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# Genealogical Queries

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## **Anderson, Rudeen**

My grandfather, Peter J. Anderson, emigr. to the U.S. from Sweden ca. 1870-1880, perhaps a bit earlier, and supposedly settled on a farm in Osage City, KS. He was b. in 1834 and d. in 1898. He m. Christina Elizabeth Rudeen (?), who d. in 1885. They had five children, the only one whose name I know was my father Frank, b. 1881. I have birth dates for two of his sisters and his two brothers, but no names.

I have checked all census records for Osage Co., KS as well as surrounding counties but have found no trace of him. Who can help?

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## **Josephson, Peterson**

I am looking for information regarding the ancestors and descendants of Anna Britta Peterson, b. in Hålbý, Österåker Parish (probably Södermanland) 22 Feb. 1872, the dau. of Per Andersson, b. 21 Nov. 1827 and d. 24 Jan. 1907 and his wife, Anna Andersdotter, b. 10 April 1829 and d. 12 Feb. 1908. Anna Britta Petterson m. 24 April 1896 John August Josephson, b. 28 Nov. 1866 and d. 7 Nov. 1908. He was the s. of Joseph Persson (1837-1895) and Louisa Larson.

A cousin, Sven Widén, visited our family in Illinois 1948 and his brother, Philip, a musician and composer furnished some family information.

John and Anna Britta Josephson had the following children: Anna Linnea, b. 17 Feb. 1898; Agnes Louisa, b. 25 June 1900; Elsa Victoria, b. 3 Aug. 1902; Carl Walter, b. 1 July 1905 and Joseph Clemens, b. 23 Nov. 1907.

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## **Andreasson**

I am looking for information concerning Axel Pontus Andreasson, b. 15 Dec. 1871, who emigr. from Stenkyrka Parish (Göt.) 1900. He emigr. with his family which consisted of wife, Augusta Kristoffersdotter, b. 17 Nov. 1861, and children, Agda Paulina, b. 26 May 1892; Gerda Konstantia, b. 25 Aug. 1895 and Klemens

Algot, b. 12 Dec. 1899. The family seems to have settled in Carlsbad, NM.

Astrid Karlsson

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### Nyquist

I am doing genealogical research on glassworkers from Norway and Sweden who emigr. to the U.S. I am particularly interested in learning what happened to Gustaf Nyquist, a glassblower, b. in Mossebo Parish (Älvs.) 4 Jan. 1833 who departed from Göteborg for New York 22 April 1881. His wife, Johanna Maria, b. in Mossebo 2 July 1846 left for the U.S. from Göteborg 22 Sept. 1882 with the children - Signe Christina, b. 18 Dec. 1876; Uno Fridolf, b. 7 May 1879 and Hilma Josephina, b. 25 Sept. 1881.

This information is sought by the great grandson of Gustaf Nyquist's brother, who would like to present the descendants of Gustaf Nyquist the family history from Norway and Sweden.

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### Tived Parish (Skar.)

I would like to hear from anyone who has roots in Tived Parish (Skar.). Before 1847 Tived was a part of Udenäs Parish. I am particularly interested in hearing from anyone familiar with or having relatives from the following places in Tived - Kråkvattnet, Skyttatorp, Ykullen, Tivedstorp, Emptatorp, Mosshult, Bråttom, Lilla Källarefallet and Ösjö. I have a great deal of information on the families from these farms which I would like to share.

The Rev. Don Wold

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### Paulsson

I need information on the descendants of Johannes Paulsson, b. in Nydala Parish (Jön.) who left for America 1853.

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### Ericsson

I am looking for information on the descendants of Stina Pettersdotter Ericsson, b. in Svinhult Parish (Ög.) 17 March 1814, who m. in Svinhult 11 Dec. 1840 Anders Johan Ericsson. Anders d. in 1864. Stina and her dau. Clara, b. 22

Sept. 1848, arr. in the U.S. 1871. Her other children remained in Sweden.

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### Ericsson

Petter Ericsson, b. in Svinhult Parish (Ög.) 3 March 1818, m. 6 Sept. 1839 Lovisa Sofia Pettersdotter. They had two daus. Stina Catharina, b. in Svinhult 5 Nov. 1839 and Anna Lovisa, b. in Ingatorp Parish (Jön.) 13 Dec. 1845. Peter and Lovisa came to the U.S. 28 April 1868 and the dau. followed 15 April 1869. Need information on their descendants. I have material on Erik Ericsson, brother of Anders (see query 647) and Petter which I will gladly share.

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### Ericson, Schneider, Christensen, Whitaker, Craddock, Oakes

Need current addresses for the following: Virgil E. Ericson m. to Clementine Schneider. Are they still living? Where? They had two dau., b. in Sacramento, CA area 1941 and 1944. Marsha Ann m. (1) Don Christensen; (2) 1972 Jerry Whitaker. Carolyn Jean m. (1) Ronald Craddock and (2) in May 1977 in Hawaii Richard Oakes.

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### Torkelsson, Thurin

I am looking for descendants of the following: Torkel Nilsson, b. in Röke Parish (Krist.) 3 Feb. 1823, m. Christina Bengtsdotter, b. 8 Dec. 1830. They had the following children:

a. Nils Torkelsson, who changed his name to Thurin, b. in Önnarp, Röke 26 July 1858; d. Sandstone, MN 21 Dec. 1909; m. 28 Feb. 1895 Hanna Bruzell. Arr. in America 29 May 1878.

b. Bengt Torkelsson, b. Önnarp 11 Oct. 1860; m. Norra Åkarp Parish (Krist.) Sofia Håkansson. They had two children - William Håkan, b. 20 June 1890 and Ester Naemi, b. 6 Nov. 1893.

c. Carolina Torkelsdotter, b. in Önnarp 31 Jan. 1863.

d. Anton Torkelsson, who changed his name to Thurin, b. in Önnarp 26 Jan. 1865 and d. in York, NE 20 Nov. 1939. He m. in Shickley, NE 30 Sept. 1902 Emma Samuelson. He arr. in the U.S. 1883.

e. August Torkelsson, b. Norra Åkarp 30 Nov. 1868.

I have information on the Nils and Anton Thurin families.

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**Bengtsdotter, Gunnesson**

Looking for information regarding Bengta Bengtsdotter, b. Hagnarp, Norra Åkarp Parish (Krist.) 1 July 1833; d. 31 May 1892. She m. (1) 1855 Tuve Nilsson; (2) 18 April 1867 Nils Gunnesson, with whom she had three children - August Nilsson, b. 1 Oct. 1867; d. 1869; August Nilsson, b. 17 Feb. 1870 and Carl Nilsson, b. 10 Sept. 1872; d. 1872.

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**Kristensson**

Looking for information on the family of Anton Kristensson, b. in Hagnarp, Norra Åkarp 11 April 1868; d. 3 April 1936; m. Botilla Jonsson, b. 13 Nov. 1861; d. 5 May 1945. They had two children - Ester Signe, b. 23 Feb. 1902 and Karl George, b. 23 April 1906.

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**Bengtsson**

Looking for information on the family of Elias Bengtsson, b. in Hemmeströ, Norra Åkarp Parish 26 Aug. 1838; d. 20 Dec. 1890. He was m. 24 June 1887 to Malena Jonsdotter, b. 3 May 1845. They had one s., Ruben, b. Hemmeströ 6 Sept. 1888.

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**Bengtsson**

Looking for information on descendants of Anders Bengtsson, b. 2 Nov. 1841, who m. (1) in Röke Parish (Krist.) 14 Oct. 1874 Bengta Christensdotter. They had a s., August, b. 26 Dec. 1874; d. 1963. He m. (2) 22 April 1881 Petronella Karlsdotter, b. 22 Dec. 1851, with whom he had seven dau. - Hilma Paulina, b. 5 Nov. 1883; Amanda Therese, b. 24 Jan. 1888; Augusta, b. 5 Feb. 1890; Selma, b. 5 Jan. 1892; Nelly, b. 25 Nov. 1892; Anni, b. 9 March 1893 and Maria, b. 7 March 1896.

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**Torkelsson**

Looking for information on Anders Torkelsson, b. in Hagnarp, Norra Åkarp Parish (Krist.) 27 July 1875. He arr. in the U.S. 1890. Where did he settle?

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**Anderson**

I would like to find descendants of John August Anderson, b. in Kristineberg, Gårdveda Parish (Kalm.) 12 Nov. 1844 who arr. in the U.S. 1870 and settled in Rock Island, IL. He m. Liza Lotte, with whom he had the following children - Anna, b. 1871; Arthur, b. Dec. 1876; Lawrence, b. Feb. 1880; Oscar, b. April 1882; Nellie, b. Sept. 1884; Edna, b. Nov. 1886 and Elmer, b. 1889. John Anderson's sister, Ida Christina Mathilda Andersdotter, m. John Oberg of Moline, IL. I have information on Ida's family here and in Sweden I would like to share.

Joan P. Nagel

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**Carlsson**

My grandmother's sister, Elin Sofia Carlsson, b. in Vimmerby Parish (Kalm.) 8 March 1878, emigr. to the U.S. 1895 at the age of 17. I have a photograph of her and her husband taken in a studio in Wheaton, MN and one of herself, taken later in the Rembrandt Studio in Clearbrook, MN. I have heard that she had children and that one of them was named Lovisa after her Swedish grandmother.

I would appreciate any information concerning Elin or her descendants.

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**Ahlén**

I am looking for information, including descendants, on the following emigrants from Värmland:

a. Johanna Ahlén, b. in Färnebo Parish 16 Sept. 1838; emigr. 1864; m. before 1881 to Anders J. Hall from Värö Parish (Hall.), who was a deacon in the Immanuel Church in Chicago, in his second marriage. They lived at 38 Wesson St. and had a s., b. 1882 or 1883. Johanna was still living in Chicago 1925.

b. Olof Ahlén, brother of Johanna, b. in Färnebo 11 Nov. 1840 and emigr. 1868. He m. (wife's name unknown), b. 26 Sept. 1850. They had two s., Hans and Carl Martinius (see below). Olof lived in Laguna, Valencia Co., NM in 1886 and in Clarkfield, MN 1912.

c. Carolina Ahlén, sister of Johanna and Olof, b. in Färnebo 9 May 1844 and emigr. 1868. She m. after 1870 John Nelson (Nilsson) from Karlskoga Parish (Öre.) in his second marriage. They res. at 109 Milton Ave. in Chicago.

d. Hans Ahlén, s. of Olof, b. 6 June 1875; m. twice (wives unknown). He res. in Minneapolis, MN 1925 and d. 1927. He had a dau. Caroline.

e. Carl Martinius Ahlén, s. of Olof, b. 3 Nov. 1877. In 1925 he lived in Clarkfield, MN.

f. Mabel Caroline Ahlén, daughter of Hans, m. Oliver Rike (Ricke). In 1924 they rented her uncle's farm in Clarkfield.

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**Anderson**

I am seeking information on the descendants of my great grandfather's brother, Johan Andersson, b. in Värmland 23 Nov. 1855. He had a s. Lewis, now dead. Hazel was Lewis' wife and they had a s. Ken, who in 1950 was a trumpet player in a band. According to the latest information Hazel and her s. Ken were living in Albuquerque, NM.

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**Jonsson**

I am looking for information on our relatives Olof Leonard Jonsson and his brother Nils Johan Jonsson. Olof was b. 20 Sept. 1866 and Johan 19 July 1869, both in Gersheden, Ransäter Parish (Värm.). In 1912 Olof and Johan were living in Montclair (probably NJ) at 18 Bell Street. Their mother, Maria Olsdotter, d. 1912 and they were the only heirs.

Can anyone help?  
Inga-Lisa and Nils Forslund  
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684 00 Munkfors, SWEDEN

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**Nelson, Berglund,**

I would like to correspond with anyone having information on Nels Berglund, possibly formerly known as Nels Nelson, b. in Värmland 1857. He m. Ingaborn (Ingeborg?). He emigr. to SD 1885 and had the following children - Axel, Ellen, Oscar, Knute and Inga.

Knute Berglund, the s. of Nils, m. Anna Otteson in Malmo, MN 1916. She was the dau. of Petter Olai Otteson, b. on an island near Ålesund, Norway 1860. He had a twin brother named Lars. They emigr. 1886 and m. sisters. Petter's wife was Olava Persdatter Dybvig, b. in Ålesund 1859. Knute Berglund and his wife are both bur. in Malmo, MN. They had the following children - Maria, Anna, Olga, Johan, Inga and Elmer.

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**Nilsson**

I am seeking information on Erik Nilsson who emigr. to MN 1869. He worked in the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad. He d. 1871, possibly killed by Indians. He was b. in Färlöv Parish (Krist.) 23 July 1833, the s. of Nils Månsson and Gunnil Nilsdotter. He m. in Fjälkestad Parish (Krist.) 30 Oct. 1858 Nilla Pehrsson. He left his wife and five children in Sweden.

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**Johnson, Anderson**

I am looking for information on my great grandparents in Sweden. The only facts I have are as follows: Charles G. Johnson was b. on the Island of Öland 15 Dec. 1877 and arr. in the U.S. 1902. He was m. to Amelia Anderson, also b. on Öland 30 June 1880 who arr. in America 1904. Charles' parents were John Nelson and Berta Pearson and Amelia's father was John S. Anderson. I have no name of his wife.

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**Thorell**

Seeking information on Carl Erik Thorell and his descendants. He was b. in Totra, Hamrånge Parish (Gävl.) 31 Aug. 1864, the s. of Catharina Thorell. On the emigration lists of 1880 he is listed with his mother and half-siblings of Olof Olsson Norell destined for Chicago. Did he use his stepfather's name of Norell? There is no photo of him or his family in America. He might have remained in Sweden or if he came to America, where did he settle?

Will share information from Hamrånge Parish.

Beverly Norell Nicholas  
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**Sträng, Ögren**

I wish to contact descendants of the following children, whose parents were Svante Andersson Sträng, b. in Viö, Strängsered Parish (Älvs.) and his wife Catarina Johansdotter:

a. Ida Lovisa Sträng, b. 1855, d. in CA in March 1940. She emigr. in May 1881. Her dau. was Edith, who lived in CA; her granddau. was Beulah, who lived in CA and her great granddau. was b. in CA 1939.

b. Anders Wilhelm Sträng, probably changed his name to Ögren. B. in Sept. 1862 and emigr. to Chicago (?) in May 1887; d. in Chicago.

c. Hulda Marie Svensson, b. in June 1865; m. a man named Johnson; d. in Chicago (?). She had emigr. in Aug. 1889.



Will share information from Strängsered and Hössna Parishes (Älvs.).

Beverly Norell Nicholas  
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**Sjunnesson**

I am seeking information on Anders Sjunnesson, b. in Husie Parish (Malm.) 23 June 1855 and his wife Ingrid Nilsson, b. in Gylle Parish (Malm.) 2 Sept. 1853. They were m. 30 March 1886 and emigr. to America 1892/1893. Anders had a brother, Jöns Sjunnesson, b. in Husie 26 June 1859 who in 1910 was living in Copenhagen, Denmark with his wife Maria and four children.

Blanche C. Benton  
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**Söderlund, Dittmer**

I am searching for information on my forefathers and will appreciate any help.

a. Emma Christina Söderlund was b. in Lidingö (Stock.) 15 Oct. 1845. She had a s., Frans Oscar Julius Söderlund, b. 23 Dec. 1865 on Gotska Sandön (Gotl.).

b. Johan Alfred Dittmer was b. in Fröjered Parish (Skar.) 22 March 1859 and his wife Amanda Wilhelmina Larsson was b. in Vilhelmsro, Ekedalen, either in Åsaka Parish (Älvs.) or Acklinga Parish (Skar.) 12 Nov. 1859. They had a total of 13 children.

Warren Dittmer  
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**Petersson**

Johannes Petersson and his wife Christina Petersdotter, b. in Kronoberg county, Sweden 1827. They left for the U.S. 1866. I need further data on Johannes. Mrs. Joyce M. Scott

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**Hedlund**

I am searching for the descendants of Frank Oscar Hedlund, b. in Udenäs Parish (Skar.) 30 Oct. 1865. In 1891 he m. Alma Andersson, b. in Rångedala Parish (Älvs.) 25 July 1866. He was a missionary, denomination not known, and res. in Los Angeles ca. 1930. Their three m. dau. were - Ruth Elisabeth Hanson, b. 23 Dec. 1892; Gurli Rebecca Dorotea Roswell, b. 7 Dec. 1895 and Ethel Theresia Laggberg.

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**Johnson/Jansson**

I am seeking the descendants of Olof Johnson/Jansson, b. in Sweden 7 Sept. 1868, who m. Clara Maria Persdotter, b. in Sandhult Parish (Älvs.) 10 Aug. 1871. In 1900 they res. at 5207 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, MO, where Olof was a dairyman. They had at least three children - Alma Maria, b. 28 Dec. 1897; Rudolf Abraham, b. 9 June 1899 and Alfred Olof, b. 19 Oct. 1902.

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**Esterlund**

I am seeking information on the descendants of Charles and Maria Sofia Esterlund. They emigr. from Eskilstuna in Sweden 1873 and settled in Reading, PA. They had four sons - Oscar, Charles, Alfred and Frank. Oscar settled somewhere in the Middle West in the late 1880s. Any information on Esterlund families living in the midwest would be appreciated.

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**Westfelt/Wästfelt**

I am searching for information concerning my grandfather's brother, Johan Theodor Carlsson Wästfelt, b. in Karlskrona 1878. He emigr. to America and settled in the New York area, where he worked as a foreman. In 1903 he married an Irish woman. His brother was Sven Adolf Carlsson Wästfelt, b. in 1877, who worked as an engine operator in Karlskrona and d. 1954.

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**Kullberg**

Does anyone have any information on two of my ancestors who emigr. to the U.S. ca. 1900. Their names were August Kullberg, b. in Gammalstorp Parish (Blek.) 1880 and Lovisa Kullberg, b. 1883, also in Gammalstorp. They were the children of Håkan Kullberg and Sissa Bengtsdotter in Gammalstorp.

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### **Lundin, Landen, Lindquist**

I am trying to find the birth place and other information for my great grandmother, Johanna Lovisa Johnson, the dau. of John and Mary Johnson. She was b. 8 Dec. 1854, unknown where, but perhaps in the vicinity of Uppsala. She m. Victor Lundin and emigr. to St. Louis, MO 1884 or 1885 with her two dau., Josephine Tekla, age 10 or 11 and Hilda Olivia, age 5 or 6, who may have been b. in Arvika, Värmland 21 Jan. 1879. Johanna Lundin changed her name to Landen and remarried in St. Louis a man by the name of John Albert Lindquist, a machinist, also b. in Sweden.

Jean M. Bang

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### **Hagström**

In the latest issue of *SAG* I noted that in the article on St. Ansgarius marriages in Chicago that Anna Catharina Hagström was m. to Carl Oscar Werner Lundgren 17 Aug. 1878. I have for a long time puzzled over whom Lundgren married. Now that I know her name I should like to find out more, such as the names of her parents, her birth place (she was not b. in Stockholm), etc. I would be pleased to hear from the readers.

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### **Fernström**

One of the very early Swedes in Minnesota was Carl August Fernström, who came to Scandia, MN 1850. He did not stay long, went West and eventually settled in Lone Tree, IA, where he became a banker. He supposedly d. in Iowa 1908. He was m. and had three children - Charles, Alice and Helen. Can anyone tell me if there are any descendants still living?

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