

Ludwig Mankamyer (1809-1870)

Ludwig Menkamyer (Mankamyer)¹ was born November 25th 1809² in the region of Hanover, Lower Saxony County (Niedersachsen), Germany.³ He immigrated with his family to Philadelphia, and was naturalized in 1857. Two records exist for naturalization, with the same date; Ludwig and Christian Menkamyer.⁴ Until we can verify, we believe the Mankamyer's immigrated to Philadelphia about 1852.⁵

An obituary record for Rev. Christian Mankamyer indicated that he immigrated to America when he was 19 years old. Given his birth date of 1833, he would have arrived in America in 1852. He married when he was 21 years old; 1854.⁶

Ludwig was a farmer when he married Hannah who was born in 1807 in Hanover, Lower Saxony County, Germany. As far as we can determine, Ludwig and Hanna Mankamyer children were:

- i. Christian S. Mankamyer was born September 15th 1833⁷ in Hanover, Lower Saxony County, Germany. He immigrated to Philadelphia with his father, Ludwig.⁸ Christian married Mary Smearmond in 1854 while living in Somerset County Pennsylvania.⁹ Mary's family immigrated to America when she was 12 years old, 1849.¹⁰
- ii. Carolina¹¹ Fredricka Mankamyer was born March 26th 1839¹² in Hanover, Lower Saxony County, Germany.¹³
- iii. Adolph Mankamyer was born 1852 in the region of Hanover, Lower Saxony County (Niedersachsen), Germany. He immigrated to Philadelphia in 1857 with Ludwig and Christian Mankamyer. When Adolph was born, Ludwig would have been 42 years old, and Hanna 45 years old when Adolph was born.¹⁴

In 1860 Ludwig is 50 years old, a farmer, and Hanna is 53 years old, and Adolph Mankamyer is 8 years old (b. 1852 in Hanover). The family is living in the Post Office area of Berlin, Summit Township Somerset County Pennsylvania.

Adolph is still living with Ludwig and Hanna in 1870 in Southampton Mills, Larimer Township Somerset County. We believe that Adolph is the 1st son of Christian and Mary, who live down the road in 1860 Berlin post office area, and in 1870 Southampton Mills, Larimer Township.

Ludwig died September 18th 1870 while living in Larimer Township, Southampton Mills Somerset County Pennsylvania. Ludwig was laid to rest in the White Oak Cemetery, Larimer Township Somerset County Pennsylvania.¹⁵

Hanna died March 15th 1877 Larimer Township, Southampton Mills Somerset County Pennsylvania. Hanna was laid to rest next to Ludwig in the White Oak Cemetery, Larimer Township Somerset County Pennsylvania.

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End Notes

¹ The following are other alternative spellings of the name; Moenkemoeller, Moenkemoeller, Moenkemeyer, Muenckmer, Manaker, Mankamyre, Mankameyer, Menkamyer, Minkemeyer, Mankmyer, Mankameir, Monkermayer, Makamyre, Minkmyer, Minkemyer.

² Ludwig's birth date was calculated from his headstone, 60 years, 9 months and 24 days, using a birth date calculator, ProGenealogists, Inc., 455 East 400 South, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

³ Kingdom of Hannover including Osnabrück, Grandduchy of Oldenburg, Duchy of Braunschweig and Ostfriesland (East Frisia)

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⁵ Christian S. Mankamyer Obituary: "...Pennsylvania, died in the Sand Patch area; to America age 19 to Somerset County Pennsylvania; cabinet maker 10 years; married age 21, married for 59 years; member Pittsburgh Conference, pastorates listed; buried in White Oak Cemetery; 9 children remain; 1 child dead..." Evangelical Messenger Obituary, May 20th 1914, page 24, Allen County Public Library, Genealogy Center Free Databases, indexed, organized and compiled by Anne Dallas Budd, Rita Bone Kopp and Sally Zody Spreng, <http://www.genealogycenter.info>. The Evangelical Messenger was the English-language, weekly denominational publication associated with The Evangelical Church. This index covers January 1848 through December 1930.

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⁷ Christian's birth date came from his head stone in the White Oak Evangelical Cemetery, Larimer Township Somerset County Pennsylvania.

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¹⁰ Mary Smearmound-Mankamyer Obituary: The Evangelical Messenger Obituary, October 23rd 1926, page 27, , index, organized and compiled by Anne Dallas Budd, Rita Bone Kopp and Sally Zody Spreng, <http://www.genealogycenter.info>.

¹¹ All records only use the name Fredricka Mankamyer, but her headstone identified her as Carolina Mankamyer, Union Cemetery records, Meyersdale, Somerset County, Pennsylvania.

¹² Carolina Fredricka Mankamyer-Coleman's birth date was calculated from her cemetery record, 53y 5m 24d , using a birth date calculator, ProGenealogists, Inc., 455 East 400 South, Suite 300, Salt Lake City, UT 84111

¹³ Fredricka's relationship to Ludwig and Hanna Mankamyer came from Fredricka's marriage application to Alton Coleman: Fredrika Mankamyer 2nd Marriage, Reference number: Vol 2 R 363, film number: 558929, digital folder number: 004838668, image number: 00474, Pennsylvania, County Marriages, 1885 - 1950, index and images, Family Search (<https://familysearch.org>)

¹⁴ Adolph is either a child of another Mankamyer who remained in Germany, or Adolph is the child of Ludwig and Hanna. We know Christian and Mary didn't marry until 1854 when in Pennsylvania. Mary immigrated to America in 1849 and Christian in 1852. Mary Smearmound-Mankamyer Obituary: The Evangelical Messenger Obituary, October 23rd 1926, page 27, , index, organized and compiled by Anne Dallas Budd, Rita Bone Kopp and Sally Zody Spreng, <http://www.genealogycenter.info>.

¹⁵ Only Ludwig and Hanna from the Mankamyer family were laid to rest in the White Oak Evangelical Cemetery. In 2013 this church is known as Mt. Carmel Luther Church of White Oak. Many of the Mankamyer families are laid to rest in the White Oak Evangelical Church, which is sometimes known as the Temple Cemetery. In 2013 the church is known as St. Johns United Methodist Church, which is on Temple Road, situated in Larimer Township, Somerset County Pennsylvania.