

Hans and Ane (Anna) Marie Christensen Larsen



Hans Larsen

Born – October 2, 1859
Copenhagen, Kbhun, Denmark
to Lars & Sidse Hansdatter Jensen

Ane (Anna) Marie Christensen

Born – July 17, 1864 (twin)
Fjillingstrup, Graested, F, Denmark
to Christen & Karen Christiansen Larsen



Hans & Anna were married July 30, 1886 in Denmark. Hans was a ship carpenter and was very talented in his profession and made a good living for his family. Anna was a homemaker and had many talents such as sewing, quilting, crocheting & was an excellent cook.

Just a little over a year after their marriage, a son, Carl was born (October 31, 1887). They were soon blessed with 2 more children, Cornelia Cecelia, October 20, 1888 & John, December 1, 1890.

The missionaries from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints visited their home in Denmark and they were baptized into this religion. They soon decided to join the Saints in the United States, so Hans & their son, John, sailed on the S.S. Arizona from Liverpool, England in May 1894. Once they reached the United States, they travel by train to Utah, where they made their way to Molen. Hans then built a log home and sent for Anna, Cornelia & Carl. On November 1, 1894 they sailed from Liverpool England aboard the S.S. Circassia. A winter crossing on the Atlantic Ocean was very stormy and many of the people were very sick. After docking in New York, they came by train to Salt Lake City, Utah & then on to Price. From there they traveled to Molen in a horse-drawn wagon.

They were soon blessed with 6 more children: Simon, November 21, 1895; Hans, September 2, 1897; Carrie, May 19, 1899; Lagerta, January 26, 1901; Victor, November 27, 1902 & Anna, October 23, 1903.

Hans homesteaded 160 acres below Molen and built a nice home made of logs with a special “V” notch in each corner of the log. This made the home more durable. The house had 2 rooms and a large attic loft which was the girls’ room & only accessible by ladder from the outside. A flagstone addition was later added for a kitchen & each room had a fireplace. A wood grainer was made with an attic loft which was where the boys slept. They also built an icelhouse, root cellar & many corrals. The land had to be cleared of sage brush and rocks by hand and a team of horses. In later years, this became a very productive ranch raising 150 to 200 tons of hay & 1400 bushels of grain. Hans & a neighbor, Mr. Soderquist, bought the first horse-drawn thrashing machine in Ferron history & would hire out to thrash wheat for other farmers. Hans had 300 head of sheep & 100 head of cattle.

Anna taught her daughters to make cheese, butter. They also had a smoke house where they made bacon, sausage & ham to sell.

Later, the family moved to Ferron & owned the home that used to be on the corner where the Ferron Elementary School is now.

Hans passed away in a Salt Lake City hospital on December 31, 1919. Anna passed away at home in Ferron on January 5, 1937.