

THE BAUMAN/BOWMAN

FAMILY STORY

FROM EARLY

BEGINNINGS

1300

TO TODAY

2024

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THE BAUMAN-BOWMAN FAMILY STORY

IN MEMORY OF MY GRANDPARENTS



**ABRAHAM & LYDIA ANN
BAUMAN**

WALTER'S (DAD'S) PARENTS

**LEVI & ELIZABETH
BOWMAN**

EVELYN'S (MOM'S) PARENTS



**Levi & Elizabeth at Evelyn's Farm 1256 Jesse Place
about 1940**

THIS IS OUR ANCESTRAL HERITAGE



This is written specifically for my/our children, grandchildren and the generations which follow them. I/we want them, and all others having the same Bauman and Bowman Ancestral Family lines, to know and appreciate their heritage.

*I'm sitting in the centre below Janet my wife in white behind me
My two brothers - Dave (white shorts) and Jim behind him, on the right
My brother Ken was already "home, his wife Joanne is behind Janet*

From all of us in the photo above, to all of you, now and to come, this is your Bauman & Bowman lineage and heritage.

PS: There are 3(three) generations of Bauman/Bowmans on this Photograph

INTRODUCTION - SEARCHING MY ROOTS

This effort is a lasting gift to my children, and their children, and beyond. I wanted them to have a glimpse into the lives of those people who “built and left” a lasting ancestral heritage which I wanted to pass down to my children and to those who are/will be following them.

This book is an introduction to the Bauman's and Bowman's who preceded us representing different religious and cultural backgrounds. Grandfathers Abraham Bauman and Levi Bowman were born and raised in strict “Old Order” Pennsylvania Dutch Mennonite traditions and customs. Grandmothers Lydia Ann (Bauman) Shoemaker came from a Lutheran upbringing, and Elizabeth (Bowman) Neuert from a non-mennonite background.

This Story is “MY” Story which intends to present, as best as I can, the ancestral Bauman/Bowman roots that I and my three brothers - Kenneth, David and James have.

I was able to trace and include today-known ancestral lines via marriages - being Shoemaker, Neuert, Martin, Brubacher and more.

I've been able to trace and follow 19 generations of Bauman's/Bowman's - Ulie Julius Buman 1369/1425 to myself Clare Bauman 1935.

Thanks to "freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com," I discovered that Evelyn (my Mom) Bowman's and Walter (my Dad) Bauman's had common/same ancestral lines from their 5th Great Grandfather Wendell S (Wyanat) Baumann 1681-1735, reaching upwards to their 16th Great Grandfather “Ulie Julius Buman 1369-1425,” in Switzerland.

This has been a computerized effort and that in itself has been challenging at times. I used software called “Reunion” which was specifically designed for “Apple” computers. I have designed this book in such a way that updates, new information, and yes — even corrections can be made easily.

Sorting out dates and events in their right order has been interesting to say the least and I have tried very hard to be as accurate as possible. I trust that all who read this will get out of it the same interest and joy that I have had in putting it together.

I made references to *“THE BAUMAN FAMILY HISTORY”* book, which I explain in “References”.

I made a Chart - *“MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN FAMILY TREE”* – showing only the straight line lineage of the “fathers to fathers to fathers” of the Bauman and Bowman Lineage. ***This chart is used regularly throughout this book.*** The earliest Bauman/Bowman Ancestor was Ulie Julius Buman 1369-1425 in Switzerland. Wendell S. Baumann’s son Christian H. Baumann continues the Bauman line. The Bowman line starts through the line of Wendel’s other son Jacob, and specifically through Jacob’s grandson Henry H. Bowman.

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Bits & Pieces of Bowman History

- My Uncle Earl Bauman - Bits & Pieces of Bauman History

- My Cousin Ruth Burkhart - Bits & Pieces of Bowman History

- My Cousin Robert Bauman - Bits & Pieces of Bauman History

- And many others who gave me bits and pieces of information as I went along with my research.

And: Always remembering - ***My Dear Wife Janet who was my encourager and supporter from the very beginning.***

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Many years ago, my mother Evelyn (Bowman) Bauman gave me a copy of a black bound book called "The Bauman Family History" first published in 1967, appropriately in the 100 year anniversary of Canada. Two ladies produced a 308 page book containing thousands of names, in a time when computers had not been invented yet.

"The Bauman Family History Book," was assembled, authored and published in 1967 by Mrs. Sarah Bauman and Mrs. Erna Freeman. First Published in 1967, and again in December 1940 by Angus Bauman. This amazing book (referred as ***Bauman Book hereafter***), was the starting point for my ancestral search.

This is how they started their book-

"WENDEL BAUMANN, the original settler of this family, came to Pennsylvania at a very early date. He was born in Switzerland about the year 1681. When about 17 yeas of age, he, in company with his parents, moved to Holland, where they had the promise of protection from the persecuting parties of Southern and Central Europe, by William, Prince of Orange, afterwards King William III of England. Here the old progenitor lived until the beginning of the eighteenth century, when he set sail for America." (From E.E.Eby's W'loo Hist.)

This Wendell Bauman was my 6G Grandfather.

I will refer several times as "Bauman Book #" to this book and specifically in the ***"MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN FAMILY TREE"*** chart which I include many times throughout. *Clare*

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MY SWITZERLAND ANCESTORS PART ONE

Ulrie Julius the farmer Buman
& wife unknown

GENERATION 1

Hans Buman
& wife unknown

Peter Buman
& Greta Widmer

Uly Widmer Buman
& wife unknown

Hans Buman
& Verena Lehmann

Gross Hans Big John Lehmann Buman
& wife unknown

Cleinhans Little John Buman
& Margaret Suter

Junghans Young John Suter Buman
& Elsbeth Russerin

Oswald (Oswalt) Buman
& Judith Dandiker

Hans Rudolf (John) D Baumann
& Anna Santmann

GENERATION 11

Wendell S Baumann
& Ann, Anne or Annie Herr

MY SWITZERLAND ANCESTORS PART TWO

Wendell S Baumann
& Ann, Anne or Annie Herr

GENERATION 11

Christian H Bauman
& Elizabeth Oberhaltzer

Wendel Oberholtzer Bauman
& Maria Huber

Joseph Huber Bauman
& Elizabeth Good Hoffman

Wendel Hoffman Bauman
& Magdalena Schneider

Menno (Schneider) Bauman
& Susannah (Shantz) Martin

Abraham (Martin) Bauman
& Lydia Ann Shoemaker

WALTER, EDWARD, EARL

Clare Bauman
& Janet Playford

GENERATION 19

THE EVOLUTION OF THE BAUMAN/BOWMAN NAME

Follow along with ***MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN MASTER FAMILY TREE Chart***

In researching this project I came upon the web site "**freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com**" which contained significant information on my ancestry – 10 generations earlier from Wendell Bauman (the starting point in "The Bauman Family History" book), to the earliest a Ulie Julius BUMAN, a Swiss farmer born in 1369 and died in 1425 approx.

The surname BUMAN carried through 9 succeeding generations from Julius BUMAN to about 1627 to Oswald (Oswald) BUMAN. Oswald had two sons - "*Benedict*" and Hans Rudolf. These generations lived all their lives in Switzerland. **Hans Rudolf's last name became BAUMANN based on a baptismal record of December 26, 1636.** Hans Rudolph *Baumann* was the father of ***Wendell S Baumann***, my 6th GGrandfather on both my Bauman **AND** Bowman family backgrounds. The lineage of "*Benedict*" was not in my lineage and therefore not included.

For some 50 years or so the records seem to indicate that the surname BAUMANN (double N) was only used for one generation to **Wendell S. Baumann's** sons Christian Herr BAUMANN and Jacob Herr BAUMANN. From that point Christian's son **Wendell (Oberholzer)** and Jacob's son Christian used **BAUMAN** as their last name. See: "MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN FAMILY TREE"

BOWMAN was first used when John BAUMAN (1685-1738) – son of Hans Rudolf (above) called all his 11 children "BOWMAN". John had come to America in 1712 when he was about 27 years old, so it can be assumed that all his children were born in America. The **BOWMAN** surname was used by the descendants of John.

Wendell (son of Hans Rudolf above) had a son Christian (1700-1735) who had 5 children, all with surname **BAUMAN**. Wendell had a brother John (1701-1745) who had 3 children all with the surname **BOWMAN**.

The BAUMAN surname was used by the descendants of Christian BAUMAN.

There have been stories handed down through the generations that the **BOWMAN** name came about because of the differences between two brothers. This may be part of the reason, but I am concluding that it may not be the reason at all because the surname **BOWMAN** came into use very early on particularly after the **BAUMANS** had migrated to America. I think **BOWMAN** may have

come about by the “Americanization” of **BAUMAN**. Wendell **BAUMAN** was called Wendell **BOWMAN** in several records. *I rest my reasonings!*

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BIRTHLAND - 1300 TO 1700 -

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MY ANCESTRAL ROOTS

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Started In Switzerland

Sixteen generations ago, in the 1300s, my ancestors in Switzerland were persecuted, martyred and killed for their spiritual beliefs. In 1536 Menno Simon, an “Anabaptist” Peacemaker (1496-1561), a Dutch Catholic Priest, renounced his connection with the Roman Catholic Church. He had doubts about some of the Catholic teachings. He believed that the Church should be separated from the State. He was a “Pacifist” who opposed war. He believed that public confession of sin, sealed by adult baptism, to be the only proper spiritual belief. *“Britannica - Anabaptist”*

He was constantly persecuted by the Church and those who followed him were often executed. Soon after his separation from the Church he was met by a number of persons whom he describes as being of “*one heart and soul*” with himself. These (Non-Conformists) earnestly besought Menno Simon to take it upon himself the ministry of the Gospel. He became a powerful instrument in the hands of God to spread the true teachings of the Bible.

In “Christianity Today”

“If the Head had to suffer such torture, anguish, misery, and pain, how shall his servants, children, and members expect peace and freedom as to their flesh?” - Menno Simons

In “Christianity Today, Christian History,

Denominational Founders “Mennonites”

*The error of the cursed sect of the Anabaptists ... would doubtless be and remain extirpated, **(root out and destroy completely)** were it not that a former priest Menno Symons ... has misled many simple and innocent people,” complained a letter to the regent of the Netherlands in 1541. “To seize and apprehend this man we have offered a large sum of money, but until now with no success. Therefore we have entertained the thought of offering and promising pardon and mercy to a few who have been misled ... if they would bring about the imprisonment of the said Menno Symons.”*

Holy Roman Emperor Charles V joined in the hunt, offering 100 gold guilders for Menno's arrest. One Dutch man was broken on the wheel and executed merely for allowing Menno to stay with him. But the former priest, a pacifist armed with ideas but no weapons, was never caught. Instead, he led the Anabaptists out of their radical, violent, millennialist fantasies into a moderate, devotional, pacifist movement. Neither the first nor the most original interpreter of the radical Reformation's Anabaptism, he was such an outstanding leader that the movement today is known by his name:

The German writer Mueller wrote that these Swiss Mennonites, as they were later known, as a people stern by nature who could endure hardship. "They wore long, uncut beards and rough clothing, and heavy, hob-nailed shoes with iron heels. They were very zealous to serve God in prayer, in reading and otherwise. In all their ways they were as simple as lambs and doves and their life in the Swiss Mountains, apart from the villages and towns and with little intercourse with men, made them blunt and rude in speech."

Source: WikiTree

During the beginning of the sixteenth century, persecutions were carried on in almost every country in Europe to the then so-called "Non-Conformists." In all countries, including northern Italy, France, Switzerland, Germany, Holland, Poland, Denmark, and even Russia, there were all manner of sufferings. Such treatment from the hands of governments and states caused these "Non-Conformists - Menno-nites" to cast their eyes westward for a new home where they might serve God according to their spiritual views, and to the teachings of the Bible.

Because of the growing persecutions of the **Mennonites** by the Church and State for their spiritual beliefs, the Mennonites decided to leave Switzerland and settle in Holland and other countries where they thought they would be able to enjoy and practice their religious beliefs in freedom. They left behind friends and roots where they grew up, to search for that other place on this earth where they would be able to live in peace and safety. **My 7th Grandfather Hans Rudolf (John) Dandiker Baumann** was one of those people who moved to Holland.

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However, the persecutions continued to follow them no matter where they moved to in Europe, and so these unoffending people were forced to look

for countries where they could practice their spiritual beliefs in peace and safety and were soon followed by others of their faith from Germany & Switzerland.

They were requested by the ever-to-be renowned William Penn to settle within his colony in "America," and so they came in 1683 and settled in Germantown Pennsylvania USA. Here they proved to be a religious, law-abiding and prosperous people. It was during this time that the name "Pennsylvania Dutch" was first given them, a term applied as a distinction rather than one of disrespect, probably a connection to the fact that they emigrated from Holland. In time these people branched out over various counties of Pennsylvania.

These "Mennonites," who had been persecuted by the Church and State Authorities where ever they went, they finally were promised and found refuge in America.

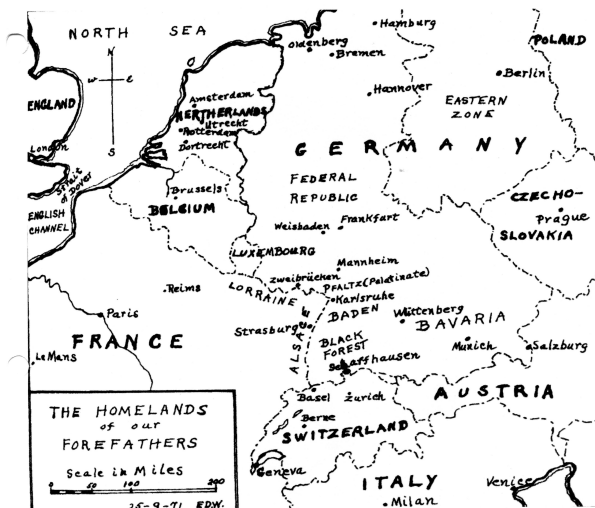
In the midst of all their trials and sufferings they prospered.

Here they enjoyed all the religious liberty and privileges for which they had longed so many years, and soon by their great perseverance and industry, they made for themselves the most excellent homes.

Ref: - Ezra Eby's Introduction to a Biographical History of Waterloo Township

This "Story" continues in **"MY ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM SWITZERLAND TO AMERICA - 1700 TO 1800"**

THE BAUMANN STORY BEGINS IN SWITZERLAND



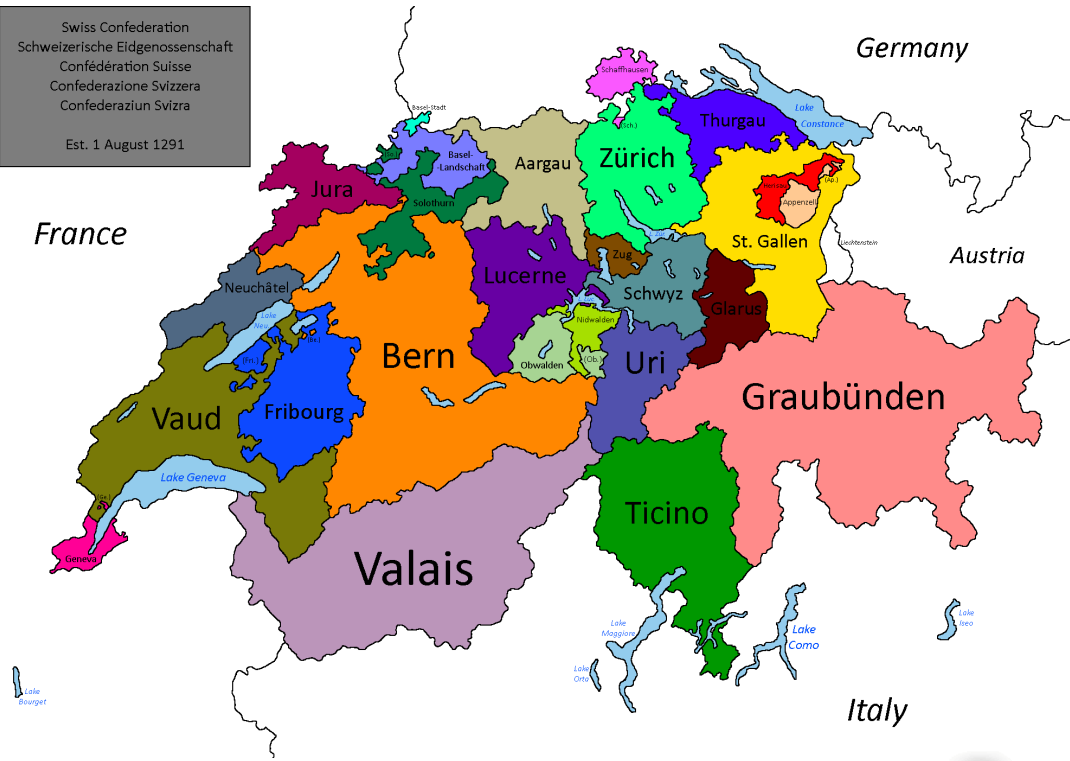
The Shoemakers originated from near Berne Switzerland

The Baummanns originated from near Zurich Switzerland

Because of religious persecution, the Shoemakers, Baummanns and others migrated north to the Netherlands (Holland), and from there to America.

The origin of the Neuerts is unknown, but it is suspected that they originated in Germany somewhere and were of Lutheran background.

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 Est. 1 August 1291

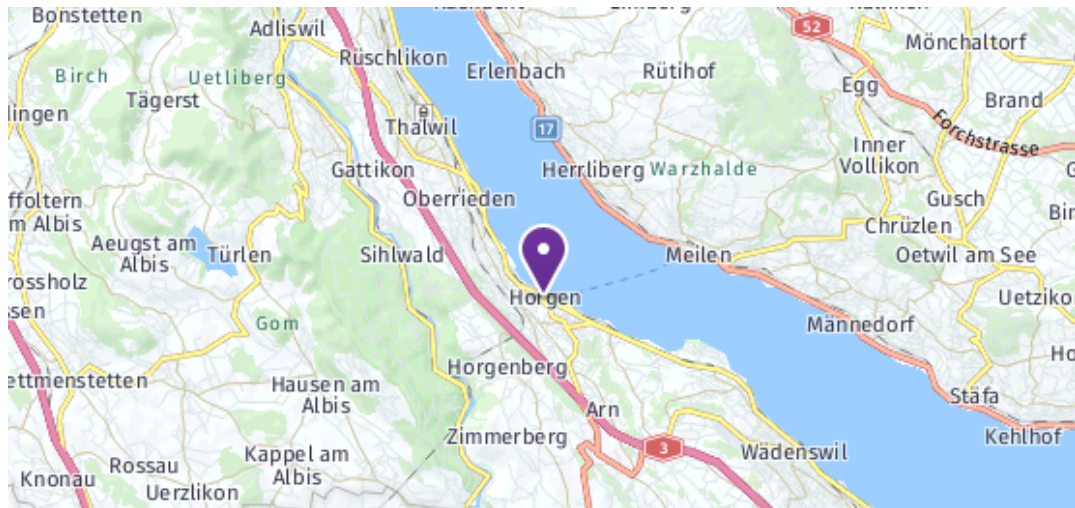


Cantons of Switzerland



*Canton Zurich
 Lake Zurich*

BIRTHPLACE OF THE BAUMAN/BOWMANS



KANTON ZURICK SWITZERLAND

IN/NEAR Town of Zimmerberg

*Zimmerberg south west of **City of Horgen** on Lake Zurich*

The earliest records of Our Family Line originated in Switzerland dating back to the mid 1300's. **"Our" story begins** on the southwest side of **Lake Zürich** in Switzerland. Traveling south from the lakefront **town of Horgen**, you hike uphill for about a mile until you reach the ridge crest. The ground begins to drop again, sloping down toward the river, and on the far side of the valley is a low, tree-covered mountain, the "Zimmerberg". To your south, about a mile and half, the tiny village of Zimmerberg overlooks the river. Though having no more than a half-dozen houses, it's been there a long time, at least since the mid fourteenth century, when a family named Buman lived either in the village or near it.

Generation #1

Julius the farmer Buman 1369 - 1425, Wife Unknown

Lived in Zimmerberg **Switzerland** (small mountain) Canton Zurich

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

**Continued - "My BAUMAN/BOWMAN SWITZERLAND ANCESTORS
YEARS 1300 to 1700"**

Region of Zimmerberg is a region located in the district of Horgen in the canton of Zurich, Switzerland. Its name is based on the Old High German word *zimbar* in the meaning of lumber.

Zimmerberg mountain is located some 15 km (9.3 mi) in the southeast of the city of Zürich, between Langnau am Albis in the Sihl Valley (German: *Sihlta*) and Rüschlikon and Horgen on the Lake Zurich,



Overlooking Sihl valley, the Albis hills, Lake Zurich and Pfannenstiel. Points of interest include Hüttnersee and, on the neighbouring Albis chain, Albishorn (909 metres (2,982 ft)), Bürglen mountain (914.6 metres (3,001 ft)), the observation tower near Schnabelburg, the Albis



Pass, Felsenegg and the extensive woods known as Sihlwald. The Sihl river borders Zimmerberg on its southern side, on the northeastern side it is bordered by the Lake Zürich. The area is wooded, but also has extensive fields, some cultivated. Being **near the city Zurich**, the area is a known recreation area.

The area alongside Lake Zürich had been formed as the left moraine of the Ice Age glacier, the bed of which is now the Lake Zürich and the valley of the Sihl river. The soil is mostly a conglomerate of gravel, some of it large, and glacial loess.

Vistas of Zimmerberg area (2000)

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ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS

TO AMERICA - 1700 TO 1800

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MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN SWITZERLAND ANCESTORS

YEARS 1300 to 1700

- Generation #1 - Ulie Julius Buman*
- Generation #2 - Hans Buman*
- Generation #3 - Peter Buman*
- Generation #4 - Ult Widmer Buman*
- Generation #5 - Hans Buman*
- Generation #6 - Gros Hans Buman*
- Generation #7 - Cleinhans Buman*
- Generation #8 - Junghans Buman*
- Generation #9 - Oswald Buman*
- Generation #10 - Hans Rudolph Baumann*
- Generation #11 - Wendel S Baumann*

Generations 1-11 Started in Switzerland, then to Holland, then to America

Generations 1 through 11 are common to Bauman and Bowman Lines

**NOTE: FOLLOW - The Generation Numbers in
“ MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN FAMILY TREE ”**

YEARS 1300-1400

Generation #1 - Clare's 16th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Ulrie Julius the farmer Buman

Born: 1369

Died: 1425

Wife: Unknown, Married about 1384

Children: **Hans (1395-1420).**

Lived in Zimmerberg Switzerland (small mountain) Canton Zurich

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

The name Bauman/Buman means "builder" and perhaps the family originated as builders of houses and barns. Sometime around 1369 a male child was born into the family named Ulius (the German form of Julius). He was also called "Ulrie" or "Uly". Though we don't know how his parents made their living, Ulrie himself became known as "Julius the Farmer", which does not seem a very distinctive title given that most of his neighbours were likely farmers as well.

Apparently Ulrie began this occupation around age 24, because according to Swiss tax records he lived 1393-1401 in the village of Hirzen about a mile south of Zimmerberg a mountain based on the Old High German word *zimbar* in the meaning of lumber.

Today there is nothing between the two places but a scattering of farms, so it's difficult to tie this name to any specific place. If there ever was a village by that name in the Zimmerberg/Hirzel area, it has long since gone. We don't know the name of Ulrie's wife, or how many children he had, other than a son named Hans. Ulrie died around 1425, or about age 56.

Switzerland, as a country, dates to its confederation in 1291 when three cantons: Uri, Schwyz, and Unterwalden were formed. By Ulries' time in 1369, it included Glarus, Zug, Lucerne, Zürich and Berne (Zürich joined in 1351).

Ulrie lived in a period of history known as the Late Middle Ages, the last third of the Medieval period the first third being the "Dark Ages". It was characterized by barbarian invasions and kingdoms of relatively short duration, and the middle third being the "High Middle Ages," a relatively quiet period of increasing population and economic growth. It was a time when the Catholic church was universal in western Europe (except for Moorish Spain), when people believed that

the Earth was flat and at the centre of the universe, when books were hand-written, and the Byzantine Empire, the successor to the old Eastern Roman Empire, was still the preeminent power in eastern Europe. Although cannons had appeared on the battlefield, small arms had not, and the pike and the bow were the dominant infantry weapons. At the time of Ulie's birth, the mounted knight was the epitome of military prowess, but in 1411, when he was 42, English long bowman defeated French knights at the Battle of Agincourt

Source: Title: *Bauman and Sauter Families of Hirzel, Switzerland Mennonite Family History Vol. X, No. 2* 53-59 Author: Jane Evans Best Publication: April, 1991 Note: ABBR Best, Bauman and Sauter REF N 5042 DATE 29 NOV 2000 Author: Weaver, Gerald Detweiler Title: *Our Ancestors* Publication: *Mennonite Family History* Note: Research reported by Gerald Detweiler Weaver, 2666 Lower Cane Creek Rd., Pleasantville, TN 37147 Note: page 1

Generation #2 - **Clare's 15th great grandfather**

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Hans Buman

Born: **1395 in Zimmerberg Switzerland.**

Died: 1420 @ age 25

Wife: Unknown

Children: **Peter (1420-1501)**

Paid taxes from 1409 to 1420. Inherited a farm

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

Generation #3 - **Clare's 14th great grandfather**

see chart 'My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Peter Buman

Born: **1420 in Zimmerberg Switzerland.**

Died: 1501 - age 81

Married: 1446 when 26

Wife: Greta Widmer - Born 1425

Children: **Uly Widmer (1449-1491)**

Peter paid taxes in Zimmerberg from 1455 to 1501

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

Generation #4 - Clare's 13th great grandfather

see chart 'My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Ult Widmer Buman

Born: 1449 in Zimmerberg Switzerland.

Died: 1491 - age 42

Married: Wife Unknown

Children: **Hans (1470-1555)**

Ult moved to Rennimattle, but later returned to Zimmerberg.

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.co

Generation #5 - Clare's 12th great grandfather

see chart 'My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Hans Buman

Born: 1470

Died: 1555 - age 85.

Married: Verena Lehman

Children: **Gross Hans Big John (1505-1559)**

They resided in Luttermoos and Wyenbach Switzerland

Paid taxes from 1491 to 1555.

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

YEARS 1500-1600

Generation #6 - Clare's 11th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Gross Hans Big John Buman

Born: 1505

Died: 1559 - age 54

Married: Wife Unknown

Children: **Cleinhans Little John (1540-1606)**, and 2 other children

He paid taxes at Wuriback Switzerland in 1527

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

Generation #7 - Clare's 10th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Cleinhans Little John Buman

Born: 1540 in Kuhwile Switzerland.

Died: 1606 - age 66 - in Durrenmoos Switzerland

Married: Margaret Suter (Born 1544) in 1562

Children: **Junghans Young John Suter (1570-1619)**

He Paid taxes from 1557 to 1606 in Kuhweile (cattle pasture) Switzerland.

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com & Durell Bowman

Generation #8 - Clare's 9th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Junghans Buman

Born: Nov 26, 1570, Ober Durrenmoos Gmnd Hirzel, Horgenberg

Died: Feb 26, 1620

Married: Elsbeth Russerin about 1590

Born in 1570, Died after 1590.

Children: Hans (June 27, 1596 died 1634), **Oswald (Aug 10, 1600)**

Hans Heinrich Bowman born Jan 28, 1616 died 1675.

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com, & Durrell Bowman

YEARS 1600-1700

Generation #9 - Clare's 8th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Oswald Buman.

Born: Aug 10 1600 in Ober Durrenmoos, Gmnd Hirzel, Horgenberg

Died: 1673 in Upper Durrenmoos, Switzerland.

1st wife - Verena Landolt

Children: Benedict Landolt *Baumann*.

First recorded spelling of name as Baumann

2nd wife - Judith Dandliker (Born 1605);

Married in 1630 in Gmnd Hirzel,

Switzerland. Judith was born about 1605 in Switzerland.

Children: **Hans Rudolf (John) Baumann (1636-1690),**

- based on a baptismal record of December 26 1636

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

Generation #10 - Clare's 7th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Hans Rudolf (John) Dandiker Baumann.

Born: 26 Dec 1636 in Hirzel, Zurich, Switzerland

Died: **1690 in Rotterdam, Holland.**

Married: Anna Santamann prior to 1670, Born in 1650 in Switzerland.

Children: **Wendell S (Wyant) Baumann (1681-1735),**

John Johannes S Baumann (1685-1738) anglicized his name to "John Bowman" and emigrated to Strasburg, PA

Source: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com

His family moved to Holland to enjoy religious freedom and the political protection of William, Prince of Orange—later King William III of England. This may suggest that Hans Rudolf became an Anabaptist (Mennonite) somewhere around the 1660s or 70s. It may also explain the movement westwards to Canton Bern by 1681, to Holland around 1688, and perhaps also the surname change from "Buman" to "Baumann" for Oswald's children.

"The Hans Rudolf Bauman(n) family were Mennonites. Switzerland began persecuting and putting various members of this religion in prison, according to the book, "Historic Background and Annals of the Swiss and German Pioneer Settlers of Southeastern Pennsylvania" on page 92. Hans Rudolph Bauman (or Bowman) of Horgerberg was imprisoned in Zurich after having been robbed by the state church and government of his property worth over 3000 guilders. Others were being treated the same way. By 1641 Amsterdam, Holland became a powerful supporter of the Mennonites, and this was where Hans later moved his family".

Sources:

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Generation #11

Wendell S (Wyant) Baumann (1681-1735),

Clare's 6th great grandfather

see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Continues in Next Chapter

“THE WENDELL S (WYANT) BAUMANN STORY”

MY ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM SWITZERLAND TO AMERICA 1700 to 1800

In Part One - MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM EUROPE TO AMERICA, I described the level of persecution my Mennonite Ancestors experienced in order to practice what they believed. They eventually heard about this land across the ocean (big sea) where they might experience hope and security for a new life. In **1707** William Penn in London arranged for these Mennonites (originated from the “Menno Simons” movement in Switzerland) to purchase land in America. Several of my ancestors voyaged from Rotterdam Holland to North America in a large sailing ship which was mainly used for cargo in stead of passengers. They left Holland in mid June **1707** and almost two months at sea, they arrived in America near Philadelphia. One can only imagine the kind of voyage that it was considering rough seas, sickness and some did not make the trip alive.

To America

My 6GGrandfather Wendell S. Baumann was the first known “Baumann” ancestor, and his family, to make this trip from Europe to America in 1707. They were among those who found refuge in America and settled in Germantown, near Philadelphia.

These people proved to be law-abiding, hard working and prosperous people. Here they enjoyed all the religious liberty and privileges for which they had longed for so many years. Soon by their great perseverance and industry, they made for themselves the most excellent homes

They had to wait approximately a year before William Penn found some 10,000 acres sixty miles west of Philadelphia in the wooded wilderness and Indian country. They made the trek to this unchartered land but the work remained to clear the bush, deal with the Indians, build homes and barns, preparing land for growing food. It was during this time that the name “Pennsylvania Dutch” was first given them, a term applied as a distinction rather than one of disrespect, mainly from the fact that they came from Holland (Dutch) settling into Pennsylvania. As these people eventually branched into various counties of Pennsylvania they retained their native

cultures and spiritual beliefs. They were all of one faith and spoke the same dialect known as the “Pennsylvania Dutch”.

They were well known for their faith, method of living, etc. They were distinguished from other Protestant bodies by their objection to military service and abhorrence of warfare and military life, the taking of Judicial Oaths and Baptism of Infants. They emphasized humility and simplicity in outward appearance. *Ref: Encyclopaedia Britannica.*

They did not believe in mission outreach and the need for salvation conversion that involved Sunday Schools, Bible Studies, prayer meetings, evening services and the use of the English language . They spoke primarily in “High” or “Hochdeutsch” German, a dialect which their ancestors brought with them from Switzerland. It was the official written language, a language of administration, higher education, literature and the mass media.

Ref: Encyclopaedia Britannica.

They resisted the growing new trends in agricultural equipment, such as rubber wheeled equipment, and relied primarily on “horse power”. They did not accept the “modern” inventions like cars, trucks, buggies with collapsible tops, telephones, electricity and radios. Apparently, they did agree to pay property and income taxes, but they refused to accept government sponsored welfare and health benefits. They practiced their own self insurance in the case of property damage or loss. Generally, they set themselves apart from the directions that the world outside was taking and offering, but more and more of their people were seeing and embracing the conveniences and opportunities that were being developed and made available. These people held all their services in homes.

My Bauman Ancestors Were Part of This Movement

My **6G Grandfather** Wendell S. Baumann was born in **1681** in the town of Thun, Canton of Bern Switzerland. His parents and family moved to Holland and England in the early 1700s to escape persecution because their beliefs were apposed to the Catholic religion of that day. They travelled to Philadelphia in **1707 and in 1711** to the wilderness 60 miles west which is now Lancaster County Pennsylvania. I am calling these people, the “founding” people of the **“Mennonite Movement”** in America and Canada. For purposes of this study, I will refer to these people as *the “Old Order Mennonites.”*

Then to Ontario Canada

For some 3 generations my ancestors settled and homesteaded in the Lancaster part of Pennsylvania. Eventually the Lancaster Area Mennonites received word that there was some wonderful farming land opportunities in Ontario Canada. **In 1819 - Joseph Huber Bauman** (my 3rd GGrandfather), was one of the first of my “Old Order” Mennonite ancestors to migrate to Ontario. He probably settled in the Bridgeport/St. Jacobs area. His son Wendell (my GG Grandfather) had a farm 2 mi. south of Elmira. He and his wife Elizabeth (Hoffman) are buried in the Martin Mennonite Meeting House Cemetery King St North Waterloo Ontario.

There is more in the chapter - ***BAUMAN/BOWMAN ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM AMERICA TO CANADA***

SEE “MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN FAMILY TREE

Generation #11 - ***Clare’s 6th great grandfather***
see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Wendell S (Wyant) Baumann

Born: 1681 in Thun, Canton of Bern Switzerland

Died: 1735 in Pennsylvania, buried in Hans Tschantz Lampeter

Wife: Anna Herr: Born Sept 17 1685, Died Oct 11 1735

Children: They had 9 children - Christian Herr, Jacob Herr, John, Magdalena, Peter. (Bauman as last name), Michael, Anna, Benjamin, Joseph (Bowman as last name)

There is More of WENDELL S. in “THE WENDELL S. BAUMANN STORY”

Continuation of Bauman Name

12th Generation - Remained in America

Generation # 12 - ***Clare’s 5th great grandfather on the Bauman side***
see chart My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Herr Baumann - Son of Wendell S. Baumann
Brother of Jacob HERR Baumann (below)

Born: 1724 Aug 13

Died: 1790 July 25

Wife: Elizabeth Oberhaltzer - Born 1724 Aug 27, Died: 1791 Feb 2

Children: Wendel (1758-1842), Barbara, Jacob, Christian, Elizabeth, Joseph

Christian resided in Allegheny Valley Berks County Pennsylvania. In 1749 he erected a log dwelling the timber of which was quite sound. He was married to Elizabeth Baumann. They had 6 children. Christian lived on 444 acres on the original 1710 tract. He was a potter and died of mercury poisoning at a young age, leaving an impoverished family. He built a grist

mill and was a farmer too. He was one of the first preachers in the Allegheny district near Lancaster Pennsylvania.

Around 1740, one of Jacob's sons went even further afield. He befriended an Indian and established in 1747 a property several miles south-west of his friend's in the Allegheny Valley. A mile or two west of Jacob's property, his brother Christian established a farm in 1748 (including a log cabin, built in 1749) and an initial nearby grist mill (in Alleghenyville) and in 1777 a second mill several miles to the South.

Christian (was also a preacher and a farmer) and his son Christian (b 1753) are both buried at Allegheny Mennonite Cemetery which is just east of Alleghenville. The next child, Wendell (b 1758, my ancestor) and his first and second wives Maria Huber and 'Stiefmutter' Elizabeth are also buried there. Wendell's family lived in his father's 1749 log cabin.

His younger brother, Joseph (a preacher, b1766) established in 1801 yet another mill five miles to the East. These Baumanns lived and worked just inside present-day Berks County. Bowmansville is just inside Lancaster County and Barbara, Jacob, Christian, Elizabeth, Joseph.

Starting in 1717 and for the next several decades, some Mennonites began to relocate to the north-east of Lancaster, such as to Graff's (Groffdale), Weber's (Weaverland, near Martindale), and Muddy Creek (just south of present-day Bowmansville). Another prominent Mennonite name in those parts was Good (originally "Guth")

Generation # 12

- **Clare's 5th great grandfather on the Bowman Side**
see chart *My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree*

Jacob HERR Baumann -- Son of Wendell S. Baumann

Brother of Christian HERR Baumann (above)

Born: 1720 approximately

Died: Not known

Wife: name unknown

Children: *Christian*

Jacob Herr Baumann was the 1st of the Ancestral Line of "BOWMAN". His Grandson was the 1st BOWMAN - Henry Huber Bowman 1789-1866

Jacob was part of a settlement movement in Pennsylvania to carry the settled border into Berks County. He was a great hunter and fisher, but there came a time when the woods and streams in his neighbourhood has been well hunted and fished out. While out prospecting

for a new location, an Indian offered to show him good hunting ground to the eastward on the upper reaches of the Muddy Creek. His friends at Muddy Creek advised him strongly against the Indian's proposal because of the threat of Indian danger resulting from problems with Indians in other areas, and because of the uneasiness the Indians had over the encroachment of the "whites". Even though the earlier friendliness between the two races was at an end, Jacob decided to take a chance and make the venture, so Jacob and the Indian started from the log cabin of one Good and prospected eastward up the valley of Muddy Creek. The next day they found a site which pleased Jacob, and the Indian helped him lay off 300 acres along the creek. At the same time the Indian advised Jacob never to settle at any point where the water was running towards the **sunset** because in such places there was no good luck. The next day the Indian took Jacob to a place where the water was running towards the **sunrise** where there was plenty of fish, game and good luck. The Indian and Jacob continues their journey eastward and northward into the Allegheny Valley. Here they built a cabin for Jacob about a mile and a half from the Indian's home. The Indian invited Jacob to bring his wife and child to his new place and he guaranteed their safety. Even though Jacob's friends back at Muddy Creek were surprised at his safety, they did help him move part way. When told of the trouble that Jacob had with his friends, the Indian told Jacob to tell his white friends to go home and to tell them that he had found a new friend who is a friend indeed. The friendship between Jacob and the Indian continued for life.

Sources: *The Bauman Family History. Reference #1579*
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Generation # 13

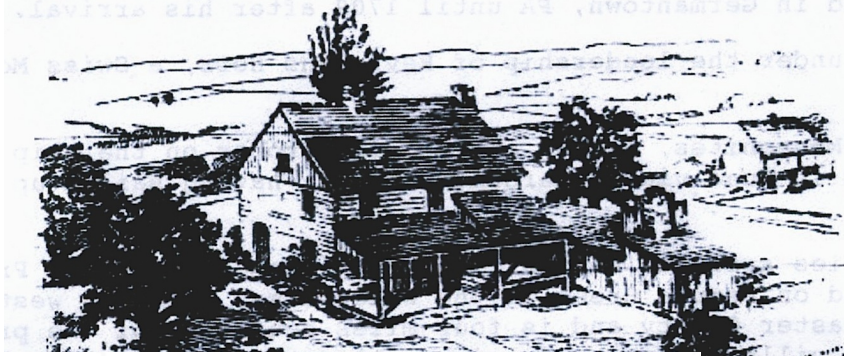
BAUMAN NAME

Wendell Oberholzer Bauman - Clare's 4th Bauman great grandfather
grandson of Wendell S Baumann

Born: 1758 Feb 25
Died: 1842 Nov 20
Wife: Maria Huber Boen 1764 Dec 22, Died 1843 Feb 4
Children Joseph Huber. (1796-1864), plus 7 more

They resided in Berks County Pennsylvania in a house built by his father Christian. He and his wife Maria are buried in the Allegheny Cemetary. He was married a second time, and his tombstone inscription includes his first

Landmark Razed in 1874



BAUMANN.

(Now spelled by many Bowman and also Bauman.)

- 2 I BAUMANN, WENDEL, the original settler of this family, came to Pennsylvania at a very early date. He was born in Switzerland about the year 1681. When about seventeen years of age, he in company with his parents, moved to Holland where they had the promise of protection from the persecuting parties of southern and central Europe, by William, Prince of Orange, afterwards William III of England. Here the old progenitor lived until the beginning of the seventeenth century, when he set his face for America. He landed safely at Philadelphia, but date of landing is not known. We find that in 1709 a number of families moved westward from Philadelphia, seeking a tract of land where they might settle in one vicinity. The choice of their location was on a tract situated north of Pequea Creek, extending to the Conestogo,† containing ten thousand acres of land. The warrant for this was recorded and the land surveyed to them on October 23rd, 1710. Among these settlers we find the name of Wendel Baumann. All efforts made to obtain the date of his death or to whom he was married proved fruitless. So much, however, has been obtained that he had a family of seven sons and one daughter. The names of the sons were II Christian, II Peter, II John, II Jacob, II Michael, II Benjamin, II Joseph, and II Magdalena, married to Jacob Groh, father of the late Abraham Groh, and grandfather of John Groh of Hespeler, Ontario.

†Their settlement was Strasburg Tp., Chester Co., now West Lampeter Tp., Lancaster Co.

wife Maria and on the other side the inscription appears to indicate his second wife - his "Stiefmutter" by the initials E.B. It is interesting to note that in his Will, he spells his name as Wendell "Bowman". His sons and generations in this league following were all called "Bauman". The surname "Bowman" was used later during the life of Henry Huber Bowman whose grandfather was Jacob Baumann, a brother of Christian Baumann, both sons of Wendell S. Baumann.

Source: generations.regionofwaterloo.ca
The Bauman Family History

BOWMAN NAME

Christian Bauman - Clare's 4th great grandfather on the Bowman's side
grandson of Wendell S Baumann

Born: 1756 exact date unknown

Died: in 1796 and buried in Alleghany Cemetary

Married: Elizabeth Huber

Children: Henry - took on the name "BOWMAN"

They lived in Berk's County near Lancaster Pennsylvania

Sources: generations.regionofwaterloo.ca
The Bauman Family History

**MY STORY CONTINUES IN PART THREE - MY BAUMAN/BOWMAN
ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM PENNSYLVANIA USA TO ONTARIO
CANADA - GENERATIONS 14-22 - 1800 to 2020**

Starting with-

GENERATION #14 JOSEPH HUBER BAUMAN

This Story continues in

MY MENNONITE ROOTS - AMERICA TO CANADA

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THE WENDEL S BAUMANN STORY

Wendell Baumann, "the original settler of this family, came to Pennsylvania at a very early date. He was born in Switzerland about the year 1681. When about seventeen years of age, he in company with his parents, moved to Holland where they had the promise of protection from the persecuting parties of southern and central Europe, by William Prince of Orange, afterwards William III of England. Here the old progenitor lived until the beginning of the seventeenth (18th)! century, when he set his face for America. He landed safely at Philadelphia but the date of the landing (1704) is not known. We find that in 1709 a number of families moved westward from Philadelphia, seeking a tract of land where they might settle in one vicinity. The choice of their location was on a tract situated north of Pequea Creek, extending to the Conestoga (Their settlement was Strasburg Tp., Chester Co., now West Lampeter Tp., Lancaster Co.) containing ten thousand acres of land. The warrant for this was recorded and the land surveyed to them on October 23rd, 1710. Among these settlers we find the name of Wendell Baumann. All efforts made to obtain the date of his death or to whom he was married proved fruitless. So much, however, has been obtained that he had a family of seven sons and one daughter. The names of the sons were Christian, Peter, John, Jacob, Michael, Benjamin, Joseph, and Magdalena, married to Jacob Groh, father of the late Abraham Groh, and grandfather of John Groh of Hespeler, Ontario."

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Generation #11 Clare's 6th great grandfather

see chart 'Bauman/Bowman Family Tree

Wendell S (Wyant) Baumann,

Born: 1681 in Thun, Canton of Bern Switzerland.

Died: 1735 in Pennsylvania, buried in Hans Tschantz Lampeter Twp PA.

Wife: Annie Herr - Born: Sept 17 1685, Died: Oct 11 1735.

Children - Christian, Jacob, John, Magdalena, Peter (who used "Bauman" as last name), Michael, Anna, Benjamin & Joseph (who used Bowman as last name). Michael's descendants moved into Canada

Continued from "Generations 11-20 Wendell S Baumann to Jay Bauman

When he was about 17 years old, he in company with his parents moved to Holland where they had the protection from the persecuting parties of southern and central Europe, led by William, Prince of Orange, afterwards King William III of England.

Because of the growing persecutions of the Mennonites by the Catholic Church for their spiritual beliefs, the Mennonites decided to leave Switzerland and settle in other countries where they would be able to enjoy and practice their religious beliefs in freedom.

1707 or thereabouts, **Wendell and eight other nine heads of Mennonites** sailed up the Rhine from Switzerland to Rotterdam Holland and then to England. Several Mennonites arranged with William Penn in London in early 1707 to purchase land across the ocean in America. They voyaged from Rotterdam to North America on the barque Mary Hope, with Captain John Annis. A barque was a sailing ship of three or more masts. In poetic use, a barque can be any sailing ship or boat. Not only have these ships and boats been used for transportation throughout history, but they have also been used for a number of other reasons including to transport cargo, fishing, armed forces, sports, leisure, and relaxation.

They left Rotterdam in mid-to late-June of 1707 and then continued from Gravesend, Kent, England on June 29 and travelled via Harwich, initially alongside the Russian fleet (which they overtook), and Scotland's Shetland/Orkney Islands.

A total reached 94 passengers, including the Quaker preacher Thomas Chalky. **Seven weeks and four days** from Shetland (and after considerable rough seas and resultant illnesses), they arrived in America probably in late September of 1707. They landed at Philadelphia, immigrated in 1709, and lived in nearby Germantown until 1710, when additional relatives joined them. Wendell S. Baumann came to America under the leadership of Rev. Hans Herr, a Swiss Mennonite minister.

In **1709** families wished to move westward and nine heads of these families arranged with William Penn from Philadelphia to seek some land where they might settle in one vicinity. The choice of their location was on a tract of 10,000 acres situated in the wilderness sixty miles west of Philadelphia north of Pequea Creek and just four miles south-east of the present City of Lancaster. Their settlement was in then Strasburg Twp. Chester Co., and now West Lampeter Tp., Lancaster County. The warrant for this was recorded, the land surveyed and deeded to them on October 23rd, 1710 by the Provincial Surveyor.

See next pages - "1710 Sep 23: A group of 29 Mennonite immigrant families arrive in Philadelphia on the ship Mary Hope"

Wendell and several other families established the details of their new land **near Pequea Creek**. Wendell took up his original tract of land consisting of 530 acres. A portion of the village of Lampeter is now located on Wendell's land.

Wendell "Bowman" also took up a further 300 acres along Big Beaver Creek, about 3 miles southwest of his mansion farm.

Other families which established farms were Martin Kendig, John Funk, Jacob Miller, Christopher Franciscus, Johann Rudolph Bondeli, John Her Jr, Martin Kendig, Christian Herr, Martin Meylin & Martin Kendig.

*Reference: "5000 Acres - Where Did It All Go? -
A Pennsylvania Dutch Genealogy" - Kris Hocker Dec 24 2011*

In 1710 Wendell built himself a log cabin which was torn down in 1874. An article about this old house and its picture appeared in the Lancaster "New Era" on March 6, 1930. This article notes Wendell as "Bowman", and the 1711 Pequea Survey shows his parcel as "Wendell Bowman". He sold much of this land in his lifetime and at the time of his death there remained 280 acres. Wendell was buried a little south of his old home in the Hans Tschantz graveyard, which is located south of Lampeter and about 8 miles southwest of the City of Lancaster. The village of Lampeter Pennsylvania is now located on Wendell's land.

Wendell had a farm on the north side of what is now called Penn Grant Road and ran a mill on the **Pequea Creek**, just to the south. The 1712 farm was located at what is now 873 E. Penn Grant Road, but the house (and perhaps the other buildings) were razed in 1874. Wendell's son Christian also settled on 444 acres of this land around 1718-20 and patented it in 1730. This area is in what was then Chester County and is now West Lampeter Township, in Lancaster

County, between Willow Street and Strasburg. Many of these earliest settlers (the first whites in the area) are buried at the Tschantz Graveyard (originally on the corner of a farm), on the west side of Pequea Lane, just south of Penn Grant Road. Willow Street (“Brick”) Mennonite Church and Strasburg Mennonite Church are also both nearby, as is the 1719 “Hans Herr” House—the oldest from that era, which was built by Bishop Hans Herr’s (1639-1725) son Christian (1680-1749), but Hans and his wife, Elizabeth Kendig Herr (1639-1730), did also live there and regularly held church services in its small meeting-house room. The house is preserved as a museum, along with a number of later buildings.

An aside - Christian Herr and his wife Anna’s daughter Maria (1702-56) married Abraham Brubaker (1695-1753), an ancestor of Magdalena Burkhard, my Grandmother married to my GGGrandfather Levi M Bowman - so I am also a descendant of Hans Herr. Herr’s line has been traced to the Schwabish Knight Hugo, the Herr or Lord of Bilried (ca 1009). Clare Bauman

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In the 1740s following the death of Wendell Baumann in 1735, his sons Christian Peter and Jacob, moved from the Pequea Settlement north-eastward about 2 miles to the valley of Alleghany Creek, in what is now Berks County.

The cemetery marker at Willow Street (“Brick”) Mennonite Church in Strasburg Pennsylvania. *Note: “Wendell S Bauman (Bowman)”*

Strasburg Mennonite Church is also both nearby, as is the 1719 “Hans Herr” House—the oldest from that era, which was built by Bishop Hans Herr’s (1639-1725) son Christian (1680-1749). Hans and his wife, Elizabeth Kendig Herr (1639-1730), did also live there and regularly held church services in its small meeting-house room. The house is preserved as a museum, along with a number of later buildings.

***Obituary of
Wendel Baumann***

The village of Lampeter Pennsylvania is now located on Wendell’s land in what was then Chester County and is now West Lampeter Township, in Lancaster County, between Willow Street and Strasburg. Many of these earliest settlers (the

first whites in the area) are buried at the Tschantz Graveyard (originally on the corner of a farm), on the west side of Pequea Lane, just south of Penn Grant Road.

Starting in 1717 and for the next several decades, some Mennonites began to relocate to the north-east of Lancaster, such as to Graff's Thal (Groffdale), Weber's Thal (Weaverland, near Martindale), and Muddy Creek (just south of present-day Bowmansville). Another prominent Mennonite name in those parts was Good (originally "Guth").

The 1710 Pequea Settlement Tour Resources Information Booklet

Around 1740, Jacob Baumann went even further afield. He befriended an Indian and established in 1747 a property several miles south-west of his friend's, in the Allegheny Valley.

A mile or two west of Jacob's property, his brother Christian established a farm in 1748 (including a log cabin, built in 1749) and an initial nearby grist mill (in Alleghenyville) and in 1777 a second mill, several miles to the south. Christian (who was also a minister and a farmer) and his son Christian (b. 1753) are both buried at Allegheny Mennonite Cemetery, which is just east of Alleghenyville (marked "CB 1790" and "CBM 1807" – the "M" presumably for "miller"). The next child, Wendell (b. 1758; my ancestor) and his first and second wives (Maria Huber and 'Stiefmutter' Elizabeth, "ED") are also buried there, and Wendell's family lived in his father's 1749 log cabin. His younger brother, Joseph (a preacher, b. 1766) established in 1801 yet another mill, five miles to the east. These Baumann/Bowmans lived and worked just inside present-day Berks County. However, nearby Bowmansville is just inside Lancaster County.

For some three generations these ancestors settled and homesteaded in the Lancaster part of Pennsylvania. Eventually they received word that there was some wonderful farming land and opportunities north in Ontario Canada. The generations following Wendell S spell Bauman with only one "N"

Starting in 1717 and for the next several decades, some Mennonites began to relocate to the north-east of Lancaster, such as to Graff's Thal (Groffdale), Weber's Thal (Weaverland, near Martindale), and Muddy Creek (just south of present-day Bowmansville). Another prominent Mennonite name in those parts was Good (originally "Guth"). Around 1740, his brother Jacob Herr Baumann went even further afield. He befriended an Indian and established in 1747 a property several miles south-west of his friend's, in the Allegheny Valley. A mile or two west of Jacob's property, Christian established a farm in 1748 (including a log cabin, built in 1749), a nearby grist mill (in Alleghenyville) and several miles to the south in 1777, a second mill. Christian (who was also a minister and a

farmer) and his son Christian (b. 1753) are both buried at Allegheny Mennonite Cemetery, which is just east of Alleghenyville (marked "CB 1790" and "CBM 1807" – the "M" presumably for "miller"). The next child, Wendell (b. 1758; my ancestor) and his first and second wives (Maria Huber and 'Stiefmutter' Elizabeth, "ED") are also buried there, and Wendell's family lived in his father's 1749 log cabin. His younger brother, Joseph (a preacher, b. 1766) established in 1801 yet another mill, five miles to the east.

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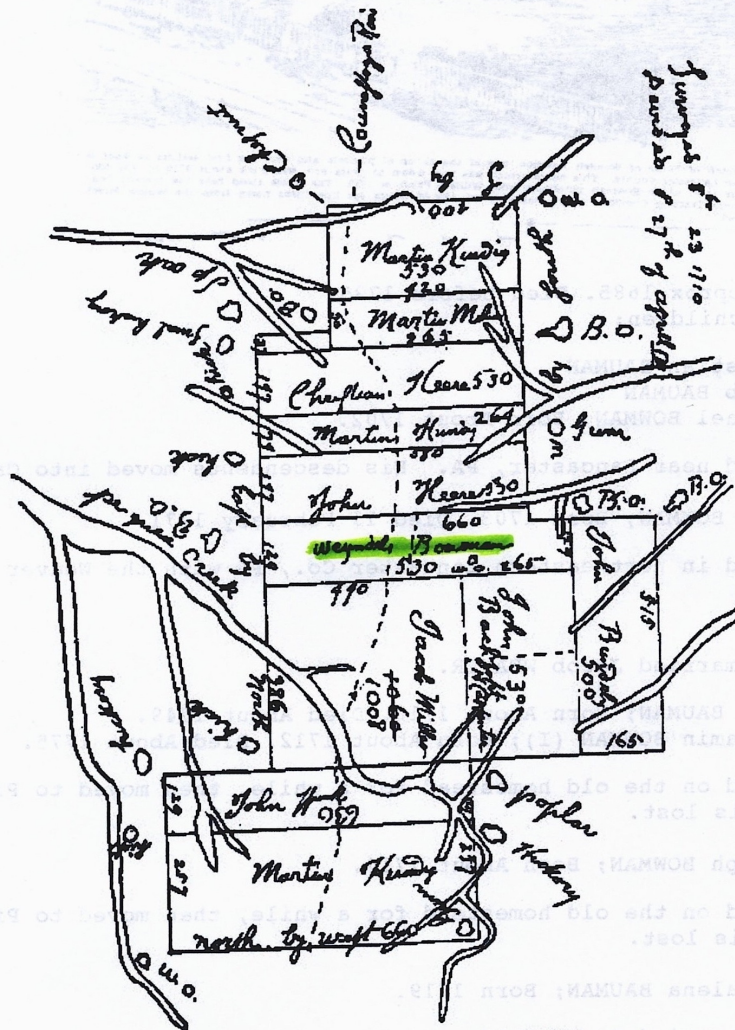
Ezra Eby Book

The Bauman Family History Book - Pages 5-10

The 1710 Pequea Settlement Tour Resources Information Booklet by Samuel R Wenger Mennonite Historical Society pp 1-6, Wendell Bowman had a wife Anna - but no last name. Hans Herr is also mentioned. In this report Wendell is sometimes Bauman and sometimes Bowman, and Wendell sometimes Wendel. In this report Hans Herr came to America with 3 children and had 3 more children in America. In this article Wendell is also a "Bowman.

Samuel Wenger rootswebfreepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/-boehm/data/1710_Pequeq_Settlement.pdf copy. webloc

The nine heads of families arranged with William Penn's agents and the Provincial surveyor for 10,000 acres of land on Pequea Creek in the wilderness, 60 miles west of Philadelphia. The land is now in Lancaster County and is four miles southeast of the present site of the city of Lancaster. The village of Lampeter is now located on Wendell's land.



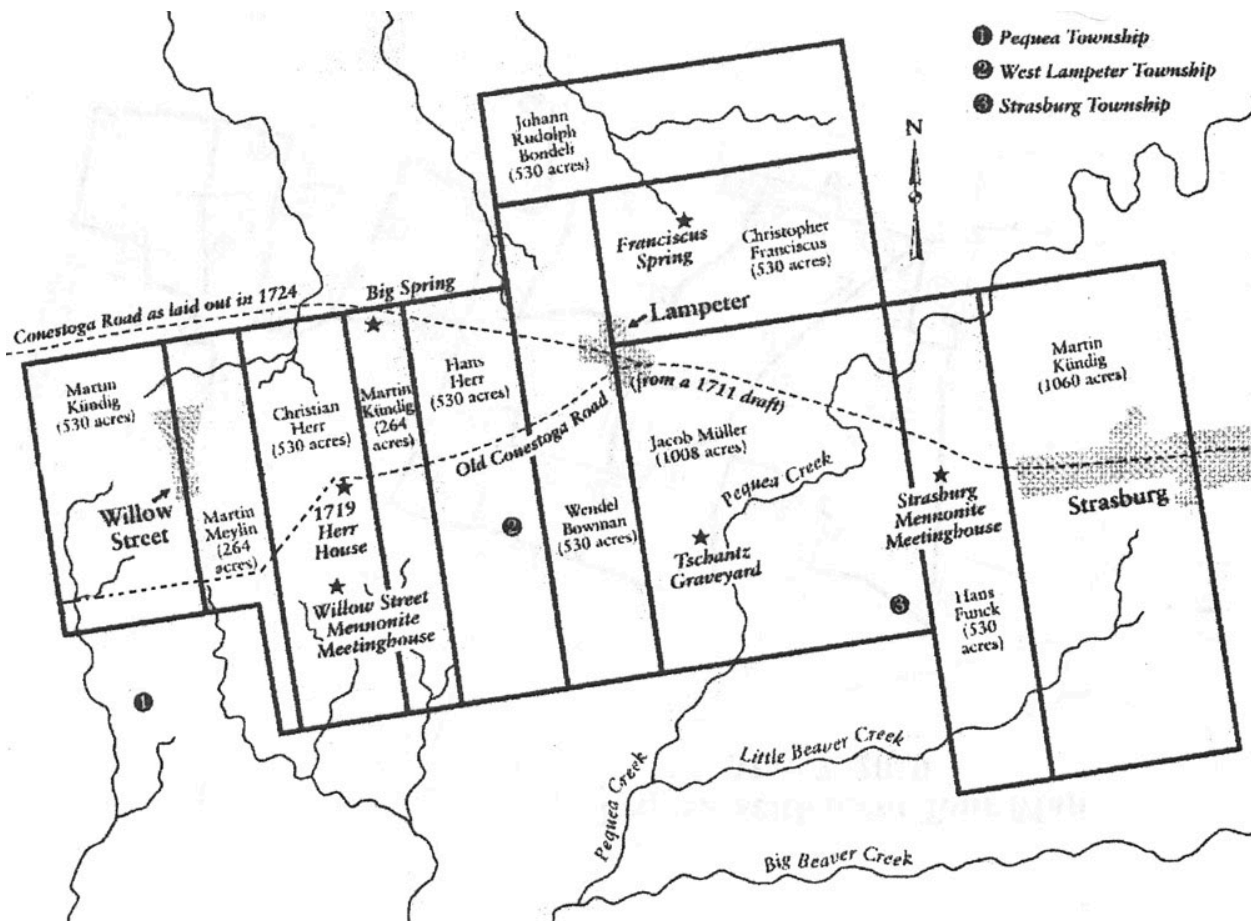
THE PEQUEA SURVEY OF 1711
 near the village of Lancaster.

In 1710, Wendel Bowman built himself a log cabin. It was torn down in 1874. An article about this old house and its picture appeared in the Lancaster "New Era" on March 6, 1930.

1710 Sep 23: A group of 29 Mennonite immigrant families arrive in [Philadelphia](#) on the ship *Mary Hope* (1 pp162-176) and settle along Pequea Creek. (3,4)

1. Martin Kendig
2. John Funk
3. Jacob Miller
4. Christopher Franciscus
5. [Johann Rudolph Bondeli](#)
6. **Wendel Bauman**. “(Wendel Bowman 530 acres)”
7. John Herr, Jr.
8. Martin Kendig
9. Christian Herr
10. [Martin Meylin](#)
11. Martin Kendig

This is the first group of Mennonites to settle in what later would become [Lancaster Co., PA](#). The [settlers of 1712](#) will follow.



BAUMAN/BOWMAN

ANCESTRAL

MIGRATIONS FROM AMERICA TO

ONTARIO CANADA- 1800 TO 1900

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THE BAUMAN/BOWMAN ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS

FROM PENNSYLVANIA USA TO ONTARIO

GENERATIONS 14 -22 *1800 to 2022*

STORIES OF MY ANCESTORS CONTINUED

*Generation 14 - JOSEPH Huber) BAUMAN
& HENRY Huber BOWMAN*

*Generation 15 - WENDEL Hoffman BAUMAN
& LEVI Mosser BOWMAN*

*Generation 16 - MENNO Snyder BAUMAN
& DANIEL Burkhart BOWMAN*

*Generation 17 - ABRAHAM Martin BAUMAN
& LEVI Brubacher BOWMAN*

*Generation 18 - WALTER Wesley BAUMAN
& EVELYN BOWMAN*

Generation 19 - CLARE Bowman BAUMAN

GENERATIONS ARE NUMBERED FROM #1 JULIUS BUMAN 1369-1425

The Lancaster Area Mennonites received word that there was some wonderful farming land opportunities in Ontario Canada. **In 1819 - Joseph Huber Bauman** (my 3rd GGrandfather), was one of the first of my Mennonite ancestors to migrate to Ontario. He probably settled in the Bridgeport/St. Jacobs area. His son Wendel (my GG Grandfather) had a farm 2 mi. south of Elmira

The "Martin's Meeting House" in north Waterloo built in 1848, was long the centre of the large Mennonite settlement in Woolwich Township, north of Waterloo Township. It was named "Martin's" because the site of four acres was on the farm of pioneer Peter Martin and had been reserved by Henry Martin in 1824 for the purpose of a meetinghouse and burial grounds. The meetinghouse was long the only one north of Waterloo and served all the Mennonites in Woolwich Township.

***THE FIRST SETTLER IN WATERLOO TOWNSHIP
ONTARIO CANADA***

Generation #14 -

see chart "My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree"

"The Bauman Family History" book Reference - #3 Joseph H Bauman & #1581 Henry H Bowman

BAUMAN

Joseph Huber Bauman - My 3rd GGrandfather on the Bauman Side

Father: Wendel Oberholzer Bauman

Born: 1796 Mar 8 in Pennsylvania

Died: 1864 Dec 21 in Ontario Canada

1st Wife: Anna Cressman Shantz who died in 1822, 13 months after they were married. They had 8 children.

Children: **Wendel**, Barbara, Eli, Isaac, George, Martin, Elizabeth, Mary Ann

2nd Wife: Elizabeth Hoffman, Married February 1828, No Children

First Bauman to emigrate to Canada

Joseph came to Ontario in 1819 and settled in Waterloo County (as it is known today) and worked for Abraham Erb making flour barrels. He moved to a wooded area where he had to clear some land. Tradition has it that Elizabeth would go out where the men were burning "loggings" not far from the buildings, to bake her bread in a covered iron box or kettle set into the live coals. It was on one of these occasions when she returned to get the bread that she discovered it had already been called for by a wolf, who had scented and claimed it as his prize. They also had to secure their sheep in closed pens for the night against roaming wolves were ever on the watch for such prey. Their howling at night was a familiar sound in those days. It is said that old Joseph sometimes fired a gun to scare them away when he knew they were sneaking around the building"

Source: *The Bauman Family History Book.*

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Mabel Dunham - Trail of The Conestoga

THE FIRST SETTLER IN WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP ONTARIO CANADA

Generation #14 -

see chart "My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree"

"The Bauman Family History" book Reference - #3 Joseph H Bauman & #1581 Henry H Bowman



Surviving Ex-Pupils of the First School in Waterloo.

(Built, 1820—Vacated, October, 1842.)

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. George Elbert. | 6. Simon Beatty. | 11. Mrs. Abram Erb. | 16. Isaac Devitt. | 21. Richard Quickfall. |
| 2. Isaac Hoffman. | 7. Joel Good. | 12. Mrs. Richard McMahon. | 17. John C. Bricker. | 22. Amos Weaver. |
| 3. George H. Baumann. | 8. Henry Stauffer. | 13. David B. Eby. | 18. Mrs. Dan'l Burkholder. | 23. John Devitt. |
| 4. Wendell Baumann. | 9. Jacob Bricker. | 14. Benjamin Burkholder. | 19. Robert Barkwell. | 24. John Longman. |
| 5. Abraham Sherk. | 10. Israel D. Bowman. | 15. Jacob Ratz. | 20. Thomas Quickfall. | 25. Benjamin Devitt. |

BOWMAN

Henry Huber Bowman - ***My 3rd GGrandfather on the Bowman side***

Father: Christian Bauman

Born: 1789 Dec 17 in Pennsylvania

Died: 1866 May 14 in Ontario Canada

Wife: Maria Mosser

Children: Levi, 6 more

Henry Huber BOWMAN, son of Christian Baumann, and grandson of Jacob Baumann who was the fourth son of old Wendell S. Baumann, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, December 17th, 1789. He was married in 1815 to Maria Mosser, who was born February 6th, 1795, and died August 17th, 1868.

First Bowman to emigrate to Canada

They moved to **Canada** in 1825, and came to **Waterloo County** (as it is known today) some time in **May**. Their first place of settlement was on the "Bleam Tract" near German Mills. From there they moved to Daniel Good's, near the Martin Mennonite Meeting House, on the north edge of the present City of Waterloo. While here he purchased lot No. 13, German Company's Tract, **Woolwich Township**. This lot is situated about one mile east of Heidelberg. After a small clearing had been made on the place and a log dwelling erected thereon, they moved there in 1827 where they resided until their deaths. He died May 14th, 1866. They had a family of seven children.

Source: *The Bauman Family History*.

The descendants adopted “Bowman” instead of Bauman.

see Wendell Bauman(n) #4 above

Generation #15 - Clare's 2nd great grandfathers

see chart “My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree”

“*The Bauman Family History*” book Reference - #11 Wendel H Bauman & #1582 Levi M Bowman

Bauman

Wendel Hoffman Bauman(n) My 2nd GGrandfather on the Bauman Side

- son of Joseph H Bauman

Born: 1829 Aug 29

Died: 1909 Apr 24

Wife: Magdalena Bauman Snyder - 1850 Oct 5

Born: 1827 Jan 21, Died 1893 Sept 29

Children: **Menno**, Mary, Joseph, Menno, Noah, Magdalena, Absalom, Wendel, Susannah, Judith

They were farmers 2 miles south of Elmira. His boyhood days were spent on his father's farm three miles north of the town of Waterloo. On March 5th, 1850, they moved to a farm, composed of Lot 85 German Company's Tract of the Township of Woolwich, about two miles north of St. Jacobs

Bowman

Levi Mosser Bowman My 2nd GGrandfather on the Bowman Side

- son of Henry H Bowman

Born: 1816 Feb 24

Died: 1894 Sept 20, Buried in Old Conestoga Cemetary near the Three Bridges

Wife: Magdalena Good Burkhart

Children: **Daniel**, Henry, Peter and 9 more

Resided about 2 NE of Heidelberg

Levi, the eldest son of Henry H Bowman was born in Lancaster County Pennsylvania. He came to Canada with his parents when nine years of age. They resided in the Township of Woolwich about two miles north-east of Heidelberg. This is known as the Bowman Homestead - road west of Wagner's



Corners, 1st road right, then 1.5 mi. north, 2nd farm on right.

Source: generations.regionofwaterloo.ca

Generation #16 - Clare's 1st great grandfathers

see chart "My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree"

"The Bauman Family History" book Reference - #55 Menno S Bauman & #1583 Daniel Bowman

BAUMAN

Menno Schneider Bauman Clare's 1st GGrandfather on the Bauman Side

- son of **Wendel H Bauman**

Born: 1856 Mar 19 - on a farm in the NW corner of Church St
E & Northfield Dr E in Woolwich Twp

Died; 1920 Jan 5

Wife: Susannah Shantz Martin

Born: Apr 11 1857, Died: Mar 17 1936

Buried: North Woolwich Meeting House

Children: **Abraham**, Selina, Emmanuel, Veronica,

Occupation: Farmer - Township of Woolwich near Floradale

BOWMAN

Daniel Burkhart Bowman Clare's 1st GGrandfather on the Bowman Side

- son of **Levi M Bowman**

Born: 1840 Apr 6, Woolwich Twp., Waterloo County

Died 1909 Jan 30,

Wife: Magdalena Martin Brubacher

Born: Mar 15 1844, Died: Mar 25 1916

Buried: North Woolwich Meeting House

Children: **Levi**, Noah, Catharine, Lovina, Enos, Addison

Resided on Lot #99 German Company Tract Woolwich Twp

See - More on **Daniel Burkhart Bowman** in "PART SIX - MY BOWMAN GRANDPARENTS - LEVI & ELIZABETH (NEUERT) BOWMAN STORY"

Local News Paper

Daniel B. Baumann, the eldest son of Levi Baumann, was born in Woolwich Township, Waterloo County, April 6th, 1840. On March 24th, 1863, he was married to Magdalena, daughter of John W. and Catharine (Martin) Brubacher. She was born March 15th, 1844. They reside near Floradale on part of lot No. 99 German Company's Tract, Woolwich Township. He was a farmer on land about 1.5 miles NE of Floradale, on what

is now Sandy Hills Rd. In 1872 Daniel sold 1.5 acres of land to the Mennonite Society for the site of a meeting house and burial ground, where he and Magdalena were eventually buried.

The farm was eventually owned by his son Levi, and where Levi and Elizabeth raised their children. Their youngest daughter Evelyn (Clare's mother) was born on that farm. There is more to the story of Levi & Elizabeth in Book 201 - "MY LEVI & ELIZABETH BOWMAN - MY BOWMAN GRANDPARENTS". In the 1850s another movement called Mennonite Brethren in Christ, or United Missionary was started and a congregation in Floradale which came out of the church "division" in 1889. Eventually this congregation was called the Floradale Evangelical United Brethren - EUB for short. There is more in chapter 6 "MY ANCESTRAL OLD ORDER MENNONITE SETTLEMENTS IN WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP ONTARIO"

Daniel B Bowman (my GGrandfather) stayed with the "original Old Order" Mennonites who bought the first evangelical church and moved it north to where the Old Order Meeting House now stands at the corner of Sandy Hills Rd and Floradale Rd. Daniel Bowman owned a farm at 876 Sandy Hills Rd and had donated the land for the church. Daniel and his wife Magdalena are buried in the cemetery at this church. Daniel's son Levi owned this same farm in due time.

Generation #17 - Clare's Grandfathers

see chart "My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree"

"The Bauman Family History" book Reference #91 Abraham M Bauman & #1597 Levi B Bowman

BAUMAN

Abraham Martin Bauman - son of Menno S Bauman (1856-1920)

Born: 1885 Feb 19,

Died: 1973 May 13

Wife: Lydia Ann Shoemaker

Born: 1888 November 23 Died: 1976 January 28

Buried: Floradale Mennonite Church

Children: Walter (Clare's father), Edward, Earl

MORE IN Part 4 - "THE ABRAHAM & LYDIA ANN (SHOEMAKER) BAUMAN STORY

BOWMAN

Levi Brubacher Bowman - son of Daniel Burkhart Bowman (1840-1909)

Born: 1879 January 15

Died: May 6 1946

Wife: Elizabeth Neuert,

Born: 1879 July 28, Died: 1949 March 3

Buried: Conservative Mennonite Cemetary at North Woolwich

Children: Evelyn (Clare's mother), and 11 more

MORE IN PART 5 - "THE LEVI & ELIZABETH (NEUERT) BOWMAN STORY "

Generation #18 - Clare's Parents

see chart "My Bauman/Bowman Family Tree"

BAUMAN

Walter Wesley Bauman - son of Abraham Martin Bauman - above
My Father

BOWMAN

Evelyn Bowman - daughter of Levi Bowman - Above
My Mother

MORE IN "THE WALTER BAUMAN & EVELYN (BOWMAN) STORY"

Generation #19

BAUMAN -

Clare Bauman

Wife - Janet Playford

MORE IN "THE CLARE & JANET (PLAYFORD) STORY"

Generation #20

BAUMAN

Jay Clare Playford Bauman

GENERATION #21

BAUMAN

Jacqui Ann Bauman

GENERATION #22

KING (BAUMAN)

Lincoln King

Source: Clare Bauman

There is more in Chapter 6 – "THE FIRST SETTLERS IN WOOLWICH & WATERLOO TOWNSHIPS ONTARIO CANADA"

TRAVELING FROM LANCASTER PENNSYLVANIA TO WATERLOO ONTARIO CANADA BY CONESTOGA WAGON

In the course of time, land for the children of farmers became more and more scarce in Pennsylvania and it was found necessary to seek land elsewhere in more thinly populated places. They heard of those lands in a country to the north where they could settle and establish new homes just like their forefathers did. They have always had the extraordinary fortune to select the very best part of the country in which to settle in. Eventually Pennsylvania became so populous that it was impossible to obtain land at home, so some families decided to emigrate north to Canada where there were excellent tracts of land for farming purposes.

In 1801 David Gingrich decided to bring his family and belongings from Pennsylvania to **Waterloo County**. He brought one wagon with five horses attached to it (two horses to ride), twelve head of cattle and as many sheep. ***It took them five weeks to come as far as Dundas*** (near Hamilton) from Pennsylvania, and one more week to go from there through the fearful almost impassable **Beverley Swamp** to Waterloo. *For some, it took upwards to ten weeks to travel from Montgomery County in Pennsylvania to Waterloo*, including a two week stop-over on the “mountain” while the men worked on a road through **the Beverley Swamp**.

How these pioneers crossed the Niagara River is not clear, but it is thought that at one location the river was shallow enough to cross. There is also the belief that they used a “scow” to transport wagons and animals across the river. At that time the nearest store was in **Dundas**, a distance of 25 miles from **Waterloo** with the **Beverley Swamp** in between. The hardships of these early pioneers were very great. It is stated that even the peelings of potatoes had to be saved to plant in the spring of 1802.

Many emigrants travelled in trains of nine teams, two to them having four horses. All the wagons were covered. They were often obliged to stay in the woods over night while on their journey. They were prepared to protect themselves against all kinds of weather as they had in addition to their covered wagons, movable tents which rendered the most useful and valuable service. They also brought a number of cows with them which supplied the company with milk while on their way.

We find that in 1798 the pioneers crossed the border and formed settlements near the **Niagara** while others passed on to **York County**, along Yonge Street, north of Toronto. Being dissatisfied with these sections as permanent places of location, they pressed onward with a desire to discover and located upon **the bank of a fine river** of which they had heard as traversing this region. No white settlers had as yet penetrated the depths of these forests, but a few traders in furs had established themselves in temporary quarters at intervals throughout that part of the wilderness bordering on civilization; and of these, three located temporarily on the banks of the **Grand River**, within the County of Waterloo.

The covered wagon made **8 to 20 miles per day** depending upon weather, “roadway” conditions and the health of the travellers. It could take up to six months or longer to reach their destination. Men would ride ahead on horses with shovels to clear out a path, if needed.

Some pioneers did sleep in their wagons. Some camped on the ground, either in the open or sheltered under the wagon. Many used canvas tents. Despite the romantic depictions of the covered wagon in movies and on television, it would not have been very comfortable to travel in or sleep in the wagon.

People didn't ride in the wagons often, because **they didn't want to wear out their animals.** Instead they walked alongside them, getting just as dusty as the animals. The long journey was hard on both people and animals. It was even hard on the wagons, which usually had to be repaired several times during the trip.

The wagons had a high centre of gravity which made them prone to tipping over. Conestoga wagons were worse. The size and heaviness of them made them more unstable on the trail. They were designed for hauling heavy loads as much as six tons over rough roads. Each wagon was handcrafted from wood (including oak and poplar)

TRAVELLING FROM LANCASTER PENNSYLVANIA USA TO WATERLOO ONTARIO CANADA IN 2022 COMPARISON - 1700'S - 2022

Total Distance from Lancaster Pennsylvania
to Waterloo Ontario - 500 miles - 700 km

Drive Time (by car) - 7-8 hours in 2022 straight driving time
This is assuming that this is travelling with no stops or slow downs.

By Covered Wagon - 8 miles/day = 54 days = 8 weeks = 2 months

Sources: Mabel Dunham - "Trail of The Conestoga"

Various Internet Sites

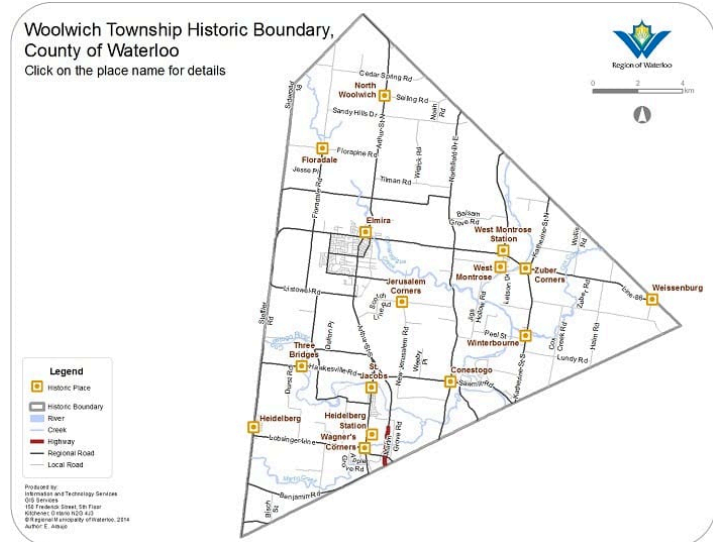
THE FIRST SETTLERS IN WOOLWICH & WATERLOO TOWNSHIPS ONTARIO CANADA

see *MY BAUMAN BOWMAN FAMILY TREE*

The Bauman's and Bowmans came from Pennsylvania to Ontario and settled in what was known in the early **1800s** as **the Woolwich tract** — named **“Woolwich”** after one of the government surveyors. The land (tract) - 86,048 acres was originally purchased from the Six Nations Indian Confederacy by a William Wallace in February 1798, for the sum of 16,346 Pounds which apparently he never paid or paid in full.

Seven years later Wallace was approached by Benjamin Eby from Pennsylvania, if he would sell the land because he really liked what he saw. Eby promised to form another company, bring a barrel full of silver dollars, and a whole group of prospective settlers, such as Musselman's, Martin's, Hoffman's, Gingrich's, and Bauman's. He kept his promise — a company was formed and the settlers came and brought with them a barrel of silver dollars. Wallace sold the “Eby” company 48,185 acres for a dollar an acre. Eby paid the entire amount to the Indian Trustees on May 1, 1807. The settlers came, tilled their farms, built villages and did well in this area.

However 50 years later the son of William Wallace claimed that his father (who was dead by this time) never signed the deed given to the Mennonites and therefor the transfer of the land was illegal, and basically wanted to reclaim the land from the Mennonites. In the court case that ensued the **Woolwich Mennonites** were able to prove that they had paid money to the Indian Trustees and that William Wallace was only an agent. Also John Wallace (the son) could not prove that his father had not defected to the American side in 1812, and he could not explain why he waited 50 years to claim ownership to the tract. The jury decided in favour of the Woolwich Mennonites and later the Canadian Government passed an act confirming the land owners of the Woolwich lands that they had the rightful possession.



The first to Waterloo Township

were Joseph Sherk and Samuel Betzner, who came here in 1800 from Franklin County Pennsylvania. In the years following came the Bechtels, Beans, Kinseys, Clemens, Shupes, Livergoods and Sararas. Then came the Baumanns, Ebys, Erbs, Snyders, Webers and later the Martins, Hallmans, Groffs, Detweilers, Shoemakers, Kolb, Clemens, etc.

The first Bauman to emigrate to Canada in 1819 was **Joseph Huber Bauman** (my 3rd Great Bauman Grandfather). who worked for Abraham Erb in Breslau making flour barrels.

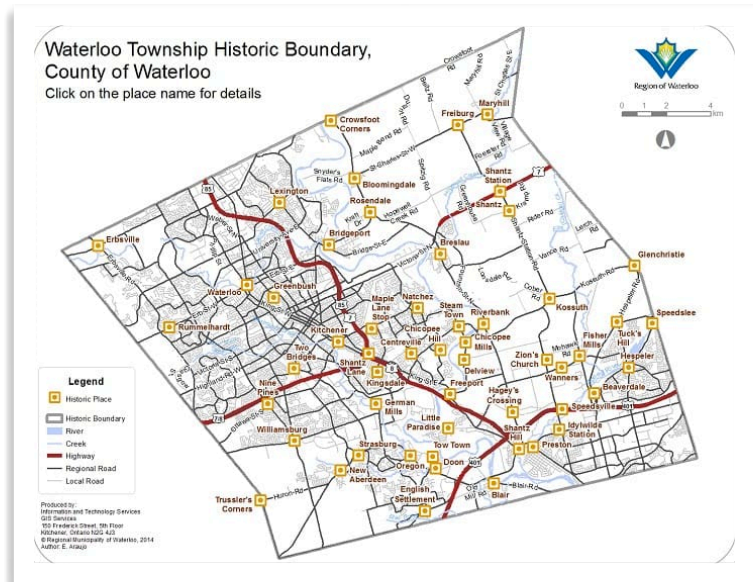
The first Bowman to emigrate to Canada was **Henry Huber Bowman** (my 3rd Great Bowman Grandfather) who settled as a farmer near German Mills between Waterloo and Heidelberg in 1825.

The first Shoemaker to emigrate to Canada was **Jacob S. Shoemaker** (my 5th Great Shoemaker Grandfather) who settled in the Bridgeport area of Waterloo Township in 1829. See - "The First Settler in Woolwich Township Ontario Canada."

The Lutheran Immigrants came from Germany. It is very possible that my Grandmother Lydia Ann's mother Lydia Brox was raised as a Lutheran because my GGGrandfather Jacob Brox was a Lutheran who had come to Ontario from Germany sometime **before 1849** - date unknown. Jacob & wife Catharine Brox are buried in the St James Lutheran Cemetary in Elmira Ontario, and to my knowledge only Lutherans are buried there.

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Ezra Eby's Introduction to a Biographical History of Waterloo Township



THIS IS :- MY/OUR MENNONITE ANCESTRAL HERITAGE
Clare Bauman

1369 - My 16th GGrandfather Julius Buman was born in Switzerland

**1700 - My 7th GGrandfather Hans Rudolf Baumann was an
Anabaptist (Mennonite) who moved his family to Holland
to enjoy religious freedom.**

**1707 - My 6th GGrandfather Wendell S Bauman arrived in Philadelphia
after 2 months at sea. - Mennonite**

***Trekking west of Philadelphia to present day Lancaster
Pennsylvania***

***From 1700 to 1800, for some 3 generations my ancestors
settled and homesteaded in the Lancaster part of
Pennsylvania USA***

The beginning of My “Mennonite Heritage”.

**1724 - My 5th GGrandparents - Mennonite
Christian H Baumann
Jacob H Baumann**

**1758 - My 4th GGrandparents - Mennonite
Wendel O Bauman
Christian Bauman**

1784, in recognition of their war efforts, the Six Nations Indians were
granted a large tract of land. It ran the full length of the Grand
River and extended for six miles on each side of the river

1798, three blocks of this tract of land had been sold, and in 1816 they
became Waterloo, Woolwich and Dumfries Townships.

***Migration North to Ontario Canada in present day
Waterloo and Woolwich Townships***

1816 - The "Woolwich Tract" was formed, including Waterloo and Dumfries Townships

**MY ANCESTRAL OLD ORDER MENNONITE SETTLEMENTS
IN WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP ONTARIO CANADA**

see My *BAUMAN BOWMAN FAMILY TREE*

1800 to 1900

For some 3 generations my ancestors settled and homesteaded in the Lancaster part of Pennsylvania. Eventually they received word that there was some wonderful farming land opportunities up north in Ontario Canada.

These people were part of the "Mennonite" movement which had started in Europe under the teachings of Menno Simons which they brought with them to America and then Canada. They stayed firmly in what they believed, refusing to embrace other "beliefs" that came their way. I'm calling these people — "**Old Order Mennonites**," "Old Order" defined as believing whole heartedly the basic meanings of the Scriptures in the Holy Bible as taught by Menno Simons.

1819, My 3G Grandfather Joseph Uber Bauman, an "Old Order Mennonite," was the first of my ancestors to migrate to Ontario. Joseph and wife Elizabeth are buried in the Martin Mennonite Meeting House Cemetery King St North Waterloo Ontario.

1825 - my 3G Grandfather Henry H Bowman (Old Order Mennonite)
Migrated to Waterloo County and settled near Heidelberg

1850's - my GGrandfather Menno S Bauman,
(Old Order Mennonite)
Settled near present day Elmira and Floradale.

**1830's - my 2G Grandfathers Wendel H Bauman, and,
Levi M Bowman.**

(Old Order Mennonites),

Settled near present day St Jacobs and Heidleberg

Some “*Old Order Mennonites*” settled in the North Woolwich and Floradale Ontario District. One of those settlers was *Daniel B. Bowman* my GGrandfather, along with his brothers Henry and Peter. From 1857 to 1867 these Mennonites held services every 8 weeks or so in someone’s home, the first in the home of a Deacon about 1.5 miles north of Floradale. This became known as the “Old Order Mennonite” church in the Woolwich Floradale area. They refused to change from their “*Menno Simons*” spiritual beliefs in humility, simple appearance and language.

1850’s - my GGrandfather Menno S Bauman -

(Old Order Mennonite) Settled near present day Elmira and Floradale.

In the 1850s - Several new church movements came into Ontario from the USA, — “Brethren in Christ, Evangelical United Brethren, United Missionary,” Mennonite Brethren, etc., bringing with them different ways of doing “church,” such as needs for personal salvation, Sunday Schools, missions, English language , etc.

Some of their people did embrace one or more of these movements. These people eventually became known as the “New Order Mennonites” or “Evangelical New Order, or herein as “Evangelicals”.

In 1857 - these “***Evangelicals***” built a frame church on a piece of land, having the current address of 2456 Floradale Rd. - about 1/2 mile north of Floradale. A cemetery was associated with this church in the south west corner of the property and in **1946** the school trustees received approval to level the cemetery, taking one tombstone to the Elmira Mennonite Cemetery as a memorial and grading over the rest. There are no known records (that I could find) of who was buried in this cemetery. There are some reports that this church was a “church for all denominations”. If that was so, then it could be assumed that the “***Old Order Mennonites***” - “the horse & buggy variety”, as we know them today, did use this church for at least some of their services, however they were also known to stay to tradition and worship in homes.

In 1865 - a single room school was built beside the church. The fence along the road at the end of the school ball diamond, which exists to this day, consisted of cedar posts & 2 steel pipes between them where I believe they tied up their horses. This school was discontinued in 1967 when a new school was built in Floradale.

It is possible that **my GGrandfather Menno Bauman** may have attended the same Public School that I attended. Menno Bauman would have been 9 years old when the school was built. I don't think that Susannah attended this school because her parents Elias & Susannah Martin lived on a farm near the Martin Mennonite Meeting House north of Waterloo. This raises the question of how and when did Menno and Susannah find each other to court and marry each other. I leave that for another imagination.

In 1868 the **Old Order Mennonites** and the **"Evangelicals"** agreed to part ways. The Old Orders bought the church and in 1872 moved the church building north to the intersection of Floradale Rd and Sandy Hills Rd., to the spot where the current white North Woolwich Meeting House now stands.

My GGrandfather Daniel B. Bowman (on my Bowman side), who remained an Old Order Mennonite, sold 1.5 acres of his farm at the intersection of these two roads for this church and the adjacent cemetery, which exist there today. There is more on Daniel B Bowman in *THE BAUMAN/BOWMAN ANCESTRAL MIGRATIONS FROM PENNSYLVANIA USA TO ONTARIO GENERATIONS 14-22*

In the early 1870s, a second **"evangelical movement"** sprang up from the influence of the Brethren in Christ and United Missionary movements that had migrated into Ontario. Some of the New Order Mennonites embraced the Brethren and Missionary movement, and became part of the Evangelical United Brethren (EUB) Church of Canada and the US. The Floradale EUB church came to being out of this movement. This was my church where I attended in my youth.

It is very possible that **my GGGrandfather Wendel H. Bauman** might have joined this movement. Wendel died in 1909. He and wife Magdalena are buried in the Elmira Mennonite Cemetery.

***This Became "The New Order Mennonites" or Mennonite Brethren
Abram & Lydia Bauman joined this movement
Worshipped in Floradale, blacksmith shop, homes***

My GGrandfather Menno S Bauman remained Mennonite
his son - Abraham Martin Bauman - Mennonite
his son - Walter Wesley Bauman - Evangelical
his great great grandson, Clare - Evangelical

My GGrandfather Menno Bauman died in 1920. He and wife Susannah are buried in the North Woolwich Meeting House Cemetery. In those days Old Order Mennonites were buried in that cemetery because there was no other Mennonite Cemetery in Floradale. It is very possible that Menno & Susannah raised their family *Old Order Mennonite*. That being true, my **Grandfather Abram** would have been Old Order Mennonite for a portion of his life at least. At some point in time his parents Menno and Susannah changed affiliation to **New Order Mennonites**.

Abram and Lydia Ann remained New Order Mennonite/Evangelical for the rest of their lives. Their children Walter, Edward and Earl were raised as New Order Mennonites/Evangelicals

In 1874 an additional 2nd room on school was added.

In 1872-75 - More people moved away from the Old Order and Evangelicals to the Mennonite Brethren. In 1875 Mennonite (Old Order) Deacon William Hembling affiliates with the Mennonite Brethren in Christ Church in the United States and his followers became known as **Mennonite Brethren Mennonites**.

In 1872-1890s — These **Mennonite Brethren Mennonites** worshipped in various homes for about two years. Then they moved their services to Floradale and worshiped in the upstairs of Charles Bergman's blacksmith shop, later owned by Jonathon Martin and then Fred Mueller. Eventually they worshiped every other Sunday in the Evangelical United Brethren church (EUB) built in 1895.

In the 1890s there was a division between these **Mennonites** because some families felt that this movement was abandoning the traditional "Old Order" and leaning too much to the Evangelical Brethren movement. They set themselves apart from the directions that their outside world was taking and offering, but more and more of their people were seeing and embracing the conveniences and opportunities that were being developed and made available. These people held all their services in homes.

In 1895 - *The Floradale Evangelical United Brethren Church* was built as an offspring of this movement. **My grandparents Levi & Elizabeth Bowman** joined this church. The Floradale EUB church was my church where I attended in my youth.

From 1884-1896 a small group of the more “progressive” New Order Mennonites in the Floradale area organized worship meetings in their homes, and for two years, they used the local Evangelical Church in Floradale on alternate Sundays. In 1896 the New Order Mennonites bought land from Sam Weber near where the first original church was located and built a white brick church in a field between what we knew as the Musselman farm (2424 Floradale Rd) and the school property (2456 Floradale Rd.) where we attended school. That same year they also ordained a minister, Abram B. Gingrich, and a deacon, Silas Bauman.

1936 - In 1936 these Mennonites built a new church on the east of Floradale on Florapine Rd. This property was purchased from J.B.Snyder for \$300, half of which Mr. Snyder donated to the building fund for the new church. **Benjamin Shoemaker**, my GGrandfather was a charter member.

Among the 10 charter members of this congregation were **George Shoemaker, my GGrandfather** who would have been 55 at the time, **and Benjamin Shoemaker My GGrandfather**. Joseph Shoemaker (George’s son) was also a charter member. I can only assume that Benjamin Shoemaker’s daughter Lydia Ann, her husband Abraham Bauman and their family Walter, Edward & Earl attended this “white” church. Uncle Earl remembers attending this church. This church remained in use by “these” Mennonites.

That same year they also ordained a minister, Abram B. Gingrich, and a deacon, Silas Bauman. This became known as the Floradale Mennonite Church, organized in 1936. The early records of this church show that among the charter members of this church were George Shoemaker - Lydia Ann’s Grandfather, and also Benjamin Shoemaker her father. Abram was born in 1885, and Lydia Ann was born in 1888. Abram’s father Menno would have been 32 years old. It is very possible that Menno & Susannah Bauman had joined this New Mennonite movement, and hence Abram and Lydia Ann went to the same church. Abram’s cousin Silas Bauman was also a charter member of this church. Silas was the son of Martin Bauman who was the son of Joseph Bauman who was Abram’s GGrandfather.

Levi Bowman and his wife Elizabeth and family adhered to the Evangelical Movement which had formed a congregation in Floradale. Levi Bowman was the son of Daniel Bowman.

In 1967 this school was discontinued as a school and a new school was built in Floradale. The original school building still stands to this day and is used as a private residence.

2006 - a new Floradale Mennonite church was constructed immediately to the rear of the existing church and the former church building was demolished after the new church is built.

1990's

1935 to 1936 - Mennonites built new church in Floradale

1935 - final worship in "white" church

1936 - Mennonites move to new church

1968 - Sept 22, the Floradale Evangelical Church closed its doors

1968 - Nov 1, the Floradale EUB building/property sold to Alvin Beisel

My GGrandfather Daniel B Bowman remained Old Order

his son - Levi Brubacher Bowman became

Floradale Evangelical Church

Lev's daughter Evelyn Bowman (my mother)

Floradale Evangelical Church

Evelyn's son - Clare Bauman - evangelical

Floradale Evangelical Church

My GGrandfather Menno S Bauman - Daniel's 1st cousin

his son - Abraham Martin Bowman became

"new order" mennonite

Abraham's son - Walter Wesley Bauman - evangelical

(my father)

Walter's son - Clare Bauman - evangelical

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KENNETH, DAVID & JAMES (JIM)**

***WHICH IS A TESTAMENT TO THE FAITH OF OUR MOTHER
Evelyn (Bowman) Bauman***

Clare Bauman 2022

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THIS IS :- MY/OUR MENNONITE ANCESTRAL HERITAGE
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1369 - My 16th GGrandfather *Julius Buman was born in Switzerland*

1700 - My 7th GGrandfather Hans Rudolf Baumann was an Anabaptist (**Mennonite**) who *moved his family to Holland to enjoy religious freedom.*

1707 - My 6th GGrandfather Wendell S Bauman arrived in Philadelphia after 2 months at sea. - **Mennonite**

Treked west of Philadelphia to present day Lancaster Pennsylvania

From 1700 to 1800, for some 3 generations my ancestors settled and homesteaded in the Lancaster part of Pennsylvania USA

The beginning of My “Mennonite Heritage”.

1724 - My 5th GGrandparents - Mennonite
Christian H Baumann
Jacob H Baumann

1758 - My 4th GGrandparents - Mennonite
Wendel O Bauman
Christian Bauman

1784, in recognition of their war efforts, the Six Nations Indians were granted a large tract of land. It ran the full length of the Grand River and extended for six miles on each side.

1798, *three blocks of this tract of land had been sold*, and in **1816** they became Waterloo, Woolwich and Dumfries Townships.

***Migration North to Ontario Canada in present day
Waterloo and Woolwich Townships***

1816 - The “Woolwich Tract” was formed, including Waterloo and Dumfries Townships

1819 - *My 3G Grandfather Joseph H Bauman (Mennonite)* migrated to Ontario. He and his wife are buried in the Martin’s Meeting House Cemetary in north Waterloo.

1825 - *My 3G Grandfather Henry H Bowman (Mennonite)* Migrated to Waterloo County and settled near Heidelberg

1830’s - *My 2G Grandfathers Wendel H Bauman, and, Levi M Bowman. (Mennonites)*
Settled near present day St Jacobs and Heidelberg

1850’s - *My GGrandfather Menno S Bauman*, settled near present day Elmira and Floradale. (Mennonite)

1850s - church movements came to Ontario from the USA
- brought different spiritual interpretations, beliefs
- brought “*Evangelical*” movements into Ontario
- Some *Mennonites* refused to change their spiritual beliefs

1850s - Some became “New Order Mennonite” or “*Evangelicals*”
Some remained “Old Order Mennonite” or “Mennonite”

1850s - *My GGrandfather Daniel B Bowman* settled in Woolwich north of Floradale - Mennonite

1857 - *Evangelicals*” build a frame church north of Floradale
Mennonites used this church as well
- church became known a “church for all denominations”

- Cemetary started at that location

1865 - **Evangelicals** build *Single* room school beside church

1868 - **Mennonites** part ways with **Evangelicals** in use of church.

Mennonites buy church building from **Evangelicals** and move it up the road to the intersection of Sand Hills Rd and Floradale Rd., to 1.5 acres bought from **Daniel B Bowman**.

Daniel B BOWMAN (my GGrandfather) remained Mennonite

his son - Levi Brubacher Bowman became **Evangelical**

his grand daughter, Evelyn Bowman - **Evangelical**

his great great grandson, Clare - **Evangelical**

1870's - a second "Brethren" movement came from the USA

My GGrandfather **Wendel H Bauman** joined this movement

Became "New Order Mennonites" - Mennonite Brethren

Abram & Lydia Bauman joined this movement

Worshipped in Floradale, blacksmith shop, homes

My GGrandfather **Menno S BAUMAN** remained Mennonite

his son - Abraham Martin Bauman - Mennonite

his son - Walter Wesley Bauman - **Evangelical**

his great great grandson, Clare - **Evangelical**

1895 - Evangelicals build church in Floradale which became the Floradale **Evangelical** United Brethren Church.

1896 - Mennonites build "white brick church" north of Floradale

1936 - Mennonites build church in Floradale

Benjamin Shoemaker, my GGrandfather, was a charter member of this "Floradale Mennonite Church"

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FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

In the process of collecting and writing these histories I have come to the realization that - I (Clare) am a descendant from some very determined people who hung onto their spiritual beliefs, even at the cost of their livelihood and/or lives. The sacrifice that they made in uprooting and moving to new lands and homesteading where there was nothing but wilderness and bush is almost indescribable. They left everything to find that better land where they could practice their beliefs in safety and not in fear. They went through much determination, hardships, unknowns and uncertainties but they prevailed and it was their trust and faith in God to lead and to provide.

It leads me to think - would I, Clare, be strong enough in my faith, my belief in God to trust Him to lead me, to move on, to start over and to settle into the unknown into a new land, OR a new address, or place, or wherever, because that is what my forefathers did! THAT is the foundation they built for me.

AND FOR YOU

May God help us (the readers) to carry on the FAITH OF OUR FATHERS and trust HIM to stand firm in our/my spiritual beliefs. We have a responsibility to do that, to honour what our ancestors did for us so that we could have the spiritual freedom that we now have and to be able to pass it on to the generations that follow us.

Clare Bauman

***Faith of our fathers, we will love
Both friend and foe in all our strife,
And preach thee, too, as love knows how
By kindly words and virtuous life.***

Faith of our fathers! holy faith!

We will be true to thee till death!

Frederick W. Faber

