

Charles Greif, Sr came to the United States from Roth, Germany with his sister Elsie in 1881. He was married to Emma Peitzman, daughter of Fredrick Peitzman and settled on the old Peitzman farm, now known as the Earl Peitzman estate. Five of their children were born on this farm.

He later moved to Grant Twp, Dallas County, where he purchased land on which his sons and grandsons farmed. They retired in 1930 moving to Granger, later moved to Grimes and lived in the house built by her parents, Mr and Mrs Fred Peitzman, adjacent to the Lutheran Church. The house has since been torn down and the lot is used for parking by the church.

The living children are John and Otto of rural Dallas Center, Lawrence of Granger, Matilda Wipperman of Grimes, Alma Merical of Waukee, Louise Hickle of Des Moines and Helen Stephenson of Perry. The original land purchased and cleared is now farmed by his grandsons, Clifford and Edward Greif.



John and Margaret Greif. John Greif, now 90 years of age, is living in Grant Twp. In 1912 he was married to Margaret Knoll, daughter of William Knoll, who sailed from Pottsdam, Germany at the age of eight. They farmed in the same area and raised five children, all living in the area but one son. They were faithful members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church. John was active on the church council throughout the planning and building of the church in 1938.

Through the Grant Twp School District records, of which he was secretary for ten years, it shows of the organizing of the Grant Country Schools in 1869 and building them the following two-three years. The cost of the buildings was around \$400 each. Teachers received salaries beginning at \$20 to \$35 per month, being paid more through the winter months.

After John retired from farming, he spent many years in doing carpenter work, starting as a hobby.

Their children are Charles Greif, Jr, Elsie (Mrs. Harold Bohrofen), Irma (Mrs. John Bohrofen), Gerald Greif and Edward Grief.

Raymond M. and Bernadine L. Griggs moved to Grimes in 1951. They moved the Purdue school house from Dallas County to 305 N Main St.

In 1959, they built a house at 706 First St. in which they now live. They have two children both married. Keith, married Ruth Wall of Yale. Karen married Bill Gilleney of Grimes.

Ray is retired from John Deere Des Moines Works. He is a Realtor.



Herbert and Fern Harmon were married 1943. Fern was a school teacher and Herbert worked at Pioneer Seed. They moved to their farm in Jefferson Twp 1948. They have three daughters who attended Herrold School graduating from Johnston High. Lola Jane married Tom Zimmerman, Joyce married Don Hart, and Beth Ann married Mike Messerschmidt.

Herbert and Fern are active in 4-H and have been leaders. Herbert served on the board and Fern was a Sunday School teacher at First Presbyterian Church where they are members.



Leonard and Florence Hays and sons Ronald and Dan moved to Grimes in 1946. They went into business as the Grimes Plumbing and Heating for four years. In 1952 they moved to their farm west of Dallas Center.

Ronald graduated from Wartburg College and

Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota. He married Marlynn Bohrofen and they now live in Tokyo, Japan, where they have been missionaries 14 years.

Dan graduated from I.S.U. AND Rutgers University. He married Judith Delp of Sandwich, Illinois. He is principal scientist at Xerox.

Leonard retired in 1965 from farming, and built the first duplex in Grimes, they moved to Grimes in 1966. Florence worked at Pioneer, retiring in 1973. Leonard died in 1967. Florence moved to the farm in 1978.

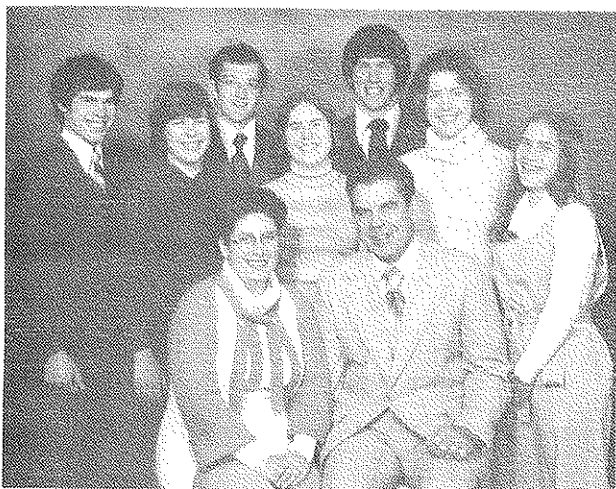


**Charles Henry and Carrie (Bauman) Harding** were married Feb. 1911 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Bauman, east of Grimes.

They dairy farmed in the Grimes-Johnston vicinity before buying a farm south and west of Grimes.

Charles and Carrie had six children: Frances (Harding) Thiesfeld; Mary (Harding) Sullivan; John Henry; Dorothy Marie, deceased; Betty (Harding) Opperman; Charles Herbert.

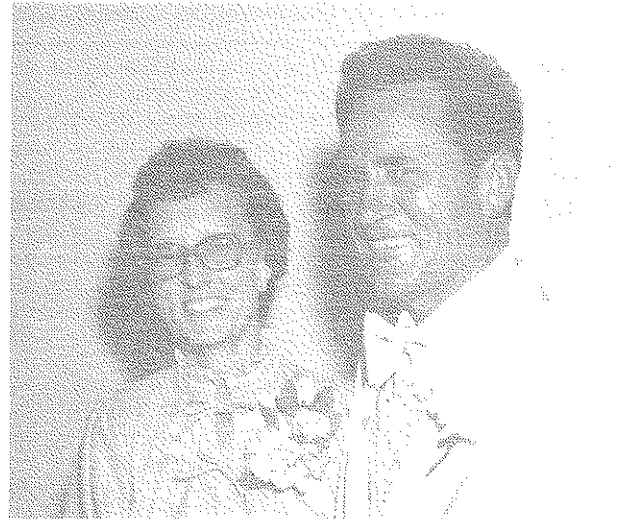
Charles and Carrie shared 62 years of married life on the farm east of Grimes. Carrie died March 1973. Charles still lives in the farm home.



**Elizabeth (Betty) Jeanne Harding** married **Ivan Leon Opperman**, March 24, 1951. They have six children. Susan Carol, a graduate of University of Iowa married Stanley Siebke, June 1975. They have one child, Kathryn

and live in Urbandale; John Henry graduated from Iowa State 1977, resides in Manning and farms with his father; Emily Marie, Valerie Joan and Rhonda Jean are students at University of Iowa; James Ivan - Student at Iowa State.

Ivan and Betty have farmed the Opperman home place, previously owned by Ivan's grandfather, where Ivan and his mother were born.



**Charles Herbert Harding** married **Norma Schultz** March 1957. They have three children and have farmed near Grimes since their marriage.



**Francis J. and Mary (Harding) Sullivan** were married October 1963, in Manning Presbyterian Church.

Mary was area manager for World Book/Child Craft. Francis was head of the Meat Department for A & P Tea Co. in Des Moines and Iowa City for 28 years, and retired in April 1975 when the A & P Tea Co. left Iowa. Today they have an Amway Distributorship.

His son Frank, a Navy career man, is living in Orlando, Florida, with his wife Janet and their two daughters, Machele and Tiffany.

**Harry and Frances (Harding) Thiesfield**, met at ISC. After graduation, Harry worked with R.E.A. and Frances taught school, then in August 1939, were married. Harry spent 25 years with R.E.A., later with McLeod Corp. Power Ass'n. He served in W W II in the South Pacific, with the Navy.

They have 4 children, Eva, Lee, Lloyd and Roger.

Harry and Frances are retired and have had several short term electrification assignments in Jakarta, Indonesia, and Bangladesh. It has provided an opportunity for them to go around the world visiting countries on all the continents.



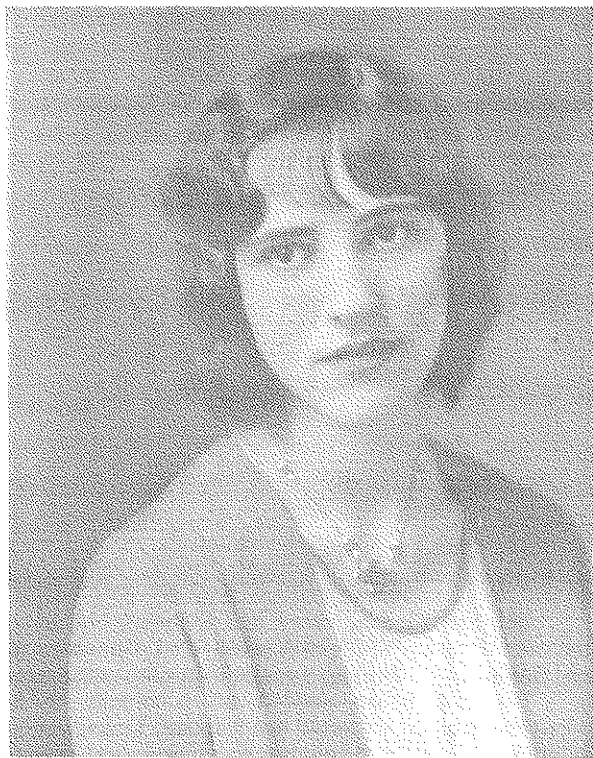
**Jessie Moffit** came to Iowa from North Dakota at the age of 15 to live with her aunt, Charlotte Seymour. She had never attended church until she came to Iowa where she became a member of the Christian Church. Her first Sunday school teacher was Jessie Bohrofen. Jessie was married to Wm Hatfield and to this union were born two daughters - Hazel and Beatrice "Tot". Tot preceeded her in death at an early age, 25. Jessie later married Albert Earney who also preceeded her in death. The later years of her life were spent with daughter and family, Hazel and Harry Stickle.



**Horton and Ethel (Row) Hays**: My grandfather, Joe, paid \$300 not to be drafted in the Civil War. In 1872, Joe Row hauled lumber from Des Moines to build his house and a prairie fire came across and they had to plow around the lumber to save it from burning.

My father, John T. Row, married Anna Bell Hammer of Mt. Morris, Illinois, February 1885. They started house keeping on a 40 acre farm in Grant Twp. He taught school at the Randell or Peitzman school in Grant Twp.

The John T. Row family had a second home, the first, a two-room home, was then used for a granery and stood until 1930.



**Beatrice "Tot" Hatfield**, daughter of Wm and Jessie Hatfield was born in Emmetsburg, Nov 1914, and soon moved to Grimes with her parents. She got her name "Tot" because her older sister couldn't say Beatrice. She graduated from Grimes High School in 1932. Beatrice was an invalid from 1933 to 1940 when she was taken in death at age 25. During her illness she completed a number of Bible Correspondance Courses from Moody Bible Institute. She was a member of the Christian Church. Words from her favorite hymn were - "There is a place of quiet rest, Near to the heart of God. A place where sin cannot molest, Near to the heart of God. O Jesus, blest Redeemer, Sent from the heart of God. Hold us who wait before thee, Near to the heart of God."

**John W. Hufford**, a pioneer of this area, came to the Des Moines vicinity from Indiana by ox team and covered wagon in 1851. He cleared land and bought near the Veterans Hospital, which had many trees. Des Moines at that time had but one store, no bridges, no railroads until 15 years later. Iowa as a state was only five years old. The old fort stockade still stood. A brick shack stood for a post office and a clay-chinked school with only five desks were other surroundings. Land was selling for \$5.00 per acre. His father acquired nearly 1000 acres in the area. The

land values were based on the number of trees and the worth of the timber.

John married Lucinda Smith from Saylorville and to this union were born three children. Charles Hufford and Mary Shumaker, both deceased and Jessie Bohrofen.

He operated a store in Grimes for 34 years, including groceries, hardware, furniture, and even undertaking, along with farming for many years.

His life history reads of transforming Iowa from a land of ponds, swamps and mud roads into fertile fields and highways.



Bob and Eleanor Howe and 15-month old Janean moved to Grimes, July 15, 1948, to 509 S 2nd. This street was well shaded with large elm trees on both sides of the street.

This old house needed much repair. A few inconveniences as we would see it today. There was one water faucet over the old kitchen sink plus a small pump at the end of the sink for pumping soft water from a cistern, no sewer or other inside plumbing so a path to the little house at the back alley. A rather dirty coal furnace for heating the house. Yes, we could see possibilities here and it has been a year by year remodeling.

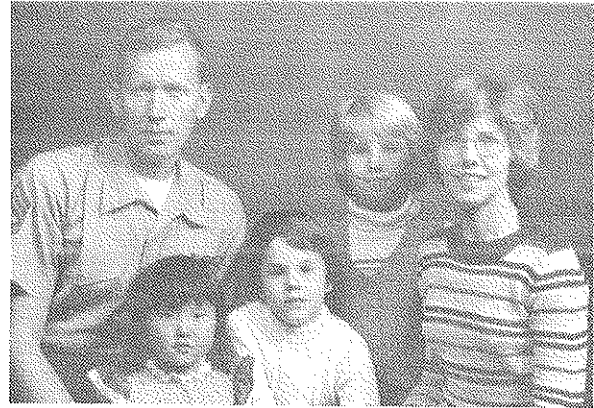
Janean was born in April 1947, in Ames. Bob was in school there and I worked in a beauty shop down town there until April. Later we moved to Des Moines. We had both grown up in a small town so wished to raise our family in a small town. Ron was born January 1950.



Ron and Dorrie, children Troy, Tyson, Tyler

**Ron and Dorrie Ann (McGee) Howe:** Children Troy, Todd (deceased), Tyson and Tyler. Ron was born January 1950 and grew up in Grimes. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church and attended Grade School in Grimes, attended Johnston and Dallas Center High and due to an accident finished at Area 11 Community College.

Ron has been working at A.M.F. for the past eight years. They make their home in Des Moines.



Fred and Janean, children Tonya, David, Jennifer

**MST/SGT Fred and Janean (Howe) Schmitt:** Children, Tonya, David and Jennifer. Janean was 15 months old when she came to Grimes, in 1948. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and attended Grimes grade school, attended High School in Johnston. She worked in Des Moines where she met Fred Schmitt. Fred was born and raised in Willoughby, Ohio. He entered the marine Corp after high school.

Fred and Janean were married in Grimes where they made their home. Fred was transferred to Okinawa in 1976 and the family followed him. Jennifer Om of Korea was 2½ years old when she arrived in the family. September 1977 the family moved to Raleigh, North Carolina. Last year Fred completed 20 years in the Marine Corp and plans to continue in the service. Janean works as secretary in University in Raleigh.



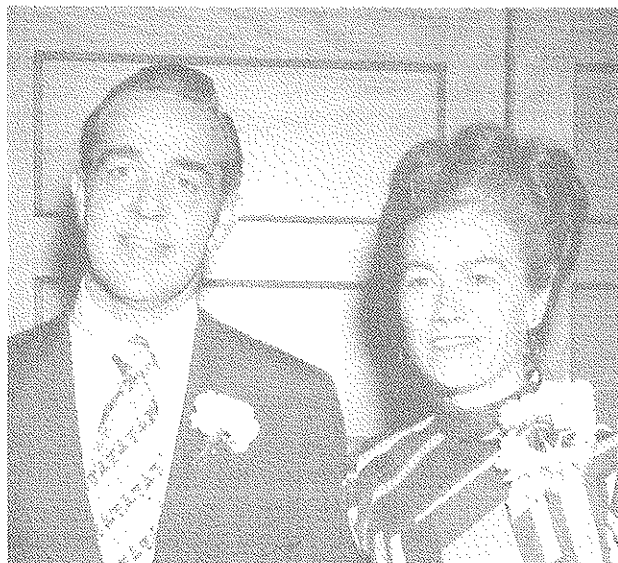
Iva Harvey was born Oct. 1891 on a farm just north of



Camp Dodge. She was the only child of Allen and Nancy (Channon) Harvey. Her parents purchased a farm in Warren County two miles north of St. Mary's, however, the family moved back to Grimes in 1902.

Iva still remembers the time of the business district fire which started in Dr. Peacock's office.

It was in 1904 that her father built the home on Harvey and First. Here Iva spent the rest of her life until moving to the Prairie Village in 1980. Iva attended Elementary school in Warren Co. and graduated from Grimes High in 1910. After graduating she worked at the Grimes Canning Co. about ten years, then stayed home caring for her mother.



**Jim and Marie (Förneris) Hutchinson** were married October 1946. Jim enlisted in the Marine Corp upon his graduation. Marie worked at the Telephone Co. in Grimes then the old Grimes Canning Co.

Upon his discharge from the service, Jim helped his parents, in the cook shack at the Canning Co, during corn pack. After marriage they moved to Perry. In 1950 they returned to Grimes both working for the factory. At the time of Jim's death he was sales manager for Beaver Valley Canning.

Jim and Marie had three children: Vickie, Rick and Mick all living in Grimes. Jim was active in Boy Scouts. Vickie and Marie were active with Camp Fire Girls.

Marie at present is serving as city clerk for Grimes.



**Vickie Hutcheson** was born in Perry, moved to

Grimes with her parents, Jim and Marie Hutcheson, when three years old. She graduated from Dallas Community High School in 1966, then attended A.I.B. in Des Moines. While attending business school she worked Part-time at Central National Bank & Trust Co. In 1967, after graduation, she transferred to the control department where she is now an accountant and supervisor.

Vickie has been an active member of American Institute of Banking since she started her banking career and is currently serving as president of the Des Moines Chapter. She is an officer of the Doberman Pinscher Club, a charter member of Grimes Lioness Club, a member of Des Moines Obedience Club and on the Grimes Centennial Committee.



**Rick, Carol, Squire, Samantha**

**Ricky Gene Hutcheson and Carol Lynn Seddon** were married in August of 1971 at the Grimes Presbyterian Church. Rick graduated from Dallas Community High School in 1967. Carol graduated from East High School in Des Moines in 1969.

After graduation and before entering the army, Rick worked as a meat cutter. Rick served three months in Viet Nam before being injured and was sent back to the States. After his discharge from the army he attended Area XI Community College, majoring in Industrial Marketing. In his first year of college he had an idea that Grimes needed a Grocery Store so he started one. In December of 1972, while still attending school, Rick's Grocery was opened. In his last year at Area XI, he was honored by being listed in the "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges".

Rick and Carol have two children. Squire Jon, and Samantha Jean.

Rick is an active member of the Grimes Volunteer Fire Department, is a registered EMT-A and an ERT volunteer member of Grimes Rescue Unit. He is also a member of the Grimes Lion's Club and a past Scoutmaster for the Grimes Troop 171.

Carol is a volunteer of the Grimes Rescue Unit, a Charter member of the Grimes Jaycee Eltes and Grimes Lioness Club, and a member of the Grimes Centennial Committee.



Frank, Laura, Manetta, Anne, Linn in rocking chair  
Henry, Mary, Carl

Frank and Laura Heidman were married June 1890, lived on a farm west of Grimes until December 1898. Five children were born, one, a twin died in infancy. The family moved to Delaware, Ohio, where they lived in Frank's ancestral home. Two children, Lena and Manetta, were born there. In 1904, the family returned to Grimes vicinity where Frank and Laura lived the remainder of their lives.

Henry married Beth Stoner of Granger; Annie, the remaining twin, married Oscar Frantz; Carl married Marjorie Hanson; Lena lives in Polk City; Manetta, after retiring from teaching for 35 years, went to SW Africa serving on the mission field for five years.



Florence (Nelson) Ibsen was born to Mr and Mrs Charles Nelson in Ralston, November 1898. Florence was graduated from Rockwell City High School and taught two years in Richards. She then took her business education

at Capitol City Commerical College in Des Moines.

Florence was employed as secretary to the Roadmaster for Milwaukee Railroad a number of years. Due to ill health, she lived with her parents, Mr and Mrs Chas. Nelson in the old Section house in Grimes.

Florence married Arthur Ibsen, a graduate of North High in July 1927. Art was a Pharmacy Supply Salesman. He died April 1947.

After Art's death, Florence worked as secretary for Beaver Valley Canning for 20 years, retiring at age 69.

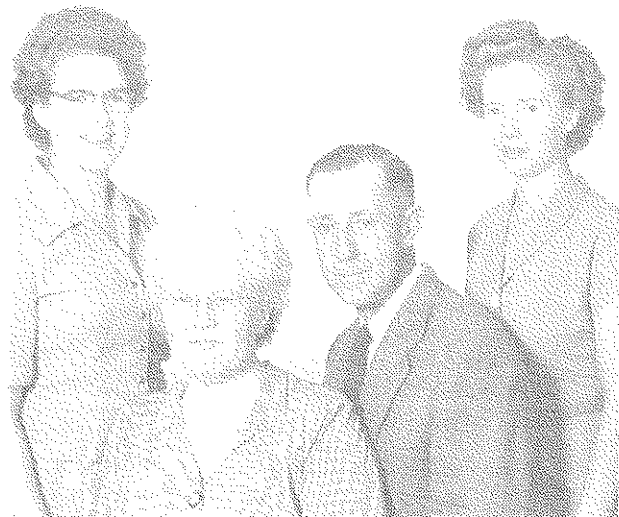


At home at 619 S. Ewing is the David Jermier family. David Jermier and Brenda Little were married July 1974 in Brooklyn, Ia. They are parents of two sons, Christopher and Matthew.

David has been employed with HyVee Stores since graduating from ISU. His employment has taken him to Ames, Austin, Minnesota, and now in Des Moines.

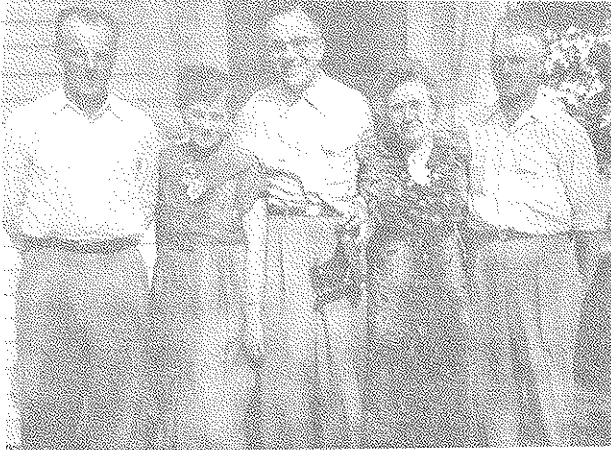
Brenda is a housewife. She is active with Fourth Grade Girl Scouts and Aldersgate Methodist Church.

David and Brenda moved to Grimes in September 1978.



Joyce, Gladys, Willard, Pauline

Willard W and Gladys Irene (Anderson) Kochheiser were married October 1923, at the home of the bride's parents, John and Anna Anderson south of Grimes. They farmed the home place until Willard's death November 1963. Willard and Gladys both attended Webster Twp Country school. In 1917, Willard took a mechanics course in Kansas City. He returned home and enlisted in the U.S. Navy 1918, and spent four years as rifle instructor. Returning to Grimes he worked for John Anderson. He was a director of Webster School. Willard and Gladys had two daughters, Joyce Irene and Pauline (Kochheiser) Wipperman both living on the home place. Gladys died March 1976.



Children of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kinsey: John, Bernice, Dwight, Gladys, Edward

Fred E. Kinsey and Nellie May Temple were married June 1892, in the Temple home south of Polk City. They "set up" housekeeping in the Kinsey home in Webster Twp. Six years later they built a house at Ridgedale and in November 1906, moved to their farm home one mile east and ½ mile north where they lived for 26 years.

There were three children - Gladys, Bernice and Dwight when they moved to the Grimes vicinity but in January 1908, twin boys John and Edward, joined the family group. The family were members of the Grimes Presbyterian Church.

By 1934, the children were all married, and Mr and Mrs Kinsey retired to Grimes. It was there that Mr Kinsey died in 1936 and Mrs Kinsey in 1942.

John and Edward Kinsey, twin sons of Fred and Nellie Kinsey were born on the farm near Grimes, on which John lived all his life. John farmed with his father until he married Hildred Findley in 1933. His Parents then moved to Grimes. John and Hildred have two daughters - Anne married Floyd Williams, they farm near Atlantic; Ruth married Ronald Clinton, they live in Creston.

John and Hildred have been active in church work. John served as president of Grimes School Board, served on ASC Twp Committee. John was involved with the beginning of Living History Farms project and was interested in its development.

Edward and Mary Barnhouse were married in 1934. They farmed near Marengo. They have two sons - Tom is married to Shirley Brown; David is married to Donna Bell.

Edward and Mary have been active in the work of their church. Edward served on Farm Security and Federal Land Bank Boards. He was a member of American Legion and Vet. of Foreign Wars, having served in Navy during W W II. After returning he taught G.I. Farm classes. He was a member of ASC committee. He was director of Senior Citizen Housing project in Marengo and has a Manor named after him.

Everitt L. Ellis and Bernice E. Kinsey were married at the Kinsey home January 1917. They lived in Grimes 25 years where Everett had a Hardward Store and a garage.

The Ellis' had three sons - Everett K. retired and lives in Hawthorne, California; Eldon, died in 1975, age 56; Lovel, a film editor, lives in Hollywood, California.

The Ellis family were all members of Grimes Presbyterian Church. Everett and Bernice moved to Des Moines in 1942 and to California in 1952. Bernice died there in 1966 and Everett in 1977.



William (Wilhelm) Fredrick Kohls was born in the Amana Colonies in 1872. His family moved to Grimes and lived 311 N Main. His father was killed in an accident with a team of horses he was driving. His mother passed away in 1917.

William Kohls married Amelia Bartelt who was born in Germany, in 1874. To this union was born two children Emma Louise (Shiffer), July 15, 1898, and Arthur Fredrick was born November 21, 1902. William passed away in 1938. Amelia passed away in 1963 and Arthur passed away in 1966.

Louie John Kohls was the second son of Frederick and Ernestina Kohls, born October 1876, in Iowa County. October 1900 he was married to Anna Marie Gordon, the oldest child of Milton and Minnie Gordon, born June 1878. In a double wedding ceremony with Clara Wipperman and Herman Bartelt "The Kohls" then moved to the Peitzman farm near Dallas Cetner where they farmed for a time, later moving to the Kohls home place N.W. of Grimes in Dallas County. They were blessed with seven children - Ida (Mrs. Weller Wells), Harry, Walter - deceased, Hilda (Mrs. Dave Ellerman), Mildred - deceased, Earl and Stanley. They celebrated their Golden Anniversary in 1950.

Mrs. Kohls was known far and wide for her help in time of sickness.

Louie lived to the age of 78 and Anna to age 79. They were members of St. Peter Lutheran Church.



Harry Kohls, second child of Louie and Anna Kohls, and Hulda Seibert daughter of John and Anna Seibert were married in February 1925. They farmed in Polk and Dallas Counties until February 1953, when they built their home and moved into Grimes. Harry worked for State of Iowa as maintenance worker and Hulda working for Farmers Telephone Co. They have two children, LaVerne and Lorene.

Harry retired in December 1970, and Hulda in February 1971 from Bell Telephone Co. They celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary February 1975.



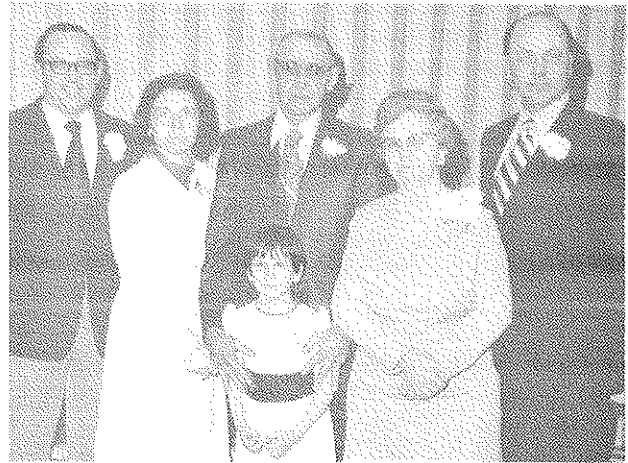
LaVerne Robert Kohls, oldest son of Harry and Hulda Kohls born near Granger, May 1927, attended Center and North Walnut schools and Grimes High School. In June 1949, he married Norma Chappell and they both taught in Eagle Grove for three years. They spent 1953-56 in Korea where LaVerne was principal of a high school and vocational school for older orphan boys.

In 1956-59, he was director of education and director of Jr. Museum at Des Moines Art Center.

LaVerne received his PhD from New York

University. Presently, LaVerne is director of training and development, International Communication Agency of the U.S. State Department, Washington, D.C.

They have one daughter, 18 years old, adopted (Korean American) graduated from high school 1980 and is entering Art School this fall.



Wayne, Lorene, Harry, Hulda, LaVerne, Susan

Wayne Evans of Des Moines and Lorene Kohls, daughter of Harry and Hulda Kohls, were married March 1951. Wayne graduated from high school in Des Moines and Lorene graduated from Grimes high school in 1946. Wayne graduated from Iowa State in 1952, and Lorene graduated from Iowa Methodist Hospital in 1950 and worked there six months, then worked at Mary Greely Hospital in Ames while Wayne finished his schooling. They moved to Kansas City, Missouri, 1952, where they made their home till 1978 when they moved to Laurinburg, North Carolina. Wayne is plant manager for Butler Manufacturing Co. in Laurinburg. They have four children, Gregory, Mark, Scott and Susan.



Richard (Dick) and Gladys (Peitzman) Kohls were married July 1926. Dick began work as a mechanic for Goughnour Motors in 1924. In 1928, he opened his own garage in Grimes and remained in business until his retirement in 1974, except for three years during World



War II when he served in the Army Air Force. He had a Dodge-Plymouth dealership before World War II. Dick served many terms as a member of Grimes City Council.

During 1942-46, Gladys was employed by the State Veterinarian Dept. in Des Moines. In 1957, she began working for Doctors in Radiology in Des Moines and remained with them until 1979. She served two terms as a member of Grimes Independent School Board.

Dick and Gladys have one son, Richard. He was with the Air Force as a meteorologist for 21 years, 10 of those years spent overseas, 2 years in Japan and 8 years in the Azores. He is now in Omaha with National Association of Credit Managers.



August, Herman, Emilie (Knoll) Premauer, Robert, Fred, Fredrick and Ernestine, not pictured, William

Fredrick Knoll was born in the Province of Pomerania in 1837, the son of a well-known German Cavalryman. He married Ernestine Bartelt. To this union, seven children were born: Herman, William, Fred, Emilie (Mrs. Frank Premauer), August, and Robert. A son died in infancy.

Herman, the eldest came to America first. The rest of the family, except William, came to America in 1888. William came later with his family. They settled in Grant Twp.

Fredrick and Ernestine farmed until they moved to Grimes, where Fredrick died in 1913. Ernestine passed away in 1916, aged 84.



August and Lesetta (Wipperman) Knoll were a well-known farm couple of Grant Twp. August immigrated

from Germany as a young man in 1888. In 1896, he married Lesetta Wipperman, daughter of John Frederick and Emilie (Kuehl) Wipperman, pioneer Grant Township residents.

They farmed 4½ miles N.W. of Grimes until 1906, when they purchased the farm that they farmed for many years, now the home of their youngest son, Ernest. They were members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, both serving on lay positions of the church. August also served as director of Grant No. 7 school district.

Mrs. Knoll was taken in death in 1937. August moved from the farm to Grimes in 1941, where he resided until his death in 1955. They were parents of six children: William, now deceased; Emma Karst; Ida Eiffert; Alma Meeker, now deceased; Clara Shepherd, now deceased; and Ernest of Grimes.

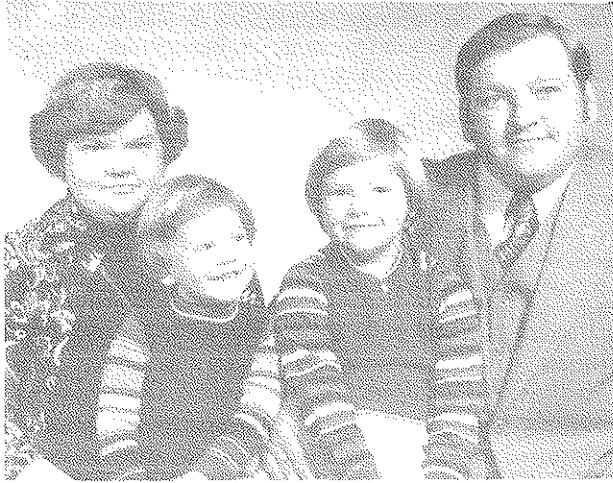


Eric Knoll, Kim Drischell (Eric's wife) Merle and Ruth Reingardt, Carla and Dennis Prather, Edna, August, Earnest and Philip Knoll

Ernest and Edna (Forret) Knoll farm northwest of Grimes in Grant Twp, which is Ernest's birth place. Ernest, the son of August and Lesetta (Wipperman) Knoll, was born in 1917. Edna, born in 1919, the daughter of Harry and Lena (Seibert) Forret, lived southeast of Grimes. She attended American Institute of Business and worked in the Polk County ASC office four years before their marriage in 1941.

They are parents of five children, who were all graduates of Wartburg College. August teaches at Wheatland; Ruth (Mrs. Merle Reingardt) teaches at Iowa Falls; Eric farms with Ernest and lives near Minburn; Carla (Mrs. Dennis Prather) is an accountant in Des Moines; Philip is still at home.

Ernest and Edna are active members of St. Peter's Lutheran Church. Ernest has served on the church board and Edna has served with the A. L. C. W. Ernest is a member of the Lions Club and Centennial Committee. He was a member of the Dallas Community School Board, 1968-78.



Ron Kramer and Sharon Osborne were married April 1965. Sharon was born and raised here at Grimes on a farm S. of town. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. (Cap) Osborne, Sharon was a member of the first kindergarten class to enroll in Grimes School in 1949 and this same class was the last to graduate from Old Grimes High in 1962. After graduation, Sharon worked at Bankers Trust in Des Moines for six years.

Ron was from Johnston. He graduated from Johnston High School 1961. After graduation Ron served three years in the U.S. Navy. Since their marriage they have resided in Grimes. Ron has been employed at John Deere in Ankeny since February 1965.

They have two daughters, Stephanie and Sarah.

Ron has been a member of the Clity Council from 1974 through 1979 and was elected Mayor in 1980. During his term as Mayor we will celebrate our Centennial.

Ron and Sharon are members of the First Presbyterian Church of Grimes and both are serving as Church Treasurer.



Robert and Carrie (Freer) Kuehl were married March 1916, in Des Moines. Robert, the son of William and Alvina Kuehl, was raised in Grant Twp of Dallas County. Carrie, the daughter of Thomas and Alice Freer was reared in the Rider area south of Grimes. Carrie was in the first four year graduating class of Grimes High School.

They farmed the farm on which Robert was raised until illness forced them to move to Grimes in 1946. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in March 1966. Robert died August 1966, and Carrie later moved to Spurgeon Manor in Dallas Center until her death, December 1976.

They had one daughter, Bonnie, who is married to Gerald Fitzgerald and they live in Des Moines. They have one daughter, Carolyn.



Pastor and Mrs. P. L. Kvitne arrived in Grimes February 1961, where Pastor Kvitne had accepted the call to serve St. Peter's Lutheran Church. They had two children, David and Mary Lou.

Pastor Kvitne's ministry to the congregation and the community lasted over 17 years. During that time the congregation grew with the community. What was basically a small town near Des Moines, became a suburban community with a large majority of residents commuting to work in the city.

David and Mary graduated from D.C.G High. In the summer of 1978, Pastor and Mrs. Kvitne moved to their present parish at Frederika, Iowa.



Dale Lint, son of George and Marie Lint, both deceased and Betty (Wilkie) Lint, daughter of Wesley (deceased) and Germaine Wilkie were raised in Grimes,