

Generation One

1. **Christoph Bethke** #10137, b. 21-Mar-1782 in Gross Koscierzyn, Posen, Prussia, d. 27-Dec-1873 in Posen, Prussia, German Empire. He married Anna Chrstine Marie Kolls #10138, b. 1795 in Prussia, Alemania, d. 21-Aug-1866 in Posen, West Prussia.

Children:

2.
 - i. Christian Emmauel "Crist" Bethke #10134 b. 30-Sep-1828.

Generation Two

2. **Christian Emmauel "Crist" Bethke** #10134, b. 30-Sep-1828 in Gross Koscierzyn, Posen, Prussia, d. 12-Oct-1881 in Eau Claire County, Wisconsin. He married (1) Johanna Julianne Stibbe #10135, b. 8-Jan-1834 in Boisen via Posen, Germany, d. 1862 in Posen, Prussia, Germany. He married (2) Ernestine Hauffe #10136, b. 1842, d. 1925.

Children by Johanna Julianne Stibbe:

3.
 - i. John Ludwig Bethke #3970 b. 28-May-1859.
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 - ii. August Charles Bethke #10139 b. 26-Dec-1855.

Children by Ernestine Hauffe:

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 - iii. Emma Julia Bethke #10141 b. 1874.
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 - iv. Otilia Helena Bethke #10143 b. 20-May-1877.
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 - v. Augusta Ruth "Gusta" Bethke #10145 b. 13-Oct-1880.

Generation Three

3. **John Ludwig Bethke** #3970, b. 28-May-1859, d. 14-Apr-1940, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, WI. Notes: Republican Observer April 18, 1940 Obituary "Ludwig Bethke Dies After Short Illness - Ludwig Bethke, long time resident of the town of Eagle, died at his home on April 14th after an illness of eight days. Mr. Bethke was a native of Germany, born May 28, 1859 and was 80 years, 10 months and 16 days of age. He came to America 57 years ago and has made this his home since. He is survived by six sons, Ben and Emil of Eagle; Avolt and Leo, Richland Center; Albert and Henry, Muscoda; five daughters, Mrs. Charles Griffin, Mrs. Harry Shambaugh, Mrs. John Burwitz, Milwaukee; Mrs. Harvey Kepler, Sabin, and Mrs. Ed Gher, Orion; one half brother, Gustav Bethke, South Dakota; two half sisters, Mrs. Will Groth, Iowa, and Mrs. Ferdinand Stibbe, Richland Center. Mr. Bethke was an industrious farmer, well liked and highly respected by all. His funeral services were held this Wednesday from the Ash Creek church, burial taking place in the adjoining cemetery."

. He married Ottilla Kelm #3971, 14-Feb-1884, b. 1-May-1859 (daughter of August Kelm #6520 and Anna Justice UNKNOWN #6521), d. 23-Feb-1912, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, WI.

Children:

8.
 - i. Margaret Bethke #8008 b. 30-May-1884.
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 - ii. Mary Bethke #8077 b. 25-Jun-1885.
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 - iii. Anna Bethke #4875 b. 5-Oct-1886.
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 - iv. Julia J. Bethke #9898 b. 5-Oct-1887.
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 - v. Benjamin Harrison Bethke #3973 b. 28-Nov-1888.
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 - vi. Albert August Bethke #4374 b. 14-Jan-1890.
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 - vii. Martha Elizabeth Bethke #5061 b. 9-Apr-1891.
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 - viii. Leo Frederick Bethke #3808 b. 11-Apr-1892.
 16.
 - ix. Henry George Bethke #3975 b. 15-Apr-1893.
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 - x. Avolt Bethke #3972 b. 16-Dec-1894.
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 - xi. Emil Rudolph Bethke #3974 b. 12-Jul-1898.
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 - xii. Elizabeth Sarah Bethke #10132 b. 15-Aug-1900.

4. **August Charles Bethke** #10139, b. 26-Dec-1855 in Posen, Prussia, Germany, d. 8-Jun-1906 in Green Lake County, Wisconsin, buried in Bluffton Cemetery, Green Lake County, Wisconsin. He married Augusta Pauline Erdmann #10140, b. Oct/1859 in Posen, Prussia, Germany, d. 19-Sep-1936 in Neshkoro, Greenlake County, Wisconsin, buried in Bluffton Cemetery, Green Lake County, Wisconsin.
5. **Emma Julia Bethke** #10141, b. 1874, d. 1944. She married William Lewis Groth #10142, b. 1872, d. 1936.
6. **Otilla Helena Bethke** #10143, b. 20-May-1877, d. 26-Dec-1951, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer January 3, 1951 - Obituary "Mrs. Otille Stibbe Services Saturday - Mrs. Otilla Bethke Stibbe, aged 74 years, passed away December 26th in a Richland Center Nursing Home. She was a resident of the town of Orion and was the widow of Ferdinand Stibbe, who died April 1, 1937. Mrs. Stibbe was a native of Germany where she was born May 20, 1877, and came to this country as a young woman. Mr. and Mrs. Stibbe farmed for many years in the town of Orion. She leaves three daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Wegner and Ruth Stibbe, both of Orion, and Mrs. Irene Bloedow, of Waukesha; two sons. Arthur of Orion and Rueben of Illinois; 21 grandchildren,, 8 great grandchildren, and sister Mrs. Augusta Fessel, Muscoda. Funeral services were conducted at the Pratt Funeral Home Saturday afternoon by Rev. Stanley Hayes, Ash Creek Evangelical United Brethren pastor, and burial made in the Ash Creek cemetery."

Note: Some records show parents as Chris & Biristeen (Hoffy) Bethke. She married Ferdinand Christopher Stibbe #10144, 26-Jan-1899 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 6-Sep-1873 in Province Posen, Germany, d. 1-Apr-1937, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Ferdinand: Notes: Republican Observer April 8, 1937 - Obituary 1 "It is with deep regret we learn of the sudden passing away of our neighbor, Ferdinand Stibbe. When but a lad of 15 years he was employed at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Flamme. During the winter months he went to the Elm Grove school across the way, then taught by Willard Manley. At that time he could talk but little English, having but recently arrived in the States from Germany. He was very anxious to learn and in a short time he had mastered his English and excelled in arithmetic. Mr. Stibbe was an honest and industrious man and well liked by all who knew him. For the past 29 years your writer has seen Ferdinand and family go by our home to the Sunday morning services at the Ash Creek Evangelical church and as he made his last journey by we said our last good bye to a kind and helpful neighbor and friend. Funeral services were held at the Ash Creek Evangelical church here on Monday at 2 o'clock, and interment made in the cemetery near by."

Republican Observer April 8, 1937 - Obituary 2 "Well Known Orion Citizen Dies Suddenly - Ferdinand Stibbe died at his home in the town of Orion, Thursday evening, April 1st. Although Mr. Stibbe had been in poor health for a month, his death came so unexpectedly that it was shocking to the entire community. An attack of heart trouble came upon him like a stroke and he passed away almost instantly. Mr. Stibbe was born in Germany sixty-three years ago last September. He came to this country when he was sixteen years of age and soon after arriving in America he came to the town of Orion where he has lived for thirty-nine years. He was a highly respected citizen, enjoying intimate acquaintances throughout the Ash Creek community and in Richland Center. He is survived by his wife and four daughters and two sons. Funeral services were held at the Ash Creek Lutheran church Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock and burial was made in the cemetery of that place."

Republican Observer April 8, 1937 - Obituary 3 "The second sudden death in our community occurred when our fellow townsman, Ferdinand Stibbe, was found dead in his chair during Thursday night, he having passed away during a heart attack. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Ash Creek church with burial in the Ash Creek cemetery."

Republican Observer April 15, 1937 - Obituary "Obituary - Ferdinand C. Stibbe - Ferdinand Christopher Stibbe was born to Gottlieb and Anna Stibbe in the year 1873, in Province Posen, Germany. His father and a

sister having preceded them by three years, he came with his mother to America, when at the age of 16, coming direct to Richland county, locating at a place near where he lived the remainder of his life. In 1899 he was joined in holy wedlock with Miss Otille Bethke, of Richland county. To this union were born three sons and four daughters, one son passed away in infancy. The surviving children reside as follows: Mrs. Ruth Stibbe and Mrs. Irene Bloedow, near Ithaca; Reuben G., of Naperville, Illinois; Helen, a registered nurse of the Evangelical Deaconess hospital, in Chicago; and Arthur and Evelyn at home. Mr. Stibbe became a member of the Evangelical church on Ash Creek, as a young man. He remained a true and faithful member, often serving in trusted official capacity for many years. The home life of Mr. and Mrs. Stibbe had a fine Christian atmosphere, the influence of which had found fruitage in the lives of their children and grandchildren. He leaves to mourn his departure, his wife, six children, twelve grandchildren, one brother Robert, of Richland Center, and two sisters, Mrs. Philip Unbehaun and Mrs. Emma Shane, both of Richland county, and a host of other relatives and friends."

Children:

20. i. Ruth Augusta Stibbe #10149 b. 13-May-1900.
21. ii. Irene E. Stibbe #10150 b. 18-Jun-1902.
22. iii. Reuben Gustav #10147 b. 7-Oct-1904.
23. iv. Infant Son #10148 b. 10-Oct-1907.
24. v. Helen Julia Stibbe #10151 b. 14-Nov-1910.
25. vi. Arthur F. Sr. Stibbe #6796 b. 20-Sep-1913.
26. vii. Evelyn Otille Stibbe #7291 b. 24-Jul-1917.

7. **Augusta Ruth "Gusta" Bethke** #10145, b. 13-Oct-1880, d. 30-Nov-1957 in Muscoda, Grant County, Wisconsin, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant County, WI. She married William Richard Fessel #10146, b. 4-Jul-1875 in Wisconsin, d. 16-Mar-1938, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant County, WI.

Generation Four

8. **Margaret Bethke** #8008, b. 30-May-1884 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 10-Mar-1936 in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer March 19, 1936 Obituary "Relatives received the sad news last Wednesday of the death of Mrs. Max Gast, of Milwaukee. Margret Bethke, as she was better known in her girlhood home, was called to her heavenly home on her 20th wedding anniversary. Her father, Lewie Bethke and two brothers, Emil and Ben and wife left Friday afternoon for Milwaukee to be in attendance at the last sad rites of their daughter and sister. The community extends sympathy."

Republican Observer March 19, 1936 Obituary "Your writer was saddened to read of the passing of Mrs. Max Gast, of Milwaukee. It has been 20 years since we had seen our friend, who was at that time Miss Margaret Bethke, and to know this winsome young woman was to love her. She was always kind and lovable. Max Gast came here from Milwaukee and worked at the Ed Flamme farm, he wooed and won Miss Bethke and 20 years ago they were married and went to Milwaukee to live. Oft times we have thought of this friend and wondered what she was doing, not dreaming we would never see her in this world again and our heart goes out to the aged father, Emil Bethke, and the brothers and sisters."

ROOTS

Name: Margaret BETHKE

Birth: 30 May 1884 in Orion twp, Richland county, Wisconsin

Death: 10 Mar 1936

Father: Johan Ludwig BETHKE b: 28 May 1859 in Langgoslin, Posen Germany

Mother: Ottielie KELM b: 1 May 1859 in Asherforthland, Posen

Marriage Max Herman GAST b: 19 May 1888 in Breslau, Germany (Wroclaw, Poland)

Married: 10 March 1916

Children

Florence Margaret GAST

Reinhold Ludwig GAST b: 13 Aug 1918 in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin c: in navy 20 years, computer programming

Carl GAST

Caroline Margaret GAST b: 11 Aug 1923 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin c: in homemaker. She married Max Herman Gast #8009, 10-Mar-1916 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 19-May-1888 in Germany, d. 28-Dec-1957 in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin. Max: Notes: Republican Observer January 2, 1958 Obituary "Max H. Cast Dies Suddenly In Milwaukee - Max H. Cast, 69 years of age, died December 28 in Milwaukee. He had been shoveling snow at his home when a sudden heart attack caused his death. This came as a shock to his family and friends. Mr. Gast was born in Germany and came to this country as a young man. For a number of years he worked on farms in the Ash Creek community. Here he was married to Margaret Bethke. The family later moved to Milwaukee where Mrs. Gast died and he later remarried. Mr. Gast was a member of the Tabor E.U.B. church. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at Milwaukee and burial made in that city. Survivors include his wife, two sons, Reinhold of Richland Center, and Carl of Rice Lake; two daughters, Mrs. Florence Bergman of Dickinson, North Dakota, and Mrs. Caroline Sauer of Milwaukee and 12 grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Gast went to Milwaukee for his father's funeral services."

9. **Mary Bethke** #8077, b. 25-Jun-1885, d. 26-Aug-1938 in Barronette, Barron County, Wisconsin, buried in Wiesner Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer September 1, 1938 Obituary "Mrs. William Bladow Dies in Barren County - Mrs. William Bladow died at her home near Barronette, Barren county, Saturday, August 26th. The deceased was formerly Miss Mary Bethke, a daughter of Ludwig Bethke, of the town of Eagle. She was about 52 years of age and had been residing near Barronette for about 15 years. She is survived by her husband and one son and a daughter. Funeral services were held 3t "Rice Lake Tuesday. Her brothers, Ben, Emil, Henry, Leo and Avoid attended the funeral."

FIND A GRAVE

Mary Bloedow

BIRTH 25 Jun 1885

DEATH 27 Aug 1938 (aged 53)

BURIAL Wiesner Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin

ROOTS

Mary BETHKE

Birth: Jun 1885 in ORION TWP, RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Father: Johan Ludwig BETHKE b: 28 May 1859 in LANGGOSLIN, POSEN GERMANY

Mother: Ottielie KELM b: 1 May 1859 in ASHERFORTH LAND, POSEN

Marriage 1 William BLOEDOW b: 18 Apr 1891

Children

Lavern William BLOEDOW b: 3 Feb 1920 in RICHLAND CENTER, WISCONSIN

Virginia Nevada BLOEDOW

Lorena BLOEDOW. She married William Bloedow #8078, b. 18-Apr-1891 in Wisconsin, d. 4-Apr-1955.

William: Notes: ROOTS

Name: William BLOEDOW

Birth: 18 Apr 1891

Death: 4 Apr 1955

Father: Wilhelm BLOEDOW b: 5 Nov 1863 in GUMNOWITZ, BROMBERG, DEUTCHLAND

Mother: Bertha MANTHEI b: 28 Sep 1867 in ERLAU, DEUTCHLAND

Marriage Mary BETHKE b: Jun 1885 in ORION TWP, RICHLAND COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Children

Lavern William BLOEDOW b: 3 Feb 1920 in RICHLAND CENTER, WISCONSIN

Virginia Nevada BLOEDOW
 Lorena BLOEDOW.

Children:

27. i. Lavern William Bloedow #8081 b. 3-Feb-1920.
 28. ii. Virginia Nevada Bethke #8080 b. 9-Dec-1921.
 29. iii. Lorena Bloedow #8079 b. 27-Jul-1926.
10. **Anna Bethke** #4875, b. 5-Oct-1886 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 6-May-1959 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer May 14, 1959 Obituary "Mrs. Anna Burwitz Burial Made In Milwaukee - Mrs. Anna Burwitz, 72, a resident of Gotham, died at the Richland hospital on May 6th where she had been a patient for about two weeks. Mrs. Burwitz was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Bethke, born in the town of Eagle, October 5, 1886. On December 16, 1908, she was united in marriage with John C. Burwitz of the town of Orion by Rev. Edwards W. Marks. They made their first home on the Burwits farm, later moving to Richland Center where Mr. Burwitz engaged in the carpentry trade. During their residence in Richland Center their daughter Blanche came into their home, and was lovingly cared for until her death at 26 years of age, June 1, 1940. The family moved to Milwaukee where they lived near the families of three sisters until Mr. Burwitz passed away November 17, 1946. While there they had their membership in Emmanuel Lutheran church. After the death of Mr. Burwitz she returned to Richland Center where she made her home for a number of years with her sister, Mrs. Ed Gher, before retiring to her own home in Gotham. The Rev. Lester Theil, pastor of the Ash Creek EUB church officiated at the services which were held Saturday morning at 10 a. m. and the body was taken to Milwaukee with burial taking place in the Wanderers Rest cemetery beside her husband and daughter. Surviving are five brothers, Albert Bethke, California; Henry of Muscoda, and Ben, Emil and Avolt, all of Richland Center; two sisters, Mrs. Harvey Kepler, Beloit, and Mrs. Ed Gher, Richland Center." She married John Christian Burwitz #4876, 16-Dec-1909, b. 1 Feb 1886 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 17 Nov 1946 in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. John: Notes: Republican Observer November 21, 1946 Obituary "John Burwitz Dies in Milwaukee Monday - John Burwitz, 60 years of age, one time resident of this city, passed away at St. Mary's hospital, Milwaukee, Sunday, November 17th, following an illness of some length. He was a native of the town of Orion, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burwitz. Born and reared on a farm he took that vocation up for the first few years of his mature life but subsequently engaged in carpenter and contracting work which he followed in Richland Center for several years. He then went to Milwaukee where he has engaged in the same work for some 25 years. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Anna Bethke of the town of Eagle, also by his mother Mrs. R. H. Burwitz, Orion, and seven brothers and three sisters, Herman of Menomonie; Otto, Denver, Colorado; William and Edward, Richland Center; Henry in the armed forces; Fred of Yuba; Carl, Beloit; Mrs. Herbert Wait, town of Eagle; Mrs. John Johnson, Wisconsin Rapids, and Mrs. Cecil Smith, Prairie du Chien. Funeral services are being held at the Wright Street Lutheran church in Milwaukee this Thursday, and burial is being made in a Milwaukee cemetery."
11. **Julia J. Bethke** #9898, b. 5-Oct-1887 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 11-Apr-1942 in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer April 16, 1942 - Obituary "Mrs. Harry Shambaugh, a former resident of this county and city, but who has lived in Milwaukee for several years, died in that city last Saturday. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Bethke and was born and reared in the town of Eagle. Funeral services were held in Milwaukee Tuesday."

Republican Observer April 16, 1942 - Obituary "Mr. and Mrs. Bert Shambaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Talledge, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bethke and Mr. and Mrs. AVOID Bethke went to Milwaukee Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Harry Shambaugh." She married Harry Walter Shambaugh #9899, 25-Sep-1912 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 26-Jul-1883 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 24-Feb-1945 in Milwaukee County,

Wisconsin, buried in Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Children:

30. i. Delbert Lebert Shambaugh #9900 b. 20-Mar-1919.

12. **Benjamin Harrison Bethke** #3973, b. 28-Nov-1888 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Jun-1978 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 9-Jun-1978 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - June 8, 1978 - Obituaries "Services Pending for Ben Bethke - Funeral services are pending at the Pratt Funeral Home for Ben Bethke, 89, a retired farmer who died at his farm home in the Town of Eagle Monday (June 5, 1978).

The Richland Observer - June 15, 1978 - Obituaries "Benjamin H. Bethke, 89, a retired farmer, died Monday (June 5, 1978) at his farm home in the Town of Eagle. Mr. Bethke was born Nov. 28, 1888 in the Town of Eagle. He was the son of Ludwig and Ottielie Kelm Bethke. He married the former Clara Flamme Aug. 22, 1914, and they spent their life together on the farm where he had been born. Mr. Bethke is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Reinhold (Vivian) Gast of Montrose, Calif.; 11 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Friday in the Pratt Chapel with the Rev. Larry Moody officiating. Burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery." He married Clara Victoria Flamme #3977, 22-Aug-1914, b. 23-May-1891 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 9-Sep-1980 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 13-Sep-1980 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Clara: Notes: The Richland Observer - September 11, 1980 - Obituaries "Clara V. Bethke, 89, of the Town of Eagle, died Tuesday (Sept. 9, 1980) at the Richland Hospital. Mrs. Bethke was born May 23, 1891, on Ash Creek. She was the daughter of Henry and Bertha Groth Flamme. Mrs Bethke taught in the rural schools of Richland County for 10 years. She married Benjamin H. Bethke Aug. 22, 1914, and they spent their life together farming in the Town of Eagle. He preceded her in death June 5, 1978. Mrs. Bethke is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Reinhold (Vivian) Gast of Cascade, Colo.; 11 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the Pratt Memorial Chapel with the Rev. David Petersen officiating. Burial will be in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Friends may call at the Chapel Friday from 4 to 9 p.m."

Children:

31. i. Vivian N. Bethke #4001 b. 22-May-1919.
32. ii. Voren Benjamin Bethke #4317 b. 18-Jun-1923.

13. **Albert August Bethke** #4374, b. 14-Jan-1890 in Eagle Township, Richland County, WI, d. 11 Sep 1972 in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California, buried in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California. Notes: The Richland Observer - September 14, 1972 - Obituaries "Word has been received here of the death of Albert Bethke, 82, Whittier, California. Mr. Bethke was born in the Town of Eagle and spent most of the first fifty years of his life there, prior to his moving to California. He married Fern Lint, Richland Center, and four daughters and one son were born to this union. He is survived by his five children; two brothers, Ben and Emil, both route 4, Richland Center; and several grandchildren. Funeral services and burial will be in Whittier." He married Ferne Gwendolyn Lint #4375, b. 29 Jun 1895 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 18 Feb 1984 in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California, buried in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California. Ferne: Notes: Richland Observer March 1, 1984 Obituary "Ferne Bethke Dies in California - Feme Bethke Dies in California Ferne G. Bethke, 88, of Whittier, Calif., died Saturday (Feb. 18, 1984) in Whittier. Mrs. Bethke was born June 29, 1895 in Richland Center, the daughter of Henry and Abigail Waggoner Linton. She married Albert Bethke and he preceded her in death on Sept. 9, 1972. Mrs. Bethke graduated from the Richland County Normal and taught in rural schools of Richland County. She was an honored Wisconsin homemaker and was a lifelong member of the United Methodist Church where she was a Sunday School teacher, superintendent, officer of women's organizations, served on the administrative board, and sang in the choir. She was also preceded in death by her parents; her only sister, Flossie Moran; and a brother, David Linton. Survivors include a son, John F. Bethke of Riverside, Calif.; four daughters, Mrs. Jack (Alberta) Ewer of Loup City, Neb., Mrs. Arch (Lois) Mahoney of Ute, Ia., Mrs. Anne Martin of Santa Clara, Calif., and Mrs. Theron (Floss) Pratt of Columbus, Ohio; five grandsons; three

granddaughters; four great-grandchildren; and three cousins, Marie Liederbach, Gifford Hoskins and Virginia Stizers, all of California. A memorial service was conducted by Rev. Harold Kinsley on Feb. 23 and burial was in Rosehill Memorial Park in Whittier.

Richland Observer March 15, 1984 Obituary "Bethke Correction - The obituary for Ferne Bethke incorrectly listed family names. Mrs. Bethke's parents were Henry and Abigail Waggoner Lint; and she was preceded in death by a son, David Linton Bethke. The obituary was printed in the March 1 issue."

Children:

33. i. Florence Leone "Floss" Bethke #6712 b. 9-Apr-1917.
34. ii. Anne Lorraine Bethke #6713 b. 1923.
35. iii. Lois Janet Bethke #6714 b. 16-Mar-1925.
36. iv. Alberta Ruth Bethke #6715 b. 29-Jul-1927.
37. v. John F. Bethke #6716 b. 8-Nov-1933.
38. vi. Infant Son Bethke #10131 b. 9-Mar-1935.

14. **Martha Elizabeth Bethke** #5061, b. 9-Apr-1891, d. 18-Jun-1967 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer June 22, 1967 Obituary "Mrs. Martha Gher Dies; Funeral Wednesday - Mrs. Martha Gher, 76, route 2, Richland Center, died Sunday, June 18, at the West Court Nursing home after a long illness. She was the widow of Edward B. Gher, long a farmer in Orion, who died Nov. 20, 1951. Mrs. Gher was the former Martha Bethke, daughter of Ludwig and Otilia Stibbe Bethke. Surviving are her two daughters, Mrs. James Muldowney, route 4, and Mrs. Betty Stibbe, route 2; three sons, William, Hillpoint, Donald, Loganville, and Marvin, route 2; three brothers, Ben and Emil, both Richland Center, and Albert, Whittier, Calif., 18 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Pratt Chapel with the Rev. Harold Welch officiating. Burial was in the Richland Center cemetery."

. She married Edward Benjamin Gher #5062, 11-May-1910, b. 22-Feb-1889 in Forest Township, Richland County, Wisconsin (son of David A. Gher #9284 and Adella Nancy Kilby #9285), d. 20-Nov-1951 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Edward: Notes: Republican Observer November 22, 1951 Obituary "Edward Gher - Edward Gher, well known and highly respected farmer of the town of Orion, died suddenly Tuesday morning, November 20th, at his home on Oak Ridge. His death followed a heart attack. His illness came suddenly, a doctor was summoned, and he was to be taken to the hospital, but death took place before he could be moved from his home. Mr. Gher was a native of Richland county, born in the town of Forest, February 22, 1889, his parents being David and Delia Kilby Gher. During his early youth he resided in Richland Center. For the past 14 years ho has resided on Oak Ridge in the town of Orion. Surviving are his wife, the former Martha Bethke; five children, Mrs. James Muldowney of Dayton; Mrs. Arthur Stibbe, Orion; Wm. of Hillpoint; Donald, Loganville, and Marvin at home; two brothers, Albert of California, and Roy of Orion; two sisters, Mrs. Ed Sharp of Grey Eagle, Minn., and Mrs. Mabel Hanson, California. Funeral services will be held this Friday from the Pratt Funeral Home, Rev. D. O. Dietzman officiating, with burial in the Richland Center cemetery."

Children:

39. i. Dorothy Adella Gher #5063 b. 17-Aug-1910.
40. ii. Raymond H. Gher #5066 b. 26-Feb-1913.
41. iii. William E. "Bill" Gher #6794 b. 21-Apr-1916.
42. iv. Betty Mae Gher #6795 b. 22-Dec-1922.
43. v. Donald Frederick "Don" Gher #6801 b. 17-Apr-1924.
44. vi. Marvin Francis Gher #5065 b. 1-Sep-1929.

15. **Leo Frederick Bethke** #3808, b. 11-Apr-1892 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 1-Dec-1957 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer December 5, 1957 Obituary "Death Came Suddenly To Leo F. Bethke - Leo F. Bethke, 489 Ira street, passed away suddenly at his home on December 1st at the age of 65. His death was caused by a heart attack and he died in his sleep. He had been in ill health for some time. Mr.

Bethke was a native of this county, born April 11, 1892, a son of Ludwig and Otilia Stibbe Bethke. The Rev. Willard Albertus will officiate at the funeral services which are to be held this Thursday morning at 10:30 from the E.U.B. church with burial being made in the Richland Center cemetery. Survivors include his wife, Marie; two sons, Emmert, Richland Center; Bradley, route 4; Mrs. LaVina Venes, Palo Alto, Calif.; Mrs. Fedelia Svalina, Chicago; 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild; brothers, Ben and Emil of the town of Eagle; Avolt, Richland Center; Henry, Muscoda; Albert, Whittier, Calif.; three sisters, Mrs. John Burwitz, Gotham; Mrs. Harvey Kepler, Beloit, and Mrs. Ed Gher, Orion township. The Pratt Funeral Service had charge of the arrangements." He married Marie Johanna Bloedow #3809, 16-Mar-1916, b. 25-Jun-1896 in Pulaski, Iowa County, Wisconsin, d. 15-Jun-1988 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 17-Jun-1988 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Marie: Notes: The Richland Observer - June 23, 1988 - Obituaries "Marie Bethke Dosch, 91, of Richland Center, passed away Wednesday, June 15, 1988, at the Pine Valley

Manor Nursing Home. Mrs. Dosch was born June 25, 1896 in Pulaski, Iowa County, to William and Bertha (Manthee) Bloedow. Both her parents came from Germany. She married Leo Bethke March 16, 1916 and he passed away Dec. 1, 1957. Later she married Bert Dosch and he preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by a son and wife, Emmert and Josephine Bethke; son-in-law, James Venes; two sisters, Martha Bloedow and Selma Bethke; four brothers, William, Walter, Max and John Bloedow; two brothers-in-law, Henry and Avolt Bethke. Survivors include two daughters, Lavina Venes of Roseburg, Oreg., and Mrs. Nick (Fidelia) Svalina of Richland Center; one son and wife, Bradley and Dorothy "Sis" Bethke of Richland Center; two sister-in-law, Mrs. Bernice Bloedow of Avoca and Mrs. Beulah Bethke of Richland Center; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Memorial services were held Friday, June 17, 1988 at the Trinity United Methodist Church with Rev. Logan Holder officiating. Burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery at a later date."

Children:

45. i. Lavina Bernice Bethke #3811 b. 9-Dec-1916.
46. ii. Emmert L. Bethke #3810 b. 16-Jul-1918.
47. iii. Fidelia Selma "DeDe" Bethke #3812 b. 9-Nov-1919.
48. iv. Warren Bradley "Brad" Bethke #53 b. 28-Aug-1923.

16. **Henry George Bethke** #3975, b. 15-Apr-1893 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 25-Aug-1961 in Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer August 31, 1961 Obituary Henry and Selma "Selma Bethke was 63 years of age, born in Iowa county, April 4, 1898, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bloedow. Surviving are her daughters, Mrs. Melvin Davis, Mrs. Arnold Davis and Miss Muriel of Muscoda; Mrs. Rodney Krewnen, Madison; Mrs. Norman Gausman, McFarland; Mrs. Delos Wilson, Richland Center, route 2; six sons, Floyd, Lloyd, Harry, Louis and Howard, Muscoda, and Buddy, Flint, Michigan; three brothers Max Bloedow, Spring Green; John and Walter, of Avoca. Henry Bethke, husband of Selma, was a native of Richland county, a son of Ludwig and Otilia Stibbe Bethke, born April 16, 1893 and was in his 68th year. He was a veteran of World War I. He was employed by the Milwaukee Road before retirement. Besides the children listed for Mrs. Bethke, he is survived by brothers, Ben and Emil of Richland Center route 4; Avolt, and Albert, Richland Center, and a sister, Mrs. Ed Gher of Richland Center along with the grandchildren. Double funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Bethke were held Tuesday afternoon at the Pratt Memorial Chapel, burial taking place at the Ash Creek cemetery. The Rev. Stephen Mick was the officiating clergyman."

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into the path of the Bethke car. Alan Koenig was killed immediately and Mr. Bethke died enroute to the Richland hospital. Mrs. Bethke died at the Richland hospital some two hours later and Miss Haag passed away about 7:00 a. m. Deputy Howard Copus, Officer Delbert Klingaman, Assistant District Attorney Robert Keegan, and Undersheriff William O. Drone were the investigating officers at the scene of the accident. The death of these four fine people raises the Richland county highway death toll to six for this year and their passing brings sympathy to their survivors." He married Selma Bloedow #3979, 4-Apr-1918 in Iowa County, Wisconsin, b. 4-Apr-1898 in Iowa County, Wisconsin (daughter of Wilhelm "William" Bloedow #5841 and Bertha Manthei #5842), d. 26-Aug-1961 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 29-Aug-1961 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Selma: Notes: Republican Observer August 31, 1961 Obituary Henry and Selma "Selma Bethke was 63 years of age, born in Iowa county, April 4, 1898, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bloedow. Surviving are her daughters, Mrs. Melvin Davis, Mrs. Arnold Davis and Miss Muriel of Muscoda; Mrs. Rodney Krewen, Madison; Mrs. Norman Gausman, McFarland; Mrs. Delos Wilson, Richland Center, route 2; six sons, Floyd, Lloyd, Harry, Louis and Howard, Muscoda, and Buddy, Flint, Michigan; three brothers Max Bloedow, Spring Green; John and Walter, of Avoca. Henry Bethke, husband of Selma, was a native of Rich-land county, a son of Ludwig and Otilia Stibbe Bethke, born April 16, 1893 and was in his 68th year. He was a veteran of World War I. He was employed by the Milwaukee Road before retirement. Besides the children listed for Mrs. Bethke, he is survived by brothers, Ben and Emil of Richland Center route 4; Avolt, and Albert, Richland Center, and a sister, Mrs. Ed Gher of Richland Center along with the grandchildren. Double funeral services for Mr. and Mrs. Bethke were held Tuesday afternoon at the Pratt Memorial Chapel, burial taking place at the Ash Creek cemetery. The Rev. Stephen Mick was the officiating clergyman."

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Children:

49. i. Henrietta M. Bethke #4003 b. 25-Aug-1918.
50. ii. Elmer Bethke #4397 b. abt 1920.
51. iii. Marian Anna Bethke #4402 b. 4-Oct-1921.
52. iv. Frances Mildred Bethke #4403 b. 30-Dec-1922.
53. v. Magdalene Selma Bethke #4005 b. 9-Aug-1924.
54. vi. Louis Henry "Louie" Bethke #4391 b. 10-Mar-1926.
55. vii. Howard Irvin Bethke #4392 b. 10-Aug-1927.
56. viii. Buddy W. Bethke #4393 b. 3-Aug-1930.
57. ix. June Florence Bethke #3983 b. 7-Jun-1932.
58. x. Annette Julie Bethke #4404 b. 10-Aug-1935.
59. xi. Floyd Bethke #4394 b. 9-Jul-1937.
60. xii. Lloyd Bethke #4395 b. 9-Jul-1937.
61. xiii. Harry Bethke #4396 b. abt 1939.
62. xiv. Murial I. Bethke #4405 b. 4-Jun-1941.

17. **Avolt Bethke** #3972, b. 16-Dec-1894 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 16-Mar-1966 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer March 24, 1966 Obituary "Avolt Bethke, Retired Mill Worker, Dies - Avolt Bethke, 645 Rosa street, died Wednesday, March 16, at the Richland Hospital a short time after becoming ill at his home. He was the son of the late Ludvig and Otilia Stibbe Bethke, who lived on Upper Ash Creek, and had spent his life in the immediate area. He was married in 1921 to Beulah Sharp and they spent a brief time at farming immediately afterward. He was long employed at Keegan Mills and retired five years ago. In World War I he served on border patrol. He was a member of the First EUB church. He is survived by his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Harold Hamilton, Dallas, Texas, and Mrs. Wesley Haug, city; four sons, Dennis and James, both of the city, Sidney with the U. S. Army in Ethiopia, and Gary Lee with the U. S. Marine Corps in North Carolina; three brothers, Ben and Emil, route 4, Richland Center, and Albert, Whittier, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Martha Gher, city; 17 grandchildren and one greatgrandchild. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Pratt Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Brice officiating. Both sons in service were called home by his death. St. Sgt. Sidney Bethke did not arrive in time for the funeral and burial was delayed until Monday. The Rev. W. G. Kobs officiated at brief services Monday forenoon at the Chapel and at the cemetery on Ash Creek. Relatives and friends from out of town attending the Bethke funeral were Mrs. Harold Hamilton and Randy, Dallas, Texas; S. Sgt. Sidney Bethke, Ethiopia, Africa; Sgt. Gary Bethke, Cherry Point, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Nick Svalina, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Campbell and Janice, Gilbert, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carpenter, Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, Helen Bethke, Earl Cunningham, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Sharp, Ruth and Gloria, all of Milwaukee; Mr. and Mrs. Emmert Sharp, Hannibal, Wis.; William Sharp Jr., Donald, Wis.; Mrs. Murial Speth, Platteville, and Mrs. Betty McCarthy Waupun." He married Beulah Faye Sharp #3976, 22-Sep-1921 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 26-Jul-1902 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of William Newton Sharp #5458 and Barbara Ellen Leffer #5459), d. 14-Jul-2000 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 18-Jul-2000 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Beulah: Notes: The Richland Observer - July 20, 2000 - Obituaries "Beulah Faye(Sharp) Bethke, 97, of Richland Center died Friday, July 14, 2000 at Pine Valley Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center in Richland Center. Born July 26, 1902 in Eagle Township, she was the daughter of William and Barbara (Leffer) Sharp. In 1921 she married Avolt Bethke who preceded her in death on March 16, 1966. Survivors include two daughters, Marjorie (Harold) Hamilton of Dallas and Mary Lou (Wes) Haug of Sextonville; two sons, James (Jeannine) Bethke of Richland Center and Gary (Judy) Bethke of Richland Center; 19 grandchildren; 42 great- grandchildren; 12 great-great-grandchildren and two daughters-in-law, Charlene (Bud) Bethke and Shirley (Sidney) Bethke, both of Richland Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 18, at Pratt Memorial Chapel. Pastor Russell Frees officiated with burial in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Pratt Funeral Service assisted, the family with the arrangements."

Children:

63. i. Marjorie Jane Bethke #3988 b. 26-Dec-1921.
 64. ii. Alberta W. Bethke #5893 b. 31-Jul-1923.
 65. iii. Dennis Keith "Bud" Bethke #3982 b. 15-Mar-1925.
 66. iv. Mary Louise "Mary Lou" Bethke #3987 b. 8 Apr 1927.
 67. v. Lewis James "Jim" Bethke #3989 b. 11-Sep-1928.
 68. vi. Sidney Dean Bethke #3990 b. 23-May-1932.
 69. vii. Gary Lee Bethke #3991 b. 23-Mar-1943.
18. **Emil Rudolph Bethke** #3974, b. 12-Jul-1898 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 24-Oct-1976 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried 27-Oct-1976 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - October 28, 1976 - Obituaries "Emil R. Bethke, 78, a lifelong Town of Eagle farmer, died at the Richland Hospital Sunday (Oct. 24, 1976) after an illness. Mr. Bethke was born July 12, 1898, in Richland County. He was the son of Ludwig and Otelle Stibbe Bethke. He

married the former Anna Shane Aug. 29, 1925. She preceded him in death April 26, 1973. He is survived by three sons, Robert, Charles and Donald, all of Route 4, Richland Center; two daughters, Mrs. Jay (Doris) Kanable of Route 1, Richland Center; and Helen of Milwaukee; a brother Ben of Route 4, Richland Center; and eight grandchildren. Funeral services were held Wednesday in the Pratt Chapel with the Rev. Larry Moody officiating. Burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery." He married Anna Frances Shane #3978, 29-Aug-1925, b. 28-Jul-1902 in Camp Douglas, Juneau County, Wisconsin, d. 26-Apr-1973 in Richland Center Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried 28-Apr-1973 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Anna: Notes: The Richland Observer - May 3, 1973 - Obituaries "Anna F. Bethke, 70, died Thursday (April 26, 1973) at the Richland Hospital after a long illness. Mrs. Bethke was born at Camp Douglas, Juneau County, July 28, 1902. Her parents were John and Emma Stibbe Shane. She married Emil R. Bethke in 1925, and they farmed in the Town of Eagle. Surviving Mrs. Bethke are her husband, Emil, route 4, Richland Center; three sons, Charles, Donald, and Bob, all of route 4; two daughters, Mrs. Jay Kanable, route 1, Richland Center, and Helen, Milwaukee; and eight grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday in the Pratt Chapel with the Revs. Harold Welch and Otas Botts officiating and burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery."

Children:

- 70. i. Robert Warren "Bob" Bethke #3997 b. 14-Dec-1926.
- 71. ii. Charles Emil Bethke #3980 b. 3-May-1929.
- 72. iii. Donald Allen Bethke #3981 b. 29-Feb-1932.
- 73. iv. Helen June Bethke #3999 b. 1-Jun-1936.
- 74. v. Doris D. Bethke #3998 b. 13-Oct-1938.

19. **Elizabeth Sarah Bethke** #10132, b. 15-Aug-1900 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 9-Jun-1961, buried in Mill Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer June 22, 1961 - Obituary "Deaths Of The Past Two Weeks There were a number of deaths which took place in the county during the past ten days, also noted were the passing of former residents during that period. These deaths took place during the period that the office force were on vacation. They are here noted. Elizabeth Kepler - Mrs. Elizabeth Kepler, 60, wife of Harvey Kepler, Beloit, died on June 9 from injuries received when she was struck by a train. Mrs. Kepler placed herself in front of a passenger train and was an apparent suicide. The train had left the station and was moving at about 20 miles per hour. Mrs. Kepler, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Bethke, was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludwig Bethke, born in Richland county, August 15, 1900. She and Mr. Kepler had been married 42 years in April. Funeral services, with the Rev. D. O. Dietzman officiating, were held Monday, June 12, from the Pratt Memorial Chapel with burial in the Mill Creek cemetery. Survivors are her husband Harvey, Beloit; six sons, Robert, Lone Rock; James, Richland Center, route 1; Downing, Richland Center; Wilford, Milwaukee; William and Darwin, both of Beloit; two daughters, Mrs. Gretchen Fisher and Mrs. Oren Campbell, Beloit; five brothers, Ben, Emil and Avolt Bethke, all of Richland Center, and Henry and Albert of Unscoda; one sister, Mrs. Ed Gher, Richland Center." She married Harvey Elmer Kepler #10133, 10-Apr-1918, b. 2-Oct-1896 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 8-Jul-1968 in Richland Center Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Mill Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Harvey: Notes: Richland Observer July 11, 1968 - Obituary "E. H. Kepler Dies at 71 - Elmer Harvey Kepler, 71, 210 North Jefferson street, died Monday morning, July 8, at the Richland Hospital, where he had been a patient about a week. He was born in Richland county and farmed here and for several years was a machinist with the Gates-American firm in Beloit. He retired six years ago. He was married in 1918 to Elizabeth Bethke, who died in June, 1961. Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Pratt Chapel with the Rev. Kenneth Brice officiating. Burial was in the Mill Creek cemetery. Surviving are six sons, Robert, Lone Rock, James and Downing, both of rural Richland Center, Wilford, New Berlin, William and Darwin, both of Beloit; two daughter, Pauline, Mrs. Oren Campbell, and Gretchen, Mrs. Channing Fisher, both of Beloit; a brother, Walter, Richland Center; 19 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren."

20. **Ruth Augusta Stibbe** #10149, b. 13-May-1900 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 18-Oct-1994 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County,

Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer October 20, 1994 - Obituary "Ruth A. Stibbe - Ruth A. Stibbe, 94, of Richland Center, died on Tuesday, Oct. 18, 1994 at The Richland Hospital in Richland Center. She was born May 13, 1900 in Richland County, the daughter of Ferdinand Stibbe and Ottilia Bethke. She married John 'Irving' Stibbe on Aug. 11, 1919 in Iowa. He preceded her in death on Dec. 5, 1979. Survivors include one daughter, Leona Freeman of Richland Center; three sons, Donald Stibbe of Woodstock, Ill., Robert Stibbe and Allen Stibbe, both of Richland Center; 14 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; one brother, Rubin Stibbe of Naperville, Ill. and one sister, Irene Bloedow of Markesan. She was preceded in death by two sons, LaVerne and David and a grandson Marty Freeman. Funeral services will be held Friday, Oct. 21, 1994 at 2:00 p.m. at the Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Rev. David Fuller will officiate. Burial will be in the Ash Creek Cemetery in Orion Township. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Thursday, Oct. 20 from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. or on Friday from 8:00 a.m. until the time of the services. The family requests that memorials be made to the Ash Creek United Methodist Church." She married John "Irving" Stibbe #10152, 11-Aug-1919 in Iowa, b. 30-May-1892 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Dec-1979 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. John: Notes: Richland Observer December 13, 1979 - Obituary "Irving Stibbe, Retired Richland Farmer, Dies After Brief Illness - John Irving Stibbe, 87, a retired Town of Richland farmer, died Wednesday (Dec. 5, 1979) at the Richland Hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Stibbe was born May 30, 1892, in Richland County. He was the son of Robert and Elizabeth Flamme Stibbe. Mr. Stibbe married the former Ruth A. Stibbe Aug. 11, 1919, and they farmed for many years in the Town of Richland until retiring in a new home on the farm. Mr. Stibbe is survived by his wife, Ruth of Route 2, Richland Center; a daughter, Mrs. Leona Freeman of Richland Center; three sons, Donald of Elmhurst, Ill., Robert of Route 2, Richland Center, and Allen of Fond du Lac; a brother, Bernard of Janesville; two sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Reid of Richland Center and Mrs. Alice Jackson of Lone Rock; 14 grandchildren; and 17 great-grandchildren. Mr. Stibbe was preceded in death by two sons, LaVerne in 1968 and David, in 1975, and a grandson, Marty Freeman in 1974. Funeral services were Saturday in the Pratt Memorial Chapel with the Rev. David Petersen officiating. Burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery."

21. **Irene E. Stibbe** #10150, b. 18-Jun-1902, d. 13-May-1995 in Markesan, Green Lake County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer May 18, 1995 - Obituary "Irene Bloedow - Irene Bloedow, 92, a resident of the Riverdale Manor Nursing Home, Markesan, died Saturday evening, May 13, 1995, at the nursing home. Irene was born June 18, 1902, in Richland Center the daughter of Ferdinand and Ottilia Bethke Stibbe. She married Ernest E. Bloedow on June 13, 1923, in Richland Center. The couple resided in Naperville, Ill., for several years and then returned to Richland Center. The also resided in Elmhurst, Ill., Waukesha, and in later years in Port Washington. She was employed for 18 years in the dietary department at Resthaven Veterans Hospital and Wood Veterans Hospital. She was a member of the Waupun United Methodist Church in Waupun. Survivors include three sons, Willard (Florence) Bloedow of Waupun, Fred Bloedow of Evanston, Ill., and James (Nora) Bloedow of Orange Park, Fla.; a daughter Mary Andrews of Fort Myers, Fla.; one daughter-in-law (Catherine Bloedow of Mabelton, Ga.; 18 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; four great-great grandchildren; and one brother Reuben Stibbe of Naperville. She was preceded in death by her husband, one son, three sisters, one brother, and two grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday at the Werner-Harnisen Funeral Home in Waupun. Rev. Myke Christensen officiated, and burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery, rural Richland Center, on Wednesday."

. She married Ernest Emil Bloedow #10153, 13-Jun-1923 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 13-Dec-1899 in Pennsylvania, d. 13-Jul-1966 in Waukesha County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin.

22. **Reuben Gustav** #10147, b. 7-Oct-1904, d. 20-Jul-1995, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. He married Hazel Davis #10154, 20-Nov-1926, b. 2-Nov-1905, d. 26-Mar-1987, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin.

23. **Infant Son** #10148, b. 10-Oct-1907, d. 10-Oct-1907, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin.
24. **Helen Julia Stibbe** #10151, b. 14-Nov-1910, d. 5-Sep-1949, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. She married Thomas H. Lange #10155, b. 1908, d. August/1952, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin.
25. **Arthur F. Sr. Stibbe** #6796, b. 20-Sep-1913 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 6-Mar-1956 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer March 8, 1956 Obituary "Orion Farmer Dies After Long Illness - Arthur P. Stibbe, 42, a town of Orion farmer, died March 6 at the Richland hospital after an illness of seven years. He was a native of Richland county, his parents being Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Stibble. Mr. Stibbe is survived by his wife, a son Arthur, Jr. and a daughter, Donna Lynn. Funeral services are to be held Friday at two p.m. at the Pratt Memorial Chapel with Rev. Donald Sumwalt officiating." He married Betty Mae Gher #6795, 27-Feb-1943 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 22-Dec-1922 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of Edward Benjamin Gher #5062 and Martha Elizabeth Bethke #5061), d. 5-Aug-2008 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 9-Aug-2008 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Betty: Notes: Pratt Funeral Service "Betty Mae Gher Stibbe James, age 85, of Richland Center, died on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at Schmitt Woodland Hills Retirement Community. She was born in Richland Center on December 22, 1922, the daughter of Edward and Martha (Bethke) Gher. She attended eight grade schools, Richland Center High School, and graduated from Muscoda High School. On February 27, 1943, Betty married Arthur F. Stibbe. After his death in 1956, she farmed, raised her children and went to college at the Richland County Teacher's College, graduating in 1959. Later, she completed her B.S. degree at the University of Platteville. Betty taught at Akey School until it closed in 1962, and then taught in Sextonville, Ithaca, and many years in Wauzeka schools. In 1967, she married Donald E. James, and they farmed near Richland Center. They celebrated 40 years of marriage. Betty was a member of the Ask Creek United Methodist Church. She enjoyed teaching, gardening, flowers and cooking. Education was very important to her, and she enjoyed reading. A lot of good times were spent with her grandchildren. Don and Betty enjoyed vacations with her family and the train trips they took. Betty is survived by her husband Donald E. James of Richland Center, one son: Arthur F., Jr. 'Fritz' (Sue) Stibbe of Richland Center, one daughter: Donna L. (Jerry) Sims of Richland Center, 4 grandchildren: Sheila (Bruce) McCauley of Bellevue, Nebraska, Shai (Christopher) Sims Brown of Green Bay, TyLacey Sims (Fiance Josh Hines) of Madison, Wisconsin, David Stibbe of Richland Center, 3 great grandchildren: Colten and Springfield McCauley, Elijah Brown; one brother: Marvin Gher of Richland Center; three sisters in law: Dixie Gher of Sebula, Iowa, Venna Comar, Emily Fish, both of Richland Center, many nieces and nephews. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, a sister Dorothy Muldowney, and brothers: Donald Gher, William Gher, and Raymond Gher; her first husband Arthur F. Stibbe, a step granddaughter Michelle Knoble Wilson, and a great grandson Remington McCauley. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 9, 2008 at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL. Pastor TyLacey Sims and Pastor Josh Pegram will co-officiate, and burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL on Saturday morning from 9:00 AM until the time of the service at 11:00 AM. The family suggests memorials be made to the Ash Creek United Methodist Church in memory of Betty. The Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. "
- Children:*
75. i. Arthur Ferdinan, Jr. "Fritz" Stibbe #6798 b. 6-Feb-1944.
76. ii. Donna L. Stibbe #6799 b. 11-Nov-1947.

26. **Evelyn Otilia Stibbe** #7291, b. 24-Jul-1917 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 17-Nov-1989 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer November 23, 1989 Obituary "Evelyn O. Gher - Evelyn O. Gher, 72, of Orion Township, died on Friday, Nov. 17, 1989, at Merter/Madison General in Madison. Mrs. Gher was born on July 24, 1917, in Orion, the daughter of Ferdinand Stibbe and Otilia Bethke. She was married to

Ewald Wegner in 1938 and he preceded her in death on June 3, 1951. On Feb. 15, 1958, she married Marvin Gher. Survivors include her husband, Marvin Gher of rural Richland Center; three sons, Paul (Liz) Wegner, John (Linda) Wegner, and Bill (Nancy) Gher, all of rural Richland Center; three daughters, Debra (Dennis) Adams and Cindy (Ron) Deckert, both of Richland Center, and Sallyann (John) Muenzenberger of Holmen; nine grandchildren, John, Jim and Bruce Wegner, Michelle, Stephanie and Nina Adams, Eileen and Katylynn Gher, and James Deckert; two sisters, Ruth Stibbe of Richland Center and Irene Bloedow of Waupun; one brother, Reuben Stibbe of Naperville, Ill.; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, Nov. 21, 1989, at 1 p.m. at the Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Reverend Joan E. Strahn officiated with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery. The family requests that memorials be made to the Ash Creek United Methodist Church." She married (1) Ewald Wegner #7292, 25-Apr-1939, b. 6-Oct-1901 in Wisconsin, d. 3-Jun-1951 in Orion Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Ewald: Notes: Republican Observer June 7, 1951 Obituary "Services Wednesday For Ewald Wegner - Ewald Wegner, a farmer in the town of Orion, passed away very suddenly at his home Sunday, June 3rd. Mr. Werner had not been in the best of health but his death came very unexpectedly. He was a native of Wisconsin and was 49 years of age having been born October 6, 1901. The body was cared for at the Pratt Funeral Home where services were held Wednesday afternoon and burial made in the city cemetery. Rev. Stanley Hayes officiated. Surviving Mr. Wegner are his wife, the former Evelyn Stibbe, two sons, Paul and John at home; a brother Arthur, town of Orion, and three sisters, Mrs. Ollie Janney, Prairie du Sac, Mrs. Eda Wade, Lime Ridge, and Mrs. Anna Klingaman, Richland Center." She married (2) Marvin Francis Gher #5065, 15-Feb-1958, b. 1-Sep-1929 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin (son of Edward Benjamin Gher #5062 and Martha Elizabeth Bethke #5061), d. 26-Dec-2014 in Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Marvin: Notes: Richland Observer Obituary January 1, 2015 "Marvin Gher, age 85, of rural Richland Center died Friday, December 26, 2014, at home on the farm. He was born on September 1, 1929 in Richland Center the son of Edward and Martha (Bethke) Gher. On February 15, 1958 he married Evelyn (Stibbe) Wegner at Ash Creek United Methodist Church. Marvin lived in the same house for 75 years. He sponsored Little Britches Showmanship, liked his travels, farmed all his life, and hauled milk for several years. For years he enjoyed annual trips to Spooner with family to ride the train. Survivors include 5 children, Bill (Nancy) Gher of Richland Center, Cindy (Ronald) Deckert of Richland Center, Sallyann (John) Muenzenberger of Lacrosse, John Sr. (Linda) Wegner of Richland Center, Debra (Dennis) Adams of Richland Center; 13 grandchildren, Eileen (Gher) Studnicka, Katylynn (Gher) Heisz, William Gher, James Deckert, Daria Deckert, Kyle Muenzenberger, Jenna Muenzenberger; John Wegner Jr., James Wegner, Bruce Wegner, Michelle Adams, Stephanie (Adams) Scholz, Nina Adams; several great grandchildren, 2 great great grandchildren; a brother-in-law, Donald James of Richland Center; other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife (Evelyn), stepson (Paul Wegner), brothers and sisters, Raymond Gher, William Gher, Dorothy Muldowney, Donald Gher, Betty (Gher) (Stibbe) James. Funeral Services will be held on Monday, December 29, 2014 at 1:30 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 4 PM to 7 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home and also on Monday from Noon until the time of services. On line condolences can be made at www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com".

Children by Ewald Wegner:

- 77. i. John Sr. Wegner #9309.
- 78. ii. Paul Wagner #9311.

Children by Marvin Francis Gher:

- 79. iii. Billy Marvin "Bill" Gher #8362 b. 30-Jul-1958.
- 80. iv. Cindy Sue Gher #9303 b. 21-Aug-1959.
- 81. v. Sallyann Martha Gher #9304 b. 2-Dec-1960.
- 82. vi. Debra M. Gher #9306.

Generation Five

27. **Lavern William Bloedow** #8081, b. 3-Feb-1920 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 17-May-2008 in Tucson, Pima County, Arizona. He married Pearl Violet Weist #8082.
28. **Virginia Neveda Bethke** #8080, b. 9-Dec-1921. She married Adolph Anton Stodola, Jr. #8083, b. 10-Mar-1916 in Rice Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin, d. 1-Feb-1970 in Wisconsin, buried in Haugen, Barron County, Wisconsin.
29. **Lorena Bloedow** #8079, b. 27-Jul-1926, d. 11-Dec-1928, buried in Wiesner Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron Co., Wisconsin. Notes: FIND A GRAVE
Lorena Bloedow
BIRTH 27 Jul 1926
DEATH 11 Dec 1928 (aged 2)
BURIAL Wiesner Cemetery, Rice Lake, Barron County, Wisconsin.
30. **Delbert Lebert Shambaugh** #9900, b. 20-Mar-1919 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 21-May-1993 in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, buried in Wood National Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He married Rose Cathrine Scheer #9901, 17-Jun-1937 in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, b. 18-Nov-1918 in Wisconsin, d. 28-Aug-2012, buried in Wood National Cemetery, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.
31. **Vivian N. Bethke** #4001, b. 22-May-1919 in Oconomowoc, Waukesha County, Wisconsin, d. 4-Mar-2020 in Dodgeville, Iowa County, Wisconsin, buried 10-Mar-2020 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: GAST Vivian 2020-03-04 ONLINE OBIT Ash Creek Cemetery "Vivian N. Gast - Dodgeville - Vivian N. Gast, age 100, of Dodgeville, went to be with her Lord & Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, March 4, 2020. She was born on May 22, 1919 in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. She was the adopted daughter of Ben and Clara Bethke of Richland Center, Wisconsin. She graduated from Richland Center High School in 1937 and also from the Madison Cosmetology school in 1939. On September 14, 1941, she was united in marriage to Reinhold Gast of Milwaukee at her home. She followed her husband in his Naval career for 17 years, living in 7 states and Hawaii. They retired in Colorado Springs, Colorado. She is survived by her son David (Lyn) Gast of Memphis, Tennessee; her daughter-in-law Janet Gast of Dodgeville; her six grandchildren Nancy, Nathan, Jennifer, Michelle, Nicole and Victoria; 11 great grandchildren Arianna, Emily, Allison, Marisa, Evan, Brayden, Zachary, Katherine, Sydney, Mason and Tate; other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband of over 50 years, Reinhold, her parents, her son Ronald and her brother Voren. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, 412 W Spring St, Dodgeville. Pastor Alex Ruggier will officiate. Friends may call from 10:00 a.m. until time of services on Tuesday at the church. Burial will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday at Ash Creek Church Cemetery in rural Richland Center. Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home www.gorgenfh.com"
- . She married Reinhold L. Gast #4002, 14-Sep-1941, b. 13-Aug-1918 in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, d. 9-May-1992 in Cascade, Colorado, buried 15-May-1992 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Reinhold: Notes: The Richland Observer - May 14, 1992 - Obituaries "Reinhold L. Gast, 73, of Cascade, Colo., died on Saturday, May 9, 1992, at his residence in Cascade. Mr. Gast was born on Aug. 13, 1918, in Wauwatosa, the son of Max Gast and Margret Bethke. He married to the former Vivian Bethke on Sept. 14, 1941. Reinhold was a veteran, serving with the Navy for 20 years as a Chief Petty Officer. After his military career, he attended school and worked in electronics. Survivors include his wife, Vivian Gast of Cascade; two sons, Ronald Gast of Avoca and David Gast of Memphis, Tenn.; six grandchildren; two sisters, Caraline Sauer of Franklin, Tenn., and Florence Bergman of Dickinson, N. Dak. Committal services will be held on Friday, May 15, at 11 a.m. at the Ash Creek Cemetery. Duane Thomas will officiate. Burial will be at

the Ash Creek Cemetery, where military graveside rites will be conducted by the American Legion and VFW Post 2267. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Friday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The family requests that memorials be made to the First Evangelical Free Church or the chity of the giver's choice."

Children:

- 83. i. Ronald P. Gast #4097 b. 19-Sep-1942.
- 84. ii. David Gast #4388.

32. **Voren Benjamin Bethke** #4317, b. 18-Jun-1923 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, d. 8-May-1974 in LaCrosse, LaCrosse County, Wisconsin, buried in Bethel Cemetery, Vernon County, Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - May 16, 1974 - Obituaries "Funeral services were held Saturday at the Bethel Lutheran Church at Viroqua for Voren Benjamin Bethke, 50, who died at the Lutheran Hospital in LaCrosse Wednesday (May 8, 1974), after a long illness. Pastor Elmer Ellefson officiated and burial was in the Bethel Cemetery. Mr. Bethke was born in Milwaukee June 18, 1923, the son of Benjamin and Clara Bethke, and spent his early years in Richland County. He married the former Evelyn Anderson in 1943. He was a veteran of World War II. He farmed until 16 years ago when he moved to Viroqua where he was employed at the Vernon County Highway Dept. He is survived by his wife Evelyn; his parents; Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bethke, Richland Center; three sons, Kenneth, LaCrosse, and Daniel and Steven, Viroqua; six daughters, Mrs. Chance (Carol) Farlowe, Baronette, Mrs. Ed (Donna) Stussy, Gays Mills, Mrs. Ed (Patricia) Kelley, Sparta, Mrs. Charles (Vicki) McCullick, Prairie du Chien, and Mrs. Roger (Nancy) Jacobson and Jennie, Viroqua; a sister, Mrs. Vivian Gast of Montrose, Calif; and nine grandchildren. The Beier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements." He married Evelyn M. Anderson #4318, 1943, b. 8-Jan-1925, d. 10-Jun-1999, buried in Bethel Cemetery, Vernon County, Wisconsin. Evelyn: Notes: No obituary - data from Find A Grave.

Children:

- 85. i. Kenneth Bethke #4319.
- 86. ii. Daniel Bethke #4320.
- 87. iii. Donna Jean Bethke #4323 b. abt 1946.
- 88. iv. Carol Bethke #4322.
- 89. v. Vicky L. Bethke #4325 b. 3-Sep-1952.
- 90. vi. Patricia Bethke #4324.
- 91. vii. Nancy Bethke #4326 b. abt 1957.
- 92. viii. Patrick Steven Bethke #4321 b. 24-Sep-1961.
- 93. ix. Jeannie Bethke #4327.

33. **Florence Leone "Floss" Bethke** #6712, b. 9-Apr-1917 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 15-Jul-2010 in Waverly, Pike County, Ohio, buried in Albaton, Monona County, Iowa. Notes: Richland Observer July 22, 2010 Obituary "Floss L Bethke Pratt - Floss L. Bethke Pratt died on July 15, 2010. She was born on April 9, 1917, in Richland Center, daughter of Albert and Ferne Lint Bethke. She was an elementary teacher in Wisconsin and also worked as an accountant. She was a member of Grace United Methodist Church in Waverly, Ohio. She and her husband lived in Bristol Village, Waverly, Ohio, until she moved to Omaha, Neb., to live with her niece Christine Ewer. She is survived by three sisters, Anne Martin of Texas, Lois Anderson of Iowa, and Alberta Ewer of Nebraska; a brother, John F. Bethke of California; a brother-in-law, Don Pratt; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband James Theron Pratt of Waverly, Ohio, and an infant brother of Richland Center. A memorial service will be held in Omaha. Memorials may be made to an animal shelter of your choice or church of your choice." She married James Theron Pratt #7017, 7-Jun-1939 in Iowa County, Wisconsin, b. 8-Apr-1916 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 20-Apr-2000 in Waverly, Pike County, Ohio, buried in Albaton, Monona County, Iowa. James: Notes: Richland Observer May 4, 2000 Obituary "James T. Pratt - James Theroth Piatt, 84, of Waverly, Ohio died Thursday, April 20, 2000 at Pike Community Hospital in Waverly. Born April 8, 1916 in Richland Center, he was the son of Charles E. and Vera Basye Pratt. He married Floss L. Bethke on June 7, 1939. A graduate of Madison Business College, he took advanced classes at the University of

Wisconsin and Texas Christian University. His life career in' accounting was spent with the international firm of Arthur Andersen, establishing the H&R Block Co., in Columbus, Ohio retiring with 14 years of service as a corporate tax auditor with the Columbus Ohio Department of Taxation. He was a current member of the Grace United Methodist Church in Waverly. He was formerly a member of Calvaly United Methodist Church in Milwaukee where he was a Sunday school teacher, trustee, and a Boy Scout leader. He also volunteered at the Bristol Village Activity Center desk and was a driver for medical appointments for several years. Survivors include two brothers Leo C. (Claribel) Pratt and Donald F. (Ellen) Pratt, both of Wisconsin; a niece Maureen Trimm and nephews John E. (Linda) Doyle, Charles E. Pratt and James Lee Pratt, a brother-in-law John F. (Debbie) Bethke, sisters-in-law Martin Lois Andersen and Alberta (Jack) Ewer. He was preceded in death by sisters Zerita Pratt and Marjorie Doyle, a brother Ralph Pratt and special uncle Clark Pratt. Memorial services will be held Wednesday, May 10, at 2 p.m. at the Bristol Village Activity Center in Waverly. Burial will be at a later date at tht Fairview Cemetery in Onawa, Iowa. Arrangements ;are under the direction of the Botkin Funeral Home in Waverly, Ohio."

34. **Anne Lorraine Bethke** #6713, b. 1923, d. in Texas.

35. **Lois Janet Bethke** #6714, b. 16-Mar-1925 in Richland Center, Richland County, WI, d. 21-Jun-2013 in Spirit Lake, Iowa, buried 6-Jul-2013 in Fairview Cemetery, Albaton, Iowa. Notes: Root Funeral Homes "Lois Janet Anderson, daughter of Albert and Ferne (Lint) Bethke, was born March 16, 1925 in Richland Center, Wisconsin. She entered into eternal rest on Friday, June 21, 2013 at Lakes Regional Hospital in Spirit Lake, Iowa at the age of 88. Lois was united in marriage to Master Sgt. Gay A. Anderson on January 1, 1945 at a Truax Field Chapel in Madison, Wisconsin. Following WWII, they lived a short while at Whittier, California where daughter Janet Gayle was born. They then moved to the Albaton area rural Sloan, Iowa to live on the farm Gay had grown up on. One son, Gordon Allen, was born there and a daughter, Gloria Anne, who died at birth. Lois was a twenty-year employee of John Holmes Publishing Company in Whiting, Iowa. She moved to Onawa in the summer of 1991. Lois was an active member of Onawa United Methodist Church and enjoyed being involved with the United Methodist Women's Esther Circle. Grateful for having shared her life are three granddaughters: Laura Bosler and husband Keith of Spirit Lake, IA, Nyla Siefert and husband Steve of St. Peters, MO and Lisa Salas and husband Chris of St. Peters, MO; eight great-grandchildren: Ethan, Travis and Alex Bosler of Spirit Lake, Jessica and Alyssa Caruana, Nina Siefert and Amanda and Mikayla Salas all of St. Peters; one sister, Alberta Ewer and husband Jack of Loop City, NE; one brother, John Bethke of Riverside, CA; several nieces; nephews; other relatives and friends. Lois was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Gay; daughters: Gloria in infancy and Janet; son, Gordon; two sisters: Floss Pratt and husband Theron and Anne Martin; one brother in infancy, David Roger Bethke; and one sister-in-law, Debbie Bethke. Memorial Service was held Saturday July 6, 2013 at 11:00 a.m., Onawa United Methodist Church, Onawa, Iowa. Officiating was Pastor Dennis Burns. And Inurnment made in the Fairview Cemetery, Albaton, Iowa. Visitation one hour prior to the service at the church and following the memorial service, the family invites you join them for a time of fellowship and a lunch at the church." She married Gay Adrain Anderson #7142, 1-Jan-1945 in Truax Field Chapel, Madison, Wisconsin, b. 28-Aug-1905 in Fairview Township, Albaton, Iowa, d. 8-Apr-1981 in Whiting, Monona County, Iowa, buried in Fairview Cemetery, Albaton, Iowa. Gay: Notes: No obituary - Find A Grave data.

Children:

- 94. i. Janet Gayle Anderson #7143 b. 18-Mar-1946.
- 95. ii. Gordon Allen Anderson #7144 b. 13-Feb-1949.
- 96. iii. Gloria Anne Anderson #7145 b. 1955.

36. **Alberta Ruth Bethke** #6715, b. 29-Jul-1927 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Mar-2022 in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska, buried in Pleasanton Cemetery, Pleasanton, Buffalo Co., NE. Notes: Richland Observer March 24, 2022 - Obituary "Alberta R. Bethke Ewer - Alberta R. Bethke Ewer, 94 years and seven months, passed away on March 5,2022, in Omaha, Nebraska. She was born on July 28, 1927, in Richland Center to Albert and Feme (Lint) Bethke. Alberta Bethke married Jack L. Ewer on June 29, 1957, in Onawa, Iowa. She was a member of Benson Baptist Church of Omaha, Nebraska, and

United Methodist Church of Loup City, Nebraska. Alberta is survived by her four children, Carolyn (Robert) Killion, Laguna Niguel, California, David (Karra) Ewer, Elkhorn, Nebraska. Christine Ewer, Omaha, Nebraska, and Michael (Elizabeth) Ewer, Omaha, Nebraska; five grandchildren, Ashley Amante. Loup City, Nebraska, Kenneth (Amanda) Ewer. Sterling, Virginia, Keia (Dave) Jensen, Omaha, Nebraska, Heather Ewer, Omaha, Nebraska, Kaylee Ewer, Omaha, Nebraska; and three great-grandchildren. Soren and Gunner Jensen. Omaha, Nebraska, and Eliana Ewer, Sterling, Virginia. She also leaves behind many beloved nieces and nephews and their families from both the Bethke and Ewer families. Alberta was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Feme Bethke; her husband. Jack L. Ewer; her sisters. Floss (Theron) Pratt. Anne Martin, and Lois (Gay) Anderson; and her brother, John 'Jack' Bethke. The funeral was held on March 12 in Omaha, Nebraska. Burial was held on March 14 at the Pleasanton Cemetery in Pleasanton, Nebraska." She married Jack Leo Ewer #9866, 29-Jun-1957 in Onawa, Iowa, b. 28-Mar-1928 in Pleasanton, Buffalo County, Nebraska, d. 24-Feb-2020 in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska, buried in Pleasanton Cemetery, Pleasanton, Buffalo Co., NE. Jack: Notes: FIND A GRAVE Obituary "Jack L. Ewer, 91, of Omaha died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020, in Omaha. Jack was born March 28, 1928, in Pleasanton to Cyril Lincoln and Ella Martha (Smith) Ewer. He grew up in Pleasanton and graduated from Pleasanton High School. Jack entered the U.S. Army Oct. 17, 1950, and served during the Korean War. He was honorably discharged Aug. 13, 1952. He was united in marriage to Alberta Ruth Bethke on June 29, 1957, in Onawa, Iowa. They returned to the Azores Islands, Portugal, where they met while he was employed by the U.S. government as a civil servant instructing the Portuguese men on boiler maintenance. Throughout his adult life, he also lived in Rapid City, SD; Boise, ID; Chadron; Anchorage, AK; Grand Forks, ND; Omaha; and Loup City. He retired from Royal Globe Insurance Co. in Omaha where he worked as a large mechanical equipment safety inspector. Survivors include his wife, Alberta R. (Bethke) Ewer of Omaha; sons, David (Karra) Ewer of Elkhorn and Michael (Elizabeth) Ewer of Omaha; daughters, Carolyn (Robert) Ewer Killion of Laguna Niguel, Calif., and Christine Ewer of Omaha; grandchildren, Ashley Amante of Loup City, Keia (Dave) Jensen of Omaha, Kenneth (Amanda) Ewer of Sterling, Va., Heather Ewer of Omaha and Kaylee Ewer of Omaha; great-grandson, Soren Jensen of Omaha; and great-granddaughter, Eliana Leigh Ewer of Sterling, Va. He was preceded in death by his parents, Cyril and Ella (Smith) Ewer; brothers, Frederick (Marcella Sheckler) Ewer, Bruce (Helen Klein) Ewer, Russel (Doris Zimmer) Ewer, Bernard (Joan Walt) Ewer and Duane (Clara Mae Psota) Ewer; sister, Maybelle (Graham) Coughtry (Mac) Beith; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, and great-great-nieces and nephews."

37. **John F. Bethke** #6716, b. 8-Nov-1933 in Wisconsin, d. 5-Feb-2020, buried in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California.
38. **Infant Son Bethke** #10131, b. 9-Mar-1935 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 9-Mar-1935 in Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co. , Wisconsin.
39. **Dorothy Adella Gher** #5063, b. 17-Aug-1910 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 19-Nov-1978 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in St. Marys Cemetery, Richland Center, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer November 23, 1978 Obituary "Dorothy Muldowney Dies Sunday At Pine Valley Manor - Dorothy A. Muldowney, 68, died Sunday, (Nov. 19) at the Pine Valley Manor after a long illness. Mrs. Muldowney was born Aug. 17, 1910, in Richland County. She was the daughter of Edward and Martha Bethke Gher. She married James Patrick Muldowney June 29, 1926, and he preceded her in death in 1976. Mrs. Muldowney is survived by two sons, Joseph of Gillingham and Patrick of Milwaukee; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Mary) Shannon of Muscoda and Mrs. Richard (Mary Helen) Ostrom of Denver, Colo.; three brothers, William Gher of LaValle, Donald Gher of Subela, Ia., and Marvin Gher of Richland Center; a sister, Mrs. Donald (Betty) James of Richland Center; 11 children; and two grand-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Tuesday in St. Mary's Catholic Church with the Rev. Francis Hilleshiem officiating. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery. The Lunenschloss-Hansen Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements." She married James Patrick Muldowney #7232, 29-Jun-1926, b. 30-Oct-1904 in Dayton Township, Richland County, Wisconsin (son of Michael J. Muldowney #7233 and Margaret "Maggie" Shea #7234), d. 23-Jun-1976 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried

in Saint Mary's Cemetery, Richland Center, Wisconsin. James: Notes: Richland Observer July 1, 1976 Obituary "James P. Muldowney, 71, Dayton Area Resident, Dies After Long Illness - James P. Muldowney, 71, died Wednesday (June 23, 1976) at the Richland Hospital following a long illness. Muldowney was born October 30, 1904, in the Town of Dayton to Micheal Muldowney and the former Margaret Shea. He was married to the former Dorothy Gher, and farmed in the Dayton Ridge area until the time of his retirement. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, Richland Center; two sons, Joseph, Richland Center and Patrick, Milwaukee; and two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Mary) Shannon, Muscoda, and Mrs. Richard (Mary Helen) Ostrom, Denver, Colo.; and ten grand-children. Services were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church Friday, June 25, at 11 a.m., with Father Francis Hilleshiem, a godson of James, Officiating. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery. The Lunenschloss-Hansen Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements."

Children:

97. i. Joseph Michael Muldowney #1070 b. 12-Nov-1929.
40. **Raymond H. Gher** #5066, b. 26-Feb-1913 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 10-Dec-1921 in Dayton Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 12-Dec-1921 in Bovee Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer December 15, 1921 - Obituary "Interment of the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gher, of Dayton township took place at the English cemetery here on Monday afternoon. The lad was nine years of age and his illness had been caused by a scratch on a finger and later infection. Friends here of the bereaved parents sympathize with them in their hour of sorrow."
- Republican Observer December 15, 1921 - Obituary "Raymond Gher, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gher, died Saturday last at the home of his parents in the town of Dayton, following a two weeks illness. The funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the United Brethren church and burial made at Ash Creek."
- Republican Observer December 15, 1921 - Obituary "Mrs. Mable Hanson and daughter, of Cherry Valley, Illinois, were called here Saturday by the death of Raymond Gher".
41. **William E. "Bill" Gher** #6794, b. 21-Apr-1916 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 21-Jun-1998 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Sandusky Cemetery, Sauk County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer June 25, 1998 Obituary "William E. "Bill" Gher - William E. "Bill" Gher, 82, of Rock Springs died Sunday, June 21, 1998 at the VA Hospital in Madison. Born April 21, 1916 in Richland County, he was the son of Edward Benjamin and Martha Elizabeth (Bethke) Gher. He married Kathleen A. Elder on Oct. 21, 1941 in Missouri. Bill served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was in the infantry and in the European Theater. He farmed on Fancy Creek in Richland County and then moved to Sauk County in November, 1947. He farmed until 1978. He was a member of the Hillpoint VFW Post 3434. He loved to play cards and feed his animals. Survivors include his wife Kathleen of Rock Springs; four children, Larry (Lucille) Gher of Hillpoint, Marlene (Morgan) Riggs of Hillpoint, Gyneth (Larry Starker) Erdmann of Columbus, and LaVerne (Diana) Gher of Richland Center; 15 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; two brothers, Donald (Dixie) Gher of Sabula, Iowa and Marvin Gher of Richland Center; a sister Betty (Donald) James of Richland Center; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant son Tony, a sister Dorothy Muldowney; and his parents. Funeral services will be held Thursday, June 25, at 11 a.m. at Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Pastor William Kermott and Pastor Bob Moberg will be officiating. Burial will be at the Sandusky Cemetery in Sauk County where military graveside rites will be conducted by the Hillpoint VFW Post 3434. Friends may call at the funeral home on Wednesday, June 24, from 4 to 8 p.m. and on Thursday from 8 a.m. until the time of the service. Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family." He married Kathleen A. Elder #8360, 21-Oct-1941 in Missouri, b. 29-May-1921 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 29-Dec-2004 in Reedsburg, Sauk County, Wisconsin, buried in Sandusky Cemetery, Sauk County, Wisconsin. Kathleen: Notes: Richland Observer January 1, 2004 Obituary "Kathleen A. Gher - Kathleen A. Gher, 82, of Rock Springs died Monday, Dec. 29, 2003 at the Edward Snyder Nursing Home in Reedsburg. Born at home in Richland County on May 29, 1921, she was the daughter of Frank and

Gyneth (Lewis) Elder. Kathleen married Bill Gher on Oct. 21, 1941 in Missouri while Bill was on leave from the service. After Bill was wounded and discharged from the service, he and Kathleen farmed in the Gillingham area in 1945-47. They purchased a farm in Hillpoint in 1947 and farmed there until 1974. Kathleen was a part-time salesperson for Reilghe until 1967 when they bought another farm in Carr Valley. In 1978, they moved to their last place of residence in Rock Springs and continued gardening, feeding the animals and caring for their homestead. Survivors include her children, Larry (Lucille) Gher of Hillpoint, Marlene Riggs of Hillpoint, Gyneth (Larry Starker) Erdmann of Columbus, and LaVeme (Diana) Gher of LaValle; 15 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandson; sisters-in-law, Carol Elder of Waukesha, Ruth Elder of Marion, 111., and Betty James of Richland Center; a brother-in-law Marvin Gher of Richland Center; many nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband on June 21, 1998, brothers, Harold "Buck" Elder and Buford Eugene "Gene" Elder, an infant son Tony Ray Gher in 1959, a son-in-law Morgan Riggs; a brother-in-law Donald Gher, and a sister-in-law Dorothy Muidowney. Funeral services will be held Friday, Jan. 2, at 1 p.m. at the Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Pastor Bob Brandhagen will officiate with burial in the Sandusky Cemetery. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service. Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with the arrangements."

Children:

- 98. i. Larry Gher #9298 b. 3-Nov-1937.
- 99. ii. Tony Gher #8361 b. 31-Jan-1959.

42. **Betty Mae Gher** #6795, b. 22-Dec-1922 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Aug-2008 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 9-Aug-2008 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Pratt Funeral Service "Betty Mae Gher Stibbe James, age 85, of Richland Center, died on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at Schmitt Woodland Hills Retirement Community. She was born in Richland Center on December 22, 1922, the daughter of Edward and Martha (Bethke) Gher. She attended eight grade schools, Richland Center High School, and graduated from Muscoda High School. On February 27, 1943, Betty married Arthur F. Stibbe. After his death in 1956, she farmed, raised her children and went to college at the Richland County Teacher's College, graduating in 1959. Later, she completed her B.S. degree at the University of Platteville. Betty taught at Akey School until it closed in 1962, and then taught in Sextonville, Ithaca, and many years in Wauzeka schools. In 1967, she married Donald E. James, and they farmed near Richland Center. They celebrated 40 years of marriage. Betty was a member of the Ask Creek United Methodist Church. She enjoyed teaching, gardening, flowers and cooking. Education was very important to her, and she enjoyed reading. A lot of good times were spent with her grandchildren. Don and Betty enjoyed vacations with her family and the train trips they took. Betty is survived by her husband Donald E. James of Richland Center, one son: Arthur F., Jr. 'Fritz' (Sue) Stibbe of Richland Center, one daughter: Donna L. (Jerry) Sims of Richland Center, 4 grandchildren: Sheila (Bruce) McCauley of Bellevue, Nebraska, Shai (Christopher) Sims Brown of Green Bay, TyLacey Sims (Fiance Josh Hines) of Madison, Wisconsin, David Stibbe of Richland Center, 3 great grandchildren: Colten and Springfield McCauley, Elijah Brown; one brother: Marvin Gher of Richland Center; three sisters in law: Dixie Gher of Sebula, Iowa, Venna Comar, Emily Fish, both of Richland Center, many nieces and nephews. Betty was preceded in death by her parents, a sister Dorothy Muldowney, and brothers: Donald Gher, William Gher, and Raymond Gher; her first husband Arthur F. Stibbe, a step granddaughter Michelle Knoble Wilson, and a great grandson Remington McCauley. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 9, 2008 at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL. Pastor TyLacey Sims and Pastor Josh Pegram will co-officiate, and burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL on Saturday morning from 9:00 AM until the time of the service at 11:00 AM. The family suggests memorials be made to the Ash Creek United Methodist Church in memory of Betty. The Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. ". She married (1) Arthur F. Sr. Stibbe #6796, 27-Feb-1943 in Richland County, Wisconsin (See marriage to number 25). Arthur: Notes: Republican Observer March 8, 1956 Obituary "Orion Farmer Dies After Long Illness - Arthur P. Stibbe, 42, a town of Orion farmer, died March 6 at the Richland hospital after an illness of seven years. He was a native of Richland county, his parents being Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Stibble. Mr. Stibbe is survived by his wife, a son Arthur, Jr. and a daughter, Donna

Lynn. Funeral services are to be held Friday at two p.m. at the Pratt Memorial Chapel with Rev. Donald Sumwalt officiating." She married (2) Donald Edward "Don" James #6797, 19-Aug-1967, b. 8-Nov-1919, d. 11-Aug-2019 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Donald: Notes: Richland Observer August 22, 2019 Obituary "Donald E. (Edward) James, 99 years, 9 months, 3 days of Richland Center died on Sunday, August 11, 2019 at Schmitt Woodland Hills. Don was born at home on November 8, 1919 the 4th child (of 6) born to George and Lola (Smith) James. Don attended Rocky Branch School through 8th grade and graduated from Richland Center High School in 1937. He stayed on the home farm, operated the farm and took care of his mother in her later years. Don lived 89 years in the same house. On August 19, 1967, Don married Betty (Gher) Stibbe and they continued to farm. They celebrated almost 41 years of marriage before her death in 2008. Don enjoyed Sunday drives and knew all the county and township roads in Richland County as well as most roads in Southwest Wisconsin. Betty and Don enjoyed lots of vacations with her family and they took many Amtrack train trips to Western U.S. states. A lot of good times were spent with the 4 grandchildren. In 2008, when Don could no longer walk, he moved to Schmitt Woodland Hills. His mind was active, and he enjoyed getting out for almost weekly car rides with Donna and Jerry during nice weather. He loved seeing the countryside and telling which backroads to take and making them guess where they would 'end up.' He kept up on weather conditions, especially from Nebraska to Wisconsin. Don loved machinery; especially John Deere tractors. For over a year, he daily watched the new part of Schmitt being built. Watching the deer, birds, snowplowing, or mowing interested him. When he could no longer turn pages, Donna read to him the daily state paper, 2 weekly papers and magazines, with Don commenting on most articles. He always wanted to know what his grandkids and great-grandkids were doing. Don is survived by Betty's daughter, Donna (Jerry) Sims and her son Fritz (Sue) Stibbe all of Richland Center; four grandchildren: Sheila (Bruce) McCauley of Bellevue, Nebraska, Shai (Christopher) Brown of Tomah, WI, Ty Lacey (Josh) Hines of Livingston, WI and David (Kelly) Stibbe of Richland Center; as well as nine great-grandchildren: Colten (Lauren) McCauley, Springfield McCauley, Elijah and Zekiel Brown, Isaiah and Zion Hines, Brody and Owen Stibbe and Molly; sister Emily Fish of Richland Center; many nieces and nephews. Don was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Venna (Paul) Comar, Phyllis (Clinton) Mullendore, brothers Raymond (Jean) James, Albion 'Fuzz' (Louise) James, granddaughter Michelle Knoble Wilson and great-grandson Remington McCauley. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, August 23, 2019 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Reverend Ty Sims Hines will officiate with burial to follow in the Richland Center Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Friday, August 23, 2019 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel from 8:30 AM until the time of the service at 10:00 AM. The family suggests memorials be made to Schmitt Woodland Hills or Ash Creek United Methodist Church in memory of Don. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. Online condolences may be made at prattfuneralservice.com."

Children by Arthur F. Sr. Stibbe:

(See marriage to number 25)

43. **Donald Frederick "Don" Gher** #6801, b. 17-Apr-1924, d. 7-Oct-1999. He married Dixie Darleen McHone #6802, 24-Jun-1944, b. 22-Apr-1926 in Viola, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 14-Jan-2010 in Clinton, Clinton County, Iowa. Dixie: Notes: Richland Observer January 21, 2010 Obituary "Dixie D. Gher - Dixie Darleen Gher, age 83, of Sabula, Iowa, died on Thursday, Jan. 14, 2010, at Mercy Living Center South, Clinton, Iowa. Dixie was born on April 22, 1926, daughter of Raymond and Mary (Smith) McHone in Viola. Dixie married Donald Gher on June 24, 1944. Donald died on Oct. 7, 1999. Dixie was a homemaker who loved taking care of her family. She and Don also operated a craft shop, "Our Wood Shed," in Galena, Ill., for several years. Dixie loved painting, carving and creating her crafts and flower and vegetable gardening. Dixie and Don enjoyed fishing and hunting in northern Wisconsin. Dixie will be dearly missed by four daughters, Linda (Ken) Perkins of Loganville, Barbara (Jeff) Henderson of Waunakee, Diana (Larry) Schluter of Hubertus, and Nancy (Tom) Dabron of Fulton, Ill.; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Dixie was preceded in death by her husband, Donald; one great-granddaughter, Bella Schluter; a brother, Milo McHone; two sisters, Justina McHone and Birchie Harris; and a nephew, Roger McHone. A funeral service was held on Monday, Jan. 18, at the Law-Jones Funeral Home, Savanna. A visitation was held prior to the service at the funeral home. Cremation rites were

accorded following the services at the funeral home. Online memorials may be left for the family at www.lawjonesfuneralhome.com".

Children:

- 100. i. Linda Gher #9294.
- 101. ii. Barbara Gher #9295.
- 102. iii. Diana Gher #9296.
- 103. iv. Nancy Gher #9297.

44. **Marvin Francis Gher #5065** (See marriage to number 26.)

45. **Lavina Bernice Bethke #3811**, b. 9-Dec-1916 in Wisconsin, d. 11-Apr-2002 in Douglas County, Oregon, buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia. Notes: Republican Observer June 24, 1954 - Article "Navy Man Listed As Korean Captive - This week's issue of Look magazine contained a story headed "51 Americans Remain in Captivity." Of this number 32 are listed as civilians, some of whom have been prisoners for three years; 16 are air force men and four naval officers. Among the four naval men is Lt. James J. Venes, whose wife is the former Lavina Bethke of Richland Center. The lieutenant has been missing for three years. The article states that the war department has no positive evidence that these 19 men are still alive, but it does have reliable information that they were alive at the time of the prisoner exchange which took place last summer. Mrs. Venes and her two children are making their home in Palo Alto, California. She and her husband met when, she was a navy nurse in World War II. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bethke of this city." She married James Joseph Venes #3968, b. 15-Aug-1924 in Wisconsin, d. 11-Sep-1951 in Korea - KIA, buried in Honolulu Memorial Cemetery, Honolulu, Hawaii, buried in Arlington National Cemetery, VA "In Memeory". James: Notes: Republican Observer June 24, 1954 - Article "Navy Man Listed As Korean Captive - This week's issue of Look magazine contained a story headed "51 Americans Remain in Captivity." Of this number 32 are listed as civilians, some of whom have been prisoners for three years; 16 are air force men and four naval officers. Among the four naval men is Lt. James J. Venes, whose wife is the former Lavina Bethke of Richland Center. The lieutenant has been missing for three years. The article states that the war department has no positive evidence that these 19 men are still alive, but it does have reliable information that they were alive at the time of the prisoner exchange which took place last summer. Mrs. Venes and her two children are making their home in Palo Alto, California. She and her husband met when, she was a navy nurse in World War II. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bethke of this city."

46. **Emmert L. Bethke #3810**, b. 16-Jul-1918 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Mar-1986 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried 10-Mar-1986 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - March 13, 1986 - Obituaries "Emmert Bethke, 67, of Richland Center, died Wednesday (March 5, 1986) at the Veteran Hospital in Madison. Mr. Bethke was born on July 16, 1918 in Richland County, the son of Leo and Marie Bloedow Bethke. He married the former Josephine Donner on July 19, 1941 and she preceded him in death on March 31, 1983. Mr. Bethke was a veteran, and had retired as a carpenter and self-employed contractor. He had worked with the Friede Bros. construction company for many years. He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church. Survivors include his mother, Marie Dosch of Richland Center; one daughter, Amy M. Dorn of Edgerton; two sons, Gene and Terry Bethke, both of Palmdale, Calif; five grandchildren; two sisters, LaVine and Fedilia; one brother, Brad; and a good friend, Lynette. Memorial services were held Monday at the Trinity United Methodist Church, Rev. Logan Holder officiated with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery. Military graveside rites were conducted by the Richland Center American Legion and VFW Post 2267. The Pratt Funeral Service, Inc. was in charge of the arrangements." He married Josephine Ione Donner #3813, 19-Jul-1941, b. 29-Mar-1918 in Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of Elias Herbert Donner #3817 and Bertha Isabel Quockenbush #3818), d. 31-Mar-1983 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried 3-Apr-1983 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Josephine: Notes: The Richland Observer - April 7, 1983 - Obituaries "Josephine Ione Bethke, 65, of Richland Center, died Thursday (March 31, 1983) at the University Hospital in

Madison. Josephine was born March 29, 1918 in Richland County, the daughter of Elias and Bertha Quackenbush Donner. She married Emmert Bethke July 19, 1941. Josephine graduated from the Richland County Normal and taught in the rural schools for five years. She had served as a Sunday School teacher, scout leader and crossing guard. In 1967, she became an employee of Hankcraft in Reedsburg and worked there for the next ten years. She was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church. Josephine was preceded in death by one son in infancy. Survivors include her husband, Emmert of Richland Center; two sons, Gene Bethke of New Berlin and Terry Bethke of Waukesha; one daughter, Mrs. Amy Dorn of Edgerton; five grandchildren; two brothers, Leo Donner of Richland Center and John Donner of Hillpoint; three sisters, Mrs. Bernice Dicks of Richland Center, Mrs. Irene Beaty of rural Richland Center, and Mrs. Margaret Putz of Waukesha. A memorial service was held Sunday at the Trinity United Methodist Church with the Rev. Francis C. St. Amant officiating. Interment services were privately held later. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Trinity United Methodist Church. Pratt Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements."

Children:

- 104. i. Gene Bethke #3814.
- 105. ii. Infant Son Bethke #3819 b. 16-Nov-1946.
- 106. iii. Amy M. Bethke #3816.
- 107. iv. Terry J. Bethke #3815 b. 30-Apr-1948.

47. **Fidelia Selma "DeDe" Bethke** #3812, b. 9-Nov-1919 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 12-Jun-2011 in Tampa, Florida, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer 2011-096-30 Issue "Fidelia "DeDe" (Bethke) Svalina, 91 of Tampa was welcomed into the kingdom of God on June 12,2011. She was born on November 9, 1919 in Richland Center, and was the third child of Leo and Marie Bethke. As a young girl, she took delight acting in many plays. Art was one of her gifts that she exhibited at a young age and continued into adulthood. She was a lover of music, books, and travel. Her family was her core. She attended nursing school in Chicago at the South Chicago School of Nursing. "DeDe" used this talent to help people most of her life. She was a real estate broker and a civic leader in Chicago. Fidelia possessed a charming personality and a wonderful sense of humor. She and her husband resided at Pier Springs during their retirement and enjoyed every moment. She was preceded in death by her husband, Nicholas Svalina and her son, Nicholas Bradley Svalina; her sister, LaVina Bethke Venes and brother Emmert Bethke; her granddaughter, Linda Svalina and grandson Jason Larson. She is survived by her son, Samuel L. Svalina, and her daughters, Helenmarie (Nancy) Larson and Mary Katherine (Kathy) Berry; and her brother, Bradley Bethke. Her funeral was celebrated in Tampa, Florida. She will be inurned in Richland Center, when plans are completed."

. She married Nicholas "Nick" Svalina #3969, 9-Nov-1940 in Chicago, Illinois, b. 16-Oct-1910 in Chicago, Illinois, d. 10-Oct-1999 in Richland County, Wisconsin. Nicholas: Notes: Richland Observer Obit "Nicholas Svalina, 88, died Sunday, Oct. 10, 1999 at his residence in Richland County. Born Oct. 16, 1910 in Chicago, he was the son of Samuel and Helen (Kraljevich) Svalina. He married Fidelia Bethke on Nov. 9, 1940 in Chicago. Survivors include his wife Fidelia Svalina of Richland Center; four children, Samuel L. Svalina of Beaufort, S.Car.; Helenmarie "Nancy" (Richard) Larson of Tampa Bay, Fla., Mary Katherine "Kathy" (Richard J.) Berry of Calumet City, Ill., and Nicholas B. (Cheryl) Svalina of Calumet City, Ill.; 10 grandchildren, Samuel S. Svalina, Richard Larson, Daniel Larson, Laura Wallace, David Larson, John Larson, Michelle Berry, Tiffany Berry, Matthew Svalina, and Mark Svalina; 13 great-grandchildren; a brother-in-law Arnold Kahn of Hankinson, N. Dak.; a sister-in-law Jane (Ed) Perkwis of Lansing, Ill.; many nieces and nephews; and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters Mary Kahn and Katherine Alfirevich, two grandchildren, Jason Larson and Linda Svalina; and a daughter-in-law Diana Svalina. Memorial services will be held November 5, 1999 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, in Richland Center. Pratt Funeral Service of Richland Center is assisting the family with the arrangements."

Children:

- 108. i. Samuel L. Svalina #6839.
- 109. ii. Helenmarie "Nancy" Svalina #6840.
- 110. iii. Mary Katherine "Kathy" Svalina #6841.
- 111. iv. Nicholas Bradley Svalina #6842 b. 25-Oct-1954.

48. **Warren Bradley "Brad" Bethke** #53, b. 28-Aug-1923 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 16-May-2014 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 24-May-2014 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: CLARY FUNERAL HOME OBIT Warren "Brad" Bradley Bethke, age 90, of Richland Center died Friday, May 16, 2014 at Our House Memory Care in Richland Center. Brad was born August 28, 1923 in Richland Center the son of Leo and Marie (Bloedow) Bethke. He entered the U.S. Army in January 1943 and was discharged in January 1946. On August 27, 1947 he married Dorothea "Sis" Thompson at the Third Presbyterian Church in Dubuque, Iowa. Brad worked as a steamfitter for many years until his retirement in 1986. He is survived by his 3 children, John (Cheryl) Bethke of Richland Center, WI, David Bethke of Richland Center, WI, Mary (Larry) Suemnicht of Sheboygan Falls, WI; 5 grandchildren, Andrea (Jeff) Perry of Deerfield, WI, Bryan (Gina) Bethke of Madison, WI, Allison Bethke of Richland Center, WI, Ashley (John) Fiedler of Sheboygan Falls, WI, Brandon Suemnicht of Sheboygan Falls, WI; 4 great grandchildren, Ella Perry, Henry Perry, Alise Fiedler, and Joshua Fiedler; other relatives and friends. Brad is further survived by his extended family Butch and Janet Aber. He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothea "Sis" Bethke on January 14, 1989; parents; a daughter Cindy Aber, a brother Emmert (Josephine) Bethke; 2 sisters, Lavina Venes and Deede (Nick) Svalina. Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, May 24, 2014 at Noon at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. Pastor Craig Peach will officiate with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery where Military graveside rites will be conducted by the Local Military Honors Unit. Friends may call on Saturday, May 24, 2014 from 10:00 AM until the time of services at Noon. On line condolences can be made at www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com

. He married Dorothy Jean "Sis" Thompson #52, 27-Aug-1948 in Dubuque, Iowa, b. 25-Jan-1927 in Marshall Township, Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of Fredrick David Thompson #32 and Geraldine Harriett Shireman #33), d. 14-Jan-1989 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 17-Jan-1989 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Dorothy: Notes: Republican Observer August 2, 1934 "Miss Dorothea Thompson, of this city, while visiting at the home of her grandfather, Wm. Shireman, on Horse Creek, fell one day last week and suffered a broken arm.

Republican Observer October 28, 1937 Obituary "UPPER HORSE CREEK - The little girls of the neighborhood and Dorothy Jean Thompson, Donna Ewing and Dorothy Ewing, of Richland Center, helped Deloris Boulen celebrate her 12th birthday Sunday."

Republican Observer December 2, 1937 Article "Dorothy Jean Thompson, of Richland Center, spent the Thanksgiving vacation at the home of her grandfather, William Shireman."

Republican Observer September 2, 1948 "Thompson-Bethke Miss Dorothea Thompson and Bradley W. Bethke, both of Richland Center, were married Friday, August 27th, at the Third Presbyterian church in Dubuque, Iowa. Miss Beverly Klousie and Gordon Landphier were their attendants. The bride was attired in a white street length gown. She has made her home with her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. George Ewing since a small child. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bethke are the groom's parents. He is employed as bookkeeper by Ewing Bros. After a wedding trip to Chicago, the newlyweds will return to Richland Center to make their home. Mrs. Bethke will continue her work in the Speidel Jewelry store. They are starting to build a new residence near the golf course."

Wisconsin State Journal "Bethke, Dorothy "Sis" - Richland Center - Dorothy "Sis" Bethke, age 61, of Richland Center, died on Saturday, January 14, 1989, at the Richland Hospital. She was born in Richland Center on January 25, 1927 the daughter of Fred and Geraldine (Shireman) Thompson. On August 27, 1948, she married Warren Bradley Bethke. Survivors include: her

husband, Brad Bethke of Richland Center; two sons, John and David both of Richland Center; a daughter, Mary Suemnicht of Sheboygan Falls; five grandchildren; a brother, Bill Thompson of Phillips; an aunt, Dorthea Keller of Richland Center; and a son-in-law, Charles Aber of Richland Center. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cindy Aber, on December 27, 1983. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, January 17, 1989, at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Reverend Joyce Alford will officiate. Burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call at the Pratt Chapel on Monday evening from 5:00 until 8:00 pm or Tuesday morning from 8:00 am until time of service."

Children:

- 112. i. Cindy Sue Bethke #82 b. 31-May-1949.
- 113. ii. John Roger Bethke #83 b. 28-Aug-1950.
- 114. iii. David Bradley Bethke #4390 b. 28-Mar-1960.
- 115. iv. Mary Beth Bethke #4389 b. 29 Jul 1962.

49. **Henrietta M. Bethke** #4003, b. 25-Aug-1918 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 4-May-1987 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Basswood Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer May 7, 1989 Obituary "Henrietta M. Davis - Henrietta M. Davis, 68, of rural Dodgeville, passed away Monday, May 4, 1987 at the University Hospital in Madison. Mrs. Davis was born August 25, 1918 in Richland County to Henry and Selma (Bloedow) Bethke. She married Melvin H. Davis Aug. 24, 1940 and he preceded her in death on Sept. 15, 1980. She was also preceded in death by her parents, a sister and a brother. Survivors include two sons, Randall and Daniel Davis, both of rural Dodgeville; a daughter, Mrs. Carl (Donna) Knutson Jr. of Macomb, Ill.; four grandchildren; five sisters, Marian Davis, Frances Wilson, Magdaline Wilson, Annette Kreunen, Muriel Speth; six brothers, Louis Bethke, Howard Bethke, Buddy Bethke, Floyd Bethke, Loyd Bethke, and Harry Bethke. Services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 7, 1987 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel with Gary Carter officiating, with burial in the Basswood Cemetery. Friends may call from 6-8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Chapel." She married Melvin H. Davis #4004, 24-Aug-1940, b. 17-Sep-1912 in Iowa, d. 15-Sep-1980 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Basswood Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Melvin: Notes: Richland Observer September 18, 1980 Obituary "Melvin H. Davis, Retired Farmer, Dies at Madison - Melvin H. Davis, 67, who had farmed in the rural Spring Green area, died Monday (Sept. 15, 1980) at University Hospitals in Madison. Mr. Davis was born Sept. 17, 1912, in Iowa to Bessie L. (Steller) and Marion L. Davis. He married the former Henrietta Bethke Aug. 24, 1940, and she survives him. In addition to his wife, Mr. David is survived by two sons, Randall and Daniel, both of rural Spring Green; one daughter, Mrs. Carl (Donna) Knutson Jr., McComb, Ill.; four grandchildren; four brothers, Leonard and Arnold, both of Blue River; Les, Soldiers Grove; and Vernon, who resides in Colorado; and one sister, Mrs. Roscoe (Thelma) Dieter, Clifton, Colo. Funeral services will take place on Friday, Sept. 19, in the Pratt Memorial Chapel beginning at 1 p.m. Interment will be in the Basswood Cemetery, and the Rev. David Allen is to officiate at the services. Friends may call at the Pratt Chapel from 4-9 p.m. on Thursday."

50. **Elmer Bethke** #4397, b. abt 1920. Notes:.

51. **Marian Anna Bethke** #4402, b. 4-Oct-1921 in Crawford County, Wisconsin, d. 1-Jan-2012 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 11-Jan-2012 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: PRATTs Obit - Marian Anna Davis age 90 of Blue River died at Pine Valley Healthcare on Sunday January 1, 2012. Marian was born on October 4, 1921 in Crawford county Wisconsin the daughter of Henry and Selma (Bloedow) Bethke. She married Arnold Davis on December 2, 1939 and was married for 68 years. Marian was a housewife raising their five children. She enjoyed attending the Maple Ridge Bible Church where they were long time members. She loved spending time with her family. Marian is survived by her four children: Leland Davis, Blue River, Carol (Merle) Colson, of Blue River, Dennis (Amy) Davis, of Blue River, Dean (Carrie) Davis, of Dubois, Wyoming, Twelve Grandchildren, Twenty-Five Great Grandchildren, One Great, Great Grandson, One Step Great, Great Grandson, Her siblings: Frances Gausman, of Muscoda, Annette (Rodney) Kreunen, of Madison, Murial (Arnie) Speth, of Platteville, Louie

(Eunice) Bethke, of Madison, Buddy (Virigina) Bethke, of Spring Green, Floyd (Shirley) Bethke, of Kenosha, Harry (Marie) Bethke, of Chatham, Illinois, Two Sister-in-laws: Agnes Davis, of Soldiers Grove and Viola Davis, of Muscoda, Many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Marian was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Arnold in 2008, Son Leslie Davis, 2011, Sisters: June Bethke, 1939, Henrietta Davis, 1987, Magdalene Wilson, 1992, Brothers: Elmer Bethke, 1945, Howard Bethke, 2009, and Lloyd Bethke, 2010. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday January 11, 2012 at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL with Pastor Noel Mayes officiating. Burial will follow in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Friends may call at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL on Wednesday January 11, 2012 from 11:00AM until the time of service at 1:00PM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be made at prattfuneralservice.com

. She married Arnold R. Davis #4406, 2-Dec-1939, b. 2-Sep-1916 in Iowa, d. 10-Mar-2008 in Richland Hospital, Richland Center, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Arnold: Notes: PRATTs Obit - Arnold R. Davis, age 91, of Blue River died on Monday, March 10, 2008 at the Richland Hospital. He was born September 2, 1916 in Iowa, the son of Marion L. and Bessie (Stetler) Davis. He was united in marriage with Marian Bethke on December 2, 1939. They farmed together and raised their family in Richland County. Arnold also enjoyed being a cheesemaker and hauling milk for the area. he was a devoted member of the Maple Ridge Bible Church in rural Boscobel.

Survivors include his wife Marian Davis of Blue River; five children: Leland Davis of Blue River, Carol (Merle) Colson of Blue River, Leslie Davis of Wauzeka, Dean (Carrie) Davis of Dubois, Wyoming, and Dennis (Amy) Davis of Blue River; 12 grandchildren 24 great grandchildren; two sisters in law: Viola Davis of Muscoda and

Agnes Davis of Soldiers Grove; nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends . Arnold was preceded in death by his parents, and his siblings: Melvin Davis, Leonard Davis, Leo Davis and Thelma Dieter. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Friday, March 14, 2008 at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL in Richland Center. Pastor Noel Mayes will officiate and burial will be in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Friends may call at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL ON Thursday, March 14, 2008 from 4 PM until 7 PM or on Friday from 12 noon until the service at 1:00. The family suggests memorials be made to the family in lieu of flowers. The Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with their arrangements.

Children:

- 116. i. Leland Davis #8215 b. 11-Apr-1940.
- 117. ii. Leslie Davis #7049 b. 23-Jun-1943.

52. **Frances Mildred Bethke** #4403, b. 30-Dec-1922 in Wisconsin, d. 4-Jan-2013 in Muscoda, Grant County, Wisconsin, buried in Cottage Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin. Notes: FIND A GRAVE Frances M. (Bethke) Gausman, age 90, of Muscoda and formerly of Spring Green and McFarland, died on Friday, January 4, 2013 at Golden Living Center, Riverdale. Frances was born December 30, 1922 the daughter of Selma (Bloedow) and Henry Bethke. During her adult life she worked at Oscar Mayer for 32 years. Following her retirement she returned to Muscoda. She was preceded in death by her first husband Norman Gausman, her second husband Lyle Wilson; three brothers: Elmer, Howard and Lloyd; and four sisters: Henrietta, Magdalene, Marian and June. She married (1) Norman H. Gausman #6953, b. 10-Oct-1921 in McFarland, Dane County, Wisconsin, d. 21-Aug-1976 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Cottage Grove, Dane County, Wisconsin. She married (2) Lyle Arthur Wilson #4407, 2-Dec-1979 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, b. 2-Dec-1919 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 14-Mar-1999 in Boscobel, Grant County, Wisconsin, buried 17-Mar-1999 in Boscobel Cemetery, Boscobel, Wisconsin. Lyle: Notes: The Richland Observer - Obituaries - March 18, 1999 "Lyle Arthur Wilson, 79, of Muscoda died on Sunday, March 14, 1999, at Boscobel Area Health Care after a long illness. Lyle was born on December 2, 1919, in Richland County, the son of Arthur and Ellen (Poole) Wilson. He was united in marriage on December 2, 1979, in Madison to the former Frances Bethke. He lived all his life in the area, except for a time when he served in the United States Army during World War II. He was a member of the Leslie J. Lee American Legion Post #85 in Muscoda. Lyle loved the outdoors, farming, planting trees, and fishing. Survivors include his wife, Frances, Muscoda; four sons, Robert (Renee) Wilson, Stoughton; Lyle Rick (Julie) Wilson, Stoughton, Rocky (Deborah) Wilson, Madison, and Steven (Marie) Wilson, Verona; his

former wife, Ruth Milstone, Oregon, Wis.; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; six sisters, Lucille Kovars, Boscobel, Velma Marish, Muscoda, Veta Dvorak, Muscoda, Mildred (Keith) Hardy, Albany, Sharon (Ronald) Prohaska, Stitzer; and Shirley (Edward) Novak, Muscoda; one sister-in-law, Marge; two brothers, Arleigh (Ruth) Wilson, Glen Haven and Gene Wilson, Richland Center. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Douglas; and a brother, Robert. Funeral services were held on March 17 at Godager Funeral Home, Muscoda. Pastor Duane Thomas officiated with burial at the Boscobel cemetery, where graveside military rites were conducted by Leslie J. Lee Post #85. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association."

53. **Magdalene Selma Bethke** #4005, b. 9-Aug-1924 in Eau Claire, Chippewa County, Wisconsin, d. 7-Oct-1992 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 10-Oct-1992 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - October 14, 1992 - Obituaries "Magdalene Selma Wilson, 68, of Richland Center, passed away at her home Wednesday, Oct. 7, 1992. Mrs. Wilson was born Aug. 9, 1924, in Eau Claire to Henry George and Selma (Bloedow) Bethke. She married Delos T. Wilson Sept. 5, 1942, in Muskogee, Okla. Magdalene was a lifelong homemaker and a member of the Ash Creek Homemakers Club. Survivors include her husband, Delos Theron Wilson of Richland Center; three daughters, Shirley (Denny) Coppernoll of Spring Green, Pat (Ron) Phillips of Janesville, Pamela (Gary) Fogo of Richland Center; three sons, Theron (Judie) Wilson of Apple Valley, Minn., Michael Wilson of Lakeville, Minn., and Mark (Shirley) Wilson of Richland Center; nine grandchildren, Darcy (Damon Richardson) Coppernoll, Travis Coppernoll, Carrie (Mike Smith) Wilson, Shawn Wilson, Jennifer (Mike Dotson) Wilson, David Fogo, Mathrew Fogo, Kelly Wilson and Christopher Wilson; four sisters, Marion (Arnold) Davis of Blue River, Francis (Llyle) Wilson of Muscoda, Annette (Rodney) Kreunen of Madison, and Muriel (Arnold) Speth of Platteville; six brothers, Louie (Eunice) Bethke of Madison, Howard (Maxine) Bethke of Muscoda, Buddy (Virginia) Bethke of Michigan, Floyd (Shirley) Bethke of Kenosha, Lloyd Bethke of Richland Center, Harry (Marie) Bethke of Illinois. She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Elmer; and two sisters, Henrietta and June. Services were held at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Saturday, Oct. 10, at 1:30 p.m. Rev. James Osborne officiated with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery." She married Delos T. Wilson #4006, 5-Sep-1942 in Muskogee, Muskogee County, Oklahoma, b. 20-Dec-1918 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 6-Dec-1995 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 9-Dec-1995 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Delos: Notes: The Richland Observer - December 14, 1995 - Obituaries "Delos T. Wilson, 76, of Richland Center, died at his home Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1995. He was born Dec. 20, 1918 in Eagle Township, the son of Thomas S. and Margaret (Williams) Wilson. On Sept. 5, 1942 he was united in marriage with Magdalene Bethke in Muskogee, Okla. Magdalene preceded him in death on Oct. 7, 1992, following 50 years of marriage. Delos was a four-year veteran of World War II serving in the European and African Campaign. He was an operator and supervisor for the Richland County Highway Department for 37 years until his retirement. Survivors include his wife, Bette Wilson of Richland Center; six children, Shirley (Denny) Coppernoll of Spring Green, Theron (Judie) Wilson of Apple Valley, Minn., Michael Wilson of Lakeville, Minn., Pat (Ron) Phillips of Janesville, Pamela (Gary) Fogo of Richland Center, and Mark (Shirley) Wilson of Richland Center; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; his extended family, Jon Mueller, Sally (Jim) Stuchlick, Sandra (Tim) Walsh, Sue (Richard) Schwenn, six grandchildren, and one great-grandchild; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Saturday, Dec. 9, 1995 at Pratt Memorial Chapel. Pastor Marty Nolet officiated with burial in the Richland Center Cemetery where graveside rites were performed by VFW Post #2267 and American Legion #13."

Children:

- 118. i. Shirley M. Wilson #4185 b. 15-May-1941.
- 119. ii. Theron Delos Wilson #4186 b. 26-May-1943.
- 120. iii. Michael "Mike" Wilson #4187.
- 121. iv. Patsy Lynn Wilson #4188 b. 14-Jan-1950.
- 122. v. Pamela J. Wilson #4189 b. 23-Apr-1955.
- 123. vi. Mark Ervie Wilson #4190 b. 20-Jan-1961.

54. **Louis Henry "Louie" Bethke** #4391, b. 10-Mar-1926 in Seymour, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

55. **Howard Irvin Bethke** #4392, b. 10-Aug-1927 in Clyde Township, Iowa County, Wisconsin, d. 24-Apr-2009, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Pratt Funeral Service "Howard I. Bethke, age 81, went to be face to face with the Lord on Friday, April 24, 2009. He was born August 10, 1927 in Clyde Twp., Iowa County, Wisconsin, the son of Henry and Selma (Bloedow) Bethke. He graduated from Muscoda High School in 1945. He served during World War II in Japan intercepting Morse code. After his military service, Howard attended Platteville State College, graduating in 1951 with a major in Industrial Arts. While working at Schwingle Hardware store in Muscoda he met his wife, Maxine Harms. They were married in Avoca, Wisconsin in December 1956. In 1959, Howard and Maxine started up the Bethke Gas Station in Muscoda until retiring in 1990. In later years, the gas station was the "go to" place for local high school kids to purchase their snack foods during lunch. Howard also drove school bus for Riverdale Schools. He was known for selling spectacular plants and flowers at the Dane County Farmer's Market on the Square. Howard's passion for food and robust personality endeared him to all who knew him. In better years he could be found whistling a tune with a twinkle in his eyes. Howard accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Savior through reading Isaiah 53:6. He truly rejoiced in his salvation through faith in Christ's finished work on Calvary. Howard is survived by his daughter Helene Bethke, Muscoda; siblings Marion Davis, Richland Center, Frances Gausman, Muscoda, Louis (Eunice) Bethke, Madison, Buddy (Virginia) Bethke, Spring Green, Annette (Rodney) Kreunen, Madison, Floyd (Shirley) Bethke, Muscoda, Lloyd Bethke, Richland Center, Harry (Marie) Bethke, Chatham, IL, and Murial (Arnold) Speth, Platteville; sisters-in-law Irene Harms, Ione Harms, and Kathleen Harms all of Muscoda; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife Maxine (Harms); a brother Elmer; sisters, June Bethke, Henrietta Davis, and Magdalene Wilson; and brothers-in-law, Melvin Davis, Arnold Davis, Norman Gausman, Lyle Wilson, Delos Wilson, and Glen Harms. Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 11 a.m. at the Godager Funeral Home in Muscoda with burial in the Muscoda Cemetery. Friends may call from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, April 27 at the Godager Funeral Home. The Godager Funeral Home of Muscoda is assisting the family with their arrangements. The family would like to thank VA Hospital and clinic, Golden Living Center - Riverdale, Meriter Hospital, and the Ellen & Peter Johnson HospiceCare Residence for their care of Howard during his illness."

. He married Grace "Maxine" Harms #6179, 29-Dec-1956 in Avoca, Iowa County, Wisconsin, b. 15-Oct-1917 in Muscoda Township, Grant County, Wisconsin (daughter of John Martin Harms #6180 and Stella E. Landon #6181), d. 25-Nov-2003 in Muscoda, Grant County, Wisconsin, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant Co., Wisconsin. Grace: Notes: Obituaries - The Richland Observer - December 4, 2003 "Grace "Maxine" Bethke, 86, of Muscoda died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003 at her residence in Muscoda after a lengthy illness. Born Oct. 15, 1917, in the Township of Muscoda, Grant County, she was the daughter of John Harms and Stella (Landon) Harms. She grew up on the Harms family farm and attended Sand Branch School, a one-room country school. When the family moved to town in 1945 Maxine and her sisters completed their high school studies in three years and graduated in 1947. She worked as a bookkeeper for Schwingle Hardware and Kraft Foods. She met her husband Howard at Schwingle Hardware and they were married Dec. 29, 1956 at the Avoca Bible Church. Howard and Maxine owned and operated Bethke's Gas Station in Muscoda for over 35 years. Maxine grew and sold flowering bedding plants from her greenhouse. she was an accomplished seamstress. She was in fellowship with the Christians at the Blue River Gospel Hall. Survivors include her husband Howard; a daughter Helene Bethke of Muscoda; sisters, Irene Harms of Muscoda and Ione Harms of Muscoda; a sister-in-law, Kathleen Harms of Muscoda; aunt Gladys Waddell of Indianapolis; brothers-and-sisters-in-law, Marian (Arnold) Davis of Blue River; Frances Gausman of West Salem, Louis (Eunice) Bethke of Madison, Buddy (Virginia) Bethke of Plain, Annette (Rodney) Kreunen of Madison, Floyd (Shirley) Bethke of Muscoda, Lloyd ~Bethke of Richland Center, Harry (Marie) Bethke of Chatham, Ill., and Murial (Arnold) Speth of Platteville; 41 nieces and nephews; many grand nieces and nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by a brother Glen Harms and two sisters-in-law Henrietta (Melvin) Davis and Magdalene (Delos) Wilson. Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 29; at Godager

Funeral Home in Muscoda. Burial was in Muscoda Public Cemetery."

Children:

124. i. Helene Bethke #6952.

56. **Buddy W. Bethke** #4393, b. 3-Aug-1930. He married Virginia Ann Studnicka #9736, b. 17-Jul-1931, d. 12-Mar-2021, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant Co., Wisconsin. Virginia: Notes: PRATTs FUNERAL HOME Obituary "Virginia Ann (Studnicka) Bethke, 89, of Spring Green, WI died at home surrounded by her family on March 12th, 2021 after a brief illness from cancer. Virginia attended UW-Platteville and Eastern Michigan University achieving a Bachelor of Arts in education. She taught elementary school for years in which she was able to spotlight her creative loving personality. Virginia knew the Lord as her personal Savior and touched many lives for His glory. She loved music and playing the piano, gardening, embroidery and working puzzles. Virginia was married to Buddy Bethke who was the love of her life for over 67 years. Virginia is survived by her husband: Buddy Bethke of Spring Green, WI; five children: Susanna (Dick) Winter of Spring Green, WI; Timothy Bethke of Livonia, MI; Jonathan (Glenn Grace) Bethke of Lewis Center, OH; Sarah (Mark) Lavery of Farmington Hills, MI; Sallie (Don) VanWoert of Spring Green, WI; brother: Paul (Rose) Studnicka of Mt.Horeb, WI; 15 grandchildren; 22 Great-grandchildren; 1 great-great grandchild and other relatives. Virginia was preceded in death by her parents William and Sophia Studnicka, and brothers Laverne and Dick Studnicka. Due to COVID-19, funeral services are by invitation ONLY. A private family service will be held at Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center on March 18th, 2021 @ 11:00am. A livestream link is available to view the service on Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service website Prattfuneralservice.com. A recorded link of service will be available on March 19th via the same website. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. Flowers and memorials may be sent to Pratt Funeral Home. For decades Virginia sponsored children in need. She would appreciate and welcome any contributions to: Children International, P.O. Box 219357 Kansas City, MO 64121-9357. Final Resting Place; Muscoda Cemetery, 6th Street Muscoda, WI 53573".

Children:

125. i. Sallie Ann Bethke #9844 b. 25-Oct-1953.

57. **June Florence Bethke** #3983, b. 7-Jun-1932, d. 28-Aug-1939, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, WI. Notes: Republican Observer August 31, 1939 Article "Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bethke, of Muscoda township, mourn the death of their seven year old daughter, June, who passed away at the Richland hospital on August 28th. Surviving are her parents and twelve brothers and sisters. Her funeral services were held Wednesday from the Methodist church in Muscoda and burial made in the Ash Creek cemetery."

Republican Observer September 7, 1939 Obituary "Miss June Florence Bethke was laid to rest in the Ash Creek cemetery on Wednesday, Aug. 30th, following funeral services at the Methodist church in Muscoda. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bethke and had many relatives in this vicinity who mourn her sad demise."

58. **Annette Julie Bethke** #4404, b. 10-Aug-1935. She married Rodney W. "Rod" Kreunen #4408, b. 27-Mar-1936.

59. **Floyd Bethke** #4394, b. 9-Jul-1937.

60. **Lloyd Bethke** #4395, b. 9-Jul-1937 in Iowa County, Wisconsin, d. 5-Feb-2010 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer August 31, 1961 Article CAR ACCIDENT "Four persons are dead as a result of a headon crash Friday night on highway 60 between the west limits of the village of Orion and the bridge that spans Indian Creek a bit west, about one and a half miles east of the Muscoda bridge. The crash took place

about 10:30 on a straight highway when the car owned by Alan Koenig of Richland Center, accompanied by Miss Theresa Haag, of Muscoda, collided headon with a car containing Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bethke and their son, Lloyd. The Koenig sportscar was traveling east while the Bethke auto was west bound to their Muscoda home. Killed were Mr. and Mrs. Bethke, Miss Haag and Alan Koenig. Injured was Lloyd Bethke who is now a patient at a Madison hospital. It is thought by officers that the Koenig car went out of control and swerved into the path of the Bethke car. Alan Koenig was killed immediately and Mr. Bethke died enroute to the Richland hospital. Mrs. Bethke died at the Richland hospital some two hours later and Miss Haag passed away about 7:00 a. m. Deputy Howard Copus, Officer Delbert Klingaman, Assistant District Attorney Robert Keegan, and Undersheriff William O. Drone were the investigating officers at the scene of the accident. The death of these four fine people raises the Richland county highway death toll to six for this year and their passing brings sympathy to their survivors."

Richland Observer February 5, 2010 Obituary "Lloyd Bethke - Lloyd Bethke, age 72, of Richland Center passed away at home of natural causes on Friday, Feb. 5, 2010. He was born on July 9, 1937, in Iowa County, the sixth son of Henry and Selma (Bloedow) Bethke. In 1956, He graduated from Muscoda High School, where he enjoyed playing basketball. He attended the University of Platteville. Lloyd worked in a survey crew when Lake Redstone was platted out. A great fan of the fields and woods, he could tell you when the wild orchids were blooming or morels ready to pick. He lived in Baraboo and Madison for many years. In about 1987 he returned to Muscoda and worked at Matthews Saw Mill. He later resided in Richland Center at the Historic Boarding House and Richland Hills Apartments. He worked for Wisconsin DOT Madison, Wright Street office, until his retirement. Lloyd was the sole survivor of a devastating head-on car accident on Aug. 25, 1961, that took the lives of both his parents and four local youngsters enjoying a ride in a new convertible car. Lloyd had a great empathy for all orphaned or abandoned animals, including crows, woodchucks and most especially cats. He could often be found feeding stray cats around the area. For some years he assisted his brother Howard and niece Helene Bethke vending plants at the Dane County Farmers Market on the Square. Lloyd accepted the Lord Jesus as his personal savior as a young man. He is survived by siblings, Marian Davis of Richland Center, Frances Gausman of Muscoda, Louis (Eunice) Bethke of Madison, Buddy (Virginia) Bethke of Plain, Annette (Rodney) Kreunen of Madison, twin brother Floyd (Shirley) Bethke of Muscoda, Harry (Marie) Bethke of Chatham, Ill., and Muriel (Arnold) Speth of Platteville; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers Elmer Bethke and Howard Bethke; sisters Henrietta Davis, Magdalene Wilson and June Bethke; brothers-in-law Melvin Davis, Arnold Davis, Norman Gausman, Lyle Wilson and Delos Wilson."

61. **Harry Bethke** #4396, b. abt 1939.

62. **Murial I. Bethke** #4405, b. 4-Jun-1941, buried in Arthur, Grant County, Wisconsin. She married Arnold C. "Arnie" Speth #4409, 17-Aug-1963, b. 14-Apr-1938 in Wisconsin, d. 6-Nov-2004 in Wisconsin, buried in Arthur, Grant County, Wisconsin. Arnold: Notes: FIND A GRAVE Obituary "Melby Funeral Home Obituary "Arnold C. Speth - April 14, 1938 - November 06, 2014 After a short stay at Manor Care, Arnold C. Speth, 76, of Platteville, WI, went to be with the Lord, on Thursday, November 6, 2014. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 13, 2014 at the Melby Funeral Home & Crematory, Platteville. Burial will be at Nip-N-Tuck Cemetery, Lima Township. Friends may call from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at the Melby Funeral Home & Crematory, Platteville, or from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service on Thursday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Arnold Speth Memorial Fund. Online condolences can be made at www.melbyfh.com. Arnold (Arnie) was the only child born to Tyrus and Margarelle (Otte) Speth on April 14, 1938. They farmed near Rewey until they moved to Platteville. He graduated from Platteville High School in 1956 where he enjoyed woodworking and ag classes. He attended the State University of Platteville studying Agriculture. After two years of attending the University he left school to pursue his dream of farming with his father at his current residence on State Road 80. Arnie met his wife, Murial during the summer of 1961. He was introduced to the gospel and had accepted the Lord as his Savior in 1962. He was baptized in Beetown and received into the Beetown Gospel Hall Assembly. Arnie and Murial Bethke were married August 17, 1963. They took residence on the family

farm. The farming ventures included dairy, hogs, beef, sheep and poultry. In 1982 the laying hen business was converted into a state inspected poultry processing plant. He processed chickens, ducks, pheasants, geese, turkeys, and rabbits for 22 years serving customers from the tri-state area. Through the years Arnie and Murial's (Mert) travels covered all continental 48 states, Canada and Mexico. He is survived by his wife, Murial, four children; Lee (Julie) Speth, Dodgeville; Lucinda Champion, Platteville; Lexa Speth, New Glarus; and Loren Speth, Platteville. Four grandchildren: Rachel Speth, Madison; Travis Speth, Yorktown, VA; Nicole Speth, Dodgeville, and Mackenzie Speth, Platteville; one great-granddaughter, Keira Erickson, Madison. He was preceded in death by his parents."

63. **Marjorie Jane Bethke** #3988, b. 26-Dec-1921 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 8-Oct-2005 in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, buried 12-Oct-2005 in Grove Hill Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas. Notes: Obituaries - The Richland Observer - October 20, 2005 "Marjorie Jane Hamilton, 83, of Dallas died Oct. 8, 2005 in Dallas. Born Dec. 26, 1921 in Richland Center, she was the daughter of Beulah and Avolt Bethke. She graduated from Richland Center High School and attended Richland County Teacher's College. About that time, her music career started. Playing her mandolin and guitar with her close friend Ruth Mayfield, they won most of the amateur programs. They sang at area schools, fairs and car dealerships. Later they sang on WIRU radio in Poynette. Marge married Harold Hamilton in 1942, and they sang on the new Richland Center radio station WRCO for over 10 years with the First Assembly of God Church Choir. They had three sons before selling their home and moving to Dallas. Marge worked in the office of several evangelists. She later managed the cafeteria for evangelist Waunetta Coe at Jack Coe Christian College. She attended Oak Cliff Assembly of God for over 20 years. She took painting lessons from Helen Ewers and a course in home decorating and design. She was active in the Dallas Women's Republican Club and was Heritage Club chairwoman. Her love of music never ended. She also learned the accordion, tenor sax, banjo, Hammond organ, keyboard and piano. Survivors include her husband Harold; a sister Mary Haug, two brothers, Jim and Gary Bethke, a son Randy, five grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Bud and Sid Bethke, sister Maxine, and two sons, Roger and Rick Hamilton. Services were held Wednesday, Oct. 12, at Grove Hill in Dallas. Interment was in Grove Hill Memorial Park." She married Harold Jay Hamilton #3993, 18-Jul-1942, b. 16-Mar-1922 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin (son of Eugene Adelbert Hamilton #6509 and Anna E. Lipska #6510), d. 10-Feb-2018 in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, buried in Grove Hill Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas. Harold: Notes: FIND A GRAVE Obituary "Harold Jay Hamilton, 95, went to his eternal home February 10, 2018, just one month shy of his 96th birthday. Born in Richland Center, WI to Anna and Eugene Hamilton, he married Marjorie Bethke and became the proud father of Roger, Richard, and Randy. The young family made their home in the Casa Linda area of Dallas where Harold owned Hamilton Catering. Harold loved his Lord, Jesus Christ and enjoyed sharing the Good News. He was president of the local chapter of Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship and a founding member of Bethel Church in Mesquite. He enjoyed tinkering with cars, gardening, and tending his backyard pool and could fix anything. He was a devoted husband to Marjorie for 62 years. Following her death, he married Lois Palmer and moved to Rowlett. He still enjoyed dancing, travel and televised sports, especially the Green Bay Packers and NASCAR's Dale Earnhardt Jr. He had a green thumb with houseplants and was treasured by all who knew him. Harold will be lovingly remembered by Lois, his wife of 9 years, grandchildren, Todd Hamilton, Sheila Dyson, Carrie Hamilton, Heather Hamilton and Dominique Hamilton, his 10 great-grandchildren, numerous nieces, nephews and extended family, and dear friends. Visitation will be held Wednesday, February 14, 2018, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Grove Hill Funeral Home, 3920 Samuell Blvd, Dallas, TX 75228. A Celebration of Harold's life will occur Thursday, February 15, 2018, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM, at Grove Hill Funeral Home, 3920 Samuell Blvd, Dallas, TX 75228. Interment will follow. Pastor Joe and Betty George officiating."

Children:

- 126. i. Roger Hamilton #6506.
- 127. ii. Rick Hamilton #6507.
- 128. iii. Randall J. "Smiley" Hamilton #6508 b. 11-Jul-1955.

64. **Alberta W. Bethke** #5893, b. 31-Jul-1923, d. 13-Sep-1927, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, WI.
65. **Dennis Keith "Bud" Bethke** #3982, b. 15-Mar-1925 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 1-Nov-1975 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried 5-Nov-1975 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - November 6, 1975 - Obituaries "A military funeral service will be held for Dennis "Bud" K. Bethke, 50, Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. in the Pratt Memorial Chapel. The service will be conducted by the American Legion and the V.F.W. The Rev. Meredith Twinning will officiate. Bethke, a veteran of World War II, died Saturday, Nov. 1, 1975 at the Methodist Hospital in Madison. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Avolt Bethke. He was employed as a clerk at the Keegan Feed Mill. Bethke was born in Richland Center March 15, 1925. He married the former Charlene P. Salmon February 2, 1950. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Charlene P. Bethke; a son, Dennis, at home; a daughter, Mrs. Dennis (Carol) Mueller, Richland Center; a grandson; two sisters, Mrs. Harold (Marjorie) Hamilton, Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Wes (Mary Lou) Haug of Sextonville; and three brothers, James of Richland Center, Sidney of DeRiddle, La., and Gary, Commerce, Calif. He will be buried in Richland Center Cemetery." He married Charlene Pearl Salmon #3985, 2-Feb-1950 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 28-May-1927 in Soldiers Grove, Crawford County, Wisconsin, d. 19-Dec-2007 in Clinton, Missoula County, Montana, buried 27-Dec-2007 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Charlene: Notes: PRATTS "Charlene Pearl Bethke,80, Born on May 28th,1927 in Soldiers Grove, WI. Died on December 19th,2007 At her daughter's home in Clinton, MO. Charlene lived a long, full life. She retired from Pine Valley Manor, and enjoyed knitting, doing all kinds of crafts, and spending time with her family. She was preceded in death by one son, Dennis W. Bethke, Husband, Dennis (Bud) Bethke, both parents, Dorothy (Banta) Salmon and Sheldon W. Salmon Leaving behind one daughter, Carol (Bethke) Schweitzer, Son-in-law, Eric W. Schweitzer, one grandson, Dennis J.(Angie) Mueller, three granddaughters, Kristina (Mueller) Uetz (Matt), Kimberly (Schweitzer) Washington (Chris), and Melissa Schweitzer (Richard), five great grandsons, Colton Kelly, Taylor and Karson Uetz, Dawson Mueller, and Richard Brown Jr., two great granddaughters, Austine Kelly and Emma Mueller, many in-laws, nephew, nieces, cousins, and friends. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on December 27th, 2007 at Pratt Funeral Home in Richland Center. Burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Thursday from 11:00am until the time of the service at 1:00pm. Memorial contributions maybe made out to the family.

Children:

129. i. Carol Jean Bethke #3995 b. abt 1954.
130. ii. Dennis William Bethke #3994 b. 29-Mar-1958.
66. **Mary Louise "Mary Lou" Bethke** #3987, b. 8 Apr 1927 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 25 Apr 2018 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 30 Apr 2018 in Sextonville Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer Mat 3, 2018 Obituary "Mary Louise Haug, 91, of Sextonville died Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at Pine Valley Community Village. She was born on April 8, 1927 in Richland Center the daughter of Avolt and Beulah (Sharp) Bethke. On August 2, 1945 Mary was united in marriage to Edwin Wesley Haug, Jr. in Merrill, Wisconsin. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, St. John's Lutheran Church, and worked with the Richland County Foster Care Program. Mary enjoyed traveling, playing euchre and 500, knitting, reading, and doing crossword puzzles. In later years, the Bethke sense of humor remained in Mary. Mary was survived by four children: Cindy (Jim) Lawrence of Random Lake, Dennis (Sharon) Haug of Sextonville, Pam (Warren) Finder of Kingman, Kansas, Brent Harris of Sextonville; four grandchildren: Amy (Joe) Gatzke, Sarah (Jared) Bennett, Kyle (Breanna) Finder, Danny (Kylie) Finder; four great-grandchildren: Emily Gatzke, Isaish Gatzke, Seth Bennett, Grace Bennett; brother Jim (Jeannine) Bethke of Richland Center; sisters-in-law: Shirley Bethke of Richland Center, Judy Bethke of Stoughton; many other relatives and friends. Mary was preceded in death by her parents Avolt and Beulah; husband Wes, sister Marjorie (Harold) Hamilton, brothers: Dennis (Charlene), Sidney, and Gary Bethke. Funeral services will be held on Monday, April 30,

2018 at 1:00 PM at the Pratt Memorial Chapel with Reverend Craig Peach officiating. Burial will follow in the Sextonville Cemetery. A visitation will be held on Monday, April 30, 2018 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel from 11:00 AM until the time of the service at 1:00 PM. The family suggests memorials in Mary's name be directed to the Pine Valley Community Village Foundation. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements." She married Edwin Wesley "Wes" Haug #3992, 2-Aug-1945 in Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, b. 19-Oct-1924 in Platteville, Grant County, Wisconsin (son of Edwin "Eddie" W. Haug #5522 and Norma Ruby Shaw #5523), d. 25-Feb-2001 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 1-Mar-2001 in Sextonville Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Edwin: Notes: Obituaries - The Richland Observer - March 1, 2001 "Edwin 'Wes' Wesley Haug, 76 of Sextonville died Sunday Feb. 25, 2001 at The Richland Hospital. Born Oct. 19, 1924 in Platteville, he was the son of Edwin and Norma (Shaw) Haug. On Aug. 2, 1945 he married Mary Lou Bethke in Merrill. Wes was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Richland Center and was a past president of the Church Council. He owned and operated the Pinecrest Village Mobile Park in Sextonville. He was also a general contractor. He owned and operated the E.W. Haug Construction Company. Survivors include his wife Mary Lou Haug of Sextonville; children, Cindy (Jim) Lawrence of Random Lake, Dennis (Sharon) Haug of Sextonville, Pam (Warren) Finder of Kingman, Kansas, and Brent Harris of Sextonville; four grandchildren, Amy Gatzke, Sarah Finder, Kyle Finder and Daniel Finder; and a niece Julie Tisland of Portland, Maine. Wes was preceded in death by his parents, a brother Charles Haug, and a nephew Robert Haug. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, March 1, at Pratt Memorial Chapel. Rev. Rolf Amundsen will officiate with burial in the Sextonville Cemetery. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Thursday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of the services. Pratt Funeral Service assisted the family with the arrangements."

Children:

- 131. i. Cindy Haug #5519.
- 132. ii. Dennis Haug #5520.
- 133. iii. Pam Haug #5521.

67. **Lewis James "Jim" Bethke** #3989, b. 11-Sep-1928 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 26-May-2020 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Spring Green Cemetery, Spring Green, Wisconsin. Notes: PRATTs FUNERAL HOME Obituary "Lewis James Bethke, 91, of Richland Center died Tuesday, May 26, 2020 at his home. He was born on September 11, 1928 in Richland Center the son of Avolt and Beulah (Sharp) Bethke. Jim graduated from Richland Center High School in 1946. He enlisted in the US Navy and served his country from 1946 until his Honorable Discharge in 1948. On October 19, 1949 he was united in marriage to Jeannine Weston. Jim enjoyed playing softball, bonfires, hunting, fishing, bowling, horseshoes, and taking trips to Northern Wisconsin. Jim is survived by his wife of 70 years Jeannine; 5 children: Sue (Jim) Glass of Lone Rock; Jim (Socorro) Bethke of Elgin, IL; Lisa (Tom) Gethings of Richland Center, Julie Bethke and Olaf Olson of Richland Center, Kim (Bill) Cory of Richland Center; 21 grand and step-grandchildren; 35 great-grand and step-great-grandchildren; 9 great-great-grand and step-great-great-grandchildren; Sister-in-law: Judy Dersé Bethke of Stoughton; Brother-in-law: Bill Weston of Muscoda; Special nephews: Denny Haug and Brent Harris; Many other nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sisters Marge Hamilton, Dennis 'Bud' Bethke, Mary Lou Haug, Sid Bethke, and Gary Bethke, and two step-grandchildren: Alex Martinez and Christopher Gethings. A private burial will be held in the Spring Green Cemetery with a Celebration of Life to be held at a later date. The family suggests memorials in Jim's name be directed to GRACE or the Richland Hospital. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements." He married Jeannine Weston #6803, 19-Oct-1949, buried in Spring Green Cemetery, Spring Green, Wisconsin.

Children:

- 134. i. Susan Kaye "Sue" Bethke #7270 b. 4-Jun-1951.
- 135. ii. James "Jim" Bethke #9215 b. 23-Aug-1953.
- 136. iii. Lisa A. Bethke #9216 b. 2-Sep-1956.
- 137. iv. Julie Lynette Bethke #9217 b. 24-May-1961.

138. v. Kimberlee Caryl "Kim" Bethke #9218 b. abt 1965.

68. **Sidney Dean Bethke** #3990, b. 23-May-1932 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 23-Feb-1999 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried 26-Feb-1999 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Obituaries - The Richland Observer - Feb. 25, 1999 "Sidney Bethke, 66, of Richland Center died Tuesday, Feb. 23, 1999 at William S. Middleton Veterans Hospital in Madison following a long illness. Born May 23, 1932 in Richland Center, he was the son of Avolt and Beulah (Sharp) Bethke. He graduated from Richland Center High School in 1951. Sidney married Shirley Joan Eaton from Blue River on June 3, 1953. Sidney proudly served in the U.S. Army for 26 years attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. During his retirement, he lived in Dallas and returned to Richland Center three years ago. Survivors include his wife Shirley Joan "Jo" Bethke of Richland Center; two daughters, Debbie Lynch of Richland Center and daughters Mandy Lynch of Waco, Texas and Jessica Lynch of Richland Center and Sandy (Steve) Deason of Dallas and their children Seth and Shyla; three sons, William (Sue) Bethke of St. Louis and their children Justin, Nicholas, Chad and Thomas, Jeff Bethke and his daughter Amy of Richland Center, and Todd Bethke of Richland Center; his mother Beulah Bethke of Richland Center; two brothers, James (Jeannine) Bethke of Richland Center and Gary (Judy) Bethke of Richland Center; two sisters, Marge (Harold) Hamilton of Dallas and Mary Lou (Wes) Haug of Sextonville; and a sister-in-law Charlene (Bud) Bethke of Richland Center. Sidney was preceded in death by his father and two brother Dennis "Bud" Bethke. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 26, at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery where military graveside rites will be conducted by VFW Post 2267 and American Legion Post 13. Friends may call at Pratt Memorial Chapel on Thursday, Feb. 25, from 6 to 8 p.m. and on Friday from 8 a.m. until the time of the service." He married Shirley Joan "Jo" Eaton #5186, 3-Jun-1953, b. 24-Dec-1933 in Blue River, Grant County, Wisconsin, d. 25-Jul-2018, buried 27-Jul-2018 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Shirley: Notes: PRATTS Obit - Shirley Joan Eaton Bethke, 84, of Richland Center died Wednesday, July 25, 2018 after a 9-month battle with cancer. She was born on December 24, 1933 in Blue River the daughter of Clyde and Lorraine (Groom) Eaton. On June 3, 1953 Shirley was united in marriage to Sidney Bethke of Richland Center and he preceded her in death on February 23, 1999. After Sidney's death Shirley was the longtime companion of Rodney 'Bub' Cunningham, until his death in 2014. Shirley is survived by her five children: Debra Lynch of Richland Center; Sandy (Steve) Deason of Royse City, TX; Bill (Sue) Bethke of St. Louis, MO; Jeff Bethke of Richland Center; Todd Bethke of Richland Center; 8 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; brother Dwain 'Nic' (Priscilla) Eaton of Oconomowoc, WI; sister-in-law Cheryl Eaton of Boscobel; many other relatives and friends. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents Clyde and Lorraine, husband Sidney, brother Don Eaton and grandson William Chad Bethke. Memorial services will be held on Friday, July 27, 2018 at 12:00 PM at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Burial will be held at the Richland Center Cemetery at a later date. A visitation will be held at the Pratt Memorial Chapel on Friday, July 27, 2018 from 10:00 AM until the time of the service at 12:00 PM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. Online condolences can be made at prattfuneralservice.com.

Children:

- 139. i. Debra Rosanne "Debbie" Bethke #5187.
- 140. ii. Sandy Bethke #5188.
- 141. iii. William Bethke #5189.
- 142. iv. Jeff Bethke #5190.
- 143. v. Todd Bethke #5191.

69. **Gary Lee Bethke** #3991, b. 23-Mar-1943, d. 9-Aug-2008, buried in Saint Johns Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant County, WI. Notes: Richland Observer August 21, 2008 Obituary "Gary L. Bethke - Gary Lee Bethke, 65, of Richland Center, passed away on Saturday, Aug. 9, 2008, with his wife Judy by his side, following a 21-month battle with cancer. Gary was born on March 23, 1943. One of seven children of Avolt and Beulah Bethke. He was a 1961 graduate of Richland Center High School where he was an All-Conference football

tackle. He participated in track, wrestling and student government. Following a year at UW-Madison, he enlisted in the Marine Corp. in 1962 where he attained the rank of Sergeant and served a tour of duty in the Viet Nam War. Following his discharge in 1966, he lived in Los Angeles and Dallas, where he worked and raised a family. He returned to his beloved hills and valleys in Richland County in 1985 and in 1986 reunited with a former classmate and special friend, Judy (Weiland) Derse. They were married August 1, 1987 and just celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary. Gary was the Richland County Service Officer for many years and after retiring, owned and operated Main Street Trophy. Gary was on the Veterans Advisory Council of Rep. Russ Feingold and Sen. Herb Kohl. He was past president of the SW Wisconsin Veterans Service Officers Association and served on several committees of the Wisconsin Dept. of Veteran Affairs. He was a member of the American Legion, a life member of the VFW and a life member of the Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans Chapter Seven. In 1997 he began tracking down his Bravo Battery, 1st LAAM Battalion Marine Corp. buddies with whom he went through basic training and served with in Viet Nam. The first reunion was held in St. Louis in 1997. He was the first president of the Bravo Battery Association which continues the reunions every two years. Gary was a very creative artist, an avid fisherman and hunter and superb cook and baker, whose talents will be missed at every family gathering. He loved the quiet life he and Judy shared in their country home that he designed and built. His loving wife, Judy, survives Gary. He also leaves his children: a son Joe(Becki) Bethke of Mansfield, Texas, two daughters: Teri (Chris) Amos of Piano, Texas, Patty (John) Campbell of Gulfport, Miss., two step-children: Stacey (Matt) Hicks of Denver, Colo., and Dr. Scott (Kathi) Derse of Sheboygan, 10 grandchildren, a brother: James (Jeannine) Bethke, a sister: Mary Lou Haug, a brother-in-law: Harold Hamilton, a sister-in-law: Shirley Bethke, mother-in-law: Nina Weiland, Tom and Sheila (Weiland) Beatty, many nieces, nephews, other relatives, good friends and his brother Marines. A service will be held on Friday, Sept. 5, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 479 S. Park St. in Richland Center at 1 p.m., with Pastor Ken Halstead officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the American Legion, the Marine Corp. Honor Guard with support from the Wisconsin Viet Nam Chapter Seven. Memorials may be directed to the Richland County Military Honor Roll building fund at M&I Bank (108 E. Court St. Richland Center, WI 53581) or to the Ocooch Mountain Humane Society (OMHS, P.O. Box 229 Richland Center, WI 53581). The Stafford Funeral Home is assisting, the family with arrangements. Online condolences available at www.staffordfuneralhomes.com." He married (1) Maria Delaluz Diaz #6805, 6-Aug-1968 in El Paso, Texas, b. abt 1944. He married (2) Judy Kay Weiland #6804, 1-Aug-1987 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. Sept/1943.

Children by Maria Delaluz Diaz:

- 144. i. Joe Bethke #6806.
- 145. ii. Teri Lee Bethke #6807 b. 10-Oct-1970.
- 146. iii. Patty Bethke #6808.

70. **Robert Warren "Bob" Bethke** #3997, b. 14-Dec-1926 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 2-Feb-2004 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer February 5, 2004 Obituary "Robert W. "Bob" Bethke - Robert Warren "Bob" Bethke, 77, died Monday, Feb. 2, 2004 at Pine Valley Healthcare after a long illness. Born Dec. 14, 1926 in Richland County, he was the oldest of five children of Emil and Anna (Shane) Bethke. He married Donna Foard on May 31, 1952. Robert was a lifelong farmer and loved the outdoors. He served on the Eagle Town Board for several years. Survivors include his wife Donna of Richland Center; three children, Carl (Joan) Bethke of Richland Center, Mari Sue Bethke of Boscobel, and Al (Kim) Bethke of Schofield; two grandsons, Steve Bethke of Richland Center and Andrew Robert of Schofield; two sisters, Helen Bethke of Milwaukee and Doris (Jay) Kanable of Richland Center; many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Donald and Charles, and an infant son Randall Leonard. Funeral services will be Thursday, Feb. 5, at 1 p.m. at Pratt Memorial Chapel with Pastor Bob Foote officiating. Burial will follow in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call on Wednesday, Feb. 4, at Pratt Memorial Chapel from 4 to 7 p.m. and on Thursday from 8 a.m. until the time of the service. Memorials may be given in Robert's name to the Trinity United Methodist Church General Fund or Pine Valley Healthcare. Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with the arrangements." . He married Donna Nell Foard #6595, 31-May-1952, b. 30-May-1930, d. 29-Nov-2006, buried in Richland

Center Cemetery, Richland Co, WI. Donna: Notes: Pratt Funeral Service "Donna Bethke, 76, of Richland Center, died on Wednesday, November 29, 2006 following complications from surgery. She was born May 30, 1930, the daughter of Oscar and Lurena (Horne) Foard. She graduated from Richland Center High School in 1948, and attended Richland County Normal. She taught at Pauls School in the Ash Creek area before marrying Robert Bethke on May 31, 1952. She and Bob farmed in Eagle township most of their lives. Bob preceded her in death on February 2, 2004. Donna is survived by three children: Carl and wife Joan Bethke of Richland Center, Mari Sue Bethke of Boscobel, WI and wife Kim of Schofield. Two grandsons: Steve of Richland Center, Andrew of Schofield. One sister: Trudy Schaefer of Clearwater, Florida. Three sisters in law: Hilda Foard of Richland Center, Doris, Mrs. Jay Kanable of Richland Center, Helen Bethke of Milwaukee. Other relatives and special friends who live and have worked at Pine Valley Healthcare. She was further preceded in death by an infant son Randy, and two brothers: Darwin and Ray. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 2, 2006 at TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH. Friends may call at TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH on Friday, December 1, 2006 from 4 PM until 7 PM or on Saturday afternoon from 1:00 PM until service time at 2:00. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given to Pine Valley Healthcare or to Trinity United Methodist Church. Donna was a resident of Pine Valley for over three years. The family wishes to extend a sincere Thank You to the Pine Valley staff for their genuine concern and compassionate care."

Children:

- 147. i. Carl R. Bethke #6597 b. 19-Jun-1953.
- 148. ii. Randall Leonard Bethke #6596 b. 7-Feb-1964.
- 149. iii. Al Bethke #6598.
- 150. iv. Mari Sue Bethke #6599.

71. **Charles Emil Bethke** #3980, b. 3-May-1929 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 17-Jul-1987, buried 20-Jul-1987 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - July 23, 1987 - Obituaries "Charles E. Bethke, 58, of rural Richland Center, died on Friday, July 17, 1987, from injuries resulting from a traffic accident. He was born in Richland County to Emil and Anna (Shane) Bethke, on May 3, 1929. On May 21, 1961 he married the former Sharon Johnson. Charles was a U.S. Veteran. For over 23 years he was employed with Agri-Dairy in Richland Center. Survivors include his wife Sharon; one daughter, Chris Bethke; two sons, Jeff and Dan, all of Richland Center; two sisters, Helen Bethke of Milwaukee, and Doris, Mrs. Jay Kanable of Richland Center; and one brother, Robert Bethke of Richland Center. Funeral services were held Monday, July 20, 1987 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel, with Rev. Kent Prell officiating. Burial was in the Ash Creek Cemetery." He married Sharon Dawn Johnson #3984, 21-May-1961, b. 3-Jan-1940, d. 17-Jul-1998 in Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 21-Jul-1998 in Basswood Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Sharon: Notes: The Richland Observer - Obituaries - July 23, 1998 "Sharon Dawn Dowell, 58, of Richland Center died Friday, July 17, 1998 from injuries resulting from a traffic accident in Richland County. Born Jan. 3, 1940, she was the daughter of Kenneth and Marion (Chipman) Johnson. On May 21, 1961, she married Charles Bethke, who preceded her in death on July 17, 1987. She was an active member of the Christ Gospel Church in Richland Center. On Dec. 19, 1987, she married Delbert Dowell. Survivors include her husband Delbert of Richland Center; a daughter Christina (Benjamin) Matro of Virginia, Va.; two sons Jeffrey (Brenda) Bethke of Muscoda and Daniel (Kimberly) Bethke of Richland Center; a grandson Anthony Bethke; her mother Marion Johnson of Soldiers Grove; a sister Valorie (Robert) Abel of Richland Center; two brothers, Larry Johnson of Springfield, Mo. and Conrad Johnson of West Salem; and a brother-in-law James Dowell of Richland Center. Funeral services were held Tuesday, July 21, at Pratt Memorial Chapel. Rev. Frank Swerdlin officiated with burial in the Basswood Cemetery. Pratt Funeral Service served the family."

Children:

- 151. i. Chrisina Bethke #4007.
- 152. ii. Jeffrey Bethke #4008.
- 153. iii. Daniel Bethke #4009.

72. **Donald Allen Bethke** #3981, b. 29-Feb-1932 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 30-Mar-1987 in

Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 1-Apr-1987 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - April 2, 1987 - Obituaries "Donald A. Bethke, 55, of Richland Center, died on Monday, March 30, 1987, at the Richland Hospital. Mr. Bethke was born in Richland County on February 29, 1932 to Emil and Anna (Shane) Bethke. Donald served in the Army Reserves for several years. He had also worked as a production worker at Badger Ordinance. Survivors include two sisters, Helen Bethke, Milwaukee, and Doris, Mrs. Jay Kanable, rural Richland Center; two brothers, Robert and Charles Bethke, both of rural Richland Center; and nine nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, 1987 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Rev. Sara Chaney officiated with burial in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Visitation was held on Wednesday until service time. The family had asked that memorials may be made to the Richland Hospice." He married Marietta VanRaden #7273, 7-Jan-1967 in Nashua, Chickasaw County, Iowa.

73. **Helen June Bethke** #3999, b. 1-Jun-1936 in Eagle Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 11-May-2020 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer May 14, 2020 Obituary "Helen June Bethke - Helen June Bethke, 83, passed away peacefully in her sleep on Monday, May 11, 2020. Helen was a resident of the Assisted Living wing at Pine Valley Community Village, where she had lived since August of 2017. She was born on June 1, 1936, to Emil and Anna (Shane) Bethke and spent her childhood on the family farm in Eagle Township. After graduating from Richland Center High School, she moved to Milwaukee and worked for many years at the Small Animal Hospital on Newhall Street. Helen loved animals and her pets were her family. She was a faithful member of the United Methodist Church. Helen is survived by her sister Doris (Jay) Kanable and her nieces and nephews. Carl (Joan) Bethke. Mari Sue Bethke, Al (Kim) Bethke, Kelly (Rob) Wagoner. Julie (Jeff) Hilleshiem, Jeff Bethke. Dan Bethke, and Chris (Benji) Matro and their families, including nine grandnieces and nephews. Helen had a special bond with her grand-nephew Steve, who visited her daily, as he resides at Pine Valley. Helen was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers. Bob, Charles and Don, and sisters-in-law. Donna and Sharon. A private family graveside service will be held at the Ash Creek Cemetery and a public memorial celebration will be held at a later date. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. prattfuneralservice.com".
74. **Doris D. Bethke** #3998, b. 13-Oct-1938 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 9-Dec-2022 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried Spring/2023 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer December 15, 2022 - Obituary "Doris D. Kanable, 84, of Richland Center died Friday, December 9, 2022, at Pine Valley Community Village, surrounded by her family. She was born on October 13, 1938, in Richland Center the daughter of Emil and Anna (Shane) Bethke. On April 30, 1960, Doris was united in marriage to Jay Kanable at the Ash Creek United Methodist Church. Doris and Jay owned and operated Walt's Saw Center in Richland Center. She was an active member of the Peace United Methodist Church, where she volunteered at church activities, such as the Family Thrift Shop, Meals on Wheels, along with many other. Doris was involved with Friends of Animals and Ocooch Mountain Humane Society. She made a positive impact on everyone she had the pleasure of encountering. Doris and Jay enjoyed traveling, camping, and their many adventures, especially when their grandchildren were with them. Her family was everything to her. Doris is survived by her husband Jay of 62 years; two daughters: Kelly (Robin) Wagoner of Richland Center, Julie (Jeff) Hilleshiem of Richland Center; four grandchildren: Dustin Prochaska, Emily Marini, Kami (fiance Alex Marshall) Klossowski, Cody (Macy Doescher) Klossowski; three great-grandchildren: Titus Marini, and Addy and Briggs Marshall; many other nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Doris was preceded in death by her parents Emil and Anna Bethke, brothers Robert (Donna) Bethke, Charles (Sharon) Bethke, Donald Bethke, and sister Helen Bethke. A private family graveside service will be held at the Ash Creek Cemetery in the spring. Cards of sympathy can be mailed to Jay Kanable, at Pine Valley Community Village, 25951 Circle View Dr., Richland Center, WI 53581. The family suggests memorials in Doris's name be directed to the Pine Valley Community Village Foundation or the Kraemer Center at the Richland Hospital. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements." She married Jay Kanable #4000, 30-Apr-1960 in Ash Creek Methodist Church, Richland County, WI, b. 18-Dec-1937, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County,

Wisconsin.

75. **Arthur Ferdinan, Jr. "Fritz" Stibbe** #6798, b. 6-Feb-1944. He married Susan Darlene Bloedow #9031, 25-Oct-1980 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. abt 1950.
76. **Donna L. Stibbe** #6799, b. 11-Nov-1947. She married Gerald Vern "Jerry" Sims #6800, b. Aug/1947.
77. **John Sr. Wegner** #9309.
78. **Paul Wagner** #9311.
79. **Billy Marvin "Bill" Gher** #8362, b. 30-Jul-1958, buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Had as William Francis "Bill" GHER his sister Cindy emailed me birth name Billy, Land records as Billy M. He married Nancy Ann Check #8363, 25-Aug-1979, b. 4-Sep-1960, buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin.
- Children:*
154. i. Katylyn Rose Gher #8364 b. 7-Jan-1986.
80. **Cindy Sue Gher** #9303, b. 21-Aug-1959. She married Ronald Charles Deckert #9307, 5-Nov-1983 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 15-Feb-1958.
81. **Sallyann Martha Gher** #9304, b. 2-Dec-1960. She married John Lauren Muenzenberger #9308, 8-Oct-1983 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 12-May-1962.
82. **Debra M. Gher** #9306. She married Dennis D. Adams #9310, b. 16-Jul-1956.

Generation Six

83. **Ronald P. Gast** #4097, b. 19-Sep-1942, d. 19-Oct-2016 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer October 27, 2016 Obituary "Ronald P. Gast, age 74, of Dodgeville, passed away on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at St. Mary's Hospital in Madison. He was born on September 19, 1942, the son of Reinhold and Vivian (Bethke) Gast. Ron graduated from Richland Center High School in 1961. He married his high school sweetheart, Janet Miller, on September 14, 1963. They share 53 wonderful years together. He loved fishing and enjoyed sharing his stories with family and friends. Ron worked at Oscar Mayer for 32 years and at Lands' End for 8 years. Ron is survived by his mother, Vivian Gast of Dodgeville; his wife, Janet; his three children, Nancy Miller of Dodgeville, Nathan (Joan) Gast of McFarland and Jennifer (Curt) Walter of Waunakee; his brother, David (Lyn) Gast of Germantown, TN; his sister-in-law, Lewan Miller (Don Hartman) of Poynette; his six grandchildren, Emily & Allison Walter, Arianna Miller, Marisa, Evan and Brayden Gast; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Reinhold in 1992. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 29, 2016 at FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH in Dodgeville. Rev. Ethan Druckenmiller will officiate. Friends may call from 9:00 a.m. until time of services on Saturday at FAITH FELLOWSHIP CHURCH. Burial will be held in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland Center at 2:00 p.m." He married Janet A. Miller #4088, 14-Sep-1963, b. 27-Sep-1943 (daughter of Coral G. Miller #4083 and Alice L. Fish #4084).
- Children:*
155. i. Nancy Gast #7620.
156. ii. Nathan Gast #7621.
157. iii. Jennifer Gast #7622.
84. **David Gast** #4388.

85. **Kenneth Bethke** #4319.
86. **Daniel Bethke** #4320.
87. **Donna Jean Bethke** #4323, b. abt 1946. She married Edward James "Ed" Stussy #4329, b. 8-Aug-1943.
88. **Carol Bethke** #4322. She married Chance Farlowe #4328.
89. **Vicky L. Bethke** #4325, b. 3-Sep-1952, d. 22-Aug-1992, buried in Bethel Cemetery, Vernon County, Wisconsin. Notes: No obituary - used Find A Grave data. She married Charles McCullick #4331.
90. **Patricia Bethke** #4324. She married Ed Kelley #4330.
91. **Nancy Bethke** #4326, b. abt 1957. She married Roger Jacobson #4332, 19-Oct-1973 in Lincoln County, South Dakota, b. abt 1956.
92. **Patrick Steven Bethke** #4321, b. 24-Sep-1961, d. 1-Jun-1978, buried in Bethel Cemetery, Vernon County, Wisconsin. Notes: No obituary - used Find A Grave data for given (Steven) and dates.
93. **Jeannie Bethke** #4327.
94. **Janet Gayle Anderson** #7143, b. 18-Mar-1946 in Whittier, California, d. 24-Oct-2006, buried in Saint Charles, Missouri. Notes: No obituary - Find A Grave data.
95. **Gordon Allen Anderson** #7144, b. 13-Feb-1949 in Onawa, Iowa, d. 21-May-2001 in Lincoln, Nebraska, buried in Lincoln, Nebraska. Notes: FIND A GRAVE

Gordon Allen Anderson

BIRTH 13 Feb 1949 Onawa, Monona County, Iowa, USA

DEATH 21 May 2001 Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, USA

BURIAL Lincoln Memorial Park., Lincoln, Lancaster County, Nebraska, USA

Sloan Starlet 6 June 2001 Obituary "Gordon A Anderson, 52, Lincoln, died Monday (5/21/01). A believer in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ had gone home to dwell with him. Born, Onawa, Iowa (2/13/49) to Gay and Lois (Bethke) Anderson. Master sergeant, Nebraska Air National Guards, KC-135R instructor, refueling operator (boom operator), US Army veteran. Members, First ELCA Lutheran Church, Lincoln. Survivors include his wife, Nancy; stepdaughter, Emily Bowers, Lincoln; mother, Lois Anderson, Onawa, Iowa; sister, brother-in-law, Janet and Stanley McCall, St Peters, Mo., father-in-law, mother-in-law, Warren and Jane Mickelson, Lincoln; sister-in-law, brother-in-law, Judy and Jack Richter, Winona, MN, nephew, Bryan Richter, nieces, Laura Bosler, Nyla Siefert, Lisa Salas; three great-nephews, five great nieces. Preceded in death by father, Gay; sister, Gloria Anderson. Services were Thursday (5-24-01) First ELCA Lutheran Church, Lincoln. Burial, Lincoln Memorial Park. Military rites by Nebraska Air National Guard honor squad."

96. **Gloria Anne Anderson** #7145, b. 1955 in Sloan, Iowa, d. 1955, buried in Albaton, Monona, Iowa. Notes: Died at birth. Find A Grave data.
97. **Joseph Michael Muldowney** #1070, b. 12-Nov-1929 in Dayton Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 28-Feb-1991 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried 2-Mar-1991 in Fancy Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer March 7, 1991 Obituaries "Joseph Micheal Muldowney, 63, of rural Richland Center, died on Thursday, Feb. 28, 1991, at a hospital in Madison. Mr.

Muldowney was born Nov. 12, 1927, in Dayton Township, the son of James Muldowney and Dorothy Gher. He attended eight year's at St. Mary's Catholic School and graduated in 1947 from the Richland Center High School. Joe worked at Sears Roebuck & Company and then Jones Chevrolet Garage. In October 1948, he married the former Avis Ewing. He was employed at Oscar Mayer Company in Madison for 27 years. Joe also drove school bus for F.W. Gillingham and the last couple years, worked at the Wonder Wash Car Wash. Joe enjoyed many hobbies including bowling, hunting and repairing small engines, etc.

Survivors include one son, Rick (Tina) Muldowney of Richland Center; two daughters, Jacqueline (Tim) Nachtigal of Bloom City and Robin (Brent) Glick of Richland Center; a dear friend, Kay Legaard and her family; six grandchildren; one brother, Patrick (Collen) Muldowney of Richland Center; one sister, Mary Ann (Tom) Shannon of Muscoda; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 2, 1991, at 1 p.m. in the Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Father Norman Boneck officiated with burial in the Fancy Creek Cemetery in Marshall Township." He married Avis Joeline Ewing #1058, 28-Oct-1948 in Galena, Jo Daviess County, Illinois, b. 4-Sep-1929 in Marshall Township, Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of Bernie Sr. Ewing #1025 and Cleo Madeline Poole #1061), d. 31-Dec-2013 in Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Fancy Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Avis: Notes: Richland Observer January 9, 2014 Obituary "Avis J. Muldowney age 84, died December 31, 2013. Avis was born to Burnie and Cleo (Poole) Ewing Sr. in Richland Center, WI on September 4, 1929. Avis was married to Joseph M. Muldowney on October 28, 1948 in Galena, Illinois. Avis enjoyed playing softball in her younger years. As time went by, she was a help to local farmers milking cows for them when they went on vacation. She enjoyed bowling on a local league for many years and cake decorating for many members of her family and friends. Later in life, Avis watched and fed birds and become a fan of basketball and football games. Avis had many jobs in her lifetime. She worked at Schultz Brothers, Gillingham School, Gables, Mercury Industries, drove bus for 15 years, was a private caretaker for many people over the years, and her last job was at Family Dollar. Avis was preceded in death by her father Burnie Ewing, Sr., her mother Cleo (Poole) Ewing, her husband, Joseph M. Muldowney, her sister, E. Elaine (Ewing) Clark. Survivors include two brothers: Bernie (Martha Benson) Ewing, Jr. of Lone Rock and Dennis (Valerie Wollin) Ewing of Watertown. Three children Jacqueline (Timothy) Nachtigal, of Richland Center; Rick (Tina Cosgrove) Muldowney of Richland Center and Robin Muldowney (Jaroslav Bezdecny) of Richland Center. Seven grandchildren: Jenny (Joe) Sweeny of Madison, Jacob (Louise DeTroye) Muldowney of Madison, Tyler Muldowney (Hannah Foley) of Richland Center, Sarah (Derrick) Fish of Monroe, Thomas (Grace Sheire) Nachtigal, Sr., of Richland Center, Daniel Nachtigal of Yuba, and Lucas (Lindsay Peterson) Glick, of Lone Rock. Eleven great grandchildren: Lily and Erin Sweeney, Evelyn Muldowney, Abby, Allie, Nick and Noah Fish, Gabby, Kimmy, Sammy and Thomas Nachtigal, Jr. Also, many nieces, nephews, and friends. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel. Friends may call at the Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center on Saturday, January 4, 2014 from 11:00 AM until service time at 2:00 PM. Due to allergies, the family requests memorials be made to the Muldowney family in lieu of flowers. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family. Online condolences may be made at prattfuneralservice.com."

Children:

- 158. i. Jacqueline Muldowney #2743 b. 8-Nov-1951.
- 159. ii. Rick Joe Muldowney #2744 b. 22-May-1955.
- 160. iii. Robin Elaine Muldowney #2745 b. 20-Feb-1968.

98. **Larry Gher** #9298, b. 3-Nov-1937 in Viola, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 8-Apr-2007 in Lodi, Columbia County, Wisconsin, buried in St. Paul Cemetery, Hill Point, Sauk County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer April 12, 2007 Obituary "Larry Gher, 69, of Hillpoint died Sunday, April 8, 2007 at his daughter's residence in Lodi. Born Nov. 3, 1937 in Viola township, he was the son of William and Kathleen (Elder) Gher. He served in the U.S. Air Force. Larry married Lucille Gudenschwager on July 15, 1962 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. In addition to raising their family, he enjoyed caring for animals, watching and feeding the birds, fishing, hunting, and being in the woods. He not only grew his own flowers and produce,

he cooked, barbecued, canned and made sauerkraut. He frequently had a good joke or story to tell. He enjoyed collecting antiques but his favorite hobby was spending time with his family, frequently photographing his grandchildren. Survivors include his wife Lucille of Hillpoint, three children, Joyce (H. Adam) Steinberg of Lodi; David L. (Terri L.) Gher of Hillpoint and Kenneth A. (Julie) Gher of LaValle; seven grandchildren, Courtney, Nicholas, Cameron, Joshua, Ashley, Sarah, and Emma; his sisters Gyneth Erdman (friend Larry) of Columbus and Marlene Riggs of Reedsburg, his brother LaVerne (Diane) Gher of LaValle; and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and an infant brother Tony. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, April 12 at Pratt Memorial Chapel Rev, Duane Daeke will officiate with burial in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, rural Hillpoint, where military graveside rites will be provided by VFW Post 3434 of Hillpoint. Friends may call on Wednesday, April 11, from 5 to 8 p.m. and on Thursday from 10 a.m. until 11. Pratt Funeral Service is assisting the family with arrangements." He married Lucille Gudenschwager #9299, 16-Jul-1962 in St. Paul Church, Hill Point, Sauk County, Wisconsin, b. 21-Apr-1937 in Washington Township, Sauk County, Wisconsin, d. 1-Jul-2020 in Fitchburg, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in St. Paul Cemetery, Hill Point, Sauk County, Wisconsin. Lucille: Notes: Richland Observer July 9, 2020 Obituary "Lucille Gher - Lucille Gher, 83, died on Wednesday, July 1, 2020, at Agrace HospiceCare in Madison. She was born on April 21, 1937, in Washington Township, daughter of Agon and Clara (Meyer) Gudenschwager. Lucille was united in marriage with Larry Gher on July 15, 1962, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Lucy was a very loving wife and mother, who cared very deeply for her family and friends. She, alongside her husband, Larry, grew many beautiful flowers, produced a large garden, and then canned many of the vegetables and made a great deal of jams and jellies. She enjoyed playing piano and organ. Lucy was known for the many wonderful dishes she made, green bean and cheeseburger casseroles, angel food cakes for birthdays and her famous peanut sticks, a family tradition at Christmas time! In her last years while living at Maplewood Nursing Home in Sauk Prairie, she enjoyed playing bingo, having her hair done, reading, watching and seeing family on Facebook, watching the birds outside her window, working on word searches and crosswords and watching Hallmark movies. She always enjoyed and appreciated when family and friends would come to visit with her. Survivors include her sister Caroline McCauley of Richland Center and brother-in-law Dean Pfaff of Sauk City; three children, Joyce (H. Adam) Steinberg of Lodi, David L. (Terri L.) Gher of Hillpoint, and Kenneth A. Gher of Baraboo; seven grandchildren, Courtney (Doug) Noonan, Nicholas Gher, Cameron Gher, Joshua Gher, Ashley Gher, Sarah Steinberg and Emma Steinberg; two great-grandchildren, Benjamin Noonan and Abraham Noonan; sisters-in-law, Gyneth Erdman (friend Larry) of Columbus, and Marlene Riggs of Reedsburg; brother-in-law La Verne (Diane) Gher of La Valle; other relatives and friends. Lucille was preceded in death by her parents, Agon and Clara Gudenschwager; her husband, Larry Gher; her sister, Violet Pfaff; and brother-in-law, Milford McCauley. Funeral services were held on Monday, July 6, at Pratt Memorial Chapel in Richland Center. Visitation was held on Monday, July 6, at Pratt Memorial Chapel until the time of the services. Reverend Tim Anderson officiated. Burial was in St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery, rural Hillpoint, following the funeral, prattfuneralservice.com".

Children:

- 161. i. Joyce Gher #9300.
 - 162. ii. David L. Gher #9301.
 - 163. iii. Kenneth A. Gher #9302.
99. **Tony Gher** #8361, b. 31-Jan-1959 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, d. 31-Jan-1959 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, buried in Sandusky Cemetery, Sauk County, Wisconsin. Notes: Republican Observer February 5, 1959 Obituary "Three Families Mourn Deaths Of Infants - A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gher of the Sandusky area in Sauk county, January 31st, at St. Mary's hospital in Madison. The babe died at birth and the body was brought to the Pratt Chapel, is this had been the Gher home previously. Graveside services were held Wednesday at Sandusky."
100. **Linda Gher** #9294.
101. **Barbara Gher** #9295.

102. **Diana Gher** #9296.
103. **Nancy Gher** #9297.
104. **Gene Bethke** #3814.
105. **Infant Son Bethke** #3819, b. 16-Nov-1946, d. 16-Nov-1946, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin.
106. **Amy M. Bethke** #3816.
107. **Terry J. Bethke** #3815, b. 30-Apr-1948 in Richland County, Wisconsin. He married Stefanie Elizabetha Rudnicki #7272, b. 25-Oct-1947. Stefanie: Notes: Richland Observer March 11, 1969 engagement. She was from Dietschwiler, Germany.
108. **Samuel L. Svalina** #6839.
109. **Helenmarie "Nancy" Svalina** #6840.
110. **Mary Katherine "Kathy" Svalina** #6841.
111. **Nicholas Bradley Svalina** #6842, b. 25-Oct-1954, d. 6-Nov-2007 in Calumet City, Cook County, Illinois. Notes: NICHOLAS B. SVALINA CALUMET CITY, IL Nicholas B. Svalina, age 53, late, of Calumet City, IL. Beloved husband of Cheryl (nee Wargin). Loving father of Matthew and Mark Svalina. Dear son of Fidelia and the late Nick Svalina. Dear brother of Sam Svalina, Nancy Larson and Kathy Berry. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Mr. Svalina was an attorney for Svalina Law Firm. He was a member of Illinois and South Carolina Bar Associations. Visitation will be Friday, November 9, 2007 from 2:00-9:00 p.m. at the Elmwood Chapel, 11200 S. Ewing Ave., Chicago, IL. Cemetery private. For information: (773) 731-2749. Published in The Times from November 8 to November 9, 2007. He married Cheryl Wargin #7033.
- Children:*
164. i. Matthew Svalina #7034.
165. ii. Mark Svalina #7035.
112. **Cindy Sue Bethke** #82, b. 31-May-1949 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 27-Dec-1983 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 30-Dec-1983 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co., Wisconsin. Notes: The Richland Observer - December 29, 1983 - Obituaries "Cindy Aber, 34, of Richland Center, died Tuesday (Dec. 27, 1983) at the University Hospital in Madison. Cindy was born on May 31, 1949 in Richland Center, the daughter of Bradley and Dorothy Thompson Bethke. She married Cahrles Aber on July 17, 1978 in Anchorage, Alaska. She had been employed at The Richland Hospital for 15 years and was the Business Office Manager. Survivors include her husband, Charles of Richland Center; her parents, Bradley and Dorothy Bethke of Richland Center; two brothers, John and David Bethke, both of Richland Center; one sister, Mary Beth Bethke of Sheboygan; two grandmothers, Dottie Keller and Marie Dosch, both of Richland Center; nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 30, at the Pratt Memorial Chapel at 1 p.m. The Revs. Kenneth F. Brice and L.M. Trainor will officiate and burial will be in the Richland Center Cemetery. Friends may call at the Chapel from 7 to 9 p.m.on Thursday." She married Charles James Aber #617, 17-Jul-1978 in Anchorage, Alaska, b. 20-Oct-1947 in Wisconsin (son of Charles LeRoy "Roy" Aber #616 and Myrtle Melvina Moore #615).
113. **John Roger Bethke** #83, b. 28-Aug-1950 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin. He

married Cheryl Ann Zwicker #84, 8-Apr-1972 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 13-Feb-1951 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin (daughter of Donald John Zwicker #5954 and Ihla Mae Button #5955).

Children:

- 166. i. Andrea Kristin Bethke #85 b. 16-Oct-1972.
- 167. ii. Bryan Donald Bethke #86 b. 10-Jun-1975.
- 168. iii. Allison Diane Bethke #87 b. 27-Dec-1983.

114. **David Bradley Bethke** #4390, b. 28-Mar-1960. Notes: Darlene's Obit - Birth mother. Thibedeau, Darlene Source: newspaper unknown, Feb. 2009 "Darlene Thibedeau age 69, of Park Falls, died Tuesday February 24, 2009 at Park Manor Nursing Home in Park Falls. She was born on October 11, 1939 in Butternut, the daughter of Frederick and Elsie (Traxel) Wartgow. Her early life and schooling were in Butternut. On August 17, 1963 she married Neal Thibedeau in Butternut. Darlene worked for the Flambeau Paper Mill in Accounting for over 37 years. She is survived by: her husband Neal of Park Falls; 3 children: Roger (Cindy) Thibedeau of Inverness, FL Kathy (Grant) Tesnow of Park Falls Karen (Mark) Evanson of Wausau; 5 grandchildren: Korin Knight & Kim Thibedeau, and Stephanie, Jeremy, & Christopher Tesnow; 2 great-grandchildren: Layton & Trinity Stevenson; 1 brother: Harold (Doris Jane) Wartgow of Green Valley, Arizona; 2 sisters: Shirley Glaeser of Butternut, Beverly (George) Bruch of Brookfield; 1 sister-in-law: Norma Wartgow of Butternut, and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Verlin Wartgow and her brother-in-law Frank Glaeser. Funeral services will be held on Monday March 2, 2009 at 11 a.m. from Peace Lutheran Church in Park Falls. Rev. John A. Deitz will officiate. Burial will follow at Nola Cemetery in Park Falls. A visitation will take place on Monday from 10 a.m. until the hour of the service at the church."

FIND A GRAVE - Birth Mother

Darlene A Wartgow Thibedeau

BIRTH 11 Oct 1939 Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin

DEATH 24 Feb 2009 Park Falls, Price County, Wisconsin

BURIAL Nola Cemetery, Park Falls, Price County, Wisconsin

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Darlene's parents

Fredrick Emil "Fred" Wartgow

BIRTH 8 Jul 1893 Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin

DEATH 13 Oct 1970 Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin

BURIAL Union Cemetery, Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin

Elsie L. Traxel Wartgow

BIRTH 1898 Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin

DEATH 19 Nov 1960 Ashland County, Wisconsin

BURIAL Union Cemetery, Butternut, Ashland County, Wisconsin.

115. **Mary Beth Bethke** #4389, b. 29 Jul 1962. She married Larry Lee Suemnicht #7258, 1 Jun 1984 in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, b. 21 Feb 1956.

Children:

- 169. i. Ashley Suemnicht #7261.
- 170. ii. Brandon Suemnicht #7262.

116. **Leland Davis** #8215, b. 11-Apr-1940 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 4-Jan-2019 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 8-Apr-2019 in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: PRATTS Obituary for Leland Davis - Leland Davis, 78, of Blue River died Thursday, April 4, 2019 at the Richland Hospital. He was born on April 11, 1940 in Richland County the son of Arnold and Marian (Bethke) Davis. He worked in farming and later owned and operated a bulk milk truck

for several years. Leland enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family. For the past three years, he made Pine Valley Community Village his home. Leland is survived by sister Carol (Merle) Colson, of Blue River, two brothers: Dennis (Amy) Davis, of Blue River, and Dean (Carrie) Davis, of Laramie, Wyoming, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Leland was preceded in death by his parents Arnold and Marian, brother Leslie Davis, nephew Brian Colson. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 8, 2016 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel, with burial to follow in the Ash Creek Cemetery. A visitation will be held on Monday, April 8, 2019 at the Pratt Memorial Chapel from 10:00 AM until the time of service at 11:00 AM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be made at prattfuneralservice.com".

117. **Leslie Davis** #7049, b. 23-Jun-1943 in Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 9-Aug-2011 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried in Ash Creek Cemetery, Richland County, Wisconsin. Notes: PRATTS "Leslie Davis, 68, of Richland Center and Blue River, died August 9, 2011 at Pine Valley. He was born June 23, 1943 the son of Arnold and Marian (Bethke) Davis in Richland County. Leslie enjoyed toy cars and trucks. He participated in Special Olympics especially bowling, and loved Badger Camp. Leslie always had a smile on his face, especially while looking at photographs, preparing food and making coffee. He enjoyed collecting monkeys, which were his favorite animal. Leslie and his family would like to thank Pine Valley Health Care for their care for the last three years. Leslie is survived by: His mother Marian Davis of Blue River, One sister Carol (Merle) Colson of Blue River, 3 brothers Leland Davis of Blue River, Dennis (Amy) Davis of Blue River, Dean (Carrie) Davis of Dubois, Wyoming, many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Leslie is preceded in death by his grandparents and father Arnold. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, August 13, 2011 at Pratt Memorial Chapel with Pastor Noel Mayes officiating. Burial will follow in the Ash Creek Cemetery. Friends may call at the PRATT MEMORIAL CHAPEL on Saturday, August 13, 2011 from 11:00 AM until the time of service at 1:00 PM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences can be made at prattfuneralservice.com."

118. **Shirley M. Wilson** #4185, b. 15-May-1941. She married Denny D. Coppernoll #4191.

Children:

- 171. i. Darcy Coppernoll #4398.
- 172. ii. Travis Coppernoll #4399.

119. **Theron Delos Wilson** #4186, b. 26-May-1943. He married Judith Ann "Judie" Boardman #9209, b. 9-Jul-1945.

120. **Michael "Mike" Wilson** #4187.

121. **Patsy Lynn Wilson** #4188, b. 14-Jan-1950 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 10-Jan-2022 in Janesville, Rock County, Wisconsin. Notes: Richland Observer January 20, 2022 - Obituary "Patsy Lynn Phillips - Patsy Lynn Phillips, 71, of Janesville passed away on January 10, 2022. She was born on January 14, 1950, in Richland Center, daughter of Delos and Magdeline (Bethke) Wilson. She grew up in Richland Center and graduated from Richland Center High School. Following graduation from high school she moved to Janesville and went to work for the Parker Pen Company. She married Rolland W. 'Ron' Phillips on January 17, 1970. She was employed for 27 years by Chamber and Owen and had many fond memories of her working there. Patsy had a love for cats and received much enjoyment from each one she had through the years. Patsy is survived by her husband of 52 years, Ron Phillips; her brothers and sisters, Shirley (Denny) Coppernoll of Spring Green, Theron (Judy) Wilson of La Crosse, Mike (Polly) Wilson of River Falls, Pamela (Gary) Fogo of Richland Center, and Mark (Shirley) Wilson of Richland Center; nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Her parents preceded her in death. Visitation and funeral service were held on Monday, January 17, at Henke-Clarson Funeral Home, Janesville. Online

condolences may be sent to www.henkeclarson.com." She married Rolland W. "Ron" Phillips #4192, 17-Jan-1970.

122. **Pamela J. Wilson** #4189, b. 23-Apr-1955. She married Gary L. Fogo #4193, b. 14-Jun-1955.

Children:

- 173. i. David Fogo #4400.
- 174. ii. Mathew Fogo #4401.

123. **Mark Ervie Wilson** #4190, b. 20-Jan-1961. He married Shirley Jean Keehn #9210, 27-Oct-1982 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 31-Mar-1952.

124. **Helene Bethke** #6952.

125. **Sallie Ann Bethke** #9844, b. 25-Oct-1953. She married Donald S.O. "Don" VanWoert #9845, 28-Oct-1988, b. 2-Apr-1955 in Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, d. 19-Jan-2022 in Wisconsin, buried 24-Jan-2022 in Muscoda Cemetery, Muscoda, Grant Co., Wisconsin. Donald: Notes: Richland Observer January 27, 2022 - Obituary "Lt. Colonel Donald S.O. VanWoert, 66, of Spring Green died unexpectedly on January 19,2022. Don was born in Flint, Michigan, and grew up in Byron, Michigan. On October 28, 1988, He married the love of his life, Sallie A. Bethke. Growing up as a boy Don loved sports. He held numerous all-state records in baseball and football at Byron High School. Many of his records are unbroken to this day. His passion for sports was passed on to some of his children. After high school, Don was quickly drafted and choose the Marines. He loved this great nation and fought for what our flag stands for, Freedom. He served in the Vietnam War and Enduring Freedom- including three tours, and some missions with special forces. Don worked as a carpenter, putting himself through nursing school, where he and Sallie met. He was great with his hands and loved to build things. Don worked as a critical care nurse for over 30 years. He retired from the Veterans Administrative Hospital in Madison. He was respected by many. He taught simulation labs, and for over 23 years was a nurse in the 911th Forward Surgical Team. He enjoyed being the one people could rely on. His patients and co-workers loved him, his mischievous smile, and his dry sense of humor! He loved history, The Beatles, leather craftsmanship, and vegetable gardening. He stayed true to his roots as a Native American. He belonged to the Michigan Sault St. Marie Chippewa tribe. He was learning and practicing his native language. Don's love for his heritage and culture was present in gifts, leather, and wood working. He had the strongest exterior, with the softest heart. Donnie, you will be truly missed by the many whose lives you touched. Don is survived by his wife Sallie A. VanWoert and eight children, Bambi (John) Burnham of Lansing, Michigan, Heather (Matt) Turpin of Midland, Michigan, Erica (Elaine) Dugger of Durand, Michigan, Andrea (Jeremy) Minarik of Gaines, Michigan, Kristin Soerries of Howell, Michigan, Joshua (Michaela) VanWoert of Platteville, Rachael (Rex) Derezinski of Baraboo, and Benjamin VanWoert of Spring Green; his brother, John (Cyndi) VanWoert of Bancroft, Michigan, and sister Nancy VanWoert (Dan Frazier) of Howell, Michigan; and 15 grandchildren. Don was preceded in death by his father Donald Russell VanWoert, his mother Shirley Ann VanWoert, and brother David Wayne VanWoert. Funeral services were held on Monday, January 24, at Park Street Christian Church in Richland Center. Minister Richard Winter and Buddy Bethke co-officiated with burial in the Muscoda Cemetery, where military graveside rites were conducted. Visitation was held on Monday at the church until the time of service. In lieu of flowers, if you'd wish to send a memorial send it to Park St. Church, c/o Donald VanWoert Memorial Fund 148 S. Park St. Richland Center, WI 53581. Online condolences can be left at at.com. The Richardson-Stafford Funeral Home in Spring Green is assisting the family with arrangements."

126. **Roger Hamilton** #6506.

127. **Rick Hamilton** #6507.

128. **Randall J. "Smiley" Hamilton** #6508, b. 11-Jul-1955 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin,

d. 15-Dec-2008 in Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, buried 20-Dec-2008 in Grove Hill Memorial Park, Dallas, Texas. Notes: Richland Observer January 1, 2009 Obituary "Randy J. "Smiley" Hamilton - Randy J. "Smiley" Hamilton, born July 11, 1955, in Richland Center, passed away at the age of 53 on Dec. 15, 2008, in Dallas, with his family. Randy graduated with the Class of 1974 from Bryan Adams High School and later attended El Centro College in Dallas, Texas. Randy began his professional career operating Hamilton's Catering for several years, but spent the last 10 years working for WM Automotive. He was a member of Bethel Church in Mesquite, Texas, under Pastor Joe George. Those who knew and loved Randy know that he was "Happy Go Lucky" and a generous man who would give the shirt off his back. Randy has touched us all, and he will be deeply missed. He is survived by his father, Harold J. Hamilton of Dallas, Texas; two daughters, Heather and Dominique Hamilton; four grandchildren, Lexi, Mercedes, Caleb and Rey; nieces Carrie and Sheila and nephew Todd. Family received friends on Dec. 20 at Grove Hill Funeral Home, with funeral services following. Interment was at Grove Hill Memorial Park."

129. **Carol Jean Bethke** #3995, b. abt 1954. She married (1) Dennis Mueller #3996. She married (2) Eric W. Schweitzer #4709, 14-Feb-1980 in Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 4-Jul-1952.

Children by Dennis Mueller:

175. i. Dennis J. Mueller #6737.

176. ii. Kristin Mueller #6738.

Children by Eric W. Schweitzer:

177. iii. Kimberly J. Schweitzer #6739.

178. iv. Melissa J. Schweitzer #6740.

130. **Dennis William Bethke** #3994, b. 29-Mar-1958 in Richland Center, Richland County, WI, d. 2-Dec-1984 in Kalispell, Montana. Notes: The Richland Observer - December 13, 1984 - Obituaries "Dennis (Bub) William Bethke, Jr., 26, of Kalispell, Mont. and formerly of Richland Center, died suddenly on Sunday (Dec. 2, 1984) in Kalispell. Dennis was born March 29, 1958 in Richland Center, the son of Dennis and Charlene Bethke. He attended schools in Richland Center and graduated from Richland Center High School in 1977. After graduation he was employed by Keegan Feed Mill. He moved to Kalispell, Mont. in 1981 where he was employed by Western Star Builders. Dennis was preceded by his father in 1975. Survivors include his mother, Charlene Bethke of Richland Center; a sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Eric Schweitzer of Richland Center; his maternal grandparents, Sheldon and Dorothy Salmon of Muscoda; his paternal grandmother, Beulah Bethke of Richland Center; one nephew; three nieces; and many relatives and friends. He is also survived by his fiancée, Veronica Marjamaa of Kalispell, Mont. Private memorial services were held in Montana and public memorial services were held Saturday at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Richland Center. Memorials may be given to the family."

131. **Cindy Haug** #5519.

132. **Dennis Haug** #5520.

133. **Pam Haug** #5521.

134. **Susan Kaye "Sue" Bethke** #7270, b. 4-Jun-1951. She married James A. "Jim" Glass #7271, 30-Aug-1969 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, b. 30-Aug-1950.

135. **James "Jim" Bethke** #9215, b. 23-Aug-1953. He married Socorro Martinez #9219, b. 27-Jun-1969.

136. **Lisa A. Bethke** #9216, b. 2-Sep-1956. She married Thomas Jay Gethings #2679, b. 10-May-1957 (son of Lawrence H. "Larry" Gethings #1036 and Melissa Louise "Pat" Ewing #1035).

137. **Julie Lynette Bethke** #9217, b. 24-May-1961. She married (1) William Raymond Honer #9220, 10-Nov-1984 in Richland County, Wisconsin. She married (2) James Walter Prouty #9221, 24-May-1996 in Richland County, Wisconsin.
138. **Kimberlee Caryl "Kim" Bethke** #9218, b. abt 1965. She married William Webster "Bill" Cory #9222, 18-Aug-1990 in Dane County, Wisconsin, b. March/1960.
139. **Debra Rosanne "Debbie" Bethke** #5187. She married Michael William Lynch #5192, 22-Oct-1977 in Dallas, Texas.
Children:
- 179. i. Miranda Michelle "Mandy" Lynch #5193 b. 10-Aug-1980.
 - 180. ii. Jessica Marie Lynch #5194 b. 24-Aug-1982.
140. **Sandy Bethke** #5188. She married Steve Deason #5195.
Children:
- 181. i. Seth Deason #5196.
 - 182. ii. Shyla Deason #5197.
141. **William Bethke** #5189. He married Sue (Bethke) #5198.
Children:
- 183. i. Justin Bethke #5199.
 - 184. ii. Nicholas Bethke #5203.
 - 185. iii. Chad Bethke #5200.
 - 186. iv. Thomas Bethke #5201.
142. **Jeff Bethke** #5190.
Children:
- 187. i. Amy Bethke #5202.
143. **Todd Bethke** #5191.
144. **Joe Bethke** #6806.
145. **Teri Lee Bethke** #6807, b. 10-Oct-1970 in El Paso, Texas.
146. **Patty Bethke** #6808.
147. **Carl R. Bethke** #6597, b. 19-Jun-1953, buried Pre-needs in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Center, WI. He married Joan M. Price #7341, 28-Oct-1978, b. 22-Dec-1954 (daughter of Harold E. Price #7342 and A. Eileen Gilbertson #7343), buried Pre-needs in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Center, WI.
Children:
- 188. i. Steven Michael "Steve" Bethke #7344 b. 15-Feb-1980.
148. **Randall Leonard Bethke** #6596, b. 7-Feb-1964, d. 8-Feb-1964, buried in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Co, WI.
149. **Al Bethke** #6598.
150. **Mari Sue Bethke** #6599.
151. **Chrisina Bethke** #4007. She married Benjamin Matro #4971.

152. **Jeffrey Bethke** #4008.

153. **Daniel Bethke** #4009.

154. **Katylyn Rose Gher** #8364, b. 7-Jan-1986.

Generation Seven

155. **Nancy Gast** #7620.

156. **Nathan Gast** #7621.

157. **Jennifer Gast** #7622.

158. **Jacqueline Muldowney** #2743, b. 8-Nov-1951. She married Timothy Nachtigal #2746, 14-May-1977, b. 9-Mar-1952.

Children:

- 189. i. Sarah Ann Nachtigal #2747 b. 22-Feb-1978.
- 190. ii. Thomas Jon Nachtigal #2748 b. 11-Sep-1980.
- 191. iii. Daniel Nachtigal #7225.

159. **Rick Joe Muldowney** #2744, b. 22-May-1955. He married Tina M. Cosgrove #2749, 28 Aug 1976, b. 10-May-1956.

Children:

- 192. i. Jenny Lynn Muldowney #2750 b. 23-Feb-1978.
- 193. ii. Jacob Merideth Muldowney #2751 b. 12-Jan-1981.
- 194. iii. Tyler J. Muldowney #7208 b. Dec/1992.

160. **Robin Elaine Muldowney** #2745, b. 20-Feb-1968 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin, d. 22-Jun-2017. Notes: Richland Observer June 29, 2017 Obituary " Robin E. Muldowney - Robin Elaine Muldowney, 49, of Richland Center, passed away on Thursday, June 22, 2017. She was born on February 20, 1968 to Joseph and Avis (Ewing) Muldowney in Richland Center. Robin dedicated her life to the healing arts, touching the lives and spirits of countless people and serving tirelessly to enrich the lives of others. She became a massage practitioner in 1990, and constantly sought knowledge of new ways to heal those around her. She was certified in Therapeutic Massage, Acupressure, Jin Shin Jyutsu, Thai Massage, Lymphatic Massage, Tui Na, Prenatal and Infant Massage, and Hypno-Therapy. She was also a Doula, an instructor for Bach Flowers and acted as a friend and healer to hundreds of people across the world. Robin loved spending time outside taking care of her garden, flowers and herbs. She was an excellent cook and baker and enjoyed photography, knitting and making jewelry. Robin treasured her grandchildren, and relished in showing them new things and teaching them new tasks. Robin is survived by: her husband, Jardo Bezdecny, four children; Lucas (Lindsay Peterson) Glick of Sussex, WI, Theresa Bezdecny of Madison, WI, Jessica (Kenny) Porras of California, and Michelle (Nikita Bisnevski) Bezdecny of New York, nine grandchildren: Keegan, Caleb, Dovenia, Elias, Felissa, Gunner, Mishka, Sashka and Antoshka, her sister Jackie (Tim) Nachtigal of Yuba, WI, and brother Rick (Tina Cosgrove) Muldowney of Gillingham, WI, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Friends and family are invited to join in a celebration of Robin's life on Saturday, July 1, 2017 from noon until 4:00 p.m. at the White Crane, 177 E Haseltine St., Richland Center. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. Online condolences can be made at prattfuneralservice.com." She married (1) Brent Archie Glick #4235, 2-Aug-1986, b. 15-Jun-1968 (son of LaMonte Glick #9750 and Betty Buchanan #9753). She married (2) Jaroslav Thomas Bezdecny #7205, in Hawaii, b. 24-Apr-1950.

Children by Brent Archie Glick:

195. i. Lucas L. Glick #7206 b. Jan/1987.
161. **Joyce Gher** #9300.
162. **David L. Gher** #9301.
163. **Kenneth A. Gher** #9302.
164. **Matthew Svalina** #7034.
165. **Mark Svalina** #7035.
166. **Andrea Kristin Bethke** #85, b. 16-Oct-1972 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin. She married Jeffery S. "Jeff" Perry #5409, 23-Oct-1999 in St. Mary's Church, Richland Center, Wisconsin, b. 17-Oct-1969.
- Children:*
196. i. Ella Perry #7259.
197. ii. Henry Perry #7260.
167. **Bryan Donald Bethke** #86, b. 10-Jun-1975 in Richland Center, Richland County, Wisconsin. He married Jina Huschka #5953.
168. **Allison Diane Bethke** #87, b. 27-Dec-1983 in Richland Center, Richland County, WI.
169. **Ashley Suemnicht** #7261. She married John Fiedler #7263.
- Children:*
198. i. Alise Fiedler #7264.
199. ii. Joshua Fiedler #7265.
170. **Brandon Suemnicht** #7262.
171. **Darcy Coppernoll** #4398.
172. **Travis Coppernoll** #4399.
173. **David Fogo** #4400.
174. **Mathew Fogo** #4401.
175. **Dennis J. Mueller** #6737.
176. **Kristin Mueller** #6738.
177. **Kimberly J. Scheitzer** #6739.
178. **Melissa J. Schweitzer** #6740.
179. **Miranda Michelle "Mandy" Lynch** #5193, b. 10-Aug-1980 in Gregg, Texas.
180. **Jessica Marie Lynch** #5194, b. 24-Aug-1982 in 8/24/1982.

181. **Seth Deason** #5196.
182. **Shyla Deason** #5197.
183. **Justin Bethke** #5199.
184. **Nicholas Bethke** #5203.
185. **Chad Bethke** #5200.
186. **Thomas Bethke** #5201.
187. **Amy Bethke** #5202.
188. **Steven Michael "Steve" Bethke** #7344, b. 15-Feb-1980 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin, d. 3-Jun-2023 in Richland Township, Richland County, Wisconsin, buried 7-Jun-2023 in Richland Center Cemetery, Richland Center, WI. Notes: PRATTs Obituary "Steven Michael Bethke - Our precious gift from God, Steven Michael Bethke, went to be with Jesus on Saturday morning, June 3, 2023. He passed from this world to his Heavenly home, with his parents at his side at Gundersen Hospital, from renal failure. When Steve was five days old and weighing less than four pounds, his left kidney was removed along with a benign tumor. He lived 43 years with just one kidney. Steve (Mr. B as his mom liked to call him) was born in Madison, WI, on February 15, 1980, and spent the first five weeks of his life in a Special Care Unit. He was diagnosed with Cerebral Palsy just before his first birthday. The doctors said that he would never walk or talk. While they were right, they could never know what a brave and beautiful soul he would become. Steve lived with his parents on the Bethke family farm for the first 37 years of his life. On November 1, 2017, he became a member of the Pine Valley Community Village family. While at Pine Valley, he was not only well cared for, but also deeply loved by the staff and other residents. Steve is survived by his parents, Carl and Joan (Price) Bethke of Richland Center; his paternal aunt, Mari Sue Bethke of Boscobel; uncle, Al and Kim Bethke; and cousin, Andrew Bethke, all of Kronen wetter, WI; his maternal aunts and uncles, Peg and Don Orth of Unicoi, TN; Don and Julie Price of Louisville, KY; Jill and Bill Tingley of Portage, MI; Sue Price of Avoca; and Dick and Cheryl Price of Wausau; and 11 Price cousins. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Bob and Donna Bethke and Harold and Eileen Price. Carl and Joan will be forever grateful to our community for its acceptance of Steve and for the willingness of so many to embrace his smile and special kisses. When Steve moved to Pine Valley, it became not just a place for him to live, but his new home, where he was able to thrive. Thank you to the doctors and nurses of the Richland Hospital ER and the 4th Floor Neuroscience Wing at Gundersen Hospital; your hugs were a great comfort at such a difficult time. Memorials may be made to the Pine Valley Foundation, 25951 Circle View Drive, Richland Center, WI 53581. A paraphrase of John 9:1-3 "As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man who had been blind since birth. The disciples asked 'why was this man born blind?' Jesus answered "It is not because of his sins or his parents' sin. This happened so the power of God could be seen in him." Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at Trinity United Methodist Church with a family burial to follow the luncheon. Visitation was held Tuesday, June 6, 2023, at the Pratt Memorial Chapel from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM and again at Trinity United Methodist Church on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, from 10:00 until the time of service at 11:00 AM. The Pratt Funeral and Cremation Service is assisting the family with their arrangements. Online condolences may be made at prattfuneralservice.com".

Generation Eight

189. **Sarah Ann Nachtigal** #2747, b. 22-Feb-1978. She married Derrick Fish #7200.

Children:

- 200. i. Abby Fish #7201.
- 201. ii. Allie Fish #7202.
- 202. iii. Nick Fish #7203.
- 203. iv. Noah Fish #7204.

190. **Thomas Jon Nachtigal** #2748, b. 11-Sep-1980. He married Grace A. Sheire #7224, b. 20-Jun-1980.

Children:

- 204. i. Gabby Nachtigal #7228.
- 205. ii. Kimmy Nachtigal #7229.
- 206. iii. Sammy Nachtigal #7230.
- 207. iv. Thomas Jr. Nachtigal #7231.

191. **Daniel Nachtigal** #7225.

192. **Jenny Lynn Muldowney** #2750, b. 23-Feb-1978. She married Joseph "Joe" Sweeney #7223.

Children:

- 208. i. Lily Sweeney #7226.
- 209. ii. Erin Sweeney #7227.

193. **Jacob Merideth Muldowney** #2751, b. 12-Jan-1981. He married Louise DeTroye #7221.

Children:

- 210. i. Evelyn Muldowney #7222 b. 2012.

194. **Tyler J. Muldowney** #7208, b. Dec/1992. He married Hannah M. Foley #7209, b. Oct/1990.

195. **Lucas L. Glick** #7206, b. Jan/1987. He married Lindsay Peterson #7207.

196. **Ella Perry** #7259.

197. **Henry Perry** #7260.

198. **Alise Fiedler** #7264.

199. **Joshua Fiedler** #7265.

Generation Nine

200. **Abby Fish** #7201.

201. **Allie Fish** #7202.

202. **Nick Fish** #7203.

203. **Noah Fish** #7204.

204. **Gabby Nachtigal** #7228.

205. **Kimmy Nachtigal** #7229.

206. **Sammy Nachtigal** #7230.

207. **Thomas Jr. Nachtigal** #7231.

208. **Lily Sweeney** #7226.

209. **Erin Sweeney** #7227.

210. **Evelyn Muldowney** #7222, b. 2012.