

FAMILY HISTORIES



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adams and Herb.

HENRY ADAMS FAMILY

Henry's dad, John Adams came to Canada from Austria in the late eighteenth hundreds. Their family were: Henry, John, Philip, Rosien (Mrs. Fred Haas), Elizabeth (Mrs. George Haas) and Mary (Mrs. George Mensch).

They settled in the Langenburg district where they took a homestead in 1891. Henry married the former Katherine Rathgaber in 1911. Katherine had also come from Austria as a child. Henry and Katherine had three children, Herb born in 1912, George in 1918, and Emma in 1924. They bought a hardware store from Mr. Denmark in Shellmouth. Records show they built onto the house in 1907. The store burnt in 1914. This was the site for Mr. Ridgeway's harness shop.

They farmed in the Hoffenthal and Landestrew districts for a number of years, moving to Inglis in 1924. They ran a garage in partnership with Pete Rathgaber. Henry later built a poolroom and Barber Shop in Inglis, where he barbered until 1928 at which time he traded the poolroom for Bill Mench's farm 6-23-28.

Herb can remember driving a team from Inglis to Rathgaber's in the Landestrew district, twenty five miles



Wedding of Fred and Emma Daum. George Adams, Herb Adams, Fred and Emma (Adams) Daum, Elsie Daum and Margaret Matheis, Flower Girl.

to help with threshing. He was twelve years old at the time. Herb farmed with his Dad until 1939, then renting the Busch land 26-22-29 in Saskatchewan. In 1947 he bought 21-22-29 near Shellmouth, farming for the next twenty years, retiring in Russell in 1967. Herb was always community minded, active in many sports and always managing to help when he could.

Herb took his first airplane ride at the Shellmouth Fair, the plane taking off and landing near Garnetts.

George farmed at home until his retirement to Langenburg in 1978. He married Adelaide Zerr in 1947. They have two boys Wayne and Ken. Wayne works in Winnipeg as a computer technician. He married Jeanette Scherloski. They have two children, Stephen and Neil.

Ken took over the homestead in 1978. He married Kathy Poier of Langenburg. They have a boy, Boyce and a girl Jaimie.

Emma married Fred Daum in 1946. They farmed in the Rothberry district near Churchbridge, Saskatchewan, moving later to Wolverine in 1948. They sold out and moved to Brandon, later buying a Motel at Shoal Lake. At present they have retired to Oak Lake. They have a family of eleven children: Gordon, Sharon (Chequin), Joyce (Barlow), Jean (Chegus), Sandra (Weselak), Gayle, Pearl (Rae), Bruce, Paul, Bonnie and Brian.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adams lived in Shellmouth until they retired in 1945, health forcing them to move to the Lutheran home in Melville until 1972, where two months later Henry died. Mrs. Adams stayed in Melville till 1976. She passed away at the Special Care Home in Langenburg in 1977.