

Family Group Sheet for Charles Fredrick Knuth

Husband: Charles Fredrick Knuth
Birth: 10 Jan 1880 in Augusta, Wisconsin
Death: 12 May 1940 in Scotia, Washington (buried in Newport, Washington)
Marriage: 20 Sep 1908
Father: Carl August Knuth
: Wilhelmine Lambrecht
Mother: Clara Lund
Wife: 25 Sep 1889 in Fairchild, Wisconsin - at home
Birth: 05 Mar 1884 in Pullman, Washington
Death: Christ Lund
Father: Julia Christianson
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Mother: Lindsay John Knuth

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M **Children:** 22 May 1912 in North Dakota, USA
Name: 16 Aug 1987 in Sedro-Woolley, Skagit, Washington, USA
Birth: 02 Aug 1931
Death: Hannah Suiter
Marriage: Orlan Charles Knuth
Spouse: 04 Jul 1914 in Newburg, North Dakota
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M Name: 30 Jun 1977 in Pomeroy, Washington
Birth: Ruth Dora
Death: Beatrice Geraldine Knuth
Spouse: 24 Nov 1916 in Newburg, North Dakota
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F Name: 01 Apr 1980 in Spokane, Washington
Birth: Reinhard E. Krenz
Death:
Spouse: Marvin Ralph Knuth
23 Jan 1920
Name: 27 Oct 1964
Birth: 1943
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M Death: Josephine Soul
Marriage:
Spouse:

Notes

Clara Lund

Clara Lund, Knuth, Laabs was born September 25, 1889 in Fairchild, Wisconsin. She died March 5, 1984.

Clara was the fourth of seven children born to Christ Lund and Julia Christianson. The children were Annie, Albin, Oden, Clara, Vida, Tillie and Lena.

Clara went to school in Fairchild, Wisconsin, until the third grade. She moved to help out her grandmother and father, Christ Lund, who lived in Price, Wisconsin and owned a general merchandise store, post office and hardware. Clara's grandmother was busy as a nurse and midwife, so at eight years old, Clara worked doing the housework and other chores.

She never returned home but continued working until her marriage. She was working in a store for John Shear in Augusta, Wisconsin when she met Charles Fredrick Knuth. They were married in 1908 on September 20, in Kramer, North Dakota. Charles and Clara lived in Newburg, North Dakota for 17 years.

In May 1912, she received her taxidermy certificate from Omaha, Nebraska. Her house was full of stuffed animals of every description, small chipmunks, rabbits, deer and many birds of all varieties. Many of these found a home years later in Orlans' sporting goods store in Newport.

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Her second greatest hobby was photography which she continued for 70 years, and of which she was very prolific. When she moved many years later from Cour de Alene Street, she rather proudly exclaimed that she never thought she'd have a whole pickup load of her pictures and scrapbooks.

Clara was a lifetime collector. Besides all the animals, she collected dishes, rocks, butterflies, shells, valentines, 300 salt and pepper shakers and countless other things.

Clara did not have children for seven years. In 1914 they adopted Lindsey. Her own children quickly followed. Orlan was born in 1915, Beatrice in 1917 and Marvin in 1921.

Clara was a practical woman and very ingenious. They survived the grasshoppers, tornadoes, and the dust bowl days. She managed the family by raising 300 turkeys, she packed in salt barrels and sent to Chicago. She also raised foxes and canaries.

She was a lover of everything that was beautiful. The dust bowl days proved to be too much eventually. They sold all their belongings for \$2,500 and moved to Washington. On November 29, 1924 the family arrived in Spokane. Beatrice, Marvin and Clara came out on the train, while Charles, Orlan and Lindsey drove the Model T truck with all of the family belongings.

On July 25, 1925, they sold the Spokan house for \$3,500 and bought a farm of 80 acres near Scatia. In 1928 the house burned down with their clothes, the family treasures and 20 canaries.

They lived in the woodshed until the new house was built. They cleared 25 more acres during the depression years. They cut wood for Newport School at \$4.00 a cord. Each summer Clara canned up to 1,000 quarts of fruit.

Charles died in 1939 of a stroke. Clara continued on the farm with her youngest son, Marvin and two grandchildren, Nancy and Janet.

In 1941, she left the farm to go back to North Dakota, where she met and married Otto Laabs. They returned to the farm in 1946, then moved to Gig Harbor. In 1947 they returned to Spokane. Clara worked until retirement, at the Shriners Hospital in Spokane.

Clara had such strength of character. She was loved by all who met her. She solved family and neighborhood problems with a warm heart, a sugar cookie and a cup of tea. She never criticized or made suggestions. She was mother to many besides her own children. Her life spanned the horse and buggy days to the space age. She never complained and saw the good in everyone and everything. She was a tribute to all women.[KNUTH1.FTW]

Lindsay John Knuth

Lindsay was adopted by Charles and Clara Knuth approximately 1913. His adopted name was Lindsey J. Denius.

Lindsay Sr. mother was Mary Jane Lindsey from Canada, near Toronto. She married John Denius and they had 6 children, with Lindsay Sr. being only 11 months old when his mother died. All the kids were adopted out.

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Lindsay lived in Kane, Bottineau, North Dakota in the 1920, and in Diamond Lake, Pend Oreille, Washington in the 1930, and in Sedro-Wooley, Skagit, Washington from 1935 to the time of his death.

Orlan Charles Knuth

Orlan Knuth was born July 4, 1914 in Newburg, North Dakota. He died June 30, 1977 in Pone roy, Washington and was buried in Newport, Washington.

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Marvin Ralph Knuth

Military Record - December 30, 1943 - Spokane, Washington, His residence was in Kitsay, Washington,