

46. HUNT

Though HUNT is not an old Anabaptist surname from Europe, two of the daughters of Willian and Carolina Hunt from Ellice Township, Perth County, Ontario married into Amish Mennonite families of the Poole (North) Amish Mennonite congregation. Today this is Poole Mennonite Church which is located half a kilometre north of the hamlet of Poole.

WILLIAM AND CAROLINA (RATZ) HUNT

William Hunt, b. Oct. 31, 1843, England

d. Apr. 26, 1917, buried Greenwood Cemetery, Milverton

m. Dec. 18, 1878 in Stratford, Ontario

Caroline Ratz, dau. of Conrad Ratz and Catherine Schenck

b. 1851

d. June 15, 1988, buried Zion Evangelical Cemetery, Rostock, Perth County

Lot 4, Concession 15, Ellice Township (1800-1887/95); sold E 1/2 in 1887; sold W 1/2 in 1895

Family:

I. Mary Hunt (1872-1972)

m. 1902 to Peter Zehr (1880-1967) died in New York

son of Joseph B. Zehr and Barbara Kipfer (see notes below)

Children:

1. Rose Zehr m. Burke
2. Noreen E. Zehr m. Art Streetner
3. _____ Zehr
4. _____ Zehr

II. Eliza Hunt, b. Aug 21, 1883, Ontario

d. June 1, 1965, in Stratford, Ontario,

buried Poole Mennonite Cemetery

m. June 8, 1905 to Menno Brunk (1880-1966)

son of Christian Brunk and Magdalena Risser

Children:

1. Edgar Roy Brunk (1905-1979)

m. Mary Ellah (1912-1993)

No children

2. Louisa Brunk (1907-1988) buried Riverdale Mennonite Cemetery, Millbank, Ontario

m. David Gascho (1900-1976) son of John and Catherine (Lichti) Gascho

No children

3. Clarence Brunk, b. Apr. 12, 1913, Ontario; d. 1929

Not married



Poole Mennonite Cemetery
Credit: Findagrave, Allan Dettweiler

4. David Alvin Brunk (1919-1957) buried Poole Mennonite Cemetery
m. Mary Wagler (1916-2011) buried Poole Mennonite Cemetery
dau. of Joseph and Mary (Lichti) Wagler

Children:

- 1) Donald Brunk m. Myra Biehn

Children:

- a. Lynette Brunk m. Jamie Gerber 2 children
b. Tracy Brunk m. Cory White 1 child

- 2) Melvin Brunk m. Elida Van Leeuwen

Children:

- a. Ruth Brunk
b. Mary Brunk
c. Jonathan Brunk

- 3) Marilyn Brunk m. George Wilhelm

No children

5. Emma Hunt b. m. Sol Richardt

They are believed to have lived in Michigan, but nothing is known about whether they had a family.



Menno Brunk
and
Eliza (Hunt)
1956

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Riser Ulrich Family History
and Genealogy, 1982,
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NOTES:

Note: regarding Peter Zehr (1880-1967) m. Mary Hunt

Son of Joseph B. Zehr and Barbara Kipfer

Joseph B. Zehr b. Croghan, NY

m. 1879 to Barbara Kipfer, Mornington

1887 and 1888- lived in Baden

ca. 1890-1899 – lived in Machar Twp., Parry Sound District

bu. Kirschnerville Cemetery, Lewis Co., NY

Barbara (1918) Joseph (1929)

Peter Zehr, son of Joseph B. and Barbara Zehr, was baptized in the Amish Mennonite Church (Poole North) in 1892 by Bishop Joseph Gerber. If this Peter was, indeed, the son of Joseph B. and Barbara, he was only 12 years old and his family would have been living in Machar Township. Perhaps Peter was living with relatives back in the home community and was baptized there before returning to his family up north. In Parry Sound District they would not have had the services of an Amish Mennonite bishop.

Sources: a) Family list from Alfred Kipfer, Milverton, Ont. July 2005

b) Online research by Bruce W. Jantzi

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