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Augustana Seniors Fall 1885:

Joel L. Haff

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(Joel L. Haff)¹

¹ Find a Grave, database and images (<https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/75846859/joel-laurentius-haff> : accessed 27 April 2022), memorial page for Joel Laurentius Haff (14 Nov 1862–7 Feb 1896), Find a Grave Memorial ID 75846859, citing Scandinavian Cemetery, Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, USA ; Maintained by D.A.E. (contributor 47143924) .

Joel L. Haff

Joel Laurentius Haff was born on 14 November 1862 in Viken, Skåne, Sweden, the son of Andrew Haff and Oliva Andersdotter.²

Haff and his family moved to America 23 May 1871 from Stora Vång 2 Sädesparterna, Ängelholms Stadsförs, Kristianstads län, Sweden.³ They moved to Kansas where they became farmers.⁴

Haff began attending Augustana College in Rock Island, Rock Island County, Illinois in 1880.⁵ While in school he often missed classes for weekly preaching (usually Mondays).⁶ He graduated on Thursday, 10 June 1886 and then began schooling at Augustana Theological Seminary.⁷ At Augustana Theological Seminary he became an ordained minister 24 June 1888 in Galesburg, Knox County, Illinois.⁸

² Registration card for Joel Laurentius Haff, c. 1883, Folder #7, Box #1, MSS 241c, Augustana College Office of the Registrar records, Special Collections, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois. Registration card featuring information about Joel L. Haff, probably written by Haff himself.

³ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Joel born 1862-10-14, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022

⁴ Registration card for Joel Laurentius Haff, c. 1883, Folder #7, Box #1, MSS 241c.

⁵ Registration card for Joel Laurentius Haff, c. 1883, Folder #7, Box #1, MSS 241c.

⁶ Records of Class - Testimonials, MSS 241 Augustana College Office of the Registrar Records, Box 2.

⁷ Commencement program for Augustana College Class of 1886, Manuscripts 248, Box #1, Folder #1, Augustana College Office of the Registrar records, Special Collections, Augustana College, Rock Island, Illinois.

⁸ *Bergendoff, Conrad. The Augustana Ministerium: A Study of the Careers of the 2,504 Pastors of the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Synod/Church 1850-1962.* Augustana Historical Society, 1980, pp. 41.

At some point after becoming ordained, Haff moved to Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois.⁹ He was a pastor until he passed away on 7 Feb 1896 in Stillwater, Washington, Minnesota, USA.¹⁰ Haff was buried in Scandinavian Cemetery in Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois.¹¹

⁹ *Bergendoff, Conrad. The Augustana Ministerium: A Study of the Careers of the 2,504 Pastors of the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Synod/Church 1850-1962.*

¹⁰ Deaths, 1870-1897, Stillwater Township, Minnesota, Image 545, *FamilySearch*

¹¹ Find a Grave, database and images

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Ancestors of Joel L. Haff

Generation 1

1. Joel L. Haff. For more information on Joel, see the biography in the main part.

Generation 2

2. Anders Haff. He was born on 2 October 1823 in Asmundtorp, Malmöhus län, Rönneberga.¹² Anders migrated from Stora Väng Sädespartema, Ängelholms stadsförs, Kristianstads län on 23 May 1871 to Olsburg, Kansas, United States with his family.¹³
3. Oliva Nathalia Andersdotter. She was born 6 July 1834 in Väsby, Malmöhus län, Busteröd.¹⁴
 - i. Ernst. Ernst was born on 22 January 1854 in Sweden.¹⁵
 - ii. Agneta. Agneta was born on 9 November 1858 in Sweden.¹⁶
 - iii. Maria. Maria was born on 21 January 1861 in Sweden.¹⁷
 - iv. Oliva. Oliva was born on 24 February 1865 in Sweden.¹⁸

¹² BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Anders born 1823-10-02, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

¹³ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Anders born 1823-10-02

¹⁴ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

¹⁵ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Ernst born 1854-01-22, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

¹⁶ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Agneta born 1858-10-09, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

¹⁷ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Maria born 1861-01-21, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

¹⁸ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1865-02-24,

v. Gabriel. Gabriel was born on 17 July 1868.¹⁹

Generation 3

4. Håkan Haff. Håkan was born on 19 August 1871 in Reftele, Wästergötland.²⁰ He was baptized on 21 August 1871.²¹ Håkan was a soldier.²²
5. Agneta Andersdotter. Agneta was born on 1 June 1789.²³
 - i. Johanna. Johanna was born on 30 March 1820.²⁴
 - ii. Magnus. Magnus was born on 17 September, 1821²⁵
6. Anders Larsson. Anders was born on 29 January 1797.²⁶
7. Kersti Olsdotter. Kersti was born on 23 July 1793.²⁷
 - i. Bengt. Bengt was born on 19 June 1825.²⁸
 - ii. Sissa. Sissa was born on 14 September 1827.²⁹

¹⁹BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Gabriel born 1868-07-17, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022.

²⁰ Image 76, Page 145, *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022

²¹ "Reftele (F) C:5 (1774-1809)", Image 76, Page 145.

²² Image 7, Page 5. *ArkivDigital*; Swenson Center, Augustana College Rock Island, Illinois : 29 March 2022

²³ "Viken (M) Cl:5 (1861-1887)", Image 7, Page 5.

²⁴ BiS (Population of Sweden), 1800-1947; *ArkivDigital*, Anders born 1823-10-02

²⁵ BiS (Population of Sweden), 1800-1947; *ArkivDigital*, Anders born 1823-10-02

²⁶ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

²⁷ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

²⁸ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

²⁹ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

iii. Lars. Lars was born on 21 December 1829.³⁰

iv. Karna. Karna was born on 11 March 1832.³¹

Generation 4

8. Måns Johansson.³²

9. Lena Jönsdotter.³³

³⁰ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

³¹ BiS (Population of Sweden) 1800-1947, Oliva born 1834-07-06.

³² Image 76, Page 145.

³³ Image 76, Page 145.

Descendants of Joel L. Haff

1. Joel L. Haff. - Based on the information that has been gathered, Joel L. Haff did not marry and had no children.

Questions for Further Research

Why was he in Stillwater, Minnesota?

What was his cause of death?

What led the Haff family to emigrate to Kansas from Sweden?

A record for Joel Laurentius Haff is in the Family Tree on FamilySearch. The record locator is MCFH-396

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