

**Peter Hansen and Inger Marie “Mary” Nielsen Family** (charter members)  
(Six-page sketch excerpted from *St. Paul’s Boomer-Neola Early Families* by Robert A. Christiansen. Reviewed by \_\_\_\_\_. Revised by RAC Sep 2010.)

Inger Marie “Mary” (Nielsen) Hansen was the daughter of St. Paul’s charter members Niels Nielsen and Ane Nielsdatter, and the sister of Anna Margrethe (Nielsen) Rasmussen.

**Nielsen, Niels & Ane Nielsen** (charter members)

Peter Rasmussen & **Ane Margrethe Nielsen** (see the Peter Rasmussen sketch)

*Francis “Frank” Warren & Mary Rasmussen*

*Nels Rasmussen & Inger Marie Nielsen*

*Edward T. Rasmussen & Clara Nielsen*

Peter Hansen & **Inger Marie “Mary” Nielsen** (charter members)  
(see the Peter & Mary Hansen sketch)

**Niels Nielsen & Mary Hilkenson**

**Peter Hansen** (3 Jan 1843 – 1 May 1918) was born in Denmark and immigrated around 1869.

**Inger Marie “Mary” Nielsen** (27 or 29 Oct 1848 – 18 Jul 1914) was born in Smerup Sogn, Præstø Amt, Denmark to **Niels Nielsen and Ane Nielsdatter**, who were also charter members of St. Paul’s.

Peter Hansen’s parentage and emigration history is currently unknown.

Inger Marie Nielsen immigrated from Kongsted Sogn, Præstø to Council Bluffs in the summer of 1873. Her parents had immigrated a year earlier.

Peter Hansen and Mary Nielsen married in Council Bluffs on March 17, 1874.

Peter and Mary Hansen settled in Norwalk Township, Section 6 before 1880.

Sometime between 1905 and 1910 the Peter and Inger Marie Hansen family moved to Council Bluffs. There seems to be little connection between this family and St. Paul’s after the move to Council Bluffs.

The ten children of Peter and Mary Hansen, two daughters and eight sons, are listed below. The sons tended to work as carpenters and building contractors, and tended to use their middle names. This family was especially hard hit by the influenza pandemic of 1918-1919 and by divorce.

- **Karen Anna Emelia “Emily” Hansen** (15 Nov 1874 – 23 Dec 1952, conf. 1891) never married.

Emily Hansen was a nurse in Council Bluffs. In 1948 she was still living in Council Bluffs, but in January 1952 she was living in St. Louis.

Emily Hansen is interred in the Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Hans Peter “Peter” Hansen** (4 Jan 1876 – after 1951, conf. 1892) married **Pauline Sorensen** (1882 – 14 Jan 1965) in Pottawattamie County on November 27, 1901.

In 1910 Peter Hansen was a carpenter living in Denver in 1910, which is the last record I have of him. Between 1910 and 1920 Peter and Pauline divorced and Pauline moved back to Council Bluffs with their one surviving son, Fred.

The two known children of Peter and Pauline Hansen are listed below:

- **Harold F. Hansen** (1902 – 27 Sep 1906) died as a child.
- **Fredrick Arnold “Fred” Hansen** (21 Nov 1905 – 26 Nov 1995) married **Harriett Barr Stowe** (4 Mar 1906 – 10 Jul 2003) in Pottawattamie County on November 24, 1931 and later lived in Red Oak, Iowa

Pauline (Sorensen) Hansen and her young son, Harold F. Hansen, are interred in the Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Nels Walter “Walter” Hansen** (25 Jul 1877 – 21 Jan 1952, conf. 1892) married **Lillian Alvina Feller** (17 Apr 1886 – 1 Mar 1976) in Pottawattamie County on March 7, 1906. Lillian Feller was the daughter of **Hans H. Feller and Catherine Schroder** of Boomer Township.

In 1910 Walter Hansen was working as a carpenter in Council Bluffs. In 1920 he was farming in Crescent Township and in 1925 and 1930 he was farming in Hazel Dell Township. Later he took up carpentry again and returned to Council Bluffs where he died.

The five known children of Walter and Lillian Hansen are listed below.

- **Francis H. Hansen** (17 Dec 1906 – 18 Dec 1998) married **Lois \_\_\_\_\_** (7 May 1916 – Sep 1979).
- **Lester W. Hansen** (1908 -)
- **Mabel C. Hansen** (1912 – 1956) married **Clifford Powell**.
- **William P. Hansen** (about 1915 – before 1920) died as a child.
- **Pearl L. Hansen** (about Feb 1916 -)

Walter and Lillian Hansen and two of their children, Francis and Mabel, are interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **William Hansen** (19 Mar 1879 – 14 Apr 1935, conf. 1893) married **Hilda Clara Norgard** (4 Sep 1880 – 31 Jan 1948), a Nebraska native, in Wahoo, Nebraska on May 2, 1900.

William Hansen lived in Council Bluffs for most of his adult life. William Hansen was working as a contractor in 1910, as a traveling salesman for J. B. Colt Co. in 1918, and then as an agent for the Prudential Life Insurance Co.

The three children of William and Hilda Hansen are listed below.

- **Harry William Hansen** (15 Feb 1901 – 2 Jul 1953) married **Gladys Marguerite Howe** (1 Jan 1904 – 23 Sep 1978) in Council Bluffs on March 24, 1925.
- **Alice F. Hansen** (2 Jun 1902 – 21 Feb 1906) died as a child.

- **Verna Mildred Hansen** (30 Apr 1904 – 28 Sep 1981) married **George Hook** (30 Dec 1903 – 22 Jul 1968) on November 22, 1939.

William Hansen and Clara Norgard divorced around 1908 and William married **Catherine Alice Ruley** (1882 – 1949) around 1910.

The two children of William and Catherine Hansen are listed below.

- **Raymond Joseph Hansen** (6 Apr 1911 – 30 Sep 1972)
- **Catherine Alice Hansen** (11 Oct 1912 -) married **George E. Peters** (31 Mar 1912 – 12 Oct 1984) on February 17, 1932.

William Hansen and Catherine Ruley divorced around 1913 and William married **Agnes Eleanor Priestly** (26 Jun 1891 – 3 Mar 1985) in Mills County, Iowa on January 23, 1917. William and Agnes Hansen had no known children.

William Hansen is interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs. William and Hilda Hansen's young daughter, Alice F., is interred in the Fairview Cemetery.

- **Joseph S. "Joe" Hansen** (11 Mar 1881 – 5 Feb 1960, conf. 1896) married **Laura Mae Milliken** (1885 – 26 Feb 1965) about 1903.

Joseph Hansen was a building contractor who lived in Council Bluffs.

The four children of Laura Hansen are listed below.

- **Ella Mae Hansen** (11 May 1906 – 1 Jun 1999) married **Norman S. Casey** (8 May 1907 – 18 Aug 1978).
- **Mildred I. Hansen** (27 Jan 1908 – 12 Oct 2005) married **Millard C. Craig** (8 May 1908 – 21 Oct 1994).
- **Earl J. Hansen** (11 Mar 1910 – 21 Aug 1992) married **Dorothy Johnson** (- 23 Oct 1944) and **Eleanor F. \_\_\_\_\_**.
- **Vera F. Hansen** (19 Nov 1911 – 10 Sep 1978) married **Al Wright** in Council Bluffs.

Joseph Hansen and Laura Milliken divorced around 1915 and Joseph married **Edith M. Dixon** (6 Apr 1886 – 12 Jan 1990) on December 21, 1917.

Joseph and Edith Hansen had no children.

Joseph and Edith Hansen and Joseph's son, Earl J., are interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Alfred Hansen** (3 Apr 1883 – 14 Apr 1958, conf. 1898) married **Sophia S. Young** (3 Mar 1883 – 28 Nov 1948) in Pottawattamie County on May 3, 1906. Sophia Young was the daughter of **George Young and Katie Harms** of Norwalk Township.

Alfred Hansen was a building contractor in Council Bluffs and worked with his brother, Joe, at one time.

The one son of Alfred and Sophia Hansen is listed below.

- **Marvin G. Hansen** (12 Nov 1914 – 25 Jan 1997) never married.

I currently don't know where any members of this family are interred.

- **Oluff Hansen** (12 Jan 1886 – 26 Apr 1965, conf. 1902) married **Lydia Martine Larsen** (4 Oct 1888 – 20 Oct 1918) in Pottawattamie County on June 14, 1911. Lydia Larsen was the daughter of **Soren Christian Larsen and Mette Marie Nielsen** and the sister of Louis Marinus Larsen who married Carrie Christoffersen from the St. Paul's community.

Oluff Hansen lived in Council Bluffs where he worked as a lumberyard bookkeeper and later as a life insurance salesman. Between 1930 and 1942 Oluff Hansen moved to Oakland, California, where he died.

The five children of Oluff and Lydia Hansen are listed below.

- **Donald Marvin Hansen** (10 Apr 1912 – 3 May 1996) married **Helen Ruth Pierce** (17 Sep 1916 -) in Pottawattamie County on June 3, 1935.
- **Violet Emily Hansen** (5 May 1913 – 3 Apr 1999) married **Ernest Carl Magaret** (26 Sep 1909 – May 1968) in Council Bluffs on February 2, 1936.
- **Leonard Oluff Hansen** (10 Sep 1914 -) married **Ruby Leslie** (19 Jun 1913 – 12 Feb 1994) on September 21, 1949.
- **Richard Carl Hansen** (9 Sep 1917 - 1973) married **Marjorie Graham** (about 1920 – 1984).
- **Lyman Hansen** (1918 - 1918) died as a baby.

After Lydia's death, Oluff Hansen married **Elizabeth (Lusk) Peterson**, a Nebraska native. Elizabeth brought two children, Robert and Marjorie Peterson, to the marriage.

Later Oluff Hansen married a woman named **Mary**.

Oluff's first wife, Lydia (Larsen) Hansen, is interred in the Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Frances Petrine "Tina" Hansen** (31 Aug 1887 – 1 Nov 1973, conf. 1903) married **Alva Hirst Schick** (3 May 1893 – 3 Feb 1969) about 1916. Alva Schick was born in Warren County, Illinois.

Alva Schick was a jeweler in Omaha. Alva and Tina Schick divorced after 1930.

The five children of Alva and Tina Schick are listed below.

- **Wannetta Schick** (- 3 Feb 1918) died as a baby.
- **Virginia Schick** (about 1920 -)
- **Calvin Schick** (- 20 Sep 1923) died as a baby.
- **Ruth Schick** (about Aug 1925 -)
- **Arnold Schick** (9 Feb 1931 – Mar 1973)

Tina (Hansen) Schick and her children Wannetta, Calvin, and Arnold are interred in the Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Martin Julius “Julius” Hansen** (15 Apr 1889 – Aug 1973, conf. 1903) married **Lena G. Madden** (1888 – 4 Apr 1959) in Pottawattamie County on November 28, 1910.

Julius Hansen was a house contractor who lived in Council Bluffs and was in business with his younger brother, Louie.

The three children of Julius and Lena Hansen are listed below.

- **Viola Hansen** (12 Sep 1917 – 12 Sep 1917) died in infancy.
- **Martin Julius Hansen Jr.** (about Apr 1921 – 15 Jul 1921) died in infancy.
- **Maxine Joy Hansen** (12 May 1923 -) married **Bill Lewis Eaton** (25 Oct 1925 -).

Julius and Lena divorced and around 1937 Julius evidently married a **second wife**, whose name is currently unknown.

The one child of Julius Hansen and his second wife is listed below.

- **Marlin Hansen** (about 1938 - 1994)

In 1942 Julius Hansen married **Agnes Irene Adams** (1898 – 1970), the daughter of **William Henry Adams and Myrtle Owens** of Harrison Co.

Julius and Agnes Hansen moved to Arizona in the 1940s.

Julius and Agnes Hansen are interred in Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Scottsdale, Arizona. Julius Hansen’s first wife, Lena (Madden) Hansen, is interred in Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs.

- **Franklin Luther Rudolf “Louie” Hansen** (13 Dec 1891 – 29 Sep 1964) married **Anna Marie Schonberg** (2 Dec 1895 – 1 Feb 1919) in Pottawattamie County on June 23, 1915.

Louie Hansen was a house contractor who lived in Council Bluffs.

The one son of Louie and Anna Marie Hansen is listed below.

- **Dale Hansen** (Jul 1917 -)

After Anna Marie’s death, Louie married **Marie Ellen Nielsen** (14 Aug 1896 – 10 Jun 1981) in Pottawattamie County on May 3, 1922.

The two sons of Louie and Marie Ellen Hansen are listed below.

- **Stanley L. Hansen** (3 Dec 1923 -) married Mary Jane Remington on June 23, 1946 in Council Bluffs.
- **Gordon D. Hansen** (7 Sep 1926 -)

In 1956 Louie Hansen and his two younger sons were operating the Hansen & Hansen lumberyard at 1009 Ave. A.

F. Louie R. and Marie Ellen Hansen are interred in the Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs. Louie’s first wife, Anna Marie, is interred in the Fairview Cemetery.

Peter Hansen and Inger Marie Nielsen head family #13 in the St. Paul’s family roster begun in 1900.

Peter and Mary Hansen are interred in the Fairview Cemetery in Council Bluffs, as are their two daughters, Emily and Frances Petrine. Four of their sons, Nels Walter, William, Joseph and Louie, are interred in Cedar Lawn Cemetery in Council Bluffs. Julius Hansen is interred in Scottsdale, Arizona. I don't know where Hans Peter, Alfred and Oluff Hansen are interred. No known members of this family are interred at St. Paul's.

### **Sources Specific to the Peter Hansen and Inger Marie "Mary" Nielsen Family:**

- **References to other sketches in *St. Paul's Boomer-Neola Early Families*:**
  - For the parents of Inger Marie "Mary" Nielsen, the wife of Peter Hansen, see the **Niels Nielsen sketch**.
  - For the sister of Inger Marie "Mary" Nielsen, see the **Peter Rasmussen sketch**.
- Hansen-Howe database (wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com Dec 2008, contact Craig Hansen, [chansen@starstream.net](mailto:chansen@starstream.net))
- 1981 Harrison Co, IA history book, Agnes Adams Hansen article on pp. 203/204.
- Danish Emigration Archives (ddd.dda.dk):
  - Inger Marie Nielsen registered 7/10/1873.

### **End of the Peter Hansen and Inger Marie "Mary" Nielsen Family Sketch**