

Wimmer Family



The Wimmer name came to this area through George M. Wimmer, born in Gunzenhausen, Germany on April 23, 1823. George was baptized on May 1, 1823 and confirmed in 1837. He came to America in 1847 and lived in Detroit for three years where he worked as a laborer and handyman.

In 1849, George married Maria Barbara Ortner in Detroit. Maria was also born in Gunzenhausen. In 1850, they moved to Frankenmuth Township where he worked in clearing the land and doing any other work that was available.

In 1856, George and Maria purchased a 20-acre parcel of wooded land approximately two miles north of the Cass River from John L. Roedel for \$50.00. In 1862, they purchased an adjoining 40-acre parcel, partially cleared, from Maria Barbara's brother, John L. Ortner, for the sum of \$600.00. As the years went by they acquired an additional 50 acres, all of which is located at 46855 Dehmel Road and owned by a great-grandson of George Michael Wimmer.

George and Maria Barbara were blessed with four daughters and two sons; however, one daughter and one son died in infancy:

Louise was born in 1853. She married George Adam Bickel.

Eva Maria was born in 1858. She married George Meyerhuber.

John L. Wimmer was born in 1860. She married Sophia Laux.

Johanna (Hannah) was born in 1864. She married George M. Laux.

George and Eva Maria Wimmer Meyerhuber had four sons and two daughters:

Edward Meyerhuber married Minnie Ruff.

Emma Meyerhuber married Henry Mueller.

George Meyerhuber married Milda Reinbold.

John Meyerhuber died in infancy.

William Meyerhuber remained single.

Eleanora Meyerhuber married Arthur Reinhardt.

John L. and Sophia Laux Wimmer had three daughters:

Emma Wimmer married Alfred Hildner.

Laura Wimmer married Wichman Bierlein.

Renata Wimmer married Richard Bierlein.

George and Johanna Wimmer Laux had two sons and one daughter:

William Laux.

Harry Laux married Matilda Rau.

Florence Laux married Herbert Holzhei.

George M. Wimmer died in 1902 and Maria Barbara Ortner Wimmer died in 1879.

George and Maria are both buried in St. Lorenz Cemetery in Frankenmuth, Michigan.



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