

The Emma Engelbrecht Family:
(As written by Lloyd Bruning):

(This was written in reply to my letter requesting information about Emma). Grandmother (Emma) lived with our family for approximately 13 years. After the death of her parents she was sent to live and work with a farm family. No information on who or where. She was in her early teens at this time--from stories she related this was a very hard time in her life. They worked her very hard and long hours. She told of one wheat harvest season when she had poison ivy and they made her work either in the hot kitchen or go out in the field and shock wheat.

Her first marriage was to a Rev. Jacobs a Methodist minister. They lived in Illinois where he had a church. There were 2 children born to this union: Elmer and Amelia. Rev. Jacobs died when Elmer was quite young and she was pregnant with Amelia. With the help of his friends she moved to Warrenton, Mo. to operate a boarding house. The Central Wesleyan Methodist Seminary was located there. I believe at this her inlaws refused to help her. There is not much known about the Jacob family.

She lived in Warrenton until her marriage to Kasper Henry Schaper (my grandfather) approximately 1894. He brought 5 sons and 1 daughter and 2 adopted children to this marriage. It was his third marriage and her second. To this union were born 1 son and 4 daughters. They lived on a farm on Big Creek in Lincoln County about 1/2 was between Wright City and Troy, Mo. There was a rather large 2-story house on the farm. Also there was a steam powered saw mill and large machine or repair shop beside the usual farm buildings. There was a cold water spring with stone spring house that flowed year round.

K. H. Schaper did not adopt the Jacob children and most of his earlier children were away from home when he married Emma.

They attended Zoar Methodist Church near their home. I believe K. H. Schaper was one of the charter members. My grandparents on my father's side of the family also attended.

K. H. died approximately 1917-1918. Emma contented to live on the farm, with George (then about 20 years old) and hired help doing the work.

In 1928 when myself and twin brother Floyd was born, grandmother (Emma) came to live with us in Wright City, Mo. She continued to live with us until 1941 when she had a stroke. The last few weeks of her life was spent at the home of Clem (Ann) Creech (see attached obituary note) in Troy, Mo. She is buried at Zoar Cemetery where she had attended church. Listed below are the children and spouses and number of children of Emma:

Emma Engelbrecht b: May 10, 1863 in Drake, Mo.--d. March 7, 1941 in Troy, Mo. married Aug. 6, 1885 Rev. John Oswald Jacob b. Oct. 15, 1858 near Warsaw, Illinois--d. Nov. 12, 1887 in Hebron, Iowa. 2 children:

Elmer W. Jacob b. July 14, 1886 in Graham, Mo.--d. April 21, 1938 in Tulsa, Oklahoma married 1908 Kathryn Burke and had 3 children: Elmer Jr., Gladys married Mr. Ranger, and Ralph

Amelia Mamie Jacob b. Feb. 11, 1888 in Warsaw, Illinois--d. Feb. 8, 1982 in Chillicothe, Mo. married Nov. 25, 1909 near Wright City, Mo. William Jacob Burgess

and had 8 children: Glen, Harold, Margie, Dorothy, Arthur, Doris, Helen, and John. (Family tree history as provided by Glenn W. Burgess, 1994): Children, Grandchildren, and Great-Grandchildren of Amelia K. Jacob Burgess and William J. Burgess: Glenn William Burgess b. Nov. 13, 1910 in Kansas City, Mo. married June 3, 1936 Thelma Marjorie West b. April 15, 1912. Children: James Cercey b. April 18, 1947 and Chapman Eugene b. July 20, 1948. James Cercey married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Tami Lynn b. Oct. 12, 1970 and James Cercey, Jr. b. Sept. 8, 1974. Chapman Eugene married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Peter John b. June 4, 1971 and Angelica Venus b. Sept. 3, 1974. Peter married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Dillon James b. Jan. 16, 1993 and Breanna Elizabeth b. Jan. 10, 1994. Harold Wright Burgess b. June 6, 1912 in Kansas City, Mo. married Dec. 11, 1941 Dorothy Weber b. Oct. 10, 1919. They had 3 children: Robert John b. Jan. 8, 1944, William Charles b. July 25, 1947 and Steven James b. July 22, 1952. Robert married (name unknown) and had 2 children: John Matthew b. Oct. 20, 1971 and Bryan b. Feb. 18, 1963 married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Lauren b. Aug. 11, 1986 and Robert Cliff b. Jan. 1, 1989. William married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Bryan Joseph b. June 5, 1977, Amy Lynn b. May 27, 1978 and Abby Marie b. June 19, 1980. Steven married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Michael James b. Nov. 12, 1971 and Cindy b. Feb. 26, 1975. Marjorie Ellen Burgess b. Nov. 18, 1914 in Kansas City, Mo. married July 3, 1936 Charles V. Champion (died in 1967) and had 3 children: John Charles b. Oct. 11, 1940--d. July 13, 1962, Jane Ellen b. Sept. 17, 1944 married Mr. Cooney (no children) and David Burgess b. Jan. 21, 1952 married (name unknown--no children). Marjorie remarried Jan. 10, 1976 Richard Mandelkorn who died Dec. 2, 1982. Dorothy Emma Burgess b. Feb. 25, 1917 near Chula, Mo.--d. Jan. 25, 1989 married Jan. 3, 1941 George C. Hale (died Jan. 5, 1978) and had 9 children: Sharan Elizabeth b. Oct. 18, 1941, George Michael b. June 13, 1944, Joseph Patrick b. March 18, 1946, Rosemary Cecile b. Sept. 18, 1948, Maureen Theresa b. Jan. 12, 1950, Paul Christopher b. Nov. 11, 1952, John Francis b. July 15, 1954, Kathleen Marie b. May 27, 1957, and Regina Ann b. Dec. 11, 1960. Sharan married (name unknown) and had 1 son Charles Joseph Reuter b. May 6, 1968. Michael married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Pamela Jeanette b. Oct. 3, 1972, David Matthew b. Jan. 20, 1976 and Stephen Michael b. Nov. 29, 1977. Joseph married (name unknown) and had 6 children: Patrick Joseph b. March 12, 1967, Ted Anthony b. Nov. 13, 1969, Shannon Marie b. May 6, 1972, Jonathan Lanier b. Sept. 10, 1983, Allison Marie b. Dec. 5, 1984, and Madison Joseph b. July 14, 1991. Patrick married (name unknown) and had 1 son Christopher Patrick b. Sept. 30, 1986. Rosemary married Mr. St. Angelo and had 4 children: Monica Lynn b. June 8, 1969, Nicholas John b. July 3, 1975, Carmelle Marie b. May 25, 1978, and Noelle Elaine b. Dec. 13, 1980. Maureen married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Thaddeus Cole Haston b. July 27, 1977, Jessie Lee Anderson b. Dec. 23, 1983, and Theresa Kate Anderson b. May 6, 1986. Paul married (name unknown) and had 9 children: Tiffany Marie b. Oct. 10, 1972, Colleen Janel b. June 7, 1974, Alexis Regina b. March 28, 1976, Jacob Edward b. Aug. 21, 1977, Adam Michael b. Oct. 18, 1978, Paul Conor b. May 27, 1981, Timothy Patraic b. Feb. 9, 1983, Micah Jordan b. May 6, 1985, and Madelyn Corinne b. Dec. 17, 1989. John married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Austin Lee b. April 1, 1974 and Kendra Genice June 10, 1977. Kathleen married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Stephanie

Ann Stalnaker b. July 28, 1977, Kasey Jeanine Stalnaker b. July 10, 1980, and Travis Levi Strawn b. Nov. 4, 1984. Regina married Mr. Ehrlich and had 2 children: Aaron Isaac b. March 27, 1992 and Daniel Euan b. May 16, 1994. Arthur Pershing Burgess b. May 12, 1919 in Chula, Mo. married Feb. 9, 1944 Janney Vee b. Nov. 5, 1921 and had 5 children: Anne Louise b. Jan. 7, 1945, Susan Kay b. Aug. 14, 1946, Robin Lynn b. April 11, 1951, Jean Elaine b. Feb. 11, 1954, and Gwen Ellen b. Sept. 2, 1955. Anne married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Gary Sanders b. Jan. 18, 1972 and Mishea Obiji (Smith) b. Aug. 6, 1980. Susan married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Benjamin Burgess Seibel b. Oct. 8, 1969, Gaben Nairn Chillag b. May 20, 1974, and Greta Chillag b. May 7, 1981. Robin married (name unknown) and had 4 children: Amy Lynn Lackey b. April 27, 1973, Lea Carland b. Nov. 19, 1978, Maura Carland b. Oct. 10, 1981, and Logan Burgess Carland b. Feb. 21, 1992. Jean married (name unknown) and had 1 daughter Emma Louise Olson b. Sept. 27, 1988. Gwen married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Neela Kamala Wyn Sandal b. July 27, 1986, Abhi Manyu Dylan Sandal b. Nov. 7, 1988, and Kedarnath Julian Sandal b. March 14, 1992. Amy married (name unknown) and had 1 son Jacob Ellis b. Dec. 2, 1993. Doris Fern Burgess b. Feb. 21, 1922 near Chula, Mo. married May 7, 1945 Howard W. Worthington (died Oct. 1, 1979) and had 3 children: Janice Kay b. Nov. 22, 1946, Richard Stephen b. Sept. 20, 1956, and Julie Anne b. May 25, 1961. Janice married (name unknown) and had 3 children: Howard Anderson Rowe b. Oct. 22, 1971, Cody Chapman Rowe b. Oct. 18, 1972, and Michael Lee Judson Rowe b. Oct. 15, (year unknown). Julie married (name unknown) and had 1 son John Howard Westermann b. Nov. 5, 1990. Richard is not married. Helen Marie Burgess b. Oct. 5, 1924 near Chula, Mo. married April 12, 1946 Emmett Eugene Adams b. April 17, 1925 and had 1 child Samuel Eugene Adams b. Oct. 3, 1947. Samuel married (name unknown) and had 1 daughter Heather Ellen b. Sept. 17, 1973. Helen divorced in 1958 and remarried June 18, 1960 Verne K. Covell Sr. who died July 14, 1994. John Francis Burgess b. Oct. 9, 1929 married Oct. 29, 1954 Shirley Roth b. Feb. 14, 1932 and had 3 children: Barry John b. Aug. 17, 1955, Gary Williams b. Jan. 21, 1957 and Lauren Jean b. Sept. 20, 1959. Barry married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Andrew Scott b. Nov. 28, 1982 and Ashton Lynn b. Aug. 30, 1984. Gary married (name unknown) and had 2 children: Kellen Kristine b. Dec. 3, 1987--d. Dec. 4, 1987 and Cassie Marie b. Feb. 2, 1989. Lauren married (name unknown) and had 1 son Devin Christian Huff b. Feb. 13, 1993.

Kasper Henry Schaper b. March 20, 1836--d. Jan. 2, 1917 married June 26, 1895 in Warrenton, Mo. Emma Engelbrecht Jacob Schaper b. May 10, 1863 d. March 7, 1941

George Kasper Schaper b. Feb. 10, 1897--d. Dec. 21, 1983 married Oct. 20, 1920 in Wright City, Mo. Clara Elizabeth Anna Wohlbrink b. July 15, 1899--d. May 11, 1982 and had 2 children Garnelle Emma Schaper b. Dec. 4, 1921 near Wright City, Mo. married Aug. 10, 1944 Charles Wesley Knipmeyer b. Aug. 15, 1922. Their children: Nancy Ann Knipmeyer b. Oct. 11, 1947 married July 1, 1967 Charles Richard Broadway b. May 8, 1948 (marriage dissolved April 7, 1941--no children). remarried Dec. 22, 1990 to Marvin Harlen Barney b. Dec. 26, 1930 (no children through this marriage). Sharon Marie Knipmeyer b. Aug. 13, 1953 married July 13, 1973 John Edward Davolt b. Aug. 4, 1953: 4 children: Queda Dawn Davolt b. Sept. 15, 1976, Julia Ann Davolt b. May 9,

1979, DeAnne Louise Davolt b. July 22, 1981, and John Wesley Davolt b. Aug. 2, 1983. Velma Marie Schaper b. May 10, 1926 near Wright City, Mo. married Jan. 23, 1946 Wallace Lee Ordelleide b. Oct. 8, 1924--d. Jan. 21, 1989: 2 children: Diane Louise Ordelleide b. Feb. 27, 1951 and Gary Lee Ordelleide b. Aug. 31, 1957.

Anna Schaper b. June 19, 1898--d. Jan. 16, 1986 married Dec. 19, 1917 in Troy, Mo. Clem Creech and had 1 child Charles Creech b. Dec. 4, 1921 near Troy, Mo. (see below for complete history of this family).

Marie Schaper b. Dec. 13, 1899--d. 1994 married Aug. 18, 1920 in Wright City, Mo. Walter Bruning and had 2 children.

Emma Schaper b. Aug. 8, 1902 married Sept. 10, 1922 in Wright City, Mo. Bernard Meyer and had 2 sons (1 believed to be Bernard Meyer, Jr. b. Sept. 17, 1923 in Montgomery City, Mo. and 1 believed to be Donald Meyer b. Sept. 27, 1931 in Manhattan, Kansas) and 3 grandchildren.

Esther Schaper b. June 17, 1904 married Jan. 12, 1953 in St. Louis, Mo. George Chartrand and had no children.

Only Emma and Esther survive of the children. Emma is 92 and Esther is 90. Marie my mother passed away this year at 94 years of age. I can remember visiting with grandmothers brothers and sisters in Bay, Mo. and Stony Hill, Mo. and attending a family reunion and funeral while grandmother (Emma) lived with us. As you can guess grandmother and mom spoke German when they didn't want Floyd or I to know what was going on. The family farm was sold by George when he retired in the late 1950's. Zoar Cemetery is still active and well cared for. My mother was buried there beside my father.

K. H. and Emma attended the 1904 World's Fair in St. Louis. Koelling school was across Big Creek from the homestead. There was a surging foot bridge across it for the children to go to school. The farm site must have been an Indian village or camping site as the hill above the spring was full of arrowheads.

Marie b. 1899--d. 1994 married 1919 Walter Bruning b. 1898--d. 1968 and had 2 sons: Floyd b. July 26, 1928 in Wright City, Mo. and Lloyd (twins) b. July 26, 1928 in Wright City, Mo. Floyd Bruning is currently unmarried. Lloyd Bruning married 1953 Eleanor Smiley and had 3 children: Stephen, Charles, and Joan. Stephen b. 1954 married (name unknown) and had 1 son Taft T. Bragg. Charles b. 1956 married Heather Cafray and had 2 children Frankie Jane and Thomas Lloyd. Joan b. 1959 married Gary Cooper and had 2 children Kate Marie and Molly Elizabeth.

Anna L. Creech

Anna L. Creech (Miss Ann) (nee Schaper) died Thursday Jan. 16, 1986, beloved wife of the late Clem W. Creech, dear mother of Charles L. Creech, and his wife Betty, dear sister of Esther Chartrand, Marie Bruening, and Emma Meyer, dear grandmother of Clem D. Creech, and his wife Patricia, and Linda Whalen and her husband Mike, dear great-grandmother of Beth Ann Whalen, Charla K. Whalen, Curt Creech, Kyle Creech, Keith Creech, dear aunt of Arlene Creech Gibson further survived by nieces, nephews, cousins and many other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Creech will lie in state at the McCoy and Blossom Funeral Home of Troy, Mo. after 2 p.m. Friday funeral services are Sat. Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. from the First Christian Church in Troy, Mo. Interment Troy City Cemetery. Memorials may be made to The First Christian Church of Troy.

Obituary of Mrs. K. H. Schaper

Emma Louise Engelbrecht was born near Drake, Mo., May 10, 1863. She was left an orphan at the age of thirteen. She was converted and united with the German M.E. Church at the age of 17.

On Aug. 6, 1885, she was united in marriage to Rev. J. O. Jacob. This union was of brief duration, her husband being called from his labors Oct. 8, 1887. Of this marriage were two children, Elmer, who passed away April 21, 1938, his home being in Tulsa, Okla., and Amelia, wife of W.J. Burgess, of Chula, Mo., who was born after the death of her father. Of this family there are eleven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Three brothers and three sisters preceded her in death. Those surviving are: John Engelbrecht, Stony Hill, Mo., Joseph and Mrs. Henry Oberg, Bay, Mo., Mrs. Henry Berger, Union, Mo., Gust Engelbrecht, Oxford, Nebr.

On June 26, 1895, Mrs. Jacob became the wife of Bro. K.H. Schaper, whose home was in the vicinity of the Zoar M.E. Church, a few miles north of Wright City. Here prosperity and happiness crowned their lives until death again brought to her a broken home and a second widowhood in the going home of her husband on Jan. 2, 1917.

The issue of this union consisted of five children all of whom are here to give loving tribute to a devoted and saintly mother and to cherish the memory of a kind and indulgent father. 'Tis beautiful indeed, to note that children bereft of their parents rise up in the strength of noble manhood and womanhood and call them blessed.

The children of this union are: George, on home farm, Troy; (Anna) Mrs. Clem Creech, Troy; (Marie) Mrs. Walter Bruning, Wright City; (Emma) Mrs. B. G. Meyer, Topeka, Kan.; Esther, St. Louis. Of this family there are seven grandchildren. There are three surviving step-sons and a number of step-grandchildren to whom she was very devoted.

Three words in this brief life history challenge attention--orphaned, widowed and converted. The first two suggest sorrow, loneliness and in many instances privation and hardship of various kinds; but the word converted to God through Jesus Christ, how it sweetens the bitterness, softens the hardness and sanctifies all to the working out of the exceeding and eternal weight of Glory.

Mother Schaper came to visit her daughter, Mrs. Clem Creech, and while there she was stricken with partial paralysis which rendered her helpless, but of which she did not suffer.

Friday morning, March 7, 1941, at 6:30 the second stroke summoned her to be absent from the body, but present with the Lord.

Loving care was ministered by Mrs. Creech and other members of the family up to the final moment of the closing of a beautiful life.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the Wright City Methodist Church by her pastor, Rev. J. L. Nickerson, assisted by Rev. Louis J. Duewel of Troy.

Interment was in the Zoar cemetery.