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b = born

d = died

F: = Find A Grave (www.findagrave.org)

NOK = next-of-kin

TUSCANIA

Sorenson, Ingwald Martin
1895 WI – 1974 WI



HE WAS THERE

Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson, Wild Rose, look at a picture of the "S.S. Tuscania" which was sunk by a German torpedo during World War I. Sorenson was aboard the ship when it went down and was on his way with other American troops to the battle fields of Europe when the troop-loaded vessel went down.

—Northwestern Wautoma Bureau photo

WWI Disaster

Vividly Remembers Sinking of Tuscania

By LORRIE SAGE

Northwestern Staff Writer

In October of 1917, Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson, Wild Rose, were separated by many miles. Mrs. Sorenson, then Sara Waala, lived with her parents, the Peter Waals's on their farm in nearby West Holden. Sorenson, one of America's many young "doughboys" had just arrived in Waco, Tex., to continue this Army training.

Mrs. Sorenson recalls that the coal shortage had little effect on the people in this area, as many of the farm families used wood stoves for cooking and heating. The flour shortage didn't effect this area much either, as there were all kinds of substitutes, rice flour, graham flour and oatmeal.

However, sugar rationing was keenly felt and there was never enough for all the baking and canning. "It was especially hard, for we had hired help

and no sugar allowance for them," she said. Mrs. Sorenson also recalls that she and Ingwald were "just going around together" when he entered the service.

Enlisted in 1917

Sorenson, 22 years old, lived with his widowed mother and farmed the "old Bacon" place, also in West Holden. He enlisted on June 28, 1917 and along with

"The lifeboats we had been assigned to were wrecked, so we were ordered to go to the other side and get into other lifeboats. There were 52 men in my lifeboat and after pulling away from the ship, we drifted a good hour before being picked up."

He spent three or four days in Lorne, Ireland, then left for Scotland and finally went on to England.

Knew of Disaster

The future Mrs. Sorenson, back in West Holden, soon knew of the disaster, but many days were to pass before she and Sorenson's family were informed of his survival.

From England, Sorenson went to France and Germany, where he took part in the battles of Tauton, Trojon, Aisne-Defensive, Chateau-Thierry, Champagne, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, and Army of Occupation until his discharge in August of 1919.

The ensuing years brought about many changes. On Feb. 20, 1920, Sorenson and Sara Waala were married, and in April, 1933, their daughter, Ila was born.

Several years later, Mrs. Sorenson suffered an attack of rheumatism. "I lifted a little box to put away and I got

a catch in my hip and back, which laid me up for four weeks," she said. "Then when I was up and around again, I stepped into a little hole in the yard, that the chickens had dug, and got right back into bed again."

Finally diagnosed as rheumatoid arthritis, the disease had taken its toll over the years. For two years she was confined to her bed and she is still unable to walk. But she noted, "I'm so thankful I can be up in my chair." She keeps busy making patchwork quilts, with many different, difficult patterns.

After his return from the war, Sorenson continued farming for many years. The Sorensens moved to Wold Rose where he was engaged in carpentry work. In 1958 he retired and now spends his time "helping Sara around the house."

"We do many things together," he said. Mrs. Sorenson makes the pie crust and he makes the fillings. "She thinks she can do the crusts better," he said, "so I let her think so."

They especially enjoy the frequent visits of their 3½-year-old granddaughter, Debbie, and daughter, now Mrs. Gene Shilling of Watertown.

many of Waushara County's prime youth, he was assigned to Company L, 5th Infantry, Wisconsin National Guard. He said "Germany had run all over Belgium, some of France and most of the smaller countries and we felt the quicker we went at it, the quicker it would be over."

In October, Sorenson was transferred from the infantry to a truck company and left for Waco, where he remained until January, 1918. "We had a good bunch of men," he stated. "Made no difference what came up, someone could handle it."

Sorenson recalled that Feb. 5, 1918 was clear and cool. He was on the troop transport, "S. S. Tuscania," in the channel between Ireland and Scotland. There had been rumors of U-boat activity in the area, but they were reaching their destination. The shore was visible on both sides and the Irish patrol boats and destroyers, assigned to accompany the transports, could be seen in all directions.

Suddenly without warning, a torpedo hit the Tuscania. Sorenson had been standing with Glenn Diggles on the deck and remembers that the boat was "tossed up, settled back and just kept on settling."

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Friday 10 Nov 1967 p 13 -
<https://www.newspapers.com/image/248111079/>



Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson, seated, married 50 years, were honored Sunday at an open house. Special guests were members of the bridal party, Mrs. Gary Darling, Durango, Colo., and Lionel Gunderson, Wautoma.

—Northwestern Covill photo

Golden Anniversary Celebrated

WILD ROSE — Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson were honored Sunday at their home in Wild Rose when relatives and friends attended an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary.

Ingwald Sorenson and Sara Waala were married Feb. 25, 1920, by the Rev. C. J. Nolstad, Lutheran minister, at the parsonage in Wild Rose. They farmed in West Holden until 1943 when they moved to Wild Rose. Sorenson served in France during World War I and is survivor of the sinking of the Lusitania.

They have one daughter, Mrs. Gene Schilling, Watertown, and one granddaughter, Mrs. Gary Darling, Durango, Colo., and Lionel Gunderson, Wautoma, members of the wedding party, and the Schilling family, attended Sunday's event.

50th wedding anniversary of Ingwald Sorenson & Sara Waala (seated) – Ingwald's sister Inga Sorenson Darling (standing) was a member of the wedding party – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Tuesday 24 Feb 1970 p 18

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Ingwald M. Sorenson

WILD ROSE — Ingwald M. Sorenson, 79, of 719 Maple Ave., died Sunday at the Wild Rose Hospital.

Born March 1, 1895 in the Town of Wautoma, he married Sarah Waala on Feb. 25, 1920 in Wautoma. He was a member of Wautoma American Legion Post No. 317 and was a World War I veteran.

He was a member of West Holden Lutheran Church, Town of Wautoma, where funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday with the Rev. Merle Ries officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Friends may call at Holly Funeral Home, Wild Rose, after 4 p.m. Tuesday and then at the church from 12:30 p.m. Wednesday until the hour of services.

Mr. Sorenson is survived by his widow; one daughter, Mrs. Gene (Ila) Shilling, Watertown; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Thompson and Mrs. Inga Darling, both of Wautoma, and Mrs. Clara Charleson, Wild Rose; and one grandchild.

Obituary of Ingwald Martin Sorenson — "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Monday 15 Jul 1974 p 23

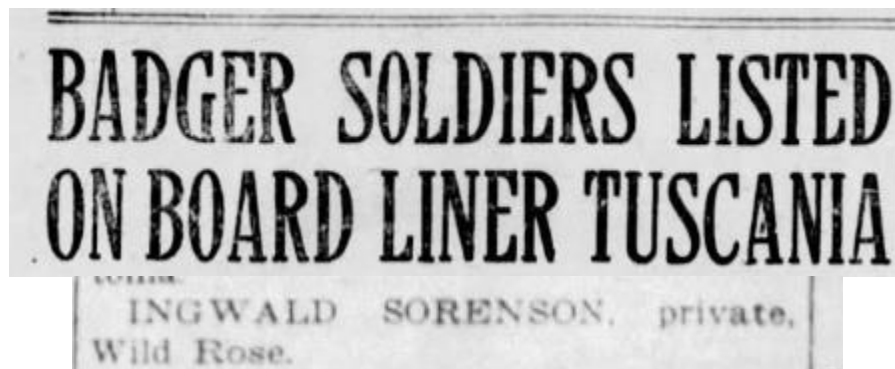
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U.S., Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Records, 1875-1940

Name	Martin Ingvald Sorensen
Baptism Age	0
Record Type	Baptism
Birth Date	1 Mar 1895
Baptism Date	21 Apr 1895
Baptism Place	Shawano, Wisconsin, USA
Father	Sorn Sorensen
Mother	Karn Sorensen
Church Name	Mt Morris Holden
Church Location	Waushara County, Wisconsin

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"Green Bay (WI) Press-Gazette" Friday 8 Feb 1918 p 7

SERVICE MEN OF PLAINFIELD HAVE SURVIVORS' CLUB

ALL THOSE ABOARD TUSCANIA,
ILL-FATED SHIP TORPEDOED
DURING WAR, MEET TO OR-
GANIZE

(Special to The Tribune)

Plainfield, Wis. — Twenty-seven Waushara county ex-service men who were aboard the Tuscania at the time that ill-fated ship was torpedoed during the World war, met recently at Wautoma and at that time organized the "Tuscania Survivors." Steps will be taken to obtain recognition from the war department, as the survivors of the Maine did years ago.

Three Lost Lives

Seventy men from this county were aboard the ship when it was sunk, and three of them lost their lives. It was exactly nine years previous to the recent meeting that a German submarine fired upon the Tuscania, and at that same hour, 5:45 p. m., the ex-soldiers met for their reunion and banquet. Supper was served, and during the meal the men arose and stood silent for a moment, with heads bowed in respect to Russell Bennett, Alcide Carolla and Frank Sharpe, who lost their lives at the time of the catastrophe in mid-

ocean. Bennett was from Plainfield and was a nephew of F. J. Luce, former merchant here.

List of Men Aboard

Following is the list of Waushara county men who were aboard the Tuscania: Norman Perry, Leo W. Spear, Vernon J. Rozzelle, Charles Eagan, Lyman Byse, Lloyd Garthwaite, Arion P. Seising, E. J. Patterson, John McArdle, Hallie Rowe, Lealand McCue, Glen Diggles, Joe Parkin, Frank Reader, Ed. Ueeck, A. D. Robbins, John M. India, Miles Colligan, Carl Emigh, Irwin Peterson, Charles Stratton, C. W. Bucholtz, Nels Jensen, Earl Wilder, Clyde Diggles, J. J. Johnson, Joe India, Alfred Thorstad, William Horn, Harry Turner, Joe Bauer, Thomas Evans, Renne Luhm, Ingvald Sorenson, J. Swendrzynski, Adam Zielke, Clarence Larson, Siver Jarvis, Oliver Bendixon, T. A. Gerhke, J. Stranske, Chris. Knuteson, A. M. Persons, R. B. Pierce, Roy Simonson, Warren Cotton, Earl Campbell, W. G. Callahan, George Gunderson, Alvin Grambsch, A. H. McLaughlin, Henry Gethers, J. C. Hopper, John Barnes, H. R. Ameigh, Joseph Bejma, Minor Johnson, Charles Knaup, A. L. Perren, Lyle Paulson, Edward Riemer, Lewis Hanson, Lawrence Miller, Asa B. Couse, Robert F. Lind, Glen Gustin, Warren Berry and Ernest Rogers. The last three are now deceased.



"Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" Saturday 19 Feb 1927 p 2

The annual meeting of the West Holden church was held Monday and the following officers elected: Roreman, Torke Lovdahl; secretary, Ingwald Sorenson; treasurer, Kenneth Anderson; janitor, Justin Gunderson.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Wednesday 13 Dec 1933 p 15

Tuscania Survivors Arrange Meeting

Wautoma, Wis.—At a reunion of the Tuscania survivors of this section of the state, held at the Central hotel in Red Granite Tuesday evening, it was voted to hold the 1934 meeting at Coloma.

Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, A. H. McLaughlin; secretary, Joe Parkin; treasurer, John McArdle.

The following men from Wautoma attended the meeting: John Barnes, Joe Bauer, Oliver Bendixen, Miles Colligan, J. J. Johnson, Art Robbins, Arlon Selsing, Ingwald Sorenson and Charles Stratton.

“Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune” Saturday 10 Feb 1934 p 2

WAUSHARA SURVIVORS TO ATTEND TUSCANIA REUNION

Redgranite, Wis. — (Special) — Waushara county survivors of the S. S. Tuscania torpedoed Feb. 5, 1918 of whom there are a considerable number, are looking forward with interest to the reunion of the National Tuscania Survivors association to be held at Kenosha, Feb. 3 and 4. Seventy Waushara county boys were aboard the illfated vessel when it was torpedoed and one of them, Jesse Johnson of Wautoma, was instrumental in forming one of the first local unit groups in this country. Its first meeting was held at Wautoma in the G. A. E. hall in 1927. Other groups were formed in various localities at about the same time from which the national association was the outgrowth. Among Waushara county survivors still living are John McArdle, Redgranite; Harry Turner, Charles Eagan, Irvin Peterson, Miles Colligan, Arlon Selsing, all of Wautoma, George Gunderson, Ted Gehrke, John Inda, A. H. McLaughlin, Jesse Johnson, R. B. Pierce, N. J. Perry, E. J. Patterson, Charles Stratton, J. E. Parkins, Glen Diggles, Ingwald Sorenson, Roy Simmonson, and J.

E. Swendrznski.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Wednesday 31 Jan 1940 p 11

Mrs. Leonard Marsden and Billy went to Wautoma on Sunday to attend a silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Ole Sorenson. Others going were: Mr. and Mrs. Annon Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson and Ila, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Charleson and Theodore Charleson.

"Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" Tuesday 3 Apr 1945 p 7

Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson and Ilda and Mr. and Mrs. Annon Sorensen were Thanksgiving guests at the Gary Darling home in West Holden.

Siblings Ingwald, Anon & Inga Sorenson Darling – "Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" Friday 6 Dec 1946 p 10

Mrs. Leonard Marsden entertained last Friday evening at her home for a surprise birthday party in honor of Mrs. Gary Darling. Games were played during the evening and a lunch was served. Those present included Mrs. Mabel Lovedahl, Racine; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Darling, Irving Klueckman, Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Thompson and Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. Harland Thompson, Wautoma; Mr. and Mrs. A. Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sorenson and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sorenson, Ingwald Sorenson and Mrs. Bernice Thompson.

"Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune" Wednesday 16 Feb 1949 p 7

Spring primary election board is Jay Jenks, Mary Christie, Mrs. Roman Korleski, Ruth Collins, John Graydon, Isaac Lowe, and Ingwald Sorenson. They will serve a two year term. Village caucus will be March 13.

Wild Rose WI news: "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Tuesday 3 Mar 1964 p 11

Wife:

Sara Sorenson

WILD ROSE — Sara Sorenson, 87, Wild Rose, died today at her home.

She was born Nov. 8, 1896, in the town of Wautoma, the daughter of Peter and Cecelia Waala. She married Ingwald Sorenson, Feb. 25, 1920, in Wautoma. He died July 14, 1974.

Mrs. Sorenson was a member of West Holden Lutheran Church and its Ladies Aid.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Gene (Ila) Schilling, Wild Rose; and one grandchild.

Services will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in West Holden Lutheran Church, the Rev. Stephen Rasmusson officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Friends may call at Holly Funeral Home, Wild Rose, Thursday from 4 to 9 p.m.

Obituary of Sara S. Waala Sorenson — "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Tuesday 21 Aug 1984 p 24

The ice cream social given by the Ladies' Aid of the West Holden Lutheran church at the Ingwald Sorenson home was a complete success. A large crowd favored the ladies with their patronage.

"Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Thursday 2 Jul 1931 p 8

Wild Rose WSCS Sews for Missions

WILD ROSE — The Wild Rose Woman's Society of Christian Service afternoon circle spent an afternoon in sewing for missions. Layettes are being made to be sent to Alaska. Devotions were conducted by Mrs. Ethel Shepherd. Mrs. Louis Radloff was the hostess and assisted by Mrs. Earl Smith and Mrs. Shepherd in serving lunch.

Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson was presented with a Woman's Mission Federation life membership pin by her daughter, Mrs. Robert Bartel, at the Wild Rose Lutheran Ladies Aid Wednesday afternoon.

Devotions and a talk on Mother's Day was given by supply pastor, Rev. T. S. Olson, Green Bay. Readings were given by Mrs. Theodore Anderson and Mrs. Leonard Marsden. Mrs. Trygve Stea, Wautoma, sang a solo, "Mother's Day." Mrs. Sever Anderson read the history of the society.

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Saturday 11 May 1957 p 15

WAUTOMA MAN DROPS DEAD ON HIGHWAY 73

Peter Waalla Suddenly Stricken While Returning from Friendship

Wautoma, Nov. 27—The sudden death of an old resident of this vicinity took place Tuesday, when Peter Waalla was overtaken by death suddenly, the cause being heart trouble. Mr. Waalla was returning from a visit with friends in the vicinity of Friendship, in company with his brother-in-law, Amos Peterson. Mr. Waalla had reached Trickey's Corner on Highway 73, when he stopped his car, as he had been forced to do at various times during his trip, to remedy the ignition system on his car. He had stepped from the car, and walked forward, when, without any warning he dropped to the ground dead.

Sheriff Frank Schoultz, District Attorney Earl Killeen and a local physician were called, and the body taken to the home of Mr. Waalla's daughter, Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson. He leaves to mourn his loss his daughter, and one son, Julius, who is also married and lives on the home place in West Holden.

Death of father-in-law Peter Waala – “Stevens Point (WI) Journal” Saturday 28 Nov 1931 p 5

Daughter:

Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Sorenson
are the parents of a daughter born
April 1.

In Wautoma WI news: “Wisconsin Rapids (WI) Daily Tribune” Saturday 8 Apr 1933 p 8

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

[View record](#)

Name	Ila Darlene Sorenson
Gender	Female
Race	White
Birth Date	1 Apr 1933
Birth Place	Wautoma Waus, Wisconsin
Death Date	15 Nov 1991
Father	Ingwald Sorenson
Mother	Sara S Waala
SSN	390284447
Death Certificate Number	030588
Notes	Jun 1948: Name listed as ILA DARLENE SORENSON; Mar 1956: Name listed as ILA DARLENE BARTEL; Dec 1962: Name listed as ILA DARLENE SCHILLING; 22 May 1998: Name listed as I D SCHILLING

Social Security record of Ila Darlene Sorenson Bartel Schilling - <https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/104608898/person/200041075663/facts>

Miss Sorenson, Robert W. Bartel Repeat Their Vows

WILD ROSE, Wis. (Special) — Pink and white gladiolas, astors, and candles decorated the West Holden Evangelical Lutheran Church in Wild Rose when Robert W. Bartel of Wautoma, claimed Miss Ila Darlene Sorenson as his bride in a 1:30 p.m. ceremony, Saturday.

The bride, daughter of the Ingwald Sorensons of Wild Rose, wore a floor length gown of white. Its fitted lace bodice ended in a full skirt of nylon net paneled with lace over taffeta and her veil, of French Chantilly lace, was held with a beaded coronet. She wore lace gauntlets and carried a colonial bouquet of American Beauty roses.

Maid of honor, Miss Doris Thorson, Caledonia, Minn., wore a dress of pale blue taffeta with a net overskirt. Her flowers were yellow roses, similarly arranged in a colonial bouquet.

Miss Betty Bartel, Racine, bridesmaid, wore yellow taffeta. Her dress also featured a net overskirt. Miss Bartel's flowers were pink roses.

Norman Bartel was best man for the bridegroom who is the son of Alfred Bartels, Wautoma. Grooms-men were Carnel Thompson, Wautoma, Sterling Waala, also of Wautoma, and Victor Bartel, Oshkosh.

Guests were greeted at a reception held at the church at 4 o'clock.

For her daughter's wedding Mrs. Sorenson chose a navy blue dress with white accessories and she wore yellow roses.

Mrs. Bartel, the bridegroom's mother, wore a powder blue dress accented with white as she received the wedding guests. Her flowers were pink roses.

When she left for her wedding trip through northern Wisconsin and Minnesota young Mrs. Bartel was wearing a beige dress with navy accessories.

After their return the couple will reside in Wild Rose where Bartel is employed by the Wild Rose Co-operative.

Guests came to the wedding from Racine, Oshkosh, Omro, Berlin, Neenah, Wausau, Westfield, Coloma, and Minnesota.

Marriage of Ila Darlene Sorenson on 18 Jul 1953 to Robert W. Bartel – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern"
Monday 20 Jul 1953 p 17

Siblings:



Mrs. Andrew Thompson

Funeral services were held this afternoon at the West Holden Lutheran church for Mrs. Andrew Thompson, 73, of Wild Rose, who died Sunday. Rev. H. H. Running officiated, and burial took place in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Thompson, the former Anne Sorenson, was born in Norway June 8, 1882, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Soren Sorenson. She came to the United States when she was 10, and settled with her family at West Holden (Waushara county).

Her marriage to Mr. Thompson took place May 4, 1910. The couple had lived in Wild Rose since 1947.

Surviving are her husband; two sons, Harland, Wautoma, and Laurence, Racine, and a daughter, Miss Bernice Thompson, Wild Rose.

Sister Anna Sorenson Thompson (1882-1955), the wife of Andrew Thompson -

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and right: obituary from "Stevens Point (WI) Journal" Wednesday 28 Sep 1955 p 8

Anon Sorenson

— WILD ROSE — Anon Sorenson, 87, of 840 Division St., died at 10:20 a.m. Saturday at Wild Rose Community Hospital.

He was born March 20, 1884, in Tvdstrand, Norway, and married Hilda Charleson June 2, 1915, in the Town of Wautoma. She died April 10, 1967.

Mr. Sorenson was a member of the Mt. Morris-Holden Lutheran Church, where funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. The Rev. Merle Ries will officiate. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Friends may call at the Holly Funeral Home from 3-8 p.m. today, and at the church from 12:30 until the time of service Tuesday.

Surviving are one brother, Ingwald, Wild Rose, three sisters, Mrs. Anna Thompson and Mrs. Inga Darling, both of Wautoma, and Mrs. Clara Charleson, Wild Rose, and two grandchildren.

Obituary of [brother Anon Sorenson \(1884-1972\)](#) – “Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern” Monday 24 Jan 1972 p 26

Anna Thompson

WAUTOMA — Anna Thompson, 90, Route 3, died Thursday in Wild Rose Community Memorial Hospital.

She was born July 25, 1899, in Tvedestrand, Norway, the daughter of Soren and Karin Aanonsen Sorenson. She married Ingwal Thompson May 4, 1910, in West Holden. He died July 6, 1963.

Mrs. Thompson was a charter member of the West Holden Lutheran Church and its Ladies Aid.

Surviving are three daughters, Aveniel Marsden, Elnor Norby, and Mrs. Wilmer (Inez) Hawley, all of Wild Rose; one son, Carnell Thompson, Wautoma; two sisters, Inga Darling, Wautoma, and Clara Charleson, Wild Rose; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in West Holden Lutheran Church, the Rev. John Walker officiating. Burial will be in West Holden Cemetery.

Friends may call at Holly Funeral Home in Wild Rose Sunday from 4-9 p.m.

Obituary of [sister Anna Sorenson Thompson \(1889-1980\)](#), married to [Ingwal Thompson](#) — “Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern” Saturday 26 Jul 1980 p 30



Anna Sorenson Thompson (1889-1980) - <https://www.ancestry.com/mediaui-viewer/tree/104608898/person/200041075628/media/ecff4f86-1d85-459d-8b9d-0671d3bd3d8c>

Thomas Sorenson

WILD ROSE — Thomas Sorenson, 75, of 840 Division St., died Thursday at 3:45 p.m. at Theda Clark Hospital. He had been hospitalized since Dec. 27.

He was born in the Town of Wautoma, Waushara County, on April 29, 1893, and was married in Wautoma to Miss Torney Stea on Dec. 31, 1919.

A retired farmer, Mr. Sorenson for 16 years had been custodian of the Wild Rose High School. He was a member of the West Holden Lutheran Church.

Surviving are his widow; two sons, Marvin Sorenson, Stevens Point, and Thomas Sorenson, Wisconsin Rapids; one daughter, Mrs. Gilbert Hadden, Wild Rose; two brothers, Annon Sorenson, Wautoma, and Ingwald Sorenson, Wild Rose; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Thompson, Wautoma, Mrs. Inga Darling, Goodland, Kan., and Mrs. Clara Charleson, Wild Rose, and eight grandchildren.

Services will be held Monday at 1:30 p.m. at West Holden Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Merle Ries officiating. Burial will be in the parish cemetery.

Friends may call at Holly Funeral Home, Wild Rose, Sunday afternoon and evening, and at the church on Monday from 12:30 p.m. until the hour of services.

Obituary of brother Thomas Sorenson (1893-1969) – "Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Saturday 16 Feb 1969 p 26

OKLAHOMA CITY
BARCLAY, Goldie A.,
 died Monday. Services
 pending (Guardian Mid-
 town).
BROOKS, Vivian, 68,
 died Sunday. Services 11
 a.m. Saturday, Allen
 Chapel A.M.E. Church
 (Rolfe).
DARLING, Inga E.,
 91, died Sunday. Services
 pending in Wautoma,
 Wis. (Demuth).

Death notice of **sister Inga E. Sorenson Darling (1899-1990)** – “Daily Oklahoman” (Oklahoma City
 OK) Tuesday 6 Mar 1990 p 4

Name: Ingwald Martin Sorenson

Name variations: Martin Ingwald

Military:

On Tuscania: 107th Supply Co. C - private

Serial number: 251,128

Entered service from: Wild Rose, Waushara WI

Sailed on “Tuscania” as: Ingwald Sorenson

Next-of-kin on “Tuscania”: mother Carrie Sorenson, Wild Rose WI

Returned from war on: "Leviathan" Jul 1919

Sailed on return ship as: Ingwald Sorenson

Next-of-kin on return ship & rank: mother Mrs. Carrie Sorenson, Wild Rose WI (cpl, Co. F, 2nd
 Supply Train)

World War I draft registration (1917): as Martin Ingwald Sorenson - b. 1 Feb 1895 Wautoma WI;
 res: Wautoma, Waushara WI

National Tuscania Survivors Association (1939): Wautoma WI (spelled Ingwold) (1939 NTSA &
 1955 WI Survivors)

World War II draft registration (1942): as Martin Ingwald Sorenson - b. 1 Mar 1895 Wautoma Twp
 WI; res: Wautoma, Waushara WI

Veterans Administration Military Index:

Enlisted: 15 Jul 1917

Discharged: 14 Aug 1919

Address: Wild Rose WI

Rank/unit: corporal, Co. F, 2nd Supply Train

Birth & death:

Born: 1 Mar 1895 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Died: 14 Jul 1974 Wild Rose, Waushara WI

Find A Grave record: 117410297 – presence on Tuscania indicated in text

Burial location: Wautoma, Waushara WI

Cemetery: West Holden Lutheran

Tombstone: veteran flat: CPL US Army

Father: Soren "Sven" Sorenson, 21 Apr 1857 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 1 Oct 1904 Wautoma, Waushara WI. Soren was the illegitimate child of Anne Gunhilde Jorgensdaatter [Olson], who in the 1865 Norway census lived with her husband Gunder Jensen & their 2 children (with surname of Gunderson). Soren & wife Karen emigrated 17 Jun 1892. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI.

Find A Grave: 117209934

Mother: Karen ("Carrie") Annundsdatter/Aanonsen/Annonsdatter Sorenson, 26 Mar 1859 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 10 Jan 1925 Wautoma, Waushara WI. Daughter of Aanon Torbjornsen & Torborg Olsdatter. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI.

Find A Grave: 117209921

Parents' marriage: 4 Apr 1879 Holt. Aust-Agder fylke, Norway

Spouse: Sara Serina Waala Sorenson, 8 Nov 1896 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 21 Aug 1984 Wild Rose, Waushara WI (at her home). Daughter of Peter Waala & Celia Petersen. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI.

Spouse Find A Grave: 117410271

Marriage: 20 Feb 1920 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Children:

- Ila Darlene Sorenson Bartel Schilling, 1 Apr 1933 Wild Rose, Waushara WI – 6 Nov 1991 Dodge Co. WI. Married 18 Jul 1953 in Wautoma, Waushara WI to Bartel in West Holden Lutheran Church. - Wife of Gene Paul Schilling (1933-1993, F: 7903558) whom she married 6 Nov 1962. Buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Watertown, Jefferson WI. F: 7903559

Siblings:

- Torborg (Thorborg/Thora) Sorenson Knuteson, 31 Jul 1879 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 11 Mar 1929 Wautoma, Waushara WI. Married 30 Apr 1902 in Waushara Co. WI to Amil Knuteson (1875-1914, F: 117233639). Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117233604
- Aanon Sorenson, 2 May 1881 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 16 May 1881 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway.
- Anne (Annie) Sorenson Thompson, 8 Jun 1882 Kilen, Holt parish, Norway – 25 Sep 1955 Wautoma, Waushara WI. The 1st girl named Anna in the family; both Annas marry brothers. Married 4 May 1910 in West Holden Evangelical Lutheran Church in Wautoma, Waushara WI to Andrea (Andrew) Theodore Thompson (1877-1965, F: 60291982), the son of Kristen (Christ) Torsen Thompson & Augusta Gurine (Gertie) Sorensdatter Songe. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 60292006
- Anon Sorenson, 20 Mar 1884 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 22 Jan 1972 Wild Rose, Waushara WI. Husband of Hilda Emile Charleson (1887-1967, F: 113571299), the daughter of Charles Charleson & Lena M. Knutson, whom he married 2 Jun

1915 in Wild Rose, Waushara WI. Anon's sister Clara Sorenson [the 2nd sister named Clara] married Hilda's brother Truman Charleson. Buried in Mount Morris Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Mount Morris, Waushara WI. F: 113571333

- Ole Bertinus Sorenson, 4 Feb 1886 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 18 Apr 1945 Wild Rose, Waushara WI. Husband of Lelah Eleanor Nelson (1888-1968, F: 110214254) whom he married 24 May 1900 in Wautoma, Waushara WI. Buried in Hope Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 110214228
- Sara Cerine Sorenson, 14 Nov 1887 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway [also found as Kilen, Holt parish, Norway] – 11 Nov 1910 Wautoma, Waushara WI. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117209867
- Anna (Annie) Sorenson Thompson, 25 Jul 1889 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway – 2 Jul 1980 Wild Rose, Waushara WI. The 2nd girl named Anna in the family; both Annas marry brothers. Wife of Ingval Cornelius Thompson (1876-1963, F: 60300595) whom she married 4 May 1910 in West Holden, Wautoma, Waushara WI. Ingval was the son of the son of Kristen (Christ) Torsen Thompson & Augusta Gurine (Gertie) Sorensdatter Songe. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 60300863
- George L. Sorenson, 30 May 1891 Tvedestrand commune, Aust-Agder fylke, Norway [also found as Kilen, Holt parish, Norway] – 10 May 1926 Wautoma, Waushara WI. Original name Jørgen Sorenson. Served as a private in the 107th Supply Train, 32nd Division. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117209905
- Thomas Ronald Sorenson, 29 Apr 1893 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 13 Feb 1969 Wild Rose, Waushara WI [also found as Neenah, Winnebago WI]. Husband of Torney Irgreda Stea (1902-1996, F: 117449663) whom he married 31 Dec 1919 in Wautoma, Waushara WI. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117449675
- Clara Sevrine Sorenson, 26 May 1897 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 27 Feb 1901 Wautoma, Waushara WI. The first girl named Clara in the family. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117210005
- Inga Elaine Sorenson Darling, 11 Feb 1899 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 4 Mar 1990 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Co. OK. Wife of Gary Alphonzo Darling (1887-1956, F: 117400228) whom she married 30 Jun 1929 in Wautoma, Waushara WI. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117400239
- Clara Serina Sorenson Charleson, 22 Mar 1901 Wautoma, Waushara WI – 20 Feb 1997 Wild Rose, Waushara WI. The 2nd girl named Clara in the family; her older sister Clara lived 1897-1901. Wife of Truman Leander Charleson (1898-1970, F: 117450036), the son of Charles Charleson & Lena M. Knutson on 26 Mar 1932 in Wautoma, Waushara WI. Clara's brother Anon Sorenson married Truman's sister, Hilda Charleson. Buried in West Holden Lutheran Cemetery, Wautoma, Waushara WI. F: 117450031

Notes:

Pre-war:

Wartime:

Post-war:

"Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern" Friday 10 Nov 1967 p 13 - photo - story of Tuscania. Ingwald was 22 years old, living with his widowed mother at West Holden WI & farming. He was dating Sara Waala (daughter of Peter Waala). Enlisted 28 Jun 1917, training Oct 1917-Jan 1918 in Waco TX. He & Glen Diggles were on deck when the torpedo hit, the ship "tossed up, settled back and just kept on settling." His lifeboat was wrecked so he went to the other side of the ship. His lifeboat of 52 men drifted 1 hour before pick-up. Spent 3-4 days at Larne, Ireland. Was in many battles & the Army of Occupation in Germany. Discharged Aug 1919. Married 20 Feb 1920 to Sara Waal. Their daughter Ila (Mrs. Gene Shilling) was born Apr 1933. Ingwald farmed, then moved to Wild Rose WI & worked as a carpenter, retiring in 1958. Sara has been bedridden for 2 years.

Obituary:

Social Security number: 393-16-2673

Censuses:

1900 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Swen Sorenson, 43 Norway, Apr 1857, parents b. Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, papers filed, married 22 years, farmer

Carrie, 41 Norway, Mar 1859, parents b. Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, gave birth to 12 children, 11 are living

Anna, 18 Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, Jun 1881

Anon, 16 Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, Mar 1884

Sarah, 12 Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, Nov 1887

George, 9 Norway, emigrated 1892, in US for 8 years, May 1891

Thomas, 7 WI, Apr 1893

Ingwall, 5 WI, Mar 1895

Clara, 3 WI, May 1897

Inga, 1 WI, Feb 1879

[Anna #2, born 1889, is not listed]

1910 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Mrs. Karen Sorenson, 51 Norway, parents b. Norway, widow, gave birth to 11 children, 11 are living [no emigration information]

Anon, 26 Norway, emigrated 1892, naturalized, manager, home farm

Ole, 24 Norway, emigrated 1892, naturalized, laborer, home farm

Sarah, 22 Norway

Anna, 20 Norway

George, 18 Norway, laborer, working out

Thom, 16 WI

Engval, 15 WI

Enga, 11 WI

Clara, 9 WI

[for the children: both parents b. Norway]

1920 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Karen Sorenson, 60 Norway, parents b. Norway, widow, emigrated 1892, papers filed

George, 28 Norway, single, emigrated 1892, papers filed, farmer

Martin I., 24 WI, single, laborer, farm

Inga E., 21 WI, single

Clara S., 14 WI, single

[for the children: both parents b. Norway]

1930 Wautoma, Waushara WI

Ingvald Sorenson, 35 WI, parents b. Norway, married, farming, general, own farm, WWI veteran

Sarah Sorenson, 33 WI, parents b. WI, married [wife]

Peter Waala, 73 WI, parents b. Norway, widowed [father-in-law]

Clara Sorensen [sic], 29 WI, parents b. Norway, single [sister-in-law]

1940 Wautoma, Waushara WI – the Sorenson family in same house in 1935

Ingwald Sorenson, 45 WI, farming

Sarah, 43 WI

Ila, 7 WI

& uncle Amos L. Peterson, 67 WI, divorced, in 1935 in rural Adams Co. WI

1950 Wild Rose, Waushara WI

Martin I. Sorenson, 55 WI, carpenter, city lumber company

Sarah S., 53 WI

Ila D., 17 WI

& maid Mabel Lovedahl, 61 WI, widow