

**THE
NORWEGIAN ANCESTRY
OF JOHANNES (JOHN) LARSON (1886-1957);
FROM THE BAKKEN SUBFARM, GUGGEDAL MAIN
FARM IN ROGALAND COUNTY, NORWAY TO THE
SULDAL NORWEGIAN SETTLEMENT IN JUNEAU
COUNTY, WISCONSIN**



The Creamery at Suldal Crossing: John Larson (#275) and
Lars Benson (see #99). Located at the crossing of Suldal
and Johnson Roads, Lindina Township, Juneau County,
Wisconsin

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Tradition claims that the **Lemonweir River** was named for a dream. Prior to the War of 1812, an Indian runner was dispatched with a war belt of wampum with a request for the Dakotas and Chippewas to meet at the big bend of the Wisconsin River (Portage). While camped on the banks of the Lemonweir, the runner dreamed that he had lost his belt of wampum at his last sleeping place. On waking in the morning, he found his dream to be a reality and he hastened back to retrieve the belt. During the 1820's, the French-Canadian fur traders called the river, **La memoire - the memory.**

The Lemonweir rises in the extensive swamps and marshes in Monroe County. The river divides Juneau County into two topographic areas. The region north of the Lemonweir River Valley, which comprises two-thirds of the county, is a nearly level sand plain covered with marshes and swamps. The southern one-third of the county is a rugged, highland plateau, dissected in every direction by valleys and ravines.

The river has given its name to Lemonweir Township, the East Lemonweir Lutheran Church, the Lemonweir Valley Press, etc.

Front Cover: Johnnie Larson and his first cousin, Lars Benson, Suldal Crossing creamery.

Back Cover: Map of Rogaland County with the traditional parishes located.



John Larson and Olive Onsager wedding, June 3, 1914, East Lemonweir Church, Left to Right: Marie Benson, John Larson, Carl Onsager, Mollie Western, Olive Onsager, and Larcene Larson



Olive Onsager
“The prettiest girl in the valley”

Frontispiece

This book is dedicated to our ancestors who
made the decision to pull up their roots and leave everything
they knew to start a new life in
America

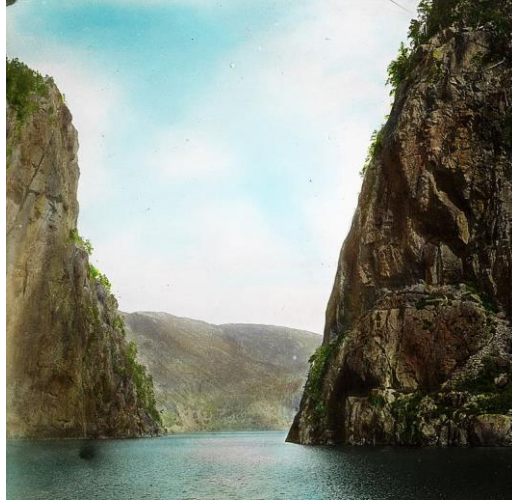
Introduction

The Johannes Larson family is part of the Norwegian-American settlement in southern Juneau County which became known as Suldal (see Onsager, Lawrence, *The Juneau County Bygdebok*, Digital Commons, Andrews University, <https://digitalcommons.andrews.edu/pubs/146/>). Einer Haugen described it in 1952 as " a small settlement mostly comprised with the triangle formed by the villages of Elroy, Mauston, and New Lisbon, in the townships of [Fountain], Lisbon, Lindina, and especially Plymouth. Plymouth church [located in Lindina], 5 miles west of Mauston, is known in everyday speech as 'Suldal,' because the overwhelming majority of the members came from that place in Norway. Other dialects seem to have been displaced by this one. The youngest generation does not speak Norwegian, but in the middle and oldest generation there are many who can and do. There are 8 Lutheran congregations in the area, divided among 3 pastors; very few Norwegian services are now held. There has been much intermarriage with neighboring Germans. Grain and tobacco are chief crops." (Haugen, Einer, *The Norwegian Language in America*, vol. 2, pp. 611-12).

Suldal to Suldal:

Suldal is a rural district in Rogaland County in western Norway. Originally, Suldal was the name of the Lutheran church parish in that area; then a government designated area (commune) roughly equivalent to a township in the United States. The Old Norse form of the name was Suladair. Sula means "pillar" or "column" and refers to the mountain pass, Suldalsporten in Suldalsvatnet (Lake Suldal). Dair means "valley." Before 1891, the name was written "Suledal."

Suldalsvatnet (Lake Suldal) is the 6th deepest lake in Norway. The 17-mile long lake is the headwaters of the river, Suldalslaagen. Suldalslaagen or locally, Laagen, is the river that runs through Suldal. The 14-mile long river runs from Lake Suldal southwest to the village of Sand, where it empties into the Sandfjorden. Laagen is one of Norway's most famous Atlantic salmon rivers, with a fishing history dating back hundreds of years.



Suldalsporten in Suldalsvatnet (Lake Suldal) (Wikipedia)

Suldalsosen is a village in Suldal located on the northern shore of the southwestern end of the lake, Suldalsvatnet. Suldalsosen historically was a starting point for boat traffic on the lake. Suldal Church is located here. The present church was built in 1852 and seats about 600 people. The first church on this site was probably built in the 11th century. The original church was rebuilt over the years. In 1640 (17th century), a church was built that served the valley until 1852, when it was deemed too small and was replaced.



Suldal Church (1913) in Suldalsosen (Wikipedia)

Norwegian Settlement in Juneau County, Wisconsin

Hjalmer Holand wrote in 1908, "All the blue-tinted hills which a person sees to the south of Camp Douglas, New Lisbon and Mauston are crawling with Norwegians. The settlement includes some 500 people from Upper Telemark and 1200 from around Suldal in Rogaland." The settlement spilled over into Clifton Township in Monroe County. The settlement in Greenwood Township in Vernon County had close ties because they shared

pastors with the various Norwegian Lutheran churches in Juneau County and because of the intermarriages between the two communities.

The connection with Suldal, Norway began in 1850 with the coming of Johannes Larson's great uncle, Knut Ormson, to settle in Lindina Township. A few more families from Suldal came to Lindina during the 1850's: 1852 - Gunder Johnson Bratveit and family; 1855 - Gabriel Oddson Tornes, Lars Olson Austara and family; 1857 - Askild Jacobson Mokliev and family; and 1858 - Gabriel Johnson Lunde and family.

During the Civil War era, a significant number of families from Suldal came to Juneau County. Some of those who have been identified with their dates of emigration include: 1860/1 - John Johnson Lunde and family; 1861 - Gabriel Haavorson Veka and family, Nels Nelson Steinbru and family, and Jon Tormodson Quammen; 1862 - Even Evenson Austara and family, Halvor Halvorson Veka, Ole Nelson Kleiva and family, Bjedne Eivindson Austara and family; 1863 - Ole Halvorson Kolbeinstveit and family, and Marta Nelson.

Larson Family

In 1864, Johannes Larson's grandfather, Lars Osmundson, a renter on the Bakken subfarm under Guggedal and a former school teacher, led a party of 50 people from Suldal. He is described as an all-around man with an out-going disposition, good at composing verse. Snatches of songs he wrote could still be heard in Suldal in 1908. The group included - Lars Osmundson Guggedal and family, Halvor Halvorson Steinbru, Tormod Albertson Oystad Hauen and family, Albert Johnson Kjetilstad, Ole Halvorson Kalhagen, Lars Thorsen Mokleiv and family, widow Kari Nelson and family, Nels Olson, widow Ingeborg Ormson, Odd Oddson Stuv, Osmund Vintrhus, and Bjedne Vintrhus and family. They came on two sailing ships, Hebe and Iris, called barks because of the way their sails were rigged. Captain Olsen of the Hebe and Captain Larsen of the Iris, left Stavanger on May 4, 1864 and arrived in Quebec on June 2, 1864. Traveling from there to Chicago, they were settled in Juneau County by June of 1864.

Organization of this genealogy

This family history is organized by generation. The Larson family can be traced back to Oluf paa Sukka in Suldal, Norway. He is number 1. His son, Aslak, second generation, is number 2. I have put the name of the farm that a man was born on or came from in parentheses and the name of the farm where he lived or worked after that. For example, **Daniel Larsson (Sukka) Herabakka**. The numbers that are assigned to each descendant that is traced do not correspond to the generation. These numbers depend on the number of children in each generation. Only those descendants traced receive a number. Unused numbers allow for additional family members to be traced if more information is found at a later date without having to renumber the entire genealogy. I have replicated the descendant chart with each direct ancestor of Johannes Larson. This helps the user to see where that ancestor fits in the family story. The ancestors of the wives are included to give a fuller picture of the Larson family and to show the many cousin marriages which occurred in the isolated Suldal valley.

The Name Problem

The last name in America is a family name handed down from one generation to another. But the Norwegian immigrants did not have a stabilized system of family names. The usual means of identification were: the **given or first name**; the **given name of the father with -son or -datter added**; and the **name of the farm on which the person lived**.

However, it must be remembered that the farm name was permanently attached to the farm, not to the owner or renter. When my ancestor John Anderson moved from the Kamerud farm to the Onsager farm his name changed from John Anderson Kamerud to John Anderson Onsager.

Norwegians had the custom of handing down first names in a certain fixed order. Usually the oldest son of the family was named after the father's father and the oldest daughter after the father's mother. The next oldest son and daughter were named after the mother's father and mother. Subsequent children were named after other family members. Many times when a man's first wife died, the first daughter by his second wife was named for his first wife.

Farm names in Norway either describe the physical features of the land or tell about the human labor or religious practices on it. Since Norway is mountainous, many of the farm names reflect the rugged land. For example, Bakka – hill, berg – rock, botn – bottom of a fjord or valley end, bru – bridge, eid – isthmus, elv – river, fjell – mountain, fjord – long, narrow inlet, foss – waterfall, haug – mound, -heim – home, hus – house, -land – land, li – a wooded or grassy hillside (became Lee), lunde – grove, mo/moe – moor/meadow, mork/mark – field, myr – swamp, nes – promontory, os – mouth of a river, sand – sand, sjo – sea, skeid – flat place, stein – stone, stoa – riverbank, teigan – parcel of land, tun- farmyard, ur – scree, vaag – bay/harbor, vik – bay/inlet, vin – grassy plain, oy – island, aa – river.

Some were taken from the Old Norse religion names, examples are Hov, a place of worship or a pagan temple or Onsager. Oen is derived from Odin and ager or aker means field, "Odin or Woden's grainfield." Odin was the one-eyed god of war, wisdom, death, and magic in Norse mythology.

In the eighth and ninth generations, the direct paternal ancestors of Johannes Larson were renting husmann places (subfarms or cottages) on the Guggedal main farm (they were descendants of younger sons, the oldest son inherited the farm). Husmann places were with and without land. For these Larson ancestors, the subfarm is included in their name: Osmund Larsson Boen (subfarm), Guggedal (main farm) and Lars Osmundson Bakken (subfarm), Guggedal (main farm). Sometimes the immigrants used the main farm for a last name and sometimes they used the subfarm name, or they might decide to use Larson or Osmundson, etc.

In America, it was not uncommon for a Norwegian immigrant to be known by three names. First he would have his church name. This would be purely Norwegian and often would include the farm name (**Lars Osmundson Guggedal**). Then there would be his American name such as Larson, Nelson, Anderson, Johnson, or Olson. Lastly among his intimate friends and acquaintances generally he might have a more familiar name such as "Black Ole" or "Little Hans." Some decided there were too many Olsons or Larsons and took the farm name. Ole J. Onsager used the name Ole Johnson in the 1870 census but soon settled on Ole J. Onsager (Johnson became his middle name).

Because the Norwegians in Norway didn't have set last names until about 1900, many of the early immigrants struggled to choose a name. Church records listed them sometimes with the first name of their father with son added and sometimes with the farm name. In some cases, members of the same family took different last names. Many times, the early records would list a woman's maiden name as Olsdatter. In later years, her maiden name would be listed as Olson. Gerhard Naeseth, the founder of the Vesterheim Genealogy Library in Madison, Wisconsin, indexed his research to identify every Norwegian who came to America before 1850 by first name because of the difficulty in locating a person in the records by the variations of last names. For example, Bjedne Osmundson Vetrhus, an early settler in Juneau County and a Larson relative, used several names. They included variations of his first name, Bjarne, Bjorne, and Barney and variant spellings of the farm name, Vinorhus and Winterhus. He also appears in the records as Osmundson. His headstone has Bjarne Winterhus on it. Several of his children took the last name of Benson (Bjarneson).

Sources for this Genealogy

When I first became interested in my Norwegian ancestry, I interviewed my Grandma Onsager and began meeting or corresponding with my grandfather's first and second cousins. The Anason family was a rich source of information. When my interest expanded to all of the Norwegians who settled in Juneau County and Greenwood Township in Vernon County, Wisconsin, I developed a network of people who corresponded with me via letter or email.

Gamle Suldal; Gards- og Aettesoge, by Hallvard M. Hoftun (Suldal Kommune, 1972) and *Sukka - Aetta; Olav i Sukka i Suldal og Hans Etterslekt* by Rudolf Dreyer (Rogaland Historie og Aettesogelag) are detailed family histories of Suldal Township, Rogaland County, Norway. *Gamle Suldal* is organized by farm and those who worked the farms. *Sukka - Aetta* starts with Olav of Sukka and traces ten generations of his descendents. *Gamle Suldal* is easier to use but does not contain information about those who moved to neighboring townships or counties. *Sukka - Aetta* contains much information about those who lived in Sand Township, Rogaland County and Roldal Township, Hordaland County. Roldal was a subparish of the Suldal Parish from some time before the Reformation in 1536 until May 22, 1885 and there were many marriages back and forth. The *Roldal Bygdebok* is useful in finding information about the settlers from Roldal. *Bygdasoga for Sand i Ryfylke* by Amund Salveson is a history of the farms in Sand Township, Rogaland County. It is of limited use in tracing families.

The Norwegian censuses of 1801 and 1865 are very useful for completing the story of the settlers in Norway. They can be used to verify information in the bygdeboks or locate families missed in the bygdeboks. Digitalarkivet (Digital Archives) from the National Archives of Norway is a free online resource that provides the 1660 censuses, the 1701 census, the 1801, 1865, and 1875 censuses and now includes the digitized parish records.

FamilySearch.org is a free, online service that provides Norwegian birth, marriage and death records. This service supplements other records sometimes with original records and other times verification of poorly transcribed records.

The United States censuses have been indexed for Norwegians in 1850, 1860 and 1880 and are included in the National Archives of Norway site (Digitalarkivet). All of the US censuses have been indexed by Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org. The addition of the 1870 census and 1900 to 1940 fills in information about the various Norwegian American settlements.

"The History of Juneau County" by Joseph Hanson, a series of articles, which appeared in the *Mauston Star* in 1888 and 1889, provides some information on when and where the earliest settlers located. *The Map of Juneau County, Wisconsin*, 1876, G. V. Nash and F. B. Morgan, compilers & publishers is also very useful in determining location of the farms of early settlers. The *Plat Book of Juneau County, Wisconsin*, C. M. Foote, Pub. Co., 1898 and the *Atlas and Farmers Directory of Juneau County, Wisconsin*, St. Paul, MN, The Farmer and Webb Publishing Company, 1914 are extremely useful in determining the extent of the Norwegian settlement at its peak around 1900. The 1914 atlas and directory is an excellent source on information for the names of wives and children and how long each farmer had lived in the county.

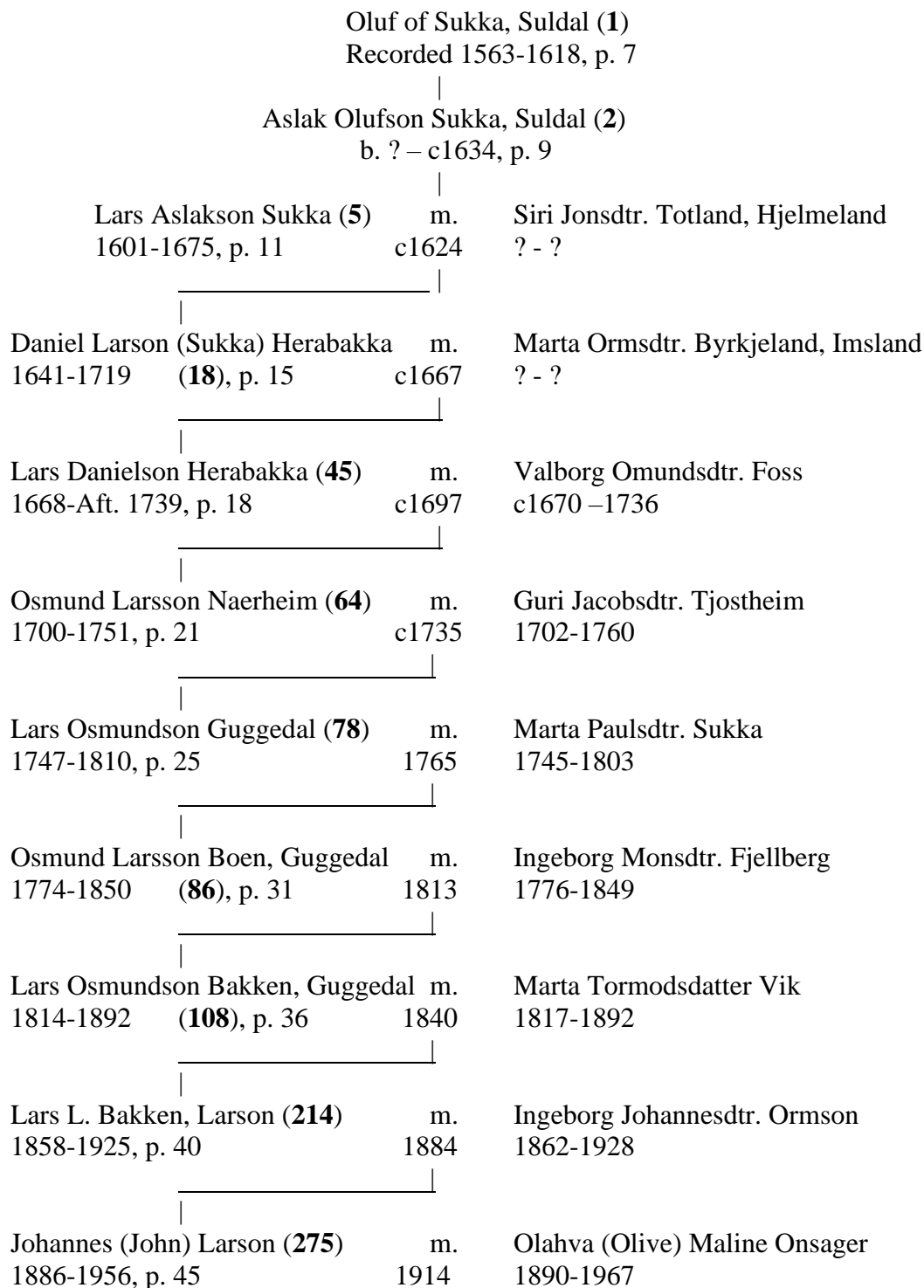
The Norwegian Connection: The Story of the Ormson and Knutson Families and Our Link to the Past by Don Jensen (Kenosha, 1974?) provided invaluable information. *Norwegian Immigrants to the United States* by Gerhard B. Naeseth, v. 1, 1825-1843,

Madison, 1993 & v. 2, 1844-1846, ed. by Blaine Hedberg, 1997 has been useful in identifying several the earliest settlers to Juneau County.

The *Cemetery Books* published by the Juneau County Genealogy Society are referred to by number. For example, JCGS *Cem Bk* 3, p. 302. These books are invaluable sources of family information. They are supplemented by the online resource, Findagrave.com. This Internet web site is a free site where researchers and family members contribute burial locations and sometimes pictures of headstones, photos of the person buried at that location, obituaries, and family stories worldwide. East Lemonweir Church records are ELCR; Juneau Co death records (JDR); Juneau Co marriage records (JMR); Fountain Church records (FCR); Plymouth Church records (PCR).

In addition, I have published an online record of the Norwegians who settled in Juneau County, Wisconsin beginning in 1850 and ending in 1950, The *Juneau County Bygdebok*, <https://digitalcommons.andrews.edu/pubs/146/>.

THE ANCESTRY OF JOHANNES (JOHN) LARSON

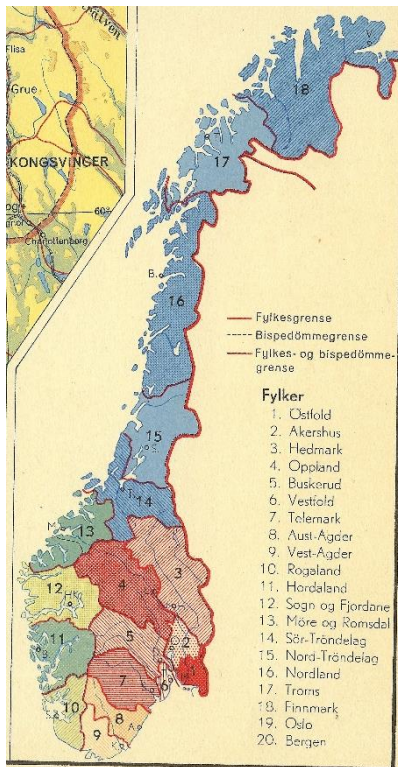


FIRST GENERATION

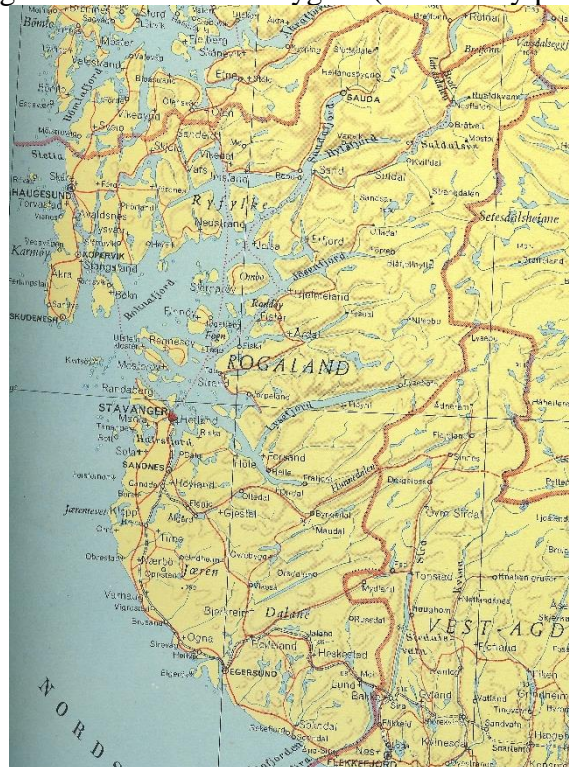
Oluf paa Sukka (flourished, 1563-1618)

1 The Larson family can be traced in a direct line back to Oluf of (paa) Sukka, who lived on the Sukka farm in Suldal Parish, Rogaland County, Norway with an unknown wife. Oluf or Ola was on the Sukka farm as early as 1563 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 470). The name "Sukka" is connected with the verb, "sokkva", to sink and means "a depression" in the terrain. In the 1600's, this farm was listed with the under farm or sub-farm, "Stuv" meaning "cut off mound or mountain" and "Meland" - the farm in between.

Archeological evidence shows that hunters and fishermen from the west coast came into Suldal during the Stone Age - 4,000 years ago. Through the Bronze Age, the last 500 years before Christ, there were most likely no permanent settlers in Suldal. In the third century after Christ, the first proof was found of permanent settlements in Suldal. Grave finds from that time tell their own tale of a strong movement into the "bygda" (community/parish).



Rogaland County is no. 10 on map



Suldal Parish in southern Norway; located northeast of Ryfylke on map

Source: *Cappelens Atlas*, Oslo, Norway, 1953, pp. 5, 13

Before 1600, there is very little information to find regarding the farms in Suldal and the people who lived on them. A tax list from 1519 tells that in that year there were 26 men

on 19 farms who were taxed. In 1521, there were 30 men and 2 women on 21 farms. In 1563, when Oluf of Sucke (Sukka) first appears, there were 32 taxed farmers on 26 farms.

Oluf's birth and death dates are unknown. He was mentioned as an old man in 1618. His wife's name and other details are unknown. Most of the Norwegian settlers of Juneau County who came from Suldal Township in Rogaland County can trace their ancestry back to "Oluf paa Sukka." The two sources I have for this family give two different lists of children. However, the list in *Sukka Ætta* (family or lineage) appears to be incorrect (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 470; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 5-9).

Known children from *Gamle Suldal*:

- 2 Aslak, b. ?, Suldal (**Larson ancestor**).
- 3 (Magla) Olsdtr., b. ?, Suldal; m. Levar E. Laurhus, Stråpa.
- 4 dau, unknown name, b. ?, Suldal; m. Tormod Saksbjørnson Steinbru.

Known children from *Sukka Ætta*:

- 2 Aslak, b. ?, Suldal (**Larson ancestor**).
Ragnild, b. ?, Suldal; m. Ånon Leversen Bleskestad (appears to be an error, Ånon was the son of Magla Olsdtr. and Levar E. Laurhus, Stråpa, see # 3 above, *Gamle Suldal*, pp. 373, 681) .
dau, unknown name, b. ?, Suldal; m. Jens Rasmussen Skeie, Sand. This daughter is listed as a daughter of Olsdatter and Tormod Saksbjørnson Steinbru, see # 4 above, *Gamle Suldal*, p. 480)

SECOND GENERATION

Oluf of Sukka
Recorded 1563-1618, p. 7

Aslak Olufson/Olson Sukka

2 Aslak, the son of Oluf of Sukka (1), was named on the Sukka farm in the Suldal Parish from 1577 to 1645.

Aslak Olson's bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property) dates from 1619.



Gamle Suldal, p. 705

His wife's name is unknown. Aslak and his father also had an interest in the Oystad farm in the Suldal Parish. Aslak operated the Sukka farm with his son, Lars, from about 1624? to 1635 when Lars operated the farm alone.



Sukka. Bruk 1 t. v. og bruk 2 og 3 (Stuv) t. h.
Sukka Farm (Hoftun, *Gamle Suldal*, p. 468)

Aslak probably died about 1634 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 470; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 5-9).

Children:

5 Lars, b. 1601, Sukka farm, Suldal Parish (**Larson ancestor**).

SECOND GENERATION

(Magla) Olufsdatter/Olsdatter Sukka

3 Magla?, the daughter of Oluf of Sukka (**1**), was born in Suldal. She was married to **Levar E. Laurhus**. Levar was a farmer on Laurhus, a subfarm of Stråpa, in 1603 and then forward until 1623 when he probably died.

Levar's bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property) dates from 1619.



Gamle Suldal, p. 704

Magla? was probably born in the 1580s. Her name is speculated because of a record that Magla Olsdtr. was a sister of Aslak Olson Sukka. She was probably married about the time Levar took over Laurhus in 1603. Her death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 373, 470).

Children:

6 Ånon, b. ?, Laurhus, Stråpa farm, Suldal Parish.

7 Marta, b. c1601-6, Laurhus, Stråpa.

Siri, b. 1610-15?, Laurhus, Stråpa.

Åse, b. 1610-15?, Laurhus, Stråpa. Either Siri or Åse was probably married to Eiluf Tovson Roalkvam. Eiluf, born in 1601 and probably died in 1674, was married to a Levarsdatter from Laurhus, Stråpa. They had sons, Sjur, b. 1630, Tov, b. 1643, and Levar, b. 1644 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 373, 665).

SECOND GENERATION

Unknown name Olufsdatter/Olsdatter Sukka

4 Olufsdatter was probably born on the Sukka farm, Suldal Parish. She was married to **Tormod Saksbjørnson (Bakka) Steinbru**. Tormod was the son of Saksbjørn Nilsson and Guro Haldorsdatter.

Tormod took over the Steinbru farm from his brother, Sjur, who died in 1577 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 455, 470, 480).

Children:

Daughter, b. ?, Steinbru; m. Jens Rasmussen; Jens was known to have operated the Steinbru farm from 1617-19; they moved to Skeie in Sand Parish, Rogaland Co.

THIRD GENERATION

Oluf of Sukka, Suldal (1)
Recorded 1563-1618, p. 7

|
Aslak Olufson Sukka, Suldal (2)
b. ? – d. c1634, p. 9

Lars Aslakson Sukka

5 Lars, the son of Aslak Olufson Sukka (2) and an unknown mother, was born in 1601 on the Sukka farm in Suldal, Norway. His name appears in the records as Lars, Laus, Laust, and Lauritz. He leased an abandoned place on the Stuv subfarm in 1623. Lars then operated Sukka farm #1 with his father, Aslak Olufson. From 1635 on, he operated the Sukka farm alone.

Lars was married about 1624 to **Siri Jonsdtr. Tøtland, Hjelmeland**. Lars was about 23. Siri was probably about 18. Siri was the daughter of Jon Olsen Tøtland (d. 1625, Foss) and his second wife, Margrete Ingebretsdatter.

Jon Olson Tøtland moved his family to the Foss* farm in Hjelmeland. Jon Olsen's property was probated at Foss in 1625. Siri had a brother, Odd Jonsen Helmervig. Hjelmeland is a Kommune (former Parish) in Rogaland County. *Foss means waterfall in Norwegian.

Laust Aslachsen (Lars Aslakson), 63, living on the Suche (Sukka) farm, is listed in the 1665 census for Suldal local parish, Suldal Parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County with his son, Daniel Laustsøn (Larson), 24, husmand (renter/cotter), Niels Thormosøn, 20, and husmand, Michell Andersøn (Census 1663-66 for Stavanger Amt III, Digitalarkivet (Digital Archives of Norway), <http://gda.arkivverket.no/cgi-win/webcens.exe?slag=visbase&sidnr=1&filnamn=bd17MT60&gardpostnr=1182&personpostnr=4523&merk=4523#ovre>, accessed 3/28/2018).

Laust Asachsen (Lars Aslakson), 64, leaseholder on the Suche farm, farm rent, 2 løber, farm unit tax, 3,5 phd, is listed in the 1666 census for Vinnie Sogn (local parish), Suldal Parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway with Daniel Laust (Larson), 25, leaseholder, farm unit tax, 2,5 phd, Dreng (boy), Michal Andersen, 16, knecter (young man), Poel Knudsen, 17, husmand, Thosten Ingelsen, 51, husmand, Lars Jacobsen, 25, and husmend's sønner (son), Kleng Thostensen, 10 (Census 1663-66 for Stavanger Amt III, Digitalarkivet, <http://gda.arkivverket.no/cgi-win/webcens.exe?slag=visbase&sidnr=1&filnamn=bd17MT60&gardpostnr=1310&personpostnr=5305&merk=5305#ovre>, accessed 3/28/2018).

Lars died in 1675 on the Sukka farm at about age 73. Siri's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 470; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 9-19).

Children:

- Jon, b. 1625, Sukka; operated Sukka farm #1; m. (1) c1655, Brita Ormsdtr. Birkeland, Imsland, 5 children; m. (2) c1677, Ranveig Nilsdtr. (She m. 2nd next operator of this farm), 6 children; d. 1695 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 471). See also family #78
- Ole, b. 1627, Sukka; rem. to Ovre Tveitane; m. c1654, Unk. wife; 5 children; d. c1685? (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 232).
- Albert, b. 1630, Sukka; rem. to Oystad; m. Lisbet Ormsdtr. Birkeland, Imsland (d. bef. 1711), 7 children; d. c1719? (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 238).
- Albert's bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property) dates from 1704.



³⁸ (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 705)

- Anniken, b. ?, Sukka; m. Lars Nilsson Bakka (1639-1699), 2 children; d. c1678? (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 458).
- Marta, b. ?, Sukka; m. Bjorn Ingvaldson Eikeland, Vikedal Parish, Rogaland Co.
- Unk. Larsdtr., b. ?, Sukka; m. Rasmus Hauge, Sand Parish, Rogaland Co.
- 17 Unk. Larsdtr., b. ?, Sukka; m. c1656, Johannes Olson Hiim, Sand (1622-bef. 1681); Johannes purchased the Underbakka farm in Suldal Parish in 1655, 9 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 252).
- 18 Daniel, b. 1641, Sukka (**Larson ancestor**).

THIRD GENERATION

Ånon Levarson (Laurhus, Stråpa) Bleskestad

- 6 Ånon, the son of Levar E. Laurhus, Stråpa and Magla Olsdtr. Sukka (3), was born on the Laurhus subfarm on the Stråpa farm, Suldal Parish. He was married to **Ragnhild**. Ånon died before 1634. From 1634-36, his widow was located on the Bleskestad farm, Suldal Local Parish (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 373, 681).

Children:

- Levar, b. 1630, Bleskestad; rem. to Nordmork; m. perhaps Torsdtr. Slagstad?, 2 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 696).
- n. n, dau, b. ?, Bleskestad; m. c. 1659, Per Torson Nordmork (1625-c1675), 2 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 696).

THIRD GENERATION

Marta Levarsdtr. Laurhus, Stråpa

7 Marta, the daughter of Levar E. Laurhus, Stråpa and Magla Olsdtr. Sukka (3), was born probably between 1601-6 on the Laurhus subfarm on the Stråpa farm. Marta was married about 1620 to **Leiv Josefson**.

Leiv may have been the son of Josef Kolbeinson Kolbeinstveit. He was on the Laurhus farm from 1625 to 1652. No other information available (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 373, 420).

Children:

Levar, b. 1621, Laurhus; m. unk. wife and lived on Laurhus farm, 1 child (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 373).

Levar's bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property) dates from 1657.



³² (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 704)

Torsten, b. ?, Laurhus; m. n. n. Ostensdtr. Vik, Suldal; lived on Laurhus farm (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 373).

Unk. Leivsdtr., b. ?, Laurhus; m. Tormod Monsson Austara (b. 1610); he owned Austara farm, Suldal Parish, from 1653-?, 3 sons (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 545).

FOURTH GENERATION

Unknown Larsdatter Sukka

17 The unidentified daughter of of Lars Aslakson Sukka (**5**) and Siri Jonsdtr. Tøtland, Hjelmeland, was probably born in the 1630s. She was probably married about 1651 – 1655 in Suldal to **Johannes Olson Hiim**, Sand Parish (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 252, 470).

Johannes, the son of Ole, was born in 1622, probably at Hiim, Sand Parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway. He purchased the Underbakka farm in the Suldal Parish in 1655.

Johannes was lensmann (sheriff or bailiff) in Suldal about 1664. He died before 1691. Larsdatter's death is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 252).

Children:

Barbaro, b. 1651-55, Suldal?; m. c1699, Suldal, Mikkil Mikkelson Hjorteland (1640-1700); 6 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 118, 252).

Aslak, b. 1657, Underbakka; m. c1681, Unk. Roaldsdtr. Helgenes; took over Herabakka farm 5; 2 known children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 252, 470).

Halvor, b. 1658, Underbakka; rem. to Tveit, Erfjord Parish, Rogaland Co.

Ola, b. 1660, Underbakka; m. c1688, Suldal, Askjer Tormodsdr. Steine; rem. to Lunde (1st named farmer), Suldal Parish; 3 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 252, 282).

40 Lars, b. 1667, Underbakka.

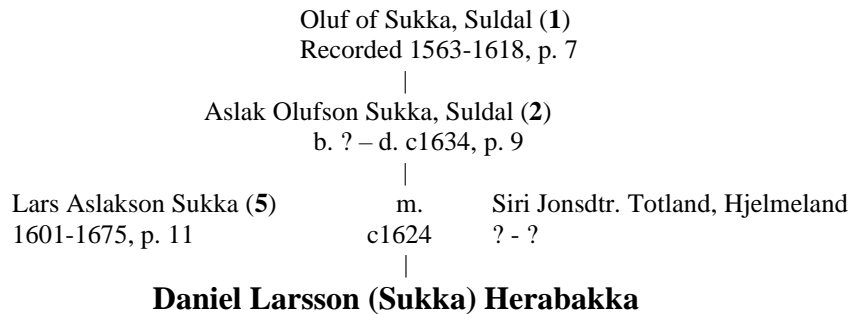
Ranveig, b. ?, Underbakka; m. Ola Olson Skaar, Hjelmeland Parish, Rogaland Co.

Helga, b. ?, Underbakka; m. as his 2nd wife, Suldal, Ola Jakobson Steinbru (farmer #18); no known children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 252, 483).

Marta, b. ?, Underbakka; m. as his 2nd wife, Suldal, Berge Tormodson Steine (1631-1712); no children; Marta named, 1713-1719 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 242, 252).

Anna, b. ?, Underbakka; m. perhaps 1696, Suldal, Lars Pederson Fjellberg; 2 known children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 110, 252).

FOURTH GENERATION



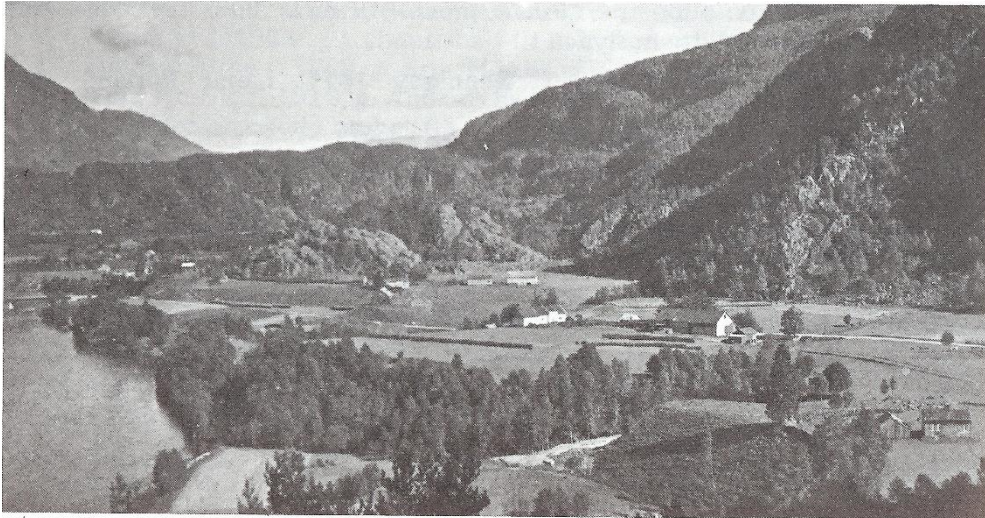
18 Daniel, the son of Lars Aslakson Sukka (5) and Siri Jonsdr. Tøtland, Hjelmeland, was born in 1641 on the Sukka farm in Suldal, Norway (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 91).

Daniell Laustsøn (Larsson), 24, is listed in the 1665 Norwegian census for Suldal local parish, Suldal Parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County with his father, Laust Aslachsen, age 63, on the Suche farm (Nor Cen, 1663-6, <http://digitalarkivet.uib.no>).

Daniel was married about 1667 in Stavanger (present Rogaland) County to **Marta Ormsdatter** (Vikedal) Byrkjeland, Imsland Parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway. Daniel was about 26.

Marta, the daughter of Orm Olsen/Olavson Birkeland and Maritte Aasmundsdatter, was born in Vikedal, Imsland Parish, Rogaland County. Based on her child bearing years, Marta was perhaps born about 1642-46.

Daniel moved to the Herabakka farm in Suldal Local Parish about 1670.



Herabakka, med bruk 1 midt på bildet og bruk 2 og 3 lenger bak. I bakgrunnen t. v. Mo og Ritland.

Herabakka farm (Hoftun, *Gamle Suldal*, p. 90)

Daniel served as a juror several times between 1672 and 1696. Daniel Larsen, 61, is listed as living on the Herbache farm in the 1701 Norwegian census for Suldal, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway with his unmarried sons, Orm, 31, Osmund, 23, and Ole, 16. His son, Lars, was also operating part of the farm in 1701. (Nor Cen, 1701, <http://digitalarkivet.uib.no>). [The census of 1701 was taken for military purposes. It lists only the males living in rural districts who were over the age of one year. It includes the farm name, name and age of the owner, names and ages of sons and servants. Also includes the residence of all unmarried males living away from home when the census was taken (Suldal Parish, FamilySearch.org, https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Suldal_Parish,_Rogaland,_Norway_Genealogy.)]

Daniel's son, Lars, took over part of the Herabakka farm in 1690 and his grandson, Daniel Larson, took over part of the farm in 1716.

Daniel died in 1719 at about 78. Marta's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 91-2, 94, 470; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 16-17, 25-6).

Children:

- 45** Lars, b. 1668, Sukka farm; parents moved to Herabakka (**Larson ancestor**).
Orm, b. 1670, Herabakka; rem. to Hiim, Sand Parish, m. 1706, Lisbet Paalsdtr. Hiim (*Bygdasoga for Sand i Ryfylke*, p. 128).
Odd, b. 1672, Herabakka; rem. to Foss, Suldal; m. (1) c1698, Anna Omundsdr. Foss (d. 1724), 5 children; (see # **45** for Anna's family); m. (2) c1725, Mette Olsdtr. Underbakka, 4 children; d. 1738 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 61)..
Marta, b. c1673, Herabakka; m. (1) c1691, Berg Gauteson Mo (1668-1713), 4 children; m. (2) Ola Larsson Mo (1694-1753); d. 1732 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 102).
Osmund, b. 1678, Herabakka; rem. to Tjostheim; m. c1712, widow Marta Rasmusdtr. (Kvame, Hjelmeland) Tjostheim, 2 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 268).
Ola, b. 1685, Herabakka; rem. to Hiim, Sand Parish; m. 1714, Siri Jonsdtr. Hiim. Ola and Orm farmed on Hiim at least until 1723. Ola was living in 1754 (*Bygdasoga for Sand i Ryfylke*, p. 128).

FIFTH GENERATION

Lars Johannesson (Herabakka) Naerheim

40 Lars, the son of Johannes Olson (Hiim, Sand) Herabakka and Unknown Larsdatter Sukka (**17**), was born in 1667 on the Herabakka farm in Suldal. He was married, first, perhaps about 1707 to **Kari Osmundsdr.** Kari, the daughter of Osmund, has not been identified (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 149, 252).

Lars took over Naerheim farm 1 in 1706. After having three children between 1708 and 1714, Kari died in 1724 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 149).

Lars was married, second, after 1724, in Suldal to **Marta Andorsdr. Mo.** Marta, the daughter of Andro Mikkelson (Gautun) Mo (b. 1661) and an unknown mother, was born in 1698 in Suldal. She had four siblings born between 1693 and perhaps 1700. Her father is listed in the 1701 census as a husmann (renter) on the Ritland farm in Suldal. He is named on the Mo farm from 1712 to 1721 (Digitalarkivet, <http://gda.arkivverket.no/cgi-win/webcens.exe?slag=visbase&filnamn=1701stav>, accessed 4/8/2018; *Gamle Suldal*, pp. 105, 149, 185, 595).

Lars died in 1759 in Suldal. Marta's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 149).

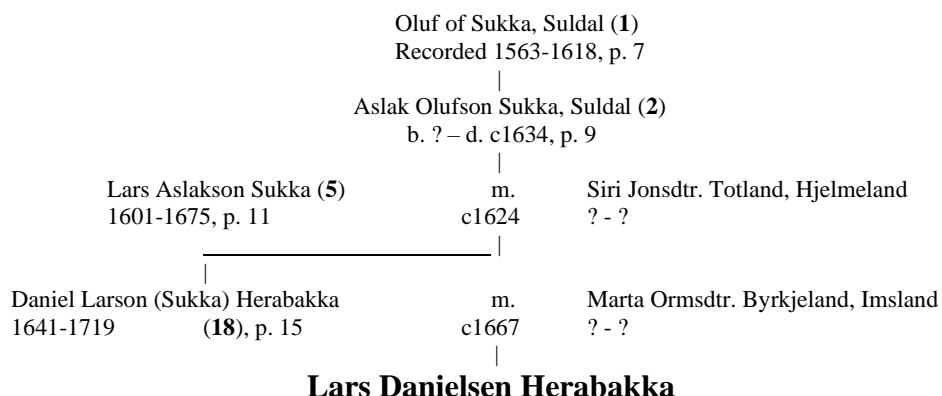
Children by Kari:

Eldri, b. 1708, Naerheim farm; m. c1740, Suldal, Tore Torstenson Straapa (1708-1802); 1 child; d. 1778 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 149, 366).

Johannes, b. 1710, Naerheim; m. (1) 1751, Suldal, widow Guri Jakobsdr. Naerheim (1700-1760); took over Naerheim farm 2 in 1752; m. (2) c1761, Suldal, Guri Svendsdr. Litlehamar (1741-?); took over Naerheim farm 1 in 1759; 2 children; d. 1765 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 149, 150, 152).

62 Helga, b. 1714, Naerheim.

FIFTH GENERATION



45 Lars, the son of Daniel Larsson (Sukka) Herabakka (**18**) and Marta Ormsdtr. Byrkjeland, Imsland, was born in 1668 on the Herabakka farm. He was married about 1697 to **Valborg Omundsdr. Foss**. Lars was about 29 and Valborg was about 27.

Valborg, the daughter of Omund Narveson (Tjøstheim) Foss and Sofie Tormodsdr. Guggedal, was born about 1670 on the Foss farm.

Valborg's family (see #**64** for complete family)

Omund, the son of Narve Tjostheim (fl. 1603-1646) and an unknown mother, was born in 1621 on the Tjostheim farm. He was married, first, about 1652 in the Suldal Parish to widow **Helge Pedersdr. Foss**. Helge died before 1669. Omund was married, second, about 1669 to **Sofie Tormodsdr. Guggedal**. Sofie, the daughter of Tormod Osmundson Guggedal and Valborg Olsdr. Kilane, Erfjord Parish, was probably born in the 1630s.

Omund and Sofie had three children. Omund died before 1681 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 55, 58, 179-8, 265, 560).

Child by Helge:

Narve, b. 1653, Foss; rem. to Galland farm, Suldal; m. ? Nilsdtr. Vaage; 3 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 169).

Children by Sofie:

Valborg, b. c1670, Foss; m. Lars Danielson (**45**).

Anders, b. 1671, Foss; m. Ingrid Albertsdr. Oystad (d. 1752); d. 1742; 9 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 58).

Anna, b. ?, Foss; m. Odd Danielson (Herabakka) Foss (1672-1738); d. 1732; 5 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 58, 61). See #**18** for Odd Danielson's family.

Lars took over part of his father's farm, Herabakka, in 1690. Lars Danielson, 33, is listed as living on the Herbache (Herabakka) farm in the 1701 census for Suldal, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway with his sons, Daniel, 3, and Osmund, 1. His father was also operating part of the Herbache farm in 1701 (Nor Cen, 1701, <http://digitalarkivet.uib.no>).

Lars' bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property) dates from 1719.



Gamle Suldal, p. 704

Valborg died in 1736 on the Herabakka farm at about 66. Her property was probated on April 16, 1736. Lars died after 1739 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 58, 91, 94; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 16-17, 25, 46).

Children:

- Daniel, b. 1698, Herabakke; m. c1719, Suldal, Lisbet Olsdtr. (1694-1765); took over father's Herabakke farm #1, 1716; 4 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 91-2).
- 64** Osmund, b. 1700, Herabakke (**Larson Ancestor**).
- 65** Marta, b. 1710, Herabakke; m. c1736, Suldal, Rasmus Jakobson from Tjostheim (1702-1759); took over Herabakke farm 2; 5 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 94).

SIXTH GENERATION

Helga Larsdatter Naerheim

62 Helga, the daughter of Lars Johannesson (Herabakke) Naerheim (**40**) and Kari Osmundsdatter, was born in 1714 on the Naerheim farm. She was married about 1743 in Suldal to **Tormod Torjusson Borkjenes**.

Tormod, the son of Torjus Knutson Borkjenes and an unknown mother, was born in 1698 on the Borkjenes farm in Suldal Parish.

Tormod's family:

Torjus Knutson Borkjenes, the son of Knut and an unknown mother, was born in 1663 in Suldal. His wife's name is unknown. Torjus took over the Borkjenes farm about 1690 and appears in the records until 1723 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 524).

Children:

Tormod, b. 1698, Borkjenes.

Ragnhild, b. 1710, Borkjenes; m. (1) c1744, Suldal, Ola Gunnarson (Bratland) Gautun (d. c1752); 3 children; m. (2) c1752, Suldal, Peter Ormson (Lali) Borkjenes (1726-1807); 1 child; d. 1778, Gautun (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 524, 602, 653).

Helga and Tormod operated the Borkjenes farm. She had five children between 1744 and 1754. Helga died in 1791. Tormod's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 149, 524-5).

Children:

Gjertrud, b. 1744, Borkjenes; m. (1) c1775, Suldal, Nils Knutson Gautun (1732-1790); 4 children; m. (2) 1792, Suldal, Knut Ormson (Klungtveit) Gautun (1760-1839); 1 child; d. 1806, Suldal (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 524, 599).

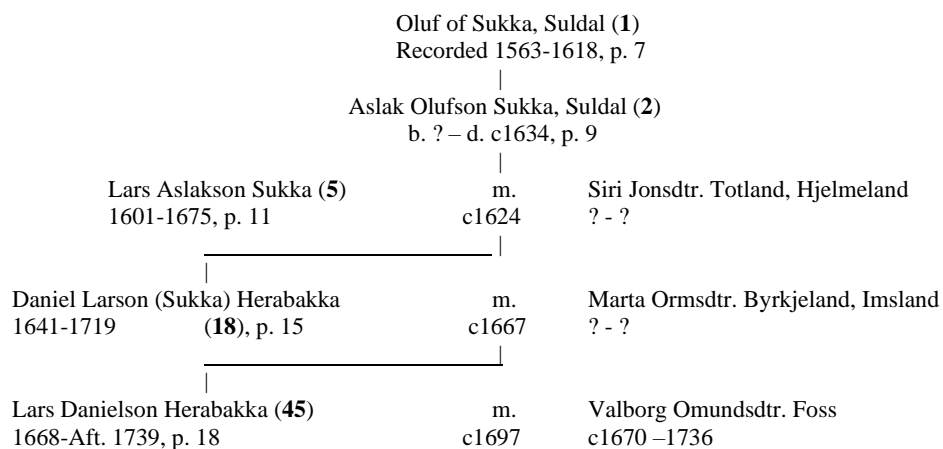
71 Kari, b. 1747, Borkjenes; m. c1768, Suldal Parish, Osmund Rasmusson (Herabakke) Vik (**80**).

Torjus, b. 1750, Borkjenes; m. c1780, Suldal, Siri Svendsdr. Litlehamar (1742-1822); took over Borkjenes farm from his father; 2 children; d. 1793 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 524-5).

Lars, b. 1750, Borkjenes; m. widow Siri Tormodsdatter (1734-1812); operated Vethus farm 2, 1782-1812; no children; d. 1832, Steinbru (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 524, 584).

Sofie, bl. 1754, Borkjenes; m. (1) c1778, Suldal, Jorgen Pederson Galland (1752-1788); 4 children; m. (2) c1790, Suldal, Knut Jonson (Berge, Sand) Galland (b. c1758); 3 children; d. 1827 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 525, 175-6).

SIXTH GENERATION



Osmund Larsson (Herabakka) Nærheim

64 Osmund, the son of Lars Danielsen Herabakka (**45**) and Valborg Omundsdr. Foss, was born in 1700 on the Herabakka farm in Suldal Parish, Norway.

Osmund was married about 1735 in the Suldal Parish to **Guri Jakobsdr. Tjøstheim**. Osmund was about 35 and Guri was about 33. Guri, the daughter of Jakob Jonson Tjøstheim and Marta Rasmusdtr. Kvame, Hjelmeland, was born in 1702 on the Tjøstheim farm.

Guri's family

Narve V . . . son Tjostheim was named on Tjostheim from 1603-1646. His wife's name is unknown. His bumerke (a mark used by an illiterate person to sign a document or brand personal property)



dates from 1619. (Gamle Suldal, p. 704)

Children:

Jakob, b. 1605, Tjostheim.

Levar, b. 1607, Tjostheim; m. unknown; res. Tjostheim farm 4; living in 1685; 3 sons (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 265, 271).

Nils, b. 1615, Tjostheim; m. unknown; res. Veka farm 10; 5 children; d. after 1682 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 265, 405).

Omund, b. 1621, Tjostheim; res. Foss farm 2; m. (1) c1652, widow Helge Pedersdr. Foss; 1 child; m. (2) Sofie Tormodsdr. Guggedal; daughter, Valborg, b. c1670; m. c1697, Lars Danielson Herabakka (see #**45** for this family).

n. n., b. ?, Tjostheim; m. c1638, Nils Sjurson (Bakka) Lofthus (b. 1608, named until 1670); 3 sons (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 265, 460).

Jakob Narveson, the son of Narve Tjostheim (fl. 1603-1646) and an unknown mother, was born in 1605 on the Tjostheim farm. He was married about 1633 to Anna Jonsdr. from Ovre Hauge, Hjelmeland Parish. Jakob took over the Tjostheim farm in 1634. He and Anna had 3 sons, Jon, b. 1634, Brat, b. 1646, and Knut, b. 1653 (daughters not listed). Jakob died after 1680 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 265-6).

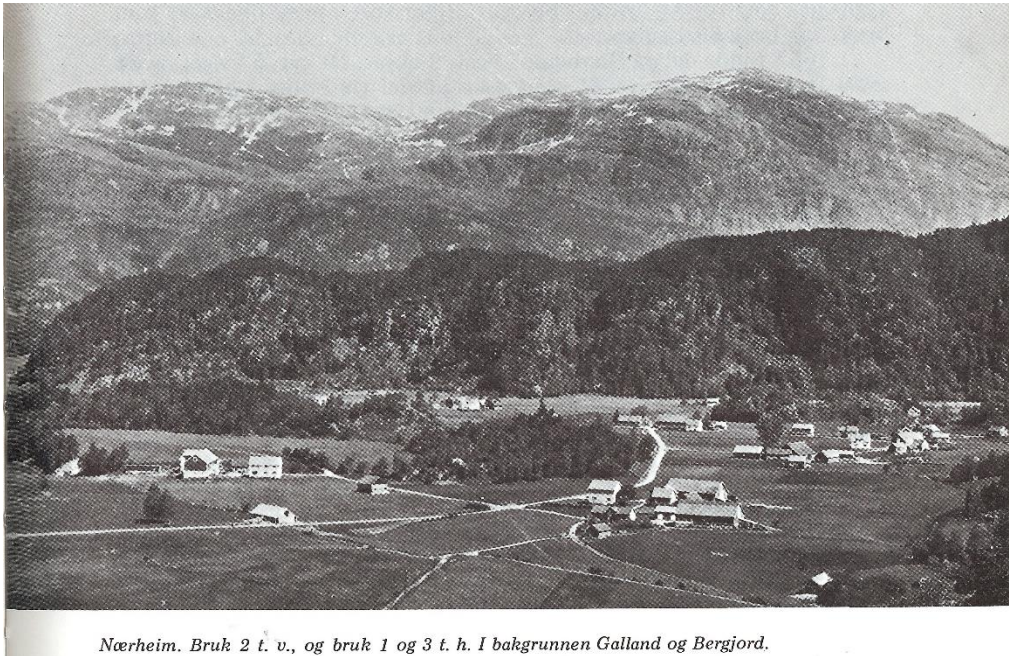
Jon Jakobson, the son of Jakob Narveson and Anna Jonsdr., was born in 1634 on the Tjostheim farm, Suldal Parish. His wife's name is unknown. He was on Tjostheim farm 2 in 1666. Jon served as a juror several times between 1664 and 1687. His death date is unknown. One known child, Jakob, b. in 1665 at Tjostheim (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 265, 268).

Jakob Jonson, the son of Jon Jakobson and an unknown mother, was born on the Tjostheim farm in the Suldal Parish in 1665. He was married about 1695 to Marta Rasmusdr. from the Kvame farm in the

Hjelmeland Parish. They had 5 children Jon, b. 1696, Rasmus, b. 1698, Kari, b. c1700 (see family #78), **Guri, b. 1702 see above**, and Ragnild, b.?. Jakob died a short time before 1711 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 268).

Widow Marta Rasmusdtr. married, second, about 1711 in Suldal Parish to Osmund Danielson from Herabakka (1678-1741). Osmund was the son of Daniel Larsson (Sukka) Herabakka (see family #18) and Marta Ormsdtr. They had two children: Jakob, 1713, and Marta, b. 1720 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 268).

Osmund operated the Nærheim farm from 1733 until his death in 1751. His property was probated on September 7, 1751.



Guri Jakobsdtr., widow of Osmund, was married, second, about 1752 in Suldal Parish to Johannes Larsen Nærheim. Guri was about 50 and Johannes was about 42. Johannes, the son of Lars Johannesson (Underbakka) Nærheim and Kari Osmundsdr, was born in 1710 on the Nærheim farm.

Guri and Johannes did not have any children. Guri died in 1760 at about 58. Her property was probated on April 25, 1760 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 152, 268; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 46, 54).

Johannes Larson took over Nærheim farm #2 in 1752 and operated it until 1764 when Guri's son, Lars, took it over.

Johannes was married, second, about 1761 in Suldal Parish to Guri Svendsdr. Litlehamar. Johannes was about 51 and Guri was about 27.

Guri, the daughter of Sven Sjurson Litlehamar and Siri Torbjornsdr. Fisketjon, was born in 1734 in the Suldal Parish. Johannes took over his father farm, Nærheim #1, in 1759 and operated it until he died in 1765. His widow, Guri Svendsdr., remarried twice to men who continued to operate Nærheim farm #1 until her son, Lars, by Johannes took it over in 1783 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 150, 506).

Children of Osmund Larsson and Guri Jakobsdtr.:

Valborg, b. 1736, Nærheim; m. c1759, Suldal, Knut Osmundson Tjostheim (1733-1789); d. c1775; 4 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 273-4).

Marta, b. 1739, Nærheim; m. c1763, Suldal, Tollef Nilsson Tjostheim (1737-1791); d. 1777; 5 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 169).

Guri, b. 1744, Nærheim; no other information.

78 Lars, b. 1747, Nærheim farm (**Larson ancestor**).

SIXTH GENERATION

Marta Larsdatter Herabakke

65 Marta, the daughter of Lars Danielson Herabakke (**45**) and Valborg Osmundsdatter Foss, was born in 1710 on the Herabakke farm. She was married about 1736 in Suldal to **Rasmus Jakobson (Tjostheim) Herabakke** (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 94).

Rasmus, the son of Jakob Jonson Tjostheim (1665-Bef. 1711) and Marta Rasmusdtr. Kvame, Hjelmeland (m. (2) Osmund Danielson Herabakke – see family #**18**), was born in 1698 on the Tjostheim farm (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 264). Rasmus Jakobson, age 3, appears in the 1701 census with his father and older brother, Jon.

Rasmus and Marta leased Herabakke farm 2 from her father in 1736. This was probably after the death of Marta's mother that same year. They probably inherited the farm after the death of Marta's father.

Rasmus died in 1759. Marta died sometime after 1759 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 268, 389).

Children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 94):

Valborg, b. 1737, Herabakke; m. c1766, Suldal, Lars Larsson Fjellberg (b. 1727, d. Bef. 1788?); d. 1804, Suldal; 5 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 111).

80 Osmund, b. 1740, Herabakke.

Jakob, b. 1743, Herabakke; m. c1769, Suldal, Barbro Andersdtr. Ovre Tveitane (1752-1798); d. 1774, Suldal; 2 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 102).

Lars, b. 1747, Herabakke; no other information.

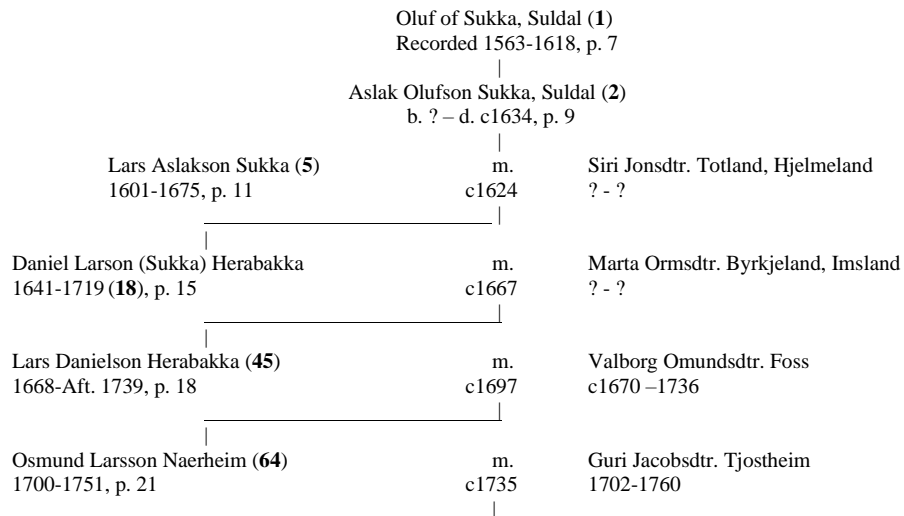
Osmund, b. 1752, Herabakke; no other information.

SEVENTH GENERATION

Kari Tormodsdr. Borkjenes

71 Kari, the daughter of Tormod Torjusson Borkjenes and Helga Larsdr. Nærheim (**62**), was born in 1747 on the Borkjenes farm. She was married about 1768 in the Suldal Parish to **Osmund Rasmusson (Herabakke) Vik** (see #**80** below for a complete record of this family).

SEVENTH GENERATION



Lars Osmundson (Nærheim) Guggedal

78 Lars, the son of Osmund Larsson (Herabakka) Nærheim (**64**) and Guri Jakobsdr. Tjostheim, was born in 1747 in Suldal, Norway. Lars took over the Nærheim farm in 1764 when he was 17 years old. Lars was married in 1766 (November 1765, *Sukka Ætta*, p. 88) to his first and third cousin, **Marta Paulsdatter Sukka**. Lars was about 18 and Marta was about 20. Their mothers were sisters. Their fathers were second cousins.

Marta, the daughter of Paul Olson Sukka and Kari Jakobsdr. Tjostheim (see family #**64** for Kari's ancestry), was born in 1745 in Suldal, Norway.

The family of Paul Olson Sukka traces back to Oluf of Sukka.

Jon Larsson Sukka, the son of Lars Aslakson Sukka (see family #**5** above) and Siri Jonsdr. Totland, Hjelmeland, was born in 1625 on the Sukka farm. He was married about 1655 to **Brita Ormsdr. Birkeland, Imsland**.

Jon took over the Sukka farm in 1675. Jon and Brita had seven children, Lars, b. 1656, Orm, b. 1660, **Ola, b. 1664**, Halvor, b. 1665, Marta, Siri and Ingeborg. Brita died before 1677. Jon was married, second, to **Ranvey Nilsdr.** They had five children. Jon died in 1695 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 471).

Ola Jonson, the son of Jon Larsson Sukka and Brita Ormsdr. Birkeland, Imsland, was born in 1664. He was married about 1700 in Suldal to **Valborg Paulsdr. Aarhus**. Valborg, the daughter of Paul Olson Aarhus (b. 1635) and Asgjerd Tormodsdr. Guggedal, was born about 1664 on the Aarhus farm, Suldal Parish. Ola and Valborg had three children, **Paul, b. 1701**, Sukka, Jon, b. 1703, Sukka and Narve, b. 1711, Sukka.

Valborg died in 1725. Ola remarried an unknown woman and had four more children, Ola, b. ?, Nils, b. ?, Eivind, b. ?, and Valborg, b. 1730, Sukka. Ola's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 471, 567).

Paul Olson, the son of Ola Jonson Sukka and Valborg Paulsdtr. Aarhus, was born in 1701 on the Sukka farm, Suldal Parish. He was married about 1736 in Suldal to **Kari Jakobsdtr. Tjostheim**. Kari the daughter of Jakob Jonson Tjostheim and Marta Rasmusdtr. Kvame, Hjelmeland, was born perhaps in 1700 on the Sukka farm (see family #64).

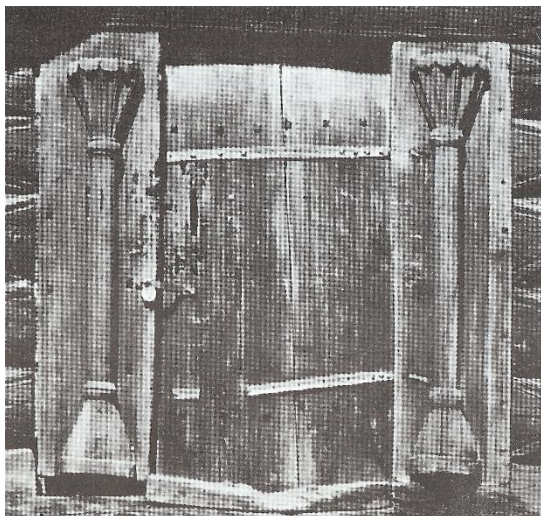
Paul and Kari had three children, Ola, b. 1737, Sukka, Valborg, b. 1740, Sukka, and **Marta, b. 1745**, Sukka (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 268, 471-2).

Lars and Marta lived, first, on the Nærheim farm. Lars exchanged farms with Jon Kolbeinson in 1780 and owned the Guggedal farm until his son, Paul, took it over in 1803.



Guggedal farm (Hoftun, *Gamle Suldal*, 1972, p. 559)

Lars Osmundsen, 54, head of household, owner and farmer, first marriage, is listed in the 1801 census for the Guggedahl farm, Saledahl (Suldal) local parish, Saledahl (Suldal) main parish, Stavanger (present Rogaland) County, Norway with his wife, Marthe Paulsdtr., 56, first marriage, his children, Paul, 31, unmarried, a school teacher (skoleholder), Osmund, 27, in poor health, Jacob, 25, Kari, 29, Guri, 22, Valborg, 18, and a male servant (tienestedeng), Hovar Halvorsen, 11 (Digitalarkivet, <http://gda.arkivverket.no/cgi-win/webcens.exe?slag=visbase&sidnr=1&filnamn=f18011134&gardpostnr=4&personpостnr=35&merk=35#ovre>, accessed 2/22/2018). [The 1801 census for Suldal clerical district includes [Suldal](#), [Saude](#), and [Røldal](#) now in Hordaland county parishes. It lists the farm name, person's name, position in the household, age, marital status, and occupation.]



Hoftun, Gamle Suldal, p. 24



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The Guggedal loft, dating from 1281, is the oldest secular building in Rogaland County. A loft is a log store-house with two stories. It has been moved from the Guggedal farm to the courtyard of the Kolbeinstvet farm, part of the Ryfylke Museum, depicting an 1850s farm in Suldal (www.ryfylkemuseet.no).

Marta died in 1803 at about age 58 and was buried on February 10, 1803. Her property was probated on May 11, 1803. Lars died in 1810 at about age 63 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 152-3, 171-2, 561; *Sukka Ætta*, pp. 64, 88, 113-4).

Children:

- 84** Paul, b. 1770, Naerheim farm.
Kari, b. 1772, Naerheim; m. 1805, Suldal, Nils Kolbeinson Helganes (1780-1849); 4 children; d. 1845, Suldal (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 428).
- 86** Osmund, b. 1774, Naerheim (**Larson ancestor**).
Jakob, b. 1776, Naerheim; m. 1828, Suldal, Lisbet Oddsdr. Berge (1784-?); childless; d. 1857 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 611).
Guri, b. 1778, Naerheim; m. 1818, Suldal, Johannes Leivson Lali (1788-1867); one child; d. 1855 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 553).
Valborg, b. 1783, Guggedal; m. c1805, Suldal, Jakob Oddson Roalkvam (1773-1810); 3 children; m. (2) 1811, Suldal, Gabriel Oddson Roalkvam (1791-1871); 4 children; d 1819 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 667).

SEVENTH GENERATION

Osmund Rasmuson (Herabakke) Vik

80 Osmund, the son of Rasmus Jakobson (Tjostheim) Herabakke and Marta Larsdtr. Herabakke (**65**), was born in 1740 on the Herabakke farm. He was married about 1768 in Suldal to **Kari Tormodsdr. Borkjenes (71)**.

Kari, the daughter of Tormod Torjusson Borkjenes and Helga Larsdtr. Naerheim (**62**), was born in 1747 on the Borkjenes farm.

Osmund took over Herabakke farm 2 from his father in 1765. Osmund and Kari operated Herabakke farm 2 until they moved to the Vik farm in 1778. They had eight children between 1769 and 1792. Osmund died in 1799.

Kari was married, second, in 1805 to widower Osten Torson Straapa. Osten, the son of Tore Ostenson (Sorestad) Straapa and Marta Osmundsdr. Berge, was born in 1748. Kari died in 1818 on the Straapa farm. Osten married for a third time in 1819 to widow Guro Jonsdtr. Veka. He died in 1828 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 372, 389, 524-5).

Children of Osmund and Kari (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 389):

Rasmus, b. 1769, Herabakke farm; d. 1780, Vik, age 11 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 389).

Marta, b. 1770, Herabakke; m. 1794, Suldal, Levar Josefson (Luren, Mo) Vika, Nedre Tveitane (1752-bef. 1801); 2 children; m. 1815, Suldal, Knut Aslakson Steinbru (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 107, 229, 389, 484).

Tormod, b. 1775, Herabakke; m. 1800, Suldal, Marta Oddsdr. Steine (b. 1777); took over Vik farm, 1800; 8 children (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 389).

Helge, b. 1777, Herabakke; m. c1802, Knut Oddson Berge (1762-1807); no children; m. 1808, Suldal, Albert Jonson Kjetilstad (1785-1841); 5 children; d. 1851 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 383, 389, 450-1).

94 Osmund, 1782, Vik farm; moved to Vetrhus farm.

Anna, b. 1787, Vik.

Kari, b. 1790, Vik; d. 1812, age 22.

Rasmus, 1792, Vik; d. 1810, age 18.

EIGHTH GENERATION

Paul Larsson Guggedal

84 Paul Larsson, the son of Lars Osmundson (Naerheim) Guggedal (**78**) and Marta Paulsdr. Sukka (**78**), was born in 1770 in the Suldal Parish. He is listed in the 1801 Norwegian census for the Guggedal farm with his parents as a 31 year-old, unmarried school teacher. Paul was married in 1805 in the Suldal Parish to **Marta Torsdr. Valskaar**. Paul was about 35 and Marta was about 20.

Marta, the daughter of Tor Ingvarson (Braatveit) Valskaar (1729-1821) and his third wife, Borghild Olsdr. (Fisketjorn) Tengesdal, Sand, was born in 1785 in Suldal Parish (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 214).

As the oldest son, Paul inherited the Guggedal farm. He took over operation of the farm when his mother died in 1803.



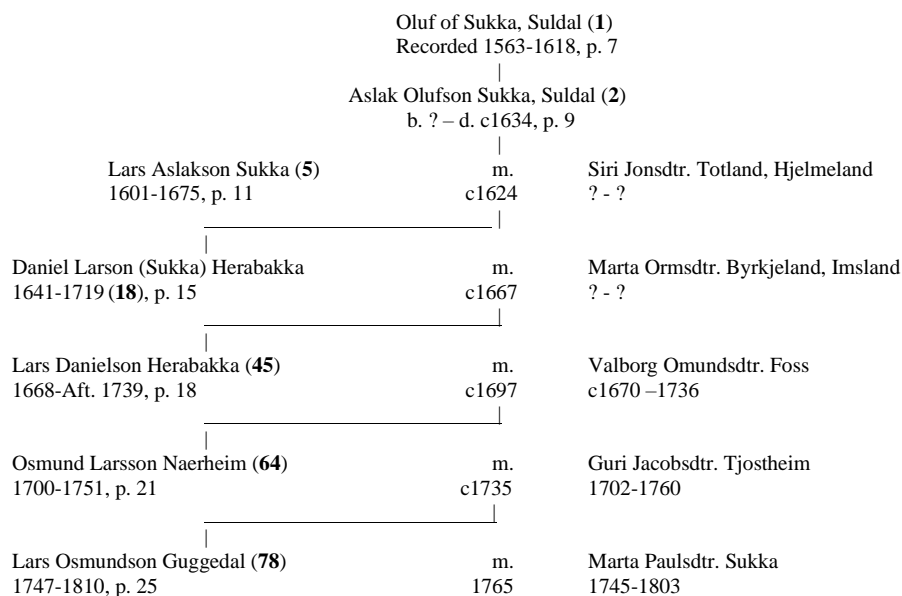
Another view of the Guggedal loft/storehouse (1281 AD)

Paul and Marta operated the farm until 1837, when their oldest son, Lars, took it over. Paul died in 1850 and Marta died in 1870 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 213-14, 561).

Children:

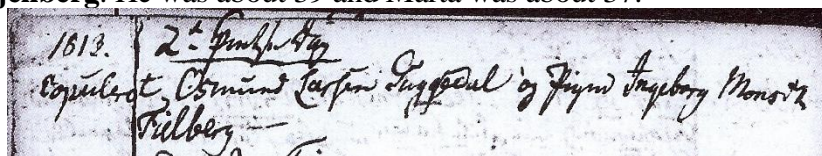
- Lars, b. 1808, Guggedal; m. 1833, Suldal, Marta Eriksdtr. Littlehamar (1808-1884); Lars and Marta operated the Guggedal farm from, 1837-1853; 6 children; d. 1853; Marta operated the farm from 1853 until son Erik took over in 1866 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 507, 561).
- Tor, b. 1811, Guggedal; m. 1836, Suldal, Siri Olsdtr. Vetrhus (c1810-1874); 8 children; d. 1879 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 561, 566, 582).
- 99** Paul, b. 1814, Guggedal.
- Ola, b. 1817, Guggedal; m. 1846, Suldal, Siri Oddsdr. Guggedal (b. 1823) (see Odd Aslakson Guggedal, Onsager, LW, *Juneau County Bygdebok*; *Gamle Suldal*, pp. 561-2).
- Marta, b. Aug 17, 1819, Guggedal; m. Jul 2, 1837, Suldal, Gunnar Johanneson (Gunder Johnson) (b. May 13, 1810, Suldal; d. Feb 10, 1868, Lindina Twp, Juneau Co, WI); d. Nov 3, 1838, Suldal; no children (Digitized Suldal Parish register, Digitarkivet; Onsager, LW, *Juneau County Bygdebok*).
- Borghild, b. 1824, Guggedal; died 1836, Guggedal, Suldal Parish, age 12 (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 561).
- Lars, b. 1830, Guggedal; m. 1856, Suldal, Kari Leivsdtr. Aarhus (b. 1836); 8 children; d. 1873, typhoid fever, 2 children also died (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 397, 561).

EIGHTH GENERATION



Osmund Larsson Bøen, Guggedal

86 Osmund, the son of Lars Osmundson Guggedal (78) and Marta Paulsdr. Sukka (see family #78), was born in 1774 in Suldal, Norway. He is listed as a 27 year old in poor health living with parents on the Guggedal farm in 1801. Osmund was married in 1813 to **Ingeborg Monsdr. Fjellberg**. He was about 39 and Marta was about 37.



Marriage record, p. 80, Church book, Suldal local parish, 1800-1816, Digitalarkivet

Ingeborg, the daughter of Mons, was born in 1776 probably in Rogaland County, Norway. She may have simply been working on the Fjellberg farm. No record can be found of her there.

Osmund's brother, Paul, inherited the Guggedal farm. Osmund was a tenant farmer on the Bøen subfarm/husmann place on the Guggedal farm.

Bøen, også kalla Torabø

32. Osmund Larsson, frå Guggedal (10 c), f. 1774, d. 1850.

G. 1813 Ingeborg Monsdr., f. 1776, d. 1849.

B: a. Lars f. 1814. Bakken, Guggedal 35.

Family record, Boen husmann place under the Guggedal farm (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 566)

Ingeborg died in 1849 in Suldal. Osmund died in 1850 in Suldal (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 561, 566; *Sukka-Aetta*, p. 114).

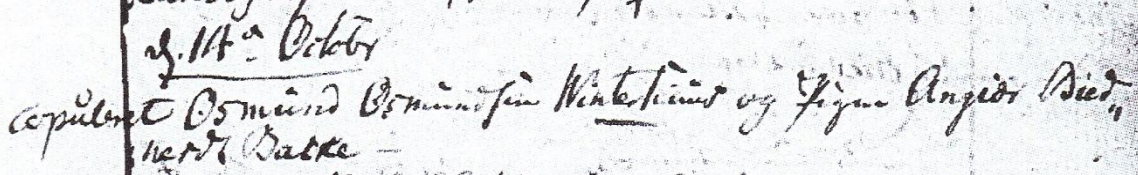
Children, probably their only child because of Ingeborg's age when married:

108 Lars, b. Feb 5, 1814, Suldal, Nor (**Larson ancestor**).

EIGHTH GENERATION

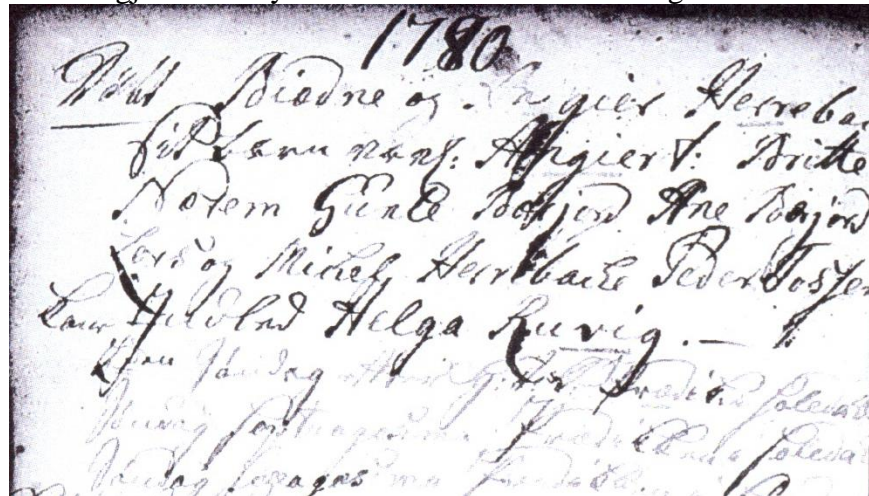
Osmund Osmundson Vetrhus

94 Osmund, the son of Osmund Rasmusson (Herabakke) Vik (80) and Kari Tormodsdr. Borkjenes (71), was born in 1782 on the Vik farm. He purchased Vetrhus farm 2 in 1811 from his uncle (his mother's brother), Lars Tormodson (Borkjenes) Vetrhus. Osmund was married, first, on October 14, 1813 in the Suldal local parish to Angjer Bjednesdr. Satke/Bakke? (see handwritten record below).



Marriage record, Suldal local parish, 1800-1816, digitized parish books, Digitalarkivet

Angjer, the daughter of Bjedne, was born in 1780 probably in the Suldal Parish. She has not been positively identified in *Gamle Suldal*. A possible record of her baptism is found in the Suldal local parish church book: Biedne and Angjer Herabakke, baptized a daughter named Angjer in 1780 (Suldal local parish, 1777-1780, digitized parish books, Digitalarkivet). In *Gamle Suldal*, a Bjorn Pederson (Vik) Herabakke on page 94, married Angjer Jakobsdr. Prestegard, Roldal as his third wife about 1777. In 1780, they had a daughter named Angjer. Possibly the record in *Gamle Suldal* is garbled in some way.



Osmund and Angjer had four children born between 1814 and 1823. Angjer died in 1840 at about 60. Osmund was married, second, in 1842, Suldal Parish, to widow Gyri Nilsdr. Tuftefog. Gyri, the daughter of Nils Nilson Bleskestad (1768-c1859) and Helga Torjusdr. Bleskestad (1769-c1859), was born in 1792.

Osmund died in 1844. Gyri was married, third, to Odd Oddson Bordalen, Lali. Odd, the son of Odd Tjerandson Djuvik, Guggedal and Brita Bjornsdr. Austara, was born in 1778/81 and died in 1857. Gyri's death date is unknown (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 94, 389, 557, 564, 584-5, 677, 685).

Children by Angjer:

Kari, b. Dec 14, 1814, Vetrhus; bp. Jan 1, 1815, Suldal; m. Jun 20, 1843, Suldal, Knut Ormson (b. Jun 1820, Suldal, d. Apr 23, 1886, Clifton Twp, Monroe Co, WI); emig, 1849 to Wisconsin; 1850 to Juneau Co; 5 children; d. 1855-1859 (*Gamle Suldal*, 107, 520, 584). **First family from Suldal to emigrate to Juneau County, Wisconsin (aunt and uncle of Johannes Larson).**

Bjedne, b. May 4, 1817, Vetrhus; bp. May 25, 1817, Suldal; m. Eldri Jonsdtr. Steinbru (b. Mar 23, 1819, Suldal, d. Jul 20, 1912, WI); 9 children; emig, 1864, Juneau Co, WI; d. Nov 14, 1894, Lindina, Juneau Co, WI; used Winterhus as last name. (see #99 for Jon Steinbru family)

Osmund, b. May 11, 1820, Vetrhus; bp. Jun 18, 1820, Suldal; emig, 1864, Juneau Co; d. Oct 12, 1880, Juneau Co, WI.

Lars, b. Feb 8, 1823, Vetrhus; bp. Mar 9, 1823, Suldal; d. 1848, Suldal, age 25.

NINTH GENERATION

Paul Paulson Djuvik Guggedal

99 Paul, the son of Paul Larsson Guggedal (**84**) and Marta Torsdtr. Valskaar, was born in 1814 on the Guggedal farm and baptized on May 29, 1814 (Whitsunday, the 7th Sunday and 50th day after Easter) in Suldal Parish (*Gamle Suldal*, p. 564; Digitized Suldal Parish record, Digitalarkivet).

Paul was married on June 16, 1836 in Suldal Parish to **Siri Jonsdtr. Steinbru**. Paul was 22 and Siri was about 22 (Digitized Suldal Parish record, Digitalarkivet).

Siri, the daughter of Jon Aslakson Steinbru and Siri Torjusdtr. Borkjenes, was born in 1814 in Suldal Parish.

Siri's family:

Jon Aslakson Steinbru, the son of Aslak Jonson Steinbru and Helga Knutsdtr. Veka, was born in 1779 in Suldal. He was married on June 17, 1804 in Suldal to Siri Torjusdtr. Borkjenes. Siri, the dau. of Torjus Tormodson Borkjenes and Siri Svensdtr. Litlehamar, was born in 1783 in Suldal.

Four of their daughters emigrated to Juneau County in the 1860's.* Jon died in 1856 in Suldal. Siri died in 1861 in Suldal (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 484; *Sukka Aetta*, pp. 107, 178, 180, 275).

Children:

- * Kristi, b. 1805, Suldal; m. 1834, Ole Halvorson (brother of Halvor Halvorson); emig 1863 to Lindina, Juneau Co, WI; their children intermarried with the Anasons, Johnsons, and Onsagers. Torjus, b. & d. 1808, Suldal.
- * Helga, b. 1809, Suldal; bp. Dec 3, 1809; m. Halvor Halvorson (brother of Ole Halvorson); emig 1863 to Fountain Twp, Juneau Co, WI; Halvor d. Mar 2, 1880, Helga d. Feb 29, 1896; bur: West Lem Cem, Fountain Twp, Juneau Co, WI (*Juneau Co Cem. Bk 3*, p. 305). Eldri, b. 1812; d. 1813, Suldal Parish.
- * Siri, b. 1814, Suldal; m. 1836, Paul Paulson Djuvik, Guggedahl (see this record - **99**). Siri, b. & d. 1817, Suldal Parish.
- * Eldri, b. Mar 23, 1819, Suldal; bp. Apr 11, 1819; conf, Sept 27, 1835; m. Jun 4, 1840, Bjedne/Bjarne/Barney Osmundson Winterhus (May 4, 1817, Suldal-Nov 14, 1894, Lindina; bur: Suldal Cem, Lindina); emig Apr 1864; farm, Lindina; 9 children; d. Jul 20, 1912; bur: Suldal Cem (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 389, 584; *Juneau Co Cem Bk 5*, p. 679). (see #**94** for Winterhus family)
Siri, b. Mar 14, 1822, Suldal; m. 1844, Halvor Oddson Stuv (Jul 19, 1824, Suldal-1894, Suldal, Nor); 9 children; dau, Siri, m. **Jon Paulson Guggedal** (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 474, 484).
Aslak, b. Feb 11, 1825, Suldal; m. (1) Jun 20, 1844, Herborg Oddsdr. Stuv (1821-1854); m. (2) 1855, Brita Oddsdr. Stuv (1826-1861); m. (3) 1863, Gyri Larsdtr. Oystad (1821-?); d. ?
Brita, b. 1829; d. 1846, Suldal Parish, age 17.

Paul Paulson, 52, b. Suldal, a renter with land, listed as head of household in the 1865 Norwegian census for the Djuvik husmann place (under Guggedal), Suldal local parish with his wife, Siri Jonsdtr., 52, b. Suldal, son, Paul, 21, b. Suldal, a laborer, daughter, Britha, 10, b. Suldal, and Ole Olson, 40, b. Suldal, a single, laborer. Paul and Siri had 3 cows, 2 sheep, and 6 goats. The previous year they planted one-half bushel of oats, one and one-half bushels of mixed grain (barley & oats?), and four bushels of

potatoes (Digitalarkivet) [This census contains the persons name, residence, status in the family, occupation, sex, marital status, place of birth, religion if not a member of the state church, and other miscellaneous information.].

Paul Paulson, b. 1814, Suldal, a renter with land is listed as head of household in the 1875 Norwegian census for the Djuvik husmann place (under Guggedal), Suldal local parish with his wife, Siri Johnsdtr., b. 1815, Suldal, son, John, b. 1848, single, Suldal, helper for parents, daughter, Martha, b. 1841, Suldal, helper for parents, and a lodger, Paul Olson, b. 1827, Suldal, single, a carpenter. Paul and Siri had 2 cows, 1 heifer, 17 sheep, and 8 goats. The previous year they planted one half bushel of barley, one bushel of mixed grain, and four bushels of potatoes (Digitalarkivet). [The 1875 census contains the persons name, whether resident or temporary resident, those absent from the parish and their location at the time of the census, position in the family, occupation, sex, marital status, year of birth, place of birth, religion if not a member of the state church, and other miscellaneous information.]

Paul died in 1876 in Suldal at about 63. Siri died in 1884 in Suldal at about 71 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 484, 561, 564-5; *Sukka-Aetta*, pp. 186, 275, 280).

Children:

Marta, b. Jul 13, 1837, Suldal; Til Stavanger; m. ? Johannessen.

Sigrid, b. Jun 1, 1839, Suldal, Nor; emig. US, 1864; joined E Lem Chr, Jul 1866.

Marta, b. 1841, Suldal, Nor; at home, 1875; m. Paul Olson (Torsvik, Vidvei)

Fisketjon (b. 1827); d. 1926, Suldal, Norway; no children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 203, 363, 565).

Paul, b. Dec 28, 1845, Suldal, Nor; m (1) 1870, Ranveig Larsdtr. Sorestad (1850-1873); m. to Stavanger; Paul emig to Juneau Co, 1873; m (2), Oct 9, 1875, Fayette Co, IA, Magla Thor(sdr?); no other info (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 307, 565; *Sukka-Aetta*, p. 280; Hufschmid corr).

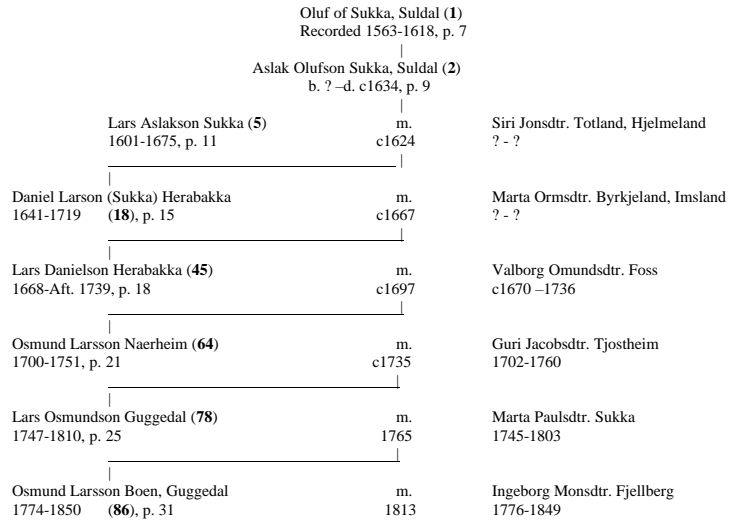
Jon, b. Feb 8, 1848, Suldal, Nor; at home, 1875; m. 1876, Siri Halvorsdtr. Stuv, Sukka (1850-1936); emig, Apr 1891 to Juneau Co; d. Feb 5, 1941, Milwaukee, WI; **bur: Plymouth Cem**, Lindina Twp, Juneau Co, WI; 8 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 474-565; Fountain Church records; Plymouth Church records; Juneau Co. Nat. records; Juneau Co. Gen. Soc. Cem Bk 5, p. 657; US census).

Torjus, b. Jan 4, 1851; d. 1851, Suldal, Nor.

Torjus, b. Jun 11, 1852, Suldal, Nor; d. 1853.

Brita, b. Apr 10, 1855, Suldal, Nor; emig, 1883, New Lisbon, WI; m. Oct 10, 1890, Lars Benson (b. Jan 13, 1857, Suldal, s/o Bjedne Osmundson Winterhus (**see above**) & Eldri Jonsdtr. Steinbru, d. Feb 14, 1937, Barron Co, WI); rem. 1895 to Barron Co, WI; d. Jan 3, 1937, Barron Co, WI; 3 children (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 484, 564, 584-5; obits, Barron Co. *News-Shield*, Jan 14, 1937, Feb 18, 1937).

NINTH GENERATION



Lars Osmundson Bakken Guggedal

108 Lars, the son Osmund Larsson Boen, Guggedal (86) and Ingeborg Monsdatter Fjellberg, was born at Boen, Guggedal on February 5, 1814. He was baptized on Pentecost, May 29, 1814. On June 16, 1840, Lars married **Marta Tormodsatter Vik**. Marta, the daughter of Tormod Osmundson Vik and Marta Oddsdr. Steine, was born on March 30, 1817 (April 16, 1817, JDR, 2-61) in Suldal, Norway.

Lars rented the Bakken husmann place/subfarm on the Guggedal main farm.

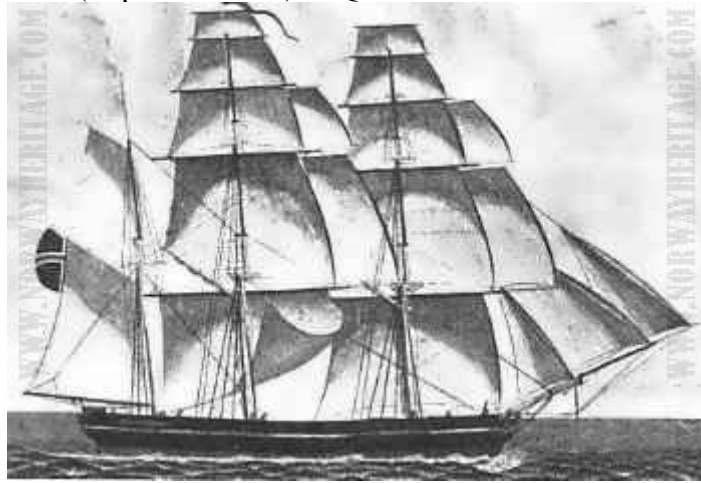
35. Lars Osmundson, frå Bøen, Guggedal (32 a), f. 1814.
 G. 1840 Marta Tormodsdr. Vik (10 h), f. 1817.
 B: a. Marta f. 1841, d.s.å. b. Osmund f. 1843.
 c. Ingeborg f. 1846. d. Marta f. 1849. e. Tormod f. 1852.
 f. Kari f. 1855. g. Lars f. 1858. h. Lars f. 1862.

Lars Osmundson var skoleholder ei tid, og budde på husmannssplasset Bakken. I 1864 reiste huslyden til Amerika. — I „Ætt og Heim” 1967 er det prenta eit lengre brev, dagsett 5. januar 1865, som han skreiv heim til Peder Olson Tjostheim. Her gjev han ei interessant skildring av reisa inn i det nye landet, prisar og levevilkår. m.m.

Gamle Suldal, p. 566

Lars was a schoolteacher for a time. He was an all-around man, good at composing verse, and an outgoing disposition. Snatches of songs Lars wrote could still be heard in Suldal in 1908. He lived on the Bakken farm until April 1864 when he led a group of 50 people from Suldal to America.

The group of immigrants sailed from Stavanger on May 4 on the barks Hebe (Capt. Tønnes Olsen) and Iris (Capt. O. Larsen) to Quebec.



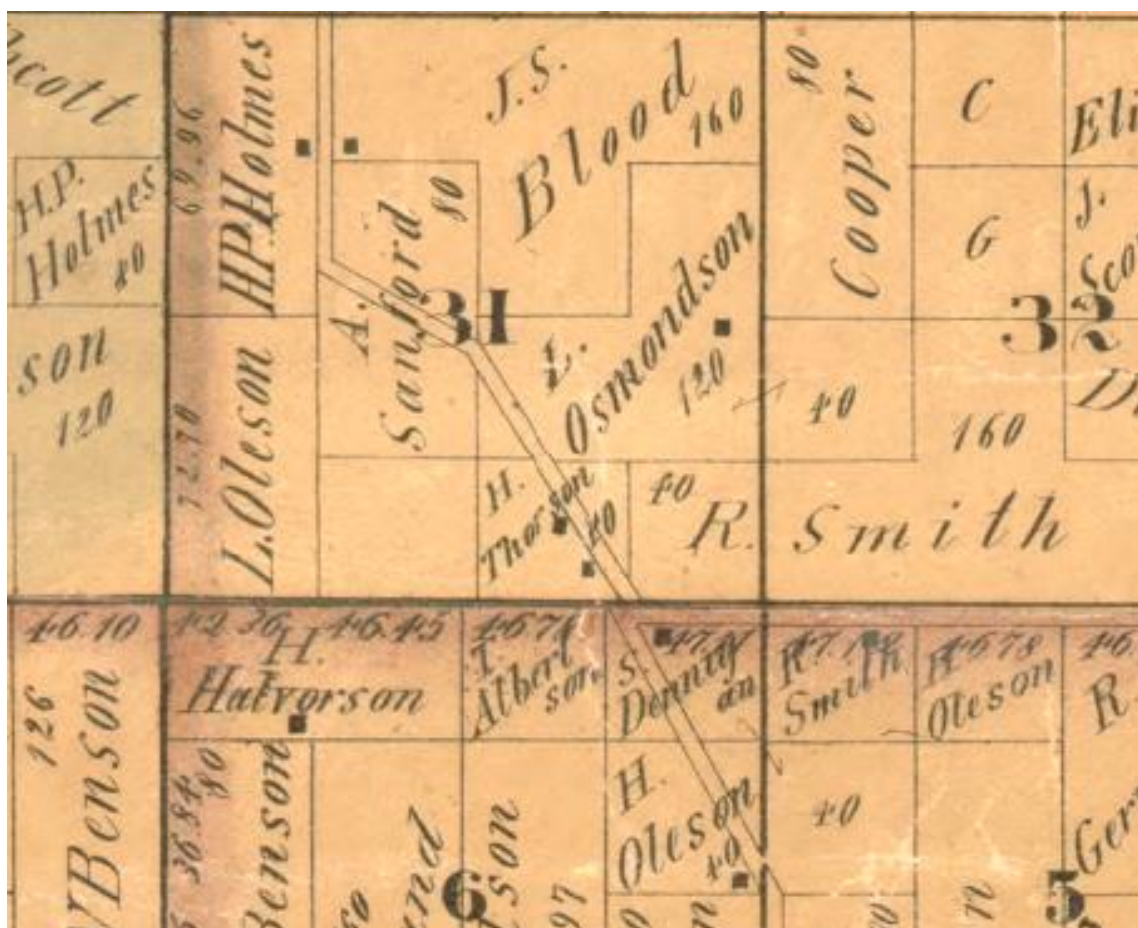
This vessel is a typical Bark. The reason why this ship is called a bark is the way it is rigged. It has three masts, with the foremast and mainmast square rigged and the mizzenmast fore-and-aft rigged. It wasn't unusual for Barks to be re-rigged as Ships or vice-versa. A "bark" rigged vessel, could sail with fewer crew members than the "ship" rigged vessel (Solem, Swiggum, & Austheim emigration ship index, www.norwayheritage.com).

The two ships crossed the ocean in a racing spirit. Although the Iris was a newer ship and arrived in Quebec earlier (Hebe built in 1851 and Iris built in 1852) (both ships are listed as arriving on June 2), the captain of the Hebe “knew the ropes” and sailed from Quebec for Chicago two days earlier. The ships crossed in 29 days which is listed as the third fastest crossing of an immigrant sailing ship from Norway between 1840 and 1874 in the Solem, Swiggum & Austheim emigration ship index. The average crossing took 53 days. The fastest was 25 days and the longest took up to 100 days.

While in Chicago, the interpreter advised reaching Mauston in south central Wisconsin by way of Duluth, Minnesota and the Great Lakes. Lars had the idea that a shorter land route could be followed. He had a rather heated discussion with the interpreter. Curious bystanders settled the argument in the favor of Lars and drove the interpreter from the depot (Osmund Larson obit, New Lisbon, Aug 19, 1926; Solem, Swiggum, & Austheim emigration ship index, www.norwayheritage.com).

The family arrived in Mauston on Saturday morning, June 10, 1864. They settled in Lisbon Township in June 1864 and joined the East Lemonweir Church in November 1864. Lars declared his intent to become a naturalized citizen on December 3, 1864 (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 389, 566; *Sukka-Aetta*, pp. 187, 248; Holand, Hjalmar R., *De norske settlementers historie*, Ephraim, Wis., 1908, chap 20; ELCR; JC Dec Int, JC Hist Soc).

Lars Osmanson, 56, b. Norway, married, a farmer with \$500 in real estate and \$180 in personal property, is listed as head of household #20/20 in the 1870 census for Lisbon Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin with Martha, 53, b. Norway, keeping house, Esbon (f), 24, b. Norway, keeping house, Martha, 21, b. Norway, Thomas, 18, b. Norway, Carry, 16, b. Norway, Lasse (m), 11, b. Norway, and Lars, 7, b. Norway. Their post office was in New Lisbon. All of the children except Thomas attended school.



Lars Osmundson farm, 120 acres in section 31 and 40 acres in section 32, Lisbon Township
 Map of Juneau County, Wisconsin, La Crosse, WI: G. V. Nash & F. B. Morgan, 1876
 Library of Congress, <https://www.loc.gov/resource/g4123j.la001424/>, accessed 4/7/2018

Lars Osmundson, Martha, and two sons, Lars, age 22 and Louis, age 18, were living on a farm in Lisbon Township in 1880 (US Census, Lisbon Twp, Vesterheim nos. 43783-86).

Lars died of pneumonia in Lisbon Township on Sunday morning, January 31, 1892, age 77 years, 11 months, and 26 days. His funeral was conducted by Rev. M. P. Ruh. Lars was buried in the East Lemonweir Cemetery on February 3, 1892. Martha died on December 6, 1892, age 75 years, 8 months of La Grippe (influenza). She was buried in the East Lemonweir Cemetery, Fountain Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin on December 15, 1892 (JDR, 2-61; JCGS *Cem Bk* 3, p. 237; East Lemonweir Church records).



Martha Bakken headstone, East Lemonweir Cemetery

Findagrave.com, <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/71169265/lars-o-bakken#view-photo=44960957>

Children (one son used the name Guggedal the rest used Larson):

Marta, b. Dec 17, 1841; d. 1841, Suldal, Nor.

Osmund, b. Apr 23/4, 1843, Suldal, Nor; bp. Jun 4, 1843; conf, Oct 18, 1857
(Larson, Osmund).

Ingeborg, b. Apr 7, 1846, Suldal, Nor; bp. May 3, 1846; conf, Oct 7, 1860; d. Jun 10, 1879, bur: East Lem Cem.

Marta (Martha), b. Mar 17, 1849, Suldal, Nor; bp. Apr 22, 1849; conf Oct 4, 1863;
m. Oct 15, 1884, Thare Knudson Shov.

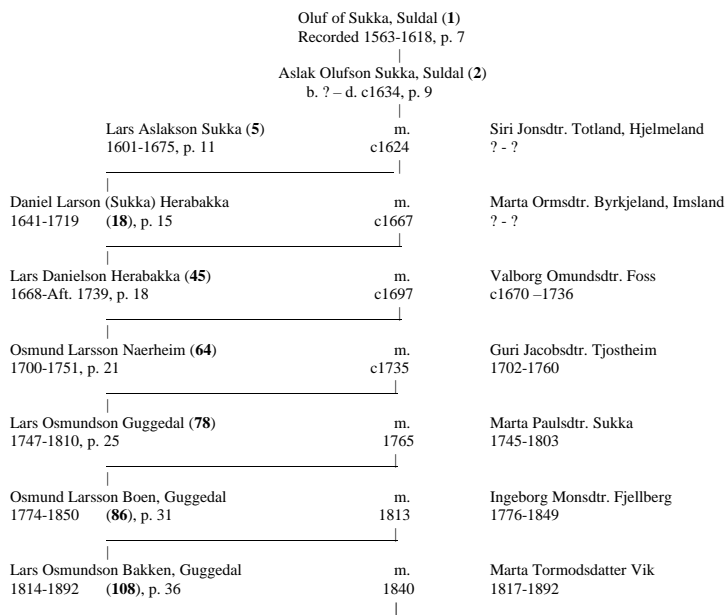
Tormod (Tom), b. Jun 25, 1852, Suldal, Nor; Jul 18, 1852; conf, Sep 1, 1867, ELC
(Larson, Thomas Daniel).

Kari (Carrie), b. Jun 4, 1855, Suldal, Nor; bp. Jul 22, 1855; conf, Dec 5, 1869,
ELC; m. Sep 2, 1885, Fountain Twp, Juneau Co, WI, John N. Benson.

214 Lars, b. May 31, 1858, Suldal, Nor; bp. Jul 4, 1858; conf, Nov 2, 1873, ELC
(Larson, Lars L.) (**Larson ancestor**).

Lars, b. Aug 30, 1862, Suldal, Nor; bp. Oct 5, 1862; conf, May 6, 1877, ELC
(Guggedal, Lars).

TENTH GENERATION



Lars L. Bakken Larson

214 Lars, the son of Lars Osmundson Bakken, Guggedal (108) and Marta Tormodsatter Vik, was born on the Bakken rental place on the Guggedal farm in Suldal Township, Rogaland County, Norway on May 30, 1858 and came to America with his parents in 1864. A farmer living in Lindina Township, he was married on April 3, 1884 in Lisbon Township by Rev. M. P. Ruh to **Ingeborg Johannesdtr. Ormson**, his sixth cousin. They were both residents of Lindina Township. The witnesses were T. L. Bakken and John Ormson (ELCR; Juneau Co Mar Rec).

Ingeborg, the daughter of Johannes Mo Ormson and Anna Jonsdr. Kvaestad, was born in in Suldal, Norway on July 23, 1861 and came to America with her parents in 1869.

Ormson Genealogy

Orm Torson Mo, the son of Tore Ormson Hamre, Roldal (c1750-1791) and Disa Knutsdr. Rabba, Roldal (1742-?), was born on the Haaranes farm in 1780/81 in Roldal Township in Hordaland County, Norway, a district directly north of Suldal Township. His family descended from Oluf paa Sukka, who lived in Suldal in 1563 (see chart - Ancestry of Orm Torson Mo below) (Rudolf Dreyer, *Sukka-Aetta*). Orm came to Suldal and married his sixth cousin, **Ingeborg Larsdatter** on November 8, 1812.

Ingeborg, the daughter of Lars Pederson Vinje (1765-1798) and Mari Hansdatter (1761-1831), was born in 1791 in Suldal. Her father was from Suldal and was descended from Oluf paa Sukka and her mother from Arendal, a city in Aust-Agder County, Norway. Lars got a lease to the Nedre Moen husmann place on the Vinje farm from the parish pastor in 1791. He died when Ingeborg was seven and his widow married in the Suldal Parish to Johannes Anfinnson Steine in 1799. They moved to the Steine farm and Ingeborg's uncle, Peder Pederson, a brother of Lars, took over the Nedre Moen husmann place at Vinje.

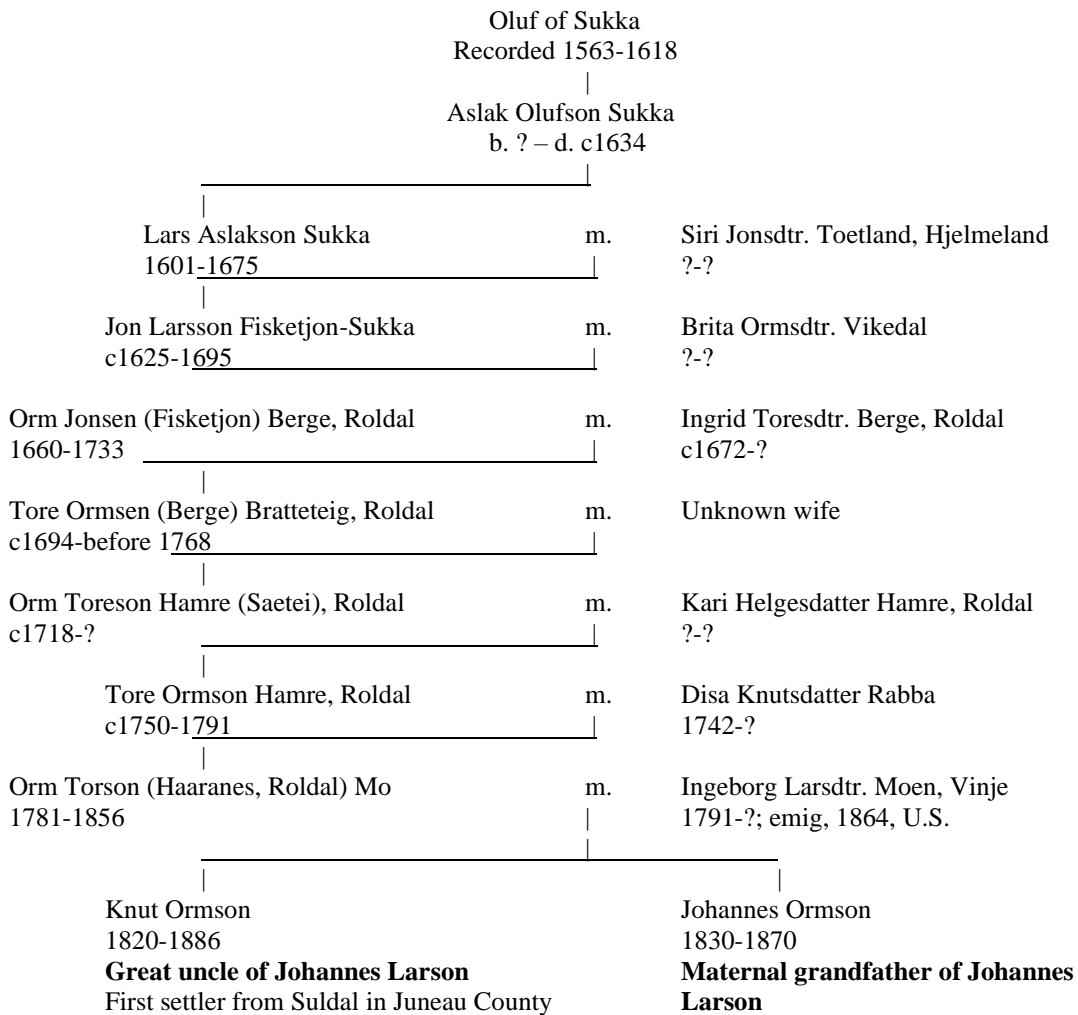
Orm and Ingeborg lived on the Haugen husmann rental place on the Mo farm in Suldal, then in the amt (county) of Stavanger (now Rogaland). Orm died in 1856 after 44 years of marriage.

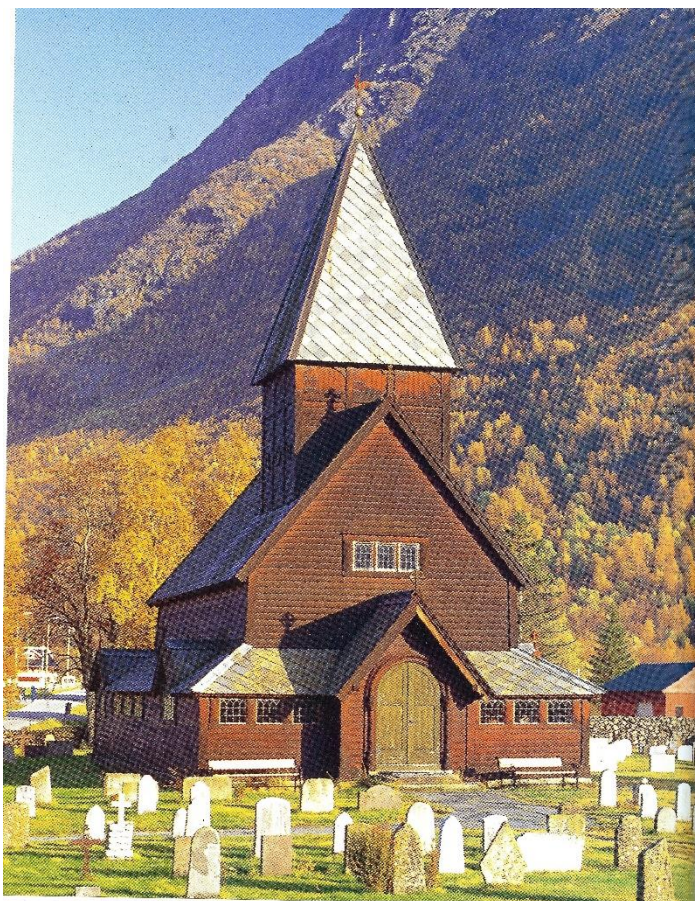
Ingeborg emigrated to America in 1864 with her daughter, Disa. She was listed as Isabelle Ormson in Lindina Township in the 1870 census and was living with her widowed daughter-in-law, Hanna (Anna) Johnson. Anna was the widow of Johannes Ormson (see below) (*Gamle Suldal*, pp. 107, 167, 248, 319; *Sukka Aetta*, pp. 107, 180, 277; *Roldal Bygdebok*, pp. 370, 559).

Children:

Lars, b. 1814, bp. Easter Sunday, 1814; three children emig. to Am.
 Tore, b. Jul 13, 1817, Suldal; m. (1) 1842, Eli Olsdr. Neshaugen, Maribu, Erfjord (1822-1843); m. (2) 1851, Margit Bjornsdr. Seljord, Telemark (b. 1830).
 Knut, b. Jun 15, 1820, Suldal; m. (1) Jun 20, 1843, Kari Osmundsdr. Vethus (1814-c1857); emig, Am, 1849, **first from Suldal to Juneau Co**; 5 children; m. (2) 1860, Eldri Johannesdr. Braatveit (1819-1863); one child; m. (3) Jan 16, 1864, Herborg Halvorsdr. Viken (1836-1914); 7 children; d. Apr 23, 1886, Clifton Twp, Monroe Co, WI.
 Disa, b. May 28, 1823, Suldal; emig, c1864; d. Mar 30, 1902, Clifton Twp, Monroe Co, WI; bur: Apr 1, 1902, Suldal Cem, Lindina Twp, Juneau Co, WI.
 Mari, b. Jan 25, 1826, Suldal, Nor; m. Oct 18, 1850, Suldal, Gabriel Kvamen Johnson (b. 1829); emig, c1857; rem. from Juneau Co. after 1861; no other information.
 Johannes, b. Apr 9, 1830, Suldal, Nor (see Ormson, Johannes below).

ANCESTRY OF ORM TORSON MO





Roldal Stave Church built in the 11th century. A silver case donated in 1704 included a plea to save the farmers from the wolves who were killing their cattle (*Norway's Stave Churches; Architecture, History and Legends*, p. 32)

Johannes Mo Ormson, the son of Orm Torson Mo and Ingeborg Larsdatter Moen, Vinje, was born in Suldal Parish, Rogaland County, Norway on April 9, 1830. He was the brother of Knut Ormson and Mari (see Johnson, Gabriel). In 1860, he married Anna Jonsdatter from Kvaestad farm. Anna, the daughter of Jon Kolbeinson Kvaestad and Brita Halvorsdatter Natland, Erford, was born on December 24, 1838 in Suldal.

Between 1861 and 1863, they moved to Hjelmeland Parish in Rogaland County. In the 1865 census, Johannes was listed as the *gaardbruger* (farmer) and *selveier* (registered owner) of the Helgelandsgjerde farm. In the household were Johannes, 35; Anna Johnsd., his wife, 31 (error); his son, Joh., 3, born in Hjelmeland; his dau, Engebor, 5, born in Suldal; his sister Disa, 43; his widowed, mother, Engebor Larsd., 77; and Thore Samons., 12, a foster boy. They had 2 cows and 16 sheep. The previous year, they planted 8 bushels of oats and 3 bushels of potatoes (1865 Nor Cen, Hjelmeland, Digitalarkivet; *Gamle Suldal*, p. 76).

In 1869 Johannes and Anna immigrated to America on the frigate, *Heros* with their 4 children, Ingeborg, John, Orm, and Britha; Johannes' mother, Ingeborg Larsdtr. Gjerde; and his sister, Disa Ormsdtr. Gjerde. The ship departed from Stavanger on May 3 and arrived in Quebec on June 1 (The Solem, Swiggum & Austheim emigration ship index, www.norway/heritage.com, *Heros*, passengers #199-206).

Johannes died in Juneau County on January 1, 1870 at the age of 39. He was buried in the Suldal Cemetery in Lindina Township (East Lemonweir Church record; no headstone in Suldal Cemetery).

In 1870, Hannah/Anna (the two h's are crossed out) Johnson, age 32, occupation domestic was living in household number 244/236. Isabell Ormson, Johannes' mother, age 80 was listed as the head of household. Three of Anna's children, Joseph Johnson, 6, Ormson Johnson, 3, and Betsy Johnson, 2, were living next door in household number 245/237 with Dese Ormson, 47, Johannes' sister, listed as the head of household. Ingeborg, Anna's oldest child, does not appear in the census.

In 1880, Anna lived on a farm in Lindina Township with her sons Joseph (age 17) and Oskar (14). Anna died on November 28, 1922 and was buried in the Suldal Cemetery on December 2, 1922 (ELCR; JCGS *Cem Bk 5*, p. 678; US Cen 1880, Lindina, Vesterheim #43687-89).

Children:

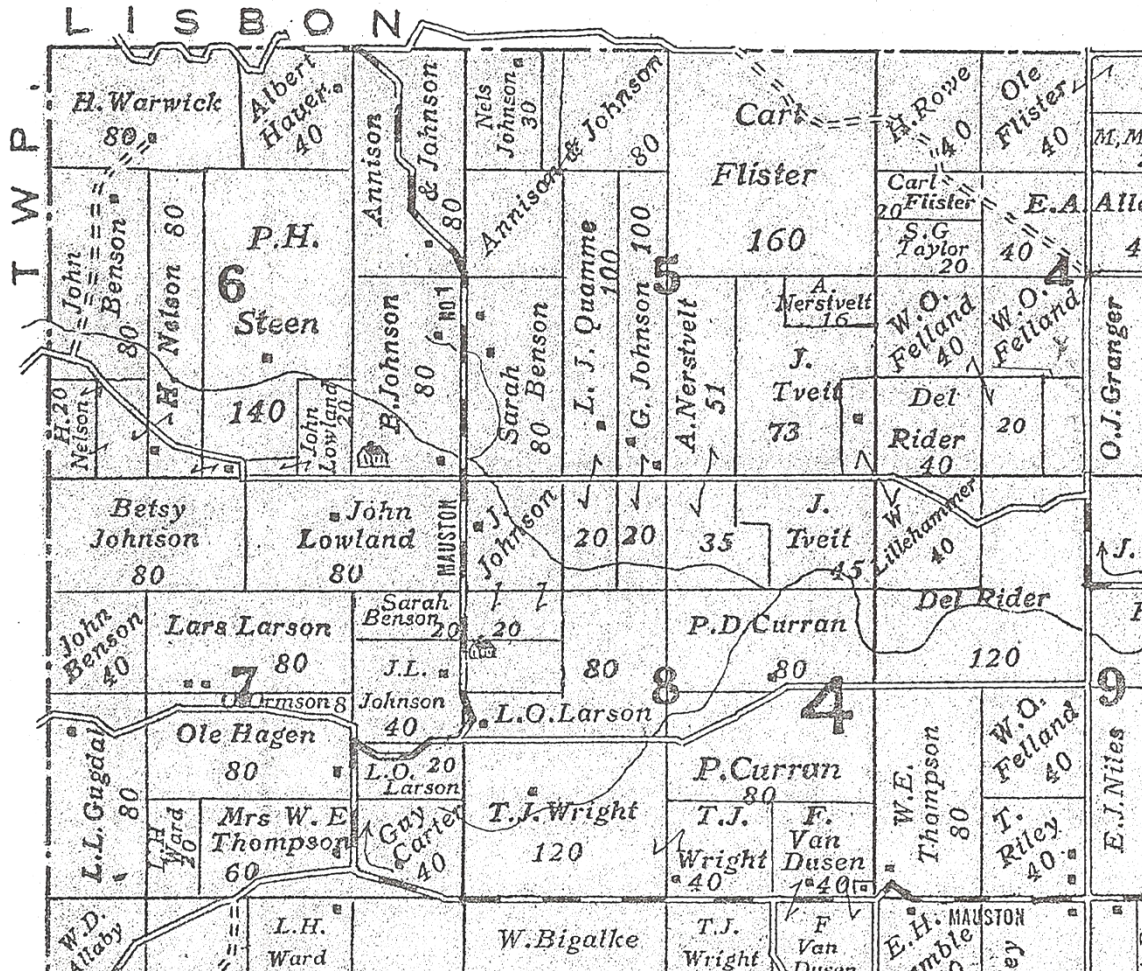
Ingeborg, b. Jun 6, 1861, Suldal, Nor; bp. Jul 28, 1861; conf, Sep 17, 1876, ELC; m. **Lars L. Larson** (see this record).

Jo (Joseph), b. Sep 23, 1863, Hjelmeland, Nor; bp. Nov 8, 1863; conf, Jun 30, 1878, WLC; at home, 1870, 1880; res: Canada.

Orm (Oscar), b. Feb 22, 1866, Hjelmeland; bp. Mar 15, 1866; at home, 1870, 1880; conf, Jul 17, 1881, ELC (Ormson, Oscar).

Britha, b. 1868, Hjelmeland; at home, Lindina Twp, 1870, age 2; d. Apr 25, 1874 age 6 (ELCR).

Lars and Ingeborg lived on a farm in Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin.



Lars Larsen, Rural Route No. 1, Section 7, 80 acres, wife Ingeborg, children: John, Larcene, Martha, lived in county, 50 years, *Atlas and Farmers Directory of Juneau County, Wisconsin*, Saint. Paul, Minnesota, Webb Publishing Company, 1914, pp. 38-9.



Ingeborg Ormsen Larson, middle front, about age 62 (c1923?)

Lars died on August 17, 1925 at his home in Lindina Township and was buried in the Suldal Cemetery on August 20, 1925. Ingeborg died on March 2, 1928 in Plymouth Township and was buried in Suldal Cemetery on March 6, 1928 (JCGS *Cem Bk* 5, p. 678; ELCR; obits, New Lisbon, Aug 20, 1925, Mar 28, 1928).



Children:

- Martha, b. Aug 17, 1884; bp. Aug 31, 1884, ELC (spon: Osmund Bakken, Randve -, Knud O. Sorestad, Britha Pedersen, Joh. Ormsen, and Britha Fuller); conf, Jul 2, 1899, ELC; d. May 17, 1901, bur: Suldal Cem, May 19, 1901.
- 275 Johannes (John), b. Feb 1, 1886; bp. Mar 28, 1886, ELC (spon: Thormo Bakken, Disa-, John Benson, Cari-, Disa Ormsen, and Orm Mo); conf, Jun 16, 1901,

ELC (Larson ancestor).

Larcene, b. Feb 15, 1888; bp. Mar 18 and Apr 1, 1888, ELC (spon: Nils Stenbro, Ingeborg -, Lars Larsen, Siri Holgersen, Henry Quamme, and Helge Haugen); conf, Jul 5, 1903; unm.; d. 1972, Suldal Cem (JCGS *Cem Bk 5*, p. 679).

Martha Jennie, b. Jun 6, 1897, Dexterville, WI (adopted, dau of John Pedersen and Lena); bp. Aug 17, 1902; conf, Jul 14, 1912; unm.; d. May 6, 1974; bur: Suldal Cem (JCGS *Cem Bk 5*, p. 679).

ELEVENTH GENERATION

Oluf of Sukka, Suldal (1) Recorded 1563-1618, p. 7		
Aslak Olufson Sukka, Suldal (2) b. ? - d. c1634, p. 9		
Lars Aslakson Sukka (5) 1601-1675, p. 11	m. c1624	Siri Jonsdr. Totland, Hjelmeland ? - ?
Daniel Larson (Sukka) Herabakka 1641-1719 (18), p. 15	m. c1667	Marta Ormsdr. Byrkjeland, Imsland ? - ?
Lars Danielson Herabakka (45) 1668-Aft. 1739, p. 18	m. c1697	Valborg Omundsdr. Foss c1670 -1736
Osmund Larsson Naerheim (64) 1700-1751, p. 21	m. c1735	Guri Jacobsdr. Tjostheim 1702-1760
Lars Osmundson Guggedal (78) 1747-1810, p. 25	m. 1765	Marta Paulsdr. Sukka 1745-1803
Osmund Larsson Boen, Guggedal 1774-1850 (86), p. 31	m. 1813	Ingeborg Monsdr. Fjellberg 1776-1849
Lars Osmundson Bakken, Guggedal 1814-1892 (108), p. 36	m. 1840	Marta Tormodsatter Vik 1817-1892
Lars L. Bakken, Larson (214) 1858-1925, p. 40	m. 1884	Ingeborg Johannesdr. Ormson 1862-1928

Johannes (John) Larson

275 Johannes, the son of Lars L. Bakken Larson (214) and Ingeborg Johannesdr. Ormson, was born on February 1, 1886 and baptized in the East Lemonweir Church on March 3, 1886.



Johnnie Larson and cousin, Lars Benson (s/o Bjedne Winterhus (99), perhaps about 1905?)

Johannes was married on June 3, 1914 Fountain Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin to **Olahva (Olive) Maline Onsager**. The witnesses were Mollie Western, Lars Larson, Marie Benson, and Carl Onsager (East Lemonweir Church record). Olive, the

daughter of Ole Onsager and Mary Nelson, was born on September 15, 1890 in Greenwood Township, Vernon County, Wisconsin. She was baptized on October 26, 1890 (Greenwood Church Records).

Olive's family:

Ole Johnson Onsager, the son of John Anderson Onsagersejet and Siri Olsdatter Tingelstad, was born according to the church records in Gran on January 3, 1847 at the Kammerud farm in Hadeland, Norway. However, according to his obituary and his cemetery headstone, he was born on December 30, 1846. Perhaps Ole needed to be a year older at some point in his life and changed his birth date or perhaps the church record is wrong. Ole was baptized on January 17, 1847. His sponsors were Kari Sorensdatter Kammerud, Gubjor ibid., Torger ibid., Anders Anderson, and Anders Larson Kammerudsejet.

As a young man, Ole was a champion ice skater and worked as a glassmaker in the Hadeland Glasswerk in Jevnaker. His son John was told that the Onsagers kept goats in Norway because the land was too steep for cows. The goats would walk on top of the log fences.

Ole left Gran on October 1, 1868 for America (Priests departure list, October 1, 1868, pg. 1177, no. 211). Emigration lists, 1868, no 447, Oct 7, 1868: Ole Johnsen, 22 years of age from Gran, left with on the Argo, October 9, 1868. He came by way of Liverpool, England where he sailed on November 1, 1868. [Ole declared his intention to be a citizen at Richland Center, Wisconsin on March 31, 1873. His petition for naturalization was dated May 4, 1914. At that time, he could not remember the name of the ship he came over on.]

In 1870, Ole Johnson was living with his uncle, Ole T. Olson and his family (emigrated, 1855). Ole T. Olson, 45, b. Norway, a boot and shoe manufacturer with \$800 in real estate and \$300 in personal property, is listed as head of household # 104/100 in the 1870 census for the village of Mauston, Juneau County, Wisconsin with Sarah, 47, b. Norway, keeping house, Ever, 19, b. Norway, attended school, Christiana, 17, b. Norway, attended school, Edward O., 12, b. WI, attended school, Anton, 12, b. WI, attended school, and Ole Johnson, 23, b. Norway, a laborer. The census was enumerated on June 3, 1870.

Ole probably lived with his uncle and worked as a laborer in Mauston and on farms in the Norwegian settlements in Juneau and Vernon counties where he met his future wife, Mary Nelson, a resident of Greenwood Township in Vernon County.

Ole was married on June 9, 1872 in Greenwood Township, Vernon County, Wisconsin to **Mary Nelson (Nilson)**. Ole was 25 and Mary was almost 19.

Mary, the daughter of Einar Nelson and Gertrude Paulson, was born on June 25, 1853 in Laerdal Township, Sogn of Fjordane County, Norway.

When Mary was a year old, the Nelson family migrated to America from Laerdal Township, making their home on a farm in Perry Township in Dane County, Wisconsin. When she was 12, the family moved to Greenwood Township in Vernon County.

Nelson family:

Einar Nelson, the son of Nils Kristenson (Hillestad) Nedre Kvame and Randi Einarsdr. Nese, was born on February 23, 1810, in Laerdal Parish, Sogn og Fjordane County, Norway (Baptisms in Sogn og Fjordane 1669-1895, digitalarkivet.iub.no). Einar was born on the Storegjerdet subfarm (2) which was part of the Nedre (Lower) Kvame farm. The word "kvam" means hemmed-in valley or inlet. His father was a husmann (renter or cotter) with land at Storegjerdet (2) from 1801 until his death in 1836.

Einar was married on May 3, 1840 at Oien or Oyen in Laerdal to **Guri Paalsdatter Sprakehaugen**. Guri, the daughter of Paal (Paul) Helgeson Berg, Nese and Kari Olsdatter Husum, was born on May 7, 1821 in Laerdal Parish, Sogn og Fjordane County, Norway. Guri's half-sister, Kirsti Baardsdr. Kroken, Eggjo, was married to Nils Erikson Lai, a first cousin to Einar on his mother's side. Kirsti and Nils emigrated in 1862 and were in Greenwood by 1865.

In 1842, Einar became a husmann (a renter with land) on the Kroken subfarm which was part of the Ovre (Upper) Eggum farm in Laerdal. He and his family remained there until they emigrated. In Greenwood, Einar used the farm name Kvame. Some of his children used Kvame and some used Eggum. The children also used Einarsen or Einarsdatter until the name Nelson was chosen as the family's last name.

In 1854, Einar and Guri with their five surviving children, ranging in age from 2 to 13, traveled to America. Guri's father accompanied them. They left Bergen on May 16th and traveled for several weeks on a sailing ship. Once they saw land but a strong wind swept them back to sea, which delayed their landing by several days. After arriving in Quebec, Canada, the first night they slept in a two room shack. Upon awakening the following morning they learned that a member of the family occupying the other half of the shack had died of cholera.

Einar and Guri settled first in Dane County, Wisconsin where they lived near Stoughton, Wisconsin for one year. From there they moved to Perry Township in the southwest corner of Dane County where they purchased land, cleared a farm, and remained until 1864. Einar paid taxes on 40 acres of land in 1857. He purchased 40 acres from Gabriel Bjornson and wife. The warranty deed was dated September 17, 1858 and recorded on January 8, 1862. The 40 acres was located in the SW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 28, Town

5 north, and Range 6 east. Einar and Guri recorded a \$400 mortgage to Gabriel Bjornson on September 17, 1858 for the property. The mortgage was satisfied on November 26, 1864. Einar purchased another 40 acres because from 1860 to 1864 he paid taxes on 80 acres.

Perry Township, Dane County, Wisconsin

Located in the extreme southwest corner of Dane County, Perry Township was named for Commodore Oliver H. Perry, hero of the battle of Lake Erie in 1813. The name was actually proposed for Primrose Township (T5N, R7E) by Ohioans living there, the legislature, to avoid confusion, kept "Primrose" for the town having that postoffice and gave Perry to the next township on the west (T5N, R6E). Perry achieved full separate status as a township on November 24, 1853.

The first Norwegians settled in the township in 1848. The Perry Norwegian Lutheran Church, in the northeast section 7 was built in the spring of 1852 and used continuously until 1887. The log church is now kept as a monument to the Norwegian settlers. The Perry postoffice was established on July 10, 1857. The first postmaster, Anders Sanderson (Volstad), kept the postoffice on his land in northeast section 7. The postoffice was moved, in 1871, to Daley's store in southwest section 7.

Located in adjoining parts of southwest section 8 and northwest section 17 of Perry Township, the village of Daleyville, sometimes called Dahleville, was named for Onon B. Daley, originally Dahle, and his descendants. In 1853, Dahle opened the first store in the town and made himself unofficial postmaster for the neighborhood, bringing the mail from Blue Mounds and in other ways promoting a settlement.

A number of Norwegian families from Hafslø and Laerdal townships in Sogn og Fjordane County, Norway moved from Perry Township to Greenwood Township in Vernon County, Wisconsin, during the early 1860's. Einar and Guri must have heard about this new settlement from relatives or friends. Einar's brother, Baard, brought his family to America in 1861. They joined the Greenwood Church in January 1867.

On October 17, 1864, Einar and Guri sold their farm to Hadley Evenson and moved to Greenwood along with other Norwegian families from Perry Township. He and Guri joined the Greenwood Lutheran Church in July 1865. Einar's sister, Kari, her husband and family emigrated in 1866 and joined the Greenwood Church in January 1867. Their nephew, Nils Kristenson Skaarheim, his wife, and daughter also emigrated in 1866. Nils was the son of Einar's oldest brother, Kristen. Nils and his family joined the Greenwood Church on December 9, 1874.

Greenwood Township, Vernon County, Wisconsin

Einar bought 160 acres of land in the southwest corner of Section 26 in Greenwood Township on March 23, 1865. On April 6, 1865, Einar and Guri's son, Nels, drew up the following articles of agreement with them. *I promise and agree to furnish the following yearly during their natural life: 40 bushels of good wheat of marketable quality, 400 lbs. of good sound fresh pork, 4 tons of good hay, 10 lbs. of coffee, 10 lbs. of brown sugar, 1/2 barrel of salt.*

During their natural life, the free use and benefit of the dwelling house on my farm for the use of themselves and family. Necessary firewood cut and hauled also to take care of them in their old age.

Do all needful teaming during their lifetime, also to pasture with my own stock, the stock of Ener and Guri and to feed their stock straw with my own in winter. The free use and benefit of a certain piece of field land (about six acres) to be tilled and used according to their wish and desire as long as they live or wish to cultivate it. The agreement was typical of the type drawn up in Norway when a couple retired and their son or daughter took over the farm.

On April 6, 1866, Einar sold his land in Section 26 to his son, Nels, for \$1,000 and bought 80 acres of land in the west 1/2 of section 34. The above detailed contract was binding on Nels or the owner of the southwest quarter of Section 26 in Town 13, Range 1 east during the natural life of Ener and/or Guri Nilson.

Einar lived on the farm in Section 34 until his death on November 29, 1887. Einar and Guri sold the 80 acres for \$400. The transaction is confusing because the records show that they sold 80 acres in 1872 and 1875. Hans Trulson Western, their son-in-law, must have purchased the property because after Einar's death, the farm was taken over by Hans. Guri continued to live on the farm with her daughter, Karen, and son-in-law until the farm was sold in 1902. She then moved to New Lisbon with Karen's family and lived there until her death on November 25, 1913 at the age of 92.

Guri died of senile debility followed by paraplegia. Her physician was Eugene H. Townsend of New Lisbon, who attended her from November 1-23. Guri was buried on November 28, 1913 in the East Lemonweir Cemetery. The undertaker was L. G. Gray of New Lisbon (source: East Lemonweir Church records and Juneau County death record, there is no headstone).

Children (one, name unknown, died at an early age):

Nels (Nils) Einarsen, b. Jan 18, 1842, Laerdal Twp, Sogn og Fjordane Co, Nor.

Paul, b. Sep 30, 1844, Laerdal Twp, Sogn og Fjordane Co, Nor.

Randi, b. 1846, Laerdal.

Ola, b. 1849, Laerdal; d. young.

Kari, b. 1850 (Aug 1, 1849-confirmation record), Laerdal; conf, Apr 23, 1865, Perry.

Mary, b. Jun 15/25, 1853, Laerdal Twp, Sogn og Fjordane Co, Nor.; conf, Dec 9, 1868, Greenwood (m. **Ole Onsager**).

Kjestine (Kjersti, Christiana or Kristi), b. Oct 20, 1856, Perry Twp, Dane Co, WI; bp. Nov 3, 1856, Perry Church (spon: Paul Olson, Jacob Jacobson, Anne Kristensdatter, and Anne Thorsdatter); conf, April 26, 1871, Greenwood; m. Ole Trulson Western. They are the parents of **Anna Western Anason**.

Karen, b. Jul 9, 1860, Perry Twp, Dane Co, WI; bp. Oct 4, 1860, Perry Twp, Dane Co, WI; conf, June 8, 1875, Greenwood.

Johanna, b. Aug 19, 1863, Perry Twp, Dane Co, WI; bp. Oct 11, 1863, Perry Church (spon: Thron Svendsen, Svend Tronson, Kari Ericksdr., and Marit Tronsdr.); conf, Jun 17, 1878, Greenwood.

Ole and Mary joined the Greenwood Church. Ole Johnson Onsager, a resident of Greenwood Township purchased an 80-acre farm from Albert and Angelina Field, residents of the Town of

Hillsborough on September 2, 1872. He paid \$400 for the property. The property was described as the south half (1/2) of the southwest quarter (1/4) of section number twenty seven (27) in township number thirteen (13) north of range one (1) east, containing eighty (80) acres, according to the government survey.

On the 1878 plat map for Greenwood Township, Ole is listed as owning 40 acres in the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-seven. On the 1895 plat map for Greenwood Township, Ole is again shown as owning 80 acres in the south half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-seven.

Ole Onsager, 32, b. Norway, a farmer, is listed as head of household # 147/147 in the 1880 census for Greenwood Township, Vernon County, Wisconsin with his wife, Mary, 25, b. Norway, keeping house, daughters, Sophia, 6, b. WI, Elina, 3, b. WI, and Ann, 1, b. WI. The census was enumerated on June 20, 1880.

Ole J. Onsogger is listed as head of household in the 1895 Wisconsin State census for Greenwood Township, Vernon County, Wisconsin with 3 males and 5 females. Six were born in the U.S. and 2 were foreign born. They were listed in the census between Andrew J. Onsogger and John A. Onsogger. The census was enumerated on June 20, 1895 by A. L. Berge, the town clerk.

In 1898 or 1899, Ole and Mary sold their farm and moved to Lindina Township in Juneau County. Ole, 53, b. Dec 1846, Norway, emig, 1868, married 28 years is listed in the 1900 census for Lindina with his wife, Mary, 46, b. June 1853, Norway, married 28 years, 8 pregnancies, 8 living children, daughters, Sophia, 26, b. Aug 1873, WI, single, Tina, 21, b. Dec 1878, WI, single, Carrie, 18, b. Jul 1881, single, John, 15, b. Sep 1884, WI, Nora, 12, b. June 1887, WI, Olive, 9, b. Sep 1890, WI, and Carl 6, b. Nov 1893, WI. His farm was mortgage free.

Ole J. Onsager, 58, b. Norway, a farmer, is listed as head of household # 56 in the 1905 Wisconsin State Census for Lindina Township with his wife, Mary, 51, b. Norway, son, John, 20, b. WI, a farm laborer, daughters, Nora, 17, b. WI, a domestic, Olive, 14, b. WI, and son, Carl, 11, b. WI. His farm was mortgage free.

Ole J. Onsager, 63, b. Norway, emig, 1868, married 38 years, a general farmer, is listed as head of household # 120/126 in the 1910 census for Lindina Township with his wife, Mary, 56, b. Norway, emig 1855, married 38 years, 8 pregnancies, 7 living children, son, John, 25, b. WI, single, a farm laborer, daughter, Olive, 19, b. WI, single, and son, Carl, 16, b. WI, single.

In the 1914 *Atlas and Farmers' Directory of Juneau County, Wisconsin*, Ole was farming 135 acres in section 4 and 3 acres in section 9 of Lindina Township. He and Mary had lived in the county for 15 years. Ole became a naturalized citizen on September 10, 1914. They lived there until 1917 when they moved to Mauston and lived with their son Carl.

Carl O. Onsager, 26, b. WI, parents b. Norway, single, repairman, automobiles, is listed as head of household # 183/192 in the 1920 census for Mauston ward 2, Juneau County, Wisconsin with his father, Ole J., 73, b. Norway emig 1866, naturalized 1870, occ: none, mother, Mary A., 66, b. Norway, relationship unknown (boarders), Rosa E. Robinson, 44, b. WI parents b. England, single, head nurse, Teresa J. Jacob, 42, b. WI, parents b. Germany, widowed, Augusta M. Laack, 21, b. WI, parents b. Germany, occ: illegible, and Frank E. Southern, 37, b. WI, parents b. WI & NY, single, occ: illegible. Carl owned a mortgaged house on Division Street next to Mauston hospital. The census was enumerated on January 13, 1920.

Ole died on July 22, 1921 in Mauston, Juneau Co., Wisconsin. He was buried on July 25, 1921 in the Suldal Cemetery, Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin.

Mary was living with her daughter, Nora, in 1930. William Felland, 51, b. WI, married at 28, a general farmer, is listed as head of household # 125/126 in the 1930 census for Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin with his wife, Nora, 42, b. WI, married at 19, son, Garold, 16, b. WI, daughters, Norma, 15, b. WI, Ardis, 11, b. WI. Bernice, 11/12, b. WI, and mother-in-law, Mary Onsager, 70, b. Nor, emig 1853, widow, married at 19.

Mary died on April 24, 1939 in Hillsboro, Vernon County, Wisconsin at age 83. She was buried beside Ole in the Suldal Cemetery.

Children:

- Sophia Gurine, b. Aug 4, 1873, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Sep 17, 1873, Greenwood (spon: Gutorm. Einarsen & k, Paul Einarsen, and Mari Joh. Husum); conf, Aug 26, 1888, Cazenovia, Richland Co, WI (GCR); m. Jun 7, 1900, Fountain Twp, Gunder Johnson.
- Ella O.,), b. Jul 23, 1876, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Aug 20, 1876, Greenwood (spon: Gulli, Kristensen, Anders Johannessen, Johanne Baarsdr., and Tina Joh.d.); conf, Jul 5, 1891, GLC; m. Jun 28, 1899, Fountain Twp, Walter O. Shear.
- Anna Marie, b. Dec 16, 1878, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Dec 31, 1878, Greenwood (spon: Anders Onsager, Thorine Onsager, Karen Einarsd., and Ole Vestern); conf, Sep 10, 1893; m. June 7, 1900, Minas Anason.
- Kari (Carrie) Pauline, b. Jul 19, 1881, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Jul 31, 1881, Greenwood (spon: Hans T. Western, Caren Einarsen, Tom Knudsen, and Bithea Knudsen); conf, Jul 3, 1896, Greenwood; m. Jun 10, 1903, Emil Otto Larson.
- John Adolf, b. Sep 20, 1884, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Oct 19, 1884, Greenwood (spon: Ole Trulsen, Kersti Einersen, M. Olsen, and Thom Knudsen); conf, Jul 2, 1899, ELC.
- Nora Randine, b. b. Jun 23, 1887, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Jul 17, 1887, Greenwood (spon: Jacob Heg, John Onsager, Johanne Einersen, and Berthe Onsager); conf, Jun 16, 1901, ELC; m. Apr 24, 1907, Willie O. Felland.
- Olive (Olahva) Maline**, b. Sep 15, 1890, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Oct 26, 1890, Greenwood (spon: Jacob Heg, Johanne -, John Jacobson and Sophie Iversen); conf, May 21, 1905, ELC; **m. Jun 3, 1914, Johannes Larson.**
- Carl Olaus, b. Nov 8, 1893, Greenwood Twp, Vernon Co, WI; bp. Dec 17, 1893, Greenwood (spon: Nils Einarsen, Barbro Einarsen, Clara Nilsen, and Berthe Nilsen); conf, Jun 14, 1908, ELC.

John Larson, 32, address: Rt. 2, New Lisbon, Juneau County, Wisconsin, b. Feb 1, 1886, a white citizen, registered for the World War I draft on September 12, 1918. He was a farmer in Fountain Township and his nearest relative was Olive Larson. John was tall and stout with brown hair and eyes (WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918, Ancestry.com).

John Larson, 33, b. WI, parents b. Norway, a farmer, is listed as head of household # 141/142 in the 1920 census for Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin with his wife, Olive M., 29, b. WI, parents b. Norway, son, Levin O., 4 & 8/12, b. WI and daughter, Maria I., 1 & 5/12, b. WI. John and Olive owned a mortgaged farm. The census was enumerated on January 24, 1920.

John Larson, 46, b. WI, parents, b. Norway, m. at age 30, farmer, general farm, is listed as head of household # 164/165 in the 1930 census for Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin with his wife, Olive, 39, b. WI, parents b. Norway, m. at age 23, son, Levine, 15, b. WI, single, daughters, Maria, 11, b. WI, attended school, and Mable, 6, b. WI, attended school. John and Olive owned a farm and a radio. The census was enumerated on April 23, 1930.

John Larson registered for the World War II draft in 1942. He was born on February 1, 1886 and his address was Fountain Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin (US WWII draft, 1942, FamilySearch.org).

John and Olive operated farms in Lindina and Fountain Township. They retired and moved to New Lisbon about 1944. John died on April 16, 1956 in New Lisbon. Olive died on October 22, 1967. They were both buried in the Suldal Cemetery, Lindina Township, Juneau County, Wisconsin (JCGS *Cem Bk 5*, p. 678; obit, New Lisbon, Apr 19, 1956).

Children:

- Levin Arvis, b. Apr 16, 1915; bp. May 23, 1915, ELC (spon: Mr. & Mrs. Ole

Onsager, Mr. & Mrs. Lars Larson, John Onsager, and Martha Larson); conf, Aug 17, 1930, ELC.
 Marie Ingeborg, Aug 14, 1918; bp. Sep 1, 1918, ELC (spon: Mr. & Mrs. Gunder Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Markus Larsen, Larsine Larson, and Mabel Olsen); conf, 1932, E Lem; m. Mar 29, 1936, Lewis Evans Barlow.
 Mabel Anetta, b. Jun 12, 1923; bp. Jul 15, 1923, ELC (spon: Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Felland, Mr. & Mrs. Carl Onsager, Signe Benson, and Bertil Johnson); conf, Jul 3, 1938, ELC.

PICTURES



Ole and Mary (Nelson) Onsager family, c1880



Guri and Einar Nelson, 1880s?



Mary Nelson with grown children



John and Olive (Onsager) Larson

