

VI 1. PHYLLIS AILEEN SMITH b. 28 Oct 1912 d. 14 Feb 2002. Wed 30 Aug 1930  
Marcus L. Fritsch b. 16 Apr 1906 d. 9 Mar 1992. Phyllis' Aunt Do was amused by toddler Phyllis trying to talk the family dog out of bothering her for a cookie she had. She kept telling the dog how bad it tasted. This show of imagination was evident later in her quick wit and humorous twists of the language; all the Grafs had a knack for lively phrases. Some of Do's were "lickety split", "it'd never be noticed by a blind man on a galloping horse" and "Go to grass!" Someone asked Dora when ladies stopped wearing so many petticoats and she replied, "When I started ironing."

Phyllis and Marcus spent their married life in the Earlville, Paw Paw, Mendota area. Marcus was foreman of a section gang maintaining railroad lines. Phyllis worked in local offices; she also loved the game of golf in her younger years. She was an expert seamstress and knitter. The photo below was taken on her last visit to the Suppes farm where she had spent many happy childhood days with Aunt Do and Uncle Ed.



Phyllis was a good cook: Marcus always had a thriving garden. The couple bickered sometimes but their deep love for each other kept them going, especially when they lost their first-born son. They spent the last years with their children in Tennessee.

VII 1. EDWARD HENRY FRITSCH b. 18 Dec 1943 d. 13 Nov 1960

Eddie was a sweet, generous boy, very modest and loving - all the best traits of his mother and father. He felt a caring responsibility for his little sister and brother. Just at the beginning of his Senior year in high school he went off one Sunday afternoon to visit a friend. The friend had a motorcycle, convinced Eddie to ride behind him, and they tragically collided with a car because of poor visibility. Both were killed. The evening of the funeral, Phyllis and Marcus were surrounded by family, but they took an hour to go visit the other bereaved parents.

2. SUSAN JANE FRITSCH b. 5 Mar 1949 Wed Russell Willoughby, divorced. Second marriage Erich Crawford Russ lived in Illinois the first years of marriage until his work took them to Tennessee. Sue has lived there ever since.

VIII 1. TIMOTHY RUSSELL WILLOUGHBY b. 15 Sep 1970 Wed Charma Pilcher b. 4 May 1972.

IX 1. TYLER RUSSELL WILLOUGHBY b 6 Jan 1994  
2. ASHLEY MICHELE WILLOUGHBY b. 18 Dec 1995

VIII 2. KAREN SUSAN WILLOUGHBY b. 7 Dec 1977 Wed James Thomas Darrow

IX 1. TIFFANY ALIENE DARROW b. 11 Jun 1997

VII 3. JOHN WINSLOW FRITSCH b. Aug 1953 d. 9 Mar 1996 Wed Bonnie Cruse, divorced. Second marriage Linda \_\_\_\_\_. John was born with a serious heart defect, a condition known at the time as a "blue baby". His parents spent sleepless hours in hospitals, therapy rooms and with this baby at home. Eventually, major surgery gave him many years of life. He was a congenial man with many friends, both as he was growing up in Paw Paw, Illinois and later in Tennessee where he lived near his sister.

VIII 1. MARTI FRITSCH

Eighty years before the death of John Fritsch his great-great grandmother Louise-Anna passed away. As an old lady she had taught grand-daughter Dora to sew quilt pieces; Dora had kept a pieced square of tiny red and white squares as a result. Grandson Arthur said that she sat rocking, knitting and humming. A playmate of her great-grand-daughter Hazel, when asked for memories of Louie-Anna said that "everyone in town called Grandma Graf, with a broad "A" and she was so old she was rather scary."<sup>73</sup>

Once Grandma got up early as usual and started a fire in the stove in her room; somehow, the flames got out of control. "Franklin!" she shouted, and her son dashed out of his room, completely unclothed, but in time to put out the fire. Those children that saw his wild dash never dared talk much about this awesome event.<sup>74</sup>

Louise-Anna lived with various children for 40 years after Samuel died, but mostly on her

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<sup>73</sup> Edna Sherman

<sup>74</sup> Op. Cit. Dora Graf Suppes

home farm with Frank and Helen. On her 98th birthday she received many postcards from friends and relatives, a few written in German. That last year she was living with daughter and son-in-law Mary and Paul. On a trip to the privy, she slipped and fell; though there was an indoor bathroom, she didn't want anything to do with such novelties. After this accident, she lived only a few months.

One of the postcards she received is pictured below, its picture side to the right.



VI 2. HELEN ISOBEL SMITH b. 2 Dec 1914 d. 3 Jan 2006 Wed 27 Sep 1933  
 Donald Sherwin Donoho b. 25 Oct 1915 d 6 Jun 1990. Helen, born in the year her Great  
 Grandma Louise-Anna died, was raised in Amboy, Illinois. She was valedictorian of her  
 high school class. Her Aunt Do was hoping she would go on to college, but she married  
 soon after graduation. She and Don had eight children during these next years in northern  
 Illinois. Helen, as her sister and mother, was a good cook. She, too, had a good sense of  
 humor. Don was a quiet, amiable man, active in representing the workers of his construction  
 union.

VII 1. DONALD SHERWIN DONOHO JR. b. 25 Apr 1934. Wed 22 Feb 1958  
 Marilyn Darlene MccCardle b. 27 Aug 1936. Don and Darlene are avid gardeners and live  
 near Dixon, Illinois.

VIII 1. DAVID LEROY DONOHO b. 16 Nov 1958 d. 16 Nov 1958

2. DONALD SHERWIN DONOHO III b. 20 Feb 1962 Wed 29 Apr 1989 Cinthia Mae Pursell

3. MARILYN DENISE b. 4 Novv 1965

VII 2. RODGER GENE DONOOHO b. 26 Jan 1936 Wed 8 Oct 1955 Rosalie Durham b. 10 May 1939, Gene, as he is known, was Fire Chief in Dixon, Illinois for many years.

VIII 1. CATHY JO DONOHO 4 Aug 1956 Wed 10 Sep 1974 David Kastner. Second marriage Daniel Crawford. Second marriage between 1974 and 1984 to Charles Fisher. Third marriage 16 Nov 1984 to Eugene Claire Hardiek b. 30 Apr 1942.

IX 1. JENNIFER LYNN KASTNER b. 25 Nov 1975 Wed 25 Jun 1994 to Michael Cole, b. 1 Jun 1973. Divorced.

X 1. TANNER MICHAEL COLE b 28 Feb 1995  
2. KALEB DANIEL CRAWFORD b. 15 Oct 2001

2. WILLIAM CLAIRE HARDIEK b. 16 Sep 1990  
3. SHANTELL CLAIRE HARDIEK b. 6 Aug 1991  
4. TASHA KYKER b. 5 Jul \_ Wed William Anderson b. 5 Aug \_  
X 1. WILLIAM RILEY ANDERSON b. 16 Sep 2005

VIII 2. MICHAEL GENE DONOHO b 18 Oct 1957 Wed 4 Jun 1977 Debra Sue Haag b. 23 nov 1956

IX 1. ERIN MICHELLE DONOHO b. 15 Oct 1979 Wed 6 May 2000 Josh Stroud b. 1 Feb 1978

X 1. MACKENZIE PAIGE STROUD b 27 Oct 2004

IX 2. LIZBETH ANN DONOHO b 4 Sep 1981 Wed 15 Feb 2003 Bradley Gene McFalls b. 7 Sep 1978

3. CALLI SUE DONOHO b. 5 Aug 1985

VIII 3. MARK ALAN DONOHO b. 27 Apr 1961 Wed 12 Sep 1987 Melinda Barbara Hansen b. 10 Feb 1962

IX 1. MATTHEW ALAN DONOHO b. 1 Mar 1988  
2. NATHAN MICHAEL DONOHO b. 5 Jun 1992  
3. MICHELLE NICOLE DONOHO b. 26 May 1995

VII 3. JAMES DEAN DONOHO b. 12 Jul 1938 Wed 8 Sep 1957 Lora Jane Young b. 28 Jul 1938

VIII 1. JAMES DEAN DONOHO JR. b. 4 oct 1959 Wed 24 Oct 1998  
Tina Kay Walker

IX Lea Knofczynski  
Erin Knofczynski  
1. SEAN WALKER DONOHO b. 18 oct 1999

VIII 2. LORI ANN DONOHO b. 9 Oct 1960 Wed 1 Sep 1984 Scott Hartmann

IX 1. BRET THOMAS HARTMANN b. 15 Jul 1988  
2. KELLIE ANN HARTMANN b. 30 Aug 1990

VIII 3. SCOTT STEPHEN DONOHO b. 1 Apr 1962 Wed 21 Oct 1990  
Lydia \_\_\_

IX 1. LAUREN LYDIA DONOHO b. 28 Feb 1995  
2. ETHAN SCOTT b. 27 Oct 2000

VII 4. GARY DOUGLAS DONOHO b. 19 Jan 1940 Wed 11 Aug 1962  
Charla Kathryn Walters b. 28 Jul 1941

VIII 1. TODD DOUGLAS DONOHO b. 1 Jan 1966 Wed 27 Nov 1998  
Colleen Marie McGuigan b. 8 Nov. 1969

IX 1. JAKE DOUGLAS DONOHO b. 3 Apr 2000

VIII 2. KURT WILLIAM DONOHO b. 13 Dec 1969

3. NINA MARGARET 4 Aug 1972 Wed 29 Aug 1998 Terrence Scott Gill b. 15 Feb 1972

IX 1. ZACHARY DOUGLAS GILL b. 15 Feb 2002  
2. TRENT SCOTT GILL b. 4 Mar 2004

Helen and Don Donoho's four older sons, listed above, are in the following picture together with their two daughters and younger son. Back row shows Don, Gene, Greg, Gary and Jim. Front row seated, Linda, Helen and Becky.