

Family Group Sheet

Husband:	Jacob Moser
Born:	June 05, 1857
in:	Ferenberg, Canton Bern, Switzerland
Died:	February 12, 1915
in:	Bern, Nemaha County, Kansas
Relationship with Father:	Johann Moser - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Elizabeth Moser - Natural
Burial:	February 15, 1915 Apostolic Cemetery, Bern, Kansas
Address and Phone(s)	

Medical

Notes

MOSER FAMILY HISTORY

Our Moser ancestors immigrated to the United States from Switzerland. Jacob immigrated in 1877 according to the 1910 census, but the 1900 census gives the immigration date as 1880. Jacob's brother Gottlieb immigrated in 1877, so it is very likely that the brothers came together. Anna according to the 1910 census immigrated in 1878 & in the 1900 census in 1880. Anna's obituary indicates she immigrated at the age of 23. According to the marriage license she would turn 23 her next birthday which was several weeks after the marriage. Her obituary indicates she immigrated alone and went directly to Illinois. So she probably came in early 1880.

Jacob Moser was born on June 5, 1857 in Ferenberg, Canton Bern, Switzerland. His parents were Johann and Elizabeth Moser. Anna Beiler was born May 8, 1857 at Bolligen, Canton Bern Switzerland. Her parents were Johannes and Katherine Plank. This is according to Jacob & Anna's marriage license. She was orphaned at the age of 5. The people that took her in must have been named Beiler. I have come across various spellings through obituaries and other records Beiler, Beilier. Beiler is how Grandma Leuthold, Cora Mae Sloan Aten and her obituary had it spelled.

On April 26, 1880 they were married at Forrest, Illinois by J.L. Spoor, Justice of the Peace. Jacob was a carpenter at that time. While they lived in the Forrest/Fairbury Illinois area they had two daughters. Rose was born in 1881 and Emma was born in 1882. In 1883 they moved to Wichita, Kansas. While they were living there Jacob made his declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States at the District Court of Sedgwick County, Kansas. This was on January 2, 1884. He became a citizen October 17, 1903 at the age of 46. Anna became a citizen at the same time. Women were taken in when their husbands were. Their third child, Lydia was born there in April of 1884. Before Lydia was a year old they moved to the Bern/Oneida area. They lived and farmed in Washington Township most of the time. The census indicates that they were renting land. In the 1900 census a John Yunkhofd is listed as a servant farm laborer in their household. Bern is in Washington Township. By 1910 they were living in Gilman Township and owned the land. Oneida is in Gilman Township. This place was 2 miles west of Oneida and 1 mile north. This was 50 acres in the southwest quarter section of section 9. Clara and Ernest Gerber lived near them. The rest of the children were born in Washington Township, Nemaha County.

Eleven children were born to this union according to census records and Anna's obituary. Rose, Emma, Lydia, Bertha, Clara, Ernest, Andy, Mary and Minnie lived to adulthood. In one of the census there is a child called Edward. There is also a stone at the Apostolic Cemetery near Bern that says E. Moser buried in the early 1890's. I found out from some records Cora Mae kept that Edward was born Christmas of 1891 and died August of 1893. She thought there was another infant between Edward and Andy that died at birth. Four of the children died relatively young. Rose at 46, Ernest at 49, Lydia at 56 and Mary at 58. The rest lived to their mid 70's. Bertha at 74, Clara at 77, Andy at 79, Minnie at 81 and Emma reached 90. Jacob and Anna had 43 grandchildren.

Jacob died February 12, 1915. He had been sick for several months. He died in the home of his daughter Lydia Strahm. He was 57 years old. Burial was at the Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery near Bern, Kansas on February 15, 1915. After Jacob's death Anna continued to live on the farm with Andy and Minnie. Having sold her farm (I think to Ernest) Anna had an auction on August 30, 1920. According to her obituary from 1922 until her death, Anna made her home with her daughter Emma Leuthold. Uncle Bill Leuthold thought she actually move around and lived with all of the children in the Oneida area. She was living with Emma at the time of her death January 2, 1929. She was 71 years old. She was buried on January 7, 1929 at the Apostolic Christian Church Cemetery Bern, Kansas.

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