

#### IMMIGRANT JACOB MIERAU FAMILY

The following are notes about Tom Mierau's family history:  
[Res. Reg. #'s 37, 373, 406, 455]

My oldest known Mierau ancestor was Jacob Mierau who was born in West Prussia. He died in December 1828 in Furstenau, Molotschna Colony, South Russia. His wife was born on December 27, 1776, in West Prussia and died on May 10, 1848. Her name is not known.

Their known children were Jacob (1803), Peter, Katharina (1806), Anna (1808), and Renatha (1814). Jacob was my father's great-great grandfather, and Renatha, who married Jacob Wall and then Peter Lender, was my mother's great-great grandmother. Renatha is the ancestor of two genealogists who have corresponded with me, Timothy Paul Janzen of Dayton, Oregon, and Jerry Goertzen, of Friant, California. Peter was the great-great grandfather of both David Mierau of Langham, Saskatchewan, and Dr. Peter H. Mierau of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

It is possible that my oldest known ancestor Jacob was the Jacob, son of Michael Mierau, listed in the Baerwalde baptism records above. It is speculated that both the Jacob Mierau listed in the Baerwalde baptism records and my ancestor Jacob Mierau were born in the early to mid 1770's.

#### IMMIGRANT HEINRICH MIERAU FAMILY

The following are notes about W. C. Mierau's family history:  
[Res. Reg. # 776]

Names	Born	Died
Heinrich Mierau married 28 Aug 1868	17 Nov 1840	5 Dec 1890
Helene geb. Kroeker	18 Dec 1848	4 Dec 1930
Children:		
Dietrich Mierau	28 Apr 1869	12 Dec 1924
Helen Mierau	3 Sep 1879	1 Apr 1938
John J. Mierau	3 Sep 1879	24 Oct 1944
William Henry Mierau	6 Jan 1886	25 Mar 1955

The Heinrich Mierau family immigrated in 1885 to the Durham-Hillsboro area of Kansas from the village of Tiege in the Molotschna Colony of South Russia. William H. was born at Hillsboro. After Heinrich died of asthma on a farm near Durham, the family moved to the Halstead, Kansas, area. Heinrich's grave has not been located, but Helene is buried in the Halstead cemetery.

I don't know if Dietrich ever married. Helen married John G. Will and had two children Otto E. Will (Wichita) and Henry G. Will (Halstead). John J. married Ethel Dressler, but they had no children. John and Ethel both died in