Wenzloff Family



he grandparents of Eugene Wenzloff came from Germany. They raised Eugene who was born in Kingston, Michigan January 10, 1918, and was later baptized and confirmed as an adult at St. Lorenz Lutheran Church in Frankenmuth on April 11, 1954.

Lewis Wenzloff was born in northeastern Germany near Stolpe in 1865. He came to the United States at 19 and worked on a farm in Urbana, Illinois. Caroline Spoehrle was born in Wuerttemburg in 1870 and came here in 1892, making her home with an aunt in Bloomington, Illinois. Lewis and Caroline were married in 1896 and moved to Kingston, Michigan in 1910, where they farmed all their lives.

Eugene attended Wayne State University and Michigan State University. He served in the Army during World War II, stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. December 30, 1950, he married Helen Ruth Schultz at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bay City. Eugene and Helen moved to Frankenmuth immediately after their marriage. They had three children: Paul E. Wenzloff, Nancy Jean Lewis, and Warren P. Wenzloff.

Eugene was a Regional Supervisor for the Plant/Industry Division of the Michigan Department of Agriculture. As Regional Supervisor, he worked closely with the United States Department of Agriculture County Extension agents and nurserymen throughout eastern Michigan. He retired from the Michigan Department of Agriculture after 38 years of service. After retiring, Eugene owned Kingston Orchards in Kingston, Michigan.

Eugene was involved with the Boy Scout program for 25 years, serving both the local Boy Scout troops and the district as a District Scouting Commissioner.

Eugene was awarded the Frontier Club "Man of the Year" award for his scouting activities. Eugene died February 15, 2000.

Paul E. was born November 17, 1951. He attended St. Lorenz Lutheran School and Frankenmuth High School, graduating in 1969. Paul graduated from the University of Michigan in 1973 and from Valparaiso School of Law in 1977. Paul is a partner in the law firm of Shaw & Wenzloff, P.C. in Bay City, Michigan. He married Kammy Atkinson on August 20, 1977 and they had two sons, Karl Lewis and Aaron Paul.

Nancy Jean Lewis (nee Wenzloff) was born on January 6, 1956 and attended St. Lorenz Lutheran School and Frankenmuth High School, graduating in 1974. She attended Ferris State University in Big Rapids, graduating as a pharmacist. Nancy subsequently obtained her Doctorate in Pharmacy degree from the University of Michigan in May 1981, and received a Masters in Public Health degree from the University of Michigan in 1986. She married James Lewis of Lansing, Michigan August 21, 1990 and they have a son, James H. Nancy served as the Associate Director of the Center for Medication, Use, Policy, and Economics at the School of Pharmacy at the University of Michigan.

Warren P. was born June 15, 1963. He attended St. Lorenz Lutheran School and Frankenmuth High School, graduating in 1981. In 1985, he graduated from Lyman Briggs College at Michigan State University. Warren subsequently attended Valparaiso University School of Law and graduated in 1988. He is a founding partner in the law firm of Applegate & Thorne-Thompson, P.C. in Chicago, Illinois. August 12, 1988 he married Desta Harrington and they had two children, Spencer and Allison.

