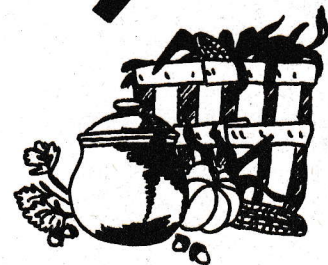


**BERT  
AND  
MARTHA  
KUZNIA**





# Family Tree of Bert and Martha Kuznia

**BERT KUZNIA b-1887, d-1962**

to

**MARTHA PIETRUSZEWSKI b-1899, d-1964**

- 1. August Kuznia b-1918 to Joann Gajeski b-1926**
  - A. Alvina Kuznia b-1946 to Ralph Krolak b-1940**
    - 1) Scott Krolak b-1969
    - 2) Christine Krolak b-1972
    - 3) Jason Krolak b-1974
  - B. Rita Kuznia b-1947 to Gerald Schaefer b-1937**
    - 1) Jason Schaefer b-1978
  - C. Duane Kuznia b-1949 to Sandra Sanders b-1951**
    - 1) Barry Kuznia b-1974
    - 2) Derrick Kuznia b-1976
    - 3) Tina Kuznia b-1978
    - 4) Jamie Kuznia b-1980
  - D. Mona Rae Kuznia b-1951 to LuVerne Peterson b-1936**
    - 1) Kristie Peterson b-1975
    - 2) Christopher Peterson b-1979
  - E. David A. Kuznia b-1952 to Debra DeVilbiss b-1957**
    - 1) Melissa Kuznia b-1975
    - 2) Rebecca Kuznia b-1977
  - F. Gary Kuznia b-1957**
  - G. Grace Kuznia b-1959**
  - H. Diane Kuznia b-1960**
- 2. Thomas P. Kuznia b-1919 to Greta Woinarowicz b-1928**
  - A. Gerald Kuznia b-1948 to Marilyn Steer b-1952**
    - 1) Mark Kuznia b-1973
    - 2) Kevin Kuznia b-1976
    - 3) Sarah Kuznia b-1980
  - B. Donald Kuznia b-1950 to Catherine Robertson b-1953**
    - 1) Robert Kuznia b-1975
    - 2) Christina Kuznia b-1978
  - C. Mary Ann Kuznia b-1951 to James Gregoire b-1949**
    - 1) Tara Gregoire b-1977
    - 2) Travis Gregoire b-1978
  - D. Colette Kuznia b-1953**
  - E. Joanne Kuznia b-1955 to Ronald Swanson b-1945**
    - 1) Heather Swanson b-1973
    - 2) Jennifer Swanson b-1976
    - 3) Michael Swanson b-1978
- 3. Theresa Kuznia b-1921 to Kenneth Dufault b-1921**
  - A. Mark Dufault b-1951 to Dallas Barkman b-1959**
  - B. Robert Dufault b-1952 to Lana Schiller b-1953**
    - 1) Dustin Dufault b-1973
    - 2) Chase Elliot Dufault b-1974
    - 3) Vanessa Dufault b-1976
  - C. James Dufault b-1953 to Sally Jorgensen b-1955**
    - 1) Austin Dufault b-1980
  - D. Mary Dufault b-1954 to James Barnhill b-1953**
    - 1) Maria Theresa Barnhill b-1976
    - 2) Christina Barnhill b-1978
    - 3) James Barnhill, Jr. b-1979
  - E. Diane Dufault b-1956**
- 4. Ralph Kuznia b-1924 to Eleanor Solarski b-1928**
- 5. Raymond Kuznia b-1926, d-1927**
- 6. Dorothy Kuznia b-1927 to Richard Anderson b-1928**
  - A. Cynthia Anderson b-1953 to Richard Fetchenkier b-1919**
    - 1) Jason Fetchenkier b-1972
  - B. Nancy Anderson b-1955 to Larry Stay b-1956**
  - C. David Anderson b-1957**
  - D. Allen Anderson b-1960**
  - E. Debbie Anderson b-1961**
- 7. Barbara Kuznia b-1929 to DeHewitt Campbell b-1928**
  - A. Michael Campbell b-1952 to Diane Morgenstern b-1955**
  - B. Jeffrey Campbell b-1953 to Susan Tart b-1954**
    - 1) Jeffrey Campbell b-1975
    - 2) Angela Campbell b-1977
    - 3) Chad Campbell b-1980
  - C. Sharon Campbell b-1955 to Alan Pederson b-1955**
    - 1) Lee Alan Pederson b-1974
  - D. Karen Campbell b-1957 to Kevin Campbell b-1956**
    - 1) Dustan Campbell b-1974
  - E. William Campbell b-1958**
  - F. Thomas Campbell b-1962**
- 8. Florence Kuznia b-1931 to Kenneth Ziemer b-1930**
  - A. Linda Ziemer b-1954**
  - B. Nancy Ziemer b-1956 to Roy William b-19**
  - C. Susan Ziemer b-1957 to Jonathan Blais b-19**
  - D. James Ziemer b-1959**
  - E. Joseph Ziemer b-1961**
  - F. John Ziemer b-1961**
  - G. Robert Ziemer b-1962**

**9. Eleanor Kuznia b-1933 to Raymond Herbst b-1932**

**A. Christine Herbst b-1954 to Charles Wiger b-1952**

1) Jessica Wiger b-1978

**B. Cheryl Herbst b-1957 to Kenneth Carigiet b-1955**

1) Cathy Carigiet b-1974

2) Jennifer Carigiet b-1976

**C. Ray Herbst, Jr. b-1958**

**D. Vicki Herbst b-1961**

**E. Carol Herbst b-1962**

**10. Antionette Kuznia b-1934**

**11. Leonard Kuznia b-1935 to Janet Smuda b-1944**

**A. Lisa Kuznia b-1964**

**B. Kevin Kuznia b-1967**

**C. Amy Kuznia b-1968**

**12. Robert T. Kuznia b-1938 to Marjory Zippa b-1941**

**A. Brian Kuznia b-1960**

**B. Lynn Kuznia b-1962**

**C. Jason Kuznia b-1966**

**D. Michele Kuznia b-1973**



# *Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia*

Bert Kuznia, the son of Albert and Hedwig (Krzyszosiak) Kuznia, was born December 2, 1887. He had a twin brother, Michael. Their homeplace was located one mile west and one mile south of Florian, where the Hilary Kuznia family presently live.

Bert met Martha Pietruszewski, the daughter of Martin and Mary (Safranski) Pietruszewski. Martha was born June 30, 1899, in Marshall County, Minnesota. She has six brothers: Frank, John (who married Laura Cybulski), Anton (who married Hedwig Kuznia), Thomas (who married Antonette Kasproicz), Stanley (who married Frances Wilebski), and Felix (who married Theresa Kasproicz). She also has four sisters: Mary Kaliszewski, Helen Banaszewski, Polly Stalock, and Elizabeth (Elsie) Donarski. The Pietruszewski homeplace was about two and one half miles northwest of Florian.

On June 11, 1916, Bert and Martha were married at the Assumption Catholic Church in Florian, Minnesota.

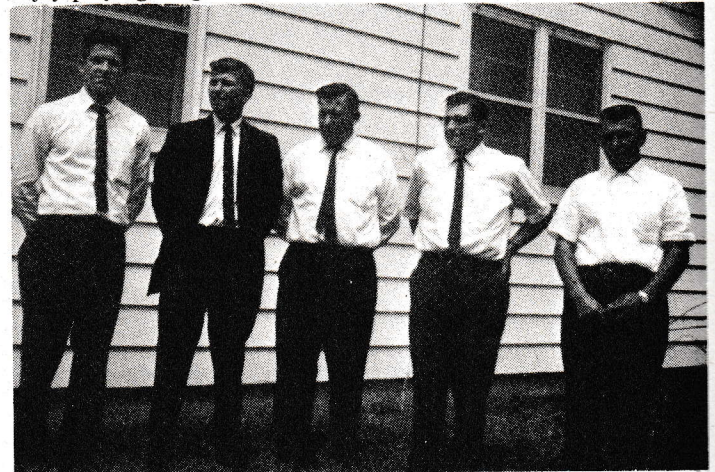


**Bert and Martha Kuznia -- 1916**

To this union, twelve children were born: August, Thomas, Ralph, Theresa, Raymond, Dorothy, Barbara, Leonard, Eleanor, Florence, Antionette, and Robert. Their first home was built by Anton Kuznia for about \$700-\$800, and it was located in Wanger Township, three miles west and one mile north of Florian. In 1926, they rented 320 acres and moved to Augsburg Township, seven miles east of Stephen, Minnesota. Later they bought the farm, which had many buildings. From 1880-1889, the farm had been part of the original holdings of Wheeler and Culbertson. Later, it was well known as the Schoonover farm. It had been purchased by Irwin P. Schoonover in 1912 or 1913.

As the kids took over the farm work, Bert liked to sit out front of the house and pray the rosary as he watched what went on about the yard. Often he must have said many rosaries in a day. They raised the usual farm stock, including chickens, ducks, and geese.

Martha enjoyed Tuesday night bingo in town. While they were still milking cows on the farm, she would bring in a large gallon jug of fresh milk to her son's family in town, and then she would go enjoy playing bingo.



**Sons of Bert and Martha Kuznia -- 1962  
[L-R] Robert, Leonard, Ralph, Thomas, August**



**Daughters of Bert and Martha Kuznia -- 1962  
[L-R] Eleanor, Antionette, Florence, Barbara, Dorothy, Theresa**



They lived on the farm until they retired in 1959 and had a new home built in north Stephen, Minnesota. It was built by John A. Kuznia. They enjoyed living in Stephen. Bert would make his daily trips uptown walking and would stop and visit his brother, Peter Kuznia, who also lived in Stephen. But it was only for three short years, as Bert became ill and passed away on July 11, 1962, at the age of 75 years at St. Francis Hospital in Crookston, Minnesota. He died from cancer.

Martha continued to make her home at Stephen, but also for

only a short while. She died unexpectedly on April 1, 1964, at South St. Paul Hospital. She had been visiting her sisters and some of her children.

Bert was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and they were both members of St. Stephen's Catholic Church at Stephen. Bert and Martha are buried in St. Stephen's Cemetery.

A son, Raymond Peter, preceded them in death. Raymond Peter was born December 13, 1925, and died August 11, 1927, from pneumonia.

**AUGUST AND JOANN [GAJESKI] KUZNIA**  
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

August Kuznia was the first child born to Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia. He was born in 1918 at their home in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. He first attended school by what is presently the Joe Kazmierczak farm in Augsburg Township. Later, his parents moved to Augsburg Township, and he attended a school about a mile north of John Jensen's place. August said he walked to school and didn't drive like the kids do today.

In 1944, at a house party at the Roman Gajeski home, he met his future wife, Joann Gajeski. On June 16, 1945, they were married. Joann is the daughter of Walter and Rose (Perkerewicz) Gajeski. Her parents are of Polish descent.

For the first year of their married life, they lived upstairs over the Gamble Store in Stephen, Minnesota. In 1946, they moved to a farmstead in Fork Township, section 13.

They are the parents of eight children: Alvina, Rita, Duane, Mona Rae, David, Gary, Grace, and Diane. They have twelve grandchildren.

June 17, 1967, we were married.

Ralph is the son of Stanley and Cecelia (Dombeck) Krolak. He was born on November 21, 1941, and spent most of his early years in Stephen, Minnesota. He has one brother, Conrad. In 1959, he graduated from Stephen High School and then joined the United States Air Force. He served in Guam and Vietnam. After he returned home from the service, he began working as a bartender at the Grafton, North Dakota, American Legion and the St. Thomas, North Dakota, American Legion.

In August of the year we were married, Ralph started working at the Hartz Store in Stephen, Minnesota. He still works there as a meat cutter and also works part time as a bartender.

In 1968, we took a trip to the Badlands of South Dakota and did a lot of sightseeing. It was a very enjoyable and interesting trip. Then, on February 9, 1969, our son, Scott Allan, was born at the Warren Hospital in Warren, Minnesota. Three years later on May 10, 1972, Christine Marie was born. Due to illness, she was placed in a foster home. On July 16, 1974, our second son, Jason, was born.

Recently we sold the first home we purchased to Dick Safranski and bought our new home from Bob Blomquist. We really enjoy our new home. It is close to the Stephen Public School for the boys, and across from our front yard is a ball park, where they can play.

**GERALD AND RITA [KUZNIA] SCHAEFER**  
623 Omega Avenue  
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

Rita Mae Kuznia, the second child and second daughter of August and Joann (Gajeski) Kuznia, was born in 1947.

On July 29, 1972, at Stephen, Minnesota, she married Gerald Schaefer, the son of Ray and Ruth Schaefer. Gerald has three brothers: John, Ray, and David, and he has three sisters: Jane McGlynn, Carol Hart, and Mary Ann Johnson. He is employed as an insurance agent.

Gerald and Rita have one son, whom they adopted. Jason was born in 1978.

**DUANE AND SANDRA [SANDERS] KUZNIA**  
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Duane John Kuznia was born in 1949 to August and Joann (Gajeski) Kuznia. Upon graduating from Stephen Public High School in 1968, Duane enlisted in the U.S. Navy for two years. While in the Navy, he served on the USS Meeker County as boatswain mate. He was stationed in Hong Kong, Hawaii, Taiwan, the Philippines, Japan, Okinawa, Guam, and Vietnam. During his tour of duty, he was involved in the Vietnam War.

After being discharged from the Navy in 1970, he worked around home until he enrolled in the Thief River Falls Vocational School,



**August and Joann Kuznia Family**

**RALPH AND ALVINA [KUZNIA] KROLAK**  
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Alvina B. Kuznia was born in 1946, the first child of August and Joann (Gajeski) Kuznia.

I graduated from Stephen High School, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1966. After graduation, I started working at St. Joseph's Hospital.

One spring day as I was walking uptown in Stephen, Ralph Krolak was raking the lawn in his back yard. We stopped and talked, and he asked me to go to the movie on Friday night. That was our first date, and that was how we met. The following year on



studying business, in 1971. While attending school at Thief River Falls, he met Sandra Sanders at a wedding dance in Goodridge, Minnesota, in the spring of 1973. When they met, Sandra was working for Nesland Accounting in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. After going together for several months, they were married on January 5, 1974, at St. Bernard's Catholic Church in Thief River Falls.

Sandra is the daughter of Elvin and Selma (Sunsdahl) Sanders. She has two brothers, Earl and Arlin, and four sisters, Eleanor Larson, Theresa Lawrence, Joy Misson, and Ellen Lassier.

In June of 1974, they bought their home in Stephen, Minnesota, from Rita Nelson. Duane also started working year-round for American Crystal Sugar Company at Drayton, North Dakota.

They now have four children. Their first child, Barry, was born in 1974. On Mother's Day, May 13, 1979, he entered the hospital for an operation and was hospitalized for five days. A second son, Derrick, was born in 1976. In 1978, their daughter, Tina, was born. In 1980, a son, Jamie, was born.

In April of 1979, they had to leave their home for three days because of the flood. There was water all around the house, and the basement was full, but there was no damage to the inside of the house.

**LUVERNE AND MONA RAE [KUZNIA] PETERSON**  
**Country Side Trailer Court, Lot #18**  
**Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701**

**THOMAS P. AND GRETA [WOINAROWICZ] KUZNIA**  
**Stephen, Minnesota 56757**

Thomas Peter Kuznia, the second child of Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia, was born October 19, 1919. He was born at the farm home in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. He has five brothers and six sisters.

When he was about eight years old, his parents moved to Augsburg Township, seven miles east of Stephen, Minnesota. He then attended District 55 school, about two miles north of their home.

Between 1930 and 1942, he helped his father with farming, and he worked part time for neighbors, hand picking potatoes (at 3 or 4 cents a bushel) and hauling grain bundles with a threshing crew. He also remembers hauling grain to Stephen with a team of horses. The treat on the way home would often be crackers and a ham sandwich. There were a few times when the team of horses ran home ahead of their driver!!

Later on, about 1928, his father bought a 10-20 McCormick International tractor. This made field work much easier. Tom and his brother, August, helped with the plowing. August drove, and Thomas would pull the rope to lift the plow out of the ground. It took both of them, as they were only about eight or nine years old.

In 1942, Thomas entered service with the 85th Infantry Division. His basic training was at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, Camp Polk, Louisiana, and a couple other camps in the States. Then, because of illness, he was unable to go with the 85th Division. Later, he joined the 45th Infantry Division. In the fall of 1943, he went overseas to the European Theatre of War. The first stop was Italy, and on to Mount Casino, Anzio Beach head, and Rome, and then the invasion of southern France. He went through France into Germany. He got to Munich, Germany, where the war ended in June. He returned to the States, and on October 25, 1945, he received his honorable discharge at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, as a Sergeant. He earned the ETO ribbon with five battle stars, the Silver Star, Combat Infantry Badge, and Good Conduct Medal.

Mona Rae Kuznia was born in 1951, the fourth child of August and Joann (Gajeski) Kuznia.

On June 15, 1974, at Thief River Falls, Minnesota, she married LuVerne Peterson. He is the son of Hilary and Vera (Lucas) Peterson. He has three brothers, Jimmy, Hilary Jr., and Donald "Jack" Peterson. He also has one sister, Silvia Bingson.

They are the parents of two children. Kristie was born in 1975, and Christopher was born in 1979.

**DAVID AND DEBRA [DEVILBISS] KUZNIA**  
**703 5th Avenue**  
**Drayton, North Dakota 58225**

David Allan Kuznia, the fifth child of August and Joann (Gajeski) Kuznia, was born in 1952.

On August 9, 1975, he married Debbie DeVilbiss. Her parents are David and Rita (O'Connor) Westerson. She has three sisters: Linda DeVilbiss, Christine Westerson, and Mary Osowski.

David is employed at the beet plant in Drayton, North Dakota. They have two children. Melissa was born in 1975, and Rebecca was born in 1977.

In 1946, he bought 160 acres in Tamarac Township, two miles east of Stephen.

On October 28, 1947, Tom married Greta Woinarowicz at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Drayton, North Dakota. Greta is the daughter of Mike and Helen (Landowski) Woinarowicz. Helen passed away in July of 1935, and Mike then married Helen Mindak. Greta was born July 23, 1928, at the Drayton, North Dakota hospital and attended country school in District 43 of Eagle Point Township, Marshall County, Minnesota. She has two sisters and one brother. Joyce is married to Lawrence LaHaise, and they have three children, Michelle, Millisa, and Michael. Bonita married Peter Brown, and they have two children, Nathaniel and Nichole. Her



**Thomas and Greta Kuznia Family -- 1975**  
**Standing [L-R] Gerald, Joanne, Colette, Donald**  
**[Seated] Greta, Thomas, Mary Ann**



brother, Caren, is married to Carol O'Hara, and they have three children: Chrystal, Carla, and Cherri. They all reside in Drayton, North Dakota, including her parents.

Tom and Greta have five children: Gerald, Donald, Mary Ann, Colette, and Joanne. All are married except Colette. Colette attended Stephen Public School and graduated from high school in 1971. She continued her education at Moorhead State University, where she graduated with a bachelor of arts degree in health education. Presently, she lives in Fargo, North Dakota, where she is employed with Kentucky Fried Chicken in the operation department.

Tom and Greta have lived in Stephen, Minnesota, all their married life. They belong to St. Stephen's Catholic Church. Tom is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

**GERALD AND MARILYN [STEER] KUZNIA**  
**Stephen, Minnesota 56757**

Gerald Thomas Kuznia, the eldest child of Thomas Peter and Greta (Woinarowicz) Kuznia, was born on June 12, 1948, in Warren, Minnesota. He graduated from Stephen High School in 1966.

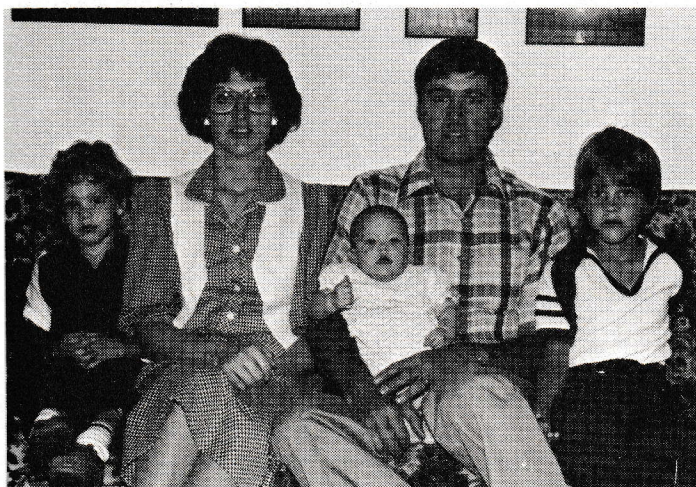
In November of 1966, he entered the United State Army, serving an eighteen-month tour in Germany. After the service, Gerald was employed in construction until 1972.

On December 2, 1972, Gerald married Marilyn Steer in Warren, Minnesota. Marilyn is the daughter of Charles and Ione (Anderson) Steer. She has three brothers and two sisters: Charles E., William, Russell, Cheryl, and Marlys (Mrs. Craig) Halfmann.

Gerald and Marilyn resided in Crookston, Minnesota, where Gerald was employed by Otter Tail Power Company, and Marilyn worked as a licensed practical nurse. Their first son, Mark Gerald, was born on December 19, 1973, in Crookston.

In 1975, Gerald and his family moved to Stephen, Minnesota, where they presently live. They purchased the former Frank Borowicz home. Gerald is farming with his father and an uncle, Ralph Kuznia.

On July 16, 1976, their second son was born, Kevin James. A daughter, Sarah Marie, joined the family circle on January 10, 1980. The family enjoys camping in the summer.



**Gerald and Marilyn Kuznia Family -- 1980**  
**[L-R] Kevin, Marilyn, Sarah, Gerald, Mark**

**DONALD AND CATHERINE [ROBERTSON] KUZNIA**  
**2119 South 22nd Street**  
**Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201**

Donald Joseph Kuznia was born in Drayton, North Dakota, March 20, 1950, the second son of Thomas and Greta (Woinarowicz) Kuznia. He attended school in Stephen, Minnesota, and graduated from Moorhead State College in 1973, with a bachelor of science degree in education.

In 1970, Donald suffered severe back injuries sustained in an automobile accident near Euclid, Minnesota. Seat belts were credited with saving his life.

Donald married Catherine Robertson at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, on June 1, 1974. Catherine is the daughter of William and Lucille (LaBine) Robertson. She has two brothers, Mark and John, and one sister, Julie (Robertson) Magnusson.

Donald and Cathy moved to Olivia, Minnesota, in 1975, where Don taught school for one year. Their son, Robert Lynn, was born in Olivia on September 18, 1975. The family then moved to Grand Forks, North Dakota, where Don is teaching school and Cathy is working as a medical technologist. Their "Fourth of July" baby, Christina Nicole, was born in Grand Forks in 1978.

During the summer months, Donald is an avid golfer, always working to improve his game. The family also enjoys camping during the summer months.



**Donald and Catherine Kuznia Family**  
**[L-R] Catherine, Robert, Donald, Christina**

**JAMES AND MARY ANN [KUZNIA] GREGOIRE**  
**917 North West 18th Street**  
**East Grand Forks, Minnesota 56721**

Mary Ann Kuznia, the first daughter of Thomas and Greta (Woinarowicz) Kuznia, was born on February 23, 1951, at Drayton, North Dakota. She attended Stephen Public School and graduated from high school in 1969.

In September of 1974, she attended East Grand Forks, Minnesota, Area Vocational Technical Institute, taking a ten-month course in the clerical-secretarial field. She then took a job in November of 1975 at the University of North Dakota, Aviation Department, where she is presently employed.

She married James Gregoire on June 4, 1976, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in East Grand Forks, Minnesota. Jim is the son of Alphonse and Lillian (Spicer) Gregoire of Grand Forks, North



Dakota. Alphonse Gregoire passed away in 1976. Jim has two sisters and two brothers. His brothers, Denny and Kenny, reside in Seattle, Washington, with their families. His sisters, Debbie Jensen and Shirley Kvamme, reside in Grand Forks, North Dakota.



**James and Mary Ann Gregoire -- 1976**

Jim served in the United States Army from May 16, 1969, through May 5, 1971. He was stationed in Germany from August 1969 to May 1971. After his discharge from the service, he attended Wahpeton State School of Science at Wahpeton, North Dakota. He is presently employed at Mack Farms Trucking, Incorporated.

Mary Ann and Jim have two children. Tara Leigh was born on April 16, 1977, and Travis James was born on June 3, 1978. The family now resides in their own home in East Grand Forks.



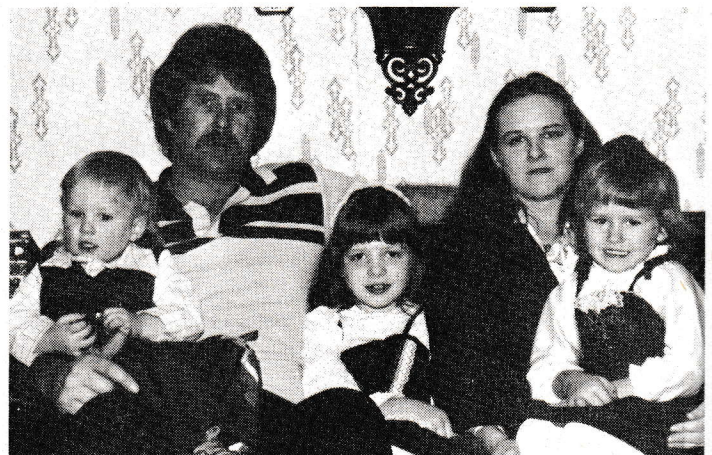
**Tara and Travis Gregoire**

**RONALD AND JOANNE [KUZNIA] SWANSON**  
**237 East Nelson Avenue**  
**Warren, Minnesota 56762**

Joanne Marie Kuznia is the youngest daughter of Thomas and Greta (Woinarowicz) Kuznia. She was born on January 3, 1955, at Crookston, Minnesota. She attended school in Stephen, Minnesota, and graduated from Stephen Public School in 1973.

On September 6, 1975, Joanne was married to Ronald Carlyle Swanson at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Warren, Minnesota. Ronald is the son of Donald and Deloris (Engstrom) Swanson. Deloris passed away on August 24, 1970. Donald now lives in Thief River Falls, Minnesota, and is employed at the Marshall County Courthouse. Ronald has two sisters and one brother. Diane is married to Robert Bergeron from Argyle, Minnesota. Patty Olson and Terry Swanson both live in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Ronald was in the Army and stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, from August 1965 to January 1966. From there, he went to Korea until May 1967. After the service, he started farming with his dad. He now farms by himself, twelve miles east of Warren.



**Ronald and Joanne Swanson Family -- 1980**  
**[L-R] Michael, Ronald, Heather, Joanne, and Jennifer**

Ronald and Joanne have three children: Heather, Jennifer, and Michael.

A highlight of interest would have to be the flood Warren, Minnesota, had in April of 1979. Water was all around them, and they had to pump it out of their basement almost as fast as it came in.



**KENNETH AND THERESA [KUZNIA] DUFAULT**  
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

I was born Theresa Kuznia on November 19, 1921, to Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia, on their farm near Florian, Minnesota. My husband, Kenneth Dufault, the son of Louis and Blanche (Perreault) Dufault, was born at Stephen, Minnesota, and moved three miles northwest of Argyle, Minnesota, in 1930. He has two brothers, Morris and Duane, and one sister, Eleanor Bergeron. The Dufaults originally come from the province of Brittany in France. Other spellings for the name are Duffau and Dufaut.

Kenneth graduated from the Northwest School in Crookston, Minnesota, in 1938. He helped his dad in farming until 1941, then he moved to California and went to work for the Consolidated Aircraft Company in San Diego, building B-24 bombers.

In 1943, he was drafted into the Army Air Force. After he was in the service for one month, he was placed on flying status. After different training -- gunnery at Harlingen, Texas, armor at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado, and some cadet work at the University of Denver -- he was assigned to a B-24 combat crew. The crew sailed aboard the Isle of France in November 1944 and was assigned to the Eighth Air Force and was stationed in England. After flying thirty missions over Germany, the war with Germany was over, and the crew flew home in May of 1945. The crew was given a furlough. It was during this furlough that we had our first date, although we had met some years before.

We were married at St. Rose Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, on June 11, 1947. We were to have been married at Florian, but due to the large rains we had had a few days before, the Florian basement contained too much water.

The first eight years we lived in Argyle and farmed west of town with his father, Louis, and brother, Morris. It was here that four of our children were born: Mark, Robert, James, and Mary Alice. During the summer of 1954, we built a house on the farm and moved there in the spring of 1955. In 1956, our second daughter, Diane, was born.

presently living on our farm. In the fall of 1973, we moved back to Argyle, where we live presently. Our daughter, Mary Alice, married James Barnhill. Our son, Jim, married Sally Jorgensen. Mark, our oldest son, is still at home and is farming with his dad and his brother, Robert. He has graduated from the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota, with a degree in marketing. He will be getting married on June 7, 1980, to Miss Dallas Barkman of Steinback, Manitoba, Canada. Our youngest daughter, Diane, has just graduated from Moorhead State University, Moorhead, Minnesota, and is at present looking for a job as a social worker.

Since we have moved to town, my husband is kept quite busy installing and servicing heating equipment when he is not on the farm.

**ROBERT AND LANA [SCHILLER] DUFAULT**  
Argyle, Minnesota 56713

Robert Louis Dufault was born at Crookston, Minnesota, on February 13, 1952, to Kenneth and Theresa (Kuznia) Dufault. He graduated from the University of Minnesota Technical College in Crookston, Minnesota, with an associate degree in crop sciences.

On November 24, 1972, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, he married Lana Rae Schiller, the daughter of P.J. and Rosemary (McGlynn) Schiller. Lana was born March 21, 1953. Her brothers and sisters are: Clark, Lein, Maryrose, Frederick, Hector, P. Daniel, and Yvette.

Robert and Lana have three children. Dustin Robert was born September 25, 1973. Chase Elliot was born September 6, 1974. Vanessa Marie was born May 20, 1976.

They reside on the Dufault home farm in rural Argyle, Minnesota, where Robert farms with his father and brother, Mark.



**Kenneth and Theresa Dufault Family -- 1976**  
[L-R] Robert, Mary, Kenneth, James, Theresa, Diane, and Mark

In these early years of our life together, my husband started Ken's Heating, which he still does when he is able. Just before the beet harvest in 1971, Ken's foot was crushed in a beet harvester. He was in and out of hospitals for most of a year, as other complications had set in. All in all, we have had a lot of hospital bills, as all of the children were delivered Cesarean section, and spent over a month in the hospital for a gall bladder operation.

Our son, Robert, married Lana Schiller in 1972, and they are



**Robert and Lana Dufault Family -- 1978**  
[L-R] Chase, Lana, Vanessa, Robert, and Dustin



**JAMES AND SALLY [JORGENSEN] DUFAULT**  
312 Lincoln Drive  
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

James Dufault was born at Crookston, Minnesota, on March 3, 1953, to Kenneth and Theresa (Kuznia) Dufault. While working at the J. C. Penney store in Grand Forks, North Dakota, he met his future wife, Sally Jorgensen.

On June 11, 1977, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, Jim and Sally were married. She is the daughter of Carol and Anita (Olson) Jorgensen. She has two sisters, Donna and Carol, and three brothers: Randy, Terry, and Scott.

Jim now works for Furniture City, and Sally for the Chamber of Commerce in Grand Forks. A son, Austin James, was born July 26, 1980.

**JAMES AND MARY [DUFAULT] BARNHILL**  
2912 104th Street  
Kenosha, Wisconsin

Mary Alice Dufault was born at Crookston, Minnesota, on September 3, 1956, to Kenneth and Theresa (Kuznia) Dufault. She met her future husband, James Barnhill, while he was stationed at the Grand Forks Air Base in Grand Forks, North Dakota, and she was taking nurse's training at the University of North Dakota.

On February 14, 1976, at St. Rose of Lima Church at Argyle, Minnesota, they were married. Jim is the son of Jim and Lucille Barnhill. His brothers and sisters are: Mark, Michael, Tommy John, Mary Ann, and Nancy.

They now live in Kenosha, Wisconsin, where Jim attends aviation mechanic school and Mary works as a nurse at the Good Samaritan Home. They have two daughters, Maria and Christina, and a son, Jim Jr.



**James and Mary Barnhill -- 1976**



**Christina and Maria Barnhill**



**James Barnhill, Jr.**

**RALPH AND ELEANOR [SOLARSKI] KUZNIA**  
Stephen, Minnesota 56757

Ralph Kuznia, the fourth child of Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia, was born in Wanger Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, on February 11, 1924. While he was still a little child, the family moved to Augsburg Township and it was at District #55 West in Augsburg that he attended school. They had to walk two

miles to school.

On November 9, 1945, he entered the Army at Fort Ord, California. He came home on a surprise furlough and dismounted the train and was standing on another section of track, thinking people were shouting a welcome at him, he didn't get off the track



or hear the other train that was going straight through. It was lucky that his duffle bag was slung from his shoulder; it cushioned the blow a little and probably saved his life. If only one person had yelled to warn him about the train, he probably would have heard what was said or heard the train. He remained hospitalized for many months. On November 18, 1946, he received his discharge from Camp Hood, Texas.

On October 17, 1959, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Grand Forks, North Dakota, Ralph married Eleanor Solarski, the daughter of Alexander and Mary (Narloch) Solarski. Eleanor was born September 3, 1928. She attended country school south of Drayton, North Dakota. She had a three and one half mile walk to school each day. For two years of high school, she attended Oakwood Catholic High School.

Alexander Solarski was born in Chelm, Poland, on August 3, 1893, and died July 11, 1975. He served in World War I. His wife, Mary, was born October 25, 1903. They had five children. Walter was born September 4, 1923, and later served in World War II. He died August 7, 1977. Wadsworth was born January 1, 1925. Sylvester was born February 22, 1926, and died as an infant on May 9, 1926. Myria (Mrs. Ernest Waletzko) was born May 3, 1927. Their last child, Eleanor, married Ralph Kuznia.

After their marriage, they lived in the family home that had been part of the Wheeler and Culbertson holdings and was later owned by Schoonover and then Ralph's dad, Bert. In 1965, they built a new home. Some of the original buildings on the farm were sold in 1926, and they became the homes of other farm families. The farm now has two steel grain bins, a potato warehouse, and a steel quonset.

Ralph is now retired from farming. The summers of 1979 and 1980, he served as manager of the Florian Park. Ralph and Eleanor are members of Assumption Catholic Church at Florian, Minnesota.



**Ralph and Eleanor Kuznia**

**RICHARD AND DOROTHY ANDERSON**

**Box 341**

**Princeton, Minnesota 55371**



**Richard and Dorothy Anderson Family**

**[Back L-R] Alan, Nancy, Debra, Cynthia, David**

**[Front L-R] Dorothy, grandson Jason, Richard**

**RICHARD AND CYNTHIA FETCHENKIER**

**LARRY AND NANCY STAY**

**27 Sherwood Manor**

**St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301**



**DEHEWITT AND BARBARA [KUZNIA] CAMPBELL**  
**2200 North First Street**  
**North St. Paul, Minnesota 55109**

Barbara V. Kuznia was born in Marshall County, Stephen, Minnesota, in 1929 to Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia, the seventh of their twelve children.

I attended rural school for eight years and then attended Stephen High School for four years. After graduation, I had one year of teacher's training and taught rural school in Argyle, Minnesota, for two years.

Later I came to St. Paul, Minnesota, to work. It was at this time I became acquainted with Dewey Campbell. I became his wife on September 11, 1951. We were married by Father M. Wisniewski. We settled in North St. Paul, Minnesota, where we live today.

My husband, Dewey, was born March 18, 1928, to Rene and Agnes (Curry) Campbell of Somerset, Wisconsin. His dad was of Scotch and French descent and his mother was of Irish descent. Rene and Agnes have four sons and two daughters: William, DeHewitt, Lucille (deceased), Jerry, Robert, and Mary Ellen.

There were six children born to our union: four boys and two girls. My husband was a chef on the railroad for thirty years. After he retired, he went into the restaurant business with our two eldest sons. One of our sons is still in that business. We have our two youngest sons at home with us; the other children are married.



**Dewey and Barbara Campbell Family**  
**[Standing L-R] Thomas, Susan, Jeffrey, Diane,**  
**Karen and Michael Campbell, Sharon and Alan Pederson, William**  
**[Seated] Dustin Campbell, Dewey holding Angela Campbell,**  
**Barbara holding Jeff Campbell, Lee Pederson**

Paul High School. He went on to graduate from Lakewood Junior College and attended St. Cloud College for a short time.

As a young boy, Michael had one of the biggest paper routes in the city. He also worked one summer on the railroad with his father, which he enjoyed very much.

On May 17, 1975, at St. Michael's Church, he married Diane Morgenstern, the daughter of William and Marjorie (Weber) Morgenstern. Diane was born March 2, 1955, at St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul, Minnesota. Her brothers and sisters are: Sandra Swanson, William Jr., Judith, Beverly, Michael, and Robyn.

Diane was raised on a small farm in Rosemount, Minnesota, for the first year of her life, after which her family moved to West St. Paul, Minnesota. She attended St. Michael's Grade School and then went on to Archbishop Brady High School for one year. She completed her high school education at Henry Sibley High School.

Michael is a driver for American Linen Supply Company of St. Paul, Minnesota. Diane is a homemaker and is expecting their first child this April, 1980. They enjoy traveling, camping, and doing things together.

They built their first home in North St. Paul, where they lived for a little over two years. Their second home, which they just love, is located in Cottage Grove, Minnesota.



**Dewey and Barbara Campbell Family**  
**[Standing L-R] Michael, Jeffrey, William, Thomas, Karen, Sharon**  
**[Seated] Dewey and Barbara**

**MICHAEL AND DIANE [MORGENSTERN] CAMPBELL**  
**6873 Ideal Avenue**  
**Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016**

Michael Campbell was born May 4, 1952, to DeHewitt and Barbara (Kuznia) Campbell at St. Luke's Hospital in St. Paul, Minnesota. He attended St. Peter's Grade School and North St.

**JEFFREY AND SUSAN CAMPBELL**  
**2025 North 6th Street**  
**North St. Paul, Minnesota 55109**

**ALAN AND SHARON [CAMPBELL] PEDERSON**  
**2216 Buckingham Lane**  
**Mounds View, Minnesota 55112**

Sharon Campbell was born September 13, 1955, to DeHewitt and Barbara (Kuznia) Campbell at St. Luke's Hospital, St. Paul, Minnesota.





Alan and Sharon Pederson with son Lee -- 1980

I enjoyed the age of sixteen, because my girlfriend and I went to Puerto Rico for two weeks. It was like the garden of Eden.

On November 30, 1974, at Mount Carmel Church, I married Alan Pederson, the son of Arnold and Carol (Shocster) Pederson. Alan was born September 19, 1955, at St. Paul, Minnesota, in St. John's Hospital. His brothers and sisters are: Cindy O Banion, Marv, Don, Ed, Danny, and Carrie.

My husband and I also went places together. We went to Colorado and up to Pike's Peak on motorcycles and camped there with other couples.

On October 25, 1974, Lee Alan was born at Midway Hospital, St. Paul. He weighed nine pounds and six ounces and was twenty-one and a half inches long.

My husband, Alan, is a truck driver for Trans-Con. We both like to go camping and enjoy motorcycle riding. We enjoy going to the beach and having picnics together. Lee will be starting kindergarten this year (1980). We now live in Mounds View, Minnesota, in a mobile home we bought. It's very nice and big, and there will be lots of room for Lee Alan this summer.

**KEVIN AND KAREN CAMPBELL**

**KENNETH AND FLORENCE [KUZNIA] ZIEMER**  
**32 South Wheeler**  
**St. Paul, Minnesota 55105**

Florence Kuznia was born in 1931 to Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia at Stephen, Minnesota.

I went to a country school two miles north of our farm through eighth grade, then I went to Stephen High. I lived on the farm until I was seventeen, then I went to work at the Argyle State Bank in Argyle, Minnesota. While working there, I lived with my sister, Theresa, and her husband, Ken Dufault. In 1951, I came to the Cities and met my husband in 1952. At this time, my sisters, Dorothy and Barbara, were living in the Cities, and I met my husband through them.

On June 27, 1953, at St. Paul Cathedral, I married Kenneth Ziemer, the son of Arthur and Ann (Patrow) Ziemer. Ken was born in 1930. He has four half brothers from his mother's side: James, Robert, Thomas, and Bill. He also has a half sister and brother from his dad's side: Judy and Wayne.

Ken and I bought our first home in 1954. Later we moved to Cottage Grove, Minnesota, for four years, and then back to St. Paul in 1968. We now live in St. Paul.

We have seven children, and they have all attended Highland Senior High. Linda was born June 17, 1954, and went to the University of Minnesota for five years. She also went to school in London, England, and is now working at DePaul University in Chicago, Illinois. Nancy was born July 26, 1956, and is now working at Lampert Lumber Company. Susan was born October 18, 1957, and is now working for Liberty Bank. On June 2, 1979, she married Jack Blais. Our first son, James, was born December 24, 1959. He graduated from Highland Senior High in 1978 and went to the University of Minnesota for three months. In 1961, we had twin sons, Joseph and John. They will graduate from high school this June (1980). Our last child, Robert, was born November 27, 1962. He is presently a junior at Highland Senior High.

Ken is a meat cutter at Westlund's Meats, and I am working at Liberty State Bank. We have a camper and enjoy camping and fishing.



**Kenneth and Florence Ziemer -- 1953**



**RAYMOND AND ELEANOR [KUZNIA] HERBST**  
1995 East Idaho Avenue  
St. Paul, Minnesota

Eleanor Genevieve Kuznia was born January 1, 1933, to Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia at Stephen, Minnesota. She was their ninth child and fifth daughter.

I attended country school for five years and finished the rest of my schooling at Stephen. I graduated from Stephen High School in 1952. After graduation, I went to St. Paul, Minnesota, and got a job at Western State Bank as a bookkeeper. I met my husband-to-be through his sister, Carol, who also worked at the bank.

On March 6, 1954, at St. Agnes Church, I married Raymond Walter Herbst, the son of Walter and Dorothy (Behr) Herbst. Ray was born December 13, 1932, at St. Paul, Minnesota. He has two sisters, Carol Strehlow and Beverly Schwartzbauer.

Ray enjoyed going fishing with his friends at his folks' cabin, and also liked to hunt and still does. Our first home after we were married was at 798 Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota.

We have five children. The two oldest are married. Christine is married to Charles Wiger, and Cheryl is married to Kenneth Carigiet. Ray, Jr., was born December 10, 1958. He graduated from Johnson High School and is working nights at Univac as a technician while he continues his education at Lakewood College. Our third daughter, Vicki, was born January 19, 1961. She graduated in 1979 and has been working since then as a fulltime data entry operator. Our last child, Carol, was born June 7, 1962, and will graduate in June of 1980. She plans to continue her schooling.

We have twenty acres in Grantsburg, Wisconsin. We enjoy going there on weekends. In the summer we have a big garden, and in the winter we go snowmobiling. We also enjoy camping out. The rest of the week, Ray is employed with Northern State Power, and I am a homemaker.



**Raymond and Eleanor Herbst Family**  
[L-R] Ray Jr., Cheryl, Vicki, Christine, Eleanor, Ray, Carol

**CHARLES AND CHRISTINE WIGER**  
2630 East Burke Avenue  
North St. Paul, Minnesota 55109

**KENNETH AND CHERYL [HERBST] CARIGIET**  
7812 Point Douglas Drive  
Cottage Grove, Minnesota 55016

Cheryl Herbst was born December 18, 1957, the second child



**Raymond and Eleanor Herbst Family**  
[Back L-R] Kenneth Carigiet, Vicki and Carol Herbst,  
Christine and Charles Wiger, Ray Herbst, Jr.  
[Seated] Cheryl and Jennifer Carigiet, Eleanor Herbst,  
Cathy Carigiet, Ray Herbst

and daughter for Raymond and Eleanor (Kuznia) Herbst.

I was born at St. Paul, Minnesota, and later attended Hayden Heights Elementary School, Hazel Park Junior High, and Johnson Senior High. I met Kenneth through friends at school. We were married a year later on June 29, 1973, at Watertown, South Dakota.

Kenneth Carigiet was born February 4, 1955, in St. Paul, Minnesota. His other family members include Richard, Timothy, Michelle, Tammy, and Kristine. He attended St. Vincent's Grade School and St. Agnes High School.

We now have two children. Cathy was born February 8, 1974, and now attends kindergarten at Hillside Elementary. She enjoys camping, snowmobiling, and riding her bike. She has already completed a course in swimming given by the Red Cross, and she is looking forward to summer vacation. A second daughter, Jennifer, was born to us on August 26, 1976. She enjoys playing with her cousin, Jessica Wiger, and riding her bike.

I am now employed at the Farmer's Union Grain Terminal as a keypunch operator, and Ken is employed by Whirlpool Corporation.

The first two years of our marriage, we lived in a mobile home, then we bought the home we now live in.

We enjoy snowmobiling with my parents in the winter at Grantsburg, Wisconsin. We spend many weekends there. We also have a motorcycle and enjoy taking short trips on it. Since we now own our own home, we enjoy shopping for new things for it.

**ANTIONETTE KUZNIA**  
Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701

Antionette Kuznia was born Christmas Day, December 25, 1934, the tenth child of Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia. She attended school in Stephen, Minnesota, and is now living in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. She is currently employed by Occupational Workshop.



**LEONARD AND JANET [SMUDA] KUZNIA**  
**8433 West Broadway**  
**Forest Lake, Minnesota**

Leonard Paul Kuznia was born 1935 at Stephen, Minnesota, to Bert and Martha Kuznia. Leonard grew up in the Stephen area and remembers well the two-mile walk to "Erickson's School". He recalls that there were eleven students enrolled in Miss LaVerne Clark's class, and six of them were Leonard's brothers and sisters. After attending that school, he went to the "Kazmierczak School", Stephen Elementary, and the Northwest School of Agriculture, Crookston, Minnesota.

Leonard left the Stephen area in 1955 and went to work as a chef on the Northern Pacific Railroad. It was during this time that he met Janet Smuda of Minneapolis, Minnesota. On May 2, 1964, they were married. Janet is the daughter of Andrew and Hazel (Bennett) Smuda; she has a brother, Michael, and a sister, Marie Smuda (Schleeter).

After ten years on the railroad and two years in the Army, Leonard went into the restaurant business. Currently, he and two business partners own the Flare Restaurant in Forest Lake, Minnesota, where he lives with his wife and three children, Lisa, Kevin, and Amy.



**Leonard and Janet Kuznia Family**  
**[Standing] Kevin and Lisa**  
**[Seated] Janet, Amy, and Leonard**

**ROBERT AND MARJORY [ZIPPA] KUZNIA**  
**619 North Knight**  
**Thief River Falls, Minnesota 56701**

Bob Kuznia was born in 1938, the son of Bert and Martha (Pietruszewski) Kuznia, in Augsburg Township, Marshall County, Minnesota, the youngest of twelve children. He attended school in rural Stephen, Minnesota, for two years, went six years to Stephen Public School, and the last four years at the Northwest School of Agriculture, Crookston, Minnesota.

He remembers his brother, Leonard, chasing a squirrel, which turned out to be a skunk. He knew the difference after he got sprayed!

At a high school basketball game, he met Marge Zippa, and shortly afterward they started dating. On November 14, 1959, at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Argyle, Minnesota, they were married.

Marjory Zippa is the daughter of Steve and Dorothy (Goulet) Zippa of Argyle, Minnesota. She was born April 4, 1941, at Warren, Minnesota. Her other family members include Betty, Joanne, Mike, and Pat. Marge attended St. Rose of Lima Catholic School through grade eight and finished school at Argyle High School, Argyle, Minnesota.

They moved to Thief River Falls, Minnesota, in 1965, where Bob is employed by United Parcel Services.

They have four children. The oldest son, Brian, was born August 28, 1960. He attended A.V.T.I. and is presently employed as a welder at Hydra-Mac in Thief River Falls. On March 22, 1962, a second son, Lynn, was born. He will graduated from high school in 1980 and plans to attend college. A third son, Jason, was born July 13, 1966, and now attends Franklin Middle School. On March 30,

1973, their fourth child, a daughter, Shelley, was born. She is presently in first grade.

The family enjoys traveling, playing cards, and bowling.



**Robert and Marjory Kuznia Family**  
**[Back L-R] Jason, Lynn, Brian**  
**[Front] Marjory, Shelley, and Robert**