Husband:

Franz Freiderick ERDMANN

Birth 26 Feb 1871 Town of Pella, Shawano County, Wisconsin

Death 30 Dec 1946 Mobile, Alabama

Burial 1946 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama, section 5, plat 1417

Father: Freiderick (Fritz) ERDMANN Mother: Wilhelmina KEMPFERT

Wife: Auguste Louise KOHN

Birth 1 16 Jan 1881 Hemer, Markischer Kreis, Nordrhein, Westfalen, Germany

Marr. ² 18 May 1900 Wittenberg, Wisconsin Franz Freiderick ERDMANN

Death 2 Mar 1960 Mobile, Alabama

Burial 1960 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama, section 5, plat 1417

Father: Wilhelm (Julius) KOHN Mother: Wilhelmina Augusta BORCHARDT

1. Ella Anna Dorothea ERDMANN

Birth 17 Sep 1900 Wittenberg, Wisconsin, Shawano County

Chr. 11 Nov 1900 St Pauls Lutheran church, Wittenberg, Wisconsin.

Death 16 Jan 1987 Mobile, Alabama

Burial Jan 1987 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama., section 5, plot 1417

2. Alvina Emma Amanda ERDMANN

Birth 26 Oct 1901 Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Shawano County

Marr. ³ 29 Mar 1927 Mobile, Alabama Floyd Shepherd MCBRIDE

Death 19 Jan 1974 Mobile, Alabama

Burial Jan 1974 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama

3. Edwin Charles ERDMANN

Birth 20 Mar 1903 Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Shawano County

Marr. 31 Oct 1932 Mobile, Alabama Vivian PETERS

Death 28 Oct 1954 Mobile, Alabama

Burial Oct 1954 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama., section 6, plot 1035

4. Walter Charles ERDMANN ,Sr.

Birth 20 Aug 1905 Wittenberg, Wisconsin

Marr. 11 Feb 1933 Pascagoula, Mississippi Mycie Vivian STRINGFELLOW

Death 25 Sep 1995 Mobile, Alabama

Burial 28 Sep 1995 Rev. Roy Lange Officiated with burial at Mobile Memorial Gardens, Mobile, Alabama

5. Rudolf Conrad ERDMANN

Birth 7 Aug 1907 Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Shawano County

Marr. Alma LAMB

Death Feb 1974 Magnolia Springs, Alabama
Burial UNKNOWN Magnolia Springs, Alabama

6. Clarence Francis ERDMANN ,Sr.

Birth 15 Apr 1912 Mobile, Alabama

Marr. Doris Corine BYRD

Death 14 May 1989 Mobile, Alabama

Burial May 1989 Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama, section 19E, plot 227

| 7. Robert Julius ERDMANN | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|--|
| Birth | 4 Jul 1912 | Mobile, Alabama | |
| Marr. | 8 Nov 1934 | Mobile, Alabama | Elmina Elizabeth DEAN |
| Death | 29 Nov 1999 | Mobile, Alabama | |
| Burial | 3 Dec 1999 | Services held at Pine Crest Chapel, interment in Magnolia Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama | |
| 8. Benedict Friederick ERDMANN | | | |
| Birth | 19 Apr 1914 | Mobile, Alabama | |
| Marr. | Private | | Ellen BENTEN |
| Death | 2 Jan 1998 | Mobile, Alabama | |
| Burial | 6 Jan 1998 | Services by Radney Fur | eral Home. Interment at Pine Crest Cemetery, Mobile, Alabama |
| 9. Esther Louise ERDMANN | | | |
| Birth | 17 Sep 1916 | Mobile, Alabama | |
| Marr. | 24 Dec 1938 | Mobile, Alabama | Francis Hiram TARGETT ,Sr |
| Death | 10 Mar 1988 | Wichita Falls, Tx | |
| Burial | UNKNOWN | Wichita Falls, Texas | |

Notes for Franz Freiderick ERDMANN:

Franz Friederick and Augusta Louise came to Mobile from Wittenberg, Wisconsin. approximately 1907 with 5 other families, Teals, Neitzke, Kinsler, Grallap and Bruce.

Eventually the 5 families went back to Wisconsin leaving the Erdmann s here in Mobile.

Franz had a blacksmith shop at the Loop in Mobile for about 10 years. He was also a good carpenter. They originally came to Mobile to farm but did not know how in this climate. Franz appears on the City Directory as: Erdmann, Frank F., Mach A Buerger, h Government Rd.

After establishing themselves in Mobile this family went back to Wisconsin one time only in 1936. A write up in the Shawano Leader Newspaper is titled "Erdmann Family Hold Reunion". It was held at the County Park at Shawano, Wisconsin. "Dinner and supper was served and a social time was enjoyed".

Those present were: Mr... and Mrs... Frank Erdmann, Ella, Esther, Bennie and Clarence all of Mobile, Ala.; Mr... and Mrs... Albert Erdmann, Mr... and Mrs... Kurt Erdmann, Mr... and Mrs... Louis Erdmann and Bobby Erdmann of Pella, Mr... and Mrs... William Erdmann, Mr... and Mrs... Harry Erdmann, Clarence Erdmann of Shawano, Mr... and Mrs... Charles Erdmann of Shawano, Mr... and Mrs... Friederick Erdmann of Waukesha, Herbert Erdmann of Milwaukee, Mr... and Mrs... R. O. Habeck, Mr... and Mrs... Nelson Baril, Mr... and Mrs... Rudolph Habeck of Sheboygan, Mr... and Mrs... Herman Wolfe, Mr... and Mrs... August Laud, Mr... and Mrs... Louis Habeck, Mr... and Mrs... Walter Wolfe, Mr... and Mrs... Ed Wolfe, Mr... and Mrs... Arthur Wolfe, Rueben Wolfe, Mr... and Mrs... William Gruetzmacher and family of Green Bay, Mrs... Arlen Binder, of Green Bay and Mrs... Leo Bunda of Kenosha.

Marriage license #203, page 60 from Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Also St Paul s Lutheran Church records. I have copies in file. The witnesses for the wedding were Carl Erdmann, A. Kersten, Fred Nomanansen and Emma Wagner. Rev. Otto List officiated.

1900 Census shows Franz age 29, Gusto(Augusta Louise), age 19 and Charles(brother) age 22 living at same residence in Wittenberg. Franks occupation is Wagon maker.

1905 Wisconsin Census has Frank, age 34, Auguste, age 24 and children Ella, age 4, Alvina age 3 and Edwin age 2.

OBIT: A native of Wisconsin and a resident of Mobile for the past 37 years died at the family residence Monday morning, December 30, 1946. Funeral services will be held from the Chapel of Higgens Funeral Home. Internment in Pine Crest Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Mrs... Augusta Kohn Erdmann; three daughters, Miss Ella Erdmann, Mrs... Alvina McBride, Mrs... Esther Targett; six sons, Edwin W., Walter C., Robert J., Clarence F., Benedict F., all of Mobile, Rudolph of Magnolia Springs, Alabama; one sister, Mrs... Bertha Wolfe, Shawano, Wisconsin; three brothers, Albert Erdmann, Clintonville, Wisconsin and William and Charles Erdmann of Shawano, Wisconsin; 12 grandchildren, one great grandchild and other relatives. Arrangements by Higgens Mortuary.

Reverend O. M. Sell officiated at the funeral services. Pallbearers were: Captain C. D. Blalock, Captain E. Chevalier, Chief L. R. Pose, Captain Joe Sullivan, Captain N. D. Spottswood and Chief H. D. Bolling all members of the Mobile Fire Department.

Sources for Franz Freiderick ERDMANN:

Life:

Mobile Press Register, Obituary, Mobile, alabama . Source Media Type: Book.

Marriage records, St Pauls Lutheran Church, Wittenberg, Wisconsin . Source Media Type: Book.

Notes for Auguste Louise KOHN:

Auguste Louise was confirmed at St Paul s Lutheran Church, Wittenberg, Wisconsin., March 18, 1894. Copy of this confirmation is in file.

She came to America at age 2, learning how to walk while on ship coming to America.

Augusta Louise immigrated from Hemer, Germany with her parents in April, 1882, on the ship Leipzig from the port of Breman. Her mother, age 32, is listed as Auguste.

Her marriage certificate shows her Mother as Gusta Steiner, this was Wilhelm's second wife and probably sister to his first wife.

When Auguste Louise was a little girl, she and her sisters were walking by a creek bank ad came upon a huge bear. They ran home and told their Father and the men killed the bear. This bear had paws as big as dinner plate!! This story was told by My Dad and Uncle Bennie.

One story told to me by Alvin McBride from his mother, Alvina was that Auguste Louise Kohn Erdmann was almost put into a prisoner of war camp in the US during WWII as she had not gained her citizenship. The decision was made not to as her husband Frank was a citizen and she had several children.

OBIT: Mrs... Augusta Kohn Erdmann, a native of Germany and a resident of Mobile, Alabama died Wednesday afternoon, March 2m 1960 at 2:45 P.M. at the family residence, 2171 Steiner Street. She is survived by three daughters, Miss Ella Erdmann of Mobile, Mrs... Alvina McBride of Mobile and Mrs... Esther Targett of Angleton, Texas; six sons, Edwin, Walter, Robert, Clarence and Bennie all of Mobile; Rudolph of Magnolia Springs, Alabama; 15 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren and other relatives. Services from Higgens Mortuary and internment in Pine Crest Cemetery.

Sources for Auguste Louise KOHN:

Life:

Obituary from Mobile Press Register, Mobile, Alabama . Source Media Type: Book.

Marriage records, St Pauls Lutheran Church, Wittenberg, Wisconsin . Source Media Type: Book.

Birth:

¹ Place of Birth came from glolilley who is researching Elmina Dean married to Robert Julius Erdmann.

Marriage:

 $^{\rm 2}$ Wisconsin Genealogical Research Service, Wisconsin Historical Society .

Notes for Ella Anna Dorothea ERDMANN:

Ella Erdmann never married.

Her Christening witnesses were Fred Erdmann, Robert Habeck and August Wagner with Rev. Otto Lizt officiating.

Obit:

A native of Wittenberg, Wisconsin and a resident of Mobile, Al for the past 81 years died in a local hospital on Friday, January 16, 1987. She is survived by one sister, Mrs Esther L. Targett of Witchita Falls, Texas and 4 brothers, Bennie, Clarence, Robert and Walter Erdmann, all of Mobile, nieces, nephews and other relatives. Graveside services will be held on Monday, January 19, 1987 at 10 AM with internment in Pine Crest Cemetery.

Sources for Ella Anna Dorothea ERDMANN:

Life:

Christening Certificate from St Pauls Lutheran Church . Source Media Type: Book.

Mobile Press Register Obituary .

Notes for Alvina Emma Amanda ERDMANN:

Wedding Announcement: (Mobile Newspaper)

McBride-Erdman

Mr... and Mrs... F. F. Erdmann announce the marriage of their daughter, Alvina Emma to Mr... Floyd Sheppard McBride on Tuesday evening, March 29, 1927, by Rev. Charles E. Mount of 1102 Savannah Street.

The bride's only attendants were her sister, Ella Erdman and Miss Susie Nolen. The groom was attended by Mr... John R. Greer

The young couple have gone to housekeeping and are at home to their friends at 806 Marine Street.

Obit: Mrs... Alvina E. McBride - A native of Wisconsin and a resident of 612 Mohawk Street, Mobile, Alabama died at a local hospital Saturday, January 19, 1974 at 3:30 A.M. Mrs... McBride is survived by her husband, Floyd S. McBride, Mobile, Alabama; one daughter, Mrs... Deloris M. Ali, San Fernando, California; one son, Floyd A. McBride, Mobile, Alabama; two sisters, Miss Ella Erdmann, Mobile, Alabama and Mrs... Esther Targett, Angleton, Texas; five brothers, Bennie, Clarence, Robert and Walter all of Mobile and Rudolf Erdmann of Magnolia Springs, Alabama; four granchildren, two great grandchildren and other relatives. Funeral services held from the chapel of Johnson Quimby Beltline Funeral Home, Tuesday, January 22, 1974 at 10:00 A.M. Internment in Pine Crest Cemetery.

A letter found in Alvina Erdman McBride's possessions from Alvina Kohn Kriegle in Wisconsin, dated August 14, 1956, is thanking Alvina McBride for showing them around Mobile when they visited Mobile.

Sources for Alvina Emma Amanda ERDMANN:

Marriage:

 $^{\rm 3}$ Wedding Certificate, .

Sources for Edwin Charles ERDMANN:

Life:

Wisconsin Genealogical Research Service, Wisconsin Historical Society.

Notes for Walter Charles ERDMANN, Sr.:

Came to Mobile with his parents and other families in 1907 from Wisconsin. They first settled in Chunchula, Alabama, then moved to Lloyds Station in Mobile. They Later moved to Government Street, Loop area where his Dad opened and ran a Blacksmith shop. This Blacksmith shop was located at what later became Ingersoll Feed and Grain. Later they moved residence to Cottage Hill and Sage on Eslava Creek. Next they lived at Nicholas Lane Off Fulton Road, in the old Lee house next to Johnson store. Then to Fulton Ridge. He was living at Fulton Ridge when he met and married Vivian Stringfellow. His parents then moved to the big green house on Fulton Road next to RR tracks. His parents later bought a house on Steiner Street and lived there until their death. Bennie Erdman lived there until his death in 1998.

After marriage Walter & Vivian lived on Marine Street until building their home on Fulton Road.

At age 10 Walter worked picking beans and potatoes for a local farmer named Willie Rosher. He later worked at Labuzon Dairy and then Goubeil Bakery. At age 20 he went into plumbing business and later retired from this occupation. He also ran a restaurant in his early 20's at Ann and Virginia Street called "The Ann Street Inn."

He was an avid fisherman and probably knew more about Dog River than anyone. He ran a boat rental and bait business from his home and continued until he was in his 80's.

Walter played baseball with the Poison Oak League at the Mertz School area when Mertz was located at the "V" at Navco Road and Halls Mill Road. It was an old wooden building with outdoor plumbing. He later attended Leinkauf School.

His cause of death was Cardiopulmonary Arrest and Urosepsis. Listed as Natural Cause. Eight Fifty Nine PM, September 25, 1995.

OBIT: Walter Charles Erdmann, owner of Erdman's bait shop on Dauphin Island Parkway, died Monday at the family residence. He was 90 years of age.

Erdmann, a native of Wittenberg, Wisconsin, was a longtime resident of Mobile. He was a member of Plumbers Union Local 119 and he was associated with Best Plumbing Company of Mobile for many years

Survivors include his wife, Vivian S. Erdmann; three sons, Robert V. Erdmann of Holt, Florida, Walter C. Erdmann Jr. and F. Wendell Erdmann, both of Mobile; two daughters, Valeria Pinson and Augusta Hayworth of Mobile; two brothers, Robert and Bennie Erdmann of Mobile; 17 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Pallbearers were his Grandson's and 2 Great Grandson's, Bobby Allen Rogers, Carleton Wayne Rogers, Gary Erdmann, Wendell Erdmann Jr., John Sherrin and Jason Rogers. Honorary Pallbearers were his Great Grandson's Jeffrey Stracener, Ryan Martin, Nathan Martin, Kevin Martin, Lee Lovett and Joseph Lovett.

Sources for Walter Charles ERDMANN ,Sr.:

Life:

Alabama Certificate of Death . Source Media Type: Book.

Notes for Rudolf Conrad ERDMANN:

Rudolf Conrad Erdmann lived at Magnolia Springs, Alabama right on Magnolia River. He had his mail delivered by the US Postal Service by boat. This is one of the very few places in the United States that still delivers this way.

Sources for Rudolf Conrad ERDMANN:

Life:

Social Security Death Index .

Notes for Robert Julius ERDMANN:

Obituary: Mobile Press Register

Captain Robert J. Erdmann, a native of Mobile, Alabama and a resident of Theodore, Alabama died Monday, November 29. 1999 in a local hospital. Mr... Erdmann was a retired Captain with the Mobile Fire Department. He is survived by his wife Elmina Erdmann, one son Malcolm (Jean) Graham, San Antonio, Texas: two grandson's, Malcolm Graham Jr., Austin, Texas and Ken (Sandra) Graham, San Antonio, Texas: two great grandchildren Kendra and Derrick Graham of San Antonio, Texas: nieces, nephews and other relatives. Funeral services will be held Friday, December 3, 1999 at 10:00 am from the Chapel of Pine Crest Funeral Home. Interment will be in Magnolia Cemetery.

Sources for Robert Julius ERDMANN:

Life:

Mobile County Marriage License Division, Probate Court . Source Media Type: Book.

Notes for Benedict Friederick ERDMANN:

Obituary: A native and resident of Mobile, Alabama died on Friday at a local health care facility. Mr... Erdmann was a graduate of Murphy High School and a business owner for 30 years. He is survived by one son Roderick R. Erdmann (Mary Ann) of Mobile: one brother, Robert Erdmann of Mobile: two grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Interment in Pine Crest Cemetery.

Sources for Benedict Friederick ERDMANN:

Life:

Mobile Press Register, Obituary, Mobile, alabama . Source Media Type: Book.

Notes for Esther Louise ERDMANN:

Obit: Esther Louise Erdmann Targett, born September 17, 1916 in Mobile, Alabama. A native of Mobile, Alabama until 1950, moved to Lake Jackson, Texas until 1958, moved to Angelton, Texas until 1981. moving to Wichita Falls, Texas, living there until her death on Thursday, March 10, 1988. She is survived by her husband, Frances H. Targett Sr. of Wichita Falls; one daughter, Carol Ann Subick of Urbana, Illinois; one son Frances H. Targett Jr. of Wichita Falls; four brothers, Walter C., Clarence S. and Bennie F. of Mobile, Alabama and Robert J. of Theodore, Alabama; two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services held from Hampton Vaughn Funeral Home, Wichita Falls, Texas. Internment will be at Crestview Mausoleum.

Sources for Esther Louise ERDMANN:

Life:

Mobile County Marriage License Division, Probate Court . Source Media Type: Book.

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