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STEFFES, GERHARD

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Gerhard Steffes was born October 24, 1868 son of John Senior and Catherine (Bolfing) Steffes.

John Steffes Senior came to America in 1859 with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Steffes; who settled in Wisconsin. At the age of seventeen John came to Minnesota and settled in St. Cloud. John Steffes Senior served with the Northern army during the Civil War. John was a stone-cutter by trade.

John and Catherine (Bolfing) Steffes were the parents of eight children: John Junior, Rose Caroline, Gerhard, James, Peter, August, Alasius, Justisa.

Gerhard Steffes attended the catholic schools, the Union, and the Normal. Two of his teachers were Mrs. Case and Dr. Schumaker. After he completed his schooling Gerhard was employed by Jacob Trossen in a butcher shop. Gerhard also worked for the Great Northern Rail Road, three years as janitor of the First National Bank, one years as janitor at the St. Cloud Armory, and five years at the St. Cloud Library.

Gerhard Steffes was married the first time to Emma Ziemer. In 1914 he was married to Mrs. Emma Harshmen.

> Interviewed: Gerhard Steffes Date: September 25, 1936

By: Gilbert Bunt

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# FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE FOR THE GERHARD STEFFES BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Father's Name Age
1. John Steffes Jr.	Feb. 22, 1871	St. Cloud	John Steffes
2. Justina Steffes	Apr. 28, 1872	11 11	n n
3. James J. Steffes	Feb. 18, 1876	n n	ii ii
4. Rose C. Steffes	May 5, 1878		II II
5. August Steffes	Aug. 8, 1879		11
6. Peter Paul Steffes	Feb. 15, 1882	n n	u u
7. Alasius Steffes	Dec. 12, 1884	ii ii	11 11

M	other's Nam	ne	Age	Book	Page	Line	Remarks
1.	Catherine	Steffes		A	43	29	
2.				A	83	37	
3.	u	a a		A	245	7	
4.				A	329	40	
5.	ii .	ii .		A	3 <b>7</b> 5	38	
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7.		u .		В	4	145	

MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK N. PAGE 130

Gerhard Steffes and Amma A. Ziemer

Marriage License issued January 30, 1893

No Return filed from Church

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### MARRIAGE RECORD BOOK C. PAGE 36

John Steffes and Catherine Bolfing

Married at St. Cloud June 4, 1867

By: Rev. P. M. Stukemkemper

Witnesses: Gerhard Lieser and Mathilda Rosenberger

### DEATH RECORD BOOK B. PAGE 393

John L. Steffes Born in Prinssia December 26, 1833 Son of Stephen Steffes

Died April 30, 1908

Age 74 years 4 months and 4 days

## DEATH RECORD BOOK 1894 A 4 PAGE 125 LINE 7

Earl E. Steffes Died August 20, 1894

Age 9 months

Son of Gerhard J. and Emma Steffes