

Family Group Record for John Christi Johannson SJAA


Husband	John Christi Johannson SJAA-[2097]	
AKA	Johan Johnsen, Johan Christi JOHNSON, John Johnson SHAW, Johan Christi Johnson SJO, John Christi Johanneson SJO	
Born	1 Jan 1824	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR
Christened	9 Jun 1847	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR
Died	24 Jan 1901	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Buried	Jan 1901	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Father	John Nielsen SJO-[6862] (1783-1860) [MRIN:1920]	
Mother	Kari Johannesdotter-[6863] (1779-1876)	
Marriage	16 Jun 1847	Røen i Fjelberg, Sunnhordland, Hordaland, NOR [MRIN:1110]

Events

1 Emigrated to America: Apr 1861, Austin, Mower, MN. Arrived in Adams, Mower County, Minnesota in June 1861.

Wife	Johanne Marie Roo ROEN-[3910]	
AKA	Johanna Marie ROE, Johanne Marie RØEN, Johanna Marie Akseldsdotter ROO	
Born	16 Jul 1825	Røen i Fjelberg, Sunnhordland, Hordaland, NOR
Christened	1825	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR
Died	2 Feb 1915	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Buried	Feb 1915	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Father	[MRIN:1920]	
Mother		

Children

1	F	Ida Gurine JOHNSON-[6854]	
Born	16 Jul 1847	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	1847	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	5 Jul 1940	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN	
Buried	Jul 1940	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Spouse	Johann Dale OLESON-[12369] (1836-1895)	28 May 1866 - , , , MN [MRIN:3941]	
2	F	Kari Johanne JOHNSON-[6855]	
AKA	Carrie		
Born	22 Dec 1848	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	1848	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	28 Apr 1932	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN	
Buried	1932	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Spouse	Jacob S KNUTSON-[11415] (1849-1929)	29 Nov 1869 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:3524] 1	
3	M	Jon Roan JOHNSON-[6856]	
AKA	John R. JOHNSON		
Born	25 May 1852	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	1852	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	8 Oct 1932	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN	
Buried	Oct 1932	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Spouse	Randi Pedora DAHLE-[12370] (1856-1934)	25 Dec 1877 - Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN [MRIN:3942] 2	


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4	M	Axel Christi JOHNSON -[6857]		
Born	16 Jan 1854	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR		
Christened	17 Jan 1854	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR		
Died	28 Oct 1927	Minneapolis, Hennepin, MN		
Buried	1927	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN		
Spouse	Olena Andersdotter NUMMEDAL-[12371] (1857-1935)			
Marr. Date	16 Apr 1879 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:3943]			


5	M	Johan Christi JOHNSON -[6858]	
Born	13 Dec 1855	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	1855	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	24 Feb 1934	Aberdeen, , Brown, SD	
Buried	1934	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Spouse	Sarah Jensdotter GAARDNER-[12372] (1865-1932) 29 Oct 1882 - Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN [MRIN:3944] 3		

6	M	Edling Christi JOHNSON -[6859]	
Born	29 Jun 1858	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	1858	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	9 Oct 1886	Lyle, Lyle Twp, Mower, MN	
Buried	Oct 1886	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	

7	M	Nels Christi JOHNSON -[1225]	
AKA	Nils Christi JOHNSON		
Born	26 Aug 1860	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	28 Aug 1860	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	8 Jun 1936	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN 4, 5	
Buried	10 Jun 1936	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN 6, 7	
Spouse	Gertrude Johnson FRET LAND-[16] (1865-1938) 8		
Marr. Date	8 Dec 1884 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:321] 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14		

Events

1 Emigrated to America: 22 Apr 1861, Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN.

8	F	Johanne Marie JOHNSON -[6860]		
AKA	Mary			
Born	10 Feb 1863	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN		
Christened	1863	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN		
Died	3 Jun 1935	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN		
Cause of Death	Suicide by drowning			
Buried	Jun 1935	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN		
Spouse	Nels GRAVDAHL-[12368] (1859-1928)			
Marr. Date	3 Jun 1935 - Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN [MRIN:3940]			

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Children (cont.)		
9	F	Ingeri Katrine JOHNSON-[6861]
AKA	Belle JOHNSON	
Born	21 Dec 1864	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	1864	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	6 Apr 1954	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Buried	10 Apr 1954	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Nils Olai ANDERSON-[12365] (1861-1948)	8 Mar 1883 - Ossian, , Fayette, IA [MRIN:3938]

General Notes (Husband)

!BIRTH: Church record for Fjelberg parish: A5 1822-1834, folio 11b-12a.

The baptismal record for John Christi recorded his name as Johan Johnsen, his parents names were recorded as John Nielsen and Kari Johannesdotter Sioe, farmers.

Nielsen and Nielson are the same name, the difference is due to different dialects, influenced by class and by the Danish language.

The Sjo farm is on the northern part of Halsnoy Island, now (1999) in Kvinnherad kommune, previously Fjelberg Parish, Hordaland, Norway.

The Kvinnhered bygdebok, Volume 5, published 1992, concerns the subparishes Fjelberg and Eid, which in modern times incorporated in Kvinnherad kommune, Hordaland fylke. Under farm number 10 (page 157), we find Jon Nilsson, born 1784, married 1805 to Kristi Nilsdotter Toftevog, born 1788, and remarried 1824 to Kari Johannesdotter Livikjo, born 1792, who came from Raudstein (in 1999 = Husnes subparish). Among their 9 children are Johan Christie, born 1824, married to Johanne Maire Akseldotter Rjo. Johan Christie became a farmer at Rjo.

Livikjo (dialect) is a farm unit number 3 under the farm Raudstein. Livikjo is normally spelled Livik. You will find this in the Kninnherad bygdebok, volume 4, Husnes, published 1991, page 96.

Rjo (dialect) could be a farm Rjen or a farm Roe (1999 = Roa). /len was previously under Fjelberg parish. This is probably in bygdebok of \len, Volume I.

John Christi was educated at a seminary in Sjo, but due to the lack of money was unable to finish. John had a brother who was an attorney, who remained in Norway.

John Christis' schooling made him a layman in the Church. He was handy with a saw, hammer and nails. He made wooden shoes for his family and neighbors. He was also a casket maker. One week during an epidemic of small pax, he made five caskets for one family. He also dries skins of animals which he used for clothing and shoe strings. He, together with neighbors, made several trips a year to McGregor, Iowa where they had corn ground for cornmeal and wheat made into flour.

John was drafted into the Civil War. He had a large family and he felt he was needed at home, so he paid \$200.00 to another man to serve in his place. He had to borrow the money and paid 30% interest on some of it.

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General Notes (Wife)

Johanne was the daughter of Aksel Johannesson (1792-1872) & Ida Gurine Jensdotter (1796-1836). Johanne may have been born on Kjeba, Fjelberg, Norway.

The Roo farm name was changed to Roen and then to Roe. The Roo farm is on the Island of Halsnoy, Eid Parish, Fjelberg kommune, Hordaland fylke, Norway.

After John and Johanna were married they lived on her mother's farm in Halsmoen Skanevik Prestijeld. There were fourteen children born to Johanne and John, but four children died in infancy.

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General Notes (Wife)(cont.)

There have been quite a few deaths of cancer, asthma and bronchial trouble runs high. There is also a diabetic tendency and it could be because many of the family had very hearty appetites.

General Notes for Child Ida Gurine JOHNSON-[6854]

Ida was the mother of three children who did not reach the age of 1 year. Ida was bedridden for the last 9 years of her life. Photographa courtesy of Janet Stephenson, 19520 630th Ave, Rose Creek, MN 55970

General Notes for Child Kari Johanne JOHNSON-[6855]

Kari was the mother of Simon, Carl (married Nellie Wiste), Jake, Eddie, John and Chris.

General Notes for Child Jon Roan JOHNSON-[6856]

John was a large man, weighing 260 pounds and was six feet tall. He held several political offices. John and Randi were the parents of a baby girl who was born and died on 8 December 1880. John owned 160 acres in the northwest corner of section 34, Marshall Township, Mower County, Minnesota.

General Notes for Child Axel Christi JOHNSON-[6857]

Axel was involved in several businesses; furniture, hardware, grain, general merchandise and undertaking businesses. Several of his descendants graduated from St. Olaf College. Several became ministers. Alex was a member of the "Anti Saloon League".

General Notes for Child Johan Christi JOHNSON-[6858]

John owned 120 acres in section 35, Marshall Township, Mower County, Minnesota. John was the Sheriff of Mower County, 1895-1905. John was the first organist of Little Cedar Lutheran Church. John retired to a farm in South Dakota. (In 1900, Annie Hoffland, nee Fretland was working for Sheriff johnson as a servant.)

General Notes for Child Edling Christi JOHNSON-[6859]

Edling married Louise Olson, Lyle, MN. Elling was a furniture salesman in Lyle, MN.

General Notes for Child Nels Christi JOHNSON-[1225]

Nels emigrated with his parents, from the Port of Bergen on 22 April 1861 on the sailing Bark "Hobe" (Hebe), mastered by Captain Hansen. The Bark Hobe, had made many crossing between Bergen and Quebec. A typical crossing on the Hobe, would include a crew of 11, with 160 steerage passengers and several cabin passengers. Probably, 1 baby would be born, and several passengers would die from debility and diarrhea.

Nels parents hired a man and a woman to help care for the children. The crossing took seven weeks from Bergen to Quebec. From Quebec, they traveled by cattle boat until they arrived at Chicago. In Chicago, they hired oxen to transport them to McGregor(now Marquette), Iowa, where they crossed the Mississippi River by ferry. At McGregor, they boarded a train for Osage, Iowa, where Nels' Uncle John Johnson Sjo awaited their arrival. From there they journeyed by ox cart to their destination in Adams. The family arrived in Adams on 24 June 1864, and promptly started the construction of a two room log home, with a small loft, on Section 8 of Adams Township.

Nels was the last of is siblings to be born in Norway. Nels was quite successful in the oil business as well as a prosperous farmer.

The Nels C. Johnson family was associated with the Little Cedars Lutheran Church, organized in Nov 1859. Each member of the family was christened, confirmed, married and buried from this parish. In 1884 Nels & Gertrude moved to a farm outside of Adams.

Nels retired in 1912 and moved into the Village of Adams. Nels was instrumental in the building of the Adams High School. Nels served as Director of the Farmers State Bank from its founding.

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OBITUARY: Nels C. Johnson, 75, Dies at Adams Home.

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General Notes for Child Nels Christi JOHNSON-[1225](cont.)

Nels C. Johnson, 75, died at 2:00 o'clock this morning at his home in Adams. He had been ill since last Fall. Funeral services will be held at 1 :30 Wednesday afternoon at the Little Cedar Lutheran church in Adams, the Rev. Brevik officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Mr. Johnson came to Adams from Norway with his parents when he was 10 months old and made his home there ever since.=====

OBITUARY: Nels C. Johnson, son of John C. and Maria Johnson, was born in Bergen, Norway, August 28, 1860. At the age of ten months he, with his par-parents, brothers and sisters migrated to America settling near Adams, Mower Co.

On December 8, 1884 he was united in marriage to Gertrude Fretland at Lyle, Minn. From the time of their marriage they engaged in farming in this community until in 1912 when they retired from the farm, moving to the Village of Adams, where they have since made their home. Since 1920 until the time of his death he has been engaged in business in Adams, being active in this work until the last few months. Three weeks ago he was confined to his bed and gradually became weaker until he passed away on Monday morning, June 8th. At the time of his passing he was 75 years, 9 months and 12 days.

The deceased was always very much interested in religious and educational- projects and was instrumental- in the erection of the Little Cedar Lutheran Church, of which he was an active member. He was also in-influential in- the building of the High School in Adams and served as Director of the Farmers State Bank since it's foundation.

In spite of his affliction of deafness he has always enjoyed mingling with his townspeople. His family was his first consideration at all times. He was never happier than when they were all gathered around the home fireside; and just two years ago all his children and grandchildren- were gathered together to celebrate their parents Golden Wed-ding Anniversary a privilege grant-ed to but few families. The deceased is survived by his wife and eight children: John of Minneapolis; Ed of Stewartville; Edwin Wallace and Mrs. Nora Torgerson Adams; Mrs. Ida Knutson of Hannah, N. D.; Alma of Crookston, Minn. and Mrs. Evelyn Hultin of Washington, D. C. Three children have preceded him to the grave, Clifford, who died in infancy, Mabel Wiste, who passed away three years ago and Orphie Lovering, who pass-ed away in January of this year. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ida Olson and Mrs. Nils Anderson, both of Adams, and thirteen grandchildren.

The funeral services on Wednesday afternoon were conducted by Rev. Alfred Brevik, who spoke words of comfort to the grief stricken family-.

V. D. Halvorson sang a Norwegian solo "Bedre Kan Jeg ikke fare." A quartette composed of Mrs. Louis Slindee, Mrs. A. A. Knutson, V. D. Halvorson and Rev. Bevik "Abide With Me" and "God be with you Till We Meet Again."

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General Notes for Child Johanne Marie JOHNSON-[6860]

Johanna weighed over 200 pounds. Photograph provided by Janet Huseby Stephenson, 19520 630th Ave, Rose Creek, MN 55970 <jrsteph@smig.net>

General Notes for Child Ingeri Katrine JOHNSON-[6861]

Ingri suffered from diabetes for 15 years. Ingri's daughter Amanda married Bennie Johan Huseby, grandparents of Janet Stephenson.

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