

The Pfeifer-Kneisel-Hoehamer Family of Auglaize County, Ohio, and Adams County, Indiana

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My great-grandfather **Fredrick Lawrence “Fred” Pfeifer** (abt 1875-1951) seems not to have kept in close touch with his extended family. Fred’s children never knew much about the family’s origins, though they were under the impression that Fred was one of six brothers. According to a family story, Fred’s son Forest briefly met one of these mysterious uncles on only one occasion, when the uncle showed up unexpectedly at Forest’s place of business.

It turns out that “one of six brothers” was an understatement. Fred Pfeifer had seven full siblings, five half siblings, and eight stepsiblings. The son of German immigrant farmers, he came from a large blended family based in a cluster of counties on either side of the Ohio-Indiana border. Fred, who spent most of his adult life in Minnesota, was one of very few children in this family to move away from the region where he grew up.

In this narrative I briefly sketch the lives of Fred Pfeifer, his parents, and his biological siblings. A family tree chart, including stepsiblings, is appended after the endnotes.

Christopher Pfeifer emigrates from Bavaria to Ohio

Our earliest known Pfeifer ancestor was **John Christopher Pfeifer**, usually called “Christopher.”¹ He was born 3 November 1818² in Bavaria³, which was then an independent kingdom but is now part of Germany. (Germany was not unified until 1871.)

Christopher emigrated to the United States and became a farmer in Auglaize County, Ohio, which had one of the highest concentrations of Germans of any county in the state.

Christopher Pfeifer's first marriage and children

Christopher Pfeifer's first wife was named **Mary**. Her surname has not been positively determined, though one document lists it as "Gunberstine" – probably a misspelling⁴. Mary was born around 1820 in Bavaria⁵ and probably died between 1860 and 1864⁶.

Christopher, Mary, and their two sons lived in Pusheta Township, Auglaize County, at the time of the 1860 census. They lived on 40 acres where they grew wheat, rye, corn, and oats and kept livestock: two horses, one milk cow and three other cattle, eight sheep, and six pigs.⁷

The children of Christopher and Mary Pfeifer were:

1. **John Pfeifer**, born 14 January 1853 in Logan County, Ohio⁸. He married Mary Anne Groh Bauer in Auglaize County on 10 February 1880⁹, and they had four or five children. They farmed in Auglaize County and later moved to Piqua, Miami County, Ohio, where John was a grain merchant¹⁰. He died 5 April 1927 in Piqua and is buried there in Forest Hill Cemetery¹¹.
2. **John Henry Pfeifer**, known as Henry, born 3 December 1857 in Auglaize County, Ohio.¹² He married Elizabeth H. Stroh in Auglaize County on 29 January 1880¹³, and they had four children. In the first year of their marriage they lived and farmed on rented land in Moulton Twp.¹⁴ ¹⁵ Henry later worked as a brick mason and died 31 May 1909 in St. Mary's, Auglaize County, of injuries suffered when a brick wall collapsed on him.¹⁶

Christopher Pfeifer's marriage to Fredericka Kneisel, and their children

Christopher Pfeifer's second marriage was to **Fredericka Christina Kneisel**.

Fredericka was born 6 September 1845 in Eberdingen, Württemberg, which is now part of Germany.¹⁷ At about the age of seven she emigrated with her parents and siblings to the United States, departing from Le Havre, France, on the ship *Jerome Jumor* and arriving in New York City on 21 August 1852.¹⁸ They settled in Jackson Township, Shelby County, Ohio, where Fredericka's father, Philipp, worked as a farm laborer.¹⁹ At the time of their marriage on 11 May 1864,²⁰ Fredericka Kneisel was 18 years old and Christopher Pfeifer was 45.

In September 1864 Christopher purchased a farm in Moulton Township, Auglaize County, for the sum of \$600.²¹ This [cadastral map](#) from the 1860s shows the location of the farm (Moulton Twp. is in the upper left quadrant and colored blue-green). By 1880 the family owned 52 acres where they grew hay, corn, oats, rye, wheat, sorghum, potatoes, and apples and kept cattle, pigs, sheep, poultry, and horses.²²

The children of Christopher Pfeifer and Fredericka Kneisel, all born in Auglaize County, were:

1. **Catherine F. “Katie” Pfeifer**, born 27 February 1865.²³ She married Anton Alexander on 6 February 1894 in Chattanooga, Mercer County, Ohio,²⁴ and they had four children. She died of tuberculosis 18 August 1902 in Benton Harbor, Berrien County, Michigan, and is buried there in Crystal Springs Cemetery.²⁵
2. **Nicholas Pfeifer**, born 21 February 1866.²⁶ He married Eva Sauer on 26 November 1903 in Schumm, Van Wert County, Ohio²⁷, and they had three children. Sometime between 1910 and 1912 they relocated to Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana, where Nicholas was employed at General Electric²⁸. He died 16 May 1956 and is buried at Greenlawn Memorial Park in Fort Wayne²⁹.
3. **George John Pfeifer**, born 8 September 1868.^{30 31} He married Barbara E. Kuehm on 25 May 1899 in Mercer County, Ohio, though the marriage was recorded in Adams County, Indiana.³² They had two children. George worked as a farmer³³ and later as a machinists’ helper for the New York Central Railroad³⁴. He died in Van Wert, Van Wert County, Ohio, on 26 June 1945³⁵.
4. **Margaret Pfeifer**, born 6 March 1870.³⁶ She is not listed with the family in the 1870 or 1880 censuses³⁷, suggesting that she may have died in infancy.
5. **Anna Regina Pfeifer**, born 27 February 1871.³⁸ She married Adam Jacob Pflueger on 31 May 1894 in Adams County, Indiana,³⁹ and by 1896 they had relocated to Willshire Township, Van Wert County, Ohio.⁴⁰ They had four children. Anna died 20 May 1911 of complications related to the birth of a fifth child, who did not survive.⁴¹ She is buried in the cemetery of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Willshire, Van Wert County, Ohio.
6. **Lawrence William Pfeifer**, born 3 September 1873.^{42 43} He had blue eyes and dark hair.⁴⁴ Lawrence was a farmer in Knox, Starke County, Indiana. He never married. He

died of cancer 14 April 1932 in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and is buried there in Lindenwood Cemetery.⁴⁵

7. **Fredrick Lawrence “Fred” Pfeifer**, born 19 December 1875 or 1876.^{46 47 48} Fred’s life is described in detail below.

8. **Jacob Fred Pfeifer**, born 4 or 13 December 1878.^{49 50 51} He married Emma C. Reppart on 15 January 1905 in Wells County, Indiana,⁵² and they had one son. Jacob was a farmer⁵³ and blacksmith⁵⁴. He died in Bluffton, Wells County, Indiana, on 29 January 1955, and is buried there in Fairview Cemetery⁵⁵.

Death of Christopher Pfeifer

Christopher Pfeifer died at the age of 61 on 14 September 1880.⁵⁶ He is buried at Zion Cemetery, also known as the German Lutheran Cemetery, in Moulton, Auglaize County, Ohio.⁵⁷

In Christopher’s will, which was made on the day of his death, he left all of his property to his wife Fredericka for as long as she remained his widow, with the condition that if she remarried the farm was to be sold and the proceeds divided among Christopher’s children. The executor of the will was one of Christopher’s sons from his first marriage, John Pfeifer (it’s unclear whether this was John or John Henry)⁵⁸.

Fredericka (Kneisel) Pfeifer marries Nicholas Hoehamer and moves to Indiana

Two years after Christopher’s death, on 26 September 1882, **Fredericka (Kneisel) Pfeifer** was remarried to **Nicholas V. Hoehamer** in Auglaize County⁵⁹.

Nicholas, born 12 October 1845 in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio⁶⁰, was a widower and father of six children, of whom four were still living. His parents had been German immigrants. Though previously residents of Auglaize County⁶¹, the Hoehamers had been living for several years in Jefferson Township, Adams County, Indiana, where Nicholas was a farmer.⁶² Upon their marriage, Fredericka moved there with her seven living children by Christopher Pfeifer, who ranged in age from 17 to 3. (Christopher’s sons from his first marriage, who were already out of the house by that time, remained in Ohio.)

Fredericka and Nicholas Hoehamer had three children together:

1. **Charles Philip Hoehamer** was born 15 May 1886 in Adams County, Indiana.⁶³ He and his wife, Minnie Prust, had three sons. They lived in the Chicago area, moving several times before finally settling in Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois, where Charles was the proprietor of [Hoehamer Hardware](#).⁶⁴ He died 6 October 1966 in Elmwood Park.⁶⁵ Charles was five feet eleven inches tall with blue eyes and black hair.^{66 67}
2. **John Edward Hoehamer** was born 10 July 1889 and died 6 August 1889. He is buried in Willard Cemetery in Berne, Adams County, Indiana.⁶⁸
3. **Della Hoehamer** was born in 1891 and lived at least until 1900, when she was enumerated in the census.⁶⁹

Deaths of Fredericka and Nicholas Hoehamer

Fredericka (Kneisel Pfeifer) Hoehamer died at the age of 50 on 5 March 1896. She is buried in Willard Cemetery in Berne, Adams County, Indiana.⁷⁰

Fredericka's widower, **Nicholas Hoehamer**, was married for a third time to Delia/Delilah (Wells) Warner on 26 October 1899 in Auglaize County.⁷¹ Nicholas and Delia had one child together; Delia also had a son from a previous marriage. Sometime between 1900 and 1910 they relocated to Hartford City, Blackford County, Indiana.⁷²

Nicholas Hoehamer died aged 69 on 26 October 1914 at his home in Hartford City.⁷³ He is buried in Willard Cemetery in Berne, Adams County, Indiana.

Fred Pfeifer in Marion, Indiana

My great-grandfather, **Fredrick Lawrence "Fred" Pfeifer**, was the seventh of the eight children of Christopher Pfeifer and Fredericka Kneisel, born 19 December 1875 or 1876.^{74 75 76} He had brown hair and blue eyes.⁷⁷

Fred was around five years old when his father died in September 1880. He was approximately seven when, two years later, his mother married Nicholas Hoehamer and the

family moved from Auglaize County, Ohio, to Adams County, Indiana: a distance of about 40 miles.

I've been unable to determine when Fred left home or where he first lived after doing so. Almost all records from the 1890 U.S. census were lost in a fire, and so far I have not located him in the 1900 census.

Fred resurfaces in the records in 1903, when he was 27 or 28 years old. In that year he was listed in the city directory of Marion, Grant County, Indiana, as "Farmer Orphan's Home."⁷⁸ This refers to his employment at the Grant County Orphan's Home, an institution which housed orphaned or abandoned children and worked to place them in adoptive homes.

By 1910 Fred was the superintendent of the Orphan's Home, which at that time housed approximately 70 children.⁷⁹ The matron of the home was **Jennie Porter**, a native of West Virginia who was nearly 20 years Fred's senior⁸⁰. She had been matron there since 1902 and had previously worked at orphanages in Ohio.⁸¹ Fred and Jennie were married in Detroit, Michigan, on 20 April 1910.⁸² Their marriage was brief, as Jennie passed away from cancer on Christmas Day that same year.⁸³ She is buried in Unionport Cemetery in Jefferson County, Ohio.⁸⁴

Fred Pfeifer marries Nellie Logan and moves to Minnesota

Fred Pfeifer was married again to **Nellie Edith Logan** on 3 July 1912 in Grant County, Indiana.⁸⁵ Nellie, born 4 June 1891 in Grant County⁸⁶, was an employee and former ward of the Orphan's Home, having been abandoned there with her siblings in 1903 when their parents separated.⁸⁷ According to family lore, Nellie Logan was a close friend of Jennie Pfeifer and tended her during her last illness, and it was Jennie's dying wish that Nellie and Fred should marry.

Fred and Nellie moved to St. Paul, Minnesota, where Fred was a civil engineer.⁸⁸ Between 1913 and 1916 they moved again to Becker County, Minnesota, where they lived first in Frazee⁸⁹ and later in Detroit (renamed Detroit Lakes in 1926). Fred was the Becker County surveyor, and Nellie worked from home as a seamstress.⁹⁰

The children of Fred Pfeifer and Nellie Logan were:

1. **Forest Wilmer Pfeifer**, born 22 August 1913 in St. Paul, Ramsey County, Minnesota. He married Melverna Margaret Haverkamp on 7 December 1937 in Becker County, and they had seven children. He died 6 July 2003.
2. **Charlotte Marie Pfeifer**, born 1 December 1916 in Frazee, Becker County, Minnesota. She married Vernon Orville Westley on 24 October 1935 in Detroit Lakes, Becker County, and they had three children. She died 29 December 1969 in Aberdeen, Brown County, South Dakota.
3. **Eleanor Christine Pfeifer**, born 4 July 1918 in Frazee, Becker County, Minnesota. She married Gustav A. Swenson on 1 January 1939 in Lake Park, Becker County, and they had two children. She died 7 July 2000 in Detroit Lakes, Becker County, and is buried in the Eksjo Lutheran Church Cemetery, Lake Park.

Fred Pfeifer's institutionalization and death

Fred Pfeifer had epilepsy. Sometime between 1930 and 1935⁹¹ he left Detroit Lakes and was admitted to the Minnesota Colony for Epileptics (later renamed Cambridge State Hospital) in Cambridge, Isanti County⁹².

It's unknown whether Fred's epilepsy was a lifelong condition. As was standard at the time, his and Nellie's 1912 marriage license application had included a question about whether Fred was "afflicted with epilepsy," among other conditions, and he answered "no."⁹³ That may have been a lie, but it's also possible that he didn't develop epilepsy until later in life, perhaps as the result of an illness or injury. Coincidentally, one of Fred's stepbrothers had had epilepsy from a young age and died from it in 1899⁹⁴, so Fred must have had some prior familiarity with the condition even if he himself didn't develop it until adulthood.

Fred suffered a broken hip in 1948; this may have been the reason he left the epileptic hospital and entered the Hazeleng Rest Home in Minneapolis. He died there aged 75 on 24 June 1951⁹⁵, and is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery in Becker County.

VERSION HISTORY

- Version 1, November 2016
- Version 2, June 2020: Reformatted document. Added new information about John Pfeifer and about Fred Pfeifer at Hazeleng Rest Home. Removed Find A Grave links. Various minor revisions.

END NOTES

¹ It was common in this period for German boys to be christened with the first name "Johan" (John) and a more distinctive middle name which was the name they actually used. See Beidler, James M., *The Family Tree German genealogy guide: how to trace your Germanic ancestry in Europe*. Cincinnati, OH: Family Tree Books, 2014.

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⁵ Christian Piper household, 1860 U.S. Census, roll 931, Pusheta, Auglaize, Ohio, p. 428, lines 19-22, family 524. FHL microfilm 803931, image 253. Obtained October 2016 from Ancestry.com.

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