

Descendants
Of
Friedrich Ferdinand
Potrafka

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Generation No. 1

1. FRIEDRICH FERDINAND¹ POTRAFKA was born Abt. 1836 in Prussia, and died Bef. 1886 in Prussia. He married ELIZABETH LOUISE KERNSDORF Abt. 1859 in probably Germany. She was born 18 Sep 1836 in East Prussia, and died 17 Aug 1916 in Illinois.

Notes for FRIEDRICH FERDINAND POTRAFKA:

Some records have him as Freidrich and some have him as Ferdinand. Not sure if it is one or the other or both.

More About ELIZABETH LOUISE KERNSDORF:

Emigration: Place of Origin: Prussia; Port of Departure: Hamburg, Germany

Immigration: 30 Mar 1886, Destination: Iowa

Medical Information: died at 79 years of age.

Children of FRIEDRICH POTRAFKA and ELIZABETH KERNSDORF are:

2. i. FREDERICK² POTRAFKA, b. 02 Dec 1860, Kernsdorf, Osterode, East Prussia; d. 1943.
- ii. BERTHA SOPHIE POTRAFKA, b. 1864, East Prussia (Barnsdorf, Kr, Osterode, Preussen); m. FRED GROSS, 10 Mar 1887, St. Peter's Ev. Church, Champaign, Champaign County, Illinois; b. 1859, Kr Lobenstein, Preussen.

More About BERTHA SOPHIE POTRAFKA:

Emigration: Place of Origin: Prussia; Port of Departure: Hamburg, Germany

Immigration: 30 Mar 1886, Destination: Champaigne; at age 22 yrs.

Notes for FRED GROSS:

Some records show Fred's first name as "Fritz".

- iii. ERNEST W. POTRAFKA, b. 02 Sep 1865, Kernsdorf, Osterode, East Prussia; d. 30 Aug 1916, Piatt County, Illinois; m. (1) ANNIE REYLAND, 08 Mar 1894; b. Abt. 1865; m. (2) OTTILIA NADOLINI, 17 Feb 1897, Macon County, Illinois.

More About ERNEST W. POTRAFKA:

Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois

Christening: 1886, Kernsdorf to America

Emigration: Place of Origin: Prussia; Port of Departure: Stettin, Germany

Immigration: 20 Nov 1886, Destination: USA; at age 30 yrs.

Marriage Notes for ERNEST POTRAFKA and OTTILIA NADOLINI:

From http://rootsweb.com/~ilmacon/marrg_n.html:

Marriage Records:

NADOLUE, OTTILIN - POTRAFKA, EARNEST - 02/17/1897

3. iv. RUDOLPH HENRICH POTRAFKA, b. 27 Jul 1869, Kernsdorf, Prussia; d. 01 Jun 1926, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois.
- v. MARIE POTRAFKA, b. Sep 1871, Kernsdorf, Osterode, East Prussia; d. 01 Aug 1950, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; m. (1) EDWARD KOSHENSKA, 14 Dec 1892, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; m. (2) GEORGE DRESSEN, Bet. 1902 - 1905; b. Kansas.

More About MARIE POTRAFKA:
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois
Christening: 1871
Emigration: Ship Name: Suevia; at age 14 yrs.
Immigration: 30 Mar 1886, Destination: Illinois
Medical Information: Died at 78 yrs of age.

Notes for EDWARD KOSHENSKA:
Some records have the last name of Edward spelled "Koshinski" and others have it "Koshenska".

Generation No. 2

2. FREDERICK² POTRAFKA (*FRIEDRICH FERDINAND*¹) was born 02 Dec 1860 in Kernsdorf, Osterode, East Prussia, and died 1943. He married CHARLOTTE LISCHEPKE.

More About FREDERICK POTRAFKA:
Medical Information: Died at 83 yrs of age.

Child of FREDERICK POTRAFKA and CHARLOTTE LISCHEPKE is:

4. i. JOHN ROBERT³ POTRAFKA, b. 1889; d. 1978.

3. RUDOLPH HENRICH² POTRAFKA (*FRIEDRICH FERDINAND*¹) was born 27 Jul 1869 in Kernsdorf, Prussia, and died 01 Jun 1926 in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois. He married AMALIA ELIZABETH GCİK 13 Jul 1892 in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois, daughter of FRIEDRICH GCİK and MARIA PETER. She was born 20 Nov 1872 in Gross-Graban, Germany.

More About RUDOLPH HENRICH POTRAFKA:
Burial: Oakland Cemetery, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois
Christening: 1886, Kernsdorf to America
Emigration: Place of Origin: Prussia
Immigration: 30 Mar 1886, Destination: Illinois

Children of RUDOLPH POTRAFKA and AMALIA GCİK are:

- i. IDA MAMIE³ POTRAFKA, b. Jun 1893, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; m. JOHN WHITE.
5. ii. HENRY RUDOLPH POTRAFKA, b. 16 Jun 1897, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; d. 06 Sep 1980, Oreana, Macon County, Illinois.
- iii. BERTHA MARIA POTRAFKA, b. 11 Mar 1906, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois.

Generation No. 3

4. JOHN ROBERT³ POTRAFKA (*FREDERICK*², *FRIEDRICH FERDINAND*¹) was born 1889, and died 1978. He married ESTHER M. BALDWIN.

Children of JOHN POTRAFKA and ESTHER BALDWIN are:

- i. JOHN ROBERT⁴ POTRAFKA, b. 09 Dec 1918, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; d. 04 Nov 1996, St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida.
- ii. CATHERINE C. POTRAFKA, b. Abt. 1922.
- iii. ANNABELLE L. POTRAFKA, b. Abt. 1928.
- iv. RICHARD POTRAFKA.

5. HENRY RUDOLPH³ POTRAFKA (*RUDOLPH HENRICH², FRIEDRICH FERDINAND¹*) was born 16 Jun 1897 in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois, and died 06 Sep 1980 in Oreana, Macon County, Illinois. He married FREDa VIVIAN GREENE 12 Nov 1919 in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois, daughter of THOMAS GREENE and EMMA RICE. She was born 23 Aug 1899 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, and died 27 Apr 1980 in Oreana, Macon County, Illinois.

More About HENRY RUDOLPH POTRAFKA:

Burial: Macon County Memorial Park, Harristown, Illinois

Eyes: Blue

Military service: WWI - U.S. Navy

Children of HENRY POTRAFKA and FREDa GREENE are:

- i. JACK WAYNE⁴ POTRAFKA, b. 20 Nov 1920, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; m. HAZEL GAIL HUSTON.
 - ii. ROBERT LOWELL POTRAFKA, b. 19 Aug 1922, Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; d. 16 Aug 1966, Oreana, Macon, Illinois; m. MARIE ANTOINETTE ROMANO.
6. iii. WILLIAM DONALD POTRAFKA, b. 19 Aug 1923.

Generation No. 4

6. WILLIAM DONALD⁴ POTRAFKA (*HENRY RUDOLPH³, RUDOLPH HENRICH², FRIEDRICH FERDINAND¹*) was born 19 Aug 1923. He married BETTY JEAN MAY, daughter of CARL MAY and ELFREIDA DOECKEL.

Children of WILLIAM POTRAFKA and BETTY MAY are:

- i. KARLA L.⁵ POTRAFKA.
- ii. GREG L. POTRAFKA, m. MARCIA.