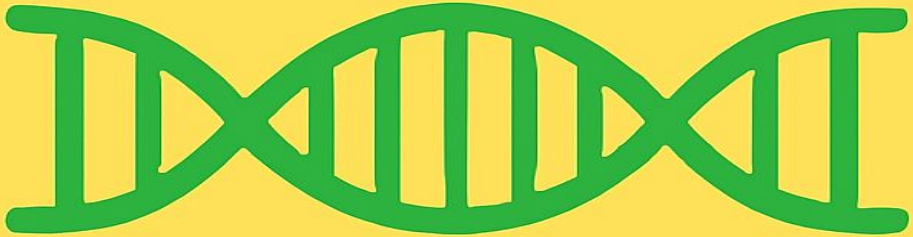
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How DNA bridges the gap:



Multi-Meeting Case Study



Who were the parents of Maria K. (Blume) Sanneman, who died in Steele County, Minnesota on 30 December 1904?

Indirect Evidence (F.A.N., Cemetery details and Timelines) paired with DNA evidence lead to the previously unknown and unstated parents of Maria K. (Blume) Sanneman

Why Case Studies?



- Real world research, not just a theory
- Indirectly teaches how to research: “This is how I did it and had success.”
  - Introduces methodology and process
  - Show how to use the GPS
- What is acceptable evidence and how to correlate it.
  - Analyze DNA matches and paper trail evidence
  - Teaches how to use the F.A.N. club
- Teaches the value of certain record sets (Timelines, and Cemeteries)
- Gives confidence that you can break down your brick wall.

Case Study: Maria's Process



1. Review the known source material (identifying key events and locations):
    a. Census (Federal, MN State, MN Territory)
    b. Vital Records
    c. Immigration and Naturalizations
    d. Death (Register, Obituary, Cemetery, Probate)
    e. List of F.A.N. Club
2. Write this.
3. Create a Timeline of her life, as known:
    a. When and where
    b. Who is she interacting with? F.A.N.
4. Write this.

Case Study: Maria's Process (part 2)

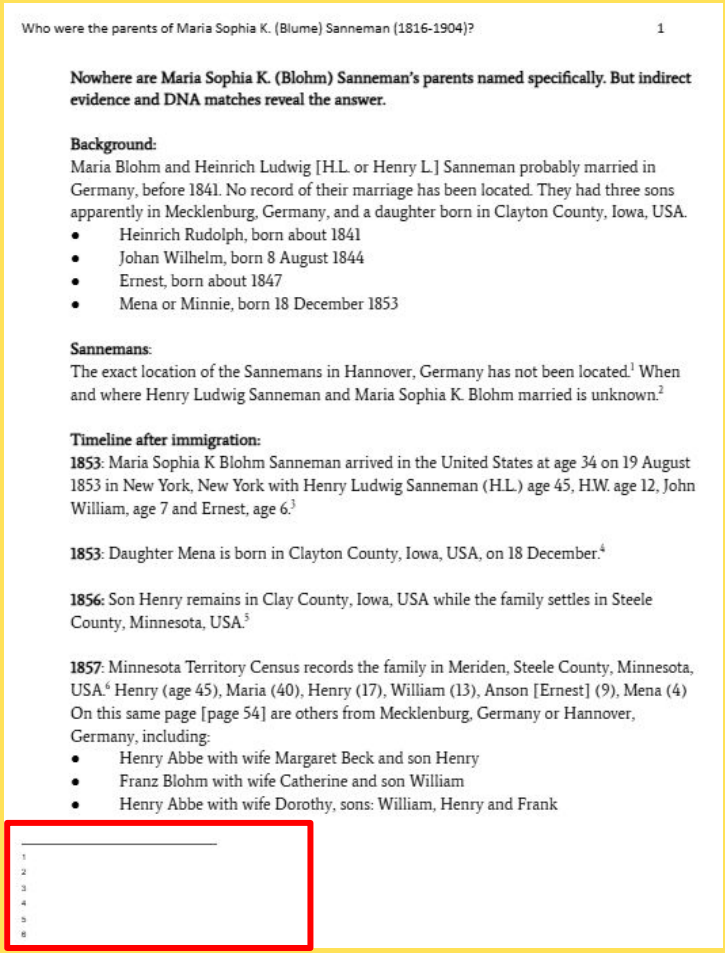


5. Work the DNA:
    a. Best Person to Test / Best Test Taker to Use?
    b. GGP Charts (DNA Reference Charts to Great Grand Parents)
        i. Create a Sanneman/Blume Chart: Identify BKM or Best Known Match in Sanneman/Blume
        ii. My Sanneman/Blume Cluster: should contain Sanneman/Pichner and Belina/Sanneman
        iii. My Sanneman/Blume Cluster: The Shared Matches should contain matches to Heinrich Ludwig Sanneman's parents and Maria K. Blume's parents.
6. Write This.
7. Work the DNA:
    a. Hunt the Shared Matches for BLUMEs
    b. Identify Maria's potential siblings and/or parents

Write This:

Writing as I go, but no citations yet.

Have 9+ pages written.



Nowhere are Maria Sophia K. (Blohm) Sanneman's parents named specifically. But indirect evidence and DNA matches reveal the answer.

Background:
Maria Blohm and Heinrich Ludwig [H.L. or Henry L.] Sanneman probably married in Germany, before 1841. No record of their marriage has been located. They had three sons apparently in Mecklenburg, Germany, and a daughter born in Clayton County, Iowa, USA.

- Heinrich Rudolph, born about 1841
- Johan Wilhelm, born 8 August 1844
- Ernest, born about 1847
- Mena or Minnie, born 18 December 1853

Sannemans:
The exact location of the Sannemans in Hannover, Germany has not been located.[1] When and where Henry Ludwig Sanneman and Maria Sophia K. Blohm married is unknown.[2]

Timeline after immigration:
1853: Maria Sophia K Blohm Sanneman arrived in the United States at age 34 on 19 August 1853 in New York, New York with Henry Ludwig Sanneman (H.L.) age 45, H.W. age 12, John William, age 7 and Ernest, age 6.[3]

1853: Daughter Mena is born in Clayton County, Iowa, USA, on 18 December.[4]

1856: Son Henry remains in Clay County, Iowa, USA while the family settles in Steele County, Minnesota, USA.[5]

1857: Minnesota Territory Census records the family in Meriden, Steele County, Minnesota, USA.[6] Henry (age 45), Maria (40), Henry (17), William (13), Anson [Ernest] (9), Mena (4) On this same page [page 54] are others from Mecklenburg, Germany or Hannover, Germany, including:

- Henry Abbe with wife Margaret Beck and son Henry
- Franz Blohm with wife Catherine and son William
- Henry Abbe with wife Dorothy, sons: William, Henry and Frank

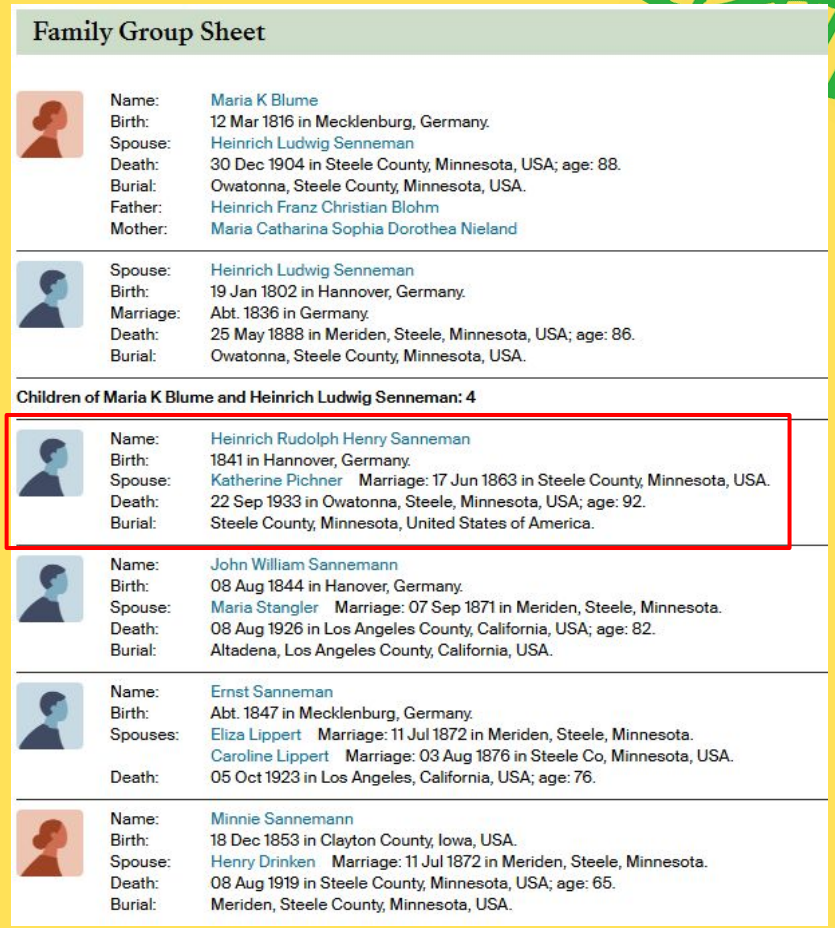
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Review What's Known:

Review, verify and find, everything for:
-Maria and Henry
-Their children and childrens' spouses
-Their grandchildren

F.A.N.=
Pichner, Stangler, Lippert, Drinken



Family Group Sheet

Name:	Maria K Blume
Birth:	12 Mar 1816 in Mecklenburg, Germany.
Spouse:	Heinrich Ludwig Senneman
Death:	30 Dec 1904 in Steele County, Minnesota, USA; age: 88.
Burial:	Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota, USA.
Father:	Heinrich Franz Christian Blohm
Mother:	Maria Catharina Sophia Dorothea Nieland

Spouse:	Heinrich Ludwig Senneman
Birth:	19 Jan 1802 in Hannover, Germany.
Marriage:	Abt. 1836 in Germany.
Death:	25 May 1888 in Meriden, Steele, Minnesota, USA; age: 86.
Burial:	Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota, USA.

Children of Maria K Blume and Heinrich Ludwig Senneman: 4

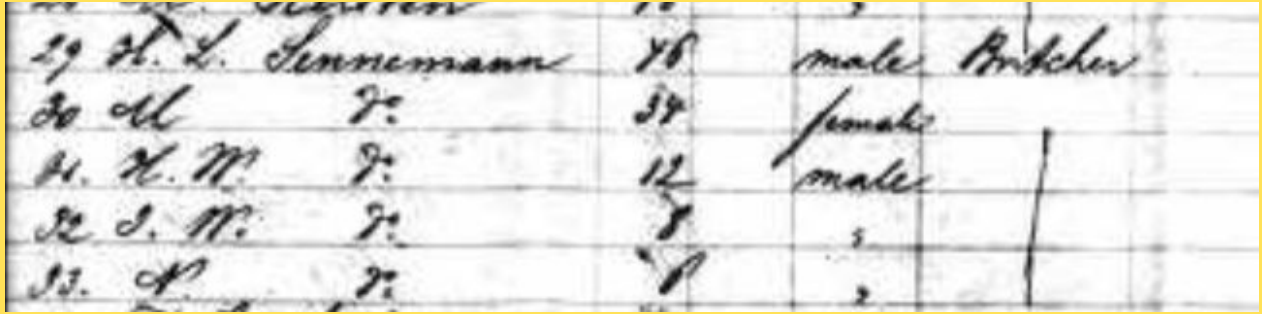
Name:	Heinrich Rudolph Henry Sanneman
Birth:	1841 in Hannover, Germany.
Spouse:	Katherine Pichner Marriage: 17 Jun 1863 in Steele County, Minnesota, USA.
Death:	22 Sep 1933 in Owatonna, Steele, Minnesota, USA; age: 92.
Burial:	Steele County, Minnesota, United States of America.

Name:	John William Sannemann
Birth:	08 Aug 1844 in Hanover, Germany.
Spouse:	Maria Stangler Marriage: 07 Sep 1871 in Meriden, Steele, Minnesota.
Death:	08 Aug 1926 in Los Angeles County, California, USA; age: 82.
Burial:	Altadena, Los Angeles County, California, USA.

Name:	Ernst Sanneman
Birth:	Abt. 1847 in Mecklenburg, Germany.
Spouses:	Eliza Lippert Marriage: 11 Jul 1872 in Meriden, Steele, Minnesota.
	Caroline Lippert Marriage: 03 Aug 1876 in Steele Co, Minnesota, USA.
Death:	05 Oct 1923 in Los Angeles, California, USA; age: 76.

Name:	Minnie Sannemann
Birth:	18 Dec 1853 in Clayton County, Iowa, USA.
Spouse:	Henry Drinken Marriage: 11 Jul 1872 in Meriden, Steele, Minnesota.
Death:	08 Aug 1919 in Steele County, Minnesota, USA; age: 65.
Burial:	Meriden, Steele County, Minnesota, USA.

1853 Immigration:



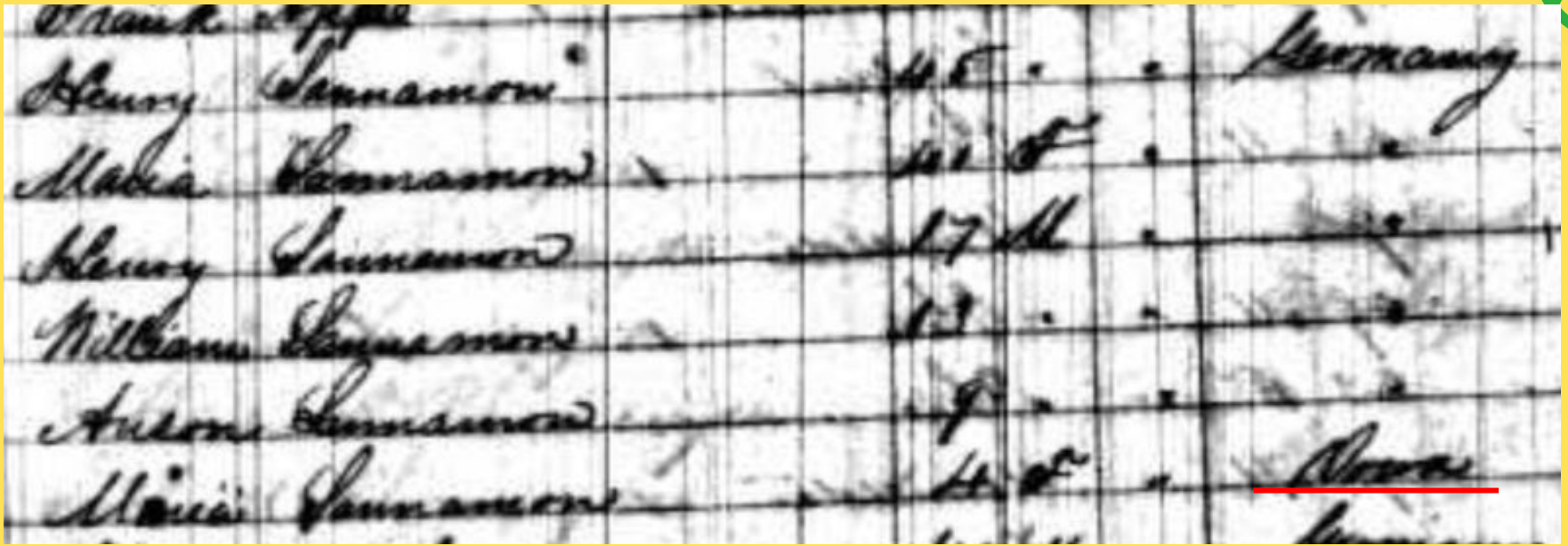
Ship: Hannover, departed Hamburg, Germany and arrived NYC on 18 Aug 1853:

H. L. Sennemann, male, age 45 [Heinrich Ludwig]
M. Sennemann, female, age 34 [Maria]
H. W. Sennemann, male, age 12 [Heinrich Wilhelm Rudolf]
J. W. Sennemann, male, age 8 [Johann Wilhelm]
N. Sennemann, male, age 6 [Ernst]

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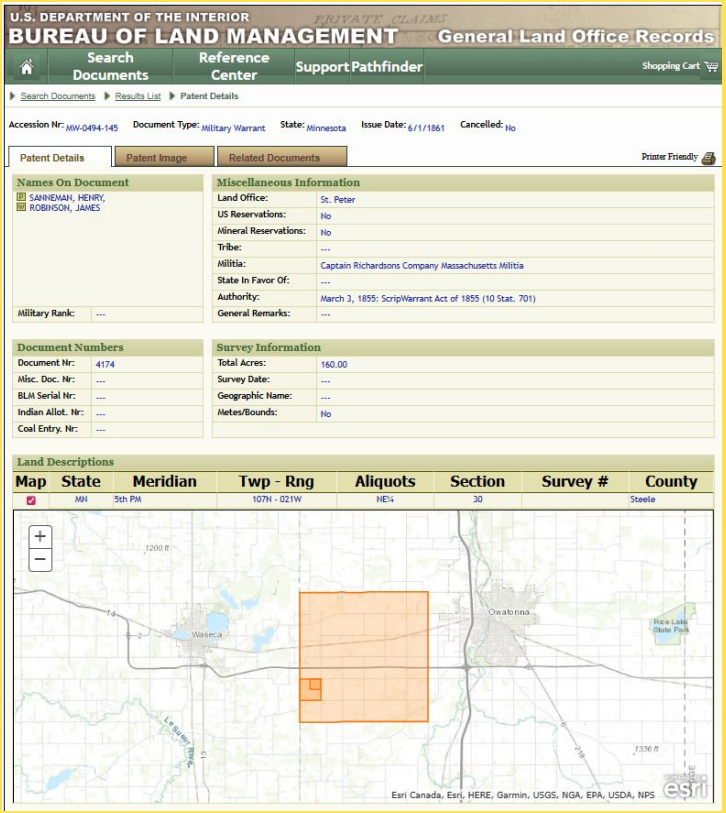
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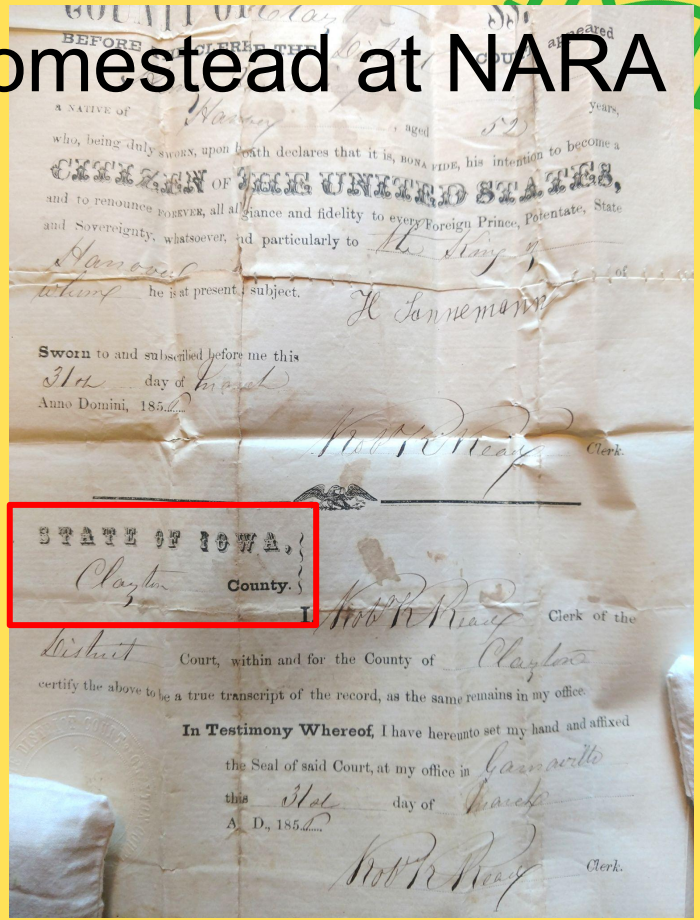
21 Sep 1857: MN Territory



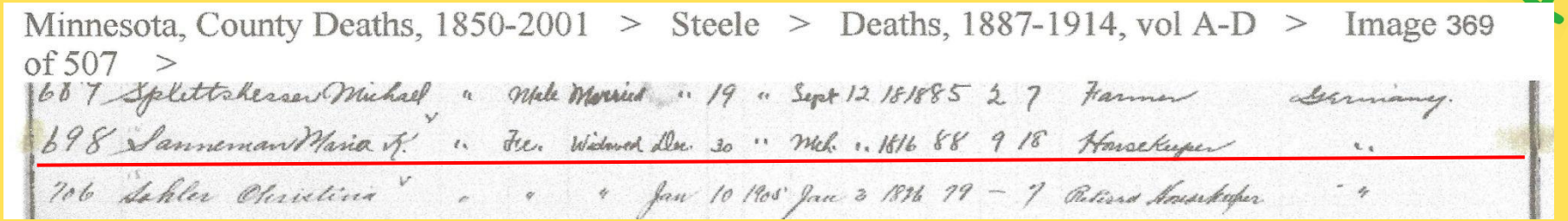
Minnie (Sanneman) Drinken consistently states she was born in **Clayton County, Iowa** in December 1853

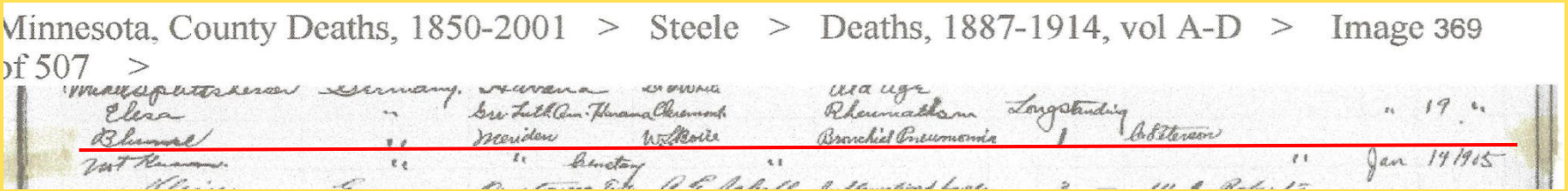
Heinrich: Naturalization/ Homestead at NARA





Maria's Death Register


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Maria K. Blume: TimeLine



Maria is from Mecklenburg, Germany. Her husband is from Hannover, Germany.
1841, 1844, 1847 : 3 Sons born in Germany
August 1853 : departed from Hamburg, Germany and arrived in NYC
December 1853 : daughter Minnie, born in Clayton County, Iowa.
March 1856 : Husband's, Naturaliation: Declaration of Intent, Clayton County, Iowa
September 1857 : in Meriden, Steele County, Minnesota in pre-statehood census
December 1904: in Steele County.

-Death register states she was from Germany and that her maiden name was BLUME.
-Her obituary names her children, but no parents or siblings.

NOTES:

1. Often birthdates from my German ancestors are accurate to an exact date. Her gravemarker and obituary state that she was born on 12 March 1816
2. Burial: Meriden Cemetery (visited last in 2013.) A rural cemetery. At the intersection in the middle of nowhere, at the corner of farmland properties, about ½ acre. Many of those buried there are early German immigrants to Steele County. No parking lot.

Meriden Township Cemetery



Surnames buried there:

Abbe , Altenburg, Bathel, **Beck** , Behsmann, **Blohm** , **Blume** , Brase, Buelow, Buker, Gartmann, Casperson, Daetz, Davis, Dolgner, Drache, **Drinken** , Hartmann, **Fette** , Heinz, Hiers, Gansaugie, **Grass** , Grunz, Hass, Kellerman, **Lippert** , Mahl, Meinburg, Miller, Mundt, **Nielandt** , Olhoeft, Ost, Petrich, Radkte, **Rosenau** , Ruetter, **Sannemann** , Schendel, Schmidt, Schuldt, Schulz, Schultz, Scholljegerdes, Sotebeer, Stelter, Tovson, Voss, **Wicklow** , Wiechmann, Wickler, Willert, Wollert, Zacharias,

Many of these surnames immigrated from Germany in pre-statehood Minnesota.

What's missing in the records?



1. Nothing before 1853, in Germany:
    a. No marriage record for Maria and her husband Heinrich Ludwig Sanneman
    b. No baptisms for their 3 sons who were born in Germany
2. No baptism for daughter, Minnie, born 1853 in Iowa.
3. No known records for Maria K. Blume indicate her parents.

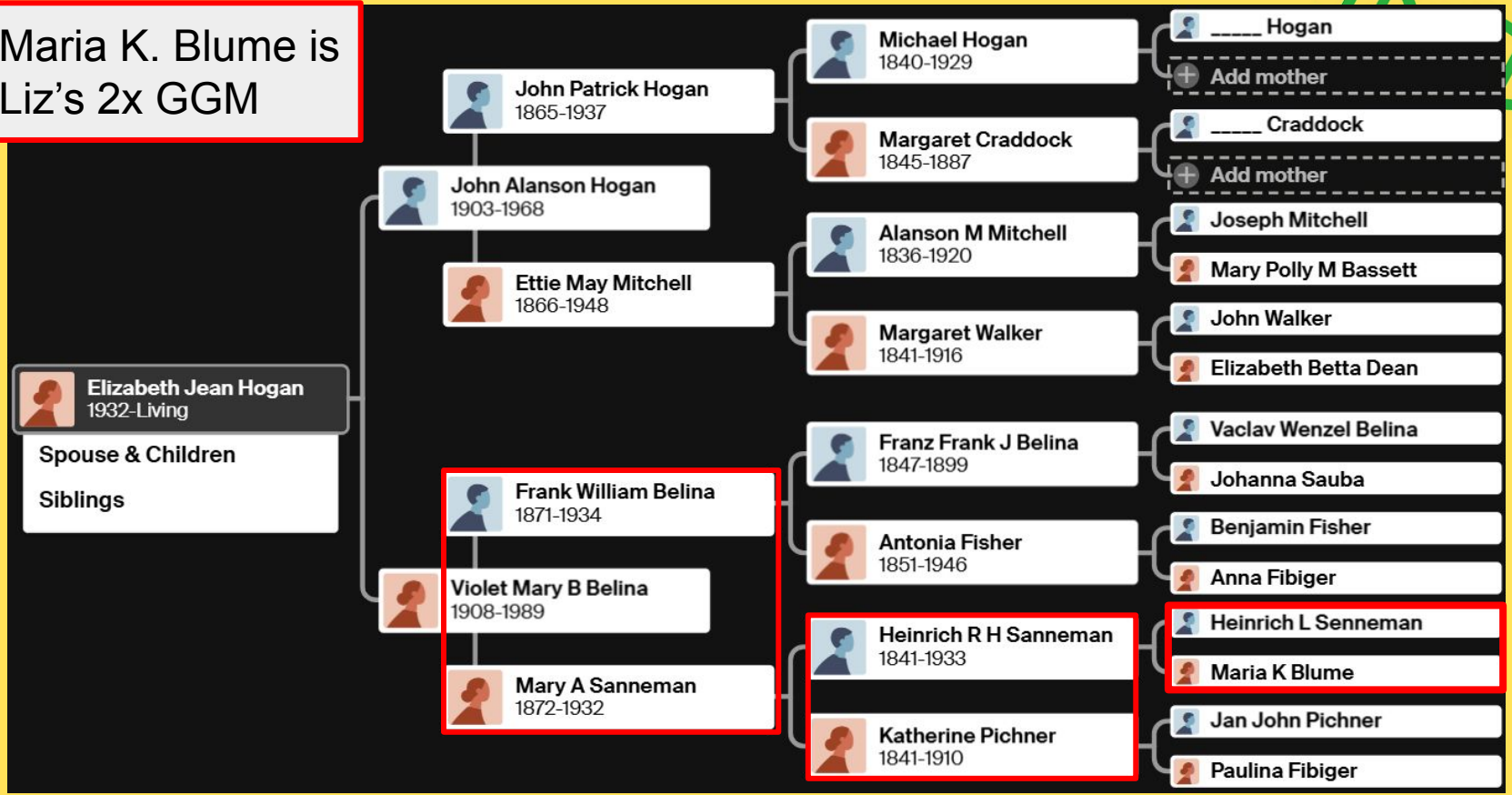
Can DNA help answer this research question? YES!

Who is the best test taker to use to answer this question? LIZ.

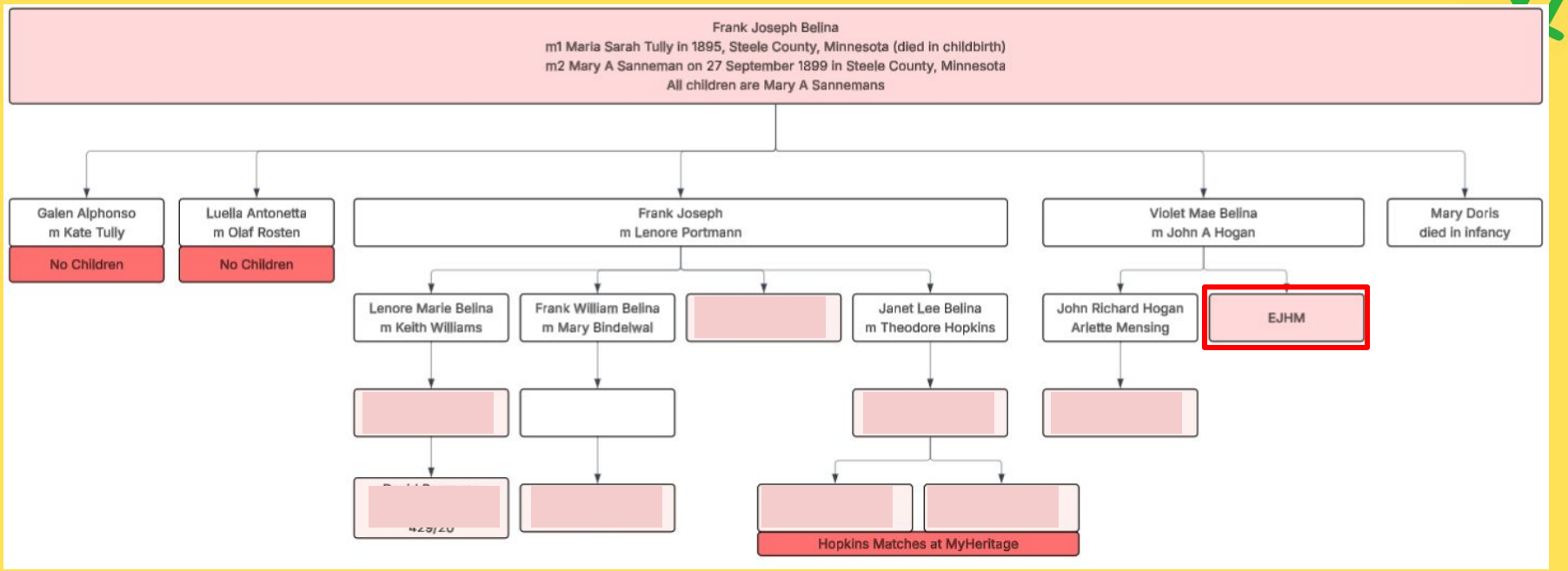
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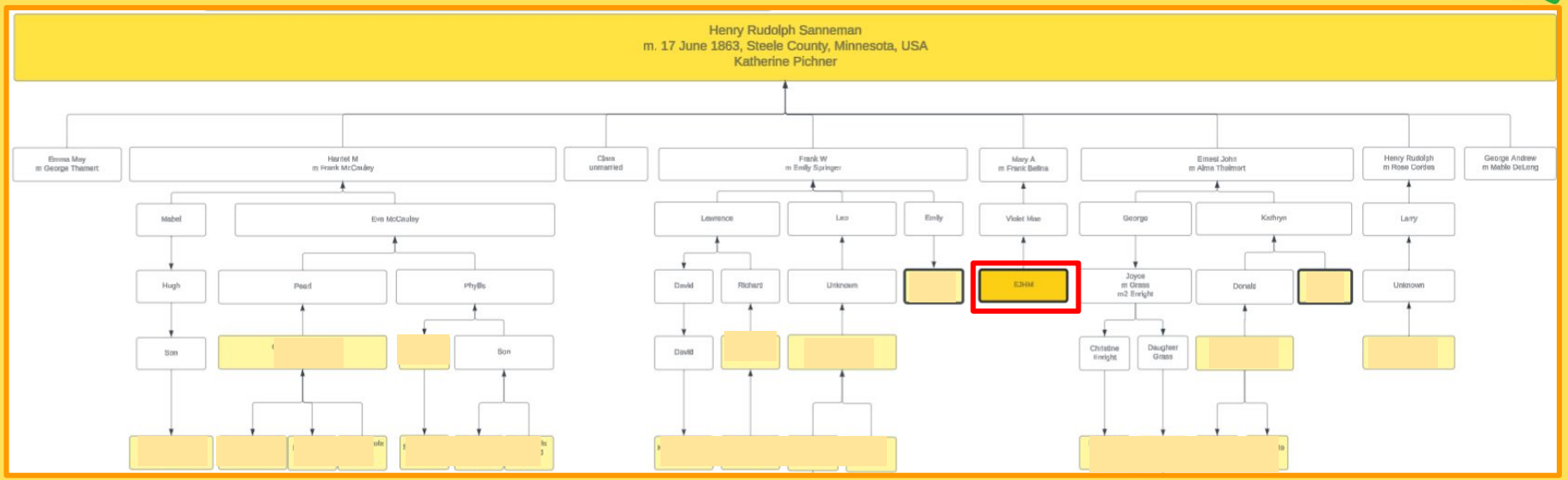
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Liz's MGPs - Belina/Sanneman



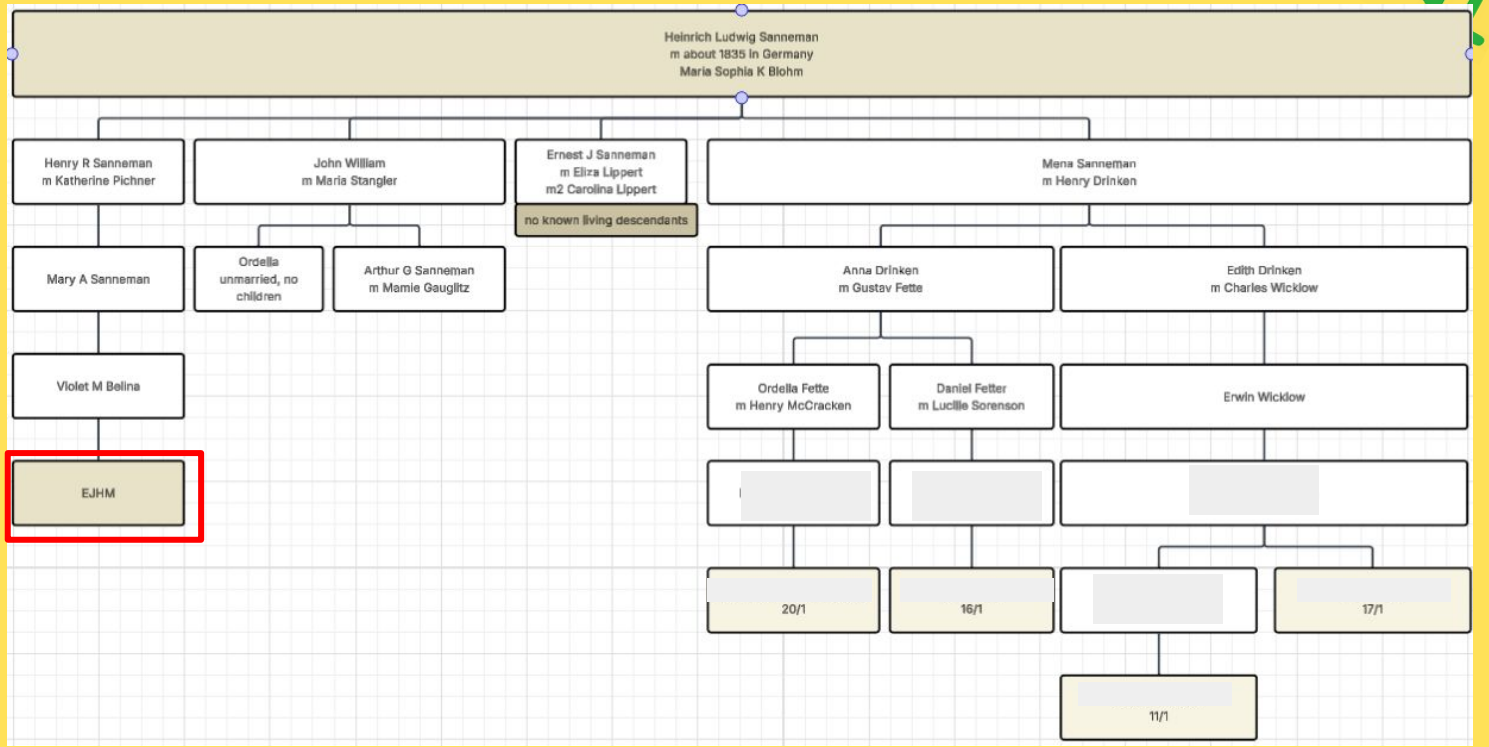
GGPs = Sanneman/Pichner



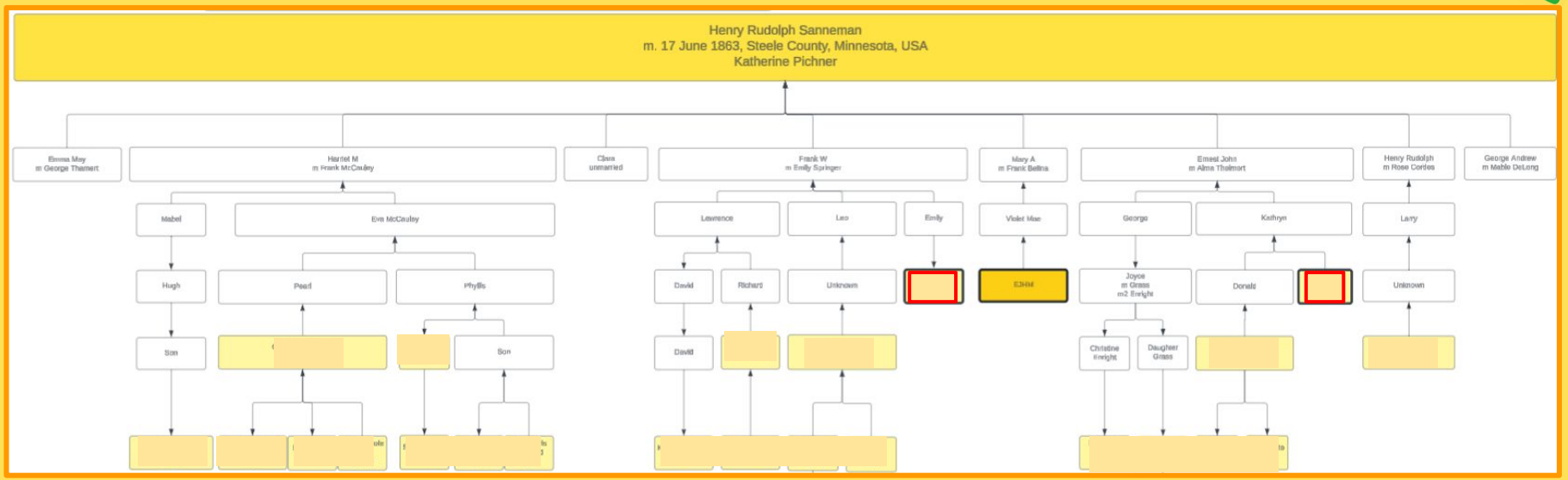
Sanneman/Blume

4 Matches:
cM = 20, 17, 16, 11

I'm hesitant to use these!!!



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Within Shared Matches with P. S.

In Liz's Shared Matches with P. S. is:



G. R. does not match any other shared matches to my BELINAs or PICHNERs
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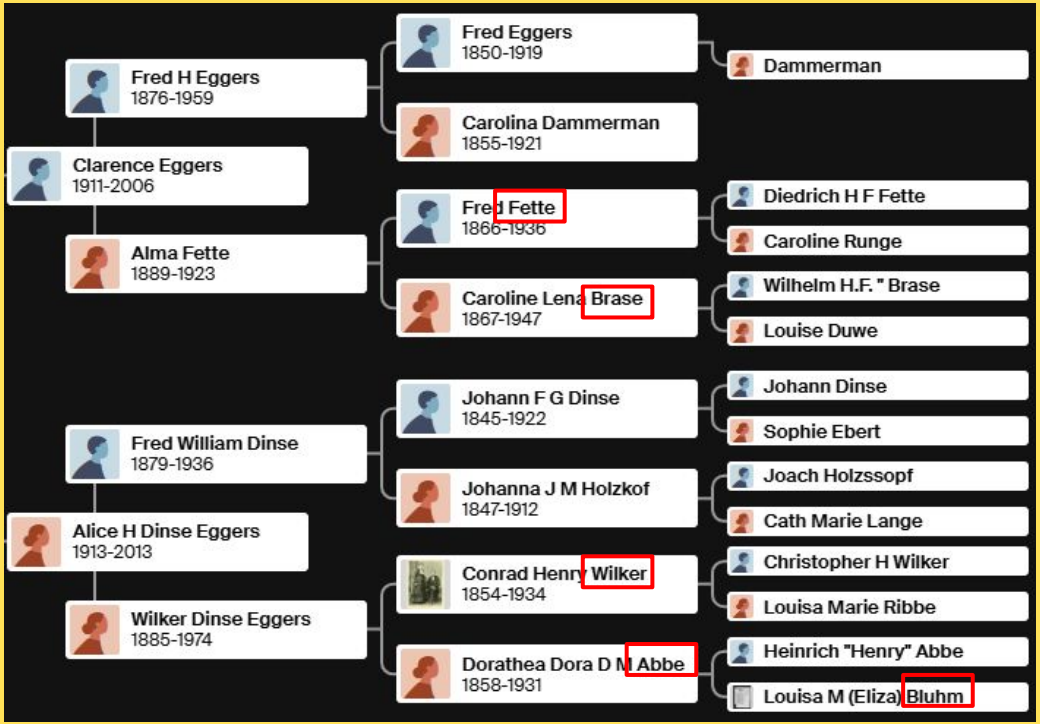
Within Shared Matches with P. S.

In Liz's Shared Matches with P. S. is:

LIZ and G R

Surnames:
Fette, Brase, Wilker, Abbe, Bluhm
People found In **Meriden Cemetery**

BLUME = BLUHM = BLOHM??



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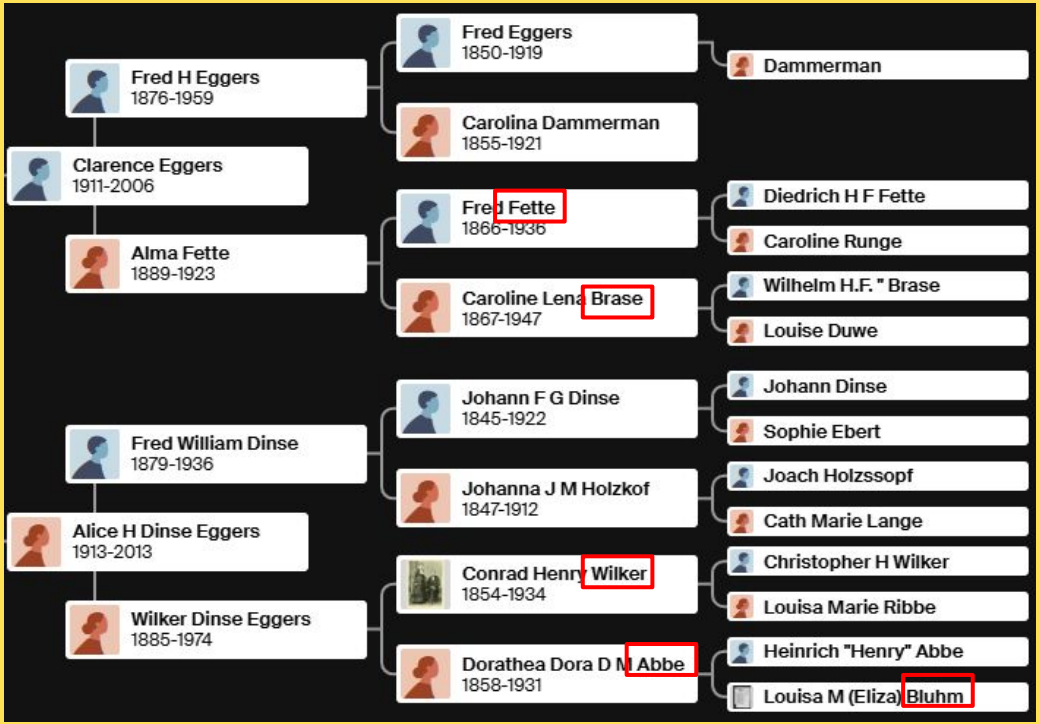
In Liz's Shared Matches with P. S. is:

LIZ and G R

Hypothesis:
Louisa M "Eliza" (Bluhm) Abbe
is related to
Maria K. (Blume) Sanneman

Eliza Bluhm born 1825
In **Teldau, Mecklenberg**
M. Henry Abbe in 1848 in
Boizenburg, Mecklenburg

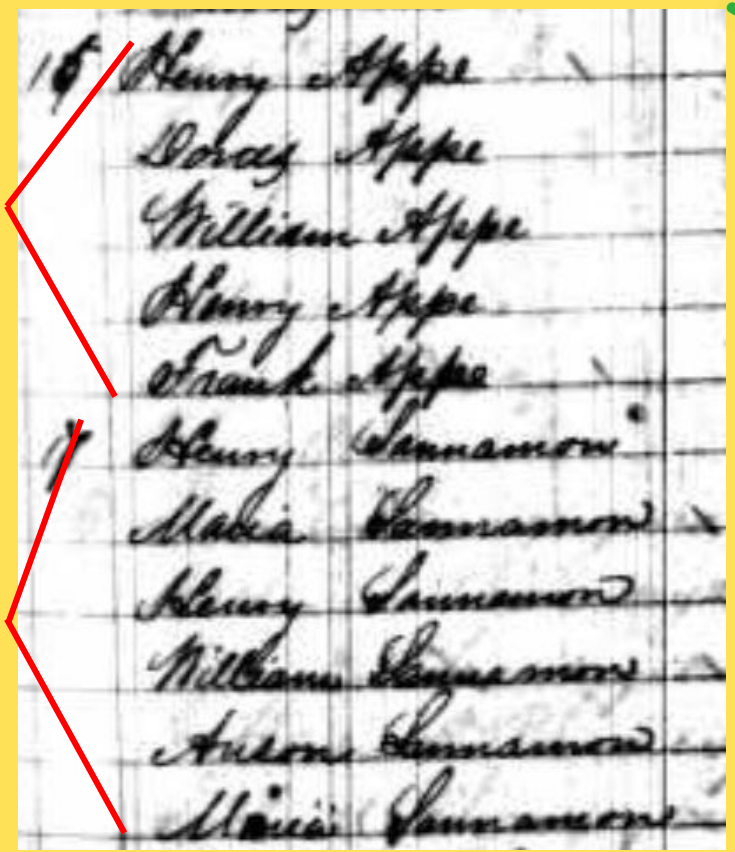
Their Son Frederick b. 1855
In **Clayton County, Iowa** .



1857 MN Territory Census

Abbes

Sannemans



Best Known Match: D. A.

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Within Shared Matches with D. A.

In Liz's Shared Matches with L. R. is:

Surnames:
Bluhm/Blohm and **Beck**
Buried In **Meriden Cemetery**

Johan Heinrich Christian Blohm
Born 1825
In **Boizenburg, Mecklenburg**
M. Margaret Beck
In 1856 in **Clayton County, Iowa**

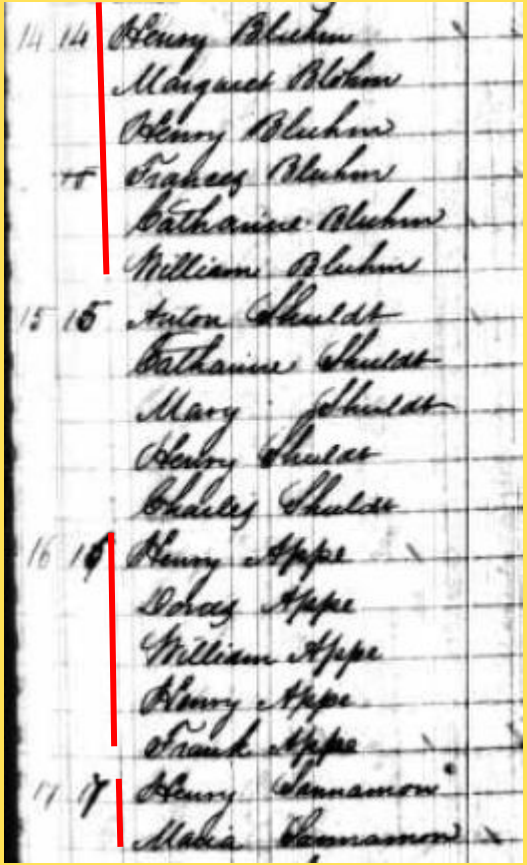


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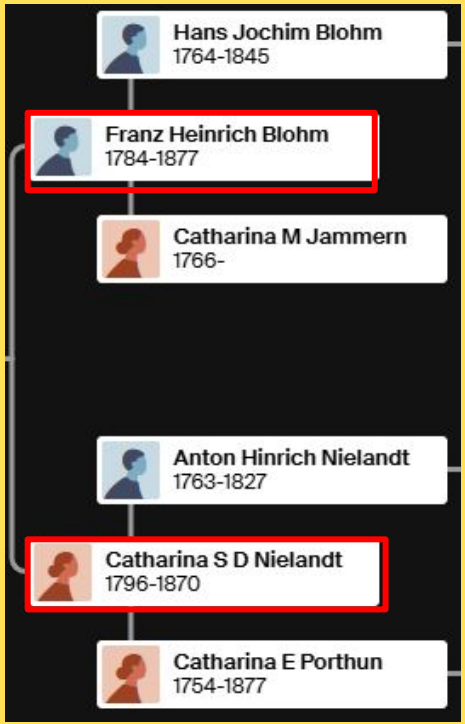


Develop a Hypothesis:

DNA Match: L. R.

Franz Heinrich **Blohm** and Catherine **Nielandt**
Buried in Meriden Cemetery.
Married **1813** in **Boizenburg, Mecklenburg**

Had known children:
Eliza (b **1825**) who married Henry Abbe
Henry (b **1828**) who married Margaret Beck
William (b **1833**) who married Eva Rosenau



Hypothesis:



1813: Franz Blohm and Catherine Nielandt married in Mecklenburg.

12 years

1825: Eliza born, who married Henry Abbe
1828: Henry born who married Margaret Beck
1833: William born who married Eva Rosenau

[Are there other children born between 1813 - 1825?]
Could my Maria K. (Blume) Sanneman (born March 1816) be one?

Is Maria K. (Blume) Sanneman the daughter of
Heinrich Franz Christian Blohm and his wife Catharina Dorothea Sophia Nielandt?

More to Come:



In June and July:

Maria K (Blume) Sanneman, Part 2

Includes:
Hunting More Matches to Blohm/Nielandt
Creating a Blohm/Nielandt Chart
Additional records in Mecklenburg
Additional records in Steele County, Minnesota and Clayton County, Iowa.
What's still missing?

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