

"The Schoenebergs"

In 1878, Henry Schoeneberg with his wife Catherine and five children, left Saxony Germany for America on the boat named Mosel, taking thirty days to make the trip.

The boat Mosel sank in 1978, one hundred years later. The five children were, Albert 9 years old, Henry 11 years old, Pauline 7 years old, Edward 5 years old and Edith 3 years old.

They left Saxony because of the Kaiser Wilhelm who was known to be a heartless man and because the threats of war.

They lived close to where the soldiers were stationed and many times the soldiers would dress little Albert in uniform for fun, then he would carry water in buckets for the horses. The soldiers were told not to try and save the man, but instead save the horse.

Albert's grandfather was a wealthy man, he owned a sugar beet plantation, but the Kaiser confiscated all his wealth and plantation.

After the family came to America they lost track of the grandparents. The family settled for a while in Pennsylvania Pa, later coming to Canton O, but soon moved to East Greenfield O.

where the father set up a small cigar factory, the children would help stripping the tobacco and rolling the cigars. They were all hand rolled. Later coming back to Canton Ohio and opening a small factory at the corner of North Market Street and East Tuscarawas, upstairs in the corner building. The children were at an age now they could go to work, since there was no law as to how old a child had to be. They didn't get much schooling, but did attend church. The boys found work in the shops and the girls did house work. Four more children were born, Bertha, Catherine and Max. William died in infancy. The parents with five of the children, Henry, Edward, Bertha, Catherine and Max moved to Detroit Michigan, all the children married young and all were successful and raised families.

Albert married Elizabeth Neuman age 18 and Albert was 27 years old.

Albert work at the Artificial Gas Company operating the plant and also foreman of the street men laying the gas lines. His hobbies were dancing, photography, fishing, cards, horseback, hunting and

doing anything to make the family happy. We always had pets and all kinds of things to play with, it was the neighbor hood children's playground. Mother furnished the cookies and lemonade. Three children were born to them. Hilda M. born Sept 16-1896- Irene E. born June 10-1898 Albert J. born February 8-1900.

Elizabeth was the star of the German players-guild, but gave it up after the third baby was born. She made all our clothes and was a wonderful loving Mother. She also liked dancing and curds and she and Dad won many prizes doing the waltz. Dad was a wonderful father loving and kind and generous. Faith, Love obedience, discipline and respect were the rules we were taught at a very early age and lived by.

Passed away
June 16-1977
Irene E.
July 17-1979
April 13-1951
Oct 14-1933

Albert J. Schoeneberg - was Gerald Lee's Grandfather
Hilda and Irene "Aunts to, " " "
Albert H. Schoeneberg was " " Great Grandfather
Elizabeth " " " " Grand Mother

Albert (Buzz) and Eudora (Billy) Schoeneberg were Grandparents
To Gerald Lee Schoeneberg
Wendy and Carole Ann
Written by Aunt Hilda July