





FAMILY OF KENNETH M. WELTY ADDRESS 1554 ALDER STREET, NORFOLK 2, VIRGINIA NO. 1177-10

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> KENNETH M. WELTY SON OF WILLIAM WALTER WELTY AND MARY ELIZABETH KREHBIEL	1-30-1915	MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS	MENNONITE	3-1-1947	NAVY	
<b>Mother:</b> BONNIE CHARLENE HOPPER DAU. OF JOSEPH ELIJAH HOPPER AND MARY BELINDA BAVCUM	12-9-1924	PARIS, TENNESSEE	BAPTIST	3-1-1947	HOUSEWIFE	

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
1177 -10-1	KEITH MILES (M)	9-30-1951	ORANGE, TEXAS			
1177 -10-2	BELINDA KAY (F)	6-27-1957	NORFOLK, VIRGINIA			
	MARRIED IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE					



EDWIN REUSSER-SUSANNA IDA KREHBIEL FAMILY



**FAMILY OF** MILFORD EDWIN REUSSER      **ADDRESS** HESSTON KANSAS      **NO.** 11782

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> MILFORD EDWIN REUSSER SON OF EDWIN REUSSER AND SUSANNA IDA KREHBIEL	9-22-1905	MOUNDRIDGE KANSAS	MENNONITE	3-20-1938	FEED MILL	
<b>Mother:</b> IRENE MAY VESPER DAU. OF SCOTT A. VESPER AND LILLIE ANNA GICK	4-27-1911	MOUNDRIDGE KANSAS	MENNONITE	3-20-1938	HOUSEWIFE	

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
117821	JANICE ANN (F)	10-11-1939	NEWTON KANSAS			
	MARRIED IN MOUNDRIDGE KANSAS					







**FAMILY OF** FRANK ELLIS EARNST      **ADDRESS** OKLAHOMA CITY OKLAHOMA 2616 N.W. 34      **NO.** 11786

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> FRANK ELLIS EARNST SON OF FRANK ELIAS EARNST SR. AND SILVIA PEARL SEXTON	5-16-1917	WICHITA KANSAS	METHODIST	12-31-1938	GENERAL FOREMAN RALSTON PURINA	
<b>Mother:</b> RUTH KATHRYN REUSSER DAU. OF EDWIN REUSSER AND SUSANNA IDA KREHBIEL	3-12-1918	MOUNDRIDGE KANSAS	METHODIST	12-31-1938	HOUSEWIFE	

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
117861	JANE KATHLEEN (F)	1-4-1945	WICHITA KANSAS	METHODIST		
	MARRIED AT MOUNDRIDGE KANSAS					

A SYNOPSIS OF THE LIFE OF

VALENTINE DAVID KREHBIEL

AND

MARY MAUDE RUPP

Valentine David Krehbiel was born in Moundridge, Kansas on June the twenty fifth, 1882 and was raised in that area. In the year of 1904 he went to Summerfield, Illinois and Saint Louis, Missouri where he worked at the Worlds Fair after which he returned to Moundridge, Kansas.

On February the eleventh, 1914 he was married to Mary Maude Rupp at Moundridge, Kansas.

On the fourth of March, 1914 they moved to Canada where he bought some land and did farming along with some carpenter and machine shop work which he did as a side line. The majority of his work however was on the farm.

In 1920 they came back to Halstead, Kansas where his wife had an operation after which they returned to Canada where he bought and sold farms. They lived there until in 1929 when his wife needed some more medical attention, then returned to Halstead, Kansas where she had another operation performed.

He moved to Moundridge, Kansas where he operated a machine and welding shop.

On May the fifteenth, 1934 he bought a place east of the Bethel College Campus and did maintenance and repair work at the College.

On the tenth of May, 1946 they moved to a farm at Burns, Kansas where he was engaged in farming until January the first, 1950 when he moved onto a farm in the vicinity of Augusta, Kansas where he was farming at the time this sketch was written.

July 21, 1956.

By Valentine David Krehbiel.

VALENTINE DAVID KREHBIEL-MARY MAUDE RUPP FAMILY

**FAMILY OF** VALENTINE DAVID KREHBIEL **ADDRESS** AUGUSTA, KANSAS R.R. No. 3. **NO.** 1179

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> VALENTINE DAVID KREHBIEL SON OF VALENTINE KREHBIEL AND SUSANNA RUTH	6-25-1882	MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS	MENNONITE	2-11-1914	FARMER	11-14-1960
<b>Mother:</b> MARY MAUDE RUPP DAU. OF CHRISTIAN RUPP AND ANNA M. BEUTLER	12-3-1884	MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS	MENNONITE	2-11-1914	HOUSEWIFE	3-27-1951

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
11791	MARCELLA RUPP (F)	2-23-1915	SIMPSON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	MENNONITE	2-27-1915	
11792	ALMETA RHEA (F)	2-16-1916	SIMPSON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	EPISCOPAL		
11793	VIVIAN DWIGHT (M)	3-15-1918	SIMPSON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA	METHODIST		
	FATHER DIED IN WICHITA, KANSAS					
	MARRIED IN MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS					
	FATHER BURIED IN MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS					
	MOTHER BURIED IN MOUNDRIDGE, KANSAS					



**FAMILY OF** VIVIAN DWIGHT KREHBIEL      **ADDRESS** WICHITA KANSAS 230 NORTH DELROSE      **NO.** 11793

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> VIVIAN DWIGHT KREHBIEL SON OF VALENTINE DAVID KREHBIEL AND MARY MAUDE RUPP	5-15-1918	REGINA SASKATCHEWAN CANADA	METHODIST	4-27-1940	PHOTOGRAPHER	
<b>Mother:</b> WILMA LOIS HUFFMAN	5-4-1916	NEWTON KANSAS	METHODIST	4-27-1940	HOUSEWIFE	

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
117931	PAUL RAY (M)	3-13-1941	NEWTON KANSAS	METHODIST		
117932	LYNN MARIE (F)	6-1-1942	NEWTON KANSAS	METHODIST		
117933	CARLA ANN (F)	6-29-1945	NEWTON KANSAS	METHODIST		
117934	ELLEN LOUISE (F)	11-3-1948	WICHITA KANSAS	METHODIST		
117935	TERESA LOIS (F)	8-28-1950	WICHITA KANSAS	METHODIST		
117936	VINSON DWIGHT (M)	12-1-1953	WICHITA KANSAS	METHODIST		
	MARRIED IN NEWTON KANSAS					

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ANNA RUTH-JACOB PLETSCHER FAMILY  
FIRST MARRIAGE OF ANNA RUTH

A SYNOPSIS OF THE LIFE OF

JACOB M. PLETSCHER

AND

BARBARA C. WEBER

The information on this couple was taken from the little that was on record in the genealogy and from the "Historical Sketch of the First Mennonite Church of Geary, Oklahoma, 1947", together with some notes supplied by Mollie Auernheimer.

Jacob M. Pletscher was born in the year of 1866, near Summerfield, Illinois, a son of Jacob Pletscher and Anna Ruth. He became an excellent cabinet maker and carpenter and also knew farming.

He married Barbara C. Weber. It is Aunt Mollie's opinion that she was from Moundridge, Kansas because one of her brothers lived there when the Auernheimer family moved to that section of Kansas. Barbara was also known as "Babetta", "Betty" and "Cousin Betty". The Historical Sketch gives her name as "Barbara".

Shortly after they were married they went to what was then known as "Oklahoma Territory". At noon on the nineteenth of April, 1892 the part of Oklahoma known as the Cheyenne and Araphoe Indian Reservation was thrown open for settlement to the white people. Jacob M. Pletscher was one of the group of young men of the Mennonite Faith that made their run from the line about two miles east of Darlington. For further particulars see the Historical Sketch in the history section of this genealogy. The group dug a well and built a small one room house close to the west line of the Homestead secured by Reverend J. S. Krehbiel. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Pletscher occupied this house, which along with a tent and several covered wagons

used for bedrooms, served as the home for the group during the first summer. Mr. and Mrs. Pletscher were two of the twenty six charter members that organized the First Mennonite Church of Geary. The pulpit and benches for the church were built by Mr. Pletscher. The Ladies Missionary and Aid Society was organized in 1898 at the home of Mrs. Barbara C. Pletscher, it was the first Mennonite home in Geary.

The Pletschers later moved to Colorado where they joined the Christian Science Church. I remember that when I was a youngster my Uncle Adolph Pletscher was helping us with the harvest and he used to tell me about his visits to his cousin in Colorado, the most interesting stories being about the artesian wells in that part of the State.

During the year of their silver wedding or twenty fifth year of marriage, they made quite an extended trip and visited relatives at which time they made a request that instead of buying them a present, each of the relatives should give them a silver dollar. I still remember when my father and mother discussed the subject along with the possible results that it would bring if it was carried out in its entirety.

Aunt Mollie and Cousin Edith remember seeing Mrs. Pletscher when she visited relatives in Moundridge, Kansas in 1926. From that time on every one seems to have lost track of them and we have not been able to locate them or any news of them at this writing.

In the summer of the year of 1955 I made a trip to Geary, Oklahoma to visit my cousin Oscar P. Ruth and family. Being one of the oldtimers, he supplied me with a lot of valuable information in connection with the family history and genealogy which may have otherwise been overlooked. He also showed me some of the homes which Mr. Jacob M. Pletscher built during the time that he lived in that area and they are all in good shape. It is needless to say that he was an expert at the trade of cabinet making and carpentry.

November 10, 1956.

By Albert J. Ruth.

**FAMILY OF** JACOB PLETSCHER **ADDRESS** SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS **NO.** 118

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> SON OF JACOB PLETSCHER AND JOHANNA SEITZ JACOB PLETSCHER	2-28-1845	RIDGE PRAIRIE, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE		FARMER	3-24-1869
<b>Mother:</b> DAU. OF JACOB RUTH AND BARBARA STROHM ANNA RUTH	7-25-1844	HARRESZELL, BAVARIA	MENNONITE		HOUSEWIFE	9-15-1878

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
1181	JACOB M (M)	12-17-1866	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE	7-13-1926	DODGE CITY, KANSAS
1182	JOHANNA A (F)	11-14-1868	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE	3-31-1869	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS
	FIRST MARRIAGE OF ANNA RUTH					
	SECOND MARRIAGE WAS TO PETER LAUER					
	MARRIED IN SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS					
	BOTH PARENTS ARE BURIED IN SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS					

**FAMILY OF** JACOB M. PLETSCHER **ADDRESS** GEARY, OKLAHOMA **NO.** 1181

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> JACOB M. PLETSCHER SON OF JACOB PLETSCHER AND ANNA RUTH	12-17-1866	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE		CABINET MAKER AND CARPENTER	7-13-1926
<b>Mother:</b> BARBARA (BABETTA) C. WEBER DAU. OF PETER B. WEBER AND CHRISTINA WEBER	5-15-1869	KEOTA, IOWA	MENNONITE		HOUSEWIFE	

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
	NO ISSUE					
	CHRISTINA WEBER WAS FIRST MARRIED TO A SCHOWALTER. THEY WERE MARRIED IN GERMANY.					
	HE DIED ON THE SECOND NIGHT THEY ARRIVED IN WEST POINT, IOWA IN 1851.					
	SHE MARRIED A SECOND TIME TO HER COUSIN, PETER WEBER.					
	MARRIED IN HALSTEAD, KANSAS					
	JACOB PLETSCHER IS BURIED AT DODGE CITY, KANSAS					
	BARBARA C. PLETSCHER, NEE WEBER, IS BURIED AT SANTA ANNA, CALIFORNIA					

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ANNA RUTH PLETSCHER-PETER LAUER FAMILY  
SECOND MARRIAGE OF ANNA RUTH

FAMILY OF		PETER LAUER		ADDRESS		SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS		NO.		118	
SECOND MARRIAGE OF ANNA RUTH		Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died				
Father:		PETER LAUER		1-27-1845	KARLSRUHE, GERMANY	EVANGELICAL		FARMER	1-12-1922		
Mother:		ANNA RUTH PLETSCHER DAU. OF JACOB RUTH AND BARBARA STROHM		7-25-1844	HARRESZELL, BAVARIA	MENNONITE		HOUSEWIFE	9-15-1878		
No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks					
1183	MARY (F)	11-22-1871	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE	8-6-1901	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS					
1184	DAVID (M)	2-23-1874	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	EVANGELICAL	12-21-1907	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS					
1185	PETER (M)	4-12-1876	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	EVANGELICAL	2-20-1926	CALIFORNIA					
	FIRST MARRIAGE OF PETER LAUER										
	SECOND MARRIAGE OF ANNA RUTH										
	MARRIED IN SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS										
	BOTH PARENTS ARE BURIED IN THE SUMMERFIELD CEMETERY										

FAMILY OF JACOB BERGTHOLD ADDRESS SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS NO. 1183

	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Date of Marriage	Occupation	Died
<b>Father:</b> JACOB BERGTHOLD SON OF JACOB BERGTHOLD AND MARGARETHA STUEBER	11-19-1864	SIPPERSFELD, GERMANY	MENNONITE		FARMER	
<b>Mother:</b> MARY LAUER DAU. OF PETER LAUER AND ANNA RUTH PLETSCHER	11-22-1871	SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS	MENNONITE		HOUSEWIFE	8-6-1901

No.	Children	Birth	Place of Birth	Church Membership	Died	Remarks
	NO ISSUE					
						JACOB BERGTHOLD CAME TO AMERICA WITH HIS PARENTS IN THE YEAR OF 1868
						JACOB BERGTHOLD MARRIED A SECOND TIME TO EMMA KHAEMER
						MARRIED IN SUMMERFIELD, ILLINOIS
						MOTHER BURIED IN THE SUMMERFIELD CEMETERY



