

Family Record of our Great, Great Grandparents

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Both born in Holland as notified in (State - Prussia) West-side

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MO.	DAY	YEAR			MO.	DAY	YEAR		
			married						
Abraham van Riessen			married		Margaretha Wiebe Jan. 1779				
Born Mar. 1736. d. Aug. 1809			53		b. Dec. 1757. d. June 1810			76	
<i>Children born in Prussia (Germany)</i>									
1. Peter W. b. Nov. 1779. d. Feb. 2, 1846.			67						
<p><i>" translated Menno Simons' book "Foundation" (Fundament) from the Dutch into German.</i> <i>" was the father-in-law to Cornelius Jansen, who moved from Karkjanok, Russia to Blatoise, Neb. in 1873 and caused both of our parents to move to Jansen, Neb. Peter died in Prussia.</i></p>									
2. Abraham W. b. July 13, 1752. d. July 1, 1849.			67		married Natharina Wiebe, b. Dec. 7, 1781. d. Oct. 20, 1855.			73	
<p><i>" had to change his name to Riessen because Russia disallowed names of descendants of Emperors. He lived in Orloff, Russia. He was the 2nd elder of the Kleine Gemeinde, now Evangelical Mennonite Church in Canada. (Klaas Keimer was the 1st elder & founder. Abc. was my, G.T.'s, great grandfather on grand mother Sara Thiessen's side.)</i></p>									
3. Margaretha W. b. May 23, 1784. d. Aug. 5, 1850.			31		Johann Riessen.				
<p><i>Their son, Johann, was the 3rd elder of the Kl. Gemeinde.</i></p>									
4. Anna W. b. Aug. 13, 1785. d. Aug. 7, 1837.			72		married Cornelius Sawatzky. Sept. 23, 1781. Dec. 7, 1840.			59	
<p><i>This were the grandparents of Uncle Frank at Jansen, Neb.</i></p>									
5. Helena b. Sept. 1787. d. Oct. 22, 1846.			59		Klaas Keimer. 1770. 1837.				
<p><i>Klaas K. was elected minister in the big church in New Russia, Gambia, Russia in 1801. In 1805 they moved to the Molotchikva colony in Russia & founded the "Kleine Gemeinde" in 1812. a name of scorn given them by the big church. The Kl. G. was opposed to the use of tobacco and strong drinks, abstained from police service & legal duties such as holding office, and opposed weddings & funerals because even immoral beings were pronounced holy in heaven. (too worldly) - dancing, drinking & immorality.</i></p>									
6. Johann v. b. Feb. 13, 1789. d. Jan. 15, 1840.			51		married Jan. 19, 1821.				

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