

# Family Tree of Peter and Agnes Kuznia

#### PETER KUZNIA b-1885, d-1966 to AGNES CHLAPINSKI b-1889, d-1966

1. Alozy Kuznia b-1908 to Elizabeth Gostanczik b-1902

#### A. Evelyn Kuznia b-1934 to Wallace Feltman b-1930

- 1) Marlin Feltman b-1954 to Betty Schiff b-1954 a) Ryan Feltman b-1977
  - b) Heidi Feltman b-1979
- 2) Diane Feltman b-1957
- 3) Cheryl Feltman b-1959
- 4) Gregory Feltman b-1961

#### B. Marie Kuznia b-1935 to Marvin Kozel b-1935

- 1) Debra Kozel b-1954 to Mark Misialek b-1952 a) Jason Misialek b-1976
  - b) Shauna Marie Misialek b-1979
- 2) Cynthia Kozel b-1955 to Peter Blue b-1956 a) Scott Blue b-1980
- 3) MaDonna Kozel b-1958 to Daniel Driscoll b-1956
- 4) Kimberly Kozel b-1960 to Michael Vigen b-1957
- 5) Bryan Kozel b-1961 to Michelle Madigan b-1960 a) Matthew Kozel b-1980
- b) Melissa Kozel b-19806) Jacqueline Kozel b-1964
- 7) Shaun Marvin Kozel b-1966, d-1966
- 7) Shaun Marvin Kozer D-1900, u-19
- 8) Shannon Mary Kozel b-1966
- 9) Shawn Della Kozel b-1968, d-1968
- 10) Lee Marvin Kozel b-1971

#### C. Theresa Kuznia Nelson b-1937

- 1) Randy Nelson b-1959
- 2) Candace Nelson b-1960
- D. Raymond Kuznia b-1940, d-1966
- 2. Frank Kuznia b-1909, d-1973 to Helen Duniski b-1911, d-1968
- A. Clarence Kuznia b-1939 to Mary Ellen Kucharski b-1939 1) Jeffrey Kuznia b-1964
- B. Carl Kuznia b-1943 to Grace Ped b-1941
- 3. Edward Kuznia b-1911 to Gertrude Ginter b-1916, d-1981
- A. Kenneth C. Kuznia b-1939 to Sandra Thacker b-1941
  - 1) Cynthia Kuznia b-1965
  - 2) Joffrey Kuznia b-1966
  - 3) Jennifer Kuznia b-1970
- **B. Myra Kuznia b-1944 to Lawrence Lindholm b-19** 1) Jill Lindholm b-1970
- Edward Kuznia to Geraldine Lindholm b-1937
- 4. Teresa Kuznia b-1913, d-1914
- 5. Regina Kuznia b-1913 to Joseph Dombeck b-1908
- A. Bernard Dombeck b-1934 to Margie McFarland b-1935 1) Douglas Dombeck b-1966

- 2) Stuart Dombeck b-1967
- **B. Raymond Dombeck b-1937 to Barbara Rapatt b-1942** 1) Tyrone Dombeck b-1963
  - 2) Jennifer Dombeck b-1967

#### C. Bernice Dombeck b-1940 to Jyles Moltzan b-19

- 1) Steve Moltzan b-1965
- 2) Scott Moltzan b-1967
- 3) Sean Moltzan b-1972
- 4) Stacy Moltzan b-1972
- D. Theresa Dombeck b-1942 to Norman Klovstad b-1940
  - 1) Jay Kolvstad b-1963
  - 2) Mary Kolvstad b-1964
  - 3) Rachiel Klovstad b-1967
- **E. Beata Dombeck b-1944 to Warren Vigen b-1939** 1) David Vigen b-1966
  - 2) Mia Vigen b-1968
- F. Richard Dombeck b-1946 to Patricia Knutson b-1949
  1) Kip Dombeck b-1972
  2) League Dombeck b-1975
- G. Leonard Dombeck b-1949 to Linda Jasken b-1949
  1) Tammy Dombeck b-1972
  2) Heather Dombeck b-1978
- H. James Dombeck b-1954 to Irene Bryce b-1955
- I. Mark Dombeck b-1958
- 6. Roman Kuznia b-1914 to Regina Stusynski b-1919
  A. Caroline Kuznia b-1940 to Howard Lippincott b-1939
  1) Ann Lippincott b-1966
  2) Ellen Lippincott b-1971
- 7. Leonard Kuznia b-1917 to Isabelle Nowacki b-1919
- **A. Richard Kuznia b-1947 to Jennifer Hammond b-1950** 1) Heather Kuznia b-1977
- B. Veronica Kuznia b-1949 to Richard Knoll b-1944 1) Diana Knoll b-1975
- C. Kenneth Kuznia b-1950 to Alana Leverington b-1951 1) Kelly Ann Kuznia b-1978
- D. Gayle Kuznia b-1953 to Annette Edgar b-1959
- 8. Chester Kuznia b-1919 to Bernice Kamrowski b-1917

A. Arnold Kuznia b-1943 to Donalda Borowicz b-1947 1) Michelle Kuznia b-1970

- 2) Karla Kuznia b-1971
- 3) Jayson Kuznia b-1975
- 4) Nathan Kuznia b-1978
- **B. Conrad Kuznia b-1945 to Linda St. Germain b-1950** 1) Adam Kuznia b-1969

- C. James V. Kuznia b-1947 to Sherri Daigre b-1960
  1) Christopher Kuznia b-1977
  2) Nicholas Kuznia b-1980
- **D. Allen Kuznia b-1954 to Grace Woinarowicz b-1957** 1) Alana Kuznia b-1979
- 9. Louie Kuznia b-1921 to Gertrude Woinarowicz b-1921
- A. Ronald Kuznia b-1947 to Carole Grzadzieleski b-1947
  1) David Kuznia b-1967
  2) Thomas R. Kuznia b-1979
  - 2) Inomus R. Ruzma 0-1979
- **B.** Phyllis Kuznia b-1948 to Henry Hammerback b-1948 1) Jerrod Hammerback b-1971
  - 2) Jason Hammerback b-1974
  - 3) Justin Hammerback b-1977
- C. Donna Kuznia b-1950 to Sidney Brouse b-1950
  - 1) Jeffrey Brouse b-1970
  - 2) Thomas Brouse b-1971
  - 3) Tiffany Brouse b-1978
- **D. Marilyn Kuznia b-1952 to Arlyn Stroble b-1952** 1) Damon Stroble b-1978
- E. Curtis Kuznia b-1954 to Fay Riopelle b-1955 1) Nichole Kuznia b-1980
- 10. Claire Kuznia b-1922 to George Yagoda b-1925
  - A. George Yagoda, Jr. b-1951, d-1951

- B. Georgia Ann Yagoda b-1952 to Kenneth Johnson b-1949
  1) Ricky Johnson b-1968
  2) Jamie Nicole Johnson b-1980
- C. Theresa Yagoda b-1954, d-1954
- D. Nancy Yagoda b-1960
- 11. Daniel Kuznia b-1925
- 12. Matthew Kuznia b-1930 to Geraldine Benke b-1939
  - A. Todd Kuznia b-1959
  - B. Kimberly Kuznia b-1963
  - C. Chad Kuznia b-1969
- 13. Robert Kuznia b-1935, d-1979 to Suzanne Nowacki b-1939
  - **A. Pamela Kuznia b-1959 to Dale Roberts b-1958** 1) Jeremy Roberts b-1977
  - **B. Laurie Kuznia b-1960 to Jaun Garcia b-1959** 1) Cynthia Garcia b-1977 2) Laurie Garcia b-1978
  - C. Jeffory Kuznia b-1964
  - D. Russel Kuznia b-1965
  - E. Beth Kuznia b-1968

Robert Kuznia to Anne Guarino b-1945

# Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia

Peter A. Kuznia was born in Wright Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, on November 24, 1885. The first son born to Albert and Hedwig (Krzyzosiak) Kuznia after their arrival in Marshall County, his birth is registered on January 4, 1886. He was registered on the birth record as Peter Albert. According to the township records, Peter was written as Peater Koznier.

Peter resided in Marshall County, State of Minnesota, and procured a license to be joined in marriage unto Agnes Swapinski. Peter was at the full age of 21. Agnes was at the full age of 18 and also a resident of the County of Marshall, State of Minnesota. They applied for the marriage license on June 24, 1907. On July 2, 1907, Peter and Agnes were united in marriage at the Assumption Catholic Church of Florian, Minnesota. The witnesses were Joseph Kuznia and Steven Chlapinski. They were married by a Roman Catholic priest, Rev. P. Podlichi.



Peter and Agnes Kuznia Wedding - 1907 [Standing L-R] Steven Chlapinski and Anna [Kuznia] Wilebski [Seated] Peter and Agnes Kuznia

Agnes's last name was printed on the birth, township, and recorder records as Chlapinski, but on her marriage license it was printed Swapinski. Church records at Assumption at Florian spell the last name Czlapinski, with the crossed Polish language "1" having a "w" sound as in wasp, and the "cz" combination as in chop.

Agnes was born on April 20, 1889. She was the daughter of Joseph and Mary (Hunt) Chlapinski, who came to America already

married. They first lived on the present Gary Kostrzewski place in the northeast corner of section 6 of Wright Township. They then moved to the southwest corner of the same township. They later moved to Duluth, Minnesota, and passed away there. They registered Agnes' birth almost one year later on January 25, 1890.

Agnes's family included one sister and six brothers. Maria (or Maryanna) married Vincent Przybylski, a brother of Mike and Katherine (Przybylski) Zakrzewski. She died in 1904. A brother, Anton, was married to Martha Przybylski, the daughter of Antonette and Vincent Przybylski, and a sister to Katherine (Przybylski) Kujava. Walter was married to Veronica Szczepanski, a sister to William and Alex. Steven was married to a Kierzek girl from Minto, North Dakota. John was married to a girl from Duluth, Minnesota. Frank left home at a young age and was never heard from again, and Stanley.

Peter and Agnes moved to a farm one-fourth mile from the main highway by Nick Donarski's. The place does not exist any more. On this place, Alozy was born in 1908, and Frank (Francis) was born in 1909. Alozy remembers when the house was moved to another farm not far from their present location. Later on, a new home was built. This place was ten miles east of Stephen, Minnesota. On this place, Eddie was born in 1911; Regina and a twin that died in 1913; Roman in 1914; Leonard in 1917; Chester in 1919; Louie in 1921; Claire in 1922; Daniel in 1925; Matthew in 1930; and Robert in 1935.

Joseph Chlapinski sold the southwest quarter of Section 1 (SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Section 1) in Township 157 North of Range 47 West, containing 160 acres, more or less, accordance to the government survey to Agnes Chlapinski. This was done on August 17, 1907. Peter and Agnes also farmed two other quarters of land. All of the field work was done by horses. They walked behind drags that were pulled by horses. In the years of farming, there was very little machinery bought. The first tractor was a F-12 McCormick purchased in the 1930's. Later, a two-bottom plow was bought. Agnes would take a wagon and three children in it and go out into the field and shock grain. When seeding and threshing came, neighbors would come and help each other to get done with the work for the season. Peter raised wheat, barley, oats, hay, corn, and potatoes.

All the brothers and sisters, except Robert, attended school in Florian, Minnesota. They walked, or Peter would take them to school. When the boys got older, they took the horse and sleigh and left the horse at Uncle Mike Kuznia's place. At noon, the horse always had to be watered.

During lent, the family would say the rosary every Wednesday and sing a Polish song, "Gowski Zali" on Friday nights. It was a song that took one hour to sing. As the brothers got older, they wanted to go out; but they couldn't. Frank would throw his good clothes out of the window, and then he would sneak out. Luckily, he wasn't caught.

As years went by, there were many hardships, but also many happy times. Each winter, Peter would take wheat to Terrebonne. Minnesota, and exchange it for flour and cereal. Most of the food was raised at home. They raised their own beef, pork, chickens, and turkeys (about 100 each year). Agnes would make fifty gallons of sauerkraut for the winter months. Peter and Agnes would go to town with a horse and sleigh to buy food for the month. This was done many winters.

Later, Peter bought a four-door car (Overland), but all winter it was put on blocks. The family would walk or go by horse and sleigh to the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

Winters were very cold, and water would freeze at night in their house. With a large family, three boys would sleep in one bed under



Peter and Agnes Kuznia Family [Back L-R] Daniel, Chester, Regina, Matthew, Claire, Leonard, Louie [Seated] Frank, Roman, Agnes, Robert, Peter, Edward, Alozy

a feather tick. The ten brothers slept upstairs, and the girls downstairs. Winter was a busy time, too, because straw, hay, and wood had to be hauled. The water pump and the toilet were outside. As for any fun, Peter would play four-hand whist all by himself.

In 1947, Peter and Agnes decided to quit farming. Peter and Agnes and family moved to Stephen, Minnesota. On October 6, 1947, Peter and Agnes sold the farm to Clem and Cora Knoll. Peter took employment for the Great Northern Railways. He was a mail carrier pushing a cart from the railroad station to the post office. Agnes worked as a dish washer at a cafe.

Peter and Agnes observed their 25th wedding anniversary in 1932 and their 50th anniversary in 1957. The families got together and celebrated these special occasions with Peter and Agnes.

Peter and Agnes lived in Stephen, Minnesota, for fifteen years.

Their son, Daniel, lived with them, and at this time, he is still living at the same residence. Conrad Kuznia, grandson of Peter and Agnes, purchased the land from Clem and Cora Knoll in 1974.

The latter part of 1965 and the first few months of 1966, Peter and Agnes spent most of their time in the Drayton Hospital. On March 2, 1966, Peter passed away. It was during one of the worst blizzards of the century. The family was unable, for several days after he died, to get to Drayton to make the necessary funeral arrangements.

In the spring of 1966, when Agnes was in the hospital in Drayton, North Dakota, it was virtually impossible to get over to visit her because of the Red River flood that lasted for many weeks. Agnes passed away shortly. Peter and Agnes were both buried at



Peter and Agnes Kuznia



Peter and Agnes Kuznia 50th Wedding Anniversary -- 1957

the same time at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, in May of 1966.

If there are any mistakes on this history, please understand that

the information was gotten from the records at the Marshall County Courthouse, Warren, Minnesota, and from listening to the brothers in conversation.

ALOZY AND ELIZABETH [GOSTANCZIK] KUZNIA Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Alozy Kuznia was born June 21, 1908, to Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia, of Polish descent, in Wanger Township. Marshall County, Minnesota. He is the oldest son from the family. He attended rural school for four years. Hard times hit, and he quit school. At fifteen, he went out working. Some of the jobs he had before he got married included being a lumberjack by Belmont, Minnesota, for \$35 a month; on the Mesabi Dock on Lake Superior at Duluth, Minnesota, for \$3.50 a day; for the state as a construction worker at \$2 a day; and as a farm laborer.

In 1929, Alozy met Elizabeth Gostanczik at Apple Dance Hall. In



Alozy and Elizabeth Kuznia -- 1930

the fall of 1930, marriage plans were on the way. The date of the wedding was set for October 21. Many things had to be done before the wedding. It snowed the first week of October, but it was still potato harvest time, and the potatoes had to be picked. The job did get done. Thirty geese and forty ducks were butchered. Twenty five cakes, thirty pies, sixteen dozen cake doughnuts, and twenty dozen cookies were baked for the wedding.

Elizabeth and Alozy were married on October 21, 1930, at St. John's Catholic Church east of Argyle, Minnesota, in Alma Township. The reception was held at John Gostanczik's farm home. The meals were all served in a machine shed. The dance music was by the Ranka Brothers, and the dance was held in the same shed. One hundred fifty people were invited.

Elizabeth Gostanczik was born October 12, 1902, in Wanger Township, to John and Rose (Yutrzenka) Gostanczik of Polish and German descent. Her mother had four brothers. Martin married Pearl Gratzek. Albert married Praxie Nowacki. Joe married Elizabeth Rapacz, and John died young. Her mother also had three sisters. Verna married Joseph Urbaniak. Mary married John Rapacz and Martha married Vincent Pawlowski. Elizabeth attended a rural school through the eighth grade. Later, she worked at a wax paper factory in the Cities for three winters. The pay was \$1 a day. She also worked as a maid for two winters, also at \$1 a day.

Elizabeth had three brothers. Ed married Elizabeth Cetnor. John married Josephine Bukowski. Alphons died April 26, 1975. A sister died at birth, and a brother died at the age of three.

After the wedding, they moved to a farm by Florian, Minnesota. They only lived there for one year before moving to a farm four and one half miles east of Argyle, in Alma Township. They are still living there at the present time.

Milton Wendel lived on the place before. Alozy bought two quarters of land from Minnifees of Iowa. All the farm work was done by horses. Grain and potatoes were the main crops. In 1933, the first tractor was purchased, a Waterloo tractor. As years went by, machinery was purchased. In 1940, the first combine was bought -- a John Deere six-footer.

On January 5, 1934, the first child was born. It was a girl named Evelyn. The second girl was born December 8, 1935, named Marie. The third girl, Theresa, was born October 10, 1937. The last child, a boy named Raymond, was born July 24, 1940. All the children were born at home by getting a doctor to the house.

All four children went to school for twelve years. They all belonged to school activities, including band, chorus, and sports, and they were on the honor roll. Evelyn got married in the fall of the year she graduated, 1953. Marie got married a year later, in 1954. Theresa, after graduation, went to Moorhead State College. At the present time, she is still teaching at Stephen Elementary School, Stephen, Minnesota. Raymond graduated in 1957. A few years later, he was drafted into the Army (1962). During his two-year term, he spent most of his time in Germany. He received the "marksman" award while in the service. He came home in 1965. He died May 29, 1966, from a single-car accident on Memorial Day weekend.

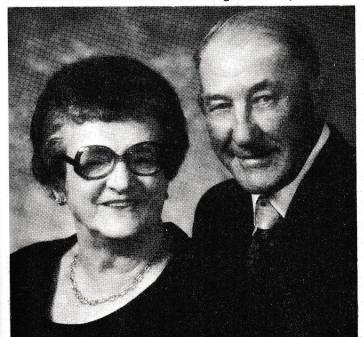
Yes, happiness, sadness, and hard times were experienced. Cutting with a binder, shocking, and threshing involved many sweaty hours. Besides farming, milking 18 cows, feeding a hundred



Alozy and Elizabeth Kuznia Family -- 1966 [L-R] Alozy, Evelyn, Marie, Theresa, Raymond, Elizabeth

sheep, and a hundred pigs, plus fifty geese, eighty turkeys, fifty ducks and a hundred chickens, it kept them busy and made the day short. A disastrous wind storm blew down a machine shed and a windmill. Hard years were experienced with prices going down. It was hard to keep going. But, thanks to the Lord, the prices started to get better, and a new house was built. The former house was very old. It had a cellar, stones for a foundation, and it became a good home for the rats. The water would freeze at night during the winter. The whole family slept in a middle room upstairs in the winter. Then again, prices went down for everything and taxes went up. Hard times came again. The total crop was lost in 1949 by drought. Expenses just could not be met. Alozy was forced to find work elsewhere. He found work at the American Crystal Sugar Company in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. In his sixeen years there, he worked as a lime rock man, a watchman, a foreman, and at last a turbine operator. Then a new American Crystal Sugar Company was built in Drayton, North Dakota. He transferred there and worked for six more years. There, he worked as a foreman, track mobile car operator, and before he retired, as a filt presser.

Now Alozy and Elizabeth are retired but are still working to keep up with the every day living. On October 21, 1980, Alozy and Elizabeth celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.



Alozy and Elizabeth Kuznia 50th Wedding Anniversary -- 1980



Alozy and Elizabeth Kuznia Family -- 1980 [L-R] Alozy, Theresa, Evelyn, Marie, and Elizabeth

# WALLACE AND EVELYN [KUZNIA] FELTMAN Rt. 3, Box 108 Grafton, North Dakota 58237

Evelyn Kuznia is the oldest daughter of Alozy and Elizabeth (Gostanczik) Kuznia. Evelyn attended and graduated from Argyle Public School in 1953.

Wallace Joseph Feltman was born in Grafton, North Dakota, in Walsh County on June 29, 1930.

Evelyn met Wallace at a dance at Strandquist, Minnesota. He lived on a farm with his mother, Selma Feltman, four miles north of Warsaw, North Dakota. His father is deceased. Wallace is one of nine children in the family. This May, Wallace will have thirty-three



Wallace and Evelyn Feltman Family [Standing L-R] Marlin, Wallace, Greg [Seated] Diane, Evelyn, and Cheryl

years of teaching done. Twenty-two at Chase School in Grafton, North Dakota, and the last sixteen years serving as principal of Chase School.

In 1953, Wallace and Evelyn were married on the thirteenth of October. It was a beautiful, warm fall day. The wedding mass was at St. John's Catholic Church east of Argyle, Minnesota. The reception was at the Alozy Kuznia farm, and the dance was at Florian, Minnesota.

Wallace and Evelyn had four children. Marlin married Betty Schiff (daughter of Frank and Veronica Schiff) of Devils Lake, North Dakota. They are the parents of two children: Ryan James is two and a half years old and Heidi Lynn is seven months old. They live at 323 8th Street West, Devils Lake, North Dakota, where Marlin is employed with UPS.



Marlin and Betty Feltman and Family [L-R] Marlin, Ryan, Betty, and Heidi

Diane is a second grade teacher at Brown School for the second year at Pipestone, Minnesota. Cheryl lives in Fargo, North Dakota and works as a teller at Fargo National Bank. Greg is a senior at Grafton High School, Grafton, North Dakota.

Our most exciting moments of life are when Marlin and Betty got married on December 27, 1976, and having two grandchildren. Our daughter Cheryl was crowned homecoming queen at the Grafton High School in 1976. Diane received her B.S. degree in elementary education at Mayville State College. Greg was picked "Outstanding Athlete" of the northeast by the Grand Forks Herald in 1978-79 and "Player of the Week" in 1980. The children put on a very nice twenty-fifth wedding anniversary party for us.

#### MARVIN AND MARIE [KUZNIA] KOZEL East Grand Forks, Minnesota 56721

Marie A. Kuznia is the second oldest daughter of Alozy and Elizabeth (Gostanczik) Kuznia. Marie attended and graduated from Argyle Public School in May of 1953.

Marvin C. Kozel is the son of Charles and Otellia Kozel of rural route #3, East Grand Forks, Minnesota. Marie and Marvin exchanged nuptial vows on June 22, 1954, at St. John's Catholic Church in Alma Township.

Marvin is a self-employed farmer. He presently farms two thousand acres. Crops grown are beets, potatoes, and grains. Presently, Marvin and Marie are the parents of eight living children: six daughters and two sons. Two children were deceased at birth, Shaun Marvin and Shawn Della. Debra, Cynthia, MaDonna, Kimberly, and Bryan are now married, and Marvin and Marie have three grandchildren: Jason and Shauna Misialek and Scott William Blue.

Our sixth child, Jacqueline Adair, was born on July 23, 1964. She attends East Grand Forks Senior High and is a football and wrestling cheerleader. She also is a participant in several activities.

Shannon Mary was born July 11, 1966. She is an eighth grader at East Grand Forks Junior High School. She enjoys snowmobiling, swimming, and especially taking care and being around animals, especially horses.

The youngest in our family, Lee Marvin, was born December 21, 1971. He is in the second grade at Valley Elementary School. He loves to spend time at the lake during the summer and snowmobiling during the winter.

Our most enjoyable time is spent at our lake cabin at Maple Lake. We purchased it five years ago. We feel it's the place where we can enjoy ourselves with our large family away from home.



Marvin and Marie Kozel Family [Standing L-R] Peter and Cynthia Blue, Mark and Debra Misialek, Michelle and Bryan Kozel, MaDonna and Daniel Driscoll, Kimberly and Michael Vigen [Seated] Shannon, Marie, Lee, Marvin and Jacqueline Kozel

#### MARK AND DEBRA [KOZEL] MISIALEK 1901 24th Avenue South #13 Grand Forks, North Dakota

Debra Marie Kozel was born to Marvin and Marie (Kuznia) Kozel, Route 3, East Grand Forks, Minnesota, on June 1, 1954, in Crookston, Minnesota. Debra is the oldest in the family of six girls and two boys.

After graduating from East Grand Forks Senior High School in 1972, Debra attended Moorhead State University for two years. She received an associate arts degree in secretarial science in May of 1974. After graduation, she worked as a clerk-steno for the political science and economics department at Moorhead State University. Debra worked in Moorhead for over a year and then returned to Grand Forks, North Dakota, to marry Mark. E. Misialek.

Mark Ernest Misialek was born April 25, 1952, to Ernest and Rose Misialek. Mark is the oldest of a family of six boys and two girls. Mark's hometown is Minto, North Dakota. He attended the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks and graduated in December of 1975 with a B.A. degree in business administration.

Mark and Debbie were married on October 18, 1975, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Tabor, Minnesota. They resided in a duplex in Grand Forks until they purchased a townhouse in November of 1977.

Mark and Debbie are the parents of two children. Jason Lee Misialek was born February 21, 1976, at United Hospital in Grand Forks. Shauna Marie Misialek was born September 5, 1979, at United Hospital in Grand Forks.



Mark and Debra Misialek Family -- 1980 [L-R] Mark, Debra, Jason, and Shauna

Mark is employed as a dispatcher for Dan Dugan Transport Company in Grand Forks. Debra is employed as a secretary for Valley Bank and Trust Company, located in downtown Grand Forks.

Mark enjoys golfing, refinishing furniture, and spending some summer weekends at Marvin and Marie's lake cabin at Maple Lake near Mentor, Minnesota. Debra enjoys sewing, crocheting, reading, canning and freezing vegetables from the garden, and also spending weekends at the lake with Mark, the kids, and Debbie's folks, along with any sisters and brothers that are down there, also.

# PETER AND CYNTHIA [KOZEL] BLUE 1620 North 4th Grand Forks, North Dakota

Cynthia Ann Kozel was born on June 20, 1955, to Marvin and Marie (Kuznia) Kozel. She is the second to the oldest in the family. Cindy graduated from East Grand Forks Senior High School in 1973. She completed her education at Moorhead State University.

Cindy graduated from Moorhead State University on May 26, 1977, with a double major in elementary education and SLBP (special learning and behavior problems). She taught for two years at the Stephen Public School in Stephen, Minnesota, and she is currently teaching at the Oslo Public School in Oslo, Minnesota.

On July 7, 1978, Cindy exchanged nuptial vows with Peter William Blue. Pete was born on May 26, 1956. He is the youngest from his family, having two sisters and five brothers. He is the son of Mrs. Margaret Blue and the deceased Jerome Blue. Pete completed two years at the University of North Dakota. He is currently employed by the United Parcel Service as a driver.

On February 3, 1980, Pete and Cindy became the proud parents of a baby boy. They named their boy Scott William Blue.



**Scott William Blue** 

#### DANIEL AND MADONNA [KOZEL] DRISCOLL Rural Route #3 East Grand Forks, Minnesota

MaDonna Kozel was born on January 12, 1958, to Marvin and Marie (Kuznia) Kozel. She is the third oldest in the family. She attended East Grand Forks Senior High, where she was a pompom girl and an honor student.

During high school, she was employed at the Citizen State Bank. She graduated in 1976. Donna accepted employment at the business office at the United Hospital, where she is currently employed.

November 19, 1977, Donna exchanged nuptial vows with Daniel Driscoll, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Driscoll. Dan is the youngest of the four children. He attended the AVTI at East Grand Forks, Minnesota. He also attended the University of Minnesota at Crookston, where he studied various agricultural courses. He is currently a self-employed farmer.

#### MICHAEL AND KIMBERLY [KOZEL] VIGEN 13 Garden Court N.W. East Grand Forks, Minnesota

Kimberly Kay Kozel was born on December 4, 1959, to Marvin and Marie (Kuznia) Kozel. She is the fourth to the oldest in the family. During high school, she was a football and wrestling cheerleader for four years. While in school, she worked part time at Valley Dairy office. In her senior year, she was offered to operate their computer. Included in this offer was the opportunity to attend several different IBM Schools. Kim also serves as their accounting clerk.

On November 18, 1978, a cold and snowy day, she was married to Michael James Vigen. Michael was born on April 5, 1957. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Vigen. He is the oldest in his family and has two sisters and one brother. He is employed by Vigen Construction as a salesman-project engineer. He is also active in the Church Folk Group.

Kim and Mike are members of the Sacred Heart Share Club and the Elks.

# BRYAN AND MICHELLE [MADIGAN] KOZEL 422 Northwest 17th Street East Grand Forks, Minnesota



Bryan and Michelle Kozel -- 1980

Bryan Charles Kozel was born on May 23, 1961, to Marvin and Marie (Kuznia) Kozel. He is the fifth to the oldest in the family. He graduated from the East Grand Forks Senior High School and has also attended the AVTI School in East Grand Forks, taking courses in farm management. Bryan presently farms with his father.

Bryan Charles Kozel, son of Marvin and Marie Kozel, was united in marriage to Michelle Madigan, daughter of Michael Madigan and Karen Keaveny, on April 18, 1980.

Michelle also is a graduate of East Grand Forks Senior High School, East Grand Forks, Minnesota. Michelle also attended the University of North Dakota. Michelle is now a housewife and mother -- busy taking care of twins, Matthew and Melissa, who arrived in August of 1980.

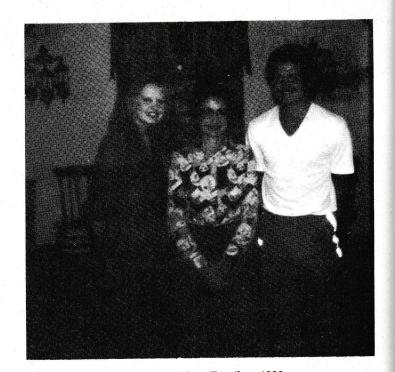
Bryan's hobby is snowmobile racing during the winter months.

#### THERESA NELSON Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Theresa is in the third daughter of Alozy and Elizabeth (Gostanczik) Kuznia. She lives with her parents on a farm near Argyle, Minnesota.

She attended and graduated from the Argyle Public School in 1955. In 1958, she graduated from Moorhead State College with a three year certificate. She started teaching third grade in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, at the Knox Elementary School for two years. Her next teaching position was second grade at the Ada Elementary School, Ada, Minnesota, for six years. During this time, she attended classes again and graduated with a B.S. degree in teaching from Moorhead State College in 1965. At the present time, she is teaching first grade at the Stephen Elementary School, Stephen, Minnesota, for her fourteenth year. For eight years, she has been employed in the summer at the Argyle Migrant Program.

Theresa was married to Lonnie Nelson, son of Leonard Nelson, from Oslo, Minnesota. Since 1961, she moved home with her two children to live with her parents. Randy was born October 20, 1959. He attended and graduated from Argyle High School in 1977. He was very active in basketball, football, baseball, band, class office, athletic club, and senior class play. He set a record in basketball at



Theresa Nelson Family -- 1980 [L-R] Candace, Theresa, and Randy

the Argyle High School. He was chosen "All Conference" basketball player in 1976 and 1977. At the present time, he attends Moorhead State University and works for the ITT Insurance Company in Fargo, North Dakota. Candace was born September 18, 1960. She attended and graduated from Argyle High School in 1978 with honors. She was very active in cheerleading, twirling, pom-poms, FHA president, class offices, band, volleyball, athletic club, homecoming attendant, Girl Stater, student council, and was one of the top ten in "Miss Minnesota National Teenage Pageant". In the summer of 1979, she attended the John-Robert Powers modeling school. She is attending St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minnesota. Her wish is to be a model, and perhaps, a court reporter.





Frank Kuznia, the second child of Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia, was born October 22, 1909. He married Helen Duniski in Duluth, Minnesota. They had two children. Their first-born, Clarence, married Mary Ellen Kucharski, and they are the parents of one son, Jeffrey. They make their home at 1933 Adirondack Street, Duluth. Minnesota 55811. A second son, Carl, was born in 1943. He married Grace Ped.

Frank was employed by the Elliot Meat Packing Company until his death in 1973.

Frank and Helen Kuznia Wedding

Edward Mark Kuznia was born in 1911, the third child of Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia. Eddie lived at home, now the Conrad Kuznia farm, until he was sixteen years old. After he left home, he worked for John Silewski and on the Nels Hvidsten farm for about three years. He then went to work as a carpenter for Axel and Ed Lundeen. Later he worked at the pool hall in Stephen, Minnesota, for Pop Raymond, serving meals and tending bar.

In 1929 and 1930, the depression years, Eddie can remember barley being sold for six cents a bushel and a cow sold for nine dollars. In 1929, while working for Nels Hvidsten, Eddie purchased a 1928 Model A roadster with a fold-down top and rumble seat in the back, using cows for a down payment.



Edward and Gertrude Kuznia Wedding -- 1936 [L-R] Winslow Ginter, Claire Kuznia, Edward, Gertrude

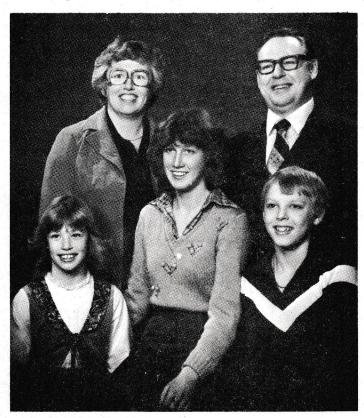
Eddie married Gertrude Ginter, the daughter of John and Mary Ginter, at the Red River Mission Church in 1936. They stayed at the Ginter farm when they were first married, as Gertrude's father had been trampled by a horse when she was two years old.

Eddie went to an auction sale at Happy Corner and bought two unbroke horses. He planned to take them out to the Red River to Ginters, but they broke loose shortly after they left the auction. He finally cornered them near the Whalen farm, where he housed them for the night. He sold the horses to Clarence Rùd, and then later bought them back again. When he was trying to break them, they ran away with a brand new mower. That same team put a drag into the Red River. Finally, he got them broke. He polished their coats with kerosene, and when he brought them to town, they were said to be one of the finest teams around.

In 1936, while staying at Ginter's, Eddie raised some pigs. He went to town with his fine team of horses and two fifty-gallon barrels on a trailer to get some buttermilk to fatten up the sows. One sow died, and another had a litter of hairless pigs from too rich of a diet. He tried to keep the hairless pigs warm, and the barn caught on fire. A few words were said, and Eddie and Gertrude went to live with Gertrude's uncle, Frank Osowski.

At Uncle Frank's place, Eddie had a few head of cattle, but no barn. He made a barn against the bank of the Red River; the back being the riverbank, and the three sides were of sod, branches, and hay. To earn money, Eddie and Eddie Osowski hired out to John Silewski, who lived right across the river. John paid them fifty cents for every cord of wood they cut. They both cut forty cords, and Eddie Osowski left for another job, but Eddie Kuznia cut forty more cords for Silewski.

After Eddie left Osowski's, he rented a farm from Frank Kurowski, now owned by Chester Kuznia. Eddie seeded with horses on this place. He bought a steam engine from Sunsdahls, which broke down and had to be returned, so he plowed the entire farm with a brand new 1938 Plymouth pickup he had purchased from Thomas E. Kuznia. Eddie went to Forrest Yetter, the banker, and put a mortgage on his cattle to get money for the land he bought west of Stephen. This land cost \$30 an acre.



Kenneth and Sandra Kuznia Family -- 1980 [L-R] Jennifer, Sandra, Cynthia, Kenneth, Joffrey

For several winters, Eddie, Gertrude, and their family traveled to Florida, where Eddie worked on farms. Eddie and Gertie have two children: Kenneth Clayton, born in 1939 at Oslo, Minnesota, and Myra, born in 1944 at the Warren Hospital. Gertie died in 1981.

Kenneth (K.C.) graduated from Stephen High School in 1957. He made All-State football in high school and is still very interested in sports. After graduation, he attended the University of North Dakota. He served two years for his country in the Army, being stationed in SHAPE Headquarters in Paris, France.

Kenneth married Sandra Thacker in 1964 at St. Bridgette's Catholic Church in Cavalier, North Dakota. Sandy is the second daughter of George and Irene (Gibney) Thacker of Hamilton, North Dakota. She has two sisters, Carol (Mrs. Arnold Menzies) and Julie (Mrs. Gary Engebretsen). Sandy graduated from Hamilton High School in 1959 and received a bachelor of science degree from Mayville State in 1963 with majors in business education and physical education. K.C. and Sandy lived in Stephen, Lancaster, and Argyle for several years when Sandy taught school. In 1964, K.C. started to farm with his father. In the winter months, he worked on construction, serviced potato cars for the railroad, and attended North Dakota State University. Kenneth and Sandra have three children: Cynthia Margaret (1965), Joffrey Kenneth (1966), and Jennifer Ann (1970), all living at home and attending Stephen Public School, where they are involved in many activities.

Kenneth is a member of the Knights of Columbus and a past Grand Knight. He is also on the school board at Sephen, a member of the American Legion and a past Commander, chairman of the Kuznia Reunion Steering Committee, and is active in various community and church activities. Sandy is now a homemaker and enjoys many community activities. The family resides in Stephen, Minnesota.

Myra (Mrs. Lawrence Lindholm) attended school at Stephen, Minnesota, and Sacred Heart. Myra and Lawrence have one daughter, Jill, born in 1970. They make their home in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, where Jill attends elementary school.

In 1964, Eddie Kuznia married Geraldine Lindholm. They made their home west of Stephen until 1977. They now live five miles east of Florian. Eddie and his son, Kenneth, operate a family farm in the Stephen-Strandquist area. Eddie has always been an avid hunter and fisherman. Being actively engaged in farming, it is hard to find a few hours for his favorite sport: fishing.

# JOSEPH AND REGINA [KUZNIA] DOMBECK 700 West Avenue Detroit Lakes, Minnesota 56501

Regina and a twin sister, Teresa Elizabeth, were born to Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia on August 22, 1913. Teresa died as an infant on March 2, 1914.

On September 12, 1933, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, Regina married Joe Dombeck. They farmed in the Argyle, Minnesota, area for several years, then they moved to the St. Cloud, Minnesota, area. There they operated a grocery store for a living. They later moved to Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, where they are now retired.

They had nine children: Bernard, Raymond, Bernice, Theresa, Beata, Richard, Leonard, James, and Mark.

Bernard, their oldest, is married to Margie McFarland. Their second son, Raymond, was born in 1937. He is married to Barbara Rapatt and they have two children, Tyrone and Jennifer. They live at 14276 Garland Avenue, Apple Valley, Minnesota 55124.

In 1940, a daughter, Bernice, was born to them. She married Jyles Moltzan, and they are the parents of four children Steve, Scott, Sean, and Stacy. They make their home at 21025 16th Avenue, Moorhead, Minnesota 56560.

A second daughter, Theresa, was born to Joe and Regina in 1942. She and her husband, Norman Klovstad, and their three children, Jay, Mary, and Rachiel, make their home at RR 3, Frazee, Minnesota 56544.

Beata, their third daughter, was born in 1944. She married Warren Vigen, and they are the parents of two children, David and Mia. The Vigens live in Plymouth, New Hampshire, at 1 Keeble Street (03264).

In 1946, their sixth child and third son was born. Richard married Patricia Knutson. They live at 139 Chestnut Street, Janesville, Iowa 50647, with their two children, Kip and League.

Leonard is the fourth son of Joe and Regina and was born in 1949. He and his wife, Linda Jasken, are the parents of two children, Tammy and Heather.

In 1954, James was born. He married Irene Bryce, and they make their home at RR 3, Willmar, Minnesota 56201.

Their ninth child, Mark, was born in 1958.



Joseph and Regina Dombeck Family -- 1970 [Standing L-R] Bernard, Beata, Leonard, Mark, Theresa, James, and Richard [Seated] Bernice, Regina, Joe, and Raymond

# BERNARD AND MARGIE [McFARLAND] DOMBECK Woodland Heights Cannon Falls, Minnesota 55009

Bernard Dombeck, the firstborn of Joe and Regina (Kuznia) Dombeck, was born in 1934. He served for two years in the U.S. Army in Germany.

On August 29, 1964, Bernard married Margie McFarland, the daughter of Archie and Verna McFarland. They are the parents of two children. Douglas was born February 4, 1966, and Stuart James was born on October 17, 1967.

Bernard was in the grocery business for five years and has been a car salesman for seven years. Margie has worked as a bank teller and bookkeeper for eighteen and a half years.

#### ROMAN AND REGINA [STUSYNSKI] KUZNIA 286 Stephen Avenue Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Roman Anton Kuznia was born on January 22, 1915, in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. He was the sixth child born to Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia, who had thirteen children. As a boy, he attended rural school at Florian, Minnesota, for eight years.

At the age of twenty-three, he married Regina Theresa Stusynski, the daughter of John and Julia (Szklarski) Stusynski. They were married on October 12, 1938, in the Assumption Catholic Church at Florian, Minnesota. Their marriage was a double wedding ceremony with Regina's sister, Irene, and Roman's first cousin, Albert Kuznia.



**Roman and Regina Kuznia** 

After their marriage, Roman and Regina lived on property in the southwest quarter, section 6, of Wright Township. This farm was the homestead of Joseph and Mary Chlapinski, the parents of Agnes Chlapinski Kuznia, Roman's mother. They purchased this farm two years later in April of 1940 from Roman's father, Peter Kuznia. That summer, a wind storm went through the area and demolished most of the buildings, except the house and an old log cabin. During this summer, Roman and Regina became the parents of a baby girl named Caroline. She was born on June 26, 1940. In the fall, the family moved into the village of Stephen, Minnesota, and they lived in an upstairs apartment of Clifford Benson. The following year, they decided to move the farm house into Stephen. They had purchased Lot 1, Block 5 on Pacific Avenue from Matt Sylskar, who owned most of the property in that area of Stephen. The house was moved from the farm to this lot in Stephen. Roman and Regina remodeled the house, added a garage, and lived there

for eighteen years.

Roman continued to farm in Wright Township and in July of 1956 he purchased adjoining farm land. The farm land was the northwest quarter of section 6 and belonged to Ann Eugenia Magnuson Kujava. Mrs. Kujava wished to sell the farm land after her husband Jake's death and moved to Missouri. The buildings remaining on this farm are the original ones built by Ann Kujava's grandparents. There is also located on this farm a flowing water well that runs constantly year around, regardless of the cold temperature.

In 1962, they sold their home on Pacific Avenue to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meek. They had purchased the home of the Earl Hvidstens in south Stephen, where they live today.

Since retiring from active farming several years ago, Roman spends much of his time golfing, bowling, gardening, and playing cards. Both he and Regina have been active members of St. Stephen's Catholic Church and the Stephen community. They enjoy the community and farm life of northwestern Minnesota.

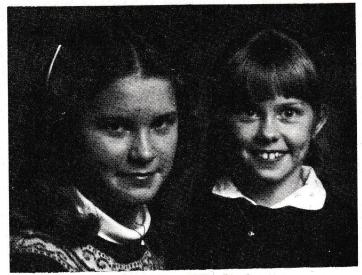
# HOWARD AND CAROLINE [KUZNIA] LIPPINCOTT 2240 Commonwealth Avenue Madison, Wisconsin



Howard and Caroline Lippincott -- 1977

Caroline Kuznia was born June 26, 1940, the only child of Roman and Regina (Stusynski) Kuznia. She graduated from Stephen High School in 1958 and received her bachelor of science degree in education from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, in 1962. Following graduation from the university, she moved to suburban Minneapolis, Minnesota, where she took postgraduate classes at the University of Minnesota and taught fifth grade in Bloomington, Minnesota, for two years. Along with friends, Caroline moved to Great Falls, Montana, in 1964 and taught fifth grade two years until her marriage to Howard C. Lippincott, Jr., the son of Howard and Betty Lippincott, Sr. of Madison, Wisconsin.

In the fall of 1965, they moved to Madison, where Howard had received his degree in chemical engineering from the University of Wisconsin prior to his four years as an officer in the U.S. Air Force. They continue to live in Madison, Wisconsin, where Howard is a chemical engineer with Oscar Mayer and Company. They have two daughters, Ann and Ellen, who are the only grandchildren of Roman and Regina Kuznia.



Ann Elizabeth and Ellen Lippincott

# LEONARD AND ISABELLE [NOWACKI] KUZNIA Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Leonard Kuznia was born April 6, 1917, to Peter A. and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. Leonard was the seventh born in a family of thirteen children. He attended rural school in Florian, Minnesota, for eight years, walking daily the mile and a half to and from school. Everyone walked in those days. He then worked as a farmhand for Nels Hvidsten for five years.



In 1941, he was inducted into the service, stationed at Fort Snelling. Later he attended a school for cooks and bakers at Camp Beauregard in Louisiana. In April of 1942, his company was sent overseas, and he spent six months in Europe and eight months in Africa and the Middle East. He returned to the States in July of 1944 with an honorable discharge.

Following military service, Leonard married Isabelle Nowacki on January 9, 1945, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Alma, Minnesota. Leonard recalls the temperature as being -30 on their wedding day, with very little snow. Isabelle is the daughter of John and Praxie (Rybaski) Nowacki of Argyle, Minnesota, of Polish descent. She has three brothers: Clarence, Arnold, and Ralph, and three sisters: Delphine Hogan, Theresa (Mrs. Lambert) Gratzek, and Adele Guthrie.

After their marriage, they lived in St. Paul, Minnesota, until 1946. They then moved back to the Argyle area and purchased 160 acres in Wanger Township, rural Argyle, Minnesota, from John Roan. Mr. Roan, who lives in Montana, inherited the farm from William Rickles. Leonard and Isabelle still live on this homestead, where they raised their four children: Richard, Veronica, Kenneth, and Gayle. In 1975, they built a new home, and their old home now stands near Newfolden, Minnesota.

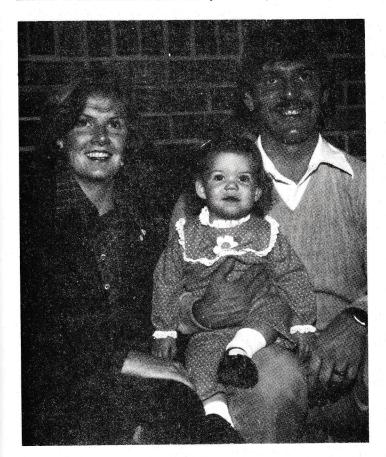
# RICHARD AND JENNIFER [HAMMOND] KUZNIA 2326 18th Avenue South Circle South Fargo, North Dakota

Richard Leonard Kuznia was born on January 26, 1947, to Leonard and Isabelle (Nowacki) Kuznia in Warren, Minnesota. He attended Argyle Public School and graduated in 1964. He then entered Mayville State College in the fall of 1964, and in 1965 transferred to St. Mary's College in Winona, Minnesota, on a baseball scholarship. The U.S. Navy gave their call in 1968, so Richard enlisted in the Naval Reserve. He was discharged in 1970, and then he moved to Moorhead, Minnesota, where he attended Moorhead State College.

Leonard and Isabelle Kuznia -- 1945

Richard met Jennifer Hammond in Fargo, North Dakota. She was a merchandizer and manager of "Vanity", a clothing store. Later she became women's retail manager for the new Dayton's store in Fargo. Richard and Jennifer were married on August 31, 1974, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota. She is the daughter of James C. and Louise (Albrecht) Hammond of Fergus Falls. Her father is of Norwegian, Irish, and Dutch descent, and her mother is of German-Polish descent. Jennifer has one older brother, James, and two younger sisters, Jan and Jodi.

Their first child arrived July 14, 1977. Richard assisted in the delivery, exclaiming, "It's a boy!" Needless to say, the bouncing baby girl was named Heather Kathleen. Her birthdate was also the birthday of her great great grandfather, Joseph Nowacki. Hopefully, by the time of the Kuznia Reunion, there will be another member of the Richard Kuznia family.



Richard and Jennifer Kuznia with daughter Heather

Highlights of the family include the buying of their first home in North Fargo and then moving to their new home, where they currently live. Another highlight for the family was when Heather stayed with Grandma and Grandpa Kuznia and Richard and Jennifer traveled to Switzerland, Denmark, and Sweden, an unforgettable experience. While in these countries, Richard viewed the process by which gasohol is produced from corn, wheat, and potatoes.

The family is kept quite busy. Richard is arranging financing for several gasohol plants, one to be in operation by 1981 in Billings, Montana. Jennifer is kept quite busy at home and is active in the Nativity Church religious board and still does buying and merchandising for a retail store as a hobby.

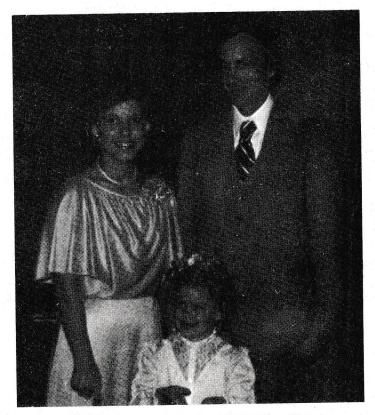
If in Fargo or just passing through, stop in and have a "cup" with us!

#### RICHARD AND VERONICA [KUZNIA] KNOLL Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Veronica Kuznia was born July 1, 1949, to Leonard and Isabelle (Nowacki) Kuznia. She shares the same birthday as her mother. Veronica remembers that her Grandpa Kuznia had two riddles he asked all his grandchildren. These were, "How many beans make five?" and "How many wells make a river?".

Veronica attended Argyle Public School, graduating in 1967. She then attended Northland Junior College in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, for two years and graduated from Moorhead State University with a bachelor of arts degree in social work. After graduation, she worked at the Norman County Welfare Department in Ada, Minnesota.

On July 22, 1972, she married Richard Knoll at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Alma, rural Argyle, Minnesota. He is the son of Leo and Irene (Kroll) Knoll of Stephen, Minnesota, and is of German descent. He has six brothers: Herman, Wallace, Kenneth, Edward, Ralph, and Harold, and two sisters: Mavis Davis and Phyllis Pawlowski.



Richard and Veronica Knoll with daughter Diana

Richard and Veronica bought a house and ten acres of land in Alma Township, rural Argyle, Minnesota, previously owned by Oscar Bjorgaard. This homestead also has the distinction of being the location of the Alma Creamery many years ago.

After their marriage, Veronica was employed at the Marshall County Welfare Department in Warren, Minnesota, until the birth of their daughter, Diana Marie, on August 11, 1975. Richard is employed by the City of Argyle as city planner.

January 22, 1975, is a date Richard and Veronica will never forget. It was on that date their home was destroyed by fire. The next spring they built a new home on the same location.

#### KENNETH AND ALANA [LEVERINGTON] KUZNIA Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Kenneth Joseph Kuznia was born on July 18, 1950, to Leonard and Isabelle (Nowacki) Kuznia. He grew up on their farm in Wanger Township and attended Argyle Public School, graduating in 1968. He then attended Thief River Falls Junior College for two years. In 1971, he enlisted in the service and was stationed in California for two and a half years at a missile site. In 1974, he returned to Argyle, Minnesota, to farm with his brother, Gayle, and his dad.

Kenneth met Alana Lea Leverington, the speech therapist for the Argyle and Stephen schools. They were married in 1975 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Roseau, Minnesota. Alana is the daughter of Elwin and Inez (Montgomery) Leverington of Roseau. She has three brothers, Scott, William and Ronald, and one sister, Avis Dodd.

Kenneth and Alana have one child, Kelly Ann, who was born December 1, 1978. They make their home eight miles east of Argyle, Minnesota.



Kenneth and Alana Kuznia with daughter Kelly

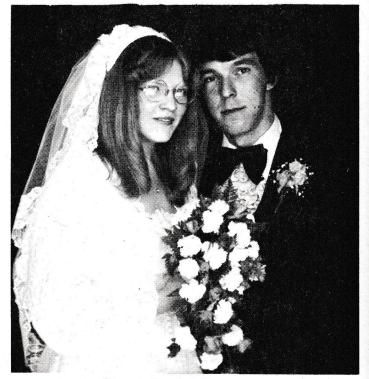
# GAYLE AND ANNETTE [EDGAR] KUZNIA Argyle, Minnesota 56713

On September 10, 1953, Gayle Anthony Kuznia became the newest member of the Leonard and Isabelle (Nowacki) Kuznia family. Gayle was, and still is, little brother to Richard, Veronica, and Kenneth. He was raised on his father's farm in Wanger Township of Marshall County. He remembers the animals on the farm, especially the little white-faced calves, Herman Wormin' and Susie, the roosters, and Chico, the horse. His education began at Argyle Public School in 1959 and ended with his graduation in 1971. After graduation, he enlisted in the National Guard. He left for basic training in December of 1971 and was stationed at Fort Polk, Louisiana. Upon his return, he had six years of reserve time to fulfill. From 1972 to 1974, he attended agri-business classes at the Area Vocational Technical Institute in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

On October 4, 1974, Gayle met his future wife, Annette Faye Edgar, at a wedding dance in Tabor, Minnesota. Annette was born to Donald and Helen (Ovsak) Edgar on May 19, 1959. She came home to three older brothers, Timothy, Michael, and Ralph, and an older sister, Mary (now Mary Stengrim). She grew up on a farm near Tabor. When she was very young, the family lost a son and brother, Timothy. He was killed in an accident on a neighbor's farm. In 1962, a younger sister, JoAnne, was born, making the family complete.

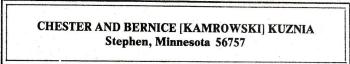
Annette spent grades one and two at a one-room schoolhouse a mile and a half from her home. Then grades three through twelve were spent at Alvarado Public School. She graduated in 1977 and then attended Northland Community College in Thief River Falls.

Four years after they met, they were married. On October 20, 1978, at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Tabor, Minnesota, Annette Edgar became the wife of Gayle Kuznia.



Gayle and Annette Kuznia -- 1978

Gayle is engaged in farming with his brother, Kenneth, which is something he had always looked forward to. Gayle and Annette are presently living in a mobile home northeast of Argyle, Minnesota.



Chester Anton Kuznia was the sixth son and eighth child born to Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia. He was born on March 30, 1919, at their farm home in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. The homeplace is now owned by Chester's son, Conrad. Chester attended the rural school in Florian off and on for eight years. Like many boys his age, he missed a lot of school to help with field work. Love of farming prompted him to work out as a hired hand for farmers around Florian. Then in 1938, he started farming on his own. With two horses, a tractor, a truck, a rake and a mower, he raised potatoes, wheat, oats, and barley. His farm stock consisted of three cows, some sheep, and turkeys. In the summer of 1943, a heavy wind destroyed some small buildings and a machine shed on his farm.

Chester met his future wife, Bernice Kamrowski, while she was working as a waitress at the Greystone Hotel in Stephen, Minnesota. The building is now the Stephen Bank. On March 2, 1943, at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Warsaw, North Dakota, they were married. The day after their wedding, they went to town to buy a wood stove but had a difficult time getting there because there was so much snow that year in March.

Bernice is the daughter of Vincent and Helen (Osowski) Kamrowski. She was born on September 2, 1917, at Warsaw, North Dakota. She is one of eight children: Irene, Leona, Eddie, Henry, Sylvia, Lucy, and Sabinia. She attended the Warsaw Convent School for eight years, and after graduation, she worked as a maid on farms around Warsaw before coming to Stephen.

Their first home was owned by Joe Przybylski. Later, Chester and Bernice bought it. In 1965, they replaced it with a new home built by Ray Pietruszewski, Chester, and his four sons.

They are the parents of four sons; all of whom are now married. Arnold was born at home, and the next two sons, Conrad and James, were born at the hospital in Warren, Minnesota. In April of 1954, their last son, Allen, was born at the Karlstad Hospital. Chester and Bernice now have eight grandchildren.

In his younger years, Chester learned to pilot a plane and enjoyed many flying trips. Chester and Bernice also enjoy driving around and watching their crops grow. They also now enjoy the Florian Park. They are members of Assumption Church in Florian, Minnesota. Bernice has served as a past-president of the Assumption Ladies of Florian and also on the social committee of the parish council. Chester is a Knights of Columbus member.



Chester and Bernice Kuznia Family -- 1980 [Standing L-R] Arnold, Conrad, James, Allen [Seated] Bernice and Chester

graduating in 1962. He then went into farming with his father and his brothers. Arnie was also in the National Guard until May of 1968.

Arnie married Donalda Borowicz on June 8, 1968, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian. Donalda is the daughter of Ray and Loretta (Gratzek) Borowicz of Stephen, Minnesota. She was born in September of 1947. She has two sisters and four brothers. They are: Kathy (Mrs. Tim Votel) of Shoreview, Minnesota, and Renee, Kenneth, Allan, Randy, and Jeff. Donalda graduated from Stephen High School in 1965. She then attended the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota, for two years.

Arnie and Donalda have four children. Michelle Marie was born in April of 1970 and is in the fourth grade at Stephen Public School. She also takes piano lessons. In August of 1971, Karla Jean was born. She is in the third grade at Stephen and also takes piano lessons. Jayson Allan was born July 1975 and has been attending nursery school in Stephen this year. The youngest is Nathan John. He was born in July of 1978.



Arnold and Donalda Kuznia Family -- 1980 [Back L-R] Donalda, Nathan, Arnold [Front] Karla, Jayson, Michelle

The family belongs to Assumption Catholic Church in Florian. Arnold is on the parish council and is a lay distributor of Holy Communion. Donalda was on the parish council and is a past secretary of the council. She also belongs to the Assumption Ladies and was a past secretary. Presently, she is head organist and music director.

Arnie is a member of the P.N.A, Knights of Columbus, and the Stephen Flying Club.

For recreation, the family is involved in family sports, bike riding, swimming, and going on picnics in the summer, and downhill skiing in the winter.

#### ARNOLD AND DONALDA [BOROWICZ] KUZNIA Strandquist, Minnesota 56758

Arnold Chester Kuznia, the eldest son of Chester and Bernice (Kamrowski) Kuznia, was born October 31, 1943, at home near Stephen, Minnesota, in Marshall County. He attended country school in Florian, Minnesota, and later the Stephen Public School,

# CONRAD AND LINDA [ST. GERMAIN] KUZNIA Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Conrad Peter Kuznia, the second son and second child born to Chester and Bernice (Kamrowski) Kuznia, was the New Year's baby at the Warren Hospital for that year. He was born January 1, 1945. He attended the Florian country school for three years and then it closed and he attended Stephen Public School. After his graduation, in 1963, he attended the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, North Dakota, for three and a half years, taking up electrical engineering. Farming has always been Conrad's first interest, so leaving college, he started farming with his dad and his three brothers.

Conrad married Linda St. Germain on July 20, 1968, in Argyle, Minnesota, at the St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. They made their home on Grandpa Peter Kuznia's homeplace, which they rented from Clem Knoll. Later they purchased the property.

On April 21, 1969, at Crookston, Minnesota, a son, Adam Wayne, was born to them. He attends Stephen Public School and is in the sixth grade. He is an altar boy and very active in farming with his dad.

Linda is the second child and second daughter born to Aime and Elaine (Dufault) St. Germain. She was born April 19, 1950. She has three sisters and three brothers: Carol, Susan, Mary, Edward, Joel, and Jay, who was killed in an auto accident in 1976.

Conrad and Linda are very active in church and community affairs. They are both Communion distributors, and for the past ten years have served as adult C.Y.O. leaders. Conrad helped organize the Florian Parish Council and served as the secretary for the first four years. He has also served as recording secretary for the Polish National Alliance and is now financial secretary. Linda has served as the second grade C.C.D. teacher for the past five years and prepares the children to receive their First Holy Communion. She is also a member of the Assumption Ladies of Florian.

Together, the family enjoys tennis, canoeing, swimming, and bike riding. In the winter, they enjoy downhill skiing. Their most unforgettable ski trip was to the Rocky Mountains near Denver, Colorado.



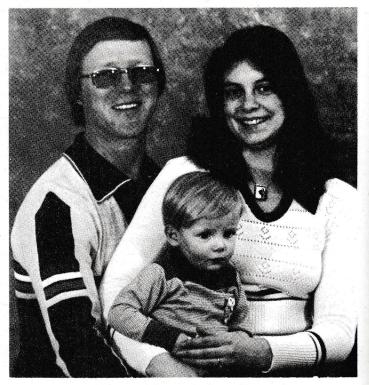
Conrad and Linda Kuznia with son Adam -- 1980

### JAMES AND SHERRI [DAIGRE] KUZNIA Stephen, Minnesota 56757

I was born James Vincent Kuznia on July 21, 1947, at Warren, Minnesota, to Chester and Bernice (Kamrowski) Kuznia. I graduated from Stephen High School at Stephen, Minnesota, in 1965. I entered the U.S. Army on November 23, 1966, and took my basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, and medical training at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. The remainder of the two years of service were spent at Baumholder, Germany. While in the service, I went on leaves to Paris, France, and London, England. I was discharged November 22, 1968. After the service, I went to college at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, for two years, then to North Dakota State University at Fargo, North Dakota, for two years, where I majored in mechanized agriculture and received a bachelor of science degree in 1971. This degree qualified me for county agent work, soil conservation, or agricultural sales. Love of farming and country life made me decide to enter farming with my three brothers and father.

Highlights of my life have been traveling to France and England while in the service, doing some traveling in the United States, and getting married at age thirty-one to Sherri.

I married Sherri Lynn Daigre on June 9, 1979, at Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota. Her dad is John R. Daigre, Sr., and her mother is Lola Maxine Moore. She has two brothers, John, Jr. and Richard. Sherri graduated from Strandquist High School in Strandquist, Minnesota, in 1978. We share interests in horses, buggies and sleighs, downhill skiing, and woodworking.



James and Sherri Kuznia with son Christopher

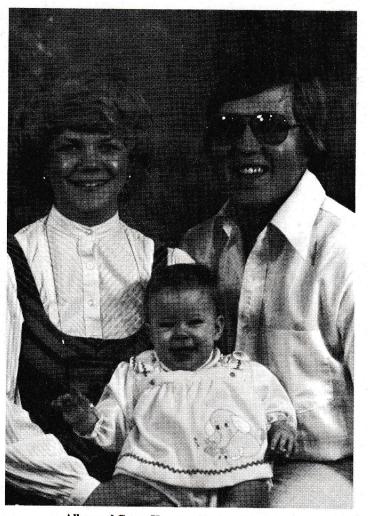
# ALLEN AND GRACE [WOINAROWICZ] KUZNIA Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Allen Patrick Kuznia was born to Chester and Bernice (Kamrowski) Kuznia on April 19, 1954, at the Karlstad Hospital in Karlstad, Minnesota, Kittson County. He attended Stephen School and graduated in 1972.

On September 9, 1978, at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota, he married Grace Dee Woinarowicz, the daughter of Joseph John and Delores Ann (Lindemoen) Woinarowicz. Grace has four brothers and one sister: Greg, Joan (Mrs. Larry Fortier), Paul, Scott, and Joe, Jr. She graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1975.

Allen has been farming with his father and brothers for seven years. He enjoys skiing, fishing, and hunting. Allen and Grace went to Hawaii on their honeymoon and spent an enjoyable week in the sun.

On July 8, 1979, a daughter, Alana, was born at the Riverview Hospital in Crookston, Minnesota.



Allen and Grace Kuznia with daughter Alana

# LOUIE AND GERTRUDE [WOINAROWICZ] KUZNIA Warren, Minnesota 56762

Louie and I met at a dance in Stephen in 1941. On October 6, 1942, he was drafted into the Army. He was discharged in December of 1945. The following June 11, 1946, we were married in Stephen, Minnesota.

Louie was the ninth child born to Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia of Wanger Township. My maiden name was Gertrude Woinarowicz, and I am the daughter of George and Agnes (Grembowski) Woinarowicz of rural Stephen, Minnesota.

Louie and I lived west of Stephen for four years and farmed. During this time, our first son, Ronald, was born on April 22, 1947, and our first daughter, Phyllis, was born August 18, 1948. Our family later moved north of Alvarado, Minnesota, continuing to farm. In 1950, our second daughter, Donna, was born on December 24. In 1952, our third daughter, Marilyn, was born. That same fall, we moved seven miles northwest of Warren, Minnesota, and there our fifth child, Curtis, was born on January 16, 1954. In 1957, we moved one mile farther north and remained there until 1971. We then purchased our farm four miles west of Warren, where we are presently living.

Around 1953, we left the farming business and Louie worked for the American Crystal Sugar Company for five years. In the spring, he went to work for Jacobi Farms for two years and then worked for Bob Backstrom for sixteen years. For a change of pace, he joined a construction crew and worked with them for around eight years. Because of all the travel involved, Louie left the construction business and has since been working for an area farmer.

I have been employed as a head cook by the Warren Public

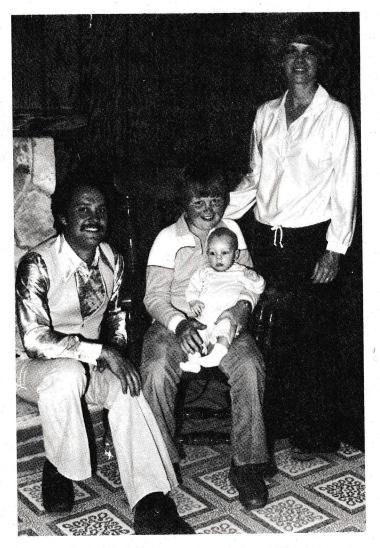


Louie and Gertrude Kuznia

Schools for twenty years. I also enjoy gardening, ceramics, and needle work. Louie enjoys woodworking, fishing, and gardening. We both enjoy the company of our family, including our nine grandchildren.



Louie and Gertrude Kuznia Family [L-R] Phyllis, Gertrude, Curtis, Donna, Ronald, Louie, and Marilyn



Ronald and Carole Kuznia Family -- 1979 [L-R] Ron, David holding Thomas, Carole

# RONALD AND CAROLE [GRZADZIELESKI] KUZNIA Drayton, North Dakota

Ronald Kuznia, the eldest son of Louie and Gertrude (Woinarowicz) Kuznia, was born April 22, 1947. He graduated from Warren High School in 1965 and then attended Thief River Falls Junior College. In 1966, he enlisted in the National Guard, and after active duty, he moved to Drayton, North Dakota, where he married Carole Grzadzieleski in 1967.

Carole was born October 2, 1947, to Thomas and Sophie (Kowalski) Grzadzieleski. She has two brothers, James L. and Thomas J., and one sister, Susan.

Ron and Carole have two sons. David Louie was born October 27, 1967, and Thomas Ronald was born May 29, 1979.

Ron is vice president at the Drayton State Bank, and Carole runs Carole's Beauty Shop.

# HENRY AND PHYLLIS [KUZNIA] HAMMERBACK Warren, Minnesota 56762

I, Phyllis Kuznia, was born August 18, 1948, the second child and first daughter of Louie and Gertrude (Woinarowicz) Kuznia. I graduated from Warren High School in 1966, and then worked in Warren until August of that year, when I started my further schooling at the Grand Forks School of X-Ray Technology. After 24 months, I graduated and went to work at the Dakota Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota.

I became engaged to Henry Hammerback in August of 1968, and the following November, we were married. Henry enlisted in the Air Force, and after basic training I joined him in Texas. We were stationed there for two and a half years, and I worked as an x-ray technologist. We had our first son, Jerrod, in January of 1971. Henry spent his last year in the Air Force overseas, and I came back to live with my parents.

After his discharge, we moved to Moorhead, Minnesota, and while my husband went to vocational school, I worked as an x-ray technologist at St. Ansgar Hospital in Moorhead, Minnesota. Our second son, Jason, was born in October of 1974.

We moved to Warren, Minnesota, in the spring of 1976, where my husband is self-employed as a carpenter. Our third son, Justin, was born in October of 1977. I am presently employed as a homemaker, babysitter, and selling Avon cosmetics.



Henry and Phyllis Hammerback Family [L-R] Jason, Phyllis, Justin, Henry and Jerrod

### SIDNEY AND DONNA [KUZNIA] BROUSE 1201 East Greenwood Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701

I, Donna Kuznia, was born on December 24, 1950, to Louie and Gertrude (Woinarowicz) Kuznia. After graduation from Warren High School in 1968, I worked in Warren until August of that year. I attended Northland Junior College in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, for one year. In June of 1969, I trained as a telephone operator at Northwestern Bell and worked there for about one year.

I met Sid Brouse while at college, and we were married on November 29, 1969. Sid worked at L. B. Hartz Wholesale, Inc. Our first son, Jeffrey Alan, was born May 20, 1970, and our second son, Thomas James, was born on May 24, 1971.

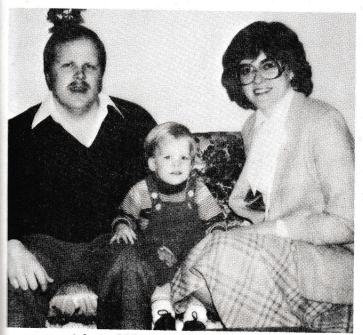
I became a Minnesota licensed family daycare provider in August of 1977. Our third child, Tiffany Kay, was born on November 26, 1978.

Sid is still employed by L. B. Hartz, and I am busy with daycare, besides being a homemaker and mother.



**Sidney and Donna Brouse Family** 

# ARLYN AND MARILYN [KUZNIA] STROBLE Warren, Minnesota 56762



Arlyn and Marilyn Stroble with son Damon

I, Marilyn Kuznia, was born on September 20, 1952, to Louie and Gertrude (Woinarowicz) Kuznia. I graduated from Warren High School in 1970, and the following fall, I enrolled at the University of Minnesota, Crookston, in their fashion merchandising program. I graduated in March of 1972 with an associate of arts degree in business.

In November of 1972, I married Arlyn Stroble of Angus, Minnesota. We lived in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where I was employed by Seegers Fashion Center, and my husband attended the University of North Dakota.

In 1975, I returned to college and graduated in 1977 in elementary education. In the fall of 1977, my husband and I moved to Warren, Minnesota, where Arlyn joined his father in farming. I started teaching at the Warren elementary school in January of 1979, and am presently doing so.

On February 14, 1978, our first child, Damon, was born.

In the summer, we enjoy golfing and camping, and during the winter we snowmobile and ski. We would like to extend an invitation to our home if you are ever in the Warren area.

#### CURTIS AND FAY [RIOPELLE] KUZNIA 107 South 5th Street Olivia, Minnesota 56277

Curt Kuznia, the youngest son of Louie and Gertrude (Woinarowicz) Kuznia, was born January 16, 1954. He graduated from Warren High School in 1972 and then attended Moorhead State University, where he met his future wife, Fay Riopelle. Curt and Fay were married July 30, 1977. They now live in Olivia, where Curt is employed by Citizens State Bank, and Fay teaches Spanish at the Olivia High School.



Curtis and Fay Kuznia -- 1977

GEORGE AND CLAIRE [KUZNIA] YAGODA 117 North 27th Avenue West Duluth, Minnesota 55806

The tenth child and third daughter of Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia, Claire, was born August 16, 1922, at Stephen, Minnesota. I attended school in Florian, Minnesota, through the seventh grade, and then I had to quit to help my mother with my younger brothers and sisters and the farm chores.

Afterward, I worked at Eliott's and also did waitress work. During this time, I met George Yagoda at the Kassbar and went with him for three years before we finally got married. We were married at St. Jean's Church on August 19, 1950.

George is the son of Sylvester and Veronica (Konczak) Yagoda. He was born December 28, 1925. He has two brothers, Sylvester, Jr. and Richard, and three sisters, Irene Krohl, Ann Sobczak, and Lucille Francisco. He went to school at Bryant and then to Lincoln Junior through the seventh grade and had to quit and find a job to help support the family. He worked at a bakery as a helper. In 1944, he went into the Army for three years. After returning from the service, he got a job at a brewery and worked there until 1951. He then started work at Clyde Iron Works, and he is presently employed there.

Our first home after we were married was a three bedroom apartment on the third floor. We lived there for one year. After that, we lived in several apartments. In 1968, we found a good sized house, which we purchased and are still living in. Since then, we have done a lot of remodeling.

We had four children. Our firstborn, a son, George, Jr., died in infancy. Next a daughter, Georgia Ann, was born. She is married to Ken Johnson. Our second daughter, Thresa, also died in infancy. On June 7, 1960, our fourth child, a daughter, Nancy Ann, was born.

Nancy Ann Yagoda attended kindergarten through sixth grade at Bryant and seventh through ninth grade at Lincoln. She finished her schooling at Denfeld High School and graduated in June of of 1978. She enjoys laying out in the sun and playing bingo at St. Jean's Church. She also likes to bowl and bowls every Wednesday night. She enjoys traveling. In 1974, she went to Nashville, Tennessee, with her sister, Georgia, and a friend, Lee Ann, and her mother, Donna. In 1976, she went to Las Vegas with her friend, Candy, and her family. Nancy's first job was as a maid at the Radisson Hotel. She also worked at a Target store as a cashier. She is presently employed at Elliot Packing.



George and Claire Yagoda Family [Back L-R] Georgia, Ricky, and Ken Johnson [Front] George, Nancy, Claire

# KENNETH AND GEORGIA [YAGODA] JOHNSON 4496 Caribou Lake Road Duluth, Minnesota 55811

Georgia Ann Yagoda was born September 15, 1952, to George and Claire (Kuznia) Yagoda at Duluth, Minnesota.

I started school at St. Jean's until the fourth grade, then I went to Bryant and then to Lincoln Junior High. I finished school at Denfeld High School, where I graduated in 1970.

I met Ken Johnson at the Silver Hammer. His cousin introduced us. Back when my mom and dad met, they met at the Kassbar, which is the same place. We dated almost a year, and on June 28, 1975, we were married at St. Jean's Church.

Ken was born November 30, 1947, to Marvin and Gerda (Sundell) Johnson. He has two brothers, Lloyd and Gary, and one sister, Lois Price. Ken graduated from Proctor High School. He then served in the Air Force from 1968 until 1972.

We spent our honeymoon in the Black Hills. On the way home, we stopped in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where I was hypnotized. We did a lot of traveling when we were first married. We saw a lot and did a lot, as all three of us enjoy traveling.



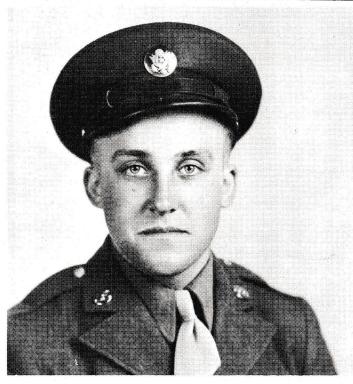
Kenneth and Georgia Johnson Family -- 1980 [L-R] Ricky, Georgia, and Kenneth

Before we were married, Ken already owned two apartment buildings. Our first home was in one of his buildings. Later, we sold one, but still own the other. We built a new home in 1977. We worked hard, but it was all worth it. Mom and Dad helped us get it done. It is located out in the country, and I'd never want city living again after living in the country.

Ricky Allen was born June 22, 1968. He started his schooling at Lincoln Elementary. After we built our home, he attended Pike Lake. He is presently in eighth grade at Proctor Junior High. Ricky has been a bowler since he was five years old, and he carries a super average. We all enjoy bowling and have been bowling since we were kids. Ricky is also taking guitar lessons and is doing great!

Ken now works at Diamond Tool as a shipper, and I work at Montgomery Ward in advertising and display. We enjoy bowling on our mixed couple league and are doing very well.

# DANIEL KUZNIA Stephen, Minnesota 56757



Daniel Kuznia was born in 1925, the eleventh child of Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia. He was in the Army during World War II and was a paratrooper in Germany.

Daniel lives in Stephen, Minnesota, at the former Peter and Agnes Kuznia residence. He is employed by the Stephen Fertilizer Company.

**Daniel Kuznia** 

MATTHEW AND GERALDINE [BENKE] KUZNIA Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Matthew Kuznia, second youngest son of Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia, was born December 6, 1930, in Wanger Township in Marshall County. He grew up on the family farm now owned by Conrad Kuznia. Matt attended school and church in Florian. At the age of 17, Matt, Daniel, Robert, and their parents moved into Stephen. During his teenage years, Matt worked away from home at various jobs. After the family moved to town, Matt worked for Nels Hvidsten and Melvin Benson Construction. He spent his winters working in Florida.

During the Korean War, Matt served his country in the Army, being stationed in Korea. Upon his discharge from the Army in 1954, he returned home and worked for Roy Benson on the farm and later for Roy Benson Construction. During the winter, he worked for Western Fruit Express, heating potato cars for the railroad.

In 1964, Matt and Art Laudal formed Stephen Construction, a company that did dragline and caterpillar work. In 1967, they incorporated, changing the name to Stephen Excavation Company, Inc., Matt became sole owner of Stephen Excavation in 1968. He does work in the area on county and township roads and ditches and also works for area farmers clearing land and other various excavations. Matt also has some farming interests in the Strandquist area.

Matthew married Geraldine Benke in 1958 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Stephen. Gerri is the daughter of Lucille (Gajeski) Benke and the late Adolph Benke. She has two brothers: Ralph, a 24-year career man with the Navy who is married and lives in San Diego, California, and Robert, who works on construction, is



Matthew and Geraldine Kuznia Family [L-R] Chad, Matt, Geraldine, Todd, and Kimberly

married to Donna Kochmann, and lives in Grand Forks, North Dakota, where Donna is attending UND. Gerri also has one sister, Donna (Mrs. Alan Pearson), who lives in Minneapolis with her husband, Alan, and one son, Tom.

Gerri, a graduate of Stephen High School, worked in Minneapolis for a while before she was married. She is now the secretary for Stephen Excavation and a homemaker in Stephen. She enjoys bowling and golf and has participated in many community activities.

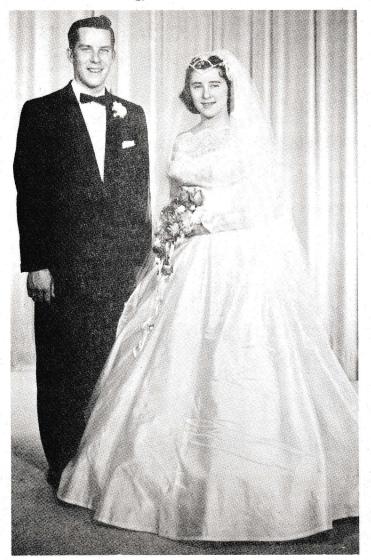
Matt and Gerri have three children. Todd Matthew was born July 19, 1959, in Warren and graduated from Stephen High School in 1977. Upon completion of his studies at the AVTI in East Grand Forks, Minnesota, Todd returned to Stephen to work with his father for Stephen Excavation. Todd enjoys hunting, fishing, and sports for hobbies. Being only six when Grandfather Peter passed away, the one memory that stands out in Todd's mind about his grandfather was that after the walks they would take, they would come back to the house and Grandmother would fix tea; Todd's being special with sugar and lots of milk in it.

Kimberly Ann was born February 27, 1963, at Warren and is attending Stephen High School, where she will graduate in 1981. Kim is active in school, being a member of FHA, band, the majorettes, chorus, annual staff, school paper, track, and the drama club.

Chad Michael was born January 12, 1969, at Drayton, North Dakota. He is attending grade school in Stephen and is interested in sports, fishing, and plays in the school band.

#### **ROBERT AND SUZANNE [NOWACKI] KUZNIA**

Robert was born in 1935, the thirteenth child of the late Peter and Agnes (Chlapinski) Kuznia. He graduated from Stephen High School in 1952. Robert was in the Army during the Korean War. On October 14, 1958, he married Suzanne Nowacki, daughter of the Arnold Nowackis of Argyle, Minnesota, at St. John's Catholic



Robert and Suzanne Kuznia -- 1958

Church near Argyle. They made their home in Chicago, Illinois, where Robert was employed by the Santa Fee Railroad. Suzanne worked for the Chicago Daily News.

They had five children. Pamela was born August 6, 1959; Laurie was born August 9, 1960; Jeffory was born July 28, 1964; Russel was born June 28, 1965; and Beth Marie was born January 17, 1968.

Pamela married Dale Roberts on August 6, 1977. They have one . child, Jeremy, born December 9, 1977. Laurie married Juan Garcia on March 27, 1977. They have two girls. Cynthia was born June 30, 1977, and Laurie Ann was born October 21, 1978. Jeffory, Russel, and Beth Marie are all at home.

Robert died January 6, 1979.



Robert and Suzanne Kuznia Family -- 1968 Suzanne holding Beth, Robert [Front] Laurie, Russel, Jeffory, and Pamela