



# **The Family Tree**

**Genealogy and History**



## **Preface**

In 2006 I volunteered to consolidate numerous related family histories into a single digital composition. In my first foray into genealogy, I was successful in correlating the history of nearly 4,500 individuals from 4 separate books into one seamless piece of genealogy. I soon came to realize the significance of what I was doing and it's importance to the many relatives who shared a genuine interest in our ancestors.

Since the initial task in 2006, my interest and curiosity has resulted in extensive research to build upon the history to date as well as coordinating with other genealogists to expand upon the lineage of our family ancestors. To date, there are over 14,800 individuals who are in one form or another related within our family tree. This book comprises only a partial summary of our entire family. Additional books and the entire genealogy and history of our family can be viewed online at [www.thefamilytree.net](http://www.thefamilytree.net)

This project was developed to actively share and build upon our family history. I encourage you to provide any information or knowledge you may have. Your help to establish and preserve the countless generations before us, paves the way for the education and enjoyment of the countless generations that will follow us.

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## **Acknowledgement**

This project is dedicated to the countless individuals who have preceded me. Their effort and dedication to the discovery of our ancestors has been crucial to the development of this body of work.

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Without the cooperation of everyone involved, we would not be able to enjoy the history before us.



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# Descendants of John MEYER

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## First Generation

### 1. John MEYER.

John married **Margaret KETTER**.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 2 F    i. **Karen Rose MEYER** was born on January 10, 1943 in West Bend, Washington, WI.

## Second Generation

### 2. **Karen Rose MEYER** was born on January 10, 1943 in West Bend, Washington, WI.

Karen married.

Her children were:

+ 3 F    i. **Sharon Elizabeth THIEL** was born on August 5, 1965.

+ 4 M    ii. **Joel Douglas THIEL** was born on October 9, 1968.

Karen married **Earl Clarence KORDICK**, son of **Albert Conrad KORDICK** and **Elizabeth Josephine BINDEL**, on November 27, 1987. Earl was born on October 6, 1935 in Madison, IA.

## Third Generation

### 3. **Sharon Elizabeth THIEL** was born on August 5, 1965.

Sharon married **Richard George ADAMS** on September 28, 1997. Richard was born on January 22, 1958.

### 4. **Joel Douglas THIEL** was born on October 9, 1968.

Joel married **Jeanne Marie JASPER** on November 12, 1994 in St. Louis, MO. Jeanne was born on August 29, 1968.

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## **ADAMS**

Richard George, 1

## **BINDEL**

Elizabeth Josephine, 1

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## **KORDICK**

Albert Conrad, 1

Earl Clarence, 1

## **MEYER**

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## **THIEL**

Joel Douglas, 1

Sharon Elizabeth, 1

