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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Manfred Pioneer Festival planned for September 10, 2020 is on hold for now, with ongoing monitoring of the situation. We wish everyone safety and good health!

In this issue, we are pleased to present the

Matt and Mary Detling Family History



The Matt and Mary Detling Family

On the occasion of Grace's wedding, August 26, 1957

Standing L/R:

Matt, Jr., Burga, Ann, Emanuel, Joe, Lena, Leo

Seated L/R:

Harry, Grace, Clara, Mary, Ned, Lorretta, Matt, Sr., Betty, Bill, Garry

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MHP, Inc. Awarded School Panel Grant

MHP, Inc. has been awarded a grant for the
'Manfred School History Exhibit,' from the
State Historical Society of North Dakota.

2020 Intern, Katie David

We welcome Katie David to serve as the 2020
Intern at Manfred Heritage Museum. Katie
grew up at Cando and is majoring in Public
History at the University of Mary in Bismarck.

Newsletter Correction for Joseph Strauss

Please note an error on pages 8 and 12
in Volume 13, Issue 3. Joseph Strauss, Jr. s/b
Joseph Strauss without using the suffix, Jr.
When he entered the service, he learned that
since he and his father's middle names were
not identical, the suffix Jr. is not applicable.

In Memory

Eugene Howard Triebold

April 1, 1924 – October 13, 2019

Husband of Arlene Hustoft, the daughter
of Edward and Myrtle Hustoft and granddaughter
of settlers Jens and Bertha Hustoft

Floyd Lindbo

February 11, 1923 – January 3, 2020

Born and raised near Manfred,
the son of Fred and Anna Lindbo and grandson
of settlers Gullik and Ragnhild Lindbo

Fred Sommerfeld

April 4, 1926 – January 22, 2020

Fred and his family lived in the Manfred Depot while
he served as the Soo Line Depot Agent in Manfred

Arthur Robert Fischer

April 19, 1918 - March 2, 2020

Live-long resident south of Manfred and an active
members of Manfred Seventh Day Adventist Church

The Heritage of Matt and Mary Detling

Heritage for Matt Detling

Matt's parents, Sebastian and Elizabeth (Volk) Dettling (with two 't's) were both born in Odessa, Russia. Matt's father Sebastian was born in 1874 to Joseph Dettling and mother unknown – Sebastian and his brother Karl, born in 1876, became orphans. Matt's mother Elizabeth was born in 1876 to Joseph Volk and Lenora (Weninger) Volk.

Sebastian and Elizabeth married in 1899 at Manheim, Odessa, Russia. Their first child, **1**Magdalena, who later became Sister Crescentia, was born in 1900. In 1902, Sebastian and Elizabeth, together with their young daughter, departed by ship from Liverpool, England and immigrated to Canada. **2**Mathias 'Matt' J. Detling, was born February 13, 1903 near South Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, Canada. Less than a year later, Matt's father, Sebastian, died instantly of an accidental discharge of a gun, as noted in the November 6, 1903 issue of *Star-Phoenix* newspaper of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada.

After the passing of Matt's father, Sebastian, his mother, Elizabeth, married a second time in 1904 to Nicholas Thomas (b. 1867 in Russia) and they moved to North Dakota. Nicholas' first wife Frances Schell had died leaving three surviving children. Nicholas died on April 19, 1905 while working on Elizabeth's and his farm just prior to the birth of their son **3**Nicholas J. Thomas on May 25, 1905.

After the passing of Elizabeth's second husband, Nicholas, she married a third time later in 1905 in Towner, North Dakota to John Heilman (b. 1872 in Russia). John's first wife had died leaving four children. Together, Elizabeth and John had six children of their own: **4**Joseph 1906, **5**Jacob 1908, **6**Wendell 1910, **7**Rose 1912, **8**Barbara 1913, and **9**Benedict 1915.

Matt's sister and half siblings:

1 Magdalena Detling	1900-1957	
2 Mathias 'Matt' J. Detling	1903-1976	m. Mary Fix
3 Nicholas J. Thomas	1905-1984	m. Julia Wolf
4 Joseph 'Joe' Heilman	1906-1996	m. Magdalena 'Lena' Hilzendager
5 Jacob Heilman	1908-2002	m. Anne Marie Hilzendager
6 Wendell Heilman	1910-1984	m. Margaret Clara Hoffert
7 Rose Heilman	1912-1992	m. 1-Nick Heisler, 2-Tony Satler
8 Barbara Heilman	1913-2001	m. Matthew Hilzendager
9 Benedict (Ben) Heilman	1915-1982	m. Frances Mosser

Matt's step siblings:

10 Wendelin Thomas	1893-1944	
11 Katherina Thomas	1895-1915	m. Ludwig Buechler
12 Elizabeth Thomas	1900-1972	m. Joseph Senger
13 Ferdinand Heilman	1897-1949	m. Pauline Massine
14 Walter Heilman	1899-1981	m. Christine Heisler
15 John Heilman	1901-1930	m. Mary Magdalena Rieger
16 Sebastian Heilman	1903-1976	m. Lena Haberlack

At the time of Elizabeth's death, January 2, 1956, she and John had been married 50 years. John died December 2, 1957. They are both buried in the Mount Carmel Cemetery, Balta, North Dakota. In Elizabeth's obituary in the Pierce County Tribune, January 12, 1956, it states: "Mr. and Mrs. Heilman farmed for 31 years in Reno Valley Township, Pierce County. In 1939, they retired and moved to Balta where they lived until last July. Since that time they made their home with their daughter Rose and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Heisler, Esmond."

Matt's sister, Magdalena, entered as a Postulant in 1924 and was in the Novitiate at Stella Nigara, New York during 1925-1926, giving her Profession of Final Vows in 1930. She was assigned to various states such as Nebraska, Montana and California serving at several convents during 1926 to about 1950. She died in 1957 and is buried at Calvary Cemetery, Los Angeles, California.



Matt's step-father and his mother, John and Elizabeth Heilman in about 1905



Matt's sister, Sr. Crescentia

The Heritage of Matt and Mary Detling

Heritage for Mary (Fix) Detling

The parents of **Mary Anna Fix** were Franz 'Frank' Fix and Elizabeth (Buchmeier) Fix. Mary's father, Frank Fix, was born in 1876, one of six children to Joseph Fix and Agnes (Bachmeier) Fix in Franzfeld, Odessa, Russia. In 1881, when Frank was five years old, the family made a month-long trip by boat to the USA.

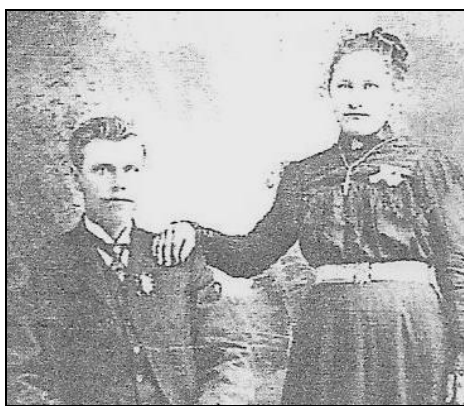
After Frank, his siblings, and his parents Joseph and Agnes Fix arrived in Eureka, South Dakota, Joseph and other men found employment working on the railroad out of Eureka for a time to earn money. Later, Joseph and Agnes homesteaded in Hillside Township, Pierce County, near Selz, North Dakota. When Joseph and Agnes retired, they moved into Selz. Joseph died in 1935 and Agnes died in 1941. They are both buried in St. Anthony Cemetery, Selz, Pierce County, North Dakota, USA.

Mary's mother, Elizabeth, was born in 1878, one of five children to Ignatz 'Ned' Buchmeier and Philomena (Thomas) Buchmeier in Ukrainets, Kurgan, Russia. Her siblings were Marianna who married Alexander Degenstein, Philomena who married Egide Gross, Josephine who married Stanuis Martin, and Carl who married Pauline Schmitz. The family immigrated to the USA in the late 1880s. Ned and Philomena homesteaded near Orrin, North Dakota. Ignatz died in 1923 and Philomena died in 1935, and are both buried in the Orrin Cemetery, Pierce County, North Dakota, USA.

Frank and Elizabeth were married on July 4, 1904. They homesteaded on Section 30 of Alexander Township in Pierce County near Selz where they farmed until retiring to Harvey in 1936. Elizabeth died in 1951 and Frank died in 1971.

The children of Frank and Elizabeth Fix:

1 Karl 'Charlie'	1905-1986	m. Katherine Boser
2 Mary Anna	1907-1980	m. Matt Detling
3 John	1908-1934	m. Mary Kambeitz
4 Alexander	1909-1961	m. Barbara Baumstarck
5 Emanuel	1910-1998	m. Luella Bodine
6 Nicholas	1913-1989	m. Mary Kambeitz (John's widow)
7 Philomena	1915-2009	m. Gerhard Huus
8 Ignatz	1918-1922	



Frank and Elizabeth Fix
July of 1904



Frank and Elizabeth Fix
July of 1948



Frank Fix in 1970
celebrating his 94th birthday

Matt and Mary's Heritage Roots

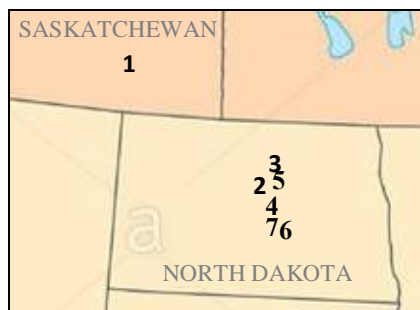
Matt and Mary Detling stem from the heritage of Germans who were among people of various countries invited to move to the part of Russia that is now Ukraine, to settle and farm the land there. The book, From the Steppes to the Prairies by Msgr. George P. Aberle, published in 1963, is the story of Germans settling in Russia on the Volga and Ukraine, Germans settling in the Banat, Bohemians settling in Crimea, and their resettlement in North and South America and in Canada. The Germans living in Russia had built a fairly good life until the Russians began to break their promises, after which the Germans endured many hardships in leaving and in making their way to a new land.

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Matt and Mary Detling
on their wedding day, February 4, 1928

Locations for Matt and Mary



- 1 Matt was born near South Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, Canada
- 2 Matt's family lived near Orrin, North Dakota for a time
- 3 Matt's family settled near Rugby, North Dakota
- 4 Mary was born near Selz, North Dakota
- 5 Matt and Mary lived near Silva, North Dakota until 1944
- 6 Matt and Mary moved to a farm near Manfred for the remainder of their farming career
- 7 Matt and Mary retired to Harvey

Mathias 'Matt' J. Detling was born February 13, 1903, near South Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan, Canada. He was the second of two children born to Sebastian and Elizabeth (Volk) Dettling who were both born in Odessa, Russia now Ukraine. The family immigrated to Canada in about 1902. Sebastian died when Matt was less than a year old.

Matt's mother, Elizabeth, married a second time in 1904 to Nicholas Thomas at which time the family moved to North Dakota. Elizabeth was soon widowed a second time, but remarried in 1905 in Towner, North Dakota to John Heilman. The family first lived at Orrin, North Dakota and in 1910, when Matt was about seven years old, the family moved to a farm near Rugby, North Dakota where Matt grew to adulthood. Matt spelled his surname with one 't,' as Detling.

Mary Anna Fix was born February 27, 1907 near Selz, North Dakota one of five children to Frank and Elizabeth (Buchmeier) Fix, who were both born in Odessa, Russia now Ukraine. They had immigrated to the USA in the late 1800s. Mary grew up on the family farm near Selz.

Matt and Mary were married February 4, 1928 in Selz and began farming near Silva, North Dakota. Matt and Mary welcomed their first child **1**Ann in 1928, then **2**Lena in 1930, **3**Sebastian in 1931 who died at five days old, **4**Burga in 1932, **5**Betty in 1934, **6**Emanuel in 1936, **7**Grace in 1938, **8**Joe in 1939, and **9**Leo in 1941. Matt's mother Elizabeth assisted Mary in childbirth of these children. The other children were born in a hospital. **10**Matt, Jr. was born in 1942 in the Rugby hospital.

In 1944, Matt and Mary and family moved to a farm about four miles southwest of Manfred. Their remaining children were born in the Harvey hospital. In 1945, they welcomed twin boys, **11**Harry and **12**Garry, into the family, then **13**Ned in 1946, **14**Bill in 1948, **15**Clara in 1950, and **16**Lorretta in 1952. Matt and Mary were members of St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Fessenden and the Manfred Farmers Union Elevator.



The Matt and Mary Detling farm near Manfred



Farm work on the Detling farm in 1948

Matt and Mary's farmhouse taken after daughter Ann's wedding in 1948 ↓



Matt and Mary's farm near Manfred
Twp 149, R 71,
Section 31

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Matt and Mary in 1949

Matt and Mary Detling celebrating their 25th Anniversary in 1953Matt and Mary on their 43rd Anniversary in 1971

In addition to his farm work, Matt also did custom baling. Mary was a part of Christian Mothers as noted in the September 16, 1950 issue of the Wells County Free Press, "The Christian Mothers were entertained at the Matt Detling home Sunday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. M. F. Jenny and Audrey Strauss. Mrs. Detling served a very delicious lunch at the close of the meeting."

Primary school for the older children began at Silva and continued at the school in Manfred where the younger children also attended. Most of the children had Myrtle Rogness as their teacher for the first four grades with different teachers for grades five through eight. At home, the children learned the importance of a hard work ethic. They helped, not only on their parent's farm, but also at neighboring farms. They did work such as shocking grain, chores, as well as babysitting for many people in the Manfred area.

Family memories of Matt and Mary include: that they enjoyed watching Lawrence Welk's musical television program; that they made such things as homemade ice cream, sausage, smoked fish, and German Russian ethnic foods; that Mary planted a large garden and did a lot of canning; and that they had a strong faith and moral values. After Matt retired from farming and sold the farm in 1966, the family moved to Harvey where they attended St. Cecilia Catholic Church. Matt and Mary enjoyed visits from family, including their many grandchildren. Matt died September 1, 1976 while hospitalized in Bismarck, and Mary died August 12, 1980 in the Harvey hospital. Both died at age 73 and are buried in St. Cecilia Cemetery at Harvey.



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Matt and Mary Detling Family in 1952

Back L/R:
Grace, Betty, Joe, Burga, Matt, Emanuel, Lorretta, Mary, Lena, Ann

Front L/R:
Clara, Bill, Ned, Harry, Garry, Matt, Leo



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Matt and Mary with five of their daughters in 1975

L/R:
Lorretta, Burga, Betty, Matt, Clara, Mary, Grace



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Mary Detling in 1978

The Children of Matt and Mary Detling

<i>Children</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Married</i>
1 Anna 'Ann'	1928-2013	Edward 'Ed' Sauter
2 Lena	1930	Aloys 'Al' Walz
3 Sebastian	1931-1931	
4 Burga	1932	Orville Smestad
5 Betty	1934-2003	Gerald 'Jerry' Froeber
6 Manuel 'Manny'	1936-1990	Nancy Hanratty
7 Grace	1938-2007	Francis Thueringer
8 Joe	1939	Shirley Lauseng
9 Leo 'Lee'	1941-2017	Crystal Billingsley
10 Matt, Jr.	1942	Lois Goldade
11 Harry	1945	
12 Garry	1945	Betty Michelson
13 Ned	1946	Jacqueline 'Jackie' Scheck
14 Bill	1948	Carol Hilzer
15 Clara	1950	Gerald Elhard
16 Lorretta	1952	Joel 'Joe' Graumann



The children of Matt and Mary Detling in 1982

L/R:

Back: Ned, Harry, Joe, Manuel, Leo, Bill, Garry, Matt

Front: Betty, Ann, Clara, Lorretta, Burga, Lena, Grace

1 ANN

Anna Mary Detling was born October 13, 1928, near Silva, North Dakota, and attended school in Silva. Ann lived and worked in Fargo before marrying Edward 'Ed' Sauter, from Anamoose, North Dakota, June 28, 1948, in Fessenden.

Ed and Ann, together with their children, moved to Roseburg, Oregon, in 1964. Ann worked as a waitress many years, which included 30 years at local establishments in Roseburg. The *Roseburg News Review* featured an article on Ann in 1986 in which she was described as "quick-witted, always smiling and humming, and always having something to say as she waited tables."

Ann and Ed, many times accompanied by their daughter Debora 'Debbiee,' enjoyed making trips to family get-togethers, camping and fishing at the Oregon Coast, and visits from their children and grandchildren in Roseburg. Ed died February 24, 1994, at the age of 69. In her later years, Ann enjoyed spending time with her family and crocheting gifts for everyone. Ann died September 11, 2013, at the age of 84. Ann and Ed are both buried in Roseburg Memorial Gardens, Roseburg, Oregon.

Ann and Ed had three children: **1**David married Teresa Maroney Counts and they have two children: **1**Travis Counts-Sauter and **2**Jeremy David 'JD' has a daughter Ulionna; **2**Debbiee married Gerald Griffin. Debbiee died December 29, 2013 at age 59 from lung cancer; and **3**Dorinda married Tony Miller and they have two children: **1**Kristen married Brett Smith and they have two children: Kendal and Lainey, and **2**Joshua married Justine Gardiner.



L/R:

The wedding of Ann and Ed Sauter in 1948
Harold Sauter, Lena Walz, Ann and Ed, Lillian Sauter
and Lawrence Zuther. Ring bearer Matt, Jr., Flower girl -Unknown



Ann, Debbiee, and Ed
attending the 1992 Detling
Reunion at Watford City, ND



Ann, Debbiee, David, and
Teresa attending the 2000
Detling Reunion at Kent, WA



Ann and her family at the 2008 Detling Reunion at Roseburg, OR

L/R: Brett and Kristen (Miller) Smith, Tony and Dorinda Miller,
Joshua Miler, Ann, David Sauter, Debbiee (Sauter) and Gerald Griffin

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2 LENA

Magdalena 'Lena' Detling was born January 1, 1930, near Silva, North Dakota. She attended school in the Silva and Manfred public schools. Lena lived and worked in Fargo prior to her marriage to Aloys 'Al' Walz on June 22, 1953 in Fessenden.

In 1957, Al and Lena moved to a farm near Mahanomen, Minnesota. They, together with their daughter Karen, took many trips to attend family gatherings. Lena enjoyed sewing and crocheting. Al retired from farming in 1991, and they later moved to Fargo. Al died May 20, 2006 at the age of 76.

In 2011, Lena became a resident of Manor Care Health Services in Fargo, now known as Meadows on University. She likes putting puzzles together, bingo, crafts, and especially enjoys the music entertainment.

Al and Lena had three children: **1**Karen died from cancer November 15, 2011 at the age of 57; **2**Eugene 'Gene' married Nancy Bell. Gene had two children: **1**Adam married Jessica Schumacher and **2**Nicole married Jarett Lettner. Nancy had two children: Susan and Erik; and **3**Steven married Corinna Klett who had two children: Angela has two children: Leya and Tugg, and Jeremiah.



Al and Lena Walz
married June 22, 1953



L/R: Walz Thanksgiving gathering in 2004
Back: Steven Walz, Al and Lena, Adam Walz
Front: Nancy Walz, Karen Walz, Nicole Walz, Gene Walz

3 SEBASTIAN

Sebastian Detling was born September 5, 1931 and died September 10, 1931. He is buried in a cemetery near Silva, North Dakota.



Five Detling Sisters in the late 1940s
L/R: Lena, Ann, Burga, Betty, Grace

4 BURGA

Notaburga 'Burga' Detling was born December 8, 1932, near Silva, North Dakota. She attended school at Silva and Manfred. She married Orville Smestad on October 7, 1957 in Fessenden. Orville and Burga made their home in Valley City.

Being actively involved in her three sons' Boy Scouts activities was important to Burga, in which she served as a den mother. She also obtained a G.E.D. Burga worked as a waitress many years in Valley City.

Burga often made trips to West Fargo to watch her two grandsons compete in high school swim meets, and to Minnesota to watch her granddaughter play high school basketball. Orville and Burga traveled to many family gatherings. Burga has enjoyed doing crafts, crocheting, and continues to enjoy gardening.

Orville and Burga had three sons: **1**Clyde married Brenda Larson and they have two sons: **1**Adam married Miyuki Young, and **2**Alex; **2**Curtis died May 28, 1985 at age 24 in a car accident; and **3**Craig has a daughter Breianna.



Orville and Burga Smestad
on their wedding day
October 7, 1957



September 21, 2019
Alex Smestad-brother of the groom, Brenda Smestad-mother of the groom, Vi Larson- maternal grandmother to the groom, Miyuki and Adam Smestad- bridal couple, Clyde Smestad-father of the groom, Burga and Orville Smestad-paternal grandparents of the groom



L/R: Burga and Orville, granddaughter Breianna Smestad celebrating her high school graduation, and their son Craig Smestad. June 8, 2019

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5 BETTY

Elizabeth 'Betty' Detling was born June 24, 1934, near Silva, North Dakota. As a girl, she attended school in Silva and Manfred. She held various jobs in the Harvey and Fessenden area, including babysitting and waitressing.

Betty married Gerald 'Jerry' Froeber on April 29, 1957 in Fessenden. Jerry worked for the Soo Line Railroad as a section crewman, but primarily as a telegrapher for 38 years. Jerry and Betty lived in New Town, North Dakota; Nashua, Minnesota; and Harvey and Enderlin, North Dakota before moving to Fargo, North Dakota in 1989.

Over the years, Betty and Jerry enjoyed attending family gatherings. Betty enjoyed crafting and cooking, traveling to see relatives, playing cards, and making quilts for newborn grandchildren. Her grandchildren were a source of tremendous pride to her. Betty was a VFW Ladies' Auxiliary member beginning in 1971.

Jerry died at home on March 18, 2003 at the age of 74. Betty died November 27, 2003 at the age of 69 in Fairview Southdale Hospital, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Jerry and Betty are both buried at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery near Mandan, North Dakota.

Betty and Jerry had three children: **1**Kristi married Donn Frahm and they had three children: **1**Kent Matthew died as an infant in 1982, **2**Whitney married Brice Anderson and they have two children: Drew and Ellis, and **3**Kendall; **2**Kevin married Michelle 'Missy' Rolfson and they have two children: **1**David and **2**Michael; and **3**Kari married Rex Phipps and they have a son, Benjamin.



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Jerry and Betty
Froeber were
married on
April 29, 1957



L/R: 2002 Detling Reunion in Mound, MN
Donn, Kristi, and Kendall Frahm, Jerry and Betty,
David, Missy and Kevin Froeber



2019 Detling Reunion in Bismarck, ND
L/R: Kristi (Froeber) Frahm, Kari (Froeber)
Phipps, Kevin and Missy Froeber

6 MANUEL 'MANNY'

Emanuel 'Manuel' Detling, also known as 'Manny,' was born May 24, 1936 near Silva, North Dakota. He attended school in Silva and Manfred. He served in the United States Army from 1959 through 1962. While in the service, he served in the presidential military escort for John F. Kennedy's inaugural parade.

Manny married Nancy Hanratty on February 8, 1963 in Baltimore, Maryland. They made their home in Arlington, Virginia. He was a self-employed auto mechanic, and owned and operated several businesses in that area, including 'Manny's Garage.' He died in his home on January 22, 1990 at the age of 53 from a heart attack. Nancy died October 11, 1997 in her home at the age of 55 from cancer. Manny and Nancy are both buried at Columbia Gardens Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia.

Manny and Nancy had three children: **1**Dianne; **2**Kevin; and **3**Patrick married Maria Gizzi.



←
Manny and Nancy Detling
married on February 8, 1963

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Manny and Nancy
in 1988



Manny and Nancy Detling family in 1990
L/R: Nancy, Patrick, Dianne, and Kevin

The Children of Matt and Mary Detling

7 GRACE

Grace Frances Detling was born March 20, 1938, near Silva, North Dakota. She attended school in Manfred and Fessenden. She married Francis Thueringer on August 26, 1957 in Fessenden. Grace and Francis made their home in Kent, Wash.

Grace enjoyed crafting, quilting, baking, canning, and playing bingo. Grace and Francis attended many family gatherings over the years. Francis died December 5, 1995 at the age of 65 from cancer. Grace died May 14, 2007 at the age of 69. Francis and Grace are both buried at Hillcrest Burial Park, Kent, Washington.

Francis and Grace had four children: **1**Douglas, died April 26, 2013 at the age of 54, had a daughter Ashley Wintermyer; **2**Diane; **3**Dean has a daughter Melissa; and **4**Darvin, died October 10, 2013 at the age of 49 from cancer, had a daughter Kylee.



← Francis and Grace Thueringer, August 26, 1957

→ Francis and Grace attending a family reunion in 1994



← For the funeral of Francis in 1995
L/R: Doug, Diane, Grace, Dean, and Darvin

8 JOE

Joseph 'Joe' Detling was born near Silva, North Dakota on June 24, 1939. He attended school in Manfred and also Hanson Mechanical Trade School at Fargo, North Dakota. Joe went into the United States Navy in September 1957. He received an honorable medical discharge in October 1957.

Joe began working in Fargo in the construction field. In 1964, he moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota where he continued working in this field with Ryan Companies. There, he served in the positions of foreman and superintendent until he retired.

Joe married Shirley Lauseng on July 22, 1967 in Brookings, South Dakota. They made their home in Minneapolis, and later in Mound, Minnesota. Joe enjoys fishing, gardening, and spending time with their grandchildren. Joe and Shirley had two sons **1**Robert 'Bob' has three children: twins-**1**Bode and **2**Makena, and **3**Kellen; and **2**Derek.



Joe and Shirley in 1982 with their sons:
L/R: Robert and Derek



Joe, Shirley, and Derek in 1996



← Joe and Shirley in 2018



← Son Bob and his children in 2019: L/R: Makena, Kellen, Bob and Bode

9 LEO 'LEE'

Leo 'Lee' Detling was born February 8, 1941 near Silva, North Dakota. He went to school at Manfred. He later served as a radio telegraph operator in the United States Marine Corp from 1959 to 1965. He obtained a military G.E.D. during that time. He was honorably discharged in March 1965 after being awarded the Good Conduct Medal and the Rifle and Pistol Expert Medal.

Lee lived and worked in Oregon, Washington, Colorado, and settled in Glasgow, Montana, working at Mountain Bell/U.S. West. Lee married Crystal Billingsley in 1983. In 1988, his employer moved the family to Billings, and in 2004, he retired from Qwest. Lee's joy in life was traveling to family reunions, watching his grandchildren grow up and following the many sports they participated in. Lee died October 3, 2017 at the age of 76 at St. Vincent Hospital in Billings, Montana surrounded by his family.

Lee and Crystal had a son: Jake married Desarae Heywood and they have two sons: Karter and Kamron. Crystal had a daughter, Jori married Dustin Rains and they have five children: Braydon has two daughters: Jaelynn and Bentlee; Sidney; Kaylee; Jayce died as an infant; and Keira.

→ Lee and Jake in 1986



2016
Front L/R: Jake, Desarae, Jaelynn, Bentlee, Braydon, Kaylee, Crystal, Lee — Back L/R: Dustin, Jori, Sidney, Keira, Karter, Kamron

The Children of Matt and Mary Detling

10 MATT, JR.

Mathias 'Matt' Dettling, Jr. was born June 8, 1942 in Rugby, North Dakota. He attended Manfred Public School where he was known as 'Junior,' and later attended Diesel Mechanical School in Los Angeles, California. Matt served in the United States Navy from 1959 to 1963. When he enlisted in the Navy, he learned his surname on his birth certificate is recorded with two 'tt's, so that is what he as well as his descendants have used from then on.

Matt married Lois Goldade from Harvey on July 1, 1964. Matt worked in the construction business in Harvey. In 1980, they moved their family to Watford City, North Dakota where they owned and operated Watford City Ready Mix. In 1986, they expanded their business to New Town as New Town Ready Mix.

Their business was one of the major subcontractors involved in the construction of Four Bears Bridge built over the Missouri River on Highway 23 between New Town and the Four Bears Lodge and Casino. In 2012, they sold the business to their son Mark and moved to Bismarck.

Matt and Lois enjoy getting together with their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren; and fishing. They had two children: **1**Kandas Wold has three sons: **1**Derik Weckerly married Joya Bredwick and they have two daughters: Natalie and Quinn, **2**Kirk Weckerly married Maria Baye and they have two children: Trae and Emri, and **3**Tanner Wold; and **2**Mark married Jennifer LaBounty and they have a son, Steven.



→
Matt served
in the US Navy,
1959-1963



←
Matt and Lois Dettling
were married July 1, 1964



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L/R: 2019
Mark, Lois,
Matt, Kandas



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L/R: 2019
Jennifer, Steven,
and Mark



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2019 - The great
grandchildren
of Matt and Lois
L/R: Trae, Emri,
Natalie, Quinn

11 HARRY

Harry Detling was born March 14, 1945 in Harvey, North Dakota, and is a twin to Garry. He attended Manfred School and Fessenden High School, before enlisting in the United States Army in December 1962. He was trained in electronic communications and then assigned in France for two years where he used his training at a relay station. He later obtained a G.E.D. He received his discharge in December 1965.

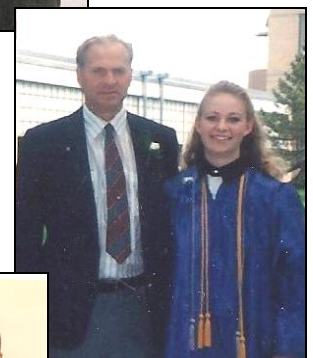
After the service, Harry lived in Minneapolis for a couple of years, working in construction. He then returned to the Fessenden area where he continued working in the construction field. Harry also worked for the Fessenden Public School District for 14 years, and the Fessenden Coop Elevator part time after he retired.

Harry hosted the July 2006 Detling Family Reunion at his home in Manfred. There was a great turnout with all seven remaining brothers and four out of five remaining sisters in attendance. Also attending was Mary Detling's only living sibling at that time-Philomena Huus from Minot. Harry had fun activities like volleyball, paddle boat, and bingo set up for the event. Harry has a daughter, Mindy.



←
Twins, Harry and
Garry on their 6th
birthday in 1951

→
Harry and his
daughter Mindy
when she graduated
from Fessenden High
School in 1994



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Harry and his daughter
Mindy in 2019

The Children of Matt and Mary Detling

12 GARRY

Garry Detling was born March 14, 1945 in Harvey, North Dakota, and is a twin to Harry. He attended Manfred Public School and Fessenden High School and graduated in 1963. Garry served in the United States Army from June 1963 to June 1966. He was stationed in Hawaii for two years and also served in Vietnam for six months.

Following his military service, Garry lived in Harvey and worked at Harvey Motor Service. He married Betty Michelson from Martin on October 28, 1967 in Harvey. Garry and Betty made their home in Bismarck where he worked for the U.S. Post Office as a mail carrier until he retired. Garry also attended Bismarck State College. He enjoys hunting and fishing with his sons, and with his brothers Matt and Harry.

Garry and Betty have two sons: **1**Scott married Shawn Fairaizi and she had two children: Tyler and Jordyn; and **2**Corey.



← Garry in the Army, 1963-1966

Post wedding reception for Scott and Shawn, May 2010 L/R: Tyler, Jordyn, Corey, Betty, Shawn, Scott, Garry ↓



← Garry and Betty, 2018 West Fargo Reunion

13 NED

Ignatz 'Ned' Detling was born December 30, 1946 in Harvey, North Dakota. He attended Manfred Public School and Fessenden High School, graduating in 1964. He was known as "Neddy" when growing up. He served in the United States Army 1965 to 1968, being stationed in Panama.

Following his military service, Ned lived in Seattle, Washington and worked for Boeing. He later moved to Denver where he owned and operated Ned's Auto Body Repair. His profession and hobby included restoring cars to their original state and/or modifying them into 'street rods.' Ned married Jacqueline 'Jackie' Scheck August 7, 1982 in Denver, Colorado. In 1987, Ned and Jackie moved their family to Mitchell, Nebraska where he continues his auto body repair business.

Ned and Jackie have four children: **1**Nathan; **2**BreAnn married Zachary Tower and they have two children: **1**Rowan and **2**Rexton; **3**Elisa; and **4**Evan. Ned had a daughter, Regan married Bo Benson and they have three children: Blake, Bryce, and Brock.



← Ned and Jackie married August 7, 1982



L/R: Nathan, Evan, BreAnn, Rowan, Elisa, Jackie and Ned in 2017

14 BILL

William 'Bill' Detling was born March 15, 1948 in Harvey, North Dakota. He attended Manfred Public School and Harvey High School, graduating in 1968. He was known as "Willy" when growing up. He served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1970, being stationed in Alabama and for a short time in Wisconsin.

Bill then attended the Law Enforcement Training Academy in Bismarck and worked as a police officer in Harvey for almost two years before moving to Denver in 1973 where he worked for Timpote Trailers just under 10 years. He then owned and operated Bill's Landscaping until he retired.

Bill married Carol Hilzer May 25, 1974 in Denver, Colorado. They attended many family gatherings. Carol died October 27, 2012 at the age of 59 after a courageous battle with cancer. Bill and Carol had a daughter Jennifer who, in 2018, graduated from Liberty University with a Masters of Arts in Professional Counseling.



← Bill and Carol married May 25, 1974



↑ Carol, Jennifer, and Bill hosted the 2004 Denver Reunion →

Jennifer received her Master's Degree in 2018



15 CLARA

The Children of Matt and Mary Detling

Clara Detling was born March 3, 1950 in Harvey, North Dakota. She attended Manfred Public School and Harvey High School graduating in 1968. She also took bookkeeping classes at the air base in Glasgow, Montana. She lived in Jamestown, North Dakota and worked as a bookkeeper for a number of years, then as a waitress for 11 years at Lil's Restaurant. She also attended Jamestown College for one year.

Clara married Gerald Elhard January 26, 1980 in Jamestown. In 1982, they hosted the first organized Detling Family Reunion at their home in Jamestown. There was a cake to honor three sisters, Betty, Grace, and Burga all married in 1957! This was the only reunion with all 15 siblings in attendance.

Gerald and Clara moved their family to Fargo, North Dakota in 1991 where she worked as a waitress at the Fryn' Pan for 18 years before retiring. Clara enjoys making home-cooked meals when children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren visit. She has a tradition of baking quite a few different cookies at Christmas for her family. She also likes playing cards and going to family reunions.

Clara had two sons, Tony and Brian, adopted by Gerald; and Gerald had a son, Matthew, adopted by Clara. **1**Tony has four children: **1**Devon has a daughter Danika. Devon is engaged to Zoe and they have a son, Lincoln; **2**Bryce; **3**Britni married Scott Lawrence. She had a daughter Kaia, and they have a daughter, Alexa; and **4**Alexandria Elhard Binder; **2**Brian married Laurie Klose and they have three children: **1**Preston, **2**Zoe, and **3**Charlie; and **3**Matthew married Rosa Burgos and they have two sons: **1**John and **2**Levi.



Gerald and Clara were married January 26, 1980



† 1982 - Gerald, Clara, Tony, Brian, and Matthew



← Gerald and Clara in 2010 on their 30th Wedding Anniversary



2018 West Fargo Reunion – L/R Back: Preston, Brian, Devon, Tony, John, Cousin David, Matthew – L/R Front: Zoe, Laurie, Charlie, Alexandria, Danika, Gerald, Clara, Rosa, Levi

16 LORRETTA

Lorretta Detling was born July 15, 1952 in Harvey, North Dakota. She attended Manfred Public School and has fond memories of Mrs. Rogness as a teacher for grades 1-4. She graduated from Harvey High School in 1970. After attending Minot State College for three quarters, she lived in Denver, Colorado for 14 years working primarily as a legal secretary. In 1985, Lorretta moved to Bismarck and worked as a secretary at a state agency. She believes God convicted her to return to North Dakota as she struggled to find meaning in her fast-paced, big city lifestyle in Denver. She began to search for spiritual meaning as the teachings and religious practices she was brought up with became a more important part of her life, growing into a deeper relationship with her Savior, Jesus Christ.

Lorretta and Joel 'Joe' Graumann, high school classmates that dated a few times, became reacquainted and married June 19, 1987 in Bismarck at a small ceremony officiated by Judge Gail Hagerty. They lived near Harvey nine months, then Casselton from 1988-1995. Lorretta attended Moorhead State College, Minnesota 1988 to 1991, graduating with a bachelor's degree in social work.

Joe's banking career took them to Newcastle and Sundance, Wyoming; Dickinson, Bismarck, and Fargo, North Dakota, over the next 20 years. Lorretta worked part time as a social worker at the Crook County Hospital and Nursing Home in Sundance and Edgewood Vista Assisted Living in Bismarck, and also did secretarial work in Dickinson, Bismarck, and Fargo. They moved to Fountain Hills, Arizona in 2014.

Lorretta enjoys walking, hiking, line dancing, playing cards, volunteering, attending family gatherings, and seeing friends and family that visit Arizona. Lorretta and Joe have a son, Nicholas 'Nick' married Jessica 'Jess' Kellner. Joe had three children: Ginger married Mike James and they have a daughter, Sophie; Sam; and Holly married Jeff Higgins and they have three children: twins-Collin and Annalyn, and McKinlee.



Joe and Lorretta married 06/19/1987



L/R: Nick, Ginger, Sam, and Holly in 1992



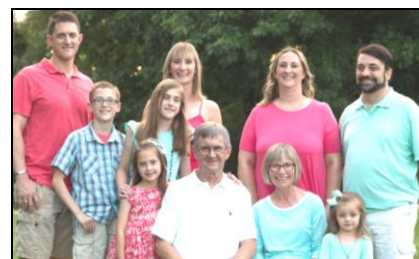
L/R: Joe, Lorretta, Jess, and Nick In 2015

July 2018: →
L/R: Back:

Jeff, Collin, Annalyn, Holly, Ginger, Mike

Front:

McKinlee, Joe, Lorretta, Sophie



DETILING FAMILY SNAPSHOTS

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Growing Up Years

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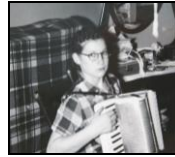
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- 1 Ann and Lena 1930
- 2 Lena and Ann biking in 1948
- 3 Twins, Harry and Garry in 1948
- 4 Home from school: Betty, Grace, Leo, Manuel, Joe, Matt In 1949
- 5 Betty, Ann, Burga in 1949
- 6 Juneberry picking: Leo, Manuel, Burga, Joe in 1950
- 7 Burga playing the accordion, 1952
- 8 Clara and Lena in 1952
- 9 Clara and Lorretta in 1956

A Celebration of Detling Reunions

Detling Reunions to Date

1. 1982 Jamestown, ND
2. 1987 Harvey, ND
3. 1990 Mitchell, NE
4. 1992 Watford City, ND
5. 1994 Roseburg, OR
6. 1996 Billings, Mt
7. 1998 West Fargo, ND
8. 2000 Kent, WA
9. 2002 Mound, MN
10. 2004 Denver, CO
11. 2006 Manfred, ND
12. 2008 Roseburg, OR
13. 2009 Fargo, ND
14. 2013 Champaign, IL
15. 2016 West Fargo, ND
16. 2018 West Fargo, ND
17. 2019 Bismarck, ND



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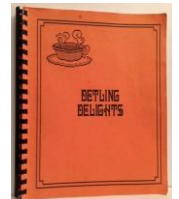
Three couples, each married in 1957, celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversaries at the 1982 Detling Reunion:

Francis and Grace (Detling) Thueringer, m. August 1957
Orville and Burga (Detling) Smestad, m. October 1957
Jerry and Betty (Detling) Froeber, m. April 1957

Detling Reunion Mementos

Grace gave each of her sisters a pillow she made for the 2000 Kent, Washington Detling Reunion

Detling Delights cookbook compiled by Debbiee Sauter for the 1994 Roseburg, Oregon Reunion ↓



7th Detling Reunion held at West Fargo, ND, 1998 where 14 Detling siblings gathered together
L/R: Ned, Bill, Matt, Harry, Lee, Garry, Joe



Ann, Lena, Burga, Betty, Grace, Clara, Lorretta



17th Detling Reunion held at Bismarck, ND, 2019 - 7 Detling siblings are sitting in front as follows:

L/R: Clara Lorretta Burga Garry Matt Ned Harry