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# Genealogical Queries

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## **Johansson (Johnson), Seeder, Lewis**

Two brothers of my great grandmother, Emma Christina Johansdotter Lewis, also emigrated to the U.S. According to parish records in Sweden, Emma Christina's oldest brother, Johan Ferdinand Johansson, was b. in Deragård, Älgult Parish (Kron.) Dec. 28, 1834. He absconded to America in May, 1868. In 1880 he m. Maria Catharina, b. in Ljunga Parish (Jön.) Aug. 12, 1846. They moved from Illinois to Lindsborg, KS at least by 1900. Maria Catharina d. Feb. 26, 1914 and her husband Johan, who had taken the surname Seeder, d. July 28, 1916.

Johan Ferdinand Johansson Seeder's brother, Carl August Johansson, was b. in Loviseberg, Älgult Parish March 2, 1849 and emigr. to America Aug. 11, 1869, just eight days after Emma Christina received her exit permit. We know nothing about his fate. Did he marry and leave descendants? Did he also change his name?

My great grandmother, Emma Christina settled in Mt. Pleasant, IA, where she m. Andres Norborn in Oct. 1871. After his death by accident, she m. John Oscar Lewis (earlier Larsson) March 1, 1872. They settled in Henderson and McDonough Counties, IL and raised six children. In March of 1887 they homesteaded in Gove County, KS, where they lived for the remainder of their lives. Emma Christina d. Jan. 7, 1929.

If anyone has information concerning Carl August Johansson, I would appreciate hearing from them. I will share information on ancestors in Sweden going back to the early 1700s.

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## **Thorell**

I am seeking information on the ancestry of Augusta Charlotta Thorell, b. in Västergötland Feb. 2, 1872. On Aug. 31, 1894 she m. Karl August Bergman in Worcester, MA. He was b. in Bjurtjärn Parish (Värm.) Aug. 19, 1868.

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### Bergman

I am seeking information on the ancestry of Lars Bergman, b. in Marieberg, Varnum Parish (Älvs.) Sept. 12, 1801, the s. of Jonas Larsson, b. ca. 1766 and Margareta Eriksdotter, b. ca. 1769. Lars Bergman m. Britta Persdotter, b. in Grythyttan Parish (Öre.) Jan. 15, 1809, the dau. of Petter Ersson, b. in Karlskoga Parish (Öre.) March 24, 1778, d. in Fisksjötorp June 6, 1829, and Catharina Persdotter, b. in Lungsund Parish (Värm.) Sept. 13, 1774.

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### Hedberg, Loomis

I am interested in locating descendants of my grandmother's sister, Maria Louisa Hedberg, b. in Foss Parish (Göt.) Aug. 19, 1870. She arr. in America in 1886 and later m. a man named Loomis. One child, Dora May Loomis, was b. before 1900. Maria Louisa Loomis became a companion nurse to a wealthy Chicago lady and is believed to have perished in the disastrous Iroquois Theater fire in Chicago Dec. 28, 1906. Dora May Loomis may have children who could contact me.

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### Persson

I am seeking information on the destination of the Persson family, which arr. in NY Aug. 11, 1854. Ola Persson, b. Nov. 17, 1831, his wife, Inga Nilsson, b. March 2, 1824, their dau. Pernilla, b. Dec. 29, 1853. All were from Jämshög Parish (Blek.) and arr. aboard the *Esmeralda* with 412 other Swedes. All were listed as farmers. Where did they go? Are there any descendants?

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### Longacre

Seeking information concerning descendants of Andrew Longacre, b. in the Swedish colony on the Delaware in PA ca. 1713, d. in Frederick County, VA 1795. He was m. to Hanna Ireson in PA. I am especially interested in the descendants of the sons and grandsons of Andrew Longacre. Many were Quakers and were known as the Winchester, VA colony of Swedish Longacres, descended from one of the original Swedish settlers, Anders Långåker.

Much migration took place between Winchester, VA and the Swedish colony in PA. I am therefore interested in both the PA and the VA Longacres. I already have some information I would be glad to share.

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### Lind

I am looking for information concerning John (Johan) Lind, b. in Värmland in Sweden March 6, 1860, the s. of Peter Lind. He emigr. to Denver, CO ca. 1884–1885, where he was employed on the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad as a boilermaker. He d. as a result of a fatal accident July 12, 1912. He was m. twice, the first time to Betty Fardy on Dec. 13, 1888, when he lived at 1228 Santa Fé Ave., Denver. Later he moved to 2805 West 9th Ave. He had four living children with his first wife. He m. the second time Beda Hanson, with whom he had two living children. At this time he lived at 1393 Perry St., Denver.

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### Åkerström

I am seeking information concerning the ancestry of Anders Åkerström, b. in Tynderö Parish (Vn) May 21, 1785 and his wife, Brita Cajsa Solberg, also b. in Tynderö Jan. 19, 1783.

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### Johansson, Johnson, Mattsson

Among my relatives I have many who emigr. to America, among them five siblings, named Johansson, all b. in Torslunda Parish (Kalm.).

1. Julia Annette, b. Feb. 5, 1861, m. Mattsson, had four children and resided in Brooklyn, NY, d. before 1951.

2. Carl Fredrik, b. Feb. 18, 1872, emigr. Feb. 16, 1890, d. before 1951. He had three children, Arthur, Ralph and Winnifred Johnson, all living in Astoria (probably Oregon).

3. Otto Petrus, b. Oct. 27, 1874, emigr. to Sioux City, IA March 2, 1895, d. before 1951.

4. Knut Albertinus, b. Oct. 26, 1877, emigr. to Sioux City, IA March 18, 1894, d. before 1951.

5. Marcus Julius, b. May 8, 1882, emigr. March 16, 1899, d. before 1951.

He had four children, Robert, Vera Seppa, Elna and Allan Johnson, all living in Astoria (probably Oregon).

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### Mellberg

I would like to know what happened to the following emigrants named Mellberg:

1. Carl Gustaf Mellberg, b. in Habo Parish (Skar.) Feb. 23, 1812, emigr. to Busseyville, WI 1843, d. in Ft. Atkinson, WI in 1892.

2. Gustaf Adolf Mellberg, b. in Habo Parish Dec. 11, 1839; emigr. 1861, widow and children were living in Campello, MA in 1886.

3. Axel Mellberg, b. in Habo July 21, 1847, emigr. in 1867; living in Campello (Brockton), MA in 1886. Had two children, Axel Frithiof, b. 1879 and Anna Charlotta, b. 1881.

4. Johannes (Jan) Mellberg, b. in Habo Oct. 25, 1824; emigr. 1871. Last letter to Sweden was dated 1877 from Red Wing, MN.

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Comment: Gustaf Mellberg (see No. 1 above) m. Juliette Devoe at Lake Koshkonong, WI in 1846. She was b. in Allegany County, NY May 7, 1819. They had at least four children — Amelia, m. to C. C. Reuterskiöld of Busseyville, Emma, Gustave and Edward. There was probably another dau. Henriette, who d. Jan. 23, 1857 and is bur. in Sumner Cemetery, Busseyville. Gustaf Mellberg d. Dec. 19, 1892 and his wife Jan. 12, 1905. Both are bur. in the Busseyville Cemetery.

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### Svensson, Olsdotter

August Svensson, b. in Borrby Parish (Krist.) Aug. 26, 1877, his wife, Elna Olsdotter, b. in Löderup Parish (Krist.) Jan. 21, 1879 and their dau. Tea Astrid Elisabet, b. July 27, 1901, emigr. from Glemminge Parish (Krist.) in 1903 and settled somewhere in California. Any information concerning these people or their descendants in the U.S. would be greatly appreciated.

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