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The Genealogy of Gerhard Thiessen

Jacob Thiessen—father of Gerhard Thiessen. Born March 15, 1759, died March 27, 1816  
The son of Abraham Thiessen, Jacob was farming at Ellerwald in the Dritte Trift  
of the Elbing province of West Prussia.

On March 6, 1788 Jacob married Judith Wielerin, nee Past, born June 15, 1748.

Their children:

Jacob	born March 5, 1789	died _____
Helena	born August 22, 1790	died October 7, 1790
Heinrich	born December 8, 1792	died November __, 1795

Judith Thiessen died March 2, 1796, age 48 years, 3 months and 13 days.

On November 3, 1796, Jacob Thiessen married Margaretha Martens, daughter of  
Jacob Martens and Marie Dyck who had been married on June 18, 1764.

Their children:

Maria	born September 10, 1797	died _____
Heinrich	born December 1, 1798	died April 3, 1799
Heinrich	born December 25, 1799	died November 21, 1800
Abraham	born September 25, 1801	died October 30, 1801
Margaretha	born March 15, 1803	died April 8, 1803
Margaretha	born September 18, 1804	died January 24, 1865
Abraham	born September 6, 1805	died October 15, 1864
John	born October 10, 1806	died June 3, 1807
Helena	born October 25, 1807	died June 21, 1847
Gerhard	born March 25, 1809	died January 23, 1888
Cornelius	born April 13, 1810	died _____
John	born June 25, 1811	died _____
Heinrich	born February 20, 1815	died March 2, 1815
Heinrich	born May 31, 1816	died _____

Father Jacob Thiessen died March 27, 1816, age 57 years and 12 days.

Mother Margaretha Thiessen died June 12, 1829.

In 1840 Gerhard Thiessen married a widow, Margaretha, nee Braun, Driediger in  
the Molotschna Colony of South Russia. She had the following five children:

Anna, Margaretha, Helena, Franz, and Jacob. (all Driedigers)

Daughters born to Gerhard Thiessen and Margaretha Driediger Thiessen:

Maria	born June 29, 1846	died June 26, 1927
Sara	born August 15, 1850	died July 26, 1924

Mother Margaretha Thiessen died on September 21, 1850; in 1852 Gerhard Thiessen  
married a Helena Loewen, birth date unknown, she died January 11, 1871, age 42 yrs.

Their children:

Gerhard	born July 4, 1853	died March 11, 1917
Johann	born August 20, 1854	died May 30, 1933
Jacob	born December 24, 1855	died October 6, 1934
Abraham	born January 30, 1858	died September 3, 1944
Peter	born November 23, 1859	died August 28, 1945
Katherina	born August 3, 1861	died November 20, 1865
Margaretha	born June 29, 1863	died September 13, 1886
Heinrich	born May 26, 1865	died March 25, 1922
Cornelius	born February 5, 1867	died March 27, 1946
Aaron	born March 5, 1869	died May 4, 1959
Helena	born December 24, 1870	died January 28, 1954

Note: of all the children listed above all of them used their birthdate accord-  
ing to the Russian calendar except Sara and Cornelius. The Russian cal-  
endar was 12 days behind the American calendar.