

(7) – Christen Skaksen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter

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Grandparents of Anna Matilda Nielsen, Mrs. John Schroder, of Boomer Township.

In Denmark:

Christen Skaksen was born in Dronninglund Sogn the first of eight known children of Skak Nielsen and Johanne Marie Christensdatter.

Ane Margrethe Christensdatter was born in Dronninglund Sogn to Christen Christensen and Maren Pedersdatter.

Christen Skaksen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter married in Denmark, with date and location currently unknown.

Immigration:

The Christen Skaksen party registered to emigrate on 10 May 1872. They listed their residence as Dronninglund, their mode of travel as indirect, and their destination as Council Bluffs. Registrants were Chr. Skaksen 68, Ane M. Skaksen 63, Chr. Jensen 25 (their son-in-law), Christiane Jensen 27 (their daughter), and grandchildren Christian Jensen 3 $\frac{3}{4}$, unnamed Jensen $\frac{1}{2}$, and Mathilde Jensen 9 (sic, Christen Skaksen's granddaughter, Anna Matilda Nielsen, age 10).

I have no further information about the Chr. And Christiane Jensen family.

In the United States:

Shortly after arriving in the Council Bluffs area in 1872, Christen Skaksen bought a farm in Boomer Township from Christian Bondo.

In 1880 and perhaps 1885 Christen and Ane Skaksen were living on this farm. I have no further information about them.

The Christian Bondo/Christen Skaksen/John Schroder/Clyde Peters Farm:

In January 1868, Christian Bondo and John Sorenson, recent immigrants from Denmark, jointly purchased 123 acres of wooded land in Boomer Township, Sections 29 and 30 from William Selvy for \$1,600. (John Sorenson, born as Jens Sorensen in Denmark, was later known as John Sanderson.)

In May 1868, Christian Bondo married Karen Jensen, who had immigrated the previous year with the Gregers Acton family. The Acton farm was located just east of the Bondo/Sanderson land, and from about 1930 to 2010 was owned by Julius Schroder and later his son, Dale.

In May 1870, Christian Bondo and John Sanderson split the property, with Christian Bondo assuming ownership of the west portion of 86 acres.

In 1872, Christian Bondo, moving to prairie land in Hazel Dell Township, Section 11, sold his farm to Christen Skaksen for \$1000.

In 1882 Christen and Margrethe Skaksen sold their farm to John Schroder, who had married Christen Skaksen's granddaughter, Anna Matilda Nielsen, for \$1000.

After John Schroder died in 1916, ownership remained with the family until Anna (Nielsen) Schroder's death in 1953. Anna lived on the farm with her youngest son, Charles, and his family.

After Anna (Nielsen) Schroder's death in 1953, the farm was sold to Clyde Peters, who had grown up on the Lewis Peters farm just to the north. (Clyde came from a family of eight children, all boys, almost enough for a baseball team.)

After the Clyde Peters family moved to Council Bluffs in 1957, the farmhouse was rented out. It burned on Christmas day around 1970.

Between 1986 and 1997 Clyde Peter's widow, Agnes, sold the portion of the farm west of the road to Darrell Deterding. Darrell built a log cabin on the property.

As of 2010 a young couple, Jeremy and Stacie Martinsen, were living in the log cabin.

The four known children of Christen Skaksen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter

Christen Skaksen (abt 1804 - aft 1880) & Ane Margrethe Christensdatter (bef 11 Mar 1809 - aft 1880)

Johanne Marie Christensen (abt 1833 -)

Peder Christian Christensen (abt 1835 -)

Maren "Mary" Christensen (abt 18 Jan 1841 - 9 May 1931) & Lars Nielsen (1839 - 15 Sep 1913)

m. 3 Jan 1862, Dronninglund Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark

Christiane Christensen (abt 12 May 1845 -) & Chr. Jensen (abt 1847 -)

All children were born in Dronninglund Sogn. Nothing is known about the first two.

■ Maren "Mary" Christensen married Lars Nielsen in Dronninglund Sogn in 1862.

Lars Nielsen was born in Albæk Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark. Lars appears to have been an only child of his parents, Niels Jespersen and Maren Sorensen, who were possibly adoptive parents. Lars Nielsen was the nephew of *Thomas Christian Jespersen*, whose sketch appears elsewhere in *Immigration to Boomer Township from Dronninglund Parish*.

Lars Nielsen and Maren Christensen married in Dronninglund Sogn in 1862. They appear to have lived in Dronninglund Sogn until the early 1870s, when they moved to Hellevad Sogn, also in Hjørring Amt. In 1880, Lars Nielsen and Maren Christensen were living in Hellevad Sogn, with Lars working as a day laborer.

Lars Nielsen immigrated early in 1882 from Hellevad Sogn. Maren and three children followed a few months later. Their son, Skak, remained in Denmark.

Children of Lars Nielsen and Maren Christensen

Lars Nielsen (1839 - 15 Sep 1913) & Maren "Mary" Christensen (abt 18 Jan 1841 - 9 May 1931)

m. 3 Jan 1862, Dronninglund Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark

Anna Matilda Nielsen (22 Jan 1862 - 9 Jul 1953) & John Schroder (2 Feb 1855 - 16 Jun 1916)

m. 18 Dec 1878, Pott. Co., IA

Christine Nielsen (abt 2 Feb 1864 -)

Nielsine Nielsen (abt 2 Feb 1864 -)

Christen Skak "Skak" Nielsen (2 Dec 1865 - aft Jul 1953) & Marie Larsen (abt 1866 -)

Martine "Stena" Nielsen (abt 5 Jan 1868 - aft Jul 1953) & George Fred Wagner (abt 1861 - abt 6 Dec 1944)

m. Apr 1899, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE
Maren Nielsen (abt 7 Feb 1869 -)
Maren Johanne "Annie" Nielsen (abt 1870 - 1941 - Jul 1953) & Andrew Christoffersen (abt 1859 - aft 1940)
m. 30 Oct 1890, Pott. Co., IA
Louise Nielsen (abt 1874 - aft Jul 1953) & Charles L. Chester (abt 1854 - abt 19 Feb 1927)
Charles Lawrence "Charlie" Nielsen (10 Oct 1883 or Aug 1884 - aft Jul 1953) & Mabel M. unknown (abt 1885 -)

Maren Christensen and her husband, Lars Nielsen, had thirteen children but only the nine listed above are known. Six were living as of 1910. These six children appear below. Of these six, one remained in Denmark and one was born in the United States.

■ **Anna Matilda Nielsen** immigrated in 1872 at age 10 with her grandparents, Christen Skaksen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter.

Shortly after arriving in Pottawattamie County, Christen and Ane Skaksen and their granddaughter, Anna, settled on their recently-acquired farm.

Anna married **John Schroder** in 1878.

John Schroder was born in Rendsburg, Schleswig-Holstein and emigrated as a teenager around 1870.

John and Anna Schroder lived on her grandparents' farm in Boomer Township. After John's death, Anna remained on the farm until her death. Anna lived on the same farm for 81 years.

The seven children of John and Anna Schroder

John Schroder (2 Feb 1855 - 16 Jun 1916) & Anna Matilda Nielsen (22 Jan 1862 - 9 Jul 1953)
m. 18 Dec 1878, Pott. Co., IA
John Schroder (17 Jan 1880 - 17 May 1969) & Abalone Johanne Petrea "Lona" Petersen (7 Oct 1882 - 7 Oct 1963)
m. 7 Jan 1903, Pott. Co., IA
Anna Magdalena Schroder (29 Jun 1883 - 26 Apr 1969) & Hans Carl "Carl" Petersen (29 Jul 1878 - 5 Oct 1954)
m. 4 May 1904, Pott. Co., IA
William Ernest Schroder (6 Apr 1886 - 1 Aug 1973) & Margaret Amelia Hansen (29 Jul 1881 - 29 Aug 1967)
m. 30 Oct 1907, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
Rose Marie Schroder (20 May 1889 - 14 Oct 1976) & John Thomas Page (22 Jan 1887 - 15 May 1974)
m. 6 May 1908, Pott. Co., IA
Henry August Schroder (11 Sep 1892 - 16 Oct 1954) & Jessie Mae Shadden (7 Sep 1897 - 3 Jul 1958)
m. 27 Mar 1916, Logan, Harrison Co., IA
Julius Peter Schroder (15 Aug 1895 or 1896 - 4 Apr 1948) & Ethel Irene Price (24 Aug 1897 - 10 Sep 1982)
m. 21 Jan 1920, Pott. Co., IA
Charles Chester Schroder (6 Nov 1898 - 26 Aug 1971) & Grace Margaret Christiansen (2 Mar 1905 - 28 Jan 1991)
m. 17 Apr 1923

Descendants are still living in Boomer Township as of 2018.

John and Annie Schroder's two oldest children, John and Anna Magdalena, married siblings. Their spouses were the children of Laurs Christian Pedersen and Kjersten Jensen and were siblings of Peter Thybo Petersen of southwestern Boomer Township. For more information about the Peter Thybo Petersen family, see the Helen (Larson) Peterson sketch in the Larsen/Larson chapter of my family history, *Ancestors and Older Relatives of Robert Christiansen – Christiansen, Rasmussen,*

Larsen/Larson, Hansen. (Helen Larson married Victor Petersen, the son of Peter Thybo Petersen.)

■ **John Schroder Jr. married Abalone Johanne Petrea "Lona" Petersen in 1903.**

John and Lona Schroder lived on a farm a mile northeast of Honey Creek in Rockford Twp. Section 25.

The four children of John Schroder Jr. and Lona Petersen

John Schroder (17 Jan 1880 - 17 May 1969) & Abalone Johanne Petrea "Lona" Petersen (7 Oct 1882 - 7 Oct 1963)
m. 7 Jan 1903, Pott. Co., IA

Carl William Schroder (16 Oct 1903 - 4 May 1991) & Pearl Larsen (31 Dec 1903 - 4 Sep 1977)
m. 18 Feb 1925, Pott. Co., IA

Viola Rose Schroder (12 May 1905 - 6 Jan 2003) & James Edward Kermeen (8 Nov 1904 - 18 Oct 1984)
m. 3 Mar 1926, Pott. Co., IA

Vernie Marie Schroder* (10 Jan 1908 - 14 Dec 1997) & Frank Larsen (4 Mar 1905 - 18 Dec 1954)
m. 22 Feb 1928, Pott. Co., IA

Vernie Marie Schroder* (10 Jan 1908 - 14 Dec 1997) & Clarence B. Ryan (27 Aug 1907 - 7 Sep 1983)
m. 8 Dec 1968, Denver, Denver Co., CO

Irene Christiana Schroder (3 Mar 1912 - 11 Jan 1999) & Ralph Henry Axtell (26 Oct 1909 - 12 Oct 1986)
m. 25 Feb 1931, Pott. Co., IA

Two of these children, Carl and Vernie, married siblings, the children of Louis John Larsen and Mary C. Nelson of Rockford Township.

● **Carl William Schroder married Pearl Larsen in 1925.**

● **Viola Rose Schroder married James Edward Kermeen in 1926.**

James Kermeen was the son of Joseph Kermeen and Blanche Hagie of Boomer Township.

● **Vernie Marie Schroder married Frank Larsen in 1928.**

After Frank Larsen's death, Vernie married **Clarence Ryan** in 1968.

Clarence Ryan was the widower of my mother's first cousin, Florence (Johnson) Ryan.

● **Irene Christiana Schroder married Ralph Henry Axtell in 1931.**

Ralph Axtell was the son of Spencer Axtell and Lena Reel of Boomer Township.

John and Lona Schroder and all four of their children are interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

■ **Anna Magdalena Schroder married Hans Carl "Carl" Petersen in 1904.**

Carl and Anna Petersen lived on a farm northeast of Honey Creek in Rockford Twp. Section 24.

The five children of Carl Petersen and Anna Schroder

Hans Carl "Carl" Petersen (29 Jul 1878 - 5 Oct 1954) & Anna Magdalena Schroder (29 Jun 1883 - 26 Apr 1969)
m. 4 May 1904, Pott. Co., IA

Freda Rose Petersen (13 Apr 1905 - 9 Dec 1994) & William Magnus Price (2 Nov 1901 - 24 Mar 1984)
 m. 24 Feb 1926, Pott. Co., IA
 Henry Ernest Petersen (30 Oct 1908 - 4 Apr 1988) & Irene Iva Peters (9 Jun 1909 - 14 Sep 1972)
 m. 26 Feb 1930, Pott. Co., IA
 Helen MaryEllen Petersen (19 Sep 1910 - 9 Oct 1985) & Franklin Rayburn (17 Mar 1912 - 4 Mar 1963)
 m. 3 Jun 1931, Pott. Co., IA
 Fred Carl Petersen (14 May 1913 - 24 Dec 1970) & Mary Jane Hough (14 Jun 1920 - 25 Jul 1986)
 m. 4 Aug 1938, Pott. Co., IA
 Elmer Leroy Petersen (5 Sep 1919 - 4 Mar 2014) & Lorene Peters (12 Mar 1922 -)
 m. 16 Jan 1943

- **Freda Rose Petersen** married **William Magnus Price** in 1926.

William Magnus Price was the son of William Price Jr. and Tena Marie Christiansen of Boomer Township.

- **Henry Ernest Petersen** married **Irene Iva Peters** in 1930.
- **Helen MaryEllen Petersen** married **Franklin Rayburn** in 1931.
- **Fred Carl Petersen** married **Mary Jane Hough** in 1938.
- **Elmer Leroy Petersen** married **Lorene Peters** in 1943.

Carl and Anna Petersen and their children Freda, Henry, Helen and Fred are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township.

- **William Ernest Schroder** married **Margaret Amelia Hansen** in 1907.

Margaret Hansen was the daughter of Hans Fredrik Hansen and Ane Marie Nielsen and the stepdaughter of Andrew J. Larsen of Hazel Dell Township, Section 34.

William and Margaret Schroder lived in various locations, primarily in western Pottawattamie County.

The six children of William Schroder and Margaret Hansen

William Ernest Schroder (6 Apr 1886 - 1 Aug 1973) & Margaret Amelia Hansen (29 Jul 1881 - 29 Aug 1967)
 m. 30 Oct 1907, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
 Freda M. Schroder (23 May 1909 - 12 Apr 1911)
 Chester William Schroder (5 Jan 1911 - 2 Aug 1983) & Alta Leona Wimer (8 Nov 1911 - 30 Jan 1988)
 m. 1 Jun 1933, Pott. Co., IA
 Ruby R. Schroder (9 Jan 1913 - Sep 1989) & George Leonard Bird (23 Apr 1916 - Mar 1988)
 m. 9 Jan 1938, Pott. Co., IA
 Henry E. Schroder (23 Jan 1915 - 17 Feb 1915)
 Julius Schroder (24 Jan 1916 - 25 May 1981) & Marjorie M. Berry (9 May 1922 - 5 Jan 2014)
 m. 9 May 1946, Pott. Co., IA
 David E. Schroder (12 Jun 1923 - 30 Nov 2007) & Dorothy McCrickard

Two of William and Margaret's children died in early childhood.

- **Chester William Schroder** married **Alta Leona Wimer** in 1933.

Alta Wimer was the daughter of John Wimer and Vesta Newland of Union Township, Harrison County.

- **Ruby R. Schroder** married **George Leonard Bird** in 1938.

George Bird was the son of Frederick Bird Sr. and Grace Smith of Crescent, Iowa.

- **Julius Schroder** married **Marjorie Berry** in 1946.

Marjorie Berry was the daughter of Harry Berry and Hazel Wood of the Missouri Valley, Iowa area.

- **David E. Schroder** married **Dorothy McCrickard** from Modale, Iowa.

William and Margaret Schroder and their children Freda, Chester and Henry are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township. Ruby (Schroder) Bird is interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs. Julius is interred in Rose Hill Cemetery in Missouri Valley.

- **Rose Marie Schroder** married **John Thomas Page** in 1908.

John Page was the son of James Henry "Henry" Page and Mary Ellen Mackland of Boomer Township, Section 33.

After marrying, John T. and Rose Page were living in Boomer Township in 1910 and in Rockford Township in 1915. Around 1917, they moved to Tripp County in south central South Dakota. After 1930, they moved to Nampa in western Idaho. They presumably died in the Nampa area.

The seven children of John T. Page and Rose Schroder

John Thomas Page (22 Jan 1887 - 15 May 1974) & Rose Marie Schroder (20 May 1889 - 14 Oct 1976)

m. 6 May 1908, Pott. Co., IA

Julius Page (1 Feb 1909 - 16 Feb 1909)

Lloyd H. Page (3 Aug 1910 - 30 Jan 1994)

Velma M. Page (5 Dec 1913 - 14 Jun 2006)

Lewis J. Page (8 Nov 1916 - 19 Dec 1994)

Mary Ellen Page (22 Aug 1919 -)

Glen T. Page (26 Aug 1922 - 2 Jul 1996)

James Albert Page (15 Jul 1928 - 18 Oct 2009)

The oldest child, Julius, died as an infant and is interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township. The first four were born in Pottawattamie County and the last three in Tripp County, South Dakota. All six surviving children seem to have remained in the northwest, mostly in the Nampa area.

- **Henry August Schroder** married **Jessie Mae Shadden** in 1916.

Jessie Mae Shadden was the daughter of Arthur Dillard Shadden and Isophene B. Price who lived in and near Council Bluffs.

Henry and Jessie Schroder lived in Hazel Dell Township, in Beadle County, South Dakota, in Boomer Township and in Lewis Township. Before 1946 they settled on a small farm about a mile north of Loveland in northeastern Rockford Township. While living in the Loveland area, Henry worked on the railroad. After Henry Schroder died, Jessie and her youngest child moved to Missouri Valley.

The nine children of Henry Schroder and Jessie Shadden

Henry August Schroder (11 Sep 1892 - 16 Oct 1954) & Jessie Mae Shadden (7 Sep 1897 - 3 Jul 1958)

m. 27 Mar 1916, Logan, Harrison Co., IA
 August Arthur Schroder (16 Mar 1917 - 1 Jul 1952) & Doris Golland (21 Jun 1925 - 7 Nov 2003)
 m. 3 Feb 1945, England
 Freddie Ernest Schroder (26 Dec 1918 - 1 May 1993) & Arda May Walter (23 May 1923 - 20 Oct 2015)
 m. 27 Aug 1941
 Thelma Mae Schroder* (10 Dec 1920 - 20 Jan 2002) & Vernon Edwin Larson (18 Oct 1919 - 13 Jan 2003)
 m. 26 Jul 1939, St. Paul's Luth. Ch., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
 Thelma Mae Schroder* (10 Dec 1920 - 20 Jan 2002) & Maynard Henry Jensen (6 Mar 1920 - 29 Jan 1998)
 m. 14 Jun 1986, St. Paul's Luth. Ch., rural Neola, Pott. Co., IA
 Maxine June Schroder (9 May 1923 - 12 Aug 2011) & William Chester "Bill" Freeman (27 Mar 1921 - 27 Apr 2010)
 m. 18 Nov 1944
 Everett Dallas Schroder* (10 Feb 1926 - 16 May 1993) & Beverly Jean Kady (10 Oct 1928 -)
 m. 17 Sep 1948, Crescent, Crescent T., Pott. Co., IA
 Everett Dallas Schroder* (10 Feb 1926 - 16 May 1993) & Patricia "Pat" Barger (13 Mar 1934 -)
 m. 19 Nov 1956, Pierre, Hughes Co., SD
 Vern Henry Schroder (22 Nov 1927 - 9 Nov 1951)
 Elmer Chester Schroder (3 Mar 1932 - 2 Nov 2013) & Marilyn Kay Madsen (19 Aug 1936 - 4 Jan 2003)
 m. abt 1953
 Rudolph Richard "Dick" Schroder (23 Apr 1934 - 11 Dec 2007) & Rosella Hager
 m. 10 Mar 1954, Florence, Pinal Co., AZ
 Betty Lou Schroder* (2 Nov 1940 -) & Melvern Carl Wohlers (abt 1935 -)
 m. 27 Mar 1959, St. Paul's Luth. Ch., Boomer T., Pott. Co., IA
 Betty Lou Schroder* (2 Nov 1940 -) & Terry E. Carmichael (6 Aug 1942 - 1 Jul 1991)
 Betty Lou Schroder* (2 Nov 1940 -) & Richard G. Danker (18 Jan 1937 -)

- **August Arthur Schroder married Doris Golland in 1945.**

Doris Golland was born in England to William and Doris Golland.

August Schroder served in England during World War II with the U.S. Army Air Force. While in England, he met and married Doris, who then came to the United States as a war bride after World War II.

Doris's parents and two of her siblings immigrated to Missouri Valley in 1948.

August Schroder was killed in an accident while working as a commercial fisherman in Alaska.

August and Doris Schroder had two children.

After August's death, Doris married Harry Berry. Harry and Doris Berry had two children.

- **Freddie Ernest Schroder married Arda May Walter in 1941.**

Arda was the daughter of William Walter and Amanda Krieger of Rockford Township.

Freddie Schroder bought and farmed the old William Price Jr. place in Boomer Township, Section 28.

Freddie and Arda Schroder had three children, one of whom died as a teenager.

- **Thelma Mae Schroder married Vernon Edwin Larson in 1939.**

Vernon Larson was the son of Andrew A. and Maggie Larson of Hazel Dell Township and the brother of my mother, Leona (Larson) Christiansen.

For more about this family, see the Vernon Larson section of the Andrew Larson sketch in the Larsen/Larson chapter of my family history, *Ancestors and Older Relatives of Robert Christiansen – Christiansen, Rasmussen, Larsen/Larson, and Hansen*.

Vernon and Thelma Larson farmed in Hazel Dell and Boomer Townships.

Vernon and Thelma Larson had four children and eventually divorced.

Thelma (Schroder) Larson married Maynard Henry Jensen in 1986.

Maynard Jensen was the son of Henry Jensen of Hazel Dell Township, Section 9.

For more about Maynard Jensen's older relatives, see the Jorgen "John" Jensen section of the *Mads Jensen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter Family* report in *St. Paul's Boomer-Neola Early Families*.

- **Maxine June Schroder** married **William Chester Freeman** in 1944.

William Freeman had served as Cherry County sheriff in Valentine, Nebraska.

William and Maxine Freeman had two children.

- **Everett Dallas Schroder** married **Beverly Jean Kady** in 1948.

Beverly Kady was the daughter of Arthur Allan Kady and Bessie Gilmore who lived in Boomer Township after World War II.

Everett Schroder was blinded in a hunting accident in 1950. Starting around 1953, he ran the Dew Drop Inn in Loveland, Iowa for many years. The Dew Drop Inn is commemorated in Bob Everhart's song, *The Night the Blind Man Danced*, available on youtube.com courtesy of Smithsonian Museum Folkways.

Everett and Beverly Schroder had one child and divorced.

Everett Schroder married **Patricia "Pat" Barger**, who was thought to be from North or South Dakota.

Everett and Patricia Schroder had three children.

- **Vern Henry Schroder** never married.

Vern Schroder was injured in a farm accident as a child and later killed in a road construction accident.

- **Elmer Chester Schroder** married **Marilyn Kay Madsen**.

Elmer Schroder lived in the Minden, Iowa area.

Elmer and Marilyn Schroder had four children.

- **Rudolph Richard "Dick" Schroder** married **Rosella Hager** in 1954.

Richard Schroder lived in Arizona.

Richard and Rosella Schroder had two children.

- **Betty Lou Schroder** married **Melvorn Carl Wohlers** in Mar 1959.

Melvorn and Betty Wohlers divorced and Betty married **Terry Carmichael**.

Terry and Betty Carmichael divorced and Betty married **Richard Danker** from Missouri Valley, Iowa.

Melvorn and Betty Schroder had three children.

Henry and Jessie Schroder and their children Freddie, Thelma, Vern and Elmer are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township. August is interred in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Missouri Valley, Iowa. Maxine is interred in Mt. Hope Cemetery in Valentine, Nebraska. Everett is interred in Branson Cemetery in Loveland, Iowa.

- **Julius Peter Schroder** (15 Aug 1895 or 1896 – 4 Apr 1948) married **Ethel Irene Price** (24 Aug 1897 – 10 Sep 1982) in Pottawattamie County on 21 Jan 1920. Ethel Price was the daughter of William Price Jr. and Tina Christiansen of Boomer Township, Section 28 and the granddaughter of Peter Torgesen Christiansen of Boomer Township, Section 4. For more information about the Peter Torgesen Christiansen family, see the *Peter Torgesen Christiansen* sketch herein.

Julius and Ethel Schroder bought the old Acton farm in Boomer Township, Section 20, in 1930.

The one child of Julius Schroder and Ethel Price

Julius Peter Schroder (15 Aug 1895 or 1896 - 4 Apr 1948) & Ethel Irene Price (24 Aug 1897 - 10 Sep 1982)
m. 21 Jan 1920, Pott. Co., IA

Robert Dale "Dale" Schroder (17 May 1924 -) & Cecile Marie Stacy (27 Mar 1928 -)
m. 28 Jun 1946, Grace Presby. Ch., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

- Dale Schroder married Cecile Marie Kinney in 1946.

Dale and Cecile Schroder lived on the old Julius Schroder farm in Boomer Township, Section 20, where they were still living in 2010.

Dale and Cecile Schroder had three children.

Julius and Ethel Schroder are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township.

- **Charles Chester Schroder** (6 Nov 1898 – 26 Aug 1971) married **Grace Margaret Christiansen** (2 Mar 1905 – 28 Jan 1991) on 17 Apr 1923.

Grace Christiansen was the daughter of John H. Christiansen and Jennie McCune of Boomer Township and the granddaughter of Peter Torgesen Christiansen of Boomer Township. For more information about the Peter Torgesen Christiansen family, see the *Peter Torgesen Christiansen* report in *Immigration to Boomer Township from Dronninglund Parish*.

Charles and Grace Schroder lived on the Schroder home place in Boomer Township, Section 30 until around 1954. Charles' widowed mother, Anna (Nielsen) Schroder, lived with them.

After Anna (Nielsen) Schroder died, Charles and Grace lived in the Honey Creek area and then in Crescent. After Charles died, Grace lived in Honey Creek with her son, Donald.

The two children of Charles Schroder and Grace Christiansen

Charles Chester Schroder (6 Nov 1898 - 26 Aug 1971) & Grace Margaret Christiansen (2 Mar 1905 - 28 Jan 1991)
m. 17 Apr 1923

Donald Lewis Schroder (17 Jul 1924 - 25 Jan 2004) & Olga Marian Clausen (7 Apr 1925 - 1 Jan 2015)
m. 6 Jun 1945, St. Paul's Luth. Ch., Boomer T., Pott. Co., IA
Dean Charles Schroder (1 Jun 1926 - 8 Jul 1945)

- Donald Lewis Schroder married **Olga Marian Clausen** in 1945.

Olga Clausen was the daughter of Harold Clausen and Carrie Petersen of Hazel Dell Township, Section 9.

Donald Schroder was a prisoner of war in Germany near the end of World War II. In civilian life, he worked for the Pottawattamie County roads department.

Donald and Olga Schroder lived in Honey Creek, Iowa before retiring to Council Bluffs.

Donald and Olga Schroder had three children, one of whom died as a baby.

- Dean Charles Schroder died while returning from the Pacific Theater in World War II.

Charles and Grace Schroder are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township, along with their son, Dean. Donald Schroder is interred in St. Paul's Cemetery.

John and Anna Schroder Family Interment Information:

- John and Anna Schroder are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township, as are their children Anna (Schroder) Petersen, William, Henry, Julius, and Charles.
- John Schroder Jr. is interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs.
- Rose (Schroder) Page is probably interred in the Nampa, Idaho area.

■ Christen Skak "Skak" Nielsen married Marie Larsen and remained in Denmark. One child is of interest.

Christen Skak "Skak" Nielsen (2 Dec 1865 - aft Jul 1953) & Marie Larsen (abt 1866 -)

Laura Christina Nielsen (28 May 1893 - 31 Aug 1975) & Peter Petersen (10 Jul or 7 Oct 1885 - 11 Apr 1963)
m. 22 Aug 1916, Pott. Co., IA

- **Laura Christina Nielsen** immigrated around 1914. Laura married **Peter Petersen** in 1916.

Peter Petersen was the son of Niels C. Petersen and Marie Nielsen of Boomer Township, Section 30.

I believe Peter Peterson may have farmed his parents' home place in Boomer Township before moving to a small farm in northern Lake Township several miles north of Council Bluffs around 1946.

Peter and Laura Petersen had two children, one of whom, Helen Louise, married Vernon Driver and lived in Boomer Township, Section 9.

- Martine Nielsen immigrated in 1882 with her mother, married George F. Wagner, and lived in Omaha.

George Fred Wagner (Jun 1861 - abt 6 Dec 1944) & Martine Nielsen (Jan 1872 - Feb 1963)
m. 26 Apr 1899, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE
Louise M. Wagner (17 Jun 1900 - 23 Jul 1994)

- Maren Johanne "Annie" Nielsen immigrated in 1882 with her mother, married Andrew Christoffersen, and lived in Council Bluffs.

Andrew Christoffersen (1859 - 1954) & Maren Johanne "Annie" Nielsen (abt 1870 - 1943)
m. 30 Oct 1890, Pott. Co., IA
Edna Louise Justine Christoffersen (7 Apr 1891 - 28 Jan 1943) & George Johnson (- 1 Jun 1932)
Hazel Christoffersen (22 Dec 1896 - 13 Jan 1923) & Roy Day
Irene Christoffersen (29 Dec 1902 - 25 Feb 1978) & Howard O. Miller (11 Jun 1904 - 11 Jul 1957)
m. 14 Jul 1923, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
Louise Hellen "Babe" Christoffersen (12 Aug 1909 - 5 Aug 1986) & Jerry A. Sindelar (1912 - 1997)

- Louise Nielsen (about 1874 – after Jul 1953) immigrated in 1882 with her mother, married Charles L. Chester, and lived in Council Bluffs before moving to Omaha.

Charles L. Chester (14 Feb 1854 - 17 Feb 1927) & Louise Nielsen (4 Apr 1874 - 7 Jul 1954)
m. 23 Sep 1895, Fremont, Dodge Co., NE
Helen M. Chester (31 Jul 1902 - 28 Dec 1986) & Victor A. Elias (28 Aug 1901 - 6 Apr 1994)
m. 14 Oct 1924, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

Charles Chester, a New York native, was a hotel keeper in Council Bluffs and then in Omaha.

- Charles Lawrence "Charlie" Nelson was born in rural Honey Creek, Iowa and lived in Superior, Nebraska.

Charles Nelson initially worked in cigar manufacturing in Superior. Later he worked for the cement company located near Superior. He and his wife had no known children.

- Christiane Christensen married Chr. Jensen and immigrated with her parents, husband, and two children in 1872. Other than their 1872 immigration record, I know nothing about this family.

Chr. Jensen (abt 1847 -) & Christiane Christensen (abt 12 May 1845 -)
Christian Jensen (1868 -)
unnamed Jensen (abt 1871 -)

Christen Skaksen Family Interment:

- I have no death or burial information for Christen Skaksen and Ane Margrethe Christensdatter.
- Their daughter, Maren (Christensen) Nelsen is interred in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- I have no death or burial information for the family of their daughter, Christiane (Christensen) Jensen.
- Their granddaughter, Anna (Nielsen) Schroder, and many of Anna's numerous descendants are interred in the Grange Cemetery in Boomer Township.
- Their granddaughters, Martine (Nielsen) Wagner and Louise Chester, are, interred in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Omaha.
- Their granddaughter, Maren Johannah "Annie" (Nielsen) Christoffersen, is interred in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Council Bluffs.
- Their grandson, Charles Nelson, is interred in Evergreen Cemetery in Superior, Nebraska.

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