**Miller Line**

**Genealogy**

**(0) Ailt Miller & Alberta Klut**

**(1) Jurend Miller (1832-1908) & Ecke “Ida” Bohning (1842-1903)**

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**Note: German name Muller changed to Miller during WWI.**

**References**

Buus Family History

Miller Family History

*The Miller Book (1832-1966)*, Jurena Miller

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Ailt Miller, birth and death dates and locations are unknown, married Alberta Klut

**Children of Ailt & Alberta (Klut) Miller:**

* Jurend
* Martin (b. Germany, d. SD, m. Lena (no children)
* Ailt & Alberta had other children who stayed in Germany

**(1) Jurend Miller (1832-1908) & Ecke “Ida” Bohning (1842-1903)**

Jurend Miller was born 24 January 1832 in Ostfreisland, either Germany or Holland) and died 1 September 1908 in Lennox SD due to a heart problem. In 1860 he married Ecke Bohning in Freeport Illinois. Ecke was born 23 November 1842 in either Holland or Ostfreisland. She died on 23 March 1903/4 in Lincoln County SD due to breast cancer. Ecke was the daughter of Göhe “Joe” or “George” van Böhning and Vilhelmemeo or Wilhelminia Reemts. Göhe was born 1803 in Holland and died 1895.

Jurend immigrated to the United States in 1851 with his brother Martin. They both settled in Ridott Township near Freeport IL. Ecke arrived in the United States at age 14 with her parents. The Dutch spelling of her parent’s names are Greau & Vilelmemeo. Wilhelminia died on the voyage and was buried at sea. The voyage took 13 weeks. Ecke arrived in Ridott Township at age the age of 16.

Their tenth child, Jurena, is the author of “The Miller Book”

Jurend and Ecke moved from Ridott Township IL to Grundy County IA in 1868. They lived in Grundy County for 13 years. In 1881 they moved to the Dakota Territory and homesteaded a farm 6 miles SW of Lennox. In 1906 Jurend and Annie moved into Lennox. The first 4 children are named after their grandparents. The girl Jurena was named after her father and a boy Eiko was named after his mother. The old homestead was the Klinkhagen farm in 1966.

**Children of Jurend & Ecke (Bohning) Miller:**

* Ailt “Al J” (b. 14 July 1862, Ridott Twp. IL, d. 6 Oct 1936, Rock City IL)
* Wilhelmina (Minnie) (b. 17 Dec 1863, Ridott Township IL, d. 7 Apr 1948, m. George Lubbers)
* Albertha (Bertha) (b. 17 Dec 1867, Ridott Township IL, d. 26 Apr 1938, m. John Burns
* Joe (b. 7 May 1869, Grundy County IA, d. 20 Feb 1942, m. Hattie Buus)
* Albert (b. 19 Oct 1871, Grundy County IA, d. 8 Feb 1936, m. Grace Okken)
* Martin (b. 19 Jun 1874, Grundy County IA, d. 13 Mar 1945, m. Hilke Smith)
* Hannah (b. 8 Jan 1876, Grundy County IA, d. 18 Mar 1955, m. John Kuper)
* Andrew (b. 17 May 1878, Grundy County IA, d. 14 Dec 1963, m. Kate Smith)
* Helmer (b. 13 Feb 1880, Grundy County IA, d. 26 Dec 1963, m. Minnie Bower)
* Jurena (b. 1 Mar 1882, Turner County SD, d. 28 Jun 1969, m. Adolph Temple)
* William (b. 17 Mar 1884, Turner County SD, d. 29 Mar 1951, m. Anna Van Brocken)
* Eiko (male) (b. 5 Jul 1886, Turner County SD, d. 24 Sep 1963, m. Kate Bunger)
* Annie (b. 25 Jun 1889, Turner County SD, d. 12 Dec 1964, m. Harm Cramer)

**(2) Ailt “Al J” Miller (1862-1936) & Anna Buus (1869-1901)**

Ailt “Al J” was born on 14 July 1862 in Ridott Township, Stephenson County IL and died 6 October 1936 in Rock City Illinois. He married Anna Buus on 23 April 1886 in Lincoln County IL. Anna was born on 16 December 1869 near Shannon, Carroll County Illinois. Anna died on 3 March 1901 in Lennox SD. Anna was the daughter of Hendrik and Antje “Fonken” Buus. Following Anna’s death Al J married Helen F. Frericks in December of 1909. They had no children. Helen died 13 November 1930.

Ailt moved with his family first to Grundy County Iowa then to Lincoln County SD and homesteaded a farm 6 miles SW of Lennox SD. He was 23 years old when he married Anna Buus. They lived on their own farm which was also SW of Lennox SD. After two years on this farm they moved into Lennox.

Al J clerked at N. Smith Mercantile Establishment. In 1895 they moved to Ashton IA and operated a general store. In 1898 they returned to Lennox with Al J again working for N. Smith. Al J partnered with John Bergh to buy out N. Smith. He also worked for 7 years for F. M. Slagle Co. and he was the postmaster of Lennox (1916-1919). Al spent the last eight years of his life with daughter, Mrs. Iva Hofmeister, Rock City IL.

**Children of Ailt “AL J” & Anna (Buus) Miller:**

* Ida (b. 12 Jun 1887, d. 11 Mar 1914, m. 6 Jun 1906- Emerson Hofmeister (b. 1 Aug 1883, d. 15 Feb 1910))
* Henry (b. 24 July 1888, d. 1975)
* Jerry (b. 15 Oct 1890, d. 13 Apr 1951, m. 2 Jan 1913- Kathryn Smith)
* Al Anthony (b. 19 Oct 1894, d. 14 Feb 1962, m. 24 May 1922- Thea Stubsten (b. 20 Apr 1900, d. 2 Nov 1970))
* Joe Q. (b. 8 Feb 1897, d. 30 Apr 1966, m. 28 Nov 1923- Adeline Reiners (b. 11 Mar 1905))
* Anna Iva (b. 6 May 1899, d. 22 Apr 1969, m. 29 Sep 1921- Roy John Hofmeister (b. 31 Aug 1891))
* Andy (b. 25 Jan 1901, m. 27 Feb 1932- Delia Thoren (b. 18 Sep 1903))

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