

Died Nov 23, 1909 (See obituary)

History of Wunderlich Family

Barlow M. D. Febr 28. 1908.

Buried Fairbury, Iowa 1917

John Wunderlich the undersigned, was born the first of July 1845, at Puelledorf, (Oberfranken, Regiments-Bereich Kingdom Bavaria) Germany. His Wife, ~~was~~ Magdalena Bachner, born the 18. of June 1847 at Puelledorf, died the 18. of Apr 1890. From this Union were born 12 Children.

- 1 John^o Wunderlich born 15. Mai 1871 at Springfield
- 2 Barbara " " " 15 Apr 1873 ^{Annus - F. B. Caspard} died 22. of Febr 1908.
- 3 Sophia " " " 11. Apr 1875 died 2 days old
- 4 Mary " " " 11 Mai 1876 " 19 hour old
- 5 Anna M. " " " 17 Mai 1877 ^{Annus}
- 6 Elisabeth " " " 3. March 1879 died 6 days old
- 7 Elisabeth " " " 29 Jan. 1880 ^{Annus}
- 8 Geo. H. " " " 16 March 1882 ^{Annus}
- 9 John R. " " " 15 Febr 1884 died 10 days old
- 10 Russ " " " 23 Dec. 1884 died 9 days old
- 11 Arthur Ottus " " " 19 Mai 1886 ^{Annus}
- 12 Emma " " " 14 Mai 1889 died 2 days old.

Brother and Sister of undersigned

- 1 John Wunderlich born 2. of Mai 1837. died 22 year old
- 2 Sophia " " " 17 of Febr. 1839 died 5. March 1907

- 3 John C. Wunderlich born 1. Sept 1840 died 3. March 1876
 4 John " " " 1 July 1845
 5 Margaretha " " " 17 Febr 1847 died 8. Aug. 1907
 6 Eva " " " 18 Oct. 1849

Father & Mother of und. signed

Father was born 2. Febr 1814, died 12. Febr 1872.

Mother was born 15. Sept. 1811 died 17 July 1855

Mother's name was Katharina Stuetzel born at (Untersteinach, Bavaria, Germany.)

~~My~~ Grandfather of und. signed, don't know when born but died 67 year old, got injured by upsetting the Benzie and pulling down in step hand. had his scap fractured, from which he died in about 3 weeks. That's what I have heard my Father say. Grandmother on Father's side was from a village with name (Ditz) not far away from Quellendorf. her name was Margaretha Schiller, that Family were very wealthy, from this Union where born 2 Son & 2 Daughters (Sons) my Father is one than his Brother at least, Jefferson Esq. Mrs. is true. Christina, with married John Sommerer Quellendorf, than is Magdalena with married Henry Wolf, at Euldranach, Germany now the 2 Son, 2 Daughters, from my Grandfather first marriage, Grandmother died, when Father was 14 years old.

Grandfather Marriol again a young Girl 22 year old here
 now was Katharina Pohl from this Minium whose name
 4 Sons and 1 Daughter) to with 1. Michael, 2. Leonard 3. John
 4. John Geo. and Barbara, Wife of Leonard Buckner of
 Springfield. He with died at 1889. My Great Grandfather
 on the Father side his Leonard Wenderlich was married
 in a Village with the name Quells at what I heard my
 Father say he was a awfull stout Man, was very
 Wealthy too all I heard father say he died very old.
 Now I must go back to my first Minium, (the Buckner
 Family) My Wife father Michael Buckner, Marriol Marga-
 retha Meierbauer, she brought with here quite a Fortune
 but never ^{was} nearest to know how to take Care of and
 so was Michael here husband, he got his Farm from
 his father for nothing, so both did not know how
 to take Care of. Now to the Minium whose name was 11
 Daughter and 3 Sons. My Wife was the second Daugh-
 ter, so to make the story short, there are 4 Daughters
 and 1 Son here in this Country, they are, Mrs Kortmann,
 Mrs. Meisinger, Mrs Paul, and Mrs Luella in Ill.
 3 Daughter died small, in the old Country, and one the Wife
 of sundreigned died in this Country, 1891.

living in the old Country yet, and 2 Sons. Michael
Bachner, Father to them & Daughter and 3 Son got killed
in a backway ^{at St. Augustin} in the dark night in the City of
Goldkronach, by some unknown man, never
could be found out, what done it. Michael Bachner
steak'd black, was kill'd with some Instrument, Bachner
found dead, could not speak, and we one around he
saw or heard anything, nothing could be learned who
killed him, so the matter was dropped after one year
hunting for the Murderer. So the Farm which was had it
down with all kind of Debt, was sold for the Debt, and
the Widow and Children left penniless. The Widow died 3 month
after Farm was sold, of Brokenheart. The Relative took the small
Children in Care, and the big ones worked out.

Leonhard Bachner Uncle of these Children, who live at
Springfield Ill. so soon he heard of the Misfortune to them,
sent him Ticket out to the old Country, for 2 Daughters
& he came to him, in this Country. That was a Godsend to the
Undersigner, on the ground between him and the Love to his
Wife, so as our Love was kindled in our School days already
so we been going to the same School together, It did ^{not} took long

To make up our Mind, only 3 Weeks, we was ready for our Journey. So we and our Mrs John Hartmann, on 19. Oct. 1869 left the old Country, Came to Springfield Ill. on 22. Nov. 1869, on the Wabash R. R. Springfield was a Mudhole then, and it was awful Muddy at that time everywhere. slow we was at our Destination, and after our Trunks was unloaded, I had ten Cent in my Pocket yet, and the winter before us, but Haniel Baskner soon had ~~me~~ ~~at~~ ~~his~~ ~~place~~ for all. Crook Payne for what Haniel Baskner was thinking during the War, took my Brail at his house and me he sent me out on his Farm, 6 miles north of Springfield, next the Sangamon River, I began to work for him in 6. Oct. 1869 worked there till 12. of Apr. 1870. During ~~the~~ all this, I did not know how much I would get a month, but kept working on. As spring was here, I thought now is time, to look out for myself, where I can do better. So every Sunday I walked to Springfield on C. A. Track, to hear a German Talk, as in the whole week through, I never heard a German word, and I could not speak any English either, that was Sivaria for me. On the last Sunday, I was in Springfield, I heard about Mrs.

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Klappenberg, wanted a Teamster, and meant to see him, and he offered me \$20 a month, and said, I was quick to take that. So I began to work for him on 2. Apr 1870. So after I left Gustav Payne I never thought or expected any thing for my work, the past 4 months, so one day Mr Payne called on my Uncle, and left \$40.⁰⁰ for me, for my 4 month work, I took that for a Godsend, it was really the first money of my own, as before during them 4 months, my Uncle kept me going, what I needed money I was in need. Now I must go back to my Aunt's side Mr Payne for whom she worked for, was living at where now the St. Johns Hospital is, the very lot, where his house stood. So she worked there till the 4. of July, ¹⁸⁷⁰ at the day we got married.

We rented a house west of Frank Russ Brewery, living there till March 1871, then we moved in to a house west of Wood Park, near our Block, on Carpenter Str. There where my first Lane was born. In the fall of Sept. 6. ¹⁸⁷¹ We moved into the Farms of T. B. Shepard, worked for him 3 Summers and 4 Winters. In the spring of 1873 on 15. Apr. Barbara my first Daughter was born there. In 1874 I began Farming ^{for} for myself, and many Misfortune I had to put up with. But in, of all my Trouble I am Thankfull to the Lord, John Wunderlich, for his