

Warkentin (1837-1911).<sup>113</sup>

Gen	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
2	Gerhard Warkentin	1796		1848
m	?			
3	Peter Warkentin	ca 1817		1852/1857
3	Cornelia Warkentin	Dec 26,1822		Oct 11,1892
3	Martin Warkentin	Sep 8,1824		Sep 26,1891
3	Anna Warkentin	May 4,1831		Oct 16,1900
3	Hein Warkentin	Dec 31,1833		Mar 8,1888
3	Eliz Warkentin	1837		1911
3	Gerh Warkentin	?		?

3 It is presently believed that the oldest son was **Peter Warkentin**. The conclusion regarding Peter Warkentin was reached mainly by deduction. It was firstly established that there were four Warkentin siblings who settled in the Steinbach, Manitoba, area in 1874.<sup>114</sup> Aeltester Peter Toews has recorded that the father of one of these, namely, Gerhard Warkentin (1848-1900), was Peter Warkentin.<sup>115</sup> In a letter to the *Rundschau* of 1890, Gerhard Warkentin (1848-1900) states that his uncle Heinrich Warkentin died in 1888 and refers to his uncle Martin Warkentin and aunt Anna Toews thus connecting him to the Gerhard Warkentin (1796-1848) family.<sup>116</sup>

The information available would indicate that Peter Warkentin married for the first time to Elizabeth Friesen (1819-1850), the daughter of Klaas Friesen who settled in the village of Lindenau in 1804.<sup>117</sup> If the hypothesis holds true, their daughter was **Anna Warkentin** (1844-1880), the first wife of Johan R. Reimer.<sup>118</sup> **Gerhard Warkentin** (1848-1900), already mentioned above, was their son.

The Peter Warkentin family evidently lived in Margenau as Mrs Peter Warkentin, nee Elizabeth Friesen (1819-1850), died there on January 4,1850. The Kleine Gemeinde fellowship in Margenau included school teacher Cornelius F.Friesen (1810-1893), a brother to Elizabeth Friesen (1819-1850) who owned a half Wirtschaft in Margenau from 1847 to 1852 and presumably was also the teacher in the village at the time. It is presently believed that Mrs Peter Harms, nee Cornelia Warkentin (1822-1892), was also resident in Margenau during this time period. Other Kleine Gemeinde known to be resident in Margenau were Abram Rempel (1798-1878), David Klassen (1813-1900) and Peter Penner (1816-1884), all of whom were progressive Vollwirten.<sup>119</sup>

Peter Warkentin presumably married for the second time to **Katharina Thiessen** (1829-1889) shortly after the death of his first wife as they had a daughter **Katharina Warkentin** (1850-1888), who later became the second wife of Heinrich R. Brandt, one of the pioneer settlers in Steinbach, Manitoba.<sup>120</sup> Another daughter, **Helena Warkentin** (1852-1884), became the second wife of Klaas R.Reimer, pioneer merchant in Steinbach, Manitoba.

Peter Warkentin must have died shortly after this as in 1858 his widow married for the second time to the minister Jakob Barkman (1829-1875) who drowned in the Red River in 1875. After his death she married for a third time to Cornelius W. Loewen (1827-1893) who moved to Steinbach from Kleefeld in about 1877. Although somewhat speculative the above information seems to accommodate the facts presently available.

Gen	Name	Birth	Marriage	Death
3	Peter Warkentin	ca 1819		ca 1852/1857
m	Eliz Friesen	Aug,1819	1843	Jan 4,1850
4	Anna Warkentin	Jun 13,1844	Jun 29,1869	Aug 10,1880
m	Joh R.Reimer	Jun 3,1848		Mar 23,1918
4	Gerh Warkentin	Dec 1848		Jul 31,1900
m	Anna Enns	Apr 28,1852	Dec 1872	May 29,1874
2m	Justina Eidse	Jul 9,1851	Feb 21,1876	1932
3	Peter Warkentin	ca 1817		ca 1852/1857
2m	Kath Thiessen	Dec 2,1829		Aug 5,1888
4	Kath Warkentin	Aug 16,1850	Jun 24,1873	Aug 4,1888
m	Hein Brandt	Jan 23,1838		Sep 15,1909
4	Helena Warkentin	Sep 11,1852	Mar 30,1875	Dec 1,1884
m	Klaas R.Reimer	Dec 12,1837		Feb 6,1906

3 Daughter **Cornelia Warkentin** (1822-1892) married the widower Peter Harms apparently, of Margenau and later of Sparrau. The couple had five children. By the time of his death in 1870 the family had moved to the new Kleine Gemeinde settlement of Borosenko near Nikopol. After his death she married for the second time to the widower Gerhard S. Kornelsen (1816-1894) long time school teacher in the village of Lichtenau, Molotschna. For