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# Anna Marie Witzke and 1) John Schmidt, 2) Joe Hawley

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## Generation 1

1. **Anna Marie Witzke-1** [1, 2, 3]. She was born on 26 Feb 1878 in Sittnow, Kreis Flatow, Posen, West Prussia [4, 5, 6]. Baptism on 10 Apr 1892 in Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation, Bremen, Wabasha, Minnesota [7]. Confirmation on 10 Apr 1892 in Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation, Bremen, Wabasha, Minnesota [4]. Fact 1900 (Single and a cook at a hotel in Rochester, Olmsted, Minnesota) [6]. Fact 3 1910 (Anna, John, & dau Lena lived w/ Gustav and family in Hammond, Wabasha, Minnesota.) [8]. Fact 4 1920 (Resided w/ husband John and dau Lena in Hamlet, Hayes, Nebraska.) [9]. Fact 2 1930 (Divorced and living with daughter Lena Gardner in Hayes Co, Nebr.) [10]. She died on 12 Feb 1972 in Imperial, Chase, Nebraska, USA [11]. Burial in Meadowlawn Cemetery, Hamlet, Hayes Co, Nebraska [12, 13].

**John H. Schmidt** [11]. He was born Bet. 1882–1883 in Denmark [9, 8]. Fact 1920 (Butcher in meat market in Hayes Co, Nebr.) [9]. He died on 20 Apr 1938 in Lincoln, Lancaster, Nebraska, USA [14]. Burial in Wyuka Cemetery, Lincoln, NE [15].

John H. Schmidt and Anna Marie Witzke. They were married on 02 Jun 1902 [16]. They had 2 children.

2. i. **Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt** [11]. She was born on 16 Jun 1904 in North Bend, Dodge, Nebraska, USA [11, 17, 8]. She married Grey Marvin Gardner. They were married on 23 Sep 1923 in Atwood, Kansas [17, 18]. She died on 18 Aug 1997 in Imperial, Chase, Nebraska, USA [19]. Burial on 20 Aug 1997 in Meadowlawn Cemetery, Hamlet, Hayes Co, Nebraska [17]. She was also known as Lena Schmidt [9, 8].
- ii. **Paul H. Schmidt** [11]. He was born on 06 May 1912 [11]. He died on 14 Feb 1913 [11]. Burial in Avoca Cemetery, Avoca, Cass, Nebraska [20].

**Joe Piper Hawley** [1, 21]. He was born on 20 Feb 1875 [1, 21]. Fact 1910 (Resided w/ wife Georgia and 5 children in Republican City, Harlan, Nebraska.) [22]. Fact 3 1915 (Resided w/ wife Georgia and 6 children in Norton County, KS.) [23]. Fact 2 1918 (Was a telegraph operator for the railroad (Western Union) in Eckley, Yuma County, CO.) [21]. He died on 02 Jul 1940 [1].

Notes for Joe Piper Hawley:

General Notes:

Joe appeared to have been married once before he married Anna in 1934. A 1918 World War I registration card for "Joseph Piper Hawley" placed him in Yuma County, CO and identified him as a telegraph operator for Western Union plus identified his nearest relative as "Georgia L. Hawley" also of Yuma County. The 1910 federal census of Harlan County, NE places him, wife Georgia L. and five children in Republican City where he was also a telegraph operator. In 1915, he lived in Norton County, KS with his wife Georgia and six children. No further census records were found for him prior to his marriage to Anna (Witzke) Schmidt in 1934.

Joe Piper Hawley and Anna Marie Witzke. They were married on 15 Aug 1934 [1]. They had no children.

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## Generation 2

2. **Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2** (Anna Marie Witzke-1) [11]. She was born on 16 Jun 1904 in North Bend, Dodge, Nebraska, USA [11, 17, 8]. She died on 18 Aug 1997 in Imperial, Chase, Nebraska, USA [19]. Burial on 20 Aug 1997 in Meadowlawn Cemetery, Hamlet, Hayes Co, Nebraska [17]. She was also known as Lena Schmidt [9, 8].

Notes for Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt:

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### Generation 2 (con't)

General Notes:

[source: Funeral Bulletin for Lena Gardner]

"As a child Lena came with her parents to Hayes Center where she grew up and graduated from rural school at Hamlet, Nebraska. On September 23, 1923 Lena married Grey Marvin Gardner at Atwood, Kansas and they spent their lives farming and ranching in Hayes County, Nebraska."

**Grey Marvin Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 27 Oct 1900 <sup>[11]</sup>. He died on 06 Apr 1987 <sup>[11]</sup>. Burial in Meadowlawn Cemetery, Hamlet, Hayes Co, Nebraska <sup>[24]</sup>.

Grey Marvin Gardner and Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt. They were married on 23 Sep 1923 in Atwood, Kansas <sup>[17, 18]</sup>. They had 4 children.

3.     i.     **Irene Anna Della Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 19 Apr 1928 <sup>[11]</sup>. She married Wayne Carse. They were married on 23 Sep 1951 <sup>[11]</sup>. Fact 1985 (After Wayne's death, Irene moved to California to live near her children.) <sup>[11]</sup>.
4.     ii.    **Ramona Mae Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 06 Dec 1930 <sup>[11]</sup>. She married Harold Wilcox. They were married on 18 Apr 1952 <sup>[11]</sup>.
5.     iii.   **Marvin LeRoy Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 26 Apr 1934 <sup>[11]</sup>. He married Marlene Hurvert. They were married on 12 Jun 1979 <sup>[11]</sup>.
6.     iv.    **George Edgar Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 20 Aug 1938 <sup>[11]</sup>. He married JoAnne Greenly. They were married on 01 Jun 1963 <sup>[11]</sup>.

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### Generation 3

3.     **Irene Anna Della Gardner-3** (Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 19 Apr 1928 <sup>[11]</sup>. Fact 1985 (After Wayne's death, Irene moved to California to live near her children.) <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Wayne Carse** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born 1927 <sup>[11]</sup>. He died on 10 Dec 1985 <sup>[11]</sup>.

Wayne Carse and Irene Anna Della Gardner. They were married on 23 Sep 1951 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 2 children.

- i.     **Marge Carse** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 30 Apr 1953 <sup>[11]</sup>.
  - ii.    **Steve Carse** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 14 Dec 1956 <sup>[11]</sup>. He married Polly Mintling. They were married on 19 Dec 1984 <sup>[11]</sup>.
4.     **Ramona Mae Gardner-3** (Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 06 Dec 1930 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Harold Wilcox** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Harold Wilcox and Ramona Mae Gardner. They were married on 18 Apr 1952 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 1 child.

- i.     **Debra Sue Wilcox** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 18 Mar 1953 <sup>[11]</sup>.

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5. **Marvin LeRoy Gardner**-3 (Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 26 Apr 1934 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Patricia Ann Greeley** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Marvin LeRoy Gardner and Patricia Ann Greeley. They were married on 01 Jun 1958 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 2 children.

7. i. **Dana Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 12 Feb 1964 <sup>[11]</sup>. She married Bob Baker. They were married on 08 Jun 1985 <sup>[11]</sup>.
- ii. **Brock Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 04 Aug 1966 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Marlene Hurvert** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Marvin LeRoy Gardner and Marlene Hurvert. They were married on 12 Jun 1979 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had no children.

6. **George Edgar Gardner**-3 (Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 20 Aug 1938 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**JoAnne Greenly** <sup>[11]</sup>.

George Edgar Gardner and JoAnne Greenly. They were married on 01 Jun 1963 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 2 children.

8. i. **Grey Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 12 Sep 1964 <sup>[11]</sup>. He married Greta Bailey. They were married on 24 Jun 1989 <sup>[11]</sup>.
9. ii. **Lisa Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 15 Sep 1969 <sup>[11]</sup>. She married Derrick Burdick. They were married on 07 Jul 1990 <sup>[11]</sup>.

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### Generation 4

7. **Dana Gardner**-4 (Marvin LeRoy Gardner-3, Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 12 Feb 1964 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Bob Baker** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Bob Baker and Dana Gardner. They were married on 08 Jun 1985 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 1 child.

- i. **Erin Baker** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 10 Sep 1988 <sup>[11]</sup>.

8. **Grey Gardner**-4 (George Edgar Gardner-3, Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 12 Sep 1964 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Greta Bailey** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Grey Gardner and Greta Bailey. They were married on 24 Jun 1989 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 3 children.

- i. **Ryan Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born 1984 <sup>[11]</sup>.

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- ii. **Cody Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 31 Jan 1991 <sup>[11]</sup>.
  - iii. **Kelsey Gardner** <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 31 Jan 1991 <sup>[11]</sup>.
9. **Lisa Gardner-4** (George Edgar Gardner-3, Pauline Magdalena Margaret Schmidt-2, Anna Marie Witzke-1) <sup>[11]</sup>. She was born on 15 Sep 1969 <sup>[11]</sup>.

**Derrick Burdick** <sup>[11]</sup>.

Derrick Burdick and Lisa Gardner. They were married on 07 Jul 1990 <sup>[11]</sup>. They had 1 child.

- i. **Beau Burdick** <sup>[11]</sup>. He was born on 06 Jan 1993 <sup>[11]</sup>.

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## Sources

- 1 Pittman, Esther (Witzke) (Personal communication).
- 2 Wabasha Co. (MN) 1885 State Census (Ancestry.com), Zumbro twp, South Troy P.O. Gustof [sic] Witzkey [sic] (age 33, b. Germany), Pauline (age 26, b. Germany), Annie (age 7, b. Germany), Carl (age 4, b. Minn), and Ida (age 1, b. Minn). Carl's birthplace differs from "Wisconsin" identified in his obit. and by Esther Pittman's family records.
- 3 Wabasha Co. (MN) 1895 State Census (Ancestry.com), Zumbro twp. Gustoff [sic] Witcka [sic] (age 44, b. Germany, laboring), Pauline (age 37, b. Germany), Annie (age 16, b. Germany), Charley (age 14, b. WI), Ida (age 12, b. MN), Armina [sic] (age 9, b. MN), Ella (age 6, b. MN), Olga (age 3, b. MN), and Gustof (age 7m, b. MN). This record indicates that Gustave had been living in Minn for 14 yrs and in the particular district for 12 yrs. This fact plus the age and birthplace of Charles suggests that the family moved to Minnesota shortly after Charles was born in Wisconsin.
- 4 Parish Records of Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation Bremen, Hammond, Minnesota (Church and cemetery are located south and east of Hammond, Minnesota., Transcribed by RLNielsen), Confirmation records list Anna Witzke's birthplace as "Sittnow, West Prussia".
- 5 Pittman, Esther (Witzke), The Family of Gustave and Pauline Witzke (Transcribed by Jean Pittman Nielsen, ca 1995), RLNielsen, Anna Witzke was born in "Zeitnau, Germany" Feb 26, 1878. The location "Zeitnau" is likely the same as Sittnow.
- 6 Olmsted Co. (MN) 1900 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Rochester city, 25 W. 5th St. Daniel Sonnenberg (age 51, b. Oct 1848 Germany, hotel operator), wife Otilie (age 51, b. Feb 1849 Germany, m. 10 yrs), son Herman (age 24, b. Mar 1876 Minn), stepson Fred Ranfranz (age 23, b. Apr 1877 Minn, bartender), stepson Henry Ranfranz (age 18, b. Jan 1882 Minn, butcher), stepson Albert Ranfranz (age 15, b. June 1884), stepson Eddie Ranfranz (age 12, b. June 1887), servant cook Anna Witzke (age 22, b. Feb 1878 Germany, immigr 1880), servant waiter Ida Witzke (age 16, b. Sept 1883), plus a few other servants and boarders.
- 7 Parish Records of Evangelical Lutheran Trinity Congregation Bremen, Hammond, Minnesota (Church and cemetery are located south and east of Hammond, Minnesota., Transcribed by RLNielsen).
- 8 Wabasha Co. (MN) 1910 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Hammond village, west side. Gustav Witzke (age 59, m1. for 35 yrs, b. Germany Ger., immigr 1880, laborer at odd jobs), wife Poline [sic] (age 35, m1 for 35 yrs, 9/9 children/living, b. Germany Pol., immigr 1880), son Gustave (age 15, b. MN), dau Laura (age 10, b. MN), dau Ester [sic] (age 6, b. MN), son in law John Schmidt (age 28, m1 for 7 yrs, b. Denmark, immigr 1889, butcher in meat market), dau Anna Schmidt (age 32, m1 for 7 yrs, 1/1 child/living, b. Germany Ger), and dau Lena Schmidt (age 5, b. NE).
- 9 Hayes Co. (NE) 1920 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Frenchman precinct. John H Schmidt (age 37, immigr 1885, b. Denmark, butcher in meat market), wife Anna M B (age 41, immigr 1880, b. Germany), and dau. Lena P (age 15, b. Nebr, works in bank).
- 10 Hayes Co. (NE) 1930 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Hamlet twp. Gray Gardner (age 29, m. at age 23, b. NE, farmer), wife Lena P (age 25, m. at age 19, b. NE), dau. Irene A (age 1y 11m, b. NE), and mother-in-law Anna Schmidt (age 52, b. Germany, divorced).

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- 11 Pittman, Esther (Witzke) (Personal communication).
- 12 Funeral Bulletin for Anna M. Hawley.
- 13 Find-a-Grave Web Site (<http://www.findagrave.com>, ), Ann Marie Witzke Hawley. Meadowlawn Cemetery; <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi?page=gr&GRid=38297676>.
- 14 Pittman, Esther (Witzke) (Personal communication).
- 15 Nielsen, Jean (Pittman) (Personal communication).
- 16 Pittman, Esther (Witzke) (Personal communication).
- 17 Funeral Bulletin for Lena Gardner (20 August 1997).
- 18 Funeral Bulletin for Lena Gardner (20 August 1997).
- 19 Bush, Frieda (Sommerfield) (Personal communication).
- 20 Nielsen, Robert LeRoy. (2821 Newman Road, West Lafayette, IN 47906, ([rn Nielsen@purdue.edu](mailto:rn Nielsen@purdue.edu))).
- 21 Ancestry.com, World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 (Provo, UT, USA, Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2005), [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com), 12 Sep 1918; Joseph Piper Hawley; residence Eckley, Yuma, CO; b. 20 Feb 1875; telegraph operator, railroad, Western Union; nearest relative Georgia L. Hawley, also of Eckley, CO. RLN speculates this is the same Joe Piper Hawley that later married Anna (Witzke) Schmidt. The nearest relative, Georgia L. Hawley, apparently was his wife based on the 1910 census record for Harlan Co, Nebraska.
- 22 Harlan Co. (NE) 1910 Federal Census (Ancestry.com), Republican City. Joseph P. Hawley (age 35, m1 for 9 yrs, b. IA, telegraph operator for railway), wife Georgia L. (age 34, m1 for 9 yrs, 5/5 children/living, b. NE), son Clifford O. (age 7, b. KS), dau Wilda I. (age 5, b. KS), dau Josephine (age 4, b. KS), dau Vera M. (age 2, b. NE), and an unnamed son (age 1m, b. NE). RLN speculates this is the same Joe Piper Hawley that later married Anna (Witzke) Schmidt.
- 23 Norton Co. (KS) 1915 State Census (Ancestry.com), Leota twp. J. P. Hawley (age 40, b. IA), Georgia (age 39, b. KS), Clifford (age 12, b. KS), Wilda (age 10, b. KS), Josephine (age 8, b. KS), Vera (age 6, b. KS), Don (age 4, b. KS), and Anna (age 1, b. KS). RLN speculates this is the same Hawley that eventually married Anna (Witzke) Schmidt.
- 24 Meadowlawn Cemetery, Hamlet, Hayes Co., NE (Accessed online Oct 2006 at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nehayes/cem/meadlawn.html>).

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