

GERMAN UNION CEMETERY
THREE-GENERATION GENEALOGY

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UPDATED: May 15, 2014

Surname: **CHRISTENSEN**
Given Name: **HANS**
Middle Name If Any: **PETER**
Gender: **MALE**
Date of Birth: **SEPTEMBER 27, 1902**
Place of Birth: **HUNDERUP KRAGELAND – RIBE – DENMARK** (Immigration March 22, 1913)
Date of Death: **MARCH 19, 1983**
Place of Death: **RICE COUNTY – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**
Place of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA** Plot Number: **13j**

Father: **OLE KRISTIAN KRISTENSEN** Name was later changed to: **OLE CHRISTIAN CHRISTENSEN**

Date of Birth: **FEBRUARY 19, 1871**
Place of Birth: **SELDE SOLLING, DENMARK**
Date of Death: **MAY 3, 1951**
Place of Death: **BRAMMINGE, DENMARK**
Place of Burial: **DENMARK**

Mother: **ANNE KATRINE PEDERSEN**
Birth Date: **JANUARY 29, 1871**
Place of Birth: **OSTER AABLING, DENMARK**
Date of Death: **SEPTEMBER 3, 1953**
Place of Death: **BRAMMINGE, DENMARK**
Place of Burial: **DENMARK**

Marital Status: **MARRIED** Date: **SEPTEMBER 25, 1929 AT THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. THOMAS WALSTAD (FORMERLY THE BEYER HOME IN FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA)**

Marriage 1. **IRENE MARTHA BEYER** born: **APRIL 15, 1907 in FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Children:

1. **DARLENE IRENE CHRISTENSEN** born: **NOVEMBER 26, 1930 in RICE COUNTY – FARIBAULT, MINNESOTA**
2. **DAYTON CHARLES CHRISTENSEN** born: **March 15, 1941 in RICE COUNTY – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**
3. **DENNIS PETER CHRISTENSEN** born: **FEBRUARY 5, 1945 in RICE COUNTY – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**

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OBITUARY

Last Name: CHRISTENSEN

First Name: HANS

Middle Name or Initial: PETER

News Paper: NORTHFIELD NEWS – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA

Date: MARCH 24, 1983

Hans Peter Christensen, 80, died at the Dilley Convalescent Unit Saturday, March 19, 1983. He was born near Bramminge, Denmark, Sept. 27, 1902, the son of Ole and Anna Christensen. He came to the United States in February 1925. He lived with friends in Jackson, later attending the Danebo Schools in Tyler, and the School of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota. After completing his education, he was hired to be in charge of the farm at the Odd Fellows Home. There, he met Irene Beyer, and they were married Sept. 25, 1929. They lived on the Odd Fellows farm until 1941, when they began farming for themselves. They later purchased a farm on the Old Dutch Road, where they lived until they moved to the Three Links Apartments in 1981. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, the IOOF for more than 50 years, and was active in the Bridgewater Farm Bureau and the Northfield Farmers' Cooperative Elevator. He is survived by his wife, Irene; a daughter, Darlene Pfahning, Farmington; two sons, Dayton and Dennis Christensen, Prior Lake; and five grandchildren; a sister, Abelone Sorenson, a brother, Aage Christensen, and two nephews, all of Denmark. He was preceded in death by one sister and two brothers. The funeral service was Tuesday, March 22, at St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jennings Feroe officiating. G. Winston Cassler was the organist and Mayvis Harkness was the soloist. Interment was in the German Union Cemetery in Forest Township. Pallbearers were Gary Beyer, Dayton Christensen, Dennis Christensen, Brad Pfanning, Ronald Prinzing and Kenneth Schrader. Arrangements were made by the Benson-Anderson Funeral Home.

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BIOGRAPHY

BOOK - RICE COUNTY FAMILIES. PUB. 1981 The Hans Peter Christensen Family. Hans Peter Christensen (9-27-1902) came to the United States from Bramminge, Denmark, arriving on February 12, 1925. He left behind his parents, Ole and Katrina; brothers Kresten and Aage; sisters Abalone and Dorothea. One brother died in infancy. Hans lived with friends in Jackson, MN, for a time and attended Danebo School at Tyler, MN., and the School of Agriculture at St. Paul, MN. He was later employed as manager of the farm at the Odd Fellows Home in Northfield, MN, where he met Irene Martha Beyer (4-15-1907) who was employed as a dining room waitress at the home. (Irene was the daughter of Charles and Emma Abel Beyer, who were farmers near Circle Lake west of Millersburg in Rice County.) Hans and Irene were married September 25, 1929, and continued to reside on the Odd Fellows Farm until 1941. They rented what was known as the Berg place on the Cannon River

just west of Northfield for several years and in 1943 moved to Bridgewater Township renting the William Tralle farm which they later purchased. Hans was active in the Odd Fellows Lodge in Northfield, the Bridgewater Farm Bureau, was secretary of School District 31, served on the Northfield Farmer's Elevator Board--Irene was active in the Rebekah Lodge in Northfield, the Bridgewater Farm Bureau and Home Project Group and was leader of the Big Star 4-H Club for a time. They are members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Northfield. Their children all attended the Northfield public schools and were active in the Big Star 4-H Club. Darlene Irene Christiansen (11-26-30) graduated from the University of Minnesota and worked several years as a County Home Agent. On December 3, 1955, she married Gordon Lowell Pfahning (10-7-1930 to 7-6-1980) of Wells, MN. Gordon was a Civil Engineer with the Minnesota State Highway Department. They settled in Farmington, MN, where Brad Gordon was born November 30, 1957; and Patti Jean on February 15, 1962. Brad graduated from the University of Minnesota on June 15, 1980, and is employed with Sheldahl Incorporated of Northfield, MN. Patti is a student at the University of Minnesota. Dayton Charles Christensen (3-15-40) graduated from St. Olaf College, was in the U. S. Air Force and is a pilot with Northwest Airlines. He married Jeanne Gregerson (4-15-1943) who attended Carleton College, was from Fargo, ND, on December 17, 1966. They reside near Prior Lake, MN. Dennis Peter Christensen (2-5-45) graduated from the University of Minnesota and is engaged in Farm Real Estate business. He married Marilyn Diane Clauson (4-27-1945), also a graduate from the University of Minnesota, from Albert Lea, MN, on April 6, 1968. They have a son, Travis John (9-11-1972); and 2 daughters, Shellee Marie (8-14-1974) and Susan Michelle (10-16-1976). They also live near Prior Lake, MN.

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STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Section of Vital Statistics Registration		Burial - Removal - Transit Permit		Permit No. _____
NAME OF DECEASED <p style="text-align: center;">Hans P. Christensen</p>		DATE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">Mar. 19, 1983</p>	DEATH COMMUNICABLE? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
SEX <p style="text-align: center;">Male</p>	AGE <p style="text-align: center;">80</p>	PLACE OF DEATH (City Village or Township) <p style="text-align: center;">City of Northfield</p>	(County) <p style="text-align: center;">Rice</p>	
METHOD OF DISPOSAL: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BURIAL <input type="checkbox"/> CREMATION <input type="checkbox"/> REMOVAL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) _____		PLACE OF DISPOSITION (Name of cemetery or crematory) (City, Village or Township, County, State) <p style="text-align: center;">German Union Cemetery Forest Township, Rice Co Minn.</p>		
SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR <p style="text-align: center;"><i>G. Juane Benson</i></p>		BUSINESS ADDRESS <p style="text-align: center;">201 E. 4th St. Northfield, Minn.</p>		
A certificate of death having been filed as required by law, permission is hereby given to dispose of this body.				
SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR <p style="text-align: center;"><i>G. Juane Benson</i></p>		(City, Village or Township) <p style="text-align: center;">City of Northfield</p>	(County) <p style="text-align: center;">Rice</p>	DATE ISSUED <p style="text-align: center;">Mar 22, 83</p>
SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF CONVEYANCE				
AUTHORIZED DISPOSITION AS STATED ABOVE OCCURRED ON: (Date) <p style="text-align: center;">3-22-83</p>		SIGNATURE OF SECTION OR CEMETERY OFFICIAL <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ronald R. Prinzing</i></p>		DATE RECEIVED <p style="text-align: center;">Mar 22, 1983</p>

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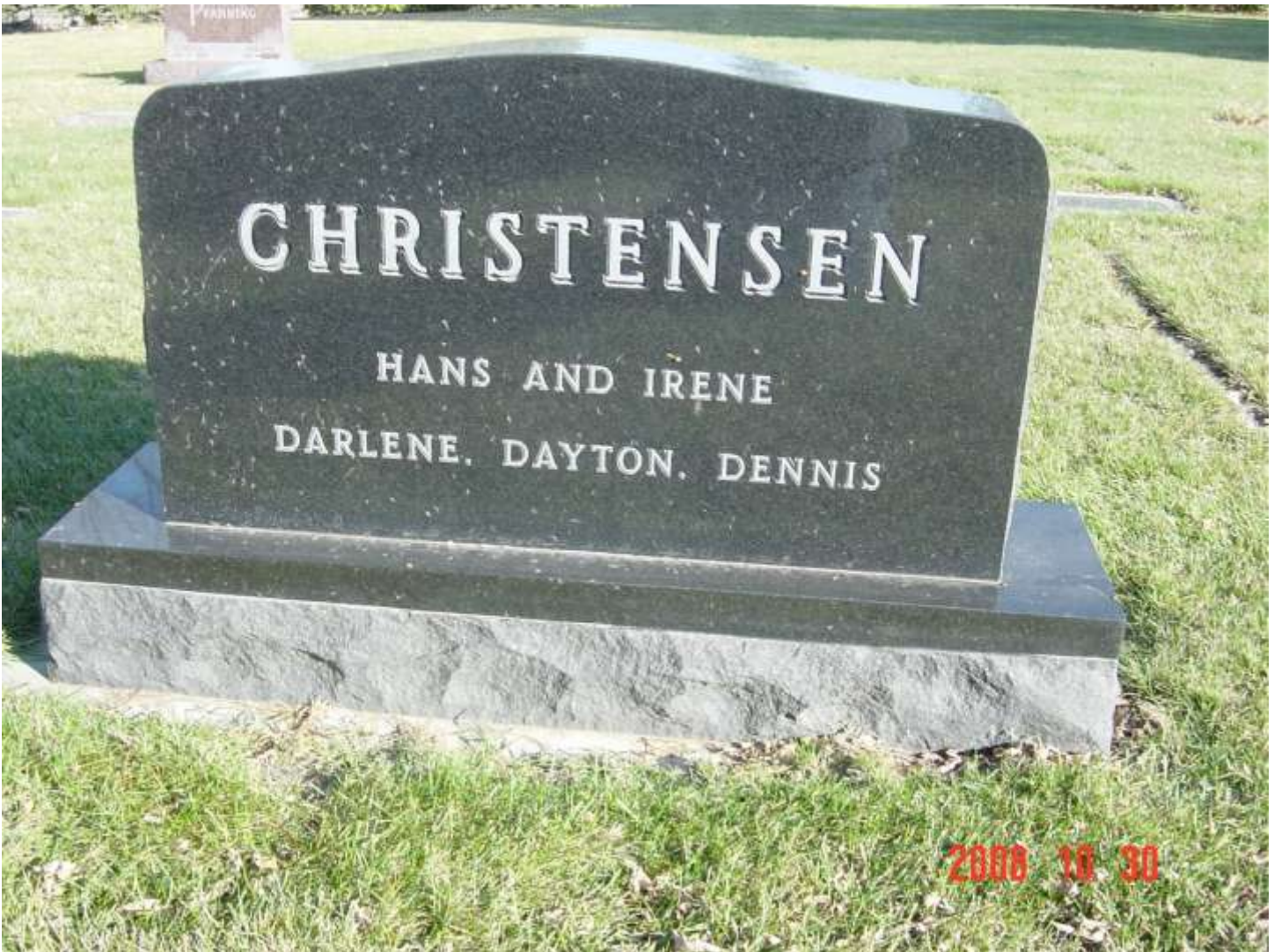


CHRISTENSEN, IRENE MARTHA. NEE: BEYER

CHRISTENSEN, HANS PETER – HUSBAND and WIFE

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CHRISTENSEN, DAYTON CHARLES - SON

CHRISTENSEN, DENNIS PETER - SON

CHRISTENSEN FAMILY MARKER