

FESTINA CHURCH MEMBER 1857

(Below is from Membership List)

Dress Friederich, wife: Elisabeth, children: Maria 7 Johann 3, Veronica ¼.

Dress Michael, wife: Elisabeth, children: Wilhelm 2 ½, Maria ½.

I will include the 2 Drees families together. They shared a house in the 1856 Iowa Census. They each had their own home in the 1860 Federal Census.

Friederich Drees (1824-1894) b. Oldenburg, Germany. bur. Oldenburg, Franklin, Indiana.

Elisabeth Wesling (1828-1925) b. Oldenburg, Germany. bur. Oldenburg, Indiana.

mar. 1850, Franklin Co., Indiana.

Children:

Maria (1851-?) b. Indiana.

Johann (1854-?) b. Indiana.

Veronica (1857-?) b. Festina, Iowa.

Elisabeth (1859-?) b. Festina, Iowa.

Anthony (1864-?) b. Festina, Iowa.

Friederich & Elisabeth came to Iowa between 1855-1856. It appears they went back to Indiana after 1864. They appear in the 1870 Federal Census there.

Michael Drees (1814-1890) b. Oldenburg. bur. Richmond Twp., Nemaha County, Kansas.

Elisabeth Drier (1828-?) b. Prussia, Germany.

mar. 1846 Dubuque County, Iowa

Children: William (1855-?) b. New Vienna, Dubuque, Iowa.

Mary (1858-?) b. Festina, Winneshiek, Iowa.

John (1859-?) b. Festina, Iowa.

Edward (1861-?) Festina, Iowa.

Henry (1865-?) Festina, Iowa.

Michael & Elisabeth lived in New Vienna, Dubuque, Iowa, in 1855, when William was born.

Michael & Elisabeth came to Festina after this time. They would move to Kansas between 1865 & 1869.

Elisabeth was alive in 1900. She lived at Keuterville, Idaho, Idaho, with her son, Edward.

Compiled by Joe Tillman 11-16-2020.