

Xavier, Gothard Waldemar 1889 MN – 1969 WA



Xavier Family
L to R; Back Row - Sara Amanda; Marith Mathilde; Heinrich Muller; Karl;
Nils Paul Jr.; Anna Charlotte. L to R seated: Nils Paul; Amanda Magdalena;
Johan Ulrik. L to R Front Row: Gothard Waldemar; Ella Wilhelmine

Gothard Waldemar Xavier (boy seated in front at left) – courtesy of Steven Schwartz of Renton WA



Gothard Waldemar Xavier - "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Saturday 9 Feb 1918 p 1

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XAVIER — Services will be held for Gothard Walter Xavier Thursday at 1 p.m., Bonney - Watson Broadway Chapel, Seattle. Committal service at 3 p.m. at Parkland Cemetery, Parkland Cemetery, Parkland, Wash. Survivors include a brother, Paul Xavier, Seattle; two sisters, Ella Shirley Xavier, Parkland, Wash., and Mrs. Hannah Rasmussen, of Stanwood, Wash. Mr. Xavier was a survivor of the Tuscania sinking in World War I.
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Obituary of Gothard Waldemar (not Walter) Xavier – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Wednesday 28 May 1969 p 39

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Extended Xavier Families in Military or Related Civilian Service

By John E. Xavier

This chapter of the Extended Xavier Family blog is a sobering reminder of the "long reach" of world affairs, especially of war, into the lives of families and individuals. In the aftermath of a war, the later and living generations often show a tendency to regard the historical past as much more peaceful and calm than was in fact the case. That greater interpretation is beyond this chapter, which is more of an overgrown inventory of family connections to war and military service.

Since April of 1861 with the onset of the Civil War, it seems the extended Xavier family connections to war are easily documented, The two notable exceptions to the long reach of war, by evidence known in mid-2012, are the Spanish-American War and the British Empire-sponsored Boer War (for Canadians), where we have found no connections to the extended Xavier Family.

There is a certain level of irony in the long reach of war as shown in this essay. The Saami traditions in the European Arctic world are devoid of a warrior tradition, the climate and remote location having furnished ample defense for large-scale military ventures in the homeland of the Saami. Of course, those familiar with Saami history are aware of small-scale troop enforcement of religious conformity (as in 1852). That very small-scale troop enforcement measure by the King of Sweden looms large in Saami history. This is due to the broadly based uprising against a corrupted and repressive state (Lutheran) church as well as other local institutions functioning as a support system the state church. This deplorable state of affairs has been well documented, most recently in the film *Kautokeino Opproret / Kautokeino Uprising*, an excellent film by Saami film-maker Nils Gaup.(Gaup is himself a shirt-tail relative of the Xavier family.)

Beyond that religious repression, however, there is the recent and dominent fact of the vast military-industrial machinery deployed in World War II. Here was the ultimate long reach, for Nazi Germany stationed thousands of troops and hundreds of warplanes in Sapmi. The Nazi forces sought to cut off Allied shipping to the Soviet Union headed over Norway to the port of Archangel. Thus the entire region around Kirkeness was transformed into a prime target for Allied aerial bombing attacks. The North American Saami were in general as involved as anyone in World War II, and that stands true for the extended Xavier family.

Several members of the extended Xavier family have pursued military service in full-time careers, reserve, National Guard, or combinations of those options. Thus, with the Saami American assimilation to U.S. ways has come a certain level of military participation, in both times of war and peace.

B. Individuals of Extended Xavier Family in Military Service or Related Service

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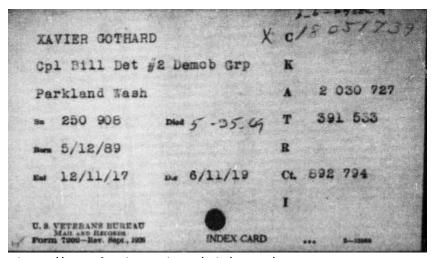
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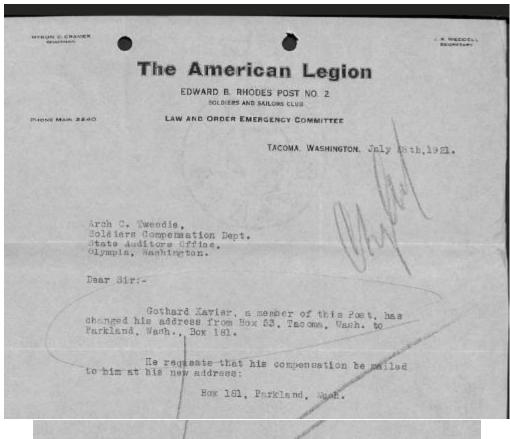
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SON OF PARKLAND PASTOR, REV. XAVIER, WAS ON TUSCANIA

Gothard W. Xavier, son of Rev. N. P. Xavier and brother of Prof. J. U. Xavier of Parkland was in company F, 6th battalion and was on the Tuscania.

He was 29 years old and was born in Minnesota. He attended Farkland academy and had been employed as lumber grader. He lived at Parkland since 1904.

"Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 16

Ralph Uphus of Enumciaw was the first Washington survivor reported. George Johnson of Sumner, brother-inlaw of Hy L. Schoonover of Sumner, said last night he had no word of Schoonover's fate. Information also was lacking concerning Gothard W. Navier, son of Rev. Navier of Parkland, and Perry Howard of Puyallup.

"Tacoma (WA) Daily Ledger" Sunday 10 Feb 1918 p 1

Seventy-four Washington soldiers, including six from Tacoma and vicinity and 14 more from southwest Washington, were rescued when the troop ship Tuscania was torpedoed, according to a special dispatch to The Ledger received from Washington, D. C., last night.

The Tacoma survivors included William E. Farrar, 3710 51st street, and George F. Rauh, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Rauh, 3316 North 17th street. Three Puyallup boys, Harrison F. Bates, Mark F. Chadwick and Perry Howard, were among those saved. Gothard Xavier of Parkland also was saved

"Tacoma (WA) Daily Ledger" Monday 11 Feb 1918 p 1

Commercial registrations: Ensign A. Nelson, G. W. Xavier, Portland; G. K. Thompson, Vancouver, B. C.

"Everett (WA) Daily Herald" Friday 18 Aug 1922 p 14

BUILDING PERMITS

Max Rind, 1912 Second avenue N. finish room, frame residence, \$300.

Hansen & Casperson, 1315 First avenue, alteration for beer parlor, etc., \$500.

G. W. Xavier, 1622 Eighth avenue, alterations for beer parlor, \$500.

"Seattle (WA) Star" Tuesday 20 Mar 1934 p 13

EDWARD F, KELLNER KILLED IN HIS WHEELCHAIR

The wheels of a log truck trailer snuffed out the life of Edward F. Kellner. 50, crippled wheel chair operator, on Sunset Drive, east of the James street intersection. Monday afternoon. Kellner, had made his home at St. Luke's hospital since he was left paralyzed below the waist after a railway log car ran over his body in May, 1920. He was a veteran of the first World war. The logging truck that was involv-

The logging truck that was involved in the fatal accident was driven by William A. Moran, 23, of 1125 Indian street. The trailer, with a hand-steering device, was operated by Darrell Lee Marker, 17, of 2313 Electric avenue. Lieut. George Hovde, of the police traffic squad, said Moran swung the log truck beyond the center of the pavement, giving plenty of clearance to Kellner in his wheel chair, but that young Barker did not swerve the trailer toward the street center in time to miss Kellner.

INQUEST PLANNED

Both Moran and Barker were booked at police headquarters pending a coroner's inquest. They were not held, however, Dr. W. A. Hulbush, the coroner, said an inquestion will be held probably Wednesday.

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Gothard W. Xavier, of Seattle, an eye witness of the accident, said the truck was not traveling at an excessive rate of speed. He was traveling east on Sunset Drive, a short distance behind the truck and trailer, he said.

Article continues on p 1 & p 3

"Bellingham (WA) Herald" Tuesday 26 Oct 1943 p 1

Davis - Services for Lennie (Leonard) Davis will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the Garden Chapel of Mountain View Funeral Home, with the Rev. William P. McCormick officiating. Burial will be in Mountain View Memorial Park. Active pallbearers will include Lester Burrows, Raymond Lee, J. H. Castelberry, G. W. Xavier, A. G. Segles and William Ekert. Honorary pallbearers will be P. M. Ogle, F. E. Dean, Ralph Ness, Ed Crawford, Oscar Dahl, Merle Whitmarsh, Tommy Moyer, Earl Marsh, Oscar Fredericks and R. Jacobsen.

"Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Wednesday 6 Oct 1954 p 21

Dr. Xavier Honored

Dr. John U. Xavier, professor emeritus of Pacific Luthern College, was honored at his 90th birthday Sunday with a reception at the home of a sister-in-law, Mrs. John Tenwick, Mrs. Xavier and Mr. Tenwick joined in receiving nearly 170 guests during the day.

Refreshments were served from a table covered with a white imported Italian cloth which was appliqued with gold. Flowers were yellow chrysanthemums which were flanked by yellow tapers.

Assisting with festive duties were Mesdames Paul Xavier and Waldemar Xavier of Seattle, Anna Larsen, A. W. Ramstad, William Storaasil, Fred Henricksen, Agnes Stuen, Trygve Svare, Hans Dahl, George Fisher Jr., Carl Fynboe, Louise Sales and Miss Susan Fisher.

Dr. Xavier, who was on the PLC faculty between 1902 and 1907, and again between 1920 and 1942, was librarian and taught Latin and Greek. An ordained pastor, he often spoke in local pulpits and today he is still an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church of Parkland where he teaches an adult Bible class each Sunday.

Gothard Waldemar & brother Nils Paul Xavier attend 90th birthday part of brother John Ulrik Xavier – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Wednesday 29 Jun 1960 p 30

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Marriage to Agnes Miller Walker on 23 Apr 1934 in King Co. WA -

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MARRIAGE LICENSES

Marriage licenses have been issued by Auditor C. H. Renschler to Magnus S. Larsen and Sophie Skreen of Tacoma; Richard E. Whitworth of Kokomo, Ind., and Lois M. Mallman of St. Louis; Gothard W. Xavier of Parkland and Agnes Walker of Aberdeen; William John Chinn and Emma O. Crist of Milton; Edward D. Frank and Pearl Walkama of Tacoma; Paul G. Wilson and Doris E. White of Tacoma, and George McCallum of Portland and Mary Brown of Los Angeles.

"Tacoma (WA) Daily Ledger" Saturday 21 Apr 1934 p 5

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IA delayed birth certificate of Agnes Miller Walker Xavier – born 27 Jul 1896 Republic, Chickasha IA, filed 16 Apr 1943 - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/163306:61441

Wife Alberta Peterson Persinger Smarr Allotta Xavier Eubanks Cole

Alberta Leila Cole

in the U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936-2007

Name	Alberta Leila Cole [Alberta L Cole] [Alberta Leila Peterson]
Gender	Female
Birth Date	31 Aug 1911
Birth Place	Worth, Missouri [Worth]
Death Date	22 Jun 1997
Claim Date	8 Nov 1973
Father	Ott Peterson
Mother	Gertrude D McReynolds
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Notes	17 Mar 1975: Name listed as ALBERTA LEILA COLE; 10 Apr 1978: Name listed as ALBERTA L COLE

Alberta Leila Peterson Allotta Eubanks Xavier Cole - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/19115559:60901?ssrc=pt&tid=20895289&pid=210072066435

Charles R. Persinger and Miss Alberta Peterson have announced their marriage which took place Friday. August 2nd at Chillicothe. Mo. The groom is a grandson of Mrs. Eliza Persinger, by whom he was reared. After graduating from the high school here he attended the Maryville Teacher's College and the Missouri University, completing a course in Commercial Engineering. At present he is employed by the State Highway Commission at Chillicothe. The bride was reared in Albany and is a graduate of the high school there and attended Palmer College. She had been attending the Chillicothe Business College this summer. They went to housekeeping Monday in a furnshed apartment in Chillicothe. Best wishes are extended to them for a long and happy wedded life.

MISS PETERSON AND CHAS. PERSINGER WED

Miss Alberta Peterson, daughter of Otto Peterson, and Charles R. Persinger, of McFall, were married Friday. August 2, at Chillicothe. Miss Peterson attended the local high school and made good records in dramatics and music. This summer and last winter she attended the Chillicothe Business College.

The groom is a grandson of Mrs. Eliza Persinger of McFall, by whom he was reared. He was graduated from the McFall high school, attended the Maryville state teachers college, and completed a course in Commercial Enginering at the University of Missouri. At present, he is employed by the State Highway Commission at Chillicothe.

The bride and groom are now living in Chillicothe.

Marriage to Charles R. Persinger – "Albany (MO) Ledger" Thursday 15 Aug 1929 p 1

CHARLES R. PERSINGER

Charles R. Persinger, 88, Boonville, Mo., died June 10, 1994, in a nursing home in Jefferson City. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday at Walnut Grove Cemetery, Boonville. Friends may call from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at the William Wood Chapel. Boonville. The family suggests contributions to the Alzheimer's Association. Mr. Persinger was born in McFall. Mo., and lived in Boonville most of his life. He was mayor of Boonville from 1974 to 1982. He was past Missouri state president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and past president of the Boonville Lions Club. Survivors include his wife, Mildred Persinger of the home; two daughters. Carole Schmidt, Muskego, Wis., and Marsha Davis, Fayette, Mo.; seven grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Obituary of Charles R. Persinger – "Kansas City (MO) Star" Tuesday 14 Jun 1994 p 75

MARRIAGE LICENSES. ISSUED IN KANSAS CITY, MO. Don M. Smarr Kansas City Alberta Persinger Kansas City Marriage license – Alberta Peterson Persinger to Don M. Smarr – "Kansas City (MO) Star" Sunday 27 Apr

1930 p 19

Alberta Persinger

in the Web: Jackson County, Missouri, U.S., Marriage Records, 1826-2014

Name	Alberta Persinger
Registration Date	26 Apr 1930
Marriage Date	26 Apr 1930
Marriage Place	Jackson, Missouri, USA
Spouse	Don M Smarr
License Number	1930A0041133
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https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1173886:60383



"Albany (MO) Ledger" Thursday 20 Nov 1930 p 6

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

State of Missouri, County of Worth, ss.

In the Circuit Court of Worth County, Missouri, May Term, 1935. Leland Peterson ____Plaintiff, vs

Charles A. Peterson, Otto C. Peterson, Alberta L. Smarr, Inez E. Litton and Lela C. Forrestor ____Defendants.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

Now on this 9th day of March, 1935, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled case before the undersigned, Louis Craven, Clerk of the Circuit Court in vacation and files his petition, verified by affidavit, setting forth that Charles A. Peterson, Inez E. Litton and Lela C. Forrestor are non-residents of the State of Missouri and cannot be served in this State with ordinary process of law:

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"Grant City (MO) Times-Tribune" Wednesday 10 Apr 1935 p 9

LAWRENCE ALLOTTA

Lawrence D. Allotta, 62, a former resident here, died suddenly Thursday, apparently of a heart attack, in the tavern he operated in Seattle.

He was born in Italy and came to this area as a child. He lived in Tacoma many years before moving to Seattle in 1938.

He was a member of Ballard Lodge No. 827, BPOE, and the Washington State Beverage Association.

He leaves his wife, Alberta; a son, Lawrence; a stepson, Roger Smarr, of Portland; a sister, Mrs. Frank Magrini, of Tacoma; a brother, Fisher, of Tacoma; and three grandchildren.

Services are announced today by Wiggen and Sons Mortuary of Seattle.

Obituary of Lawrence D. Allotta – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Saturday 11 May 1963 p 2

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Marriage of Gothard Waldemar Xavier to Alberta Peterson Allotta on 28 Apr 1964 - Ahttps://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2378/images/45654_B282573-00052?pld=1056131603

Marriages

Application for marriage license has been made in the Lewis County auditor's office by:

Gothard W. Xavier and Alberta L. Allotta, both of Seattle.

"Centralia (WA) Daily Chronicle" Friday 24 Apr 1964 p 2

Alberta L Allotta

in the Washington, U.S., Marriage Index, 1969-2017

Name	Alberta L Allotta
Maiden Name	Peterson
Marriage Date	23 Jun 1970
Marriage Place	King, Washington, USA
Marriage License Place	Snohomish, Washington, USA
Spouse	Earnal T Euganks

Marriage to Earnal T. Eubanks on 23 Jun 1970 King Co. WA - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2600976:61233

Alberta L Eubanks

in the Washington, U.S., Divorce Index, 1969-2017

Name	Alberta L Eubanks
Maiden Name	Peterson
Gender	Female
Divorce Date	26 Mar 1971
Divorce Place	King, Washington, USA
Spouse	Earnol T Eubanks
Number of Children	0
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Divorce from Earnol Thomas Eubanks 26 Mar 1972 King Co. WA - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/3008231:61251

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Alberta L Allotta in the Washington, U.S., Marriage Index, 1969-2017		
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Marriage Place	King, Washington, USA	
Marriage License Place	Snohomish, Washington, USA	
Spouse	William T Cole	

Marriage to William T. Cole 17 Jul 1973 in King Co. WA - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/2428409:61233

OTTO PETERSON DEAD.

Otto Peterson died at his home in the south part of town at 4:20 o'clock Tuesday afternoon after a week's illness of heart trouble. Up until just a short time before his last illness he had been able to make his regular trips to town and visit with his companions.

Funeral services were held at the Bare funeral home at 10 o'clock this morning conducted by Rev. H. V. Reeves, pastor of the Christian church. Burial was at the Shiloh cemetery, near Worth, and near the

old family home.

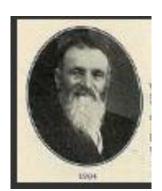
Mr. Peterson had been a resident of Albany since 1921, having moved here from the farm near Worth, and had lived in the former Killam property, which he bought. He was a native of Sweden, and was born November 2, 1864. His age was 65 years, 2 months and 19 days. He came to the United States in 1884. and located on a farm in the northwest part of Gentry county, where he remained seven years. He then moved to a farm in Worth county. and was engaged in farming and stock shipping. He became at one time one of the well-to-do residents of his community. He left the farm on account of failing health, coming to Albany about nine years ago. He

to Albany about nine years ago. He was married Nov. 24, 1892 to Miss Della G. McReynolds, who died Nov. 24, 1922, at the family home here.

Mr. Peterson is survived by six children, all of whom are here for the funeral except Mrs. Lela C. Forrester, of Ashton, Idaho. The others are: Charles A., of Eastland, Texas; Inea Evelyn, of Ashton; Mrs. Alberta Persinger, of Kansas City, and Otto Junior and Leland C., of the home.

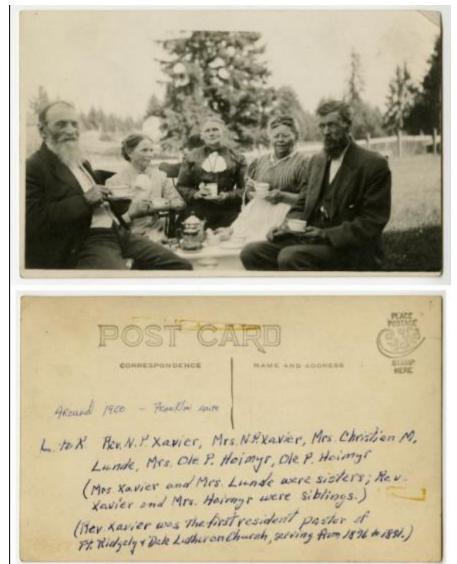
Obituary of father Otto Peterson – "Albany (MO) Ledger" Thursday 23 Jan 1930 p 1

Father:



Father Nils Paul Xavier - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/20895289/person/20473089647/media/cab92e4e-b81b-4813-ac79-65a09473502b

Rev. Nils Xavier and group drinking tea, Franklin, Minnesota



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Naturalization in Winneshiek Co. IA 14 Feb 1900 - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/1629/images/31192_118281-06263?pld=5100937



Obituary of brother Rev. Nils Paul Xavier Jr. – published in the "Tacoma (WA) Times" 16 Mar 1918 – incorrectly attached to the Find A Grave 38996058 of his son Nils Paul Xavier Jr.

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Title	Nils Paul Xavier: Sami Teacher and Pastor on the American Frontier
Object Name	Article
Scope & Content	Nils Paul Xavier: Sami Teacher and Pastor on the American Frontier article by Einar Niemi.
Catalog Number	0.2011.002
Physical characteristics	p. 245 - 270
Creator	Niemi, Einar
Collection	Archive
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Parelius Rognlie papers, circa 1890-circa 1980

NAHA directors and staff traveled to Fairfax, Minnesota, in September to collect materials from the Parelius Rognlie parsonage and its library full of books, correspondence, photographs, and more. Rognlie was a pastor for the Fort Ridgely, Dale, Palmyra, and Clear Lake congregations starting in 1891. He succeeded Nils Xavier, a well-known Sami pastor for whom the parsonage was built.



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Nils Paul Xavier: Sami Teacher and Pastor on the American Frontier*

by Einar Niemi

By all accounts the mass emigration that took place across the Atlantic from Norway to America in the period 1850–1914 embraced few Sami. Even if the historical sources are incomplete as to the ethnicity of emigrants, the statistical evidence indicates that the numbers were very low, both locally and regionally, from areas with dominant or even large Sami populations. It appears that the Sami preferred to continue their traditional way of life during this period: one in which the economy was not yet fully integrated into the mechanisms of the market and was, therefore, relatively untouched by national and international movements in the trade cycle. No doubt, too, language and other cultural characteristics helped create powerful barriers between local Sami society and the wider world.\footnote{1}

Although there was definitely no mass emigration by the Sami, a few did move—a handful of young people from one district, a family or two from another. And one somewhat larger group did make the great leap. This was not the result of 'America fever' as usually understood, but rather the product

*This article was written as part of a research project on emigration from northern Scandinavia to the United States, supported by the Norwegian Research Council. I want to express my thanks to the Council and to Professor Michael Drake for stimulating discussions and language assistance.

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Mother:

AMANDA XAVIER IS DEAD HERE

Mrs. Amanda Navier, 86, widow of Rev. N. P. Navier, who died in 1918, died Wednesday at her home in Parkland. She had lived here since 1901, when she and Rev. Navier came to Tacoma from Ridgeway, Ia. She was a member of the Norwegian Lutheran church of America.

Surviving are four sons, Rev. John U. Navier, teacher of Latin at Pacific Lutheran College; Waldemar, in Scattle, and Henry and Paul, in Alaska, and three daughters, Mrs. Ella Sherer-Navier of Parkland, Mrs. O. A. Aasen, in Vancouver, B. C., and Miss Sara Navier, nurse at the Veterans' Hospital in Portland. Funeral strvices will be held Saturday, at 3 p. m., at the Parkland Lutheran church; burlal under direction of Storlie.

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Obituary of mother Amanda Norum Xavier – Find A Grave 38996054

AMANDA XAVIER Taken by Death

Widow of Late Pioneer Pastor Stricken at Home in Parkland

Mrs. Amanda Xavier, 86, widow of Rev. N. P. Xavier, who died in 1918, died Wednesday at her home in Parkland. She had lived here since 1904, when she and Rev. Xavier came to Tacoma from Ridgeway, Ia. She was a member of the Norwegian Lutheran church of America.

Surviving are four sons, Rev. John U. Xavier, teacher of Latin at Pacific Lutheran college; Waldemar, in Seattle, and Henry and Paul, in Alaska, and three daughters, Mrs. Ella Sherer-Xavier of Parkland, Mrs. O. A. Aasen, in Vancouver, B. C., and Miss Sara Xavier, nurse at the Veterans' hospital in Portland.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 3 p. m. at the Parkland Lutheran church. Burial will be under direction of Storlie.

Obituary of mother Amanda Norum Xavier – "Tacoma (WA) Daily Ledger" Thursday 28 Mar 1935 p 10

Siblings:



Brother Rev. Karl Astrup Xavier (1869-1924) - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/20895289/person/20473089651/media/d982626a-08ce-4060-9f71-f903b7c96819

FORMER NORMAL TEACHER IS DEAD

Rev. Karl Xavier, at Lutheran School 1903 to 1910, Dies in Local Hospital

Rev. Karl Xavier of Thompson, Ia., teacher at the Lutheran Normal school here from 1903 to 1910, died at a local hospital Sunday morning. He had resigned his charge at Thompson on account of broken health, coming here for medical treatment. His family also was to move here.

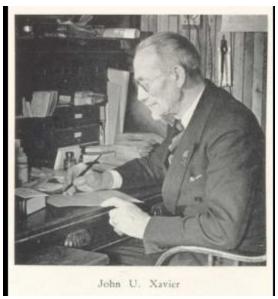
Rev. Xavier was prominent in the Norwegian Lutheran church as a writer on theological topics, publishing most of his writings in tract form. He had written one series of three treatises on practical theology.

He was born in Norway in 1869, the son of a minister. He attended Luther college, Decorah, Ia., graduating in 1892. He finished Luther Seminary, St. Paul in 1895. He was successively pastor at Soude, Ia., teacher at the Normal school, and pastor at Bradish, Neb., and

Thompson, Ia.

Arrangements for his funeral have not been completed, pending the arrival of Mrs. Xavier from Thompson.

Obituary of Rev. Karl Astrup Xavier – "Sioux Falls (SD) Argus-Leader" Monday 9 Jun 1924 p 12



Brother Dr. John Ulrik Xavier (1870-1963) - Find A Grave 38996057



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John Ulrik Xavier married Signe Skattebøl on 27 Dec 1912 in Grays Harbor Co. WA - https://www.ancestry.com/imageviewer/collections/2378/images/45654 B281596-00156?pld=5769211

Cards are out announcing the coming marriage of Miss Signe Skattebol, formerly of this village, to Prof. Johan H. Xavier of Parklund, Wash. The wedding wil occurr at the home of the bride's father; Rev. Skattebol, in Aberdeen, Wash., on Friday, December 27th.

"Wahpeton (ND) Times" Thursday 26 Dec 1912 p 2

40-Year PLU Teacher Dies

Dr. John Ulrik Xavier, for 40 years a member of the faculty of Pacific Lutheran University, died this morning in a Stanwood retirement home at the age of 93. He and his wife had given up



DR. JOHN ULRIK XAVIER

their Parkland home of many years only last June to move to Stanwood.

Dr. Xavier had been an ordained pastor of the American Lutheran Church since 1901 but had spent most of his life as a teacher and librarian. In 1920-21 he was acting president of PLU.

Born in Lyngen, Norway, he came to the United States in 1885. He attended Luther College Preparatory School,, then took his bachelor of arts degree at Luther College, Iowa. He earned his theological degree at Luther Seminary in St. Paul in 1898. He first taught at the Lutheran Ladies' Seminary in Red Wing, Minn. From 1902 to 1942, when he retired, he taught history, biology and religion, or served as librarian at PLU.

For a number of summers Dr. Xavier took graduate studies at the University of Washington and the University of Minnesota. He received his master of arts degree at the University of Washington and his doctor of divinity degree at PLU in 1952.

He was a member of Trinity
Lutheran Church in Parkland
where he taught a Bible class for
many years.



Note brother Gothard (d. 1969) is not in John Ulrik Xavier's 1963 obituary – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Friday 13 Sep 1963 p 36

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Johan Ulrik Xavier was born to Nils Paul and Amanda Magdalene Xavier on June 26, 1870 in Lyngen, Norway. His family was Sami.^[1] The second son of a family of ten, he and his family immigrated to the United States three years after his birth. They became naturalized citizens in 1878. ^[2]

J.U. Xavier

Born June 26, 1870

Lyngen, Norway

Johan Ulrik was first educated in a rural elementary school and then moved on to Luther College Preparatory, and got his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1893 from Luther College. He earned his Theological Degree from Luther Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota in 1898 and did graduate work during the summers at both the University of Minnesota and the University of Washington, which ended with a Master of Arts Degree from the University of Washington in 1929.

He was hired at Pacific Lutheran Academy in 1908 as the school librarian and continued working until the school closed in 1918. He then earned his living at a number of odd jobs and eventually settled down to work at a wholesale grocers' named Younglove.

When the school re-opened in 1920 Xavier returned and because he was now the most senior member of the staff, he acted as president for the first year of the newly named Pacific Lutheran College. From 1921 until he retired in 1942, Xavier taught history, Bible, Augsburg Confession, Latin, Greek, nutrition, library science, botany and zoology as well as serving as the school's librarian.^[3] He also served as a pastor all over the Northwest.^[4]

It was at Pacific Lutheran Academy that Dr. Xavier met his future wife, Signe Skattebol, who was a teacher and the women's basketball coach. He proposed to her in 1910 and they married on December 27, 1912.^[5]

Professor Xavier received an honorary Doctorate of Divinity degree from Pacific Lutheran College in 1953.

The library built in 1937 was renamed Xavier Hall in 1967 to honor the fourth president of the school. [6]

John Ulrik Xavier has a Wikipedia entry at: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/J.U._Xavier

PARKLAND

Miss Anna Xavier died last Tuesday and was buried Friday in the Parkland cemetery. Miss Xavier was the eldest daughter of the Rev. Xavier and had been ill for several years. The funeral was largely attended.

Funeral of sister Anna Charlotte Xavier (1872-1905) – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Saturday 25 Nov 1905 p 15



Marriage of sister Marith Mathilda Xavier (1875-1968) to Rev. Anders O. Aasen in 1899 – Find A Grave157783464



Sister Sara Amanda Xavier (1879-1951) – Find A Grave 38996060



Sara Amanda Xavier – passport photograph, ca. 1914-1918 - https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/20895289/person/20473089654/media/fd9e0adc-d727-42f1-b0ca-ef671255e37f

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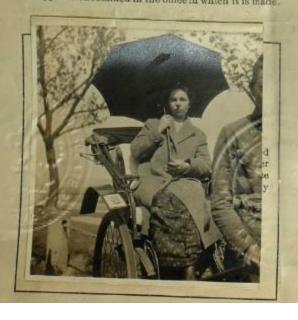
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Nils Xavier

in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

Name	Nils Xavier
Social Security Number	574-01-4792
Birth Date	10 Aug 1881
Issue year	Before 1951
Issue State	Alaska
Last Residence	98115, Seattle, King, Washington, USA
Death Date	Mar 1975

Brother Nils Paul Xavier Jr. (1881-1975) - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/69154794:3693?ssrc=pt&tid=20895289&pid=20473136979

Nils Paul Xavier

in the U.S., Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Church Records, 1781-1969

Name	Nils Paul Xavier
Baptism Age	0
Record Type	Confirmation
Birth Date	10 Aug 1881
Birth Place	Rimth Co Minnesota, USA
Baptism Date	11 Sep 1881
Confirmation Date	2 May 1897
Father	Nils Paul Xavier
Mother	Amanda Xavier
Church Name	Madison
Church Location	Ridgeway, Iowa

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Nils Paul Xavier

in the U.S., Appointments of U.S. Postmasters, 1832-1971

Name	Nils Paul Xavier
Post Office Location	Nyac, Alaska
Appointment Date	1 Jul 1951
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Rose I. Xavier in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014				
Name	Rose I. Xavier			
Social Security Number	532-30-7001			
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Issue year	Before 1951			
Issue State	Washington			
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HENRY M. XAVIER

Henry M. Xavier, about 75, a resident here for several years in the late 30s, died April 9 at his home in Talkeetna, Alaska. Mr. Xavier had lived in Alaska most of his life, going there first in gold rush days around the turn of the century. He was married to a Tacoma girl, the former Miss Solveig Rynning, who died two years ago in Anchorage. Mr. Xavier held many mining claims near Candle, Alaska, and was a former deputy sheriff in Kotzebue, Alaska.

He leaves three brothers, the Rev. J. U. Xavier, former theology professor at Pacific Lutheran College, and Paul and G. W. Xavier, both of Seattle; and two sisters, Mrs. Marit M. Aasen of Alberta, Canada, and Miss Ella Xavier of Tacoma.

Services were held in Alaska.

Obituary of brother Henry Miller Xavier (1883-1959) – "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Monday
13 Apr 1959 p 21

Alfred Karmun, born and raised in Deering, is the manager of Candle's store, owned and operated by the Havenstrite Mining Co. Alfred and his wife, the former Mamie Moto of Deering, are the proud parents of four fine children.

Candle has some 31 children attending the ancient, drafty old building that passes for a school house. The lovely lady who dispenses knowledge to these eager, though at time shivering children, is Mrs. Henry Xavier, who as Miss Solveig Rynning, taught for several years at Nome High School in the early thirties. She is now at summer school in the States, returning in September.

"Nome (AK) Nugget" Wednesday 9 Jul 1952 p 2

Ella W. Xavier

Ella W. Xavier, 85, of 11424
44th Ave. E., died Saturday.
She was born in Franklin,
Minn., and moved to the Tacoma area in 1906.
She had been a school
teacher, and a member of

Trinity Lutheran Church.

She is survived by a son,
Felix, of Tacoma; and a
brother, Paul Xavier, of Se-

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Services are announced by
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Obituary of sister Ella Wilhelmine Xavier (Shearer) (1886-1972) – published in the "Tacoma (WA) News Tribune" Monday 10 Jan 1972 p 27 – Find A Grave 141681982

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WA death record of Ella Wilhelmine Xavier - https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/1511178:6716

Abbreviations:

b = born
d = died
F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

Name: Gothard Waldemar Xavier Name variations: Garth Xavier

Military:

On Tuscania: 20th Eng. 18th/Co. F - private

Serial number: 250,908

Entered service from: Parkland, Pierce WA Sailed on "Tuscania" as: Gothard Xavier

Next-of-kin on "Tuscania": father N.P. Xavier, Parkland WA

Returned from war on: "Santa Paula" May 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Gothard Xavier

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: father Nels P. Xavier, Parkland WA (cpl, 18th Co., 20th Engrs,

Forestry)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Gothard Xavier - b. 12 May 1889 Franklin MN;

Parkman WA. Single. Mill worker, Hybrook Lumber Co., Hybrook WA. Medium height & build.

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Parkland WA

World War II draft registration (1942): as Gothard W. Xavier - b. 12 May 1889 Franklin, Renville

MN; res: 708 NW 19th, Portland OR. NOK West Coast Lumber Association, 802 Yeon Blvd,

Portland OR. Height: 5'10" - 195 lbs.

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 11 Dec 1917 Discharged: 11 Jun 1919 Address: Parkland WA

Rank/unit: corporal, Bill Det #2 Demob Gp

Birth & death:

Born: 12 May 1889 Franklin, Renville MN Died: 25 May 1969 Seattle, King WA

Find A Grave record: 38996056 – presence on Tuscania indicated in flower

Burial location: Tacoma, Pierce Cemetery: Parkland Lutheran

Tombstone: veteran flat: Washington Cpl 20 Engineers WWI

Father: Nils Paul Xavier, (Sr.) 26 Sep 1839 Kautokeino kommune, Finnmark fylke, Norway - 14 Mar 1918 Parkland, Pierce WA. Was a teacher in Norway, then a minister in the US. Was a pastor in MN & IA, then a missionary to Puget Sound, Parkland WA. Immigrated to the US on "Kong-Sverre" Sep 1873 - Nils 33 merchant, Amanda 24, Carl 4-1/2, Johan 3 & Anna 3 months, also Aron Norum on board.

Find A Grave: 38996059

Mother: Amanda Magdalene Carlsdatter Norum Xavier, 9 Jan 1849 Alta commune, Finnmark fylke, Norway – 27 Mar 1935 Parkland, Pierce WA. Daughter of Carl Norum & Charlotte (Anna Charlotte) Nylander.

Find A Grave: 38996054

Parents' marriage: 9 Jan 1868 – Amanda's 19th birthday.

Spouse: Agnes Miller Walker Xavier, 27 Jul 1896 Republic, Chickasha IA – 27 Nov 1961 Seattle, King WA.

Daughter of Daniel Brown Miller (b. Boston MA) & Louise Ann Pursey (b. England).

On 20 Jun 1918 Agnes Miller married Charles H. Walker in King Co. WA.

On his WA death record, the marital status of Charles H. Walker is divorced. He was born 21 Nov 1889 ND & died 28 Oct 1975 Seattle, King WA. He is buried in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Seattle, King WA but is not on Find A Grave as of 25 Aug 2023.

In the 1920 census for Seattle, King WA, Charles H. Walker, 30 ND, parents b. MN, a reamer in a shipyard, lived with wife Agnes Walker, 23 IA, father b. MA, mother b. England, a bon dipper in a candy factory, on Union St.

In the 1930 census for Seattle, King WA., Agnes Walker, 33 IA, listing herself as married (but with no husband present), father b. MA, mother b. England, a bon bon dipper in a candy factory, lived with her sister Clara Rainwater, 35 IA, married, father b. MA, mother b. England, a painter in a doll factory, at 3182 Queen Anne Ave.

Resided with Gothard in the 1940 & 1950 censuses.

Buried in Parkland Lutheran Cemetery, Tacoma, Pierce WA.

Spouse Find A Grave: 38996053

Marriage: 23 Apr 1934 in Pierce Co. WA. He was a resident of Pierce Co. WA; she of Grays

Harbor Co. WA

Spouse: Alberta Leila Peterson Persinger Smarr Allotta Xavier Eubanks Cole, 31 Aug 1911 Worth Co. MO – 22 Jun 1997 WA.

Daughter of Otto Peterson (1864 Sweden – 1930 MO, F: 40426418) & Gertrude Della McReynolds (1877-1922, F: 40426315).

In the 1920 census of Middleford, Worth MO, Alberta L. Peterson, age 9, b. MO, lived with her siblings & parents, Otto Peterson (55 Sweden) & Della G. (42 M0).

At age 17, married Charles R. Persinger of McFall MO on 2 Aug 1929 in Chillicothe, Livingston MO. This may have been an invalid marriage, if consent was not obtained. The couple announces their own marriage in newspaper accounts. Later that year, newspapers report Charles visiting his grandmother, Eliza Persinger, who had raised him, on holidays, but without a mention of a wife. Charles R. Persinger, born 12 Jan 1906 McFall, Gentry MO, died 10 Jun 1994 in Jefferson City, Cole MO. His parents were Charles Ross Persinger (1874-1909) & Lucy Ardella Akes (1882-1912).

Alberta Persinger married Donald M. Smarr on 26 Apr 1930 in Kansas City, Jackson MO. His age was 24, she was 21. Donald M. Smarr was born 28 Sep 1905 MO & died 6 Aug 1975 Seattle, King WA.

Alberta Smarr married Lawrence D. Allotta. Born in Italy, he died 9 May 1963 at the tavern he owned in Seattle, King WA. A surviving stepson was Roger Smarr. This is likely Roger Warren Smarr (1930-2015, F: 167230523).

Alberta Allotta married Gothard Waldemar Xavier on 26 Apr 1934 in Seattle, King WA. He died in 1969.

Alberta Allotta married Earnal Thomas Eubanks on 23 Jan 1970 in Seattle, King WA. They divorced 26 Mar 1971 in King Co. WA. Alberta had applied for divorce, charging cruelty. This

may be Earnal Thomas ("Tom") Eubanks, b. 8 May 1910 Jacks TX, died 5 Jan 1995 TX, F: 39924805).

Alberta Allotta married William T. Cole on 17 Jul 1973 in King Co. WA. Alberta died with the surname Cole.

Spouse Find A Grave:

Marriage: 26 Apr 1964 Seattle, King WA. Applied for marriage license in Apr 1964 in Lewis Co. WA – Alberta L. Allotta, b. 331 Aug 1911 Worth Co. MO, age 53, a widow, retired from business, with 2 previous marriages, residing at 401 NW 125th, Seattle WA, daughter of Otto Peterson (b. Sweden) & Della G. McReynolds (b. Worth MO). Waldemar, age 74, widowed, 1 previous marriage, retired, b. 12 May 1889 Franklin MN, resided at 6016 – 7th NW, Seattle WA.

Children:

Siblings: Gothard was the youngest child.

- Karl Astrup Xavier, 17 Feb 1869 Lyngen kommune, Troms fylke, Norway [Alta, Saami, Norway according to Find A Grave record] 8 Jun 1924 Sioux Falls, Minnehaha SD. A Lutheran minister. Emigrated Sep 1873 with his parents & 2 siblings. Attended Luther College (Decorah IA), the U of MN & Luther Seminary (Robbinsdale MN). A rural & parochial school teacher in MN. Later a pastor, church leader & author in MN, SD, IA & NE. A Lutheran minister. First married to Henriette Elisabeth Larsen (1864 MN 1904, F: 21303260). They had 3 chilldren. On 5 Sep 1906 at Starbuck, Pope MN to Bina Christine Kammerud (1880 MN 1931 MN, F: 202334355). They had 8 children. Buried in Hillside Cemetery, Minneapolis, Hennepin MN. F: 197214844
- John Ulrik Xavier, 26 Jun 1870 Lyngen kommune, Troms fylke, Norway 13 Sep 1963 Stanwood, Snohomish WA. Emigrated to the US in Sep 1873 with his parents & sibilngs Karl & Anna. Naturalized a US citizen in Goodhue Co. MN. Rev. John U. Xavier was teaching Latin at Pacific Lutheran College in Mar 1935 when his mother died. – Husband of Signe Skattebøl (1887-1970, F: 38996061) on 27 Dec 1912 in Aberdeen, Grays Harbor WA, also a teacher at Pacific Lutheran College [now University]. Signe was the daughter of Rev. Olaf Skattebøl (1847-1930, F: 39026597). - Buried in Parkland Lutheran Cemetery, Tacoma, Pierce WA. F: 38996057
- Anna Charlotte Xavier, 14 Dec 1872 Lyngen kommune, Troms fylke, Norway 21 Nov 1905 Parkland, Pierce WA. Emigrated at age 3 months in Sep 1873 with her parents & 2 older siblings Karl & John. Baptized 30 Mar 1873 & confirmed 24 Jun 1888 at Central Lutheran Church, Fairfax, Renville MN. Buried in Parkland Lutheran Cemetery, Tacoma, Pierce WA. F: 38996055
- Marith Mathilda (Martha) Xavier Aasen, 13 Sep 1875 Bonnets Prairie, Columbia Co. WI 5 Apr 1968 Camrose, Lloydminster Census Division, Alberta, Canada. Married at Winneshiek Co. WI in Aug 1899 to Rev. Anders Olsen Aasen (1874-1974, F: 157783463).
- Sara Amanda Xavier, 19 Apr 1879 Renville Co. MN 6 Feb 1951 Tacoma, Pierce WA. A registered nurse. Did missionary work in China. Buried in Parkland Lutheran Cemetery, Tacoma, Pierce WA. F: 38996060

- Nils Paul Xavier Jr., 10 Aug 1881 Franklin, Renville MN 3 Mar 1975 Seattle, King WA. Known as "Paul." Resident of Alaska in Mar 1935 when his mother died. Resident of Seattle WA in Apr 1968 when Marith died & Jan 1972 when Ella died. Married on 4 Jan 1938 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish LA to Rose Irene Stolte (1909 PA 2000 CA). Nils is buried in Parkland Lutheran Cemetery, Tacoma, Pierce WA. F: 38996058
- Henry (Heinrich) Miller/Muller Xavier, 2 Jun 1883 Franklin, Renville MN 9 Apr 1959
 Talkeetna, Matanuska-Susitna Borough AK. Resident of Alaska in Mar 1935 when his
 mother died. Married Solveit Kjerstsine Rynning (1902-1957) who taught school in
 Alaska before & after her marriage Buried in Anchorage Memorial Park Cemetery,
 Anchorage, Anchorage Borough AK. F: 69057073
- Ella Wilhelmine Xavier Shearer, reverted to Xavier, 4 Jan 1886 Franklin, Renville MN 8
 Jan 1972 Tacoma, Pierce WA. Wife of Fay Charlotte Shearer (1896-1982, F: 34923063)
 whom she married 24 Dec 1916 in Parkland, Pierce WA. They resided together in the
 1920 & 1930 censuses; in the 1940 census, she was divorced & had revereted to her
 maiden surname of Xavier. Buried in Fir Lane Memorial Park, Spanaway, Pierce WA. F:
 141681982

Referred to as a "sister" Hannah Rasmussen of Stanwood WA in Marith Xavier Aasen's Apr 1968 obituary & Gothard Xavier's May 1969 obituary:

Hanna Petra Jacobson Rasmussen, 5 Jul 1880 Roland, Story IA – 20 Mar 1973 Stanwood, Snohomish WA. Daughter of Rev. Claus B. Jackson (b. 1841 Norway) & Olsine Petra Olsen (1854-1889, F: 145438506). In 1927 Hanna married Harry Rasmussen (1898-1965, F: 145439529).

Hanna is buried in Anderson Cemetery, East Stanwood, Snohomish WA. F: 145438506

Notes: The Xavier family was from Saami, Norway, a region formerly known as Lappland
Pre-war:
Wartime:
Post-war:
Obituary:

Social Security number: 532-01-9873

Censuses:

1880 Camp, Renville MN

N.P. Xavier [enumerator's X looks like an H, so the name is indexed as HAVIER], 40 Norway, parents b. Norway, Lutheran minister

Amanda, 30 Norway, parents b. Norway, keeping house [wife]

Wilhelmina, 27 Norway, parents b. Norway [boarer]

Carl, 11 Norway, goes to school [son]

Johan, 10 Norway, goes to school [son]

Annie, 7 Norway, goes to school [daughter]

Marith, 4 WI [daughter]

Sarah, 1 MN [daughter]

1895 IA state census – Lincoln, Winneshiek Co.

H.P. Xavier, 55 Norway, minister, Lutheran

Amanda, 45 Norway

Karl, 26 Norway

John, 24 Norway

Anna, 22 Norway

Martha, 20 WI

Sarah, 16 MN

Nels, 13 MN

Henry, 10 MN

Ella, 9 MN

Gothard, 5 MN

1900 Lincoln Township, Ridgeway, Winneshiek IA

Rev. Nels Xavier, 60 Norway, Sep 1839, parents b. Norway, married 32 years, reverend & farmer Amanda, 51 Norway, Jan 1849, parents b. Norway, gave birth to 9 children, 9 are living Anna, 27 Norway, Dec 1872

Sarah M., 21 indexed as NE but can be read as MN, Apr 1879

Henry, 16 MN, Jun 1883

Ella, 14 MN, Jan 1886

Waldemar, 11 MN, May 1889

& 3 female boarders

1910 Spanaway, Pierce WA

Nels P. Xavier, 70 Norway, parents b. Norway, in 1st marriage, emigrated 1873, naturalized, clergyman, Lutheran

Amanda, 61 Norway, parents b. Norway, in 1st marriage, emigrated 1873, gave birth to 9 children, 8 are living

Waldemar, 20 MN, single, truckman, grocery store

1920 National, Pierce WA – Mount Rainier Rd. – on line 96 – conducted 15 Jan 1920 Gethard W. Xavier, 30 MN, parents b. Norway, tallyman, sawmill, roomer

1930 Seattle, King WA – 612 Cherry St. – line 8

Gothard Xavier, 40 MN, single, parents b. Norway, lumber inspector, saw mill, WWI veteran, boarder with Griffith J. & Jacqueline H. Griffiths

1940 Seattle, King WA – same place in 1935 Gothard Xavier, 50 MN, supervisor, lumber company Agnes, 43 IA

1950 Seattle, King WA – 410 N. Harvard Gothard W. Xavier, 60 MN, lumber grader, saw mills Agnes, 53 IA, choclate [sic/chocolate] dipper, candy factory

