

## **Rasmussen Volume, Chapter 4 - David and Christina (Rasmussen) Martison**

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### ***David and Stena Martison and their Children***

*From trees.ancestry.com courtesy of Rebecca Ann Kennedy  
Front David, Roger, Stena; back Emma, Harvey, Minnie*

## The Lives of David and Christina (Rasmussen) Martison

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David Marion Martison (5 Dec 1867 - 26 Mar 1931)  
& Anna Christina "Stena" Rasmussen (24 Oct 1871 - 28 Jan 1929)

Harvey Lawrence Martison (23 Jul 1891 - 7 Nov 1970)  
& Helen Augusta Rosen (15 Apr 1894 - 27 Apr 1973)

Emma Mildred Martison (18 Oct 1893 - 19 Dec 1983)  
& Frederick Carl Wiggins (30 Jul 1890 - 3 Apr 1972)

Minnie Anita Martison (14 Apr 1896 - 10 Mar 1962)  
& Lothar F. R. Egen (10 Mar 1891 - 1 Feb 1961)

Roger Vernon Martison (22 Aug 1907 - 3 Nov 1991)  
& Alice Janak (1907 - abt 3 Oct 1948)

Roger Vernon Martison (22 Aug 1907 - 3 Nov 1991)  
& Edna Antonette Wells (abt 1 Jun 1908 - 17 Feb 1984)

- **Anna Christina "Stena" Rasmussen**, the oldest child of my great-grandparents Lars Christian Rasmussen and Karen Marie Andersen, was born in 1871 in Voer parish in northern Jutland as "Ane Kirstine". Stena emigrated in 1882 at the age of eleven with her parents and four sisters on the *S.S. Furnessia*.

Stena married David Marion Martison in 1890.

**About David Martison:** David Marion Martison, my great-uncle by marriage, was born in Racine County, Wisconsin in 1867, the oldest child of Peter and Mary Martison, natives of Denmark. In the early 1870s David's family moved to the Dakota Territory, and around 1874 they moved to Council Bluffs. David's parents sometimes spelled their name "Martinson". David worked for a blacksmith as a teenager.

After marrying in 1890, David and Stena Martison lived briefly in Council Bluffs, where their oldest child, Harvey, was born.

By October 1893 the Martison family had moved to Kenosha, Wisconsin, where Emma and Minnie were born. In 1900 and 1903 they were living at 303 Church St., and David was the proprietor of the Kenosha Sash and Door Company.

Before 1905 they returned to Council Bluffs, where Roger was born. In Council Bluffs, David was the foreman of a company that manufactured livestock feed.

Around 1913 the Martison family moved to Omaha. While living in Omaha, David Martison first was superintendent of Omaha Alfalfa Milling Company and then president of Moalfa Milling Company, which produced alfalfa, molasses and grain feeds. By 1929 he was a salesman for Famous Molasses Feed Company.

David and Stena Martison did not enjoy long lives. Stena died in Omaha of anemia at age 57. After Stena's death in 1929, David lived in Des Moines with his daughter Emma's family until his death in 1931.

David and Stena Martison and their daughter, Minnie, are interred in the St. Paul's Lutheran Church Cemetery in Boomer Township. Harvey is interred in Forest Lawn Cemetery in Omaha, Emma (Martison) Wiggins is interred in Henderson, North Carolina and Roger in Hillcrest Cemetery in Omaha.

End of the *Lives of David and Christina (Rasmussen) Martison* section  
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## The Children of David and Christina (Rasmussen) Martison

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- **Harvey Martison** was born in 1891 and married **Helen Rosen** in 1917.

Harvey Lawrence Martison  
b. 23 Jul 1891, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA  
d. 7 Nov 1970, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
bur. 10 Nov 1970, Forest Lawn Cem., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
& Helen Augusta Rosen  
b. 15 Apr 1894, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
d. 27 Apr 1973, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
brp. Forest Lawn Cem., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
m. 3 Feb 1917, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

Mary Ellen Martison  
b. 17 May 1930, Bancroft, Cuming Co., NE  
d. 16 Aug 2016  
& Herbert Allen Engdahl  
b. 17 Sep 1929, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
m. 30 May 1952, Trinity Luth. Ch., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

**About Helen Rosen:** Helen Augusta Rosen was born in Omaha, Nebraska to John J. Rosen and Augusta R. Swanson, Swedish natives who immigrated around 1893 and married in Omaha shortly after immigrating.

The Harvey Martison family lived at 4511 Woolworth Avenue in Omaha for many years. Harvey was associated with Famous Molasses Feed Company, which produced livestock feed.

**The one child of Harvey and Helen Martison is listed below.**

- ▲ **Mary Ellen Martison** and Herbert Engdahl lived in Omaha and had two children.

- **Emma Martison** was born in 1893 and married **Frederick Wiggins** in 1919.

Frederick Carl Wiggins  
 b. 30 Jul 1890, Henderson, Vance County, NC  
 d. 3 Apr 1972, Dunedin, Pinellas Co., FL  
 brp. Henderson, Vance Co., NC  
 & Emma Mildred Martison  
 b. 18 Oct 1893, Kenosha, Kenosha Co., WI  
 d. 19 Dec 1983, Mt. Horeb, Dane Co., WI  
 brp. Henderson, Vance Co., NC  
 m. 16 Apr 1919, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

David Burroughs Wiggins  
 b. 23 May 1921, Wichita, Sedgwick Co., KS  
 d. 6 Sep 2006, Mt. Horeb, Dane Co., WI  
 & Lucille Barbara Martin  
 b. 8 Mar 1924, Ft. Atkinson, Winneshiek Co., IA  
 d. 10 Feb 1997, Mt. Horeb, Dane Co., WI  
 brp. Mt. Horeb, Dane Co., WI  
 m. 6 Jun 1948, Iowa City, Johnson Co., IA

**About Frederick Wiggins:** Frederick Carl Wiggins was born in 1890 in Henderson, North Carolina, to Thomas Frederick Wiggins and Lucy Davis. He graduated from the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts and in 1917 was working as a chemist for the Union Pacific Railroad in Omaha.

The Frederick Wiggins family was living in Kansas City, Missouri in 1920, Wichita, Kansas in 1921, and Atchison Kansas in 1925. During those years Frederick Wiggins appears to have worked as a paint salesman.

By 1930 the Wiggins family was living in Des Moines, Iowa where Frederick Wiggins was in the car rental business.

From 1942 to 1949 Frederick Wiggins, now in his 50s, served in the United States Army. He was in military government during the occupation of Japan from 1946 to 1949.

Frederick Wiggins died in Pinellas County, Florida in 1972. Emma (Martison) Wiggins died in 1983 in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin where her son, David, was living.

**The one child of Frederick and Emma Wiggins is listed below.**

- ▲ **David Burroughs Wiggins** was born in 1921 in Wichita, Kansas. David Wiggins married **Lucille Martin** in 1948.

**About Lucille Martin:** Lucille Barbara Martin was born in 1924 in Fort Atkinson in northeastern Iowa.

David and Lucille Wiggins had five children. Lucille and David Wiggins died in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin.

- **Minnie Martison** was born in 1896 and married **Lothar Egen** in 1917.

Minnie Anita Martison  
b. 14 Apr 1896, Kenosha, Kenosha Co., WI  
d. 10 Mar 1962, Clearwater, Pinellas Co., FL  
bur. 28 Mar 1962, St. Paul's Luth. Cem., Boomer T., Pott. Co., IA  
& Lothar F. R. Egen  
b. 10 Mar 1891, Milwaukee, Milwaukee Co., WI  
d. 1 Feb 1961, Hastings, Adams Co., NE  
m. Nov 1917, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

**About Lothar Egen:** Lothar F. R. Egen was born in 1891 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and became a physician.

Lothar and Minnie Egen were living in Omaha in 1920. By 1924 they had moved to Hastings, Nebraska, where Lothar established a practice.

Minnie and Lothar Egen had no children and divorced in the 1930s. Minnie was living in Nemaha, Nebraska in 1940 and in Omaha in 1954. By 1960 Minnie was living in Clearwater, Florida, where she died in 1962.

**About Lothar Egen, continued:** After Minnie and Lothar Egen divorced, Lothar married Ruth P. (Ellis) Kauf. Lothar and Ruth had one child, Richard B. Egen, and Ruth had a child, David Kauf, from her previous marriage to Karl Kauf Jr.

- **Roger Martison** was born in 1907 and married **Alice Janak** around 1932 and **Edna (Wells) Borovac** in 1934.

Roger Vernon Martison  
 b. 22 Aug 1907, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA  
 d. 3 Nov 1991, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE?  
 bur. 6 Nov 1991, Hillcrest Cem, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
 & Alice Janak  
 b. 1907, Nebraska  
 d. abt 3 Oct 1948, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE?  
 brp. Bohemian Cem., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
 m. abt 1932, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE?

Roger Vernon Martison  
 b. 22 Aug 1907, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA  
 d. 3 Nov 1991, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE?  
 bur. 6 Nov 1991, Hillcrest Cem, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
 & Edna Antonette Wells  
 b. abt 1 Jun 1908, Nebraska  
 d. 17 Feb 1984, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
 brp. Hillcrest Cem., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE  
 m. 9 Jan 1934, Sarpy Co., NE

Delores Diane Martison  
 b. 12 Oct 1927, Nebraska  
 d. 13 Jul 2009, Lincoln, Lancaster Co., NE

Marlene Joan "Marti Jo" Martison  
 b. 20 Sep 1936, Nebraska  
 d. 2013?, Arizona?  
 & Bruce Lee McCorkindale  
 b. 15 Mar 1934  
 m. 14 Nov 1958, Central United Presby. Ch., Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

**About Alice Janak:** Alice Janak was born in Nebraska in 1907 to Frank and Marie Janak, natives of Czechoslovakia. Alice was employed at Technical High School.

Roger and Alice Martison had no children and divorced.

Roger married **Edna (Wells) Borovac** in 1934.

**About Edna Wells:** Edna Antonette Wells was born in Omaha in 1908 to Pete Wells. Edna Wells and Leo J. Borovac married in 1927 and had one child, Delores Diane. Subsequently they divorced.

As a young man, Roger worked for Swift and Company in Omaha. Around 1940 he was working for a feed mill. In the 1940s he began operating Martison Hardware at 3912-14 Q Street in Omaha.

**The two children of Roger and Edna Martison are listed below.**

- ▲ **Delores Diane Borovac** was born in 1927. She was adopted by Roger Martison, and used the surname Martison. She had two sons and died in Lincoln, Nebraska in 2009.
- ▲ **Marlene Joan "Marti Jo" Martison** was born in 1936 and attended the University of Nebraska. Marti Jo married **Bruce Lee McCorkindale** in 1958.

**About Bruce Lee McCorkindale:** Bruce Lee McCorkindale was born in Nebraska and attended the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.

Marti and Bruce McCorkindale had one son, and subsequently divorced.

Marti McCorkindale moved to Scottsdale, Arizona, where in 1994-1998 she appears to have been associated with the Maricopa Community College District.

I have read that Marti McCorkindale died in 2013, but have not found a date on-line.

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