Christiansen Volume, Chapter 5 - Christian Christiansen's Other Relatives

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Christian Christiansen in Denmark

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Recapping briefly from Chapters 1 and 2 of the Christiansen volume:

My great-grandfather, Christian Christiansen, was born in Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Denmark, the only child of Christian Olsen and Ane Katrine Mogensdatter. Christian Olsen died before Christian Christiansen was born. After Christian Christiansen's birth, Ane Katrine married Jens Jensen, a resident of Store Linde. Christian Christiansen then spent his childhood in his step-father's household in Store Linde, about two miles north of Karise. (If you don't have access to Chapters 1 or 2, Karise is on the Stevns peninsula south of Copenhagen and north of Fakse.)

Jens Jensen and Ane Kirstine Mogensdatter

Jens Jensen was a day laborer who was born, and probably died, in Karise Sogn. Jens Jensen and Ane Katrine Mogensdatter married in 1832. I find Jens and Ane Katrine living in Store Linde in the 1834, 1840, 1845, 1850 and 1860 censuses.

Jens Jensen and Ane Katrine Mogensdatter had six known children. From census records, it appears that the three daughters died in early childhood, while the three sons all married, remained in the general area, were fathers, and lived at least into their middle years.

I was told that one of Jens Jensen and Ane Katrine Mogensdatter's grandchildren had immigrated to Minnesota.

Jens Jensen and Ane Kirstine Mogensdatter and Their Children

Jens Jensen

- b. abt 1792, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1860, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark?
- & Ane Katrine Mogensdatter
- b. abt 1805, Frøslev Sogn or Dysted, Toksværd Sogn, both in Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. 27 Nov 1860, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- bur. 2 Dec 1860, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- m. 31 Mar 1832, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Anne Sophie Jensen

- b. bef 9 Nov 1834, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. bef 1840, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Jens Jensen

- b. 4 Feb 1836, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1901
- & Ane Sofie unknown
- b. 5 Jul 1846, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1901

Ane Marie Jensen

- b. abt 28 Oct 1838, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. bef 1845, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Niels Jensen

- b. 12 Jun 1842, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1901
- & Ane Kirstine Pedersen
- b. 27 Aug 1844, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1901

Birthe Marie Jensen

- b. bef 2 Jul 1846, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. bef 1850, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Peder Jensen

- b. 2 Jan 1848, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
- d. aft 1901
- & Inger Marie Vilhelmsen
- b. 1 Jan 1851, Hellested Sogn, Præstø Sogn, Denmark
- d. aft 1901

Christian Christiansen's Early Life

My great-grandfather, Christian Christiansen, was christened on the same day that his widowed mother, Ane Kirstine Mogensdatter, married Jens Jensen of Store Linde, Karise Sogn. I found Christian Christiansen subsequently living with his stepfather and mother in Store Linde in the 1834, 1840 and 1845 censuses.

In 1850 Christian Christiansen was living in the Peder Rasmussen and Ane Kirstine Hansdatter household in Store Linde. Peder Rasmussen was a gaardmand (farmer) and Christian Christiansen was enumerated as a tjenestekarl.

Christian Christiansen married **Ane Cathrine Christensen** in 1857 in Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt.

About Ane Cathrine Christensen: Ane Cathrine Christensen was born in Smerup parish to Christen Frederiksen and Maren Christiansdatter.

In the 1860 census, Christian and Ane Cathrine were living with her parents in Store Torøje in Smerup Sogn, and Christian was working as a day laborer. (Smerup is about six miles northeast of Fakse, which is fifty miles southwest of Copenhagen. Store Torøje is just south of Smerup, and is located between Store Spjellerup and Lyderslev.)

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Christen Ole "Chris" Christiansen

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Christen Ole "Chris" Christiansen, the only child of Christian Christiansen and his first wife, Ane Cathrine Christensen, was born in Smerup Sogn in 1864. Ane Cathrine apparently died soon after Christen Ole's birth.

Christen Ole Christiansen, His Parents, and His Grandparents

Christen Ole "Chris" Christiansen

b. 14 Jul 1864, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. 22 Apr 1936, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA brp. Fairview Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

Christian Christiansen

b. 28 Feb 1832, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. 9 Feb 1913, Boomer T., Pott. Co., IA bur. 11 Feb 1913, St. Paul's Luth. Cem., Boomer T., Pott. Co., IA m. 5 Dec 1857, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Christian Olsen

b. abt 1804, Frøslev Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. 10 Sep 1831, Frøslev Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark bur. 12 Sep 1831, Frøslev Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark m. 28 Nov 1830, Toksvaerd Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Ane Katrine Mogensdatter

b. abt 1805, Frøslev Sogn or Dysted, Toksværd Sogn, both in Præstø Amt, Denmark d. 27 Nov 1860, Store Linde, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark bur. 2 Dec 1860, Karise Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark?

Ane Cathrine Christensen

b. 22 Apr 1835, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. aft 1863, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark?

Christen Frederiksen

b. abt 1810, Fakse Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. aft 1880, Denmark m. 11 Jul 1835, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark

Maren Christiansdatter

b. abt 1815, Lyderslev Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark d. aft 1880, Denmark

In 1867 Christian Christiansen married Ane Kirstine Jensen, a native of Fakse Sogn. Christian's second marriage also took place in Smerup Sogn.

Christen Ole Christiansen emigrated in 1869 on the obsolescent paddle wheel steamer *Northern Light* with his father, stepmother, and infant half-brother, Jens (my paternal grandfather, later known as James P. or Jim). After coming to the United States, Christen Ole was sometimes known as "Chris" or "Charley". Chris had a second half-brother, Nels, born after the family arrived in the United States.

After reaching his early twenties, Chris left the Christiansen farm in Boomer Township north of Council Bluffs, Iowa and moved to Council Bluffs, where he worked as a grain elevator employee.

Chris married **Christina Larsen**, the first cousin of my maternal grandfather, Andrew Larson, in 1888.

The following chart shows Christina's parents and grandparents.

Ane Kirstine "Christina" Larsen b. 28 Mar 1862, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. 23 Aug 1917, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA bur. 25 Aug 1917, Fairview Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

Hans Larsen

b. 25 Jan 1835, Ølsted Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. bef 1880, Denmark m. 6 Dec 1861, Tjærby Kirke or Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark

Lars Hansen

b. 6 Dec 1806, Ølsted By, Ølsted Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. aft 1890, Bendstrup, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark? m. 18 May 1831, Ølsted Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark

Ane Kirstine Jensdatter

b. 9 Jan 1809, Ølsted Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. aft 1890, Bendstrup, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark?

Karen Christensen

b. 15 Oct 1841, Alsønderup By, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. aft 1890, Denmark

Kristen Nilausen

b. abt 1807, Lille Lyngby Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. 31 Jul 1874, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark bur. 4 Aug 1874 m. 18 Jul 1834, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark

Ane Jensdatter

b. abt 1799, Bindstrup, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. 28 Jan 1863, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark

Christina had immigrated in 1887 on the *Geise*r with a baby son, Christen Larsen.

After marrying, Chris took in Christina's child, and Chris and Christina had two children, Arthur and Oscar.

Until their deaths, Chris and Christina Christiansen lived in Danetown on the south side of Council Bluffs. I found three addresses for Chris in census records and city directories:

◆ 1806 S. 11th St.: 1900, 1902, 1905, 1910

♦ 1801 S. 12th St.: 1914, 1915, 1918, 1929, 1930, 1936 (living w/ Oscar)

◆ 1806 S. 12th St.: 1920 (living w/ Arthur)

Chris and Christiansen are interred in Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

Of interest: My great-aunt, Christina (Larsen) Christiansen, took her own life at the age of 55. She left behind a poignant suicide note, which the Council Bluffs Nonpareil published.

• Christen "Charlie" or "Carl" Larsen, Christina's child by an earlier relationship in Denmark, immigrated to Council Bluffs as a baby with his mother in 1887. He was listed as Christen in the Danish emigration records, enumerated as "Carl" in the 1895 Iowa census, but a family member referred to him as "Charlie". I was told that he accidentally died while playing on a railroad car in Council Bluffs when he was about eleven years old. I have no death date and I don't know where Christen Larsen is interred.

Chris and Christina Christiansen and Their Children

Christen Ole "Chris" Christiansen
b. 14 Jul 1864, Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark
d. 22 Apr 1936, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
brp. Fairview Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
& Ane Kirstine "Christina" Larsen
b. 28 Mar 1862, Alsønderup Sogn, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark
d. 23 Aug 1917, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
bur. 25 Aug 1917, Fairview Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
m. 2 Mar 1888, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

Christen "Charlie" or "Carl" Larsen b. abt Aug 1886, Frederiksborg Amt, Denmark d. abt 1898, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

Arthur Charles Christiansen
b. 9 Sep 1891, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
d. 18 Nov 1965, in hospital, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
bur. 20 Nov 1965, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
& Edith Rebecca Kretchmer
b. 9 May 1894, Iowa
d. 16 Jan 1980, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA?
bur. 18 Jan 1980, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
m. 7 May 1912, Pott. Co., IA

Oscar C. Christiansen b. 9 Mar 1893, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA d. 20 Aug 1972, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA bur. 23 Aug 1972, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA & Eurith Marie Hatfield b. 1 Jul 1894, Iowa d. 2 Jun 1976, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE?

brp. Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA m. 15 Dec 1914, Pott. Co., IA Oscar C. Christiansen b. 9 Mar 1893, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA

d. 20 Aug 1972, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA bur. 23 Aug 1972, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA & Oneta Beatrice Boarts b. 14 Jul 1904, Iowa City, Johnson Co., IA d. 23 Jun 1939, in hospital, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

d. 23 Jun 1939, in hospital, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE brp. Memorial Park Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA m. abt 1920

Oscar C. Christiansen
b. 9 Mar 1893, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
d. 20 Aug 1972, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
bur. 23 Aug 1972, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
& Bernice M. Erickson
b. 8 Feb 1912, Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
d. 9 Nov 1996, Mercy Hosp., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
bur. 12 Nov 1996, Walnut Hill Cem., Council Bluffs, Pott. Co., IA
m. Oct 1941, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

The next two sections sketch the lives of Chris and Christina's children, Arthur and Oscar Christiansen.

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Arthur Christiansen and His Family

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• Arthur Charles Christiansen, the older son of Chris and Christina Christiansen.

Arthur Christiansen was born in Council Bluffs in 1891 and married **Edith Kretchmer** in 1912.

About Edith Kretchmer: Edith Rebecca Kretchmer was born in Iowa, probably in the Red Oak area, in 1894 to Charles Kretchmer and Ella Orchard or Jones. Edith's mother may have died soon after her birth, because around 1896 Charles Kretchmer married Clara.

The Charles Kretchmer family was living in Red Oak, Iowa in 1900 and 1905. By 1906 they were living in Council Bluffs where Charles worked for a family business, the Kretchmer Manufacturing Company.

Edith Kretchmer had a half-sister, Clara, born about 1904. In 1913 Charles and Clara Kretchmer divorced. Charles remained in Council Bluffs. I don't know what happened to his ex-wife and younger daughter.

My father referred to Edith as "Daisy" or "Daisie", which is the name she was enumerated under in the 1905 Iowa census but a name I haven't seen elsewhere.

Of interest – Edward Kretchmer: Charles Kretchmer's father, Edward, had an interesting life story. He was born on the Atlantic Ocean in 1844 and spent part of his childhood in Germany. He was an early volunteer in the Civil War, and was discharged because of illness he acquired while a prisoner of war.

Edward Kretchmer began producing equipment for beekeepers in 1864. Some say he was the first commercial producer of beekeeping equipment in the United States. Edward Kretchmer settled south of Red Oak, Iowa in 1867. In 1905 the Kretchmer Manufacturing Company moved from Red Oak to the Implement District on the south side of Council Bluffs. A. I. Root acquired the Kretchmer Manufacturing Company in 1920. I remember the facility still in operation in the 1970s.

Arthur Christiansen worked in grain elevators in the Council Bluffs area, being the foreman at Omaha Elevator Company at one time.

The two children of Arthur and Edith Christiansen are listed below.

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Arthur Charles Christiansen (9 Sep 1891 - 18 Nov 1965)
& Edith Rebecca Kretchmer (9 May 1894 - 16 Jan 1980)
m. 7 May 1912, Pott. Co., IA

Arthur Charles "Chris" Christiansen Jr. (3 Dec 1912 - 19 Dec 1986)
& Madge Violet Whitney (29 Mar 1917 - 2 Jan 2003)
m. 3 Sep 1946, San Francisco, San Francisco Co., CA

Joella M. Christiansen (3 May 1922 - 31 Aug 2006)
& Bruce A. Ager (24 Nov 1922 - 6 Oct 2010)
m. Dec 1944
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▲ Arthur Charles "Chris" Christiansen Jr. was born in Council Bluffs in 1912.

Arthur Christiansen Jr. served in the United States Navy for thirty years, joining in October 1931 and retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer 3 (CWO3) in November 1961.

Soon after completing boot camp, Arthur served on the light cruiser *Omaha*.

For most of his Navy career, Arthur Christiansen Jr. served in Navy aviation, working in aircraft maintenance.

Arthur graduated from the Navy's Lighter-Than-Air School in Lakehurst, New Jersey in 1935. On May 6, 1937 Arthur was one of the ground crew handling the tail section landing lines at Lakehurst when the German airship *Hindenburg* exploded and burned while landing after a flight from Europe.

Of interest: Arthur Christiansen Jr.'s report of the Hindenburg disaster is available at navylog.org. Enter Arthur's first and last name and then click on "View Service Memories".

Before the United States entered World War II, Arthur served on Wake, Midway and Canton Islands in the Pacific helping to support our small fleet of amphibious patrol aircraft, the two-engine Consolidated Catalina PB-Y "flying boats". He is thought to have served as a plane captain with Patrol Squadron 25, a job somewhat analogous to a loadmaster or crew chief.

In March 1940 Arthur left Canton Island for Pearl Harbor as a passenger on the U.S.S. *Wright*, where he was stationed at the Naval Air Station at Pearl Harbor. In November 1940 Arthur was a passenger on the U.S.S. *Neches*, sailing from Pearl Harbor to San Pedro, near Los Angeles.

Of interest: The U.S.S. *Neches* (AO-5) was an oiler that was also used to transport personnel and supplies between various Navy bases in the Pacific. A Japanese submarine sank the *Neches* in January 1942 while the *Neches* was supporting the aircraft carrier *Lexington*.

In 1941 before we entered World War II Arthur spent some time on Guam.

Arthur was also stationed on New Caledonia at one point before or during World War II.

Of interest: Referring to the Pacific islands mentioned above that Arthur Christiansen had visited:

◆ Japanese forces overran Guam and Wake soon after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Most off the 400 marines and 1000 civilian construction workers on Wake were sent to prison camps in Japan. The around 100 civilians kept on Wake were later executed by the Japanese.

Of interest: One of the civilian construction workers captured on Wake Island in 1941 and sent to Japan was Ralph Goodwin, a heavy equipment operator from Phoenix, Arizona, who subsequently died in a Japanese prison camp at age 49. Sixty years earlier around 1880 Ralph's father, James Goodwin, and Arthur Christiansen Jr.'s grandfather, Christen Ole Christiansen, were both teenagers of the same age living on neighboring farms in Boomer Township.

- ◆ Canton Island, a thousand miles east of Tarawa, was never attacked.
- ◆ The seas near Midway Island witnessed a climatic naval battle in June 1942 that stopped the Japanese advance across the Pacific.
- ◆ New Caledonia, a French colony east of Australia, broke away from Vichy France control in 1940 and became a major United States base for operations in the South Pacific.

During the first part of World War II, Arthur was stationed at various naval stations in California. By the war's end he was serving with Air Transport Squadron Four, a maintenance squadron for the Pacific wing of the Naval Air Transport Service Command.

Arthur Christiansen Jr. married **Madge Whitney** in 1946.

About Madge Whitney: Madge Violet Whitney was born in Fullerton, Nebraska to George W. Whitney and Nettie A. Wingerd. She had a daughter, Colleen Madge Adair, from a previous marriage.

The Arthur Christiansen Jr. family lived in Hawaii in 1949 – 1953.

During the Korean War, Arthur served as chief machinist on the escort carrier *Point Cruz*. Presumably he supervised the aircraft maintenance crew on the hangar deck. There are two photographs showing Arthur at *navsource.org/archives/03/119.htm*.

After retiring from the Navy, Arthur lived in several areas of Oregon, namely Portland, Seaside along the Pacific Coast, and LaPine in Eastern Oregon.

Arthur and Madge Christiansen had one child and later divorced.

- living Christiansen
- ▲ **Joella M. Christiansen** was born in Council Bluffs in 1922.

Joella Christiansen married Bruce Ager in 1944.

About Bruce Ager: Bruce Ager was the son of Vance Vaughn Ager and Minnie Namen of Council Bluffs.

Bruce Ager served in the South Pacific as a gunner's mate on Patrol Torpedo boat PT-187 during World War II.

Bruce and Joella Ager lived in Council Bluffs, Rochester, New York and finally Florida.

Bruce and Joella Ager had two children.

- living Ager
- living Ager

Interment Information:

◆ Arthur Christiansen Sr. and his wife, Edith (Kretchmer) Christiansen, are interred in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- ◆ Arthur's son, Arthur Christiansen Jr. is interred in Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, Oregon.
- ◆ Arthur's daughter, Joella (Christiansen) Ager and her husband, Bruce, were cremated with the remains lying in Florida National Cemetery in Sumter County, Florida.

End of the *Arthur Christiansen and His Family* section of the *Christiansen* volume of *Robert Christiansen's Family History*.

• Oscar C. Christiansen, the younger son of Chris and Christiansen. (Robert A. Christiansen, updated Mar 2015)

Oscar C. Christiansen was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa in 1893.

Like his father and brother, Oscar Christiansen worked in grain elevators in the Council Bluffs area. It appears that Oscar lived at 1801 South 12th Street from around 1914 to the 1940s. By 1948 he was living at 1812 South 9th Street, where he remained until his death. According to Oscar's obituary, he was a World War I veteran, but I have no information on his military service.

Oscar Christiansen was married three times. He and his first wife divorced, his second wife died, and his third wife outlived Oscar.

Marriage 1: Oscar Christiansen married **Eurith Marie Hatfield** in 1914.

About Eurith Marie Hatfield. Eurith Marie Hatfield was born in Iowa in 1894 to Frank Hatfield, a tailor, and Sylvia Taylor. (I have seen Frank's given name listed both as "Francis Marion" and "Franklin M.".) The Frank Hatfield family lived in a number of locations. They were in Sioux City in 1900, in Pottawattamie County in 1905, in Kansas City, Missouri in 1910, in Council Bluffs in 1915, 1920 and 1925, and in Omaha in 1930.

Oscar and Eurith Christiansen divorced in 1918. After Oscar and Eurith divorced, Eurith was briefly married to George Morrison Jr. of Rockford Township. I find Eurith subsequently living in Omaha in some years under the name "Marie Morrison".

The one child of Oscar and Eurith Marie (Hatfield) Christiansen is listed below.

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Oscar C. Christiansen (9 Mar 1893 - 20 Aug 1972)
& Eurith Marie Hatfield (1 Jul 1894 - 2 Jun 1976)
m. 15 Dec 1914, Pott. Co., IA

Charles Robert Christiansen (18 Feb 1916 - 4 Oct 2010)
& Margaret Anna Norgard (9 Dec 1918 - 27 May 2000)
m. Oct 1942, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE
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▲ Charles Robert Christiansen was living with his mother and maternal grandparents in Council Bluffs in the 1920 census, and with his father in the 1930 census. I have not located him in the 1940 census.

Charles Robert Christiansen married Margaret Norgard in 1942.

About Margaret Norgard: Margaret Anna Norgard was born in the Omaha area to Rasmus Norgard and Anna Nielsen, Danish immigrants, and grew up on farms near Omaha.

By 1945 the Charles Robert Christiansen family was living in the Washington, DC area. Charles Robert Christiansen probably died in the Arlington, Virginia area

Charles Robert and Margaret Christiansen had four children, two of whom are deceased.

- Robert Charles Christiansen (20 Oct 1944 23 Jan 2005).
- **Patricia Ann Christiansen** (10 Dec 1945 − 1 Mar 2013) married Roland Ralph.
- living Christiansen
- living Christiansen

Marriage 2: Oscar Christiansen married Oneta Boarts around 1920.

About Oneta Boarts: Oneta Boarts was born in Iowa City, Iowa in 1904 the oldest child of Edward E. Boarts and Nora Knauss. About this time the Boarts family moved from eastern Iowa to Council Bluffs, where they remained.

Oneta (Boarts) Christiansen died in an Omaha hospital of complications of surgery.

The two children of Oscar and Oneta (Boarts) Christiansen are listed below.

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Oscar C. Christiansen (9 Mar 1893 - 20 Aug 1972)
& Oneta Beatrice Boarts (14 Jul 1904 - 23 Jun 1939)
m. abt 1920

Rosetta Jane Christiansen (3 Mar 1921 - 12 Jan 1988)
& Earl Andrew "Bus" Williams (17 Aug 1921 - 6 Mar 2006)

June Marie Christiansen (30 Nov 1922 - 20 Sep 2003)
& Vernon Ho Larsen (11 Mar 1921 - 10 Jan 1990)
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▲ Rosetta Jane Christiansen married Earl Williams.

About Earl Williams: Earl Andrew "Bus" Williams was born in Council Bluffs in 1921 to Earl Martin Williams and Gladys Loretta Himmelsehr, both Council Bluffs natives.

Earl and Rosetta Williams lived in Council Bluffs.

Earl and Rosetta Williams had three children.

- living Williams
- living Williams
- living Williams
- ▲ June Marie Christiansen married Vernon Larsen.

About Vernon Larsen: Vernon Ho Larsen was born in Council Bluffs in 1921 to Karl Otto and Marie Larsen, who had emigrated from Denmark as young adults.

Vernon and June Larsen lived in the Council Bluffs area.

Vernon and June Larsen had three children, one of whom is deceased.

- **Jim Howard Larsen** (12 Nov 1942 27 Mar 2010).
- living Larsen
- living Larsen

Marriage 3: After his second wife died, Oscar Christiansen married **Bernice** (Erickson) Smith.

About Bernice (Erickson) Smith: Bernice M. Erickson was born in Council Bluffs in 1912 to Edward P. Erickson and Anna Amy. Bernice had a daughter, Patsy Ann, from a 1930 marriage to Leonard C. Smith of Council Bluffs.

The one stepchild of Oscar Christiansen by his marriage to Bernice Erickson is listed below.

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Oscar C. Christiansen (9 Mar 1893 - 20 Aug 1972)
& Bernice M. Erickson (8 Feb 1912 - 9 Nov 1996)
m. Oct 1941, Omaha, Douglas Co., NE

Patsy Ann Smith (13 Feb 1931 - 10 Apr 2004)
& Carl Lanteri (12 Jan 1921 - 15 Dec 1999)
m. 11 Sep 1950
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▲ Patsy Ann Smith married Carl Lanteri.

About Carl Lanteri: Carl Lanteri was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Lanteri of Omaha.

Carl and Patsy Ann Lanteri lived in the Council Bluffs area.

Carl and Patsy Ann Lanteri had one child.

living Lanteri

Interment Information:

- ◆ Oscar Christiansen his first wife, Eurith Marie (Hatfield) Christiansen Morrison, his third wife, Bernice (Erickson) Smith Christiansen, and his stepdaughter, Patsy (Smith) Lanteri, are interred in Walnut Hill Cemetery in Council Bluffs.
- ◆ Oscar Christiansen's second wife, Oneta (Boarts) Christiansen, is interred in Memorial Park Cemetery in Council Bluffs.
- ◆ Oscar's daughter, Rosetta (Christiansen) Williams is interred with her husband in Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs.
- Oscar's daughter, June (Christiansen) Larsen is interred with her husband in Ridgewood Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

I don't know where Oscar's oldest child, Charles Robert Christiansen, is interred.

End of the *Oscar Christiansen and His Family* section of the *Christiansen* volume of *Robert Christiansen's Family History*.

End of the *Christian Christiansen's Other Relatives* chapter of the *Christiansen* volume of *Robert Christiansen's Older Relatives*.