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James August Moody

James Moody was born on August 12, 1859¹, in Lekvatten, Varmland² in Sweden. He died on 14 July 1947, in Minneapolis, Hennepig County, Minnesota, United States³. His home outside of Augustana was located in 3121 Grand Avenue, Ward 8, Minneapolis, Hennepin, Minnesota⁴.

James (Jöns Pärsson⁵) immigrated to the United States from Sweden in 1864 with his parents Pär Jansson⁶ and Ingeborg Anderstorp Jansson Andersdotter⁷⁸, his brother, Johan August Pärsson⁹ and sister, Inga Maria Pärsson¹⁰. When they immigrated, James's first name changed from Jöns, and his father changed his name from Pär to Peter, while everyone in the family attained the last name Moody. His father was a Swedish farmer¹¹, and they lived in Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States¹². While James was living with his father in Stockholm,

¹ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 9-11 & 16-17, volume bound in *Augustana College Catalogue 1871-1891*, Aug. Inst., LD 271, A6651, C3, 1871-1891; Augustana College, Special Collections, Rock Island, Illinois. All the students in the junior class are listed with birthplaces and year of birth.

² *Augustana College Catalog 1884-1885*, p. 10-12 & 14, volume bound in *Augustana College Catalogue 1871-1891*, Aug. Inst., LD 271, A6651, C3, 1871-1891; Augustana College, Special Collections, Rock Island, Illinois. All the students in the senior class are listed with birthplaces and year of birth.

³ "Minnesota Deaths and Burials, 1835-1990," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/FDX7-X6G> : 4 December 2014), James Moody, 14 Jul 1947; citing Minneapolis, Hennepin County, Minnesota, United States, reference p 22027; FHL microfilm 2,139,211. *FamilySearch* Includes transcription of information.

⁴ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 17.

⁵ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 004. Post 799424. 0531864004 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁶ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 001. Post 799421. 0531864001 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁷ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 002. Post 799422. 0531864002 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁸ "Lekvattnet CI: 2 (1851-1860)" database of images, *ArkivDigital*, "<http://www.arkivdigital.net> : accessed 10 January 2017), image 16/ page 25, AID: v7323.b16s25, NAD: SE/VA/13322, Per Moody, wife Ingeborg Andersdotter, and family in Lekvattnet, Varmland, Sweden; Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The image is a photograph of the original birth record of James Moody that also shows his parents and family from the church parish.

⁹ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 003. Post 799423. 0531864003 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

¹⁰ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 005. Post 799361. 0531864005 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

¹¹ "Lekvattnet AI:2 (1856-1860)", database of images, *ArkivDigital*, (<http://www.arkivdigital.net> : accessed 10 January 2017), image 41/ page 32, AID: v11986.b41.s32, NAD: SE/VA/13322, Per Moody (b. 1859), wife Ingeborg Andersdotter, and family in Lekvatten, Varmland, Sweden; Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The image is a photograph of the lease of a farm record that shows Per as farmer in Sweden that leased the land but did not own it.

¹² "United States Census, 1880," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/MZSM-342> : 15 July 2016), James Moody in household of Peter

Minnesota, his mother, Ingeborg, kept the house¹³. James's parents married on 26 December 1856,¹⁴ in Sweden. James's father, died on 12 March 1905, and his mother died on 8 April 1904, in Stockholm, Minnesota.

James began his studies at Gustavus Adolphus College,¹⁵ but he continued his education at Augustana for the next four years. He was a junior from 1883-1884¹⁶ and then later graduated in 1885¹⁷. Moody's denomination is Evangelical Lutheran.¹⁸ Moody was also the V. Custos for his class¹⁹ and was interested in classic studies.²⁰

After James graduated from Augustana College in 1885, he attended the seminary from 1886-1888 and was ordained in 1888 in Galesburg, Illinois²¹. He then moved back to Minnesota, where he began preaching for the Lutheran Church as a clergyman.²² His life as a clergyman took him to many different places in Minnesota. He preached in Crookston, Eagle Lake, Fergus Falls, Roseau Badger, Detroit Lakes, Stockholm, Sabylund, and Minneapolis.²³ Later in life, James decided to become a professor at Augustana. He was involved in the different choirs at Augustana as well as being the director of the Oratorio chorus²⁴. The chorus had a great reputation²⁵ and was featured in the *Rockety-I*, the old version of the college's yearbook.

While in Minnesota James met Augusta Johnson and they got married in 23 August 1893.²⁶ They lived together in Clitherall, Otter Tail, Minnesota, United States in 1900 and then moved to Fergus Falls²⁷ Ward 1 sometime in between 1900 and 1910.²⁸ Edna Johnson,²⁹ James's niece,

Moody, Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district ED 72, sheet 464D, NARA microfilm publication T9 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.), roll 0638; FHL microfilm 1,254,638. *FamilySearch* includes transcription of residence at this time.

¹³ "United States Census, 1880", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Ingeborg Andersdotter. States she kept house on the occupation section of this census.

¹⁴ Bergendoff, Conrad. *The Augustana Ministerium* (Rock Island, Illinois : Augustana Historical Society, 1980), page 42. *The Ministerium* was compiled from other sources. It is a transcription. When the original sources were in Swedish, it is also a translation.

¹⁵ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 16.

¹⁶ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 9-11.

¹⁷ *Augustana College Catalog 1884-1885*, p. 10-12.

¹⁸ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 17.

¹⁹ *Augustana College Catalog 1883-1884*, p. 16.

²⁰ *Augustana College Catalog 1884-1885*, p14.

²¹ Bergendoff, *Augustana Ministerium*, 42.

²² "United States Census, 1900," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/M93W-CHT> : accessed 21 January 2017), James Mordy, Clitherall Township Battle Lake & Clitherall villages, Otter Tail, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 143, sheet 6A, family 90, NARA microfilm publication T623 (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1972.); FHL microfilm 1,240,779. *FamilySearch* has transcribed his occupation and residence.

²³ Bergendoff, *Augustana Ministerium*, 42.

²⁴ "The Handel Oratorio Society", *Rockety-I*, (1910 edition), p. 92-93; image copy, Augustana College (www.augustana.edu), Augustana College Library, Special Collections, Digital Projects, Augustana Observer and Rockety-I Database, (<http://edu.arcasearch.com/usilaugcd/> : accessed 8 December 2016). The article mentions that Prof. James Moody was a director of the Oratorio chorus.

²⁵ "The Handel Oratorio Society", *Rockety-I*, 1910 edition.

²⁶ Bergendoff, *Augustana Ministerium*, 42.

²⁷ Bergendoff, *Augustana Ministerium*, 42.

²⁸ "United States Census, 1910," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/M2PM-2B8> : accessed 21 January 2017), James Moody, Fergus Falls

lived with the couple when they first moved after they got married. Eventually James and Augusta had five children between 1896 and 1906: Hulda Viola Moody, James Rudolph William Moody, Ruth Augusta Eleanora Moody, Edna Evangelique Moody, and Mildred Theodora Moody.³⁰ James and the family moved about a lot with his sons and daughters moving out of the house as they went. Between 1910 and 1920 they moved to Detroit Township, Becker, Minnesota.³¹ Then between 1920 and 1930 they moved again to Ward 8, Minneapolis, Hennepin, Minnesota, United States. James then stayed in this house until the end of his life in 1947.^{32 33} James and his family traveled depending on where the Lutheran ministries needed him. His wife Augusta immigrated in 1888 from Sweden³⁴. James's paternal line is as followed: Grandmother was Annieka Eriksdotter³⁵ and Grandfather was Johan Persson Modig, Great-grandparents were

Ward 1, Otter Tail, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 154, sheet 3A, family 46, NARA microfilm publication T624 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1982), roll 714; FHL microfilm 1,374,727. *FamilySearch* has transcribed his residence.

²⁹ "United States Census, 1900", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Edna Johnson written as living as the same household with James Moody.

³⁰ "United States Census, 1920," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/MWTY-JYX> : accessed 21 January 2017), James Moody, Detroit, Becker, Minnesota, United States; citing ED 9, sheet 2B, line 87, family 42, NARA microfilm publication T625 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1992), roll 823; FHL microfilm 1,820,823. *FamilySearch* has all the children of James Moody transcribed as living in the household with him right recently after marriage.

³¹ "United States Census, 1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for James Moody has written place of residence as Detroit Township, Becker, Minnesota in 1920.

³² "United States Census, 1930," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/X3ZK-9H3> : accessed 21 January 2017), James Moody, Minneapolis (Districts 1-250), Hennepin, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 146, sheet 8A, line 2, family 141, NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 1094; FHL microfilm 2,340,829. *FamilySearch* has transcribed the place of residence in 1930 as Ward 8, Minneapolis, Hennepin, Minnesota, United States.

³³ "United States Census, 1940," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KSKL-SNL> : accessed 21 January 2017), James Moody, Ward 8, Minneapolis, Minneapolis City, Hennepin, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 89-239, sheet 15B, line 53, family 365, Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, NARA digital publication T627. Records of the Bureau of the Census, 1790 - 2007, RG 29. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2012, roll 1985. *FamilySearch* has transcribed the residence as staying in the same location as 1930.

³⁴ "United States Census, 1900", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Augusta Johnson has written year of immigration as 1888.

³⁵ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/V7KG-W5T> : 9 December 2014), Annika Eriksdotter, 08 Dec 1797; citing , reference 2:102PKQL; FHL microfilm 82,052. *FamilySearch* has her name and her parent's name transcribed in this source.

Pehr Modig³⁶ and Kiersti Bengtsdotter³⁷, Erik Mattison³⁸ and Karin Jonsdotter³⁹. There is not much known about James's maternal line.

In conclusion, James's life started in Sweden, but Augustana College gave him a huge boost into his career and had a huge impact on the rest of his life.

³⁶ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920," database, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/FK47-QH9> : 9 December 2014), Pehr Modig in entry for Nils Pehrsson, 11 May 1813; citing , reference Bk1 P445 #15; FHL microfilm 141,428. *FamilySearch* has Pehr Modig transcribed in a baptism of son Nils Pehrsson.

³⁷ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Kiersti Bengtsdotter in baptism of son Nils Pehrsson.

³⁸ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Erik Mattison in baptism of daughter Annieka Erikdotter.

³⁹ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", FamilySearch, database entry for Karin Jonsdotter in baptism of daughter Annieka Erikdotter.

Ancestors of James August Moody

Generation 1

1. **James (Jöns) August Modig Moody.** For more information about James, see the biography in the main part.

Generation 2

2. **Pär Jansson Modig Moody.** Pär was born in Sweden and was at the same church⁴⁰ his whole life until immigrating to the United States in 1864.⁴¹ While he was in Sweden, he leased his farm land in Lekvattnet, Varmland.⁴² He married Ingeborg Andersdotter on 26 December 1856⁴³.
3. **Ingeborg Andersdotter Modig Moody.** Ingeborg was also born in Sweden. She had three children in Sweden including James being the middle child.⁴⁴ After they immigrated to America in 1864,⁴⁵ Ingeborg was in charge of the household.

Johan August Pärsson Modig Moody. Johan is the oldest sibling in James's family. He immigrated to America in 1864 with the family.⁴⁶

Jöns August Modig Moody. See 1. above.

Augusta Modig Moody. Augusta was born in Lekvattnet, Varmland, Sweden on 10 November 1861 and died on 16 May 1862 with no death location.⁴⁷

Inga Maria Pärsson Modig Moody. Inga Maria is the youngest sibling in James's family at the time they immigrated from Sweden in 1864.⁴⁸

⁴⁰ "Lekvattnet CI:2 (1851-1860)", *ArkivDigital*, page 25, database image of birth record from parish.

⁴¹ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 001. Post 799421. 0531864001 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁴² "Lekvattnet AI:2 (1856-1860)", *ArkivDigital*, page 32, database image of land leased for farming Lekvattnet.

⁴³ Bergendoff, Conrad. *The Augustana Ministerium* (Rock Island, Illinois : Augustana Historical Society, 1980), page 42. *The Ministerium* was compiled from other sources. It is a transcription. When the original sources were in Swedish, it is also a translation.

⁴⁴ "Lekvattnet CI:2 (1851-1860)", *ArkivDigital*, page 25, database image of birth record from parish.

⁴⁵ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 002. Post 799422. 0531864002 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁴⁶ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 003. Post 799423. 0531864003 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

⁴⁷ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/9J7X-CKV/details> : 23 June 2012), Augusta Modig Moody. Rosalyn put in information about birth date and place as well as death date.

⁴⁸ EMIBAS. Emibas emigrationsakt: Lekvattnet S 1864 005. Post 799361. 0531864005 additional information. Husförhörslängd, p. 35. Swenson Swedish Immigration Research Center, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. The document is a copy of the original immigration records of James Moody and his family.

Gustav Moody. Gustav was born 25 June 1866 in Stockholm, Wright, MN.⁴⁹ He died 25 August 1925 in Cokato, MN.⁵⁰

Anton P. Moody. Anton was born on 10 March 1868 in Stockholm, Wright, MN.⁵¹ He died on 13 December 1928 and was buried in Stockholm Cemetery.⁵²

Olaus (Lewis) Moody. Olaus Moody was born on 27 April 1871 in Stockholm, Wright, MN.⁵³ He died on 5 May 1922.⁵⁴

Generation 3

4. **Johan Persson Modig.** Johan was born on 7 August 1793 in Ostmark, Varmland, Sweden. He died after 1861 in Sweden.⁵⁵

5. **Annieka Eriksdotter.** Annieka was born on 8 December 1797 in Fabacken, Lekvattnet, Varmland, Sweden. She was Christened on 10 December 1797 in Ostmark, Varmland, Sweden. She died on 26 March 1865 in Fabacken, Lekvattnet, Sweden.⁵⁶

Erik Modig. Erik was born on 15 September 1821 in Lekvasttnet, Varmland, Sweden. She died on 5 August 1881 and was buried in Zion Cemetery, Buffalo, MN.⁵⁷

Per Jansson Modig. See number 2 above.

Kersten Modig. Kersten was born on 22 May 1827 in Lekvattnet, Varmland, Sweden. She immigrated to America in 1864 and married Nils Mattson. She is buried in Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Watertown, Minnesota.⁵⁸

⁴⁹ "United States Census, 1880", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Gustav Moody. States he was born on this date and place.

⁵⁰ "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/QVGL-728C> : 13 December 2015), Gustaf Moody, 1925; Burial, Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States of America, Stockholm Lutheran Church Cemetery; citing record ID 123154896, Find a Grave, <http://www.findagrave.com>. It says the death date transcribed by *FamilySearch*.

⁵¹ "United States Census, 1880", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Anton Moody. States he was born on this date and at this place on the census.

⁵² "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/QVGL-7287> : 13 December 2015), Anton P. Moody, 1928; Burial, Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States of America, Stockholm Lutheran Church Cemetery; citing record ID 123154050, Find a Grave, <http://www.findagrave.com>. *FamilySearch* has transcribed his death date and where he was buried.

⁵³ "United States Census, 1880", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Olaus Moody. States he was born on this date and place.

⁵⁴ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/9J7X-CKB/details> : 24 June 2012), Olaus (Lewis) Moody. Rosalyn put information about Olaus's death date.

⁵⁵ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/KXZ6-TK3/details> : 17 July 2016), Johan Persson Modig. Rosalyn put in Johan's vital statistics.

⁵⁶ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/V7KG-W5T> : 9 December 2014), Annika Eriksdotter, 08 Dec 1797; citing , reference 2:102PKQL; FHL microfilm 82,052. *FamilySearch* has her name and her parent's name transcribed in this source.

⁵⁷ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/9J7X-CJ3/details> : 24 June 2012), Erik Modig. Rosalyn put in Erik's vital statistics.

⁵⁸ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/LVBF-3V4/details> : 26 July 2016), Kersten Modig. Rosalyn added vital

Kayjsa E. Jansdotter Modig. Kayjsa was born on 6 March 1829 in Lekvatten, Varmland, Sweden. She married Jons Erickson in Sweden and immigrated in 1866. She died on 9 March 1902 and was buried that same day in Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States.⁵⁹

Johan Jansson Modig. Johan was born on 1 January 1831⁶⁰. He died on 3 July 1889 in Stockholm Twp, Wright, Minnesota, United States and was buried in that same town.⁶¹

Olaf Modig. Olaf was born in Varmland, Sweden and died in 1865 in Minnesota, United States.⁶²

Generation 4

8. **Pehr Modig**⁶³. Pehr was born on 4 February 1776 in Sweden. He married Kiersti Bendtsdotter on 6 August 1802 and he died on 25 September 1831.

9. **Kiersti Bengtsdotter**⁶⁴. Kiersti was born on 25 October 1772 in Sweden. She married Pehr Modig on 6 August 1802 and they had 5 children. She died on 7 October 1841.

Johan Persson Modig. See number 4 above.

Johannes Pehrsson. Johannes was born on 3 August 1803 in Fogdarp, Forslov, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was christened on 7 August 1803 in the same place he was born. He died on 2 April 1841 in Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was buried on 9 April in 1841.⁶⁵

statistics as well as a short life sketch that talks about what Kersten did, when she immigrated, who she married, and what cemetery she was buried in.

⁵⁹ "United States Census, 1900," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/M9QC-VMY> : accessed 30 January 2017), Kysia Erickson in household of Ole Erickson, Stockholm Township (east part), Wright, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 240, sheet 4A, family 57, NARA microfilm publication T623 (Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1972.); FHL microfilm 1,240,798. *FamilySearch* has transcribed all this information from the Census.

⁶⁰ "United States Census, 1880," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/MZSM-QJ4> : 14 July 2016), John Moody, Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States; citing enumeration district ED 72, sheet 461A, NARA microfilm publication T9 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.), roll 0638; FHL microfilm 1,254,638. *FamilySearch* transcribed the birth date from the census.

⁶¹ "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/QVGG-PHZF> : 13 December 2015), Johan Modig, 1889; Burial, Stockholm, Wright, Minnesota, United States of America, Stockholm Lutheran Church Cemetery; citing record ID 109645214, Find a Grave, <http://www.findagrave.com>. *FamilySearch* has transcribed all of the death and burial information.

⁶² RosenowStevenJames1, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/L7NG-35B/details> : 3 June 2012), Olaf Modig. Rose put in information about Olaf's vital statistics.

⁶³ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/FK47-QH9> : 9 December 2014), Pehr Modig in entry for Nils Pehrsson, 11 May 1813; citing , reference Bk1 P445 #15; FHL microfilm 141,428. *FamilySearch* has Pehr Modig transcribed in a baptism of son Nils Pehrsson.

⁶⁴ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Kiersti Bengtsdotter in baptism of son Nils Pehrsson.

⁶⁵ bpaulson3382492, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/KDM5-YPD/details> : 24 May 2012), Johannes Pehrsson. Bpaulson added all of Johannes's vital statistics with his own private information.

Pal Pehrsson. Pal was born on 10 June 1806 in Fogdarp, Forslov, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was christened on 15 June 1806 in the general same location as birth. He died on 14 December 1874 in Salomonhog, Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was buried on 19 December 1874.⁶⁶

Jons Killstrom. Jons was born on 24 June 1809 in Killerod, Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was Christened in generally the same location on 27 January 1809. He died on 27 January 1884 in Killerod, Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was buried on 3 February 1884.⁶⁷

Nils Pehrsson. Nils was born on the 31 May 1813 in Killerod, Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was Christened in generally the same location on 7 June 1813. He died on 25 December 1816 in Killerod, Grevie, Kristianstad, Sweden. He was buried on 29 December 1816.⁶⁸

10. **Erik Mattison.** Erik was born on 11 March 1770 in most likely Sweden.⁶⁹

11. **Karin Jonsdotter.** Karin was born on 4 January 1770 in Hvitkarn, Ostmark, Sweden. She died on 16 December 1805.⁷⁰

Annieka Eriksdotter. See number 5 above.

Generation 5

18. **Bengt Nilsson.** Bengt was born in 1736 in Sweden. He married Karna Thomasdotter on 8 February 1767⁷¹ and died on 22 February 1820.⁷²

19. **Karna Thomasdotter.** Karna was born in 1746 in Sweden. She married Bengt Nilsson on 8 February 1767⁷³ and they had 8 children. She died on 16 October 1808 in Sweden.⁷⁴

Kiersti Bengtsdotter. See number 9 above.

⁶⁶ bpaulson3382492, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/KCGY-V44/details> : 30 May 2012), Pal Pehrsson. Bpaulson added all of Pal's vital statistics with his own private information.

⁶⁷ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/FK47-9RX> : 9 December 2014), Jöns Pehrsson, 24 Jun 1809; citing , reference Bk1 P420 #16; FHL microfilm 141,428. *FamilySearch* has transcribed all these vital statistics about Jons.

⁶⁸ bpaulson3382492, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/KZGW-M5L/details> : 25 May 2012), Nils Pehrsson. These vital statistics about Pehr were added by bpaulson's personal records.

⁶⁹ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Erik Mattison in baptism of daughter Annieka Eriksdotter.

⁷⁰ "Sweden Baptisms, 1611-1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Karin Jonsdotter in baptism of daughter Annieka Eriksdotter.

⁷¹ "Sweden Marriages, 1630-1920," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/FKRP-W9M> : 8 December 2014), Bengt Nilsson and Carna Tomadotter, 08 Feb 1767; citing Tastarp, Kristianstad, Sweden, reference 2:1DC939L; FHL microfilm 141,670. *FamilySearch* has transcribed the marriage date.

⁷² Sharon Barton and bpaulson3382492, *FamilySearch* users. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/L7BJ-PZ5/details> : all 8 April 2012), Bengt Nilsson. Sharon has written down information about Bengt's birth records from her own personal information. bpaulson3382492 has written information about Bengt's death date and burial from his own personal information.

⁷³ Same as source 71.

⁷⁴ Same as source 72.

20. **Mattes Johanson.** Mattes was born in 1735. He died in on 3 April 1785.⁷⁵
21. **Annika Eriksdotter.** Annika was born about 1737 in Sweden. She died on 18 April 1802 in Sweden.⁷⁶
- Erik Mattison.** See number 10 above.
22. **Jons Clementsson.** Jons was born on 19 April 1744 in Ostmark, Varmland, Sweden. He died on 31 January 1803 in Sweden.⁷⁷
23. **Britta Samueldotter.** Britta was born in 1737 and died about 1816.⁷⁸
- Karin Jonsdotter.** See number 11 above.

⁷⁵ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/L563-YW9/details> : 17 July 2016), Mattes Johanson. Rosalyn added vital statistics about Mattes probably from her own personal information.

⁷⁶ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/L56Q-NQX/details> : 17 July 2016), Annika Eriksdotter. Rosalyn added Annika's vital statistics probably from her own.

⁷⁷ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/LLWD-5M2/details> : 7 June 2016), Jons Clementsson. Rosalyn said she got the information from *ancestry.com* and just transcribed it onto *FamilySearch*.

⁷⁸ RosalynRuthCaulkins, a *FamilySearch* user. *FamilySearch*, (<https://familysearch.org/tree/person/LLWD-RVC/details> : Birth-7 June 2016, Death-17 July 2016), Britta Samueldotter. Rosalyn has written the birth year from her personal information and the death year she got from another record by the name of Kay Breeding Netz.

Descendants of James August Moody:

Generation 1

1. **James Moody**. James married Augusta Johnson. For more information about James and Augusta, see the biography in the main part.

James and Augusta had five children.

- +2. **Hulda Viola Moody**
- +3. **James Rudolph William Moody**
- +4. **Ruth Augusta Eleanora Moody**
- +5. **Edna Evangelique Moody**
- +6. **Mildred Theodora Moody**
- +7. **Missing child**

Generation 2

2. **Hulda Viola Moody** was born on 24 March 1896 in St. Hilaire, Pennington, Minnesota, baptised on 16 April 1895 in Minnesota, confirmed on 30 May 1909.⁷⁹ There are no records on her death. Sometime between 1910 to 1920 she got a job as a schoolteacher probably teaching at the local schools as she probably traveled around.⁸⁰ Hulda also never moved out of the household of her parents until sometime between 1930 to 1940.⁸¹ She may have married or may not have but she certainly lived with her parents for a long time. Therefore, there are no records of marriage so she does not have any descendants.

3. **James Rudolph William Moody** was born on 29 December 1896 in Battle Lake, Otter Tail, Minnesota, Baptized in 3 January 1897 in Minnesota, and confirmed in 7 May 1911⁸². Probably before the family moved back to Minnesota from Wisconsin James moved out and got a job as a science teacher in Sherman, Grayson, Texas. While down there he met Irene Jones and they got married in 1927 or 1926⁸³. Sometime after 1930 but before 1932 his

⁷⁹ Augustana Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, Otter Tail, Minnesota), Register Books, unknown book, undated, unknown pages; "Records of Swedish American Churches", images of church records on microfilm, unknown reel; Swenson Center for Swedish Immigration Research, Rock Island, Illinois; entry for Hulda Moody telling her birth, baptism, and confirmation dates.

⁸⁰ "United States Census, 1920", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Hulda Moody says that she got a job as a schoolteacher.

⁸¹ "United States Census, 1940", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Hulda Moody says that in 1940 Hulda is no longer in the household with parents while in the 1930 census it does.

⁸² Augustana Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, Minnesota), Register Books, unknown book number, unknown page, entry for James Rudolph Moody having his birth, baptism, and confirmation dates.

⁸³ "United States Census, 1930," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/HY8X-YMM> : accessed 31 January 2017), James R Moody, Sherman, Grayson, Texas, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 6, sheet 4A, line 38, family 83, NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 2337; FHL microfilm 2,342,071. *FamilySearch* includes a transcription of James Rudolph Moody being married to Irene already and having a child.

family moved to University Park, Dallas, Texas where he got a new job as a salesman which could be the reason for why they moved⁸⁴.

James had children

+8. **Mildred Irene Moody**⁸⁵.

+9. **Elizabeth Anne Moody**⁸⁶.

4. **Ruth Augusta Eleanora Moody** was born on 3 July 1899 in Battle Lake, Otter Tail, Minnesota, United States, Baptized on 19 July 1899 in Minnesota, and Confirmed on 10 May 1914 in Minnesota⁸⁷. She has no known Job through 1920 and she moved out of her parents household sometime between 1920 and 1930. She had a job as a nurse after 1920⁸⁸. There are no records that she married and thus no records of her having any children.
5. **Edna Evangelique Moody** was born on 12 April 1903 in Battle Lake, Otter Tail, Minnesota, baptized in 21 May 1903 in Minnesota, and confirmed in 14 May 1916 in Minnesota⁸⁹. There are no indications of her moving out of her parents household until at least 1940⁹⁰. After 1930 she had a job as a clerk at the Minnesota State Sanatorium for Consumptives. She was listed as working for Leonard M. Larson as a servant/clerk who was a physician at this Sanatorium⁹¹. There are no records of marriage so she does not have any descendants.
6. **Mildred Theodora Moody** was born on 15 August 1905 at Battle Lake, Otter Tail, Minnesota, baptized on 17 September 1905 in Minnesota, confirmed on 1 June 1919 in

⁸⁴ "United States Census, 1940," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KWJL-XY1> : accessed 31 January 2017), James R Moody, Tract D1, University Park, Justice Precinct 1, Dallas, Texas, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) 57-6B, sheet 5A, line 10, family 95, Sixteenth Census of the United States, 1940, NARA digital publication T627. Records of the Bureau of the Census, 1790 - 2007, RG 29. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 2012, roll 4015. *FamilySearch* has a transcription of James Rudolph Moody's residence changing as well as his job, wife, and children.

⁸⁵ "Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/VDGW-H9N> : 1 January 2015), Mildred Irene Moody, 19 Aug 1928; from "Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997," database and images, Ancestry (<http://www.ancestry.com> : 2005); citing Texas Department of State Health Services. *FamilySearch* has transcribed Mildred Irene Moody as a child of James and Irene.

⁸⁶ "Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/V8TT-6KF> : 1 January 2015), Elizabeth Anne Moody, 08 Mar 1932; from "Texas Birth Index, 1903-1997," database and images, Ancestry (<http://www.ancestry.com> : 2005); citing Texas Department of State Health Services. *FamilySearch* has transcribed Elizabeth Anne Moody as a child of James and Irene Moody.

⁸⁷ Augustana Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, Minnesota), Register Books, unknown book number, unknown page, entry for Ruth Augusta Eleanora Moody having her birth, baptism, and confirmation dates.

⁸⁸ "United States Census, 1930", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Ruth Augusta Eleanora Moody stating that she moved out and got a job as a nurse by 1930.

⁸⁹ Augustana Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, Minnesota), Register Books, unknown book number, unknown page, entry for Edna Moody having her birth, baptism, and confirmation dates.

⁹⁰ "United States Census, 1940", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Edna Moody says that in 1940 Edna is no longer in the household with parents while in the 1930 census it does.

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Minnesota, and died 3 March 1977 in Hennepin, Minnesota⁹². There was no indication of her having a job until possibly after 1930. Between 1930 and 1940 she moved out of the household of her parents⁹³. There are no records of marriage so she does not have any descendants.

7. **Missing child**: unknown birth. Probably died as an infant. Probably both was born and died in Minnesota⁹⁴.

Generation 3

8. **Living Moody** has no records of any marriages and thus no records of any children.
9. **Living Moody** has no records of any marriages and thus no records of any children.

⁹² Augustana Lutheran Church (Fergus Falls, Minnesota), Register Books, unknown book number, unknown page, entry for Mildred Theodora Moody having her birth, baptism, and confirmation dates.

⁹³ "United States Census, 1940", *FamilySearch*, database entry for Mildred T. Moody says that in 1940 Mildred is no longer in the household with parents while in the 1930 census it does.

⁹⁴ Moody, *Augustana Ministerium*, 42.

Questions for Further Research

We don't know much about James August Moody's life as he came to the United States in 1864 but before he went to Augustana in 1862. This would probably be an area of emphasis if we had to do more research about him. In this area we want to know where they landed when they got to America. We also want to find clues for what pull factors gravitated them to America rather than Sweden. In other words, what would be so attractive in America to go through all the energy and stress to get there? Also knowing their movements and why they moved when they got here would be great. Finally, having clues about who his brothers and sisters married, where they lived, and what jobs they acquired would be fantastic.

Along with not knowing much about his life here in the United States. We also didn't get many details on what he did while he was in Sweden as a child. We know that he was involved in the church like so many were since that is where his birth record was from, but we don't know what hobbies or jobs or schooling was involved in his childhood. We could try to look more things up in the Swenson Center for Swedish Immigration and try to get more information on his life back in Sweden to perhaps tell us what he wanted to pursue when he got to the United States.

The last thing that interested our group was to find more information on how James immigrated from Sweden to America. We know he was with his family and what date they left the parish, however, they could have stayed in Sweden a little bit longer to organize all of their belongings and get everything ready. We could search in Special Collections and the Swenson Center for more immigration information such as dates and what boat they took as well. That would also help us figure out where they landed right when they got to the United States and where they went from there with their three kids to settle down and have more children and be a successful immigrant family in America.

We have created a record for James August Moody in the Family Tree on FamilySearch. The record locator is 9J7X-CKF.

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