and Amanda Beth was born December 11, 1979.



Steven and Mary Jo Vraa Family
[L-R] Steven, Lisa, Mary Jo, Amanda

LEONARD BOROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Leonard Borowicz was born on October 30, 1959, to Robert and Adeline (Bukowski) Borowicz at Warren, Minnesota. He attended Strandquist Public School three years, then attended Stephen Public School and graduated from there in 1977. After finishing school, Lenny is engaged in farming with his brother Bill and his father.

He held the office of recording secretary of P.N.A. Lodge #3060 for two years.

LAWRENCE BOROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Lawrence "Larry" Borowicz was born June 2, 1962, at Warren, Minnesota, to Robert and Adeline (Bukowski) Borowicz. He came as a ten-year wedding gift to his parents.

As a boy of five-years-old, he received serious burns to his right leg on the 30th of July. He was carrying a gallon can of gas from the lawn mower and dropped it. The temperature that day was about 100 degrees with a humidity reading of about 20 percent. The drop caused the explosion. After two years of convalescing, Larry started Stephen Public School, where he is presently a junior.

He helps his brothers on the farm, and as a baby is giving Dad a hard time and making him lose more hair.

RICHARD AND YVONNE [LEFROOTH] BOROWICZ
1237 Skillman Avenue East
Maplewood, Minnesota 55109

Richard Borowicz was born June 21, 1933, to Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz, at the farm home one and a half miles southeast of Florian, Minnesota. Ironically, due to the stork's impatience, he was delivered by his uncle, Leonard Borowicz, who was sixteen years old at the time and in his early years of medical training.

After a growing-up period that included being hung up by the suspenders on a coat hook and hunted down with a BB gun, Richard managed to reach adulthood. Four years after graduating from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1950, Richard enlisted in the Army. During his military assignment, he spent eighteen months in Europe. Upon completion of military duty, Richard enrolled at the University of North Dakota, graduating in 1960.

Between his junior and senior year at the University, Richard married Yvonne Lefrooth in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, on September 5, 1959. Vonnice is the daughter of Victor and Nannie (Holmgren) Lefrooth, who farmed just southwest of Strandquist, Minnesota, for many years. They left the farm in 1955 and moved to Strandquist, where Nannie still resides at the time of this writing. Worthy of mention is the fact that while a young man, Victor Lefrooth lived a half mile north of Florian at the place that was the Zygmunt Zakrzewski home for many years. In fact, Victor was sweet on many of the Polish girls who lived around Florian at that time.

After Vonnice and Richard left Grand Forks, North Dakota, Richard went to work for 3M in St. Paul, Minnesota. While in St. Paul, their first son, Bryan, was born in 1960. That fall, the family moved to Hutchinson, Minnesota, where Richard continued to work for 3M for seven years, and where the stork remained very active, delivering a second son, Todd, in 1962 and a third son, Craig, in 1963.



Richard and Yvonne Borowicz Family

The family moved back to St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1967, and Richard continues to work at 3M.

During the years the boys were growing up, the family did a lot of camping, traveling, Scouting, and all sorts of things that keep young boys active. Now the boys have become men, mother enjoys a part-time job, and dad has lost a lot of hair.

TED AND RITA [BOROWICZ] CHWIALKOWSKI
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Rita Borowicz is the daughter of Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz. She was born and raised on the family farm in Wright Township east of Florian, Minnesota. She attended school and worked in the Florian and Stephen communities.

Attending the dances at the newly constructed P.N.A. Hall in Florian, she met and dated Ted Chwialkowski of Strandquist, Minnesota. On October 14, 1952, Ted and Rita were married at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian.

Ted is the son of John and Mary (Gajeski) Chwialkowski of Strandquist. He had one brother, Conrad, and three sisters: Eleanor of St. Paul, Minnesota, Phyllis Anderson of Strandquist, and Janet Johnson of Aurora, Minnesota.



Ted and Rita Chwialkowski Family
[Standing L-R] Keith, Gary, Phillip
[Seated] Ted, Rebecca, Bruce, and Rita

Ted and Rita reside in Stephen, Minnesota, where Ted is employed with Nels and Richard Hvidsten in their farming operation and Rita is a teacher's aide at the Stephen Elementary School. They have five children.

Phillip graduated from Stephen High School in 1971. He attended the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, for three years. He is presently employed in Fargo, North Dakota, and is continuing his education at the University.

Rebecca graduated from Stephen High School in 1972. She attended Moorhead Technical Institute and Moorhead State University, Moorhead, Minnesota. She is employed as an executive secretary and assistant programmer at KXJB television station in Fargo, North Dakota.

Gary graduated from Stephen High School in 1973. He attended Moorhead State University and North Dakota State University. He graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in health and business. He is employed with the Social Services of the Marshall County Welfare Department.

Bruce is married to Jacqueline Jose. They are both employed and live in Argyle, Minnesota.

Keith graduated from Stephen High School in 1979. He is a freshman at Moorhead State University, Moorhead, Minnesota.

BRUCE AND JACQUELINE [JOSE] CHWIALKOWSKI
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Bruce T. Chwialkowski is the son of Ted and Rita (Borowicz) Chwialkowski. He married Jacqueline L. Jose, the daughter of Harvey and Dorothy (Brossoit) Jose on August 5, 1977. They have a son, Adam John, who was born July 18, 1978.

Bruce graduated from the University of Minnesota, Crookston, Minnesota, with an associate of arts degree in accounting in 1977. He is presently employed at the Argyle Co-op Warehouse Association in Argyle, Minnesota.

Jacqueline graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education in 1977. She is presently employed at St. Rose School in Argyle, Minnesota. Jackie has two sisters: Mary Kay Dufault of Argyle, Minnesota, and Judy McGee of Ames, Iowa. Her brother, Charles Jose, and his family live in Howard Lake, Minnesota.

Bruce, Jackie, and Adam live in their newly constructed home in Argyle, Minnesota.



Bruce and Jackie Chwialkowski and Adam -- 1980

RUDOLPH AND VERNICE [BAKKE] BOROWICZ
13108 Girard Avenue South
Burnsville, Minnesota

Rudolph Borowicz was born on September 30, 1935, to Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprovicz) Borowicz in Wright Township near Florian. He attended District #44 Florian School through the eighth grade, graduating from Stephen High School in 1953. He attended St. Thomas College for a one and one half years. In January of 1955, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served for four years. He was discharged honorably in January of 1959. While in the service, he was stationed in Kitzingen, Germany, from October 1955 to June 1958. From February 1959 to May 1960, he attended Our Lady of the Ozarks, a junior college for minor seminarians under the order of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

In February 1961, he enrolled at the University of North Dakota, where he attended the school of business. He graduated in August 1963 with a bachelor of science in business administration, with a major in accounting.



Rudolph and Vernice Borowicz Family -- 1980
Rudolph, Vernice, Daniel, Maria

On August 19, 1961, he married Vernice Bakke of Karlstad, Minnesota. Vernice was the fifth child of the late Charles and Helen Bakke. Her brothers and sisters are: Marvel (Detroit, Michigan), David (Covina, California), Margaret (Karlstad, Minnesota), and Charles, Jr. (Denver, Colorado). She graduated from Karlstad High School in 1955 and from Mayville State Teachers College in 1959. She taught school in Grafton, North Dakota; Morris, Minnesota; Grand Forks, North Dakota; Minot, North Dakota; and in St. Louis Park, Minnesota. She is currently employed as an elementary school secretary in the Burnsville Public School system.

Upon graduation from college, Rudolph took employment with a Certified Public Accountant firm in Minot, North Dakota, and worked with that firm until September of 1966, when the family moved to St. Louis Park, Minnesota. In September of 1965, he was awarded a license to practice as a Certified Public Accountant after having passed the National CPA examination in May of 1965. He worked with a local CPA firm in St. Louis Park from September 1966 to August 1968. In August of 1968, he moved with his family to Burnsville, Minnesota, where he established his own accounting practice. In March of 1974, he formed a partnership with Michael Holmgren and has been practicing since then under the name of Borowicz, Holmgren & Co., Certified Public Accountants.

The family consists of two children; a son, Daniel, and a daughter, Maria, born on September 5, 1962, and September 6, 1963, respectively.

RAYMOND AND ROSEMARY [BOROWICZ] DEMEYERE
946 Cracker Avenue South
Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701

RoseMary Borowicz was born to Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprovicz) Borowicz on February 9, 1937, in Wright Township near Florian, Minnesota. She attended District #44 Florian School and grew up in the area. She moved to Thief River Falls, Minnesota, in 1965, and was employed at Model Laundry and Northwestern Hospital until 1978.

On June 3, 1978, she married Raymond DeMeyere at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Thief River Falls. He was born on March 6, 1928, in Warren, Minnesota, to Albert and Emma (Olson) DeMeyere. He attended District #88 Lincoln School in Marshall County. He served for two years in the U.S. Army as a heavy equipment engineer inspector, stationed with the 28th Division in Camp Attubury, Indiana, and for fourteen months in Germany.



Raymond and RoseMary DeMeyere

Raymond and RoseMary reside in Thief River Falls, where Raymond is employed by the Soo Line Railroad as a pump par and

the water service department and also farms in Viking and Comstock Townships in Marshall County.

Ray has one brother, Robert, who lives in St. Paul, Minnesota, and three step-brothers: Stanley, Russel, and Arthur. He also has eight step-sisters: Enda (Mrs. Peter Tuesmann), Mrs. Ida Olson, Mrs. Frieda Anderson, Violet (Mrs. Morris Anderson), Margaret (Mrs. Larry Ulrich), Roslind (Mrs. Clyde Rosten), Caroline (Mrs. Arden Bohach, and Susan (Mrs. Ron Carlson).

RAYMOND AND LINDA [LAROCUE] BOROWICZ

Raymond, the son of Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz, was born on March 2, 1938. He attended grade school in Florian and two years of high school in Stephen.

After farming with his parents and brother, Robert, for several years, he returned to school and graduated from high school at Our Lady of the Ozarks, Carthage, Missouri. He then attended North Dakota State University and received his B.S. in 1970.

He served as an assistant county agent in Ada, Minnesota, worked for the Production Credit Associations of Morris and Alexandria, Minnesota, and was employed by the State Bank of Warren, Minnesota. He is presently employed by the First National Bank at Valley City, North Dakota.

At a wedding dance in Florian (Michael Kuznia and Lillian Dostal), he met a pretty bridesmaid in the wedding party who stole his heart. Linda LaRoque and Raymond were married at St. Ann's in Crookston, Minnesota, on June 15, 1968.

Linda was born to Napoleon and Maggie (Little) LaRoque at Hallock, Minnesota. She is the youngest of seven children. Her brothers are Merlin and Floyd (deceased). Sisters are Muriel Melin, Florence Baker, and Margaret Daughtery.

Ray and Linda have four children: Ramona, Emilie, David, and Joseph. Linda is a homemaker and also works part-time as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

ROGER AND MARGARET [FRITZ] BOROWICZ

**6740 80th Avenue North
Brooklyn Park, Minnesota 55445**

Roger Stephen Borowicz, the seventh child of Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz, was born in 1939, at Warren, Minnesota.

On June 24, 1961, at Pembina, North Dakota, he married Margaret Ann Fritz, the daughter of Martin and Edna (Renville) Fritz. Margaret was born in 1941. She has one brother, Donald, and two sisters, Jacqueline Ross and Emily Slagerman.

Our family was blessed with four children: one girl and three boys. Michele Stephenie was born September 29, 1962. Our second child, a son, Mark Daniel, was born March 10, 1964. Michael Roger was born August 24, 1965, and Jeffrey David on December 5, 1966.

Roger served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Air Defense from 1962 until 1964. We have moved numerous times with the military service and Northwestern Bell over the last 18 years. Our family has many happy memories and has longlasting friendships with people in communities of North Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, and Minnesota.

We started camping as a family in 1968 and have been enjoying it ever since. We have camped at and visited many interesting places. Roger and the boys have been avid sports enthusiasts since 1971. They have hunted and played many sports: baseball, football, and basketball. Roger has taken an active interest in Little League, Boy Scouts, and has served on various councils in the parishes that we have been members of. Margaret and Michele have been active in Girl Scouts, 4-H, and church affiliated groups in each community.

We are enjoying the Twin Cities. Living here has afforded us the

opportunity to be closer to our relatives and old-time friends. A highlight for us is getting back home every summer to see Busha, Grandpa, Grandma, uncles, aunts, great uncles, great aunts, and the many, many cousins in Florian, Pembina, and the surrounding communities.



Roger and Margaret Borowicz Family - 1980
[L-R] Margaret, Jeffrey, Roger, Michael, Mark, Michele

ARTHUR AND RHOELLA [BOROWICZ] NESS

**Rural Route 1
Clearwater, Minnesota 55320**

Rhodella Cecilia Borowicz was born at Warren, Minnesota, to Daniel and Cecilia (Kasprowicz) Borowicz on November 17, 1942.

I grew up in the Florian area and attended District #44 school at Florian, Minnesota, for eight years, graduating from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota. I entered nurse's training at St. Joseph's School of Nursing, Grand Forks, North Dakota, and graduated in 1963 with an R.N. diploma. I worked in Grand Forks for a year, and in the fall of 1964, I moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, and started work at St. Mary's Hospital. I worked at St. Mary's until May of 1965, and then I started working for a doctor.



Arthur and Rhodella Ness Family
[L-R] Daniel, Art, Della, and Steven

On April 23, 1966, in St. Paul, Minnesota, I married Arthur T. Ness. He is the son of Thomas and Alma (Quamen) Ness. Art was born on February 6, 1937, in Peterson, Minnesota. At the age of six, he moved with the family to Pepin, Wisconsin, where he graduated from high school in 1954. He then worked on construction in Jamesville, Wisconsin, in 1956. Art enlisted into the Army, where he served for two years. Eighteen months of this was in Frankfurt, Germany. He returned to Minneapolis, Minnesota, and is employed as a painter and interior decorator.

The name Ness means "headland" or "promitory", and it originated in Norway. Art's brothers and sisters are: Loyis, Arnold,

Marian (Mrs. Robert Barthel), Willard, Donna (Mrs. Maurice Sorenson), and Robert.

After we were married, I stopped working to raise a family. Art and I have two sons: Daniel (13) and Steven (9).

In 1976, we moved to a 71-acre farm fifty miles west of Minneapolis. We have cattle and pigs. In the summer, we raise chickens and a big garden. Art is a painter and commutes to Minneapolis for work. We do our own farming after Art comes home and on weekends as a hobby. After getting tired of farming, I went back to school to take an R.N. refresher course, and I am employed again as a registered nurse.

EDMUND AND GERTRUDE [KUJAVA] KASPROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Edmund Kasprovicz, a son of Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprovicz, was born on the family farm in Marshall County in October of 1911. He is one of a family of twelve children. He grew up in the Florian community and grew to manhood there. He attended the country school, which is still standing and has now been remodeled into a family home. Edmund remembers his grandparents, the Kuznias, when he would walk across the field, about half a mile, and take them the paper. Then he would sit in the shade on hot, sunny days, and Grandma always had goodies for him.

As he was growing up, he met his wife-to-be, Gertrude Kujava, at the old-fashioned house parties and wedding dances. She also attended the same country school. In 1936, on a cold, snowy September 30, they were married in the basement of the Assumption Catholic Church. The basement was then being used for services before the upper part was finished in 1950. They were married by Father Francis Kosian. Gertrude was the daughter of Peter and Katherine (Przybylski) Kujava. She had three brothers and three sisters. Thomas married Evelyn Kuznia; Harry married Dolores Donarski; Evald married Mary Blazejewski; Antoinette (Mrs. George Benke), Rufina, and Lorraine (Mrs. John Pietruszewski).

We lived on a state-owned farm, and the crops were so poor the first few years that it was hard to pay the rent. We raised our own cattle, so we had a few cattle to sell to buy other needed things and clothing. We also had our own cream and eggs and a garden, which helped provide for our needs. At that time, we were farming with horses, and our only transportation was by horse and buggy, which was fun when the two oldest children were young. After living on the state farm for three years, the state sold the farm. Where then? Edmund's brother lived in the Cities at that time, so he let us move onto his farm, but there was no house; so we bought the house which we live in now.

When our third child was to be born, we bought our first vehicle, a coupe. We had tough going, but as the children grew up and were able to help us, we made a living. We lived through the tornadic wind storm in 1943, and we had total hail losses, but with God's help we were able to survive.

We had four children: Jeanette, Victor, Bernadine, and Vivian. They all attended the same country school as their parents. The girls all graduated from Stephen High School. Victor helped his dad with the farming. Now they are all married.

Jeanette worked in Stephen at the restaurant for ten years; then she married Ray Berthold, a farmer and a member of a band. Ray has played the accordion for many years. They have two children, Gerald and Ramona, and live at Arvilla, North Dakota.

Victor married Margaret Kostrzewski, and with his family of four children, Cynthia, Donna, Darryle, and Chad, farms and helps his father, Edmund.



Edmund and Gertrude Kasprovicz Family -- 1978
L-R] Vivian and Larry Srnsky, Margaret and Victor Kasprovicz,
Edmund and Gertrude, Ray and Jeanette Berthold,
Bernadine and Courtney Abel

Bernadine has been employed at the Farmers State Bank in Stephen since she graduated. She married Rudolph Gratzek, and they had three sons: Jay, Scott, and Roderick.

Vivian married Larry Srnsky. They have two children: Rhonda and Mitchell. They live on a farm, and Vivian also works at Arctic Enterprises in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. They live in the Goodridge area.

The family was saddened a couple of times when mother and grandmother died suddenly, and then their son-in-law, Rudolph Gratzek, also died unexpectedly, leaving a wife with small children. Bernadine has since remarried to Courtney Abel. They live on a farm and she continues to work and he farm.

It has been tough going, hardships, and sorrows, but thank God for being so understanding and giving us pretty good health to live through all of this.

RAYMOND AND JEANETTE [KASPROWICZ] BERTHOLD
Arvilla, North Dakota 58214

Jeanette Kasprovicz, the first child of Edmund and Gertrude (Kujava) Kasprovicz, was born August 15, 1937, at Florian, Minnesota. She attended grade school in Florian and graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1955. While attending high school, she worked at a restaurant. She met her future husband while attending dances. He was an accordion player with the Norwood Snyder Band.

On October 24, 1959, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, Jeanette married Raymond Berthold, the son of Herman and Anna (Ackerman) Berthold. Ray was born December 8, 1925, at Reynolds, North Dakota. He has one sister, Pauline (Mrs. Knute Sletten) of Northwood, North Dakota. He also has two brothers: Joe of McVile, North Dakota, and Francis of Northwood, North Dakota.

Ray and Jeanette have two children. A son, Gerald, was born September 28, 1962. He is presently a senior at Larimore High School, Larimore, North Dakota. He will attend the University of Minnesota at Crookston, taking agri-business. A daughter, Ramona, was born June 24, 1965. She is a freshman at Larimore High School, Larimore, North Dakota. Both children are busy in school with sports, music, band, and other activities.

Ray still enjoys music and plays for parties and dances. In 1978, for two and one half weeks, Jeanette toured Europe and spent three days in London, England.

VICTOR AND MARGARET [KOSTRZEWSKI] KASPROWICZ Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Victor Kasproicz was born September 2, 1939, to Edmund and Gertrude (Kujava) Kasproicz in Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. He attended Florian School and then worked for Bill Szczepanski. He now farms with his father.

On September 7, 1963, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, he married Margaret Kostrzewski. She is the daughter of Steve and Helen (Tulibaski) Kostrzewski. Margaret was born October 10, 1945, at the Warren Hospital, Warren, Minnesota. Her brothers and sisters are: Roman, Dorothy (Mrs. Frank Szklarski), Alex, Adolph, Alice (Mrs. Richard Peters), Evelyn (Mrs. Ervin Mager), Albert, Lucy (Mrs. Gerald Klegstard), Christine (Mrs. Dennis Kramer), Clarence, and Harry. Margaret graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1963.

Victor and Margaret have four children. Cynthia was born July 3, 1964, and Donna on December 24, 1966. When Margaret went into labor with their third child, Darryle, there was a blizzard. Their yard was blocked, so Victor called the road patroler, Steve Adamski. He and his daughter came with the snowplow. His daughter stayed to take care of the two girls, and Steve plowed a way for their car. Darryle was born one block away from the hospital, with no complications. That was January 25, 1969. On September 25, 1979, their second son, Chad, was born.

The family enjoys fishing and camping.

RUDOLPH AND BERNADINE [KASPROWICZ] GRATZEK

Bernadine Kasproicz was born October 31, 1942, to Edmund and Gertrude (Kujava) Kasproicz at Florian, Minnesota.

I attended Florain school for eight years and four years at Stephen High School, graduating in 1960. I was active with the P.N.A. youth dancers and activities. Upon graduation, I started employment at the Farmers State Bank in Stephen.

On October 20, 1962, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, I married Rudolph Gratzek, the son of John and Stella (Przybylski) Gratzek. Rudolph was born February 29, 1928, at Florian. His brothers and sisters are: Loretta (Mrs. Ray Borowicz), Isabelle (Mrs. Clarence Nowacki), John and Lambert. Rudolph was active in the P.N.A. Lodge. He was president of Council 195, recording secretary of Lodge #3060, and belonged to the PNA bowling team.

In 1963, we built a new home on the Gratzek homestead. In the years of 1968 and 1969, when money was hard to come by and crops poor, Rudolph started employment at Arctic in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and also farmed. In August of 1969, he passed away.

We had three children. Jay was born May 29, 1964 and is now in tenth grade at Stephen High School. Scott was born January 16, 1966, and is in eighth grade at Stephen High School. A third son, Roderick, was born November 28, 1969, and is in fourth grade at Stephen Elementary.

COURTNEY AND BERNADINE [KASPROWICZ GRATZEK] ABEL Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

On June 16, 1978, I married Courtney Abel, the son of Vernon and Florence (Price) Abel. Courtney graduated from the Northwest School of Agriculture in Crookston, Minnesota. He entered Dunwoody Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and graduated from the welding course in 1968. That same year, he entered the U.S. Army and received his honorable discharge in 1971. He spent nineteen months of Army duty in Vietnam. He began farming in 1971, and during the winter months attended college at the University of Minnesota, Crookston, Minnesota, for an associate degree in crop production in 1975.

He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Stephen Flying Club. As a family, we enjoy fishing, traveling, and bowling.



**Bernadine and Courtney Abel Family -- 1980
[L-R] Bernadine, Scott, Courtney, Jay, Roderick**

LAWRENCE AND VIVIAN [KASPROWICZ] SRNSKY Goodridge, Minnesota 56725

Vivian Kasproicz, the fourth child of Edmund and Gertrude (Kujava) Kasproicz, was born on November 20, 1950, at Greenbush, Minnesota.

I attended country school in Florian, Minnesota, for four years and then finished my schooling at Stephen Public School in Stephen, Minnesota, and graduated in 1968. After graduation, I started working at Arctic Enterprises in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. I met my husband-to-be, Lawrence Srnsky, at Arctic.

On October 2, 1971, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, we were married. Lawrence is the son of Lawrence A. and Louise (Appell) Srnsky. He was born April 22, 1945, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. His brothers and sisters are: Gerry, Marge Coan, Angie Sanders, Joy Olson, Nancy Asselin, Judy Rustan, Paul, and Betty.

After we got married, we bought a farm east of Goodridge, Minnesota. We grain farm, raise beef cattle, sheep, chickens, and a little bit of everything. We work hard, but enjoy going fishing and on picnics and spending an occasional weekend with the children at the Best Western swimming.

We have two children. Our daughter, Rhonda, was born July 16, 1973, and now attends first grade at Goodridge Elementary. On

May 15, 1976, our son, Mitchell, was born. This fall he will begin Home Start in Goodridge.

THOMAS AND ELIZABETH [MYSKOWSKI] KASPROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Thomas Kasprowicz was born on November 14, 1913, in Wright Township, to Michael and Elizabeth Kasprowicz, the seventh of twelve children. His mother, Elizabeth, was the daughter of Albert and Hedwig Kuznia.

Thomas attended the Florian School District #44 through the eighth grade. He remembers walking to school every day, carrying a muff to keep his hands warm. He took lunch along in a pail, which probably had been a Karo syrup pail. Later, as a young man, Thomas sang in the church choir and several times played his violin for Midnight Mass.

On June 18, 1941, he married Elizabeth Myszkowski in Warren, Minnesota. Fr. Francis Mulvey officiated at their marriage. Elizabeth was the daughter of John and Helen (Gonshorowski) Myszkowski and was born on January 17, 1919, in Nelson Park Township. She attended school in Cudahy, Wisconsin, and Strandquist. She attended Teacher's Training School in Warren, Minnesota, and taught one year at the Hvidsten School District #134 in Wanger Township. Elizabeth received \$65 per month teaching -- \$12 went for room and board. She stayed with the Alfred Hvidsten family. The pupils and the teacher brought their own lunches, plus water for drinking. Sometimes the pupils brought cocoa, which was put on top of the stove to warm it up. Raw potatoes would be brought by pupils and baked on coals in the stove. Elizabeth did all the janitorial work in the school. She remembers two big blizzards -- one in November of 1940 and one in March of 1941.

Since their marriage, Tom and Elizabeth have been active in the Polish Choir, as 4-H leaders, PNA members, and clerks of Florian School District. Thomas was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Elizabeth is an active member of the Ladies Assumption group, church library, and CCD. She was also on the committee for the Bicentennial Book of Marshall County.

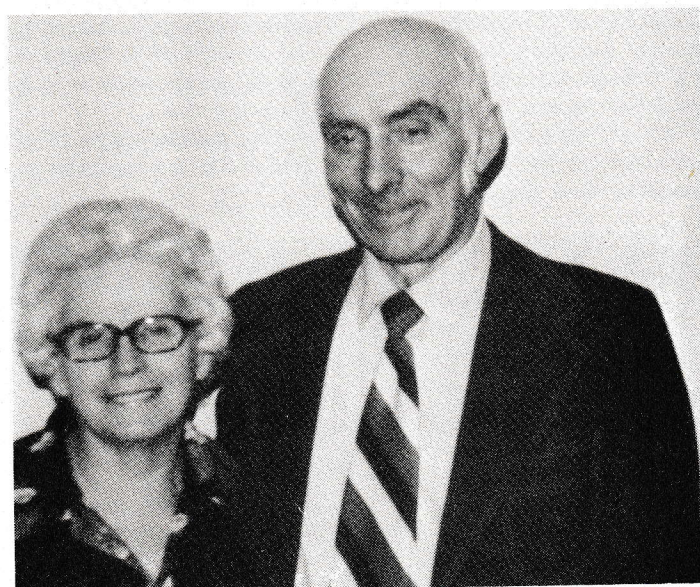
Thomas began farming in 1940, the year his dad passed away. In 1950, the family was badly hurt by a disastrous hail storm -- no insurance had been taken out. The crops had been put in late because of the poor weather, but by August, before the storm, the crops were just beautiful.

Thomas and Elizabeth remember first getting electricity in 1948. They really thought it was something great. They had lights, washing machine, electric iron, a refrigerator, and freezer. What luxuries!

Four children were born to Tom and Elizabeth. Margaret, born on May 25, 1942, attended grades 1-8 in Florian and high school in Stephen, Minnesota. During her school years, she was active in church choir, Polish Youth of the PNA, school choir, and FHA. One year she served as secretary for the PNA while she was still in high school. After graduation, she attended business vocational school in Thief River Falls. For two years, she was employed at the Northern State Bank in Thief River. She married John (Jack) Buchner, son of Helen (Zaucha) and the late John Buchner.

Their second daughter, Veronica, was born on July 9, 1943. She died at the age of four of a kidney disease she had since birth.

Beatrice was born on July 16, 1948. She attended grades 1-6 in Florian and the rest of her school years in Stephen. During her youth, she was active in church choir and as a church organist; in 4-H, earning honors at the county and state levels; in choir and FHA in high school. After graduation, she went abroad as an AFS student to Germany, sponsored by the Stephen and Florian communities. She lived with the Jakob Pramberger family of



Thomas and Elizabeth Kasprowicz - 1980

Rutesheim, Germany, and attended Albert Schweizer Gymnasium in Leonberg, Germany. The following year, while attending the University of North Dakota, she received an Arneberg Scholarship to attend the Murnau Institute of Language in Murnau, Bavaria, Germany. She graduated from UND in 1971, with a bachelor of arts degree in German and French.

Thomas, Jr., was born on July 12, 1953, and attended school in Florian for one year only. In May 1960, the Florian School closed. He attended Stephen Public School thereafter. He was active as an altar boy in his church and was also a 4-H member, receiving honors at county and state levels. After graduation, he worked for Braseth Plumbing and Heating of Grand Forks, Rominski Plumbing and Heating of Stephen, Borowicz Construction, Rybaski Potato Farm of Argyle, and H & S Manufacturing of Stephen. He is presently farming on his own.

Tom, Sr., and Elizabeth live in a trailer house on the homeplace, Section 7, Wright Township.

Thomas does not have any recollection of his grandparents, but he remembers his father, Mike, tell how Grandpa Albert, with his cane and little chair, used to attend to the daily chore of herding cows.

JOHN AND MARGARET [KASPROWICZ] BUCHNER
Route #2
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

Margaret, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth (Myszkowski) Kasprowicz, married John (Jack) Buchner of Warren, Minnesota, on September 5, 1964, in the Assumption Church of Florian. Since 1964, Marge has been employed as a bookkeeper for Agsco, Inc., of Grand Forks. Jack is a sales manager for Northern Plumbing Supply of Grand Forks. From 1955 to 1960, he served in the United States Air force, stationed in Morocco.

Jack's sister, Barbara, is married to Lawrence Kuznia of the Stephen area. Among his half-brothers and sisters are John Rakowski of Oslo, Minnesota, Patricia Folkestad of Grand Forks, North Dakota, and Robert and Richard Rakowski of Greeley, Colorado. Jack's father was born in Germany and served in the Russian Cavalry. He came to the U.S. as a young man. The name Buchner is believed to be of German-Russian origin.

Jack and Marge have three children. Gregory, born August 4, 1965, is a freshman at Oslo Public School. He is an active member of his church youth group and, like his father, enjoys the outdoors, especially hunting, fishing, and golfing. Jodi, born March 6, 1969, attends Manvel Elementary School and is studying piano under Barbara Hallgrimson of Grand Forks. She is also active in school sports. Bradley, born March 19, 1974, also attends Manvel School.



John and Margaret Buchner Family
[L-R] Margie, Bradley, Gregory, Jack, Jodi

Marge and her family are active members of St. Timothy's parish in Manvel. Marge sings in the church choir and has served as an officer of her church ladies' group. She is also a CCD teacher and is presently teaching the First Communion class. She has also served as an officer of the Parent-Teachers Organization of Manvel School, Manvel, North Dakota.

Jack is a member of the Grand Forks Home Builders Association, the American Legion, and the VFW. He is an avid sportsman and enjoys golfing and fishing.

The Buchners presently reside in Grand Forks, where they built a new home in the LaMoine Housing District in 1969.

DOUGLAS AND BEATRICE [KASPROWICZ] BERG
Rt. 1 Box 98A
Reynolds, North Dakota 58275

Beatrice, the daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Kasprovicz, married Douglas Berg on December 18, 1971, at the Newman Center, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota. Douglas is the son of Eddie and Emma (Grafenstein) Berg of Walhalla, North Dakota. Doug, a graduate of the University of North Dakota, is an English instructor at Schroeder and Valley Junior High School for the past twelve years. During 1969-71, he served in the United States Army in Korea, serving as secretary to the adjutant-general.

The name Berg is of Norwegian descent. Douglas's grandparents, Arne and Annette Berg, are descended from Norway. Grafenstein, Doug's mother's maiden name, is German. Her parents, Gottlieb and Amalia Grafenstein, came from a German-speaking section of Russia. Doug's two brothers, David and Dwight, are married and live in Walhalla. His sister, Diane, is married to Dean Mercil of Drayton, North Dakota.



Douglas and Beatrice Berg Family
[L-R] Bryce, Bea holding Brandon, Ryan, Regan, Doug holding Daysha

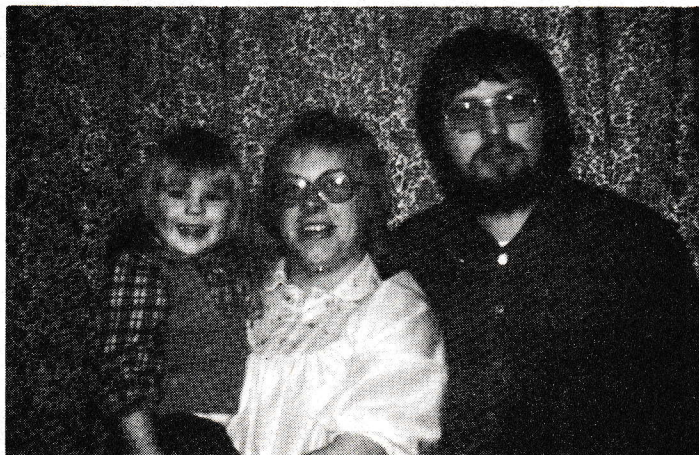
Bea has served as substitute teacher for the Grand Forks Public Schools for the past seven years. Prior to that, she was a secretary-receptionist at the UND Newman Center. In 1977, the Bergs built a new home on an 18-acre tract of land 3½ miles south of Thompson, North Dakota. They are ardent gardeners and have an abundance of vegetables and fruit year-round.

Bea and Doug have five children. Ryan, born on October 10, 1972, and Regan, born on March 9, 1974, both attend Thompson Public School. At home are Bryce, born March 3, 1975, Brandon, born September 8, 1976, and Daysha, born August 14, 1978.

The Bergs attend St. Jude's Catholic Church in Thompson, where they sing in the church choir. Bea is also substitute organist for the Catholic church in Reynolds, North Dakota, both parishes being served by Father Francis Knoke.

THOMAS, JR. AND APRIL [RYBA] KASPROWICZ
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Thomas, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Kasprovicz, married April Ryba on April 27, 1979, in Warren, Minnesota. April is the daughter of Ernest and Elsie (Lien) Ryba of Middle River, Minnesota. Her grandparents, Gust and Anna Ryba, are descended from Czechoslovakia. Her mother's parents, Ingvald and Mary Lien, came from Norway. Among her brothers and sisters are Sharon Davidson of Holt, Minnesota, Gail Kruta of Strathcona,



Thomas, Jr. and April Kasprovicz Family -- 1980
[L-R] Sarah, April, and Tom

Minnesota, Roger and Gary Ryba of Middle River, and Arnie Ryba of Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

April attended school in Middle River. She was active as a cheerleader, basketball player, and in other sports. After graduation, she attended vocational school in Moorhead, where she took up general secretarial studies for one year.

April is presently employed at Arctic Enterprises in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Tom is presently farming the home place, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfather before him.

Thomas, Jr. and his family now live in the house built on the home place (Section 7, Wright Township) by his great uncle Anton Kuznia. He and April are active sportspeople and especially enjoy fishing.

FELIX AND THERESA [KASPROWICZ] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Theresa Martina Kasprowicz, the ninth child of Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprowicz, was born January 30, 1916.

On October 10, 1939, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, she married Felix Pietruszewski, the son of Martin and Mary (Safranski) Pietruszewski. He had five brothers: Frank, John, Anton, Thomas (who married Theresa's sister, Antonette), and Stanley. He also had five sisters: Martha Kuznia, Mary Kaliszewski, Helen Banaszewski, Polly Stalock, and Elizabeth Donarski.



Felix and Theresa Pietruszewski -- 1939



Felix and Theresa Pietruszewski -- 1980

Theresa and Felix had eight children. The three oldest, Maxine, Gordon, and David, are married. Their fourth child, Conrad, attended and graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota. He also served in the Vietnam War. In 1972, he graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota. The next two children, Terance and Denise, are also married. Their seventh child and fifth son, Myron, attended Stephen High School and the University of Minnesota at Crookston, Minnesota. Their last child, Wendell, attended Stephen High School and the Area Vocational Technical Institute at Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Felix worked as a carpenter and is now retired. Theresa for many years has done the weekly cleaning of the Assumption Church at Florian. They live six miles north of Florian.

GORDON AND MAXINE [PIETRUSZEWSKI] PAGNAC
1001 Alexander
Crookston, Minnesota 56716

Maxine Marie Pietruszewski was born at Warren, Minnesota, on August 20, 1940, the first child of Felix and Theresa (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski. She graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1958.

On June 4, 1963, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, she married Gordon Francis Pagnac. He is the son of Francis and Mary (Walker) Pagnac. He has one sister, Dorothy Buckhouse, and two brothers, David and Richard. Gordon served in the United States Army and is now employed as a fulltime fireman.

Gordon and Maxine are the parents of four children: Lynelle, Carlene, Darren, and Jami Lynne.

GORDON AND DELPHINE [KOSTRZEWSKI] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Gordon Peter Pietruszewski, the son of Felix and Theresa (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski, was born June 29, 1942, in Warren, Minnesota, Marshall County.

He attended country school until eighth grade and then finished his education at Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota. He graduated in 1960. He lived with his parents by Florian, Minnesota, until March of 1964, when he was drafted into the armed service. He served in the army artillery division until March of 1966, serving six months of those two years in Vietnam.

In 1960, Gordon bought a farm east of Englund Store. He worked for the Szczepanski brothers for thirteen years and farmed part time until 1974. In 1974, he started farming full time with his brother, David.

On July 13, 1968, Gordon married Delphine Kostrzewski at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Delphine is the daughter of Roman and Helen (Kroll) Kostrzewski of rural Stephen, Minnesota. She has one brother, David, and four sisters, Eleanor (Mrs. Robert Berberich) of Brooks, Minnesota, Adell (Mrs. David Kuznia) of Argyle, Minnesota, Denise, and Sheryl. She attended Stephen Public School, Stephen, Minnesota, and graduated in 1968.

After they were married, they lived six miles north of Florian on his brother David's farm for six years. In 1973, with the help of his brother Terry, family, and friends, Gordon built their new home east of Englund Store, in Section 29 of Nelson Park Township. Working evenings and in their spare time, the house was finished in July of 1974.

Gordon and Delphine have four children. Donovan was born April 16, 1969. On May 30, 1971, a daughter, Dawn Marie, was born. They attend Stephen Public School. On November 16, 1976, Jeanne was born, and Jonathan arrived November 15, 1980.

DAVID AND JANICE [BATALDEN] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

David Pietruszewski was born October 25, 1943, the third child of Felix and Theresa (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski. He and his seven brothers and sisters grew up on the 240-acre farm his Pietruszewski grandparents had farmed in Wanger Township, one mile north and one and three-quarters of a mile west of Florian, Minnesota.

He attended country school at Florian for eight years. Thoughts of country school bring back numerous memories. Remember the live pigeon, all wrapped up as a gift, the teacher received for Christmas from the students? Or the bell rope that always seemed to get "stuck", so the big boys would have to climb up and "fix" it? that was usually good for a few hours less of school time. Or, remember "Page 18" in the song book? "My Home's in Montana" was surely the most favorite song of all!

Dave graduated from Stephen High School in 1961. He served in the U.S. Army National Guard from 1964 until 1970.

On May 31, 1975, he married Janice Batalden, the daughter of Emrud and Lila (Boclez) Batalden of Lamberton, Minnesota. They now have two children, Nathan and Jill. They live in Section 7 of Nelson Park Township, Marshall County, where David farms with his brother, Gordon.

TERANCE AND BETTY [KLEINWACHTER] PIETRUSZEWSKI
Route 2
Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Terance Pietruszewski was born November 15, 1951, to Felix and Theresa (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski at Warren, Minnesota. Terry graduated from Stephen High School in 1970 and then attended A.V.T.I. in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, taking up

carpentry.

On November 12, 1977, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, he married Betty Kleinwachter, the daughter of Julius and Antoinette (Stancyk) Kleinwachter of rural Strandquist, Minnesota. Betty was born September 24, 1954, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. She has a twin brother, Ben, and two other brothers: Father John Kleinwachter and Paul Kleinwachter. She has one sister, Patricia Larson. Betty graduated in 1972 from Strandquist High School, Strandquist, Minnesota, and then attended college at Northland in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and Bemidji State at Bemidji, Minnesota.

Terry is presently employed by Terog Manufacturing Company in Stephen, Minnesota. He enjoys woodworking, fishing, hunting, camping, skiing, tennis, and sports in general. Betty shares her husband's interests in outdoor activities.

They make their home on a small farm near Florian.

LARRY JOHN AND DENISE [PIETRUSZEWSKI] LUND
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Denise Theresa Pietruszewski was born March 12, 1954, the sixth child and second daughter of Felix and Theresa (Kasprowicz) Pietruszewski.

In 1972, she graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota. She then attended Moorhead Area Vocational Technical Institute. After her graduation, she was employed with attorney Wesley Martins for three years and at the Karlstad Bank for one year.

On April 16, 1977, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, she married Larry John Lund, the son of Norris and Margaret (Kalin) Lund. His brothers and sisters are: Russell Lund, Phyllis Borg, Gloria Grabow, Anita Milam, Geraldine Swanson, Donald Lund, Dennis Lund, Patsy Erickson, Joy Montague, Sandra Nuccetelli, Karen Lyngholm, Barry Lund, and Norma DeVore. The family name has been changed from Taralseth to Lund.



Jeremy and James Lund

Larry served in the Vietnam war. He is now employed in dry wall construction. Denise is presently a homemaker.

Denise and Larry have two sons, Jeremy and James. The family resides in a mobile home in rural Karlstad, Minnesota.

SYLVESTER AND CLARA [BUKOWSKI] KASPROWICZ
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Sylvester Mark Kasprowicz was born January 1, 1918, to Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasprowicz in Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. Sylvester grew up in the Florian community. He attended school and church there and for many years farmed south of Florian. He later moved to the Minneapolis area and was employed as a meat cutter at Rifkin Meat Packing Plant.

He met his future wife, Clara Bukowski, the daughter of Frank and Sophie Bukowski of Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. After a few years, they were married in St. Albert's Catholic Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. They lived in the Cities for five years. During those years, Roger, Richard Michael, and Mary were born. They then moved back to Marshall County to Lincoln Township, Section 12, where they still live. Four more children were born: Leonard, Michael, Robert, and Gabriel.

Presently, their youngest son, Gabriel, and his wife live on the home place. All of their other children live in the area towns not far away. Four of their sons served in the Vietnam war: Richard, Leonard, Michael, and Robert.

Sylvester and Clara are members of St. Edward's Catholic Church in Strandquist, Minnesota. All of their children attended and graduated from Strandquist High School.



Sylvester and Clara Kasprowicz Family -- 1968
[Standing L-R] Mike, Mary, Gabriel, Leonard,
Richard, Roger, Robert [Seated] Clara and Sylvester

ROGER AND JUNE [KLEINWACHTER] KASPROWICZ
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Roger Kasprowicz was born September 26, 1942, to Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasprowicz at St. Paul, Minnesota. He attended school at Strandquist, Minnesota, and then took two years of college at Mayville State, Mayville, North Dakota. He worked for different area Robertson Lumber Companies for fifteen years and is presently employed by the Soo Line Railroad.

Roger and June Kleinwachter attended the same school, and that is how they met, but they were not childhood sweethearts. On August 31, 1963, at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Strandquist, Minnesota, they were married. June is the daughter of Frank and Judith (Holmstrom) Kleinwachter. She was born July 14, 1943, at Warren, Minnesota. She has four sisters: Marie Berggren, Joan Gehrls, Kay Turnwall, and Lois Kleinwachter.

Roger, June, and family have lived at Mayville, North Dakota, Greenbush, Minnesota, Drayton, North Dakota, and Stephen, Minnesota.

Roger and June have six children. Benedict was born May 6, 1964, at Mayville, North Dakota. He has attended school at Drayton and Stephen. He is presently employed at Mike's Hartz Store in Karlstad, Minnesota, for the summer months. Kelly was born April 23, 1965, at Mayville, North Dakota, and attended school at Drayton and Stephen. Bradley was born October 28, 1967, at Karlstad, Minnesota, and Brian on November 28, 1968, at Drayton, North Dakota; both boys enjoy swimming. Kari was born December 6, 1972. Brandon was born July 10, 1977, at Karlstad, Minnesota, on a very tragic day. His uncle, Richard Kasprowicz, was killed in a car accident that day.

Roger, June, and children enjoy camping together.

RICHARD AND RITA KASPROWICZ
(See Vincent and Wanda Kuznia section of this book.)

GERALD AND MARY [KASPROWICZ] CARLSON
164 South 6th Street
Warren, Minnesota 56762

Mary Kasprowicz was the third child but first and only daughter born to Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasprowicz. She was later followed by four brothers.

She attended and graduated from Strandquist Public School. On September 11, 1965, at St. Edward Catholic Church in Strandquist, Minnesota, she married Gerald A. Carlson, the son of Ed and Minnie (Lindgren) Carlson. Gerald was born August 13, 1933. He has four brothers: Clarence, Reinhold, Oscar, and Harvey; and three sisters: Fern, Lou, and Yvonne.

Gerald and Mary have four children, who all attend Warren Public School. Mark was born February 26, 1966, and has a paper route. Todd was born August 21, 1967, and is also a paper boy. Dawn was born August 20, 1968, and does babysitting. Their youngest, Wade, was born July 7, 1972.

They enjoy traveling with their children, playing cards, and visiting.

LEONARD AND BARBARA [LOFSTROM] KASPROWICZ

Leonard Kasprowicz was born December 19, 1947, to Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasprowicz at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. In 1965, he graduated from Strandquist High School, Strandquist, Minnesota. From 1966 until 1969, he served in the U.S. Army.

On June 11, 1966, at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, Leonard married Barbara Lofstrom, the daughter of Louie and Eunice Lofstrom. They had one daughter, Nancy. She was born November 1, 1966, at Karlstad, Minnesota.

Barbara passed away October 1, 1967.

LEONARD AND VIRJEAN [BLAZEJEWSKI] KASPROWICZ
1205 South 3rd Street
Drayton, North Dakota

Leonard Kasproicz married Virjean Blazejewski at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, on October 19, 1968. Virjean is the daughter of Ludvig and Agnes (Filipiak) Blazejewski. She was born December 24, 1948, at Warren, Minnesota. She has two brothers, Leonard and Thomas of Newfolden, Minnesota, and two sisters: Judy Kasproicz of Drayton, North Dakota, and Rita Mattson of Minneapolis, Minnesota. Virjean graduated from Marshall County Central High School in Newfolden in 1966. She then attended the Area Vocational School in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and completed the course in cosmetology in 1967.

Leonard and Virjean have two children. Kevin was born September 4, 1970, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. Mona Rae was born November 17, 1973, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Presently, the family makes their home in Drayton, North Dakota, where Leonard is employed at the American Crystal Sugar Company and Virjean is a teacher's aide at the Drayton Public School.

MICHAEL AND AUDREY [GRANDSTRAND] KASPROWICZ
901 South Main
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Michael Kasproicz, the fourth son and fifth child of Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasproicz was born May 3, 1949, at the Northwestern Hospital in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

He received all his schooling at the Strandquist Public School and graduated in 1967. He entered the U.S. Army and was stationed in Vietnam until 1971. After returning from the service, he attended the Thief River Falls Vocational School at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, for one year and majored in accounting.

On September 30, 1972, at the First Lutheran Church in Karlstad, Minnesota, he married Audrey Grandstrand, the daughter of Dale and Beth Grandstrand. Audrey was born September 14, 1953, at the Karlstad Memorial Hospital, Karlstad, Minnesota. She has one sister, Dalene Jacobson, and one brother, Darin. She received all her schooling at the Karlstad Elementary and High School and graduated in 1971. She then attended Northland Junior College at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, for one year. In 1974, she graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with a degree in vocational home economics.

After their marriage, Mike and Audrey lived in Grand Forks until Audrey had completed her schooling. After Audrey graduated, they moved to Thief River Falls, where Mike was assistant manager at the Robertson Lumber Company and Audrey was a supervisor at J.C. Penney. In 1975, they moved to Karlstad to manage the Town and Country Restaurant, and Audrey taught home economics part time at the Karlstad High School.

Mike and Audrey have two children. Matthew was born April 5, 1975, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota. Their second son, Joshua, was born August 30, 1979, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Presently, Mike is the manager of Mike's Hartz Store in Karlstad and Audrey tutors at the Karlstad Public School.

ROBERT AND JUDITH [BLAZEJEWSKI] KASPROWICZ
R.R. 1, Box 107
Drayton, North Dakota 58225

Robert Kasproicz, the sixth child of Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasproicz, was born December 5, 1951, at the Karlstad Memorial Hospital, Karlstad, Minnesota. He attended

school at Strandquist and graduated from Strandquist High School in 1969.

On February 2, 1974, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, he married Judith Blazejewski, the daughter of Ludvig and Agnes (Filipiak) Blazejewski. Judy was born June 8, 1953, at the Karlstad Memorial Hospital, Karlstad, Minnesota. She has two brothers, both of Newfolden, Minnesota: Leonard and Tom; and two sisters: Virjean (Mrs. Leonard Kasproicz) of Drayton, North Dakota, and Rita (Mrs. Mark Mattson) of Minnetonka, Minnesota.

Bob and Judy have two children. Lisa was born June 24, 1974, at the Karlstad Memorial Hospital and now attends school in Kennedy, Minnesota. A son, Nathan, was born December 8, 1976, at the United Hospital in Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Presently, Bob is beet end foreman at American Crystal Sugar Company and Judy is accounts payable clerk at American Crystal Sugar Company, Drayton, North Dakota.

GABRIEL AND LINDA [KALINOWSKI] KASPROWICZ
Karlstad, Minnesota 56732

Gabriel John Kasproicz was the seventh and last child born to Sylvester and Clara (Bukowski) Kasproicz. He was born at Karlstad, Minnesota, on August 31, 1954. He attended Strandquist Public School and graduated in 1972.

Gabriel married Linda Jean Kalinowski at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Strandquist, Minnesota, on January 27, 1973. Linda was born to Mr. and Mrs. Anton A. Kalinowski of rural Lake Bronson, Minnesota, on July 8, 1955, at the Karlstad Memorial Hospital in Karlstad. She has one brother, Paul, and two sisters, Deanna (Mrs. Gary Washer) and Karen (Mrs. Dean Lips).

Gabriel and Linda are the parents of two daughters, Carmyn Jean born May 20, 1973, at Karlstad, and Dana Marie, born May 12, 1977, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Gabriel has been farming since 1970 and has also been employed at the American Crystal Sugar Company in Drayton, North Dakota, since 1973. Linda is a full time homemaker. They make their home in rural Karlstad.

MONICA KASPROWICZ
Villa St. Vincent - West Wing, 516 Walsh Street
Crookston, Minnesota 56716

Monica Frances Kasproicz was born to Michael and Elizabeth (Kuznia) Kasproicz on March 9, 1920, in Section 7, Wright Township, Marshall County. She grew up in the Florian area, attended school in District #44, Florian, Minnesota.

Monica did housework in the community. In 1942, she moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, where she was employed at the West Defense Plant. She later worked for the Swift Packing Plant. She now resides at Villa St. Vincent in Crookston, where she does part time work.