

CHRISTENSEN

HANS AND IRENE

DARLENE, DAYTON, DENNIS

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**GERMAN UNION CEMETERY**  
**THREE-GENERATION GENEALOGY**  
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STATE OF MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Section of Vital Statistics Registration		<b>Burial - Removal - Transit Permit</b>		Permit No. _____
NAME OF DECEASED <p style="text-align: center;">Hans P. Christensen</p>		DATE OF DEATH <p style="text-align: center;">Mar. 19, 1983</p>	DEATH COMMUNICABLE? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
SEX <p style="text-align: center;">Male</p>	AGE <p style="text-align: center;">80</p>	PLACE OF DEATH (City, Village or Township) <p style="text-align: center;">City of Northfield</p>	(County) <p style="text-align: center;">Rice</p>	
METHOD OF DISPOSAL: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BURIAL <input type="checkbox"/> CREMATION <input type="checkbox"/> REMOVAL <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (specify) _____		PLACE OF DISPOSITION (Name of cemetery or crematory) (City, Village or Township, County, State) <p style="text-align: center;">German Union Cemetery    Forest Township, Rice Co Minn.</p>		
SIGNATURE OF MORTICIAN OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR <p style="text-align: center;"><i>A. Duane Benson</i></p>		BUSINESS ADDRESS <p style="text-align: center;">201 E. 4th St. Northfield, Minn.</p>		
A certificate of death having been filed as required by law, permission is hereby given to dispose of this body.				
SIGNATURE OF REGISTRAR <p style="text-align: center;"><i>A. Duane Benson</i></p>		(City, Village or Township) <p style="text-align: center;">City of Northfield</p>	(County) <p style="text-align: center;">Rice</p>	DATE ISSUED <p style="text-align: center;">Mar 22, 83</p>
SIGNATURE OF PERSON IN CHARGE OF CONVEYANCE				
AUTHORIZED DISPOSITION AS STATED ABOVE OCCURRED ON: (Date) <p style="text-align: center;">3-22-83</p>		SIGNATURE OF SECTION OR CEMETERY OFFICIAL <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Ronald R. Prinzing</i></p>		DATE RECEIVED <p style="text-align: center;">Mar 22 1983</p>

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Surname: **CHRISTENSEN**

Given Name: **HANS**

Middle Name If Any: **PETER**

Gender: **MALE**

Date Of Birth: **SEPTEMBER 27, 1902**

Place Of Birth: **HUNDERUP KRAGELAND – RIBE – DENMARK**

Date Of Death: **MARCH 19, 1983**

Place Of Death: **RICE COUNTY – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**

Place Of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY –  
MINNESOTA**

Plot Number: **13j**

Father: **OLE KRISTIAN KRISTENSEN** Name was later changed to: **OLE CHRISTIAN  
CHRISTENSEN**

Date Of Birth: **FEBRUARY 19, 1871**

Place Of Birth: **SELDE SOLLING, DENMARK**

Date Of Death: **MAY 3, 1951**

Place Of Death: **BRAMMINGE, DENMARK**

Place Of Burial: **DENMARK**

Mother: **ANNE KATRINE PEDERSEN**

Birth Date: **JANUARY 29, 1871**

Place Of Birth: **OSTER ABLING, DENMARK**

Date Of Death: **SEPTEMBER 3, 1953**

Place Of Death: **BRAMMINGE, DENMARK**

Place Of Burial: **DENMARK**

Marital Status: **MARRIED** Date: **SEPTEMBER 25, 1929 AT THE HOME OF MR.  
AND MRS. THOMAS WALSTAD (FORMERLY THE BEYER HOME IN FOREST TOWNSHIP –  
RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA)**

Marriage 1. **IRENE MARTHA BEYER** born: **APRIL 15, 1907 in FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE  
COUNTY – MINNESOTA**

Children:

1. **DARLENE IRENE CHRISTENSEN** born: **NOVEMBER 26, 1930 in RICE COUNTY –  
FARIBAULT, MINNESOTA**
2. **DAYTON CHARLES CHRISTENSEN** born: **March 15, 1941 in RICE COUNTY –  
NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**
3. **DENNIS PETER CHRISTENSEN** born: **FEBRUARY 5, 1945 in RICE COUNTY –  
NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**

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Last Name	First Name	Newspaper	Date	Notes
Christensen	Hans P.	Northfield News	24/Mar/1983	<p>Hans Peter Christensen, 80, died at the Dilley Convalescent Unit Saturday, March 19, 1983. He was born near Bramminge, Denmark, Sept. 27, 1902, the son of Ole and Anna Christensen. He came to the United States in February 1925. He lived with friends in Jackson, later attending the Danebo Schools in Tyler, and the School of Agriculture at the University of Minnesota. After completing his education, he was hired to be in charge of the farm at the Odd Fellows Home. There, he met Irene Beyer, and they were married Sept. 25, 1929. They lived on the Odd Fellows farm until 1941, when they began farming for themselves. They later purchased a farm on the Old Dutch Road, where they lived until they moved to the Three Links Apartments in 1981. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, the IOOF for more than 50 years, and was active in the Bridgewater Farm Bureau and the Northfield Farmers' Cooperative Elevator. He is survived by his wife, Irene; a daughter, Darlene Pfahning, Farmington; two sons, Dayton and Dennis Christensen, Prior Lake; and five grandchildren; a sister, Abalone Sorenson, a brother, Aage Christensen, and two nephews, all of Denmark. He was preceded in death by one sister and two brothers. The funeral service was Tuesday, March 22, at St. John's Lutheran Church with the Rev. Jennings Feroe officiating. G. Winston Cassler was the organist and Mayvis Harkness was the soloist. Interment was in the German Union Cemetery in Forest Township. Pallbearers were Gary Beyer, Dayton Christensen, Dennis Christensen, Brad Pfahning, Ronald Prinzing and Kenneth Schrader. Arrangements were made by the Benson-Anderson Funeral Home.</p>

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**BIOGRAPHY**

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CHRISTENSEN	HANS PETER	BIOGRAPHY	<p>BOOK - RICE COUNTY FAMILIES. PUB. 1981 The Hans Peter Christensen Family. Hans Peter Christensen (9-27-1902) came to the United States from Bramminge, Denmark, arriving on February 12, 1925. He left behind his parents, Ole and Katrina; brothers Kresten and Aage; sisters Abalone and Dorothea. One brother died in infancy. Hans lived with friends in Jackson, MN, for a time and attended Danebo School at Tyler, MN., and the School of Agriculture at St. Paul, MN. He was later employed as manager of the farm at the Odd Fellows Home in Northfield, MN, where he met Irene Martha Beyer (4-15-1907) who was employed as a dining room waitress at the home. (Irene was the daughter of Charles and Emma Abel Beyer, who were farmers near Circle Lake west of Millersburg in Rice County.) Hans and Irene were married September 25, 1929, and continued to reside on the Odd Fellows Farm until 1941. They rented what was known as the Berg place on the Cannon River just west of Northfield for several years and in 1943 moved to Bridgewater Township renting the William Tralle farm which they later purchased. Hans was active in the Odd Fellows Lodge in Northfield, the Bridgewater Farm Bureau, was secretary of School District 31, served on the Northfield Farmer's Elevator Board--Irene was active in the Rebekah Lodge in Northfield, the Bridgewater Farm Bureau and Home Project Group and was leader of the Big Star 4-H Club for a time. They are members of St. John's Lutheran Church in Northfield.</p>
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			<p>Their children all attended the Northfield public schools and were active in the Big Star 4-H Club. Darlene Irene Christensen (11-26-30) graduated from the University of Minnesota and worked several years as a County Home Agent. On December 3, 1955, she married Gordon Lowell Pfahning (10-7-1930 to 7-6-1980) of Wells, MN. Gordon was a Civil Engineer with the Minnesota State Highway Department. They settled in Farmington, MN, where Brad Gordon was born November 30, 1957; and Patti Jean on February 15, 1962. Brad graduated from the University of Minnesota on June 15, 1980, and is employed with Sheldahl Incorporated of Northfield, MN. Patti is a student at the University of Minnesota. Dayton Charles Christensen (3-15-41) graduated from St. Olaf College, was in the U. S. Air Force and is a pilot with Northwest Airlines. He married Jeanne Gregerson (4-15-1943) who attended Carleton College, was from Fargo, ND, on December 17, 1966. They reside near Prior Lake, MN. Dennis Peter Christensen (2-5-45) graduated from the University of Minnesota and is engaged in Farm Real Estate business. He married Marilyn Diane Clauson (4-27-1945), also a graduate from the University of Minnesota, from Albert Lea, MN, on April 6, 1968. They have a son, Travis John (9-11-1972); and 2 daughters, Shellee Marie (8-14-1974) and Susan Michelle (10-16-1976). They also live near Prior Lake, MN.</p>
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IRENE M.  
1907 — 2006

HANS P.  
1902 — 1983

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**DISPOSITION PERMIT**

DECEDENT'S NAME	IRENE MARTHA CHRISTENSEN
DECEDENT'S ALIAS	
SEX	FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH / AGE	APRIL 15, 1907 / 99 YEARS
DATE OF DEATH	JULY 28, 2006
PLACE OF DEATH	THREE LINKS CARE CENTER 815 FOREST AVE NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA RICE
FUNERAL DIRECTOR	M2393 JAMES E BIERMAN
FUNERAL HOME	0688 BIERMAN FUNERAL HOME 1316 DIVISION STREET S NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA 55057
PLACE OF DISPOSITION	GERMAN UNION CEMETERY FOREST TOWNSHIP, MINNESOTA



According to Minnesota Statutes, section 149A.93, subdivision 3, section 144.221, and Minnesota Rules, part 4601.1500, the fact of death has been filed with the Office of the State Registrar.

*Linda A. Loftus*

Linda Loftus  
Acting State Registrar

Authorized Disposition Occurred on: *Friday, 4 August 2006*

Signature of Crematory or Cemetery Official:

*Ronald R. Prinzing*  
(type or print name of crematory or cemetery official)

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Surname: **BEYER** Married Name: **CHRISTENSEN (HANS PETER)**  
Given Name: **IRENE** Interred Name: **CHRISTENSEN**  
Middle Name If Any: **MARTHA**  
Gender: **FEMALE**  
Date Of Birth: **APRIL 15, 1907**  
Place Of Birth: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**  
Date Of Death: **JULY 28, 2006**  
Place Of Death: **RICE COUNTY – NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA**  
Place Of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA** Plot Number: **13k**

Father: **CHARLES FREDERICK BEYER**  
Date Of Birth: **JANUARY 19, 1873**  
Place Of Birth: **BRAUNSFORD, GERMANY**  
Date Of Death: **JULY 15, 1920**  
Place Of Death: **RICE COUNTY – FARIBAULT, MINNESOTA**  
Place Of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY - MINNESOTA** Plot Number: **13a/b**

Mother: **EMMA HANNAH ABEL** Interred Name: **BEYER**  
Birth Date: **JANUARY 31, 1876**  
Place Of Birth: **FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA**  
Date Of Death: **OCTOBER 15, 1966**  
Place Of Death: **RICE COUNTY – FARIBAULT, MINNESOTA**  
Place Of Burial: **GERMAN UNION CEMETERY – FOREST TOWNSHIP – RICE COUNTY – MINNESOTA** Plot Number: **13b/c**

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Last Name	First Name	Newspaper	Date	Notes
CHRISTENSEN	IRENE	NORTHFIELD NEWS	02/AUG/2006	<p>Irene Christensen, age 99, of Northfield, passed away Friday, July 28, 2006, at the Three Links Care Center in Northfield from complications of diabetes. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4, 2006, at the Chapel of the Three Links Care Center, with burial at the German Union Cemetery in Forest Township of Rice County. Visitation will be held for one hour prior to the services Friday at Three Links. Irene Martha Christensen was born April 15, 1907, to Charles and Emma (Abel) Beyer at their farm home in Forest Township of Rice County, Minn. She attended District 66 country school near her farm home. Irene was employed at the Odd Fellows Home in Northfield where she served as a dining room aide to the young children who lived at the home. It was here where she met Hans Peter Christensen, originally from Bramminge, Denmark. Hans and Irene were married Sept. 25, 1929, and they lived on the Odd Fellows Farm (where Hans was the farm manager) until 1941 when they began farming for themselves. They rented the Sechler Farm (now Sechler Park) until moving to the William Tralle farm on Old Dutch Road west of Northfield in 1943 which they later purchased. They lived on this farm until 1981 when they retired from farming and moved to the Three Links Apartments in Northfield. At that time they had come full circle from the time of their marriage as the Three Links Apartments is established on property which was originally the Odd Fellows Home. Hans died in 1983. In 1999, Irene's health made it necessary to move to the Three Links Care Center. Irene was a member of St John's Lutheran Church, the White Rose Rebekah Lodge, the Lodge's Past Noble Grands Club,</p>

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				<p>Bridgewater Township Farm Bureau and the Homemaker's Club. She also served as an adult leader of the Big Star 4-H Club for several years. In 1984 she was honored with the Declaration of Chivalry from the Independent Order of the Odd Fellows for services rendered to her fellow man. In 2000, she was honored with a reception at the Three Links Care Center for her 70-year membership in the White Rose Rebekah Lodge of Northfield. Irene was preceded in death by her parents; husband Hans in 1983; sisters Marie Walstad and Esther Prinzing; step-sister Elsie Wadekamper and sister- in-law Jean Beyer. She is survived by daughter Darlene Pfahning of Dundas; sons: Dayton (Geraldine) Christensen of Sedona, Ariz., and Dennis (Marilyn) Christensen of Prior Lake; brother Maranius Beyer of Minneapolis; grandchildren: Brad (Kay) Pfahning of Northfield, Patti (Gary) Sloan of Brooklyn Park, Travis Christensen of McColl, Idaho, Shellee (Steven) Courtier of Plymouth, Wis., and Susan Christensen of Tanunda, Australia; great-grandchildren: Jessica, Thomas and Steven Pfahning of Northfield; and nieces and nephews. Memorials preferred to Three Links Care Center Bus Fund, Diabetes Association, or St John's Lutheran Church Radio Broadcast Fund. Funeral arrangements were by the Bierman Funeral Home of Northfield.</p>
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