

The Family History of Herman and Petrine Ringness

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Introduction

The Ringness family's history in the United States began in 1866 when Herman Olsen and Petrine Eriksdatter, with their three children, migrated from Norway to Wisconsin.

The seedling of the Ringness family tree prospered in its new soil and the tree has grown considerably over the years. Many who read this are descended from Herman and Petrine, and we find ourselves now in the growing leaves and twigs of that tree. As we look back over past generations, we see the branches of the family merge until we reach the main trunk: Herman, Petrine and their children.

But what about the roots of the tree – Herman and Petrine's ancestors in Norway? Much as the roots of a real tree are hidden underground, the roots of the Ringness family are obscured by time, distance, and the unfamiliar language and customs of Norway. This booklet explores these Norwegian roots.

Over the years Norwegian civil and religious institutions recorded a great amount of information about their people, going back in some cases to the early sixteenth century. Fortunately for us, many of these records were preserved and are now available in the United States, on microfilm or electronically.

The majority of the surviving historic records concern property transfers, church activity, and legal disputes. As a result, many of the short biographies in this booklet mention only those types of events and possibly give the impression that our ancestors were overly concerned with acquiring land and suing each other. However, I think it is safe to say that our ancestors on the whole were no more concerned with such matters than the average person today. Please keep this in mind when reading the biographies.

For the past century local historians in Norway have combed the ancient records and compiled farm and family histories. These local histories – called *bygdeboks* in the Norwegian language – are the principal sources for my research. In a few cases, generally in the later generations, I consulted the original records, such as parish church registers and probate records.

1. The Lives of Herman Olsen and Petrine Eriksdatter

This is the family history of Herman Olsen and Petrine Eriksdatter, or as they were known in America, Herman and Pauline Ringness. It traces Herman and Petrine's ancestors in Norway, up to 1866 when they migrated to America from Norway.

Herman and Petrine came from Løten *kommune* (or township), in the *fylke* (or county) of Hedmark in southeastern Norway. Løten is located approximately 15 kilometers northeast of Hamar, and 140 kilometers north of Oslo.

Herman was born on 12 August 1831 to Ole Olsen and Hanna Hansdatter, the youngest of six children. His birthplace was a farm named Ringnes Ødegård¹, which in those days was spelled Ringnæs Ødegård, and was also sometimes called by an older name, Imset Ødegård.

Petrine was born on 10 July 1832 at Hovin farm², which is only a few kilometers southeast of Ringnes Ødegård. She was the second child of Erik Simensen and Eline Pedersdatter. Eline drowned in 1838³, leaving Erik with four young children. Erik continued to farm at Hovin until 1863⁴, but he did not remarry and it appears that his children lived in the home of their grandmother, Eline's mother Eli Knudsdatter, at Kolset farm^{5,6}.

In 1852 Christian Johannessen, the husband of Herman's sister Helene, bought Ringnes Ødegård⁷. Part of the farm sale included a *føderåd* (pension) that allowed Ole Olsen and Hanna Hansdatter the use of a house on the farm for the rest of their lives. It would not have been uncommon for Herman to live with his parents, or to rent a room at the farm from his brother-in-law. In either case, Herman would have needed a source of income. I think that Herman began to work as a shoemaker at this point in his life, and that he learned this trade from his father. Note that Ole Olsen had been in a similar situation in 1801. The Norwegian census from that year shows that the 19-year-old Ole and his widowed mother were living the house of Ole's brother, the mother as *føderåd* and Ole as a lodger and shoemaker⁸.

Hanna Hansdatter died in 1857⁹, and Ole Olsen's death followed in 1859¹⁰. Eli Knudsdatter, the grandmother who raised Petrine, died in 1861¹¹.

In 1861 as part of a tax settlement the owners of Ringnes farm, which is adjacent to Ringnes Ødegård, split their farm into three parts. Herman Olsen rented the part called Ringnes Nordre¹². In 1867 this farm was about 13 acres in size – a small farm compared to many in that area, and certainly small by American standards.

Also in 1861, Petrine had a daughter whom she named Emma¹³. Emma's father was a man named Jørgen Olsen, but he did not marry Petrine.

1863 was an eventful year for the family. Herman and Petrine were married on 15 July¹⁴; their first child was born, a daughter named Hanna¹⁵; and Herman purchased Ringnes Nordre for the price of 800 speciedalers (a Norwegian currency)¹⁶. In 1865 their first son, Elias, was born¹⁷.

In early 1866 the family notified the parish priest of their intention to leave the parish¹⁸. Herman sold Ringnes Nordre, the family made their way to Christiania (as Oslo was then called), and on 6 May 1866, they boarded the bark *Eucharis* and set sail for Quebec. The fare for the two adults and three children was probably around 50

speciedalers, and they would have had to bring their own provisions for the voyage¹⁹. In 1866, 50 speciedalers was equivalent to about 60 U.S. dollars.

After a crossing of 34 days the *Eucharis* arrived in Quebec on 13 June²⁰. We don't know the details of this family's journey, but typically immigrants to the upper Midwest would stay only a day or two in Quebec. They would then travel up the Great Lakes in Canada either by boat or train, crossing to the United States possibly at Buffalo or Detroit. Once on the U.S. side they would either travel by rail to Chicago and north into Wisconsin, or cross Michigan's lower peninsula from Detroit and sail across Lake Michigan to Milwaukee.^{21, 22}

Whatever route they took, they ended their journey in Amherst, Wisconsin²³. It appears that Petrine was in her third trimester of pregnancy during this voyage: in July 1866 she gave birth to a son, Ole²⁴.

After a about a year the family moved a short distance west to the town of Stevens Point.

Note that the family did not have a surname in Norway. The old custom there had been for each person to use his or her personal name followed by a patronymic name, based on the father's personal name: Herman was known as Herman Olsen, and Petrine was Petrine Eriksdatter. When they came to America they took Ringness, based on their farm's name, as their surname. At some point Petrine began using the more American-sounding name Pauline instead of Petrine, and the family changed the name of their first son from Elias to Alex.

They had two more children that survived to adulthood: Henry, born in 1868²⁵, and John, born in 1871. Their daughter Hanna died in 1868²⁶. Two other children died as infants: Helina in 1870²⁷, and Hans in 1872²⁸.

Herman went into business as a shoemaker. The earliest public mention of the Ringness name that I have found is an ad for Herman's shoe business in *the Stevens Point Journal* of 19 April 1879²⁹.

H. O. RINGNESS,
 Manufacturer of
Boots & Shoes.
 Fine Custom Work a Specialty. Repair-
 ing Neatly Done.
STEVENS POINT, WIS.
 Shop on Main St., 2 doors east of Post-office.

Herman died on 11 July 1886, at 55 years of age³⁰. Alex took over his father's shoe business. Pauline died on 27 March 1899³¹. Herman, Pauline, Hanna, Helina, Hans, Alex and Emma are all buried in Forest Cemetery in Stevens Point.³²

Of their adult children:

- Emma lived in Wisconsin. Her married name was Miller. She had no children.
- Alex stayed in Stevens Point, and had two sons.

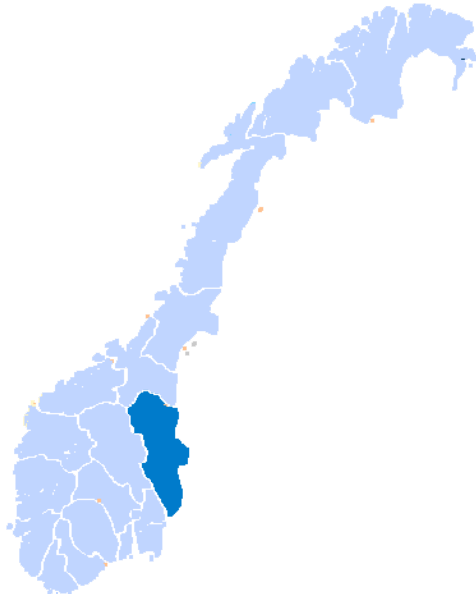
- Ole and Henry moved to Peoria, Illinois. Ole had two daughters, and Henry had six children
- John moved to Minnesota, and had four children.

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- ¹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 10 1814-1832: 664, no. 46, microfilm no. 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 10.
- ² Løten Parish Registers, vol. 11 1832-1849: 4, no. 48, microfilm no. 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 11.
- ³ Løten Parish Registers 11: 495, no. 24.
- ⁴ J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 1* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1949), 666, microfiche no. 6068154, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as *Løtenboka 1*.
- ⁵ Løten Parish Registers 11: 562, no. 8. At Petrine's confirmation in 1847 her residence was recorded in the parish register as Kolset.
- ⁶ J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 3* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1955), 519, microfiche no. 6068156, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as *Løtenboka 3*. Eline Knudsdatter lived at Kolset from 1825 until 1861.
- ⁷ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 766.
- ⁸ Elverum Census of 1 February 1801, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.com>>, database "1801-telling for 0427 Elverum", downloaded 19 November 2006, see Hagen.
- ⁹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 7 1850-1862 (copy): 320, no. 9, microfilm no. 124294, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 7
- ¹⁰ Løten Parish Registers 7: 325, no. 47.
- ¹¹ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 3*, 519.
- ¹² Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 759.
- ¹³ Løten Parish Registers 7: 166, no. 37.
- ¹⁴ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: marriages 1863, no. 11, microfilm no. 0307219, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877.
- ¹⁵ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 63, no. 129.
- ¹⁶ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 753.
- ¹⁷ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 82, no. 48.
- ¹⁸ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 8 1863-1877 (copy): 522, no. 44-48, microfilm no. 124294, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 8.
- ¹⁹ The Transatlantic Crossing, online <<http://www.norwayheritage.com>>, downloaded 20 December 2006.
- ²⁰ Herman Ringnæs entry; *Eucharis* Passenger List, 13 June, 1866, ship 55, p 4, line 6; in Passenger Lists: Quebec 1865 - 1921; C-4521 (Ottawa: Library and Archives Canada), microfilm no. 0889441, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ²¹ Richard J. Fapso, *Norwegians in Wisconsin* (Madison: The Wisconsin Historical Society Press, 2001), 9. Describes the immigrant journey from Norway to Wisconsin.
- ²² Laurence M. Larson, *The Log Book of a Young Immigrant* (Northfield, Minnesota: The Norwegian-American Historical Association, 1939), 19. Larson's account of his family's journey in 1870 to Iowa via Quebec and Milwaukee.
- ²³ Death of Herman Ringness, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 17 July 1886, page 4, column 4.
- ²⁴ Ole J. Ringness Obituary, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 3, column 4.
- ²⁵ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June, 1936, page 20.
- ²⁶ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator* (Stevens Point, Wisconsin: Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society, 1999), Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006. Hereinafter cited as *Portage County Cemetery Locator*.
- ²⁷ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006.

- ²⁸ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006.
- ²⁹ Ringness Boots & Shoes advertisement, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 19 April 1879, page 2, column 1.
- ³⁰ Death of Herman Ringness, *The Stevens Point Journal*.
- ³¹ Mrs. Pauline E. Ringness obituary, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 27 March 1899, page 1, column 5.
- ³² Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006.

2. Geographical and Historical Background

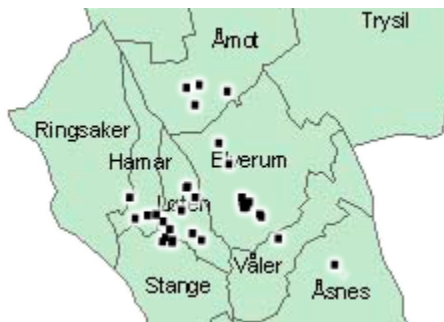
The majority of Herman and Pauline's ancestors whom I have been able to identify lived on farms in what is now Hedmark *fylke* (county), in the central *kommuner* (townships) of Ringsaker, Hamar, Stange, Løten, Åmot, Elverum and Våler. Lake Mjøsa on the west, the Glomma River on the east, and the towns of Åmot on the north and Stange on the south form a rough boundary of the cluster of ancestral homes.



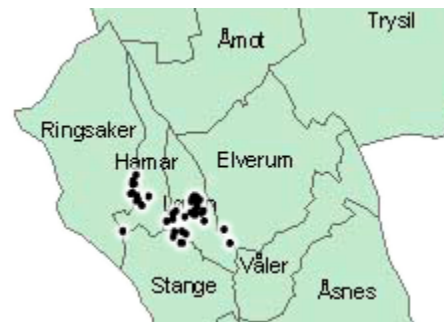
Map of Norway
(Hedmark *fylke* is highlighted)



Map of Hedmark
showing each *kommune*



Detail of central Hedmark showing farms
where Herman's ancestors lived



Farms where Petrine's ancestors lived

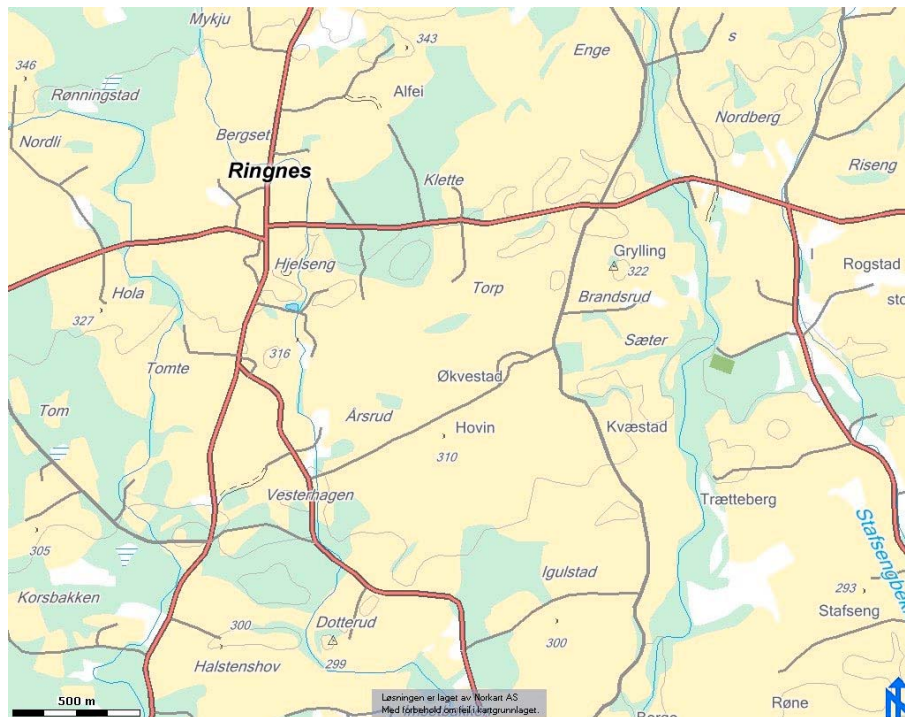
These maps are derived from maps published by Wikipedia, <http://www.wikipedia.org>.

A few families came from other areas, including Oppland *fylke* (located west of Hedmark) and Denmark.

Hedmark is an “upland” farming district. Unlike most of Norway, it has no ocean coast. Up until the time of Herman and Pauline’s departure, farming and timber were the major economic activities, and the majority of the population lived outside the cities and towns.

The modern *kommuner*, or townships, developed from the historical church parishes. Over time the composition of the *kommuner* has changed. Many works of local history, and primary sources, refer to historical districts, which no longer exist. A few examples are the townships of Vang, Furnes, and Romedal, which have been absorbed into the modern kommuner of Hamar, Ringsaker and Stange. In general, I will refer to farm locations by their district at the time being written about, and if the current *kommune* is different I will note it in parentheses.

The *kommune* of Løten is a rural area east of the city of Hamar. Herman and Pauline lived in Løten their entire lives before emigrating. Herman was born at Ringnes Ødegård, and Pauline was born at Hovin. Ringnes Nordre farm, which Herman and Pauline owned from 1863 until 1866, is located about 15 kilometers northeast of Hamar, and 4 kilometers north of the town of Løten. Ringnes Nordre is one of several sub-farms that were split off from the main Ringnes farm starting in 1861. The following map shows the vicinity of the Ringnes farms. (The numbers indicate altitude above sea level in meters). Many of the neighboring farms were homes of ancestors of Herman or Pauline.



The aerial photo at the right shows the location of Ringnes Nordre farm relative to its nearest neighbors. Ringnes Nordre is approximately 13 U.S. acres in size.



Hedemarkenkart, <http://www.hedemarkenkart.no>



The photograph at the left is Ringnes Nordre farm, taken approximately 1940.

Stange Historielag, <http://www.stange-historielag.no>

Until late in the 19th century, Ringnes was commonly spelled Ringnæs. What does *Ringnes* mean? It seems that nobody is sure. The name has two parts, *ring* and *nes*. *Nes* is a common place name suffix in Norway, meaning “cape” or “point of land”. (*Nes* is related to the word *nese* which means “nose”. Incidentally, Ringnes does not mean nose-ring – the Norwegian word for that is *nesering*.) *Ring* is also somewhat common at the start of place names, such as *Ringsaker*, *Ringerike*, *Ringen*, *Ringsrud*; but the meaning of *ring* is less certain. In modern Norwegian the word *ring* can mean either “ring”, or “small” or “poor”. As a verb, *ringe* can mean “encircle.” An older usage of the word *ringe* can mean “lowly”. According to Norway’s national map service (Statens Kartverk), there are at least 15 farms throughout Norway whose names begin with Ringnes and they are all clustered in the extreme southeastern *fylker*. The northernmost Ringnes farm is the one in Løten.

In the early 20th century a Norwegian scholar named Oluf Rygh compiled a catalog of all the farms in Norway and what their names have been down through the centuries. In the case of Ringnes in Løten, Prof. Rygh believed that the farm was named

after Ringnes farm in nearby Stange kommune, which is an older farm. He thought that the “ring” part of the name referred to a river.

Two of these Ringnes farms are somewhat famous. Ringnes in Krødsherad, northwest of Oslo, is the birthplace of Ellef and Amund Ringnes, who founded the Ringnes Brewery in Oslo in 1876. In the late 1890’s the brothers sponsored the arctic exploration of Otto Sverdrup aboard the ship *Fram*, and Sverdrup named two islands in the polar sea in their honor. There is no relationship between the brewery family and Herman and Pauline’s family.

The Ringnes farm in Stange *kommune*, near the shore of Lake Mjøsa and not far from Løten, is mentioned in King Olaf’s Saga (chapters 45 and 75). A local chief named Ketel Kalv lived at Ringanes as it was then called, and he became an ally of Olaf’s.

The end of the American Civil War in 1865 marked the beginning of a period of Norwegian emigration to America. As was the case across of Norway, emigration to America over the years 1866—1874 amounted to about ½% of the population each year. Of the 4,541 people in Løten parish who were counted in the 1865 census, 30 emigrated to America in 1866 and a similar number left for America each year until 1874 when emigration tapered off¹. Petrine’s mother’s first cousin, Jens Olsen Ringnes, had emigrated to Texas in 1851². In the 1860’s the upper Midwest – Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin – was a popular destination for farmers from Hedmark and other inland districts of Norway.

The main reason for most immigrants was economic: opportunities to own land and start a business in America were abundant, at the same time that land was becoming scarce in Norway and foreign competition was depressing prices of the farm and forest products of the Hedmark region.

Quebec was the port of choice for almost all Norwegian immigrants to the United States at that time. The main reasons for this preference were that the journey to Quebec was shorter than to New York, and the fares were generally lower³.

¹ Utflyttede fra Løten 1814-1891, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.com>>, database “Utflyttede fra Løten 1814-1891”, downloaded 19 December 2006, see years 1866–1874.

² The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio, *The Norwegian Texans* (San Antonio: The University of Texas Institute of Texan Cultures at San Antonio, 1970). Hereinafter cited as *The Norwegian Texans*.

³ The Transatlantic Crossing, Børge Solem, online <<http://www.norwayheritage.com>>, downloaded 20 December 2006.

3. Ancestors of Herman Olsen Ringnes

Herman Olsen's ancestors are presented in a format called an Ahnentafel or Sosa-Stradonitz listing. The subject of the Ahnentafel is listed as #1, the subject's father as #2 and the subject's mother as #3, then the grandparents as #4 to #7, and so on back through the generations. In this scheme, any person's father has double that person's number, and a person's mother has double the person's number plus one. A man's child has half the man's number, and a woman's child has half the woman's number after first subtracting one. Apart from #1, who can be male or female, all even-numbered persons are male, and all odd-numbered persons are female.

All places in this ancestry are located in Hedmark fylke, Norway, unless otherwise noted. The first time a farm is mentioned in a section it will be followed by the name of its kommune or parish. Subsequently the kommune or parish will be omitted unless it is needed for clarity. Place names are spelled using their modern spellings, which in some cases differ from the spellings in historical documents.

— 1st Generation —

1. Herman Olsen Ringnes (Herman O. Ringness), born 12 August 1831 at Ringnes Ødegård Farm, Løten¹, died 11 July 1886 at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, USA². He married **Petrine Eriksdatter Hovin (Pauline Ringness)** (P.1), daughter of Erik Simensen Årsrud (P.2) and Eline Pedersdatter Slagsvold (P.3), on 15 July 1863³.

In 1863 Herman purchased Ringnes Nordre Farm, Løten⁴. Herman and Petrine and their three children at the time left Norway in May 1866, sailing from Christiania (Oslo) on the bark *Eucharis* and arriving in Quebec in June⁵. They settled in Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin, USA. Herman worked as a shoemaker, eventually opening his own business⁶.

Herman and Petrine raised Emma, the daughter Petrine had with Jørgen Olsen Kjøstad before she married Herman:

EMMA JØRGENDATTER (EMMA RINGNESS), born 1 February 1861 at Hovin Farm, Løten⁷, died 29 December, 1936 at Stevens Point, Wisconsin⁸. She married Frank Miller in 1878⁹.

The children of Herman Olsen and Petrine Erichsdatter were:

- i. HANNA HERMANDATTER (HANNA RINGNESS), born 3 November 1863 at Ringnes Nordre¹⁰, died 1868 in Stevens Point¹¹.
- ii. ELIAS HERMANSEN (ALEX RINGNESS), born 23 January 1865 at Ringnes Nordre¹², died 22 August 1939 in Stevens Point¹³. He married Clara Means on December 1913 in Chicago, Illinois¹⁴. Alex took over his father's shoe business.
- iii. OLE J. RINGNESS, born 6 July 1866 in Amherst, Portage County, Wisconsin¹⁵, died 22 March 1937 in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois¹⁶. Ole married Amelia Ell in Stevens Point on 3 August 1898¹⁷. Ole worked as an inspector for the Peoria Water Company¹⁸.
- iv. HENRY S. RINGNESS, born 15 January 1868 in Stevens Point¹⁹, died 24 June 1936 in Peoria²⁰. He married Fannie Booth on 24 October 1892 in Stevens Point²¹. Henry was an assistant superintendent of the Peoria Water Company²².
- v. HELINA S. RINGNESS, born and died 1870 in Stevens Point²³.
- vi. JOHN RINGNESS, born January 1871 in Stevens Point²⁴. John moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he married Ida Larson²⁵.
- vii. HANS P. RINGNESS, born and died 1872 in Stevens Point²⁶.

- ¹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 10 1814-1832: 664, no. 46, microfilm no. 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 10.
- ² Death of Herman Ringness, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 17 July 1886, page 4, column 4.
- ³ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: marriages 1863, no. 11, microfilm no. 0307219, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877.
- ⁴ J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 1* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1949), 753, microfiche no. 6068154, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as *Løtenboka 1*.
- ⁵ Herman Ringnæs entry; *Eucharis* Passenger List, 13 June, 1866, ship 55, p 4, line 6; in *Passenger Lists: Quebec 1865 - 1921*; C-4521 (Ottawa: Library and Archives Canada), microfilm no. 0889441, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ⁶ Ringness Boots & Shoes advertisement, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 19 April 1879, page 2, column 1.
- ⁷ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 24, no. 27, microfilm 0307219, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877.
- ⁸ Mrs. Emma Miller, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 30 December 1836, 3, col. 3. Hereinafter cited as *Stevens Point Daily Journal*.
- ⁹ Dunn County Marriage Records Index 1:301, online <<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org>>, database "Wisconsin Vital Records", downloaded 08 January 2007. Emma's last name is misspelled as "Ringlep" in this index.
- ¹⁰ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 63, no. 129.
- ¹¹ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu>>, database "Portage County Cemetery Locator."
- ¹² Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: male births 1865, 82, no. 11.
- ¹³ Funeral of Mr. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 26 August 1939, page 3, column 2.
- ¹⁴ They Were Found Out, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 8 December 1913, page 1, column 1.
- ¹⁵ Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
- ¹⁶ Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
- ¹⁷ Ringness-Ell, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 4 August 1898, page 1, column 3.
- ¹⁸ Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
- ¹⁹ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
- ²⁰ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
- ²¹ Wedding Bells, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 29 October, 1892, page 1.
- ²² Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
- ²³ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator* (Stevens Point, Wisconsin: Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society, 1999), Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006. Hereinafter cited as *Portage County Cemetery Locator*.
- ²⁴ John Ringness household, 1900 U.S. Census, Hennepin County, Minnesota, population schedule, Minneapolis Ward 4, Enumeration District (ED) 39, sheet 1, dwelling 5, family 8, online <<http://www.ancestry.com>>, downloaded 11 January 2007.
- ²⁵ John Ringness household, 1900 U.S. Census, Hennepin County, Minnesota, population schedule, Minneapolis Ward 4, Enumeration District (ED) 39, sheet 1, dwelling 5, family 8, online <<http://www.ancestry.com>>, downloaded 11 January 2007.
- ²⁶ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006.

— 2nd Generation —

2. Ole Olsen Hagen, born 1782 at Østre Hagen Farm, Elverum¹, died 9 September 1859 at Ringnes Ødegård Farm, Løten². On 20 April 1812 he married³

3. Hanna Hansdatter Skramstad, born 1786 at Lille Skramstad Farm, Løten⁴, died 9 February 1857 at Ringnes Ødegaard⁵.

Hanna's father, Hans Olsen, moved around a great deal. Their family was living at Skramstad lille farm in Løten when Hanna was born in 1786. Her father died around the time of her birth and he was buried just 10 days before Hanna's baptism⁶. According to custom, the infant was named for her deceased parent (Hanna being the feminine form of Hans.)

In 1789 Hanna's mother, Lisbet Erichsdatter, married Jens Christensen Foskum⁷. In 1801 Jens bought Ringnes Ødegård farm⁸, where Hanna lived for the rest of her life.

Ole Olsen was the youngest of six children. In the 1801 Norwegian census Ole was living at the family farm, Østre Hagen in Elverum, which was then owned by Ole's older brother Amund Olsen⁹, and Ole's occupation was listed as shoemaker. In 1806 he married Marthe Jensdatter Damen¹⁰, daughter of Jens Embretsen Herstad and Dorthe Nielsdatter Pladsen. Marthe died in 1811¹¹ of dysentery (an epidemic swept through Elverum that year). The couple appears to have had no children.

Ole moved to Løten after Marthe's death. The church records of both his marriages, in Elverum and in Løten, give his occupation as ski infantry soldier (*skieløber*). *Skieløber* conscripts served mainly as a reserve force, but Elverum was close to the Swedish border and some battles between the Danish-Norwegian and Swedish forces, involving the Elverum *skieløbers*, took place in the years 1807-1814. It is possible that Ole was involved in these actions. Ole was also a farmer, and in 1813 he purchased Ringnes Ødegård farm from Hanna's stepfather, Jens Christensen¹². (More information about Ole Olsen Hagen is presented in Appendix A.)

In 1852 Ole sold Ringnes Ødegård to his stepson Christian Johannessen¹³. Ole and Hanna continued to live at the farm until their deaths.

The children of Ole Olsen and Hanna Hansdatter were all born at Ringnes Ødegård:

- i. OLE OLSEN, born 4 November 1812¹⁴. On 1 February 1841 Ole married Eli Olsdatter Nordset¹⁵. In 1865 they were living at Doksrud Farm, Løten¹⁶.
- ii. LISBET OLSDATTER, born 3 June 1815¹⁷, died 17 March 1893¹⁸. She married Erich Christensen Granseie in 1843¹⁹. In 1865 they were living at Gjerlaugstuen Farm, Løten.²⁰
- iii. INGER MARIE OLSDATTER, born 15 April 1818²¹.
- iv. HELENE OLSDATTER, born 27 March 1821²², died 4 November 1863²³. Helene's husband Christian Johannessen purchased Ringnes Ødegård from Ole Olsen Hagen in 1852²⁴. In 2007 some of Helene's descendents, now with the surname Ødegård, were still farming Ringnes Ødegård and Ringnes Søndre²⁵.
- v. SEVERIN OLSEN, born 3 February 1824²⁶. According to the 1865 census, Severin was blind²⁷.
- 1 vi. HERMAN OLSEN, born 12 August 1831²⁸, died 11 July 1886 at Stevens Pt, Portage County, Wisconsin, USA²⁹.

¹ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 3: 1777-1793: 55, no. 29, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 3.

² Løten Parish Registers, vol. 7 1850-1862 (copy): 325, no. 47, microfilm 124294, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 7.

³ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 4 1801-1814: 221, no. 14, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 4.

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- ⁴ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 3 1773-1801: 236, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 3.
- ⁵ Løten Parish Registers 7: 320, no. 9.
- ⁶ Løten Parish Registers 3: 299.
- ⁷ Løten Parish Registers 3: 386.
- ⁸ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 763.
- ⁹ Elverum Census of 1 February 1801, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.com>>, database "1801-telling for 0427 Elverum", downloaded 19 November 2006, see Hagen.
- ¹⁰ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 4: 1793-1814: marriages 1806, no page number, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 4.
- ¹¹ Elverum Parish Registers 4: 293, no number.
- ¹² J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 1* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1949), 762, microfiche no. 6068154, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as *Løtenboka 1*.
- ¹³ Morthoff, *Løtenboka, 1*, 762.
- ¹⁴ Løten Parish Registers 4: 117, no. 77.
- ¹⁵ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 11 1832-1849: 430, no. 7, microfilm 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 11.
- ¹⁶ Løiten Census of 31 December 1865, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database "1865-telling for 0415 Løiten", downloaded 13 January 2007, see Doxrud , list 1.
- ¹⁷ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 10 1814-1832: 29, no. 24, microfilm 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 10.
- ¹⁸ Løten Parish Registers, 1892-1907, online <www.digitalarkivet.no>, database "Løten: 1850-1859, Parish register (official)", downloaded 16 January, 2007, 314, no. 17. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers, 1892-1907 (digitalarkivet)
- ¹⁹ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 766.
- ²⁰ Løiten Census of 31 December 1865, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database "1865-telling for 0415 Løiten", downloaded 13 January 2007, see Gjerlaugstuen , list 1.
- ²¹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 5 1814-1832 (copy): 81, no. 30, microfilm 124293, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 5.
- ²² Løten Parish Registers 5: 139, no. 23.
- ²³ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 766.
- ²⁴ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 764.
- ²⁵ Halsten Ødegård, "Familieinformasjon," e-mail message from halstein.odegard@hotmail.com to Ed Ringness, 3 January 20007. Hereinafter cited as "Familieinformasjon."
- ²⁶ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 766.
- ²⁷ Løiten Census of 31 December 1865, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database "1865-telling for 0415 Løiten", downloaded 16 January 2007, see Ringnæs-Ødegaard, list 7, no. 3, 307.
- ²⁸ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 10 1814-1832: 664, no. 46, microfilm no. 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 10.
- ²⁹ Death of Herman Ringness, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 17 July 1886, page 4, column 4.

— 3rd Generation —

4. Ole Amundsen Hagen, born 1736¹, died at Østre Hagen Farm, Elverum in early 1795². He married on 28 December 1759³,

5. Sophie Håkonsdatter Bjølset, born circa 1738 at Søndre Bjølset Søstua Farm, Elverum⁴, died 30 October 1823 at Østre Hagen⁵.

In his youth Ole served as a ski infantry soldier (*skieløber*) in the local reserve company⁶. One of Sophie's brothers, Ole Håkonsen Hals, was a sergeant in the *skieløber* company⁷ and may have been acquainted with Ole Amundsen. Ole took over Østre Hagen from his father in 1765 and ran the farm for 30 years⁸. The farm prospered and increased in value during that time. Ole participating in the apportionment of communal forest lands among the local farm owners, which promoted economic development by allowing each landowner to use his forest land as collateral for loans, or to sell as timber.⁹

Because there were so many men named "Ole" at the farms around Østre Hagen, Ole Amundsen always called himself "Amundson", and for many years Østre Hagen was known as "Amundsongarn"¹⁰.

Sophie's mother died in 1750, when Sophie was 12 years old. The next year Sophie's father, Håkon Tollevsen, married Ingrid Johansdatter, who happened to be the widow of one of Ole Amundsen's uncles.

Ole Amundsen and Sophie Håkonsdatter had twelve children, all of whom were born at Østre Hagen Farm. (Note that six of the children died before their tenth year):

- i. MARTE OLSDATTER, born September 1761¹¹, died October 1761¹².
- ii. ANNE OLSDATTER, born February 1763¹³, died April 1769¹⁴.
- iii. JENS OLSEN, born April 1764¹⁵, died September 1773¹⁶.
- iv. AMUND OLSEN, born November 1766¹⁷, died November 1766¹⁸.
- v. MARTE OLSDATTER, born March 1768¹⁹.
- vi. ANNE OLSDATTER, born March 1770²⁰, died May 1773²¹.
- vii. HAAGEN OLSEN, born December 1771²², died January 1772²³.
- viii. AMUND OLSEN, born April 1773²⁴. Amund took over Østre Hagen in 1795.
- ix. JENS OLSEN, born May 1775²⁵.
- x. OLEA OLSDATTER, born January 1777²⁶.
- xi. HAAGEN OLSEN, born 1779²⁷, died 5 September 1851.
- 2 xii. OLE OLSEN, born July 1782²⁸, died 9 September 1859 at Ringnes Ødegård Farm, Løten²⁹.

6. Hans Olsen Rifsrud, born 1743 at Opphus Farm, Vang³⁰, died 1786 at Lille Skramstad farm, Løten³¹. No record has been found of his marriage to

7. Lisbet Eriksdatter Hjelseng, born 1742 at Hjelseng Farm, Løten³², died 1812 at Ringnes Ødegård Farm³³.

The Romedal bygdebok says that Hans Olsen lived at Harstad in Romedal, Imislund (probably Imerslund, Vang) and Årsrud in Løten³⁴; and we also know that he was born at Opphus in Vang and died at Lille Skramstad in Løten. All this moving around probably began in his youth, when he became an orphan at age six. During the years 1747—1749, Hans' father died, his mother remarried, his mother died, and his stepfather remarried³⁵. By the early 1750's there was probably not room for him at the house of his stepfather, Per Larsen Opphus. We know for certain that Hans bought Rifsrud Farm, Romedal, in 1770³⁶. Between 1749 and 1770 he possibly moved from Opphus to Harstad in Romedal to live at the home of Tåle Mekkelsen, either as Tåle's ward or his servant. Tåle was the son of Anne Tålesdatter, Hans' great-aunt and also one of his godmothers³⁷. Anne and her husband Mekkel Johannessen lived at O Farm in Vang³⁸,

which was adjacent to Opphus and where Tåle lived before he bought Harstad in 1750³⁹. Hans' father, Ola Hansen, had been a servant for Anne Tålesdatter and Mekkel Johannessen at O from 1730 to 1738⁴⁰. Considering these family connections, it would not be surprising for Tåle Mekkelsen to have hired the orphan Hans Olsen as a servant.

Hans' first wife was Berthe Johansdatter from Immislund, Vang. They were married in 1769 in Vang, and it appears that they had one daughter, Marthe Hansdatter⁴¹.

No records have been found of Berthe Johansdatter's death or of the marriage between Hans Olsen and Lisbet Eriksdatter. It is reasonable to assume that Hans and Lisbet were already married in 1775 when their first child was born.

In 1772 Hans sold Rifsrud⁴² and bought Årsrud in Løten⁴³. In 1782 he bought Lille Skramstad⁴⁴.

The summer of 1786 was a tough time for the family. In July the five-year old daughter Inger died. Hans died in September, and was buried just ten days before the baptism of his infant daughter who following the custom, was named "Hanna" after her deceased father.

In 1789 Lisbet married Jens Christensen Foskum, a schoolteacher⁴⁵. Jens purchased Ringnes Ødegård Farm in 1801⁴⁶.

Hans Olsen and Lisbet Eriksdatter had these children:

- i. BERTHE HANSDATTER, born 1775 at Årsrud⁴⁷, died 14 May 1832 at Rønningstad⁴⁸.
- ii. OLE HANSEN, born 1777 at Årsrud⁴⁹, died 13 September 1854 at Granlien⁵⁰.
- iii. ANNA HANSDATTER, born 1779 at Årsrud⁵¹, died 1780 at Årsrud⁵².
- iv. INGER HANSDATTER, born 1781 at Årsrud⁵³, died 1786 at Lille Skramstad⁵⁴.
- 3 v. HANNA HANSDATTER, born 1786 at Lille Skramstad⁵⁵, died 9 February 1857 at Ringnes Ødegård⁵⁶.

¹ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 325.

² Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 4: 1793-1814: 322, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 4.

³ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 2: 1757-1776: 7, no. 12, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 2.

⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

⁵ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 5: 1815-1829: 217, no. 19, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 5.

⁶ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 7, no. 12.

⁷ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 61. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.

⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 216.

⁹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 216.

¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 216.

¹¹ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 100, no. 30.

¹² Elverum Parish Registers 2: 237, no. 26.

¹³ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 103, no. 10.

¹⁴ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 239, no. 15.

¹⁵ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 55, no. 23.

¹⁶ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 225, no. 41.

¹⁷ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 61, no. 36.

¹⁸ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 222, no. 26.

¹⁹ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 113, no. 8.

²⁰ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 116, no. 8.

²¹ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 240, no. 31.

²² Elverum Parish Registers 2: 73, no. 33.

²³ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 224, no. 1.

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- ²⁴ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 76, no. 9.
- ²⁵ Elverum Parish Registers 2: 81, no. 16.
- ²⁶ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 3: 1777-1793: 81, no. 16, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 3.
- ²⁷ Elverum Parish Registers 3: 54, no. 22.
- ²⁸ Elverum Parish Registers 3: 55, no. 29.
- ²⁹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 7 1850-1862 (copy): 325, no. 47, microfilm 124294, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers 7.
- ³⁰ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database "Vang: 1734-1809, Parish register (official)", downloaded 29 October 2007, 49.
- ³¹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 3 1773-1801: 299, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ³² Løten Parish Registers, vol. 2 1732-1772: 53, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ³³ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 4 1801-1814: 372, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ³⁴ Jacob Sverre Løland, *Romedalboka, bind 4* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1985), 481.
- ³⁵ Odd Stensrud, *Vangsboka I, g.nr. 178-194* (Vang: Vang historielag, 1983), 342.
- ³⁶ Løland, *Romedalboka 4*, 488.
- ³⁷ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809 (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 49.
- ³⁸ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 220.
- ³⁹ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 701.
- ⁴⁰ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ⁴¹ Løland, *Romedalboka 4*, 488.
- ⁴² Løland, *Romedalboka 4*, 488.
- ⁴³ J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 1* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1949), 791, microfiche no. 6068154, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ⁴⁴ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 396.
- ⁴⁵ Løten Parish Registers 3: 386.
- ⁴⁶ Morthoff, *Løtenboka 1*, 765.
- ⁴⁷ Løten Parish Registers 3: 25.
- ⁴⁸ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 10 1814-1832: 281 no 20, microfilm 124295, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ⁴⁹ Løten Parish Registers 3: 55.
- ⁵⁰ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 7 1850-1862 (copy): 316, microfilm 124294, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ⁵¹ Løten Parish Registers 3: 79.
- ⁵² Løten Parish Registers 3: 290.
- ⁵³ Løten Parish Registers 3: 98.
- ⁵⁴ Løten Parish Registers 3: 299.
- ⁵⁵ Løten Parish Registers 3: 126.
- ⁵⁶ Løten Parish Registers 7: 320, no 9.

— 4th Generation —

8. Amund Eriksen Murud, born 1701 at Murud Farm, Elverum¹, died 1768 at Østre Hagen Farm, Elverum². In 1735 he married³

9. Anne Olsdatter Vestre Hagen, born 1713 at Vestre Hagen Farm, Elverum⁴, died 1757 at Østre Hagen Farm⁵.

Amund Eriksen bought Østre Hagen in 1752. He was the pastor's assistant, the school treasurer, and "on the whole, a trusted man in the community"⁶. Amund's second wife, whom he married in 1758, was Siri Eriksdatter Opsal⁷.

Amund Eriksen is said to have left behind five children, but we only know the name of his oldest son with Anne Olsdatter:

- 4 i. OLE ANUMDSEN, born 1736⁸, died 1795⁹.

10. Håkon Tollefsen Bjølset, born 1701 at Bjølset Farm, Elverum¹⁰, where he died in 1788¹¹. In 1729 he married¹²

11. Marte Jensdatter Hals, born at Åset Farm, Åmot¹³, died 1 March 1750 at Bjølset¹⁴.

Håkon took out a mortgage to purchase Søndre Bjølset Farm from his father-in-law, Jens Hals (22), and he ran into hard times. He had difficulty paying his debts (as had his father, Tolle Olsen (20)), and when Marte died in 1750 he was left with six children ranging in age from newborn to 19 years. Håkon married again in 1751. His second wife, Ingrid Johansdatter, had substantial means and they were able to pay off the debts. Håkon and Ingrid had no children. (Ingrid was already twice a widow when she married Håkon. Her first husband was Ola Eriksen Murud, the brother of Amund Eriksen Murud (8).)¹⁵

The children of Håkon Tollefsen and Marte Jensdatter were:

- i. GJERTRUD HÅKONSDATTER, born 1731¹⁶.
 ii. JENS HÅKONSEN, born 1734¹⁷, died 1812¹⁸.
 iii. OLE HÅKONSEN HALS, born 1736¹⁹. Was a sergeant in the *skieløber* company²⁰.
 5 iv. SOPHIE HÅKONSDATTER, born 1738²¹, died 30 October 1823 at Østre Hagen²².
 v. TOLLEF HÅKONSEN, born 1743²³.
 vi. ANNE HÅKONSDATTER, born 1750²⁴.

12. Ole Hansen Opphus, born circa 1710 at Bryni Mellom Farm, Romedal²⁵, died 1747 at Opphus Farm, Vang²⁶. In 1738 he married²⁷

13. Ingrid Halvordsdatter Hol, born 1712 at Hol Vestre Farm, Vang²⁸, died 1749 at Opphus Farm, Vang²⁹.

Ole moved from Bryni in Romedal to O in Vang, where he was a servant in the house of his aunt Anne Tålesdatter and her husband Mekkel Johannessen from 1730 to 1738³⁰. In 1738 he purchased Opphus, a farm next to O³¹.

Ingrid came from Hol, a farm adjacent to Opphus. They were married for nine years and then Ole and Ingrid died within two years of each other, both at age 37. In 1748, the year after Ole's death, Ingrid married Per Larsen Lerhus³². Per Larsen assumed Ole Hansen's debt on Opphus. After Ingrid's death in 1749, Per took over Opphus Farm and married Pernille Larsdatter from Rekstad in Stange. Per and Pernille went on to have nine children of their own³³.

Ole and Ingrid left behind four children, ages two through ten. I do not know whether the children lived with their stepfather or were taken in by their parents' relatives. Both of the

grandfathers were dead before the parents died. See Hans Olsen Rifsrud (6) for my speculation on what became of him.

Children of Ole Hansen and Ingrid Halvordsdatter:

- i. HALLVORD OLSEN, born 1739³⁴, died 1741³⁵.
- ii. HALLVORD OLSEN, born 1741³⁶, died 14 September 1826³⁷. Hallvord became a saddle maker, and from 1768 – 1780 he farmed Bryni Mellom Farm in Romedal.
- 6 iii. HANS OLSEN, born 1743³⁸, died 1786³⁹.
- iv. KERSTI OLSDATTER, born 1745⁴⁰.
- v. SIRI OLSDATTER, born 1747⁴¹.

14. Erich Olsen Hjelseng, born 1691 at Hjelseng Farm, Løten, died 1769. Married in 1738 to

15. Anne Pedersdatter Ringnes, born 1713, died 1770.

Erich was a respected person in the community, and served as a member of the local court.

Erich was previously married to Lisbet Mogensdatter Hjelseng, born 1700, died 1738 probably in childbirth. They had one son:

OLE ERICHSEN, born 1738, died 1739.

Erich Olsen and Anne Pedersdatter had these children:

- i. LISBET ERICHSDATTER, born 1740, died 1742.
- 7 ii. LISBET ERICHSDATTER, born 16 December 1742, died 1812.
- iii. ANDERS ERICHSEN, born 1744, died about 1793.
- iv. OLE ERICHSEN, born 1747, died 1747.
- v. PEDER ERICHSEN, born 1748.
- vi. GUNNAAR ERICHSDATTER, born 1750, died 1751.
- vii. OLE ERICHSEN, born 1752.
- viii. GUNNAAR ERICHSDATTER, born 1755.
- ix. RAGNHILD ERICHSDATTER, born 1758, died 1762.
- x. GUNDER ERICHSEN, born 1761, died 1773.

¹ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 291. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.

² Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

⁶ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 216. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.

⁷ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

⁸ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.

⁹ Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 4: 1793-1814: 322, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 4.

¹⁰ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹² Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹³ Eyvind Lillevold, *Åmot bygdebok, bind I* (Åmot: Åmot bygdeboknemd, 1967), 87. Hereinafter cited as *Åmot bygdebok I*.

¹⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 61.

¹⁶ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹⁷ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

¹⁸ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

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- ¹⁹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
- ²⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok I*, 61.
- ²¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
- ²² Elverum Parish Registers, vol. 5: 1815-1829: 217, no. 19, microfilm 124281, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Elverum Parish Registers 5.
- ²³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
- ²⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
- ²⁵ Odd Stensrud, *Vangsboka I, g.nr. 178-194* (Vang: Vang historielag, 1983), 342.
- ²⁶ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database “Vang: 1734-1809, Parish register (official)”, downloaded 29 October 2007, 240.
- ²⁷ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 348.
- ²⁸ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 296.
- ²⁹ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ³⁰ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 220.
- ³¹ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ³² Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ³³ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ³⁴ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 30.
- ³⁵ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 342.
- ³⁶ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 40.
- ³⁷ Stensrud, *Vangsboka I*, 342.
- ³⁸ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 49.
- ³⁹ Løten Parish Registers, vol. 3 1773-1801: 299, microfilm 124292, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
- ⁴⁰ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 55.
- ⁴¹ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, (digitalarkivet), downloaded 29 October 2007, 61.

— 5th Generation —

16. Erik Olsen Murud, born 1659 at Murud Farm, Elverum¹, died 1722 at Murud Farm². He was married to³

17. Olaug Persdatter Sørperud, died ca. 1712 at Murud⁴.

Erik Olsen and Olaug Persdatter had these children that we know of:

- i. INGEBOG ERIKSDATTER⁵.
- ii. OLA ERIKSEN, born 1694 at Murud⁶, died 29 Mar 1743 at Murud⁷.
- iii. MAREN ERIKSDATTER, born 1696 at Murud⁸, died 1752⁹.
- 8 iv. AMUND ERIKSEN, born 1701 at Murud¹⁰, died 1768 at Østre Hagen¹¹.

18. Ola Knutsen Vestre Hagen, born 1676 at Vestre Hagen farm, Elverum, died in 1756¹². Ola was married to

19. Olaug Olsdatter Berger, born 24 May 1676 at Søndre Berger farm, Elverum, buried 25 April 1751¹³.

Ola Knutsen owned the farms Vestre Hagen and Østre Husa.

The children of Ola Knutsen and Olaug Olsdatter:¹⁴

- i. OLA OLSEN, born 1705, died 3 Dec 1779. Ola took over the farm.
- ii. GURI OLSDATTER, born 1707, died 1797.
- 9 iii. ANNE OLSDATTER, born 1713, died 1757.
- iv. BERTE OLSDATTER, born 1721.
- v. OLAUG OLSDATTER

20. Tollev Olsen Bjølset.¹⁵

The name of Tollev's wife is not known. Tollev became bruker of Søndre Bjølset Farm, Elverum in 1702. By 1711 Tollev had amassed enormous debts from unsuccessful timber sales and his creditor, the town clerk Mogens Larsen, gained possession of Søndre Bjølset in 1713. Tollev was allowed to live there for the rest of his life where he had to bear the reproaches of his sisters over losing the family farm.¹⁶

Tollev's children were:

- 10 i. HÅKON TOLLEVSEN, born 1701¹⁷, died 1788¹⁸.
- ii. NN TOLLEVSDATTER¹⁹.
- iii. HANS TOLLEVSEN²⁰.

22. Jens Knudsen Hals, born 1681, died 1737 at Åmot. He married

23. Gjertrud Sofie Hornemann, born at Åmot. The dates of her birth and death are not known.

Jens and Gjertrude both came from Åmot, a parish to the north of Elverum. Jens' father (44) Knut Hals bought Søndre Rustad Farm, Elverum in 1699, and Jens ran the farm for his father. In 1714 Jens bought Søndre Bjølset Farm from Erik Mogensen, who had obtained rights to the farm from his father Mogens Larsen (see (20) Tollev Olsen). In 1728 Jens moved back to his birthplace in Åmot, and in 1731 he sold Søndre Bjølset to (10) Håkon Tollevsen, who married to Jens' daughter (11) Marte.

Jens' and Gjertrud's families came from Denmark, which explains why they both used hereditary last names (Hals and Hornemann) instead of adopting their farm names as a kind of

surname. Jens' ancestors came to Norway as soldiers and government officials. Gjertrud's father and grandfather were priests in Åmot parish.

Jens and Gjertrud had four children:

- 11 i. MARTE JENSDATTER, born ca 1709, died 1 March 1750.
- ii. OLE JENSEN, born 1714, died 1796.
- iii. LISBETH JENSDATTER, born 1720, died 1790.
- iv. ANNE DOROTHEA JENSDATTER, born before 1728.

24. Hans Paulsen Bryni, born circa 1667 at Bryni Mellom Farm, Romedal, died there 1741²¹. He was married to

25. Kirsti Tollefsdatter Arneberg, born circa 1682 at Arneberg Nordre Farm, Romedal.²²

Hans acquired Bryni Mellom Farm in 1700 after the death of his father. Kirsti came from an affluent and well respected family at Arneberg. Romedalboka states that for much of Hans' tenure at Bryni there were hard economic times: the Great Northern War (between Denmark and Sweden, in the decade 1710–1720), and a famine around 1740. Still, Hans and Kirsti were able to keep their farm and they lived to see their four of their sons settled on their own farms.²³

Hans and Kirsti had seven children²⁴:

- i. PAUL HANSEN, born c 1702, died 1734. Took over half of Bryni Mellom Farm in 1732.
- ii. FRODER HANSEN, born 1704, died ca. 1780. Acquired Bryni Mellom Farm in 1737.
- iii. TOLLEF HANSEN, born 1706. Farmer at Vold, Romedal.
- 12 iv. OLE HANSEN, born c 1710²⁵, died 1747²⁶. Farmer at Opphus, Vang.
- v. NILS HANSEN.
- vi. KIRSTEN HANSDATTER.
- vii. KARI HANSDATTER .

26. Hallvord Olsen Hol lived at Bruker Of Hol Vestre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He was born circa 1681 at Hol Vestre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Siri Bjørnsdatter Vidarshov** in 1711 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1722.

27. Siri Bjørnsdatter Vidarshov died. She was born in 1686 at Vidarshov Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Hallvord Olsen Hol**, son of **Ola Hallvordsen Hol** and **Ingrid Persdatter Hol**, in 1711 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

28. Ole Erichsen Hjelseng, born 1640 at Hjelseng Farm, Løten, died there 1725. He was married to

29. Gudbjørg Nilsdatter Hjelseng, died 1697.

Ole had a reputation as a reliable man. In 1691 he purchased Hjelseng farm outright from its owner in Oslo (up to this time the residents had leased the land but not owned it). He mortgaged the farm in 1709 but was able to pay off the mortgage and prospered. He served as a church warden and a court member.

Hardly anything is known of Gudbjørg Nilsdatter. After her death, Ole married Kjersti Haagensdatter Rogstad (1647—1737). Ole and Kjersti appear not to have had any children of their own.

Ole Erichsen and Gudbjørg Nilsdatter had one child:

- 14 i. ERICH OLSEN, born 1691, died 1769.

30. Peder Pedersen Ringnes, born 1674, died 1753 at Ringnes Farm, Løten. He was married to

31. Ragnhild Taraldsdatter Ringnes, born 1679, died 1751 at Ringnes Farm.

According to the Løten Bygdebok, Peder “was well regarded”, and he often served as a member of the court. He lived at Ringnes farm for over 50 years. *Include farm description from 1723 matrikkel.*

Peder and Ragnhild’s children were:

- i. PEDER PEDERSEN, born 1701.
- ii. TARALD PEDERSEN, born 1705.
- iii. OLE PEDERSEN, born 1707, died 1780.
- 15 iv. ANNE PEDERSDATTER, born 1713, died 1770.
- v. KARI PEDERSDATTER, born 1717.
- vi. RAGNHILD PEDERSDATTER, born 1720, died 1752.
- vii. MARTHE PEDERSDATTER.

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- ¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 171. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.
 - ² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
 - ³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 172.
 - ⁴ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 291. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.
 - ⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ⁶ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ⁷ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ⁸ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ⁹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ¹⁰ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 291.
 - ¹¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.
 - ¹² Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 324.
 - ¹³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 308.
 - ¹⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 325.
 - ¹⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
 - ¹⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 59.
 - ¹⁷ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
 - ¹⁸ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
 - ¹⁹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
 - ²⁰ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.
 - ²¹ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 3* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1979), 527.
 - ²² Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 160.
 - ²³ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 516-517.
 - ²⁴ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 527. This citation includes information on all seven children.
 - ²⁵ Odd Stensrud, *Vangsboka I, g.nr. 178-194* (Vang: Vang historielag, 1983), 342.
 - ²⁶ Vang Parish Register, 1734-1809, online <<http://www.digitalarkivet.no>>, database “Vang: 1734-1809, Parish register (official)”, downloaded 29 October 2007, 240.

— 6th Generation —

32. Ola Amundsen Murud, born 1623 at Murud Farm, Elverum¹, died there 1679². He was married to

33. Gunhild, died 1699³.

Ola took over Murud from his father sometime before 1660. After Ola's death, Gunhild operated the farm until their son Erik took it over in 1690⁴.

Ola and Gunhild are mentioned as having several children, but the only one whose name is known is:

- 16 i. ERIK OLSEN, born 1659⁵, died 1722⁶.

35. Guri Amundsdatter Løken Perstua died 1678 at Sørperud Farm, Elverum.

Guri was married twice. Nothing is known about her first husband, although it appears that his name was Per. Her second husband was also named Per: Per Mikkelsen Sørperud, born 1620 and died 1661. Per Mikkelsen had inherited Sørperud from his father. When he died Guri ran the farm until her death in 1678. Amund Persen, Guri's son from her first marriage, inherited Sørperud from her.

Guri appears to have had three children, probably all from her first marriage:

- 17 i. AMUND PERSEN.
 ii. MIKKEL PERSEN.
 iii. OLAUG PERSDATTER, died 1712.

36. Knut Toresen Vestre Hagen, died 1709 at Vestre Hagen farm, Elverum⁷. He was married to

37. Marte Reppersdatter Vestre Hagen⁸.

The Elverum bygdeboks do not say where Knut Toresen came from. Marte inherited Vestre Hagen from Marte's father, Repper Hallvardsen. Knut also acquired Østre Husa, a nearby farm. In 1682 Knut was fined for cutting the arm of one of his tenants with a scythe during an argument.

Their children were⁹:

- 18 i. OLA KNUTSEN, born 1676, died 1756. Ola took over Vestre Hagen farm.
 ii. GULLAUG KNUTSDATTER, born 1685, died 1761.
 iii. TORSTEIN KNUTSEN, born 1687.
 iv. MARTE KNUTSDATTER, born 1690, died 1754.
 v. GUNNAR KNUTSEN, died 1717.

38. Ole Siverson Berger, born 1632 at Søndre Berger farm, Elverum, died there 11 June 1679¹⁰. He was married to

39. Marte Amundsdatter Murud, born 20 January 1639 at Murud farm, Elverum¹¹.

Ole Siverson had a dramatic death. During one of the wars between Sweden and Denmark/Norway, a group of farmers got into a quarrel with some Norwegian troops quartered in their area. The quarrel escalated into a fight, the farmers using wooden poles against the soldiers' swords. Ole suffered a mortal sword wound and died four days later.¹²

Marte married a second time, to Ola Halvorsen.

Ole and Marte had four children:¹³

- i. GUNNAR OLSEN, born 1663, died 1720. Gunnar took over Berger farm in 1690.
- ii. SIGRID OLSDATTER, born 1667, died 1759.
- iii. GUNHILD OLSDATTER, born 1670.
- 19 iv. OLAUG OLSDATTER, born 1676, died 1751.

40. Ola Hanssen Bjølset, born in Åsnes parish, Hedmark¹⁴, died 1708 at Søndre Bjølset Farm, Elverum¹⁵. He was married ca. 1682 to

41. Gunvor Håkonsdatter Bjølset, born at Søndre Bjølset¹⁶, died there 1702¹⁷.

Ola was born in Hof parish, which in modern times has become part of Åsnes kommune.

Ola Hanssen was a timber cruiser (a person who determines what types and ages of trees are in a forest) before marrying Gunvor Håkonsdatter. He became the operator of Søndre Bjølset Farm in 1687. In 1690 Ole bought the portion of the farm which Gunvor's sister Marte had inherited. Around 1700 their son Tollev Olsen (20) took over the farm.¹⁸

They had six daughters and one son:

- 20 i. TOLLEV OLSEN, born ca. 1683¹⁹.
- ii. KIRSTEN OLSDATTER, born 1686²⁰, died 1766²¹.
- iii. GUNVOR OLSDATTER²².
- iv. KAREN OLSDATTER²³.
- v. ANNE OLSDATTER²⁴.
- vi. RAGNHILD OLSDATTER²⁵.
- vii. MAREN OLSDATTER, born ca. 1700²⁶.

44. Knut Jenssen Hals, born 1660 in Skåne, Sweden (occupied by Denmark), died 27 August 1725. Around 1681 he married

45. Siri Knutsdatter Åset, died 1723.

The Hals family originated in Denmark. Knut became a soldier in the Danish army and probably traveled to southeastern Norway around the time of the The Gyldenløve War between Denmark and Sweden (1676-1678). Tensions between these two countries resulted in a Danish garrison being built near Elverum. Knut served in the Opland regiment stationed there, eventually reaching the rank of captain.

Siri Knutsdatter was born at Åset farm, and in 1681 Knut Jenssen bought Åset from Siri's father, Knut Hansen. In 1699, Knut also bought Søndre Bjølset Farm, in Elverum, which he entrusted to his son (22) Jens Hals.

Knut developed a reputation for engaging in many lawsuits – in spite of his lack of legal training.

The children of Knut and Siri were:

- 22 i. JENS KNUDSEN, born 1681, died 1737.
- ii. HANS KNUDSEN, born 1685, died 1750.
- iii. KNUK KNUDSEN, born 1688, died 1741.
- iv. NILS KNUDSEN, born 1690, died 1752.
- v. SILLE SOPHIE KNUDSDATTER, born about 1692.
- vi. CHRISTOPHER KNUDSEN, born after 1697, died 8 Nov 1775.
- vii. ANNE KNUDSDATTER, ca. 1700, died 1771.
- viii. DORTHE MARIE KNUDSDATTER, born 1702.

46. Ole Jenssen Hornemann, born 1645 in Christiania (Oslo), Norway, died 1728 at Åmot, Hedmark, Norway. About 1672 he married his step-sister

47. Anna Nilsdatter.

Ole's father, Jens Bondesen (92), was also a priest. Jens was a palace chaplain in Oslo at the time of Ole's birth. Jens became the parish priest at Åmot in 1646. Ole became chaplain there in 1671, and assumed the office of priest in 1685. The Åmot bygdebok states that it is likely Ole helped with interrogations during the Rendalen witch trials in 1671.

After he moved to Åmot, Ole called himself by the surname Åmot instead of Hornemann.

Ole and Anna had four children:

- 23
- i. GJERTRUD SOFIE OLSDATTER HORNEMANN, born 1681, died 1747.
 - ii. JENS OLSEN Åmot, died 1729.
 - iii. ANNE OLSDATTER HORNEMANN, died 1742.
 - iv. ANNE MARIE OLSDATTER HORNEMANN.

48. Paul Jonsen Sæter, born circa 1640 at Sæter Nordre Farm in Romedal²⁷, died circa 1700 at Bryni Mellom Farm, Romedal²⁸. Circa 1664 he became married to

49. Karen Halvorsdatter Bryni²⁹, died before 1700³⁰.

Paul acquired Bryni Mellom Farm circa 1664 when he married the previous owner's widow, Karen Halvorsdatter. Nothing is known about Karen's birth. Paul and Karen's descendents would continue to live at this farm for the next 170 years.³¹

Karen had one daughter with her first husband, Ole Asbjørnsen Bryni³²:
RANDI OLSDATTER, married Christen Jonssen Reinsvold.

In the late 1680's an error in the farm tax rolls resulted in Paul Jonsen being summoned to court for not paying all his taxes. It turned out that there were a few other such errors in Romedal and the neighboring parishes. The affected farmers met and in the autumn of 1691 they drafted a petition asking the government to explain the mistakes in the tax rolls. Paul Jonsen was selected to take the petition to the royal court. He traveled to Copenhagen and presented the petition to King Christian V.³³

Paul and Karen had these four sons³⁴:

- 24
- i. OLE PAULSEN, born ca. 1665, died ca. 1675.
 - ii. HANS PAULSEN, born ca. 1667, died ca. 1741.
 - iii. HALVOR PAULSEN, born ca. 1670.
 - iv. PEDER PAULSEN. Peder was employed in the office of a local financier.

50. Tollef Frodersen Arneberg³⁵, born circa 1648 at Arneberg Nordre Farm, Romedal (now Stange), died there circa 1705. He was married to

51. Guri Larsdatter Austad³⁶, died in 1698 at Arneberg Nordre Farm.

Romedalboka says that Tollef did military service as a horseman. It also relates a dramatic incident when Tollef was a young man in which he got into a terrible fight and was struck in the head with an axe.³⁷ Tollef survived his injuries, and a few years later he took over Arneberg Nordre after his father. He ran the farm for about 30 years.

Tollef was involved in the affairs of the community, serving over the years as an appraiser, assessor, and juror. A decorative tablet in Tomter Church, dated 1679, was presented by Tollef and Guri.³⁸

Tollef and Guri had the following children³⁹:

- 25
- i. LARS TOLLEFSEN, born ca. 1682, died ca. 1753. Took over Areneberg Nordre.
 - ii. KJERSTI TOLLEFSDATTER, born ca. 1682. Married Hans Paulsen, Bryni Mellom.

- iii. ANNE TOLLEFSDATTER, born ca. 1684.
- iv. LARS TOLLEFSEN, born ca. 1687. Married Marte Bertelsdatter Mælum, Furnes.
- v. OLE TOLLEFSEN, born ca. 1690. Married Marte Julsdatter Jesnes.
- vi. KARI TOLLEFSDATTER. Married Johan Johansen Hoel Østre, Vang.

Guri died about six years before Tollef. Tollef was married a second time, to Rangdi Embretsdatter Ske. They had no children.⁴⁰

52. Ola Hallvordsen Hol, born circa 1649, died 1694 at Hol Vestre Farm, Vang. He was married to

53. Ingrid Persdatter Hol, born circa 1634, died 1710.

56. Erich Christophersen Hjelseng, born 1610, died 1680 at Hjelseng Farm, Løten.

Little is known of Erich Christophersen. We do not know the name of his wife.

Erich Christophersen had two sons:

- i. GUNDER ERICHSEN, born 1634, died 1664.
- 28 ii. OLE ERICHSEN, born 1640, died 1725.

¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 171. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.

² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁴ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 241.

⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 241.

⁹ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 324.

¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 189.

¹¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 307.

¹² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 189.

¹³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 308.

¹⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.

¹⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.

¹⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

²⁰ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.

²¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.

²² Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.

²³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

²⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

²⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

²⁶ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 281.

²⁷ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 2* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1970), 598.

²⁸ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 3* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1979), 527.

²⁹ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 527.

³⁰ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 516.

³¹ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 516.

³² Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 527.

³³ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 515.

³⁴ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 3*, 527.

³⁵ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romed alboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 160.

³⁶ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 160.

³⁷ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 149.

³⁸ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 151.

³⁹ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 160. This citation refers to all six children.

⁴⁰ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 151.

— 7th Generation —

64. Amund Olsen Murud was born in 1590 at Murud Farm, Elverum¹, died there in 1660². He was married to

65. Olaug Ivarsdatter Øvre Løken³.

In the 1620's Olaug Ivarsdatter and her sister Inger together owned Murud⁴, probably having inherited it from their father Ivar Øvre Løken. Because Amund Olsen was the oldest son of the previous owner, he had the right to purchase Murud (this is the Norwegian *odelsrett*) and that is how he was able to redeem the farm. He ran the farm until his death in 1660.

Nothing else is known about Olaug Ivarsdatter.

The three children of Amund and Olaug that we know of are:

- 32 i. OLA AMUNDTSEN, born 1623⁵, died 1679⁶.
 ii. MARTE AMUNSDATTER, born 1639⁷.
 iii. IVAR AMUNDTSEN⁸.

70. Amund Pedersen Løken Perstua, died circa 1660 at Løken Perstua Farm, Elverum. He was married to

71. Helle Løken Perstua.

74. Repper Hallvardson Vestre Hagen. His wife's name is not recorded.⁹

Repper, or Reier as it was also written, was a juror and was called "an esteemed man in the community".

- 37 i. OLA REPPERSEN, died 1688.
 ii. INGER (ANNE?) REPPERSDATTER.
 iii. MARTE REPPERSDATTER.
 iv. AMBJØRG REPPERSDATTER.
 v. PER REPPERSEN.

76. Siver Gundersen Berger, born circa 1600 at Elverum, died circa 1660 at Søndre Berger Farm, Elverum.¹⁰ Sometime before 1632 he married

77. Gunhild Iversdatter Nedre Skjefstad, born at Nedre Skjefstad farm, Elverum.

Siver and Gunhild had three daughters, none of whose names are known for certain, and one son¹¹:

- 38 i. OLE SIVERSEN, born 1632 and died 1679.
 ii. BIRTHE (?) SIVERSDATTER.
 iii. NN SIVERSDATTER.
 iv. NN SIVERSDATTER.

78. Amund Olsen Murud, born 1590 at Murud Farm, Elverum, died there 1660. He was married to

79. Olaug Ivarsdatter Øvre Løken.

82. Håkon Toresen Bjølset, born at Søndre Bjølset Farm, Elverum¹² and died there 1662¹³. He was married to

83. Ragnhild Olsdatter Bånerud, born at Bånerud Farm, Elverum¹⁴.

Håkon and Ragnhild were second cousins, twice removed. They were related by way of Tore Bjølset (656) and his wife (name unknown, 657).

Håkon's father, Tore Håkonsen (164), had made an agreement in 1626 with his younger brother Jedvard giving up Tore's *odelsrett* claim on Jedvard's share of Søndre Bjølset. But later young Håkon wanted his uncle Jedvard's share, and in 1655 he succeeded in having this agreement nullified. Jedvard was allowed to continue using his half of the farm for the rest of his life, but it would then revert to Håkon or his heirs. As it turned out Håkon died before Jedvard, so Håkon didn't live to see his plan carried out.¹⁵

Håkon and Ragnhild had two daughters:

- 41 i. GUNVOR HÅKONSDATTER, died 1702¹⁶.
- ii. MARTE HÅKONSDATTER¹⁷.

After Håkon's death, Ragnhild married Arne Berntsen from Holstad in Åsnes (formerly Hof)¹⁸. They had one daughter:

GUNNE ARNESDATTER¹⁹.

88. Jens Andersen Hals.

The Hals family originated in Jutland, Denmark, but Jens' father Anders Jensen Hals (176) moved to Skåne, a part of southern Sweden that was then occupied by the Danes. In 1667 Jens Andersen was the bailiff for the Bollerup estate in Skåne.

Jens' children were:

- i. LARS JENSEN, born 1713.
- ii. NILS JENSEN, born 1713.
- 44 iii. KNUT JENSSEN, born 1660, died 27 Aug 1725.
- iv. SOPHIE JENSDATTER.
- v. MAREN JENSDATTER.
- vi. ANNE JENSDATTER.
- vii. KAREN JENSDATTER.

90. Knut Hansen Nabset, born about 1617 at Nabset Farm, Åmot, died after 1685. He married

91. NN Larssdatter Åset, daughter of Lars Larsen Åset (her first name is not known).

Knut Hansen became the farmer at Åset søndre around 1657. He previously lived at Nafset farm. In 1685 he inherited from his mother's family part of Økset farm in Elverum.

A couple of colorful stories about Knut are found in the Åmot bygdebok. Knut was sued in 1662 by a farmer who claimed that Knut had dug a bear pit trap and neglected to put a secure fence around it, resulting in the death of one of the farmer's cows in the trap. The suit was dropped. In 1680 Knut was convicted of sacrilege, for not attending church on New Year's Day (a holy day) and instead staying home and hosting a drinking party. Knut was let off with a relatively light sentence of 20 daler, which was a considerable amount of money at that time.

Knut and his wife had two daughters:

- 45 i. SIRI KNUTSDATTER, died 1723.
- ii. NN KNUTSDATTER (first name is not known).

92. Jens Bondesen, born 1606 at Viborg, Denmark, died 1684 at Åmot, Hedmark, Norway. Before 1645, Jens married

93. Anne Olsdatter.

Jens studied in Viborg, Denmark, and after becoming a Lutheran priest he served in Oslo in 1645 as a palace chaplain. The next year he was assigned to Åmot where he was the parish priest until his death in 1684. In 1685 his son Ole (46) succeeded him as priest at Åmot. Because Jens' children from two different wives are recorded as having the same surname, Hornemann, we can assume that Hornemann was also Jens Bondesen's surname, although he is not recorded as using it.

Jens participated in the prosecution of the Rendalen witch trials in 1671. He testified against Ragnhild Nordset, who was sentenced to the bonfire.

Anne died before Jens, possibly in 1645, and Jens later married Maren Eriksdatter (95), who was the widow of Nils Eriksen Bolstad (94). I did not find the dates of Anne's death and Jens' second marriage, but it is fairly certain that the son Ole was from the marriage of Jens and Anne. After Jens died, Maren married Haagen Arnesen Kilde.

Jens and Anne seem to have had two sons:

- i. JENS JENSEN HORNEMANN (ÅMOT).
- 46 ii. OLE JENSEN HORNEMANN (ÅMOT) , born 1645, died 1728.

Jens seems to have had several children with Maren Eriksdatter:

- MAREN JENSDATTER HORNEMANN , born ca 1646, died 1701.
- PEDER JENSEN ÅMOT.
- ELISABETH JENSDATTER.
- MAGDALENE JENSDATTER, born 1657.

94. Nils Eriksen Bolstad, died before 1646 at Bolstad Østre Farm, Åmot. Nils was married in 1624 to

95. Maren Eriksdatter.

Nils took over Bolstad Østre from his father, Erik (188). After Nils died, Maren married Jens Bondesen (92), the Åmot parish priest. After Jens died in 1685, Maren was married a third time, to Haagen Arnesen Kilde. Haagen apparently was much younger than Maren.

Nils and Maren had at least two children:

- 47 i. ANNA NILSDATTER.
- ii. ERIK NILSEN, born ca. 1662, died before 1685.

Maren had at least one child with Jens Bondesen:

- i. MAREN JENSDATTER HORNEMANN , born ca 1646, died 1701.

96. Jon Nilsen Sæter, born 1604 at Sæter Nordre Farm in Romedal, where he died circa 1692²⁰. The name of Jon's wife is not known.

John inherited Sæter Nordre Farm from his father in 1643 and farmed there until his death.

He had four children²¹:

- i. HANS JONSEN, born before 1640. Hans was killed at Hekne Farm in Romedal.
- 48 ii. PAUL JONSEN, born circa 1640, died circa 1700.²²
- iii. NILS JONSEN, born circa 1654. Farmed at Moen.
- iv. ANNE JONSDATTER, born after 1654. Married Søren Gudmundsen, who farmed Sæter Nordre.

100. Froder Hågensen Arneberg, born 1599 at Nes, Hedmark, died circa 1685 at Arneberg Nordre Farm, Romeda l (now Stange). He was married to

101. Kjersti Tollefsdatter Horne.²³

Froder Hågensen came to Arneberg Nordre about 1635 from the neighboring kommune of Nes. Kjersti came from a prominent family at Horne in Romedal. Her brother Peder Tollefsen was the sheriff. Froder and Kjersti ran the farm efficiently and their family became prosperous and influential. Their family remained at the farm until 1909.

Froder and his sons appear to have been hot-tempered, as there are court records of them paying fines for quarreling and fighting. Froder participated as a delegate when the area farmers appealed to the governer and the tax authorities in the 1650's. A decorative stone tablet in Tomter Church was presented by Froder and his children in 1685.

Froder and Kjersti had the following children:

- i. HÅGEN FRODERSEN, born ca. 1638.
- ii. BERTE FRODESDATTER, died ca. 1717. Married Ole Aslaksen Østby.
- iii. INGER FRODESDATTER, died ca. 1693. Married Lieutenant Willum Jensen Leil.
- iv. JOHN FRODERSEN, born ca. 1644.
- 50 v. TOLLEF FRODERSEN, born ca. 1648, died ca. 1705. Took over Areneberg Nordre.
- vi. LUCIE FRODESDATTER, died ca. 1700. Married 1) Ole Lambretsen, 2) Rasmus Olsen, Huse.
- vii. ANNE FRODESDATTER, born 1654. Married Christen Larsen Austad.

102. Laurits Christensen Austad, born circa 1608, died 1669 at Austad Farm, Romedal. He was married to

103. Kirsti Tronsdatter Ljøstad.

Laurits and Kirsti had the following children:

- i. CHRISTEN LAURITSEN, born ca. 1652, died 1714. Christen took over Austad farm in 1680.
- 51 ii. GURI LAURITSDATTER (LARSDATTER).

¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 171. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.

² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁴ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 288. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.

⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 241.

¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 189.

¹¹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 189.

¹² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁴ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 3, Strandbygda* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1985), 126. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 3*.

¹⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

¹⁹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.

²⁰ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 2* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1970), 598.

²¹ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 2*, 598.

²² Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 3* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1979), 527.

²³ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romed alboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 160. All facts concerning this family are drawn from the “Arneberg nordre” section of *Romedalboka 1*, unless otherwise noted.

— 8th Generation —

128. Ola Amundsen Murud, born ca. 1565, possibly at Murud Farm, Elverum¹. He was married to

129. Marit Einarsdatter Austad, born ca. 1565 at Austad Farm, Åsnes², died before 1640³.

Marit was born in Hof parish, which in modern times has become part of Åsnes kommune.

Very little is known about Ola Amundsen and Marit Einarsdatter other than they lived at Murud and had these five children:

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| 64 | i. | AMUND OLSEN, born 1590 ⁴ , died 1660 ⁵ . |
| | ii. | TORKILD OLSEN HÅKERUD ⁶ . |
| | iii. | BJØRN OLSEN BUTTEBERG ⁷ . |
| | iv. | SVEIN OLSEN HØNI ⁸ . |
| | v. | GUNNE OLSDATTER ⁹ . |

148. Hallvard Alvson Vestre Hagen¹⁰. He was married to

149. Anne Embretsdatter Vestre Hagen, born at Øverby farm, Våler.

Hallvard and Anne lived at Øverby in Våler parish. In 1639 Hallvard acquired Vestre Hagen in Elverum, in part by inheritance from his father and in part by an exchange for the Trondgård farm in Åsnes (formerly Hof).

Hallvard and Anne had two sons:

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| 74 | i. | REPPER HALLVARDSSEN. |
| | ii. | ALV HALLVARDSSEN. |

152. Gunder Berger, born circa 1568, died circa 1635 at Nordre Berger farm, Elverum.¹¹

Gunder already owned Nordre Berger in 1600, and the farm was turned over to his son Siver in 1635. We do not know the name of Gunder's wife. His only recorded child was:

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| 76 | i. | SIVER GUNDERSEN. |
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154. Iver Ottersen Nedre Skjefstad, died before 1640 at Nedre Skjefstad farm, Elverum.¹²

Iver inherited Nedre Skjefstad from his father, Otter Olufsen. We do not know the name of Iver's wife. His children were:

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| | i. | OTTER IVERSEN. Died 1657. |
| | ii. | GUNDER IVERSEN. |
| 77 | iii. | GUNHILD IVERSDATTER. |
| | iv. | SIGRID IVERSDATTER. |
| | v. | TARAN IVERSDATTER. |
| | vi. | AMBJØRG IVERSDATTER. |

156. Ola Amundsen Murud, born before 1570 at Murud Farm, Elverum. Sometime before 1590 he married

157. Marit Einarsdatter Austad, born before 1570 at Austad Farm, Åsnes.

164. Tore Håkonsen Bjølset, born 1578 at Søndre Bjølset Farm, Elverum¹³, died there in 1651¹⁴. I have not found the name of his wife.

Tore became *bruker* of half of Søndre Bjølset farm in 1625 when his father died. His younger brother Jedvard inherited the other half of the farm, and they ran the farm together. Although as oldest son Tore had a legal right to purchase the rest of the farm from his brother (called *odelsrett* in Norwegian), he made an agreement with Jedvard in 1626 that relinquished his *odelsrett* on Jedvard's portion. After Tore's death, his son Håkon Toresen (82) went to court and had this agreement nullified.¹⁵

The only known child of Tore Håkonsen is his son:

- 82 i. HÅKON TORESEN¹⁶.

166. Ola Toresen Søndre Berger, born ca. 1626¹⁷, died ca. 1660 at Bånerud Farm, Elverum¹⁸. He was married to

167. Anne Pedersdatter Bånerud, born ca. 1626 at Bånerud, died there in 1666.¹⁹

Anne was the daughter of the previous tenant at Bånerud. Ola became the tenant, although he owned parts of several other farms: Søndre Berger, Mellom Økset, and Søndre Strand. After Ola's death Anne was able to purchase Bånerud. When Anne died the farm was passed on to their son, Peder. Their descendants remained at the farm for the next 150 years.²⁰

These are the children of Ola and Anne:²¹

- 83 i. PEDER OLSEN, born 1646, died 1700.
 ii. RAGNHILD OLSDATTER.
 iii. MARTE OLSDATTER.
 iv. TORE OLSEN.

176. Anders Jensen Hals, died February 1667 at Ystad, Skåne, Denmark.

The Hals family originated in Jutland, Denmark, but Anders moved to Skåne, a part of southern Sweden that was then occupied by the Danes. Anders was a town official in Ystad and became a wealthy man.

Anders' only known child is his son:

- 88 i. JENS ANDERSEN.

180. Hans Nabset, born about 1617 at Nabset Farm, Åmot, died at Økset Mellom Farm, Elverum. He married

181. Ambjørg Lassedatter Økset Mellom, born and died at Økset Mellom.

Hans Nabset was the sheriff in Åmot until 1638. He seems to have been removed from office for shooting a moose out of season. Until this time Hans and Ambjørg lived at Nabset Nedre in Åmot. In 1639 they moved to Økset Mellom farm in Elverum, where Ambjørg was born. Her father had died in 1631, and her brothers, who had claim to the farm ahead of her, all had either settled at other farms or died. Hans and Ambjørg stayed at Økset Mellom for the rest of their lives, and their son Gudmund took over the farm from them.

Hans and Ambjørg had three sons:

- 90 i. OLE HANSEN, born 1594.
 ii. KNUT HANSEN, born ca. 1617.
 iii. GUDMUND HANSEN, born 1618, died 1685.

182. Lars Larsen Åset. (wife unknown)

We only know about one child of Lars':

- 91 i. NN LARSSDATTER (first name is not known).

184. Budde, a parish priest in Viborg, Denmark

The only things I know about this man are: 1) a fragment of his name; 2) he was a parish priest in at Selde and Aasted in Viborg diocese, Denmark; 3) he was the father of Jens Bondesen (92).

Budde may have had other children, besides:

- 92 i. JENS BONDESEN, born 1606, died 1784.

192. Nils Sæter, died circa 1645 at Sæter Nordre Farm in Romedal²². His wife's name is not known.

Nils farmed at Sæter Nordre from 1602 until 1643.

We know of only one child, his son:

- 96 i. JON NILSEN, born 1604, died circa 1692²³.

202. Tollef Pedersen Mælum, born circa 1580 at Mælum Farm, Furnes (now Hamar), died circa 1633 at Horne Farm, Romedal (now Stange). He was married to

203. Anne Lauritsdatter Disen, probably born at Disen Farm, Vang (now Hamar), died circa 1676.²⁴

Tollef served as a kind of apprentice farm manager at Horne Farm, Romedal, before taking over the farm ca. 1616. Anne Lauritsdatter probably came from Disen Farm in Vang (now Hamar). She was sister to Christen Lauritsen Disen and Gunhild Lauritsdatter Hanum.

Romedalboka says that Tollef and Anne appear to have been a successful farm family. Their four sons all got their own farms, and one of them became a sheriff.

The children of Tollef and Anne were:

- i. TJØSTEL TOLLEFSEN, died ca. 1658. Lived at Norderhov, Løten.
 ii. LAURITS TOLLEFSEN, born ca. 1614, died 1698. Lived at Storfinstad, Løten.
 iii. PEDER TOLLEFSEN. Sheriff of Romedal. Lived at Skøien, Romedal.
 iv. CHRISTEN TOLLEFSEN. Took over Horne.
 101 v. KJERSTI TOLLEFSDATTER. Married Froder Håkensen Arneberg.
 vi. MARIT TOLLEFSDATTER. Married Lars Olufsen Vestbryn.

After Tollef's death in 1633, Anne married again soon, as was the custom. Her second husband was Amund Asbjørnsen Fjetre, from Stange. Asmund took over Horne and ran the farm for 30 years. Anne and Amund had no children.

204. Christen Lauritsen Austad, died 1619 at Austad Farm, Romedal. He was married to

205. Bodil Austad

Christen and Bodil had a son that we know of:

- 102 i. LAURITS CHRISTENSEN, born 1608, died 1669.

206. Trond Simensen Ljøstad.

Romedalboka volume 3 states that Trond was married to Margrethe Amundsdatter Skjelve, Stange. However, this appears to be impossible. Stangeboka says that Margrethe Amundsdatter Skjelve was born in 1675. Trond Simensen Ljøstad's children were born in the 1660's.

We know of two children of Trond's:

- i. SIMEN TRONDSSEN. Took over Horne.
 103 ii. KIRSTI TRONDSATTER.

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- ¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 171. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*. I estimated Ola's birth year based on the known birth years of his children.
- ² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171. I estimated Marit's birth year based on the known birth years of her children.
- ³ Hans Marius Trøseid, *Hof Bygdebok, bind 3, Gards- og slektshistorie for Østsiden og Finnskogen* (Åsnes: Åsnes Kommune, 1983), 544. Hereinafter cited as *Hof Bygdebok 3*.
- ⁴ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
- ⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
- ⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
- ⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
- ⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.
- ⁹ Trøseid, *Hof Bygdebok 3*, 544.
- ¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 241.
- ¹¹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 189.
- ¹² Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 5*, 318.
- ¹³ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 280. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.
- ¹⁴ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹⁷ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 3, Strandbygda* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1985), 126. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 3*. Ola Toresen's birth year is an estimate based on the year of birth of his son, Peder.
- ¹⁸ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 127.
- ¹⁹ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 126-127. Anne Pedersdatter's birth year is an estimate based on the year of birth of her son, Peder.
- ²⁰ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 127.
- ²¹ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 126.
- ²² Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 2* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1970), 598.
- ²³ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 2*, 598.
- ²⁴ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 40. All facts concerning this family are drawn from the "Horne" section of *Romedalboka 1*, unless otherwise noted.

— 9th Generation —**256. Amund Murud**, born ca. 1540¹.

Amund was the owner of Murud Farm, Elverum, in 1593².

We know that Amund had at least one son:

- 128 i. OLE AMUNDSEN³.

[Biologically, Amund has a notable relationship to Herman Olsen Ringnes: Amund is Herman's oldest known ancestor who is related strictly on the male side; another way of saying this is that Amund is Herman's oldest known agnate. Herman inherited his Y chromosome, unchanged, from Amund Murud. All male descendents of Herman who are descended strictly on the male side (i.e. with the last name Ringness) also bear Amund's Y chromosome.]

296. Alv Rågjerson Trongarden⁴, born at Trongarden farm, Åsnes, died 1639. His wife is unknown.

Alv was born in Hof parish, which in modern times has become part of Åsnes kommune.

Little is known about Alv. He lived at Trongarden, and he inherited a share of Vestre Hagen farm in Elverum. His sons were:

- 148 i. RÅGJER ALVSON. Lived at Kallgarden in Åsnes.
ii. HALLVARD ALVSON.

298. Embret Øverby⁵, lived at Øverby farm, Åsnes. Married to

299. Marit Ottensdatter Kortgarden.

The farms Øverby and Kortgarden were both in Hof parish, which is now part of Åsnes kommune.

Marit owned Kortgarden farm. She was married before, but the name of her previous husband is not known. The son from her first marriage was:

RODGEIR. Born about 1580, died around 1635.

Embret and Marit had 3 daughters:

- 149 i. INGRID.
ii. ANNE.
iii. MARIT.

308. Otter Olufsen Nedre Skjefstad, died 1651 at Nedre Skjefstad farm, Elverum.⁶

Otter is said to have lived to be around 100 years old. He owned Nedre Skjefstad farm. His children were:

- 154 i. IVER OTTERSEN, died before 1640.
ii. TARALD OTTERSEN, died before 1640.

312. Amund Murud, born before 1575.

328. Håkon Toresen Bjølset, born circa 1525 at Søndre Bjølset Farm, Elverum⁷, died there in 1625⁸. The name of his wife is not known.

Håkon inherited all of Søndre Bjølset from his father⁹. Like his father, Håkon is said to have lived a very long time – perhaps 100 years. Because Håkon owned Stabberud Farm in Løten and left it to his third son Tollev, it is possible that Håkon's wife came from Stabberud¹⁰.

Håkon had three sons that we know of, but it is possible there were other children:

- 164 i. TORE HÅKONSEN, born 1578¹¹, died 1651¹².
- ii. JEDVARD HÅKONSEN, born 1582¹³, died 1670¹⁴.
- iii. TOLLEV HÅKONSEN¹⁵.

332. Tore Sønnerberg, born ca. 1571¹⁶, died after 1641 at Søbørg (Søndre Berger) Farm, Elverum¹⁷.

Tore operated Søbørg Farm. When he died, his son Ola was already at Bånerud Farm, so Søbørg was divided between Tore's brother Gudmund and nephew Ola Mortensen.¹⁸

Tore had one son:

- 166 i. OLA TORESEN, born ca. 1626, died ca. 1660¹⁹.

334. Peder Gundersen Bånerud, born before 1600 at Bånerud Farm, Elverum, died there circa 1640.²⁰

Not much is known of Peder Gundersen. We do not know the name of his wife, and we know of only two children:

- i. GUNDER PEDERSEN.
- 167 ii. ANNE PEDERSDATTER, died 1666.

352. Jens Andersen Hals, born in Hals, Jutland, Denmark, died circa 1617. He married

353. Anne Andersdatter.

Anne married a second time on 16 May 1620, to Niels Jensen Schelwig, a tax collector.

Jens and Anne had various children, but the only one whose name we know is their son:

- 176 i. ANDERS JENSEN, died 1667.

362. Lasse Gudmundsen Økset Mellom, born at Økset Mellom farm, Elverum, died 1631 at Økset Mellom. About 1575 he married

363. Ingeborg Knudsdatter, died May 1625 in Elverum.

Lasse took over all of Økset (also spelled Øxset) from his father. He lost a portion of the farm as a penalty for a problem paying his taxes. The farm was divided into three parts: Økset Nordre, Økset Søndre and Økset Mellom (North, South and Middle). The portion Lasse kept was Økset Mellom.

Ingeborg was accused of witchcraft and on 19 May 1625 she was convicted. Her sentence was to be burned at the stake. Two other members of Herman Olsen Ringnes's family tree were involved in the trial as jurors: Repper Hallvardson (74); and Jedvard Håkonsen, brother of Tore Håkonsen (164). One of the witnesses against Ingeborg was a woman named Borild Skjefstad. Coincidentally, one of Borild's great-great-grandsons would be Lars Olsen Berset, who was a godparent of Herman Olsen Ringnes (1). An account of Ingeborg's trial can be found in *The Black Books of Elverum* by Mary Rustad.

Lasse married a second time, to Anne Pedersdatter Nabset from Åmot.

Lasse and Ingeborg had five children:

- i. GUDMUND LASSESEN, died ca. 1647.
- ii. PEDER LASSESEN, born 1580, died 1625. Peder was also convicted of witchcraft and executed.

- iii. ERIK LASSESEN, died 1636.
- iv. ANNE LASSESDATTER, died 1682.
- 181 v. AMBJØRG LASSESDATTER.

364. Lars Kjellsen Åset, died ca. 1653.

I do not know the name of Lars' first wife, mother of Lars Larsen (182). After she died Lars married again, to Kjersti Bjørnsdatter Melhagen.

We only know about one child of Lars':

- 182 i. LARS LARSEN.

404. Per Mælum²¹. He was married to

405. Ingrid Mælum²².

The only fact I found about Per Mælum is that he was Tollef Pedersen's father and Ingrid's husband.

Ingrid Mælum lived at Mælum farm in Furnes (now part of Hamar kommune) from at least 1612 until 1644. It appears that she was married a second time, besides her marriage to Per, but the name of her other husband is not known.

We read about three children of Per and Ingrid:²³

- 202 i. TOLLEF PEDERSEN, born ca. 1580, died 1633.
- ii. NN (DAUGHTER). Married to Ellef Viker, Furnes.
- iii. NN (DAUGHTER). Married to Torger Ljøstad, Romedal.

Ingrid had two other sons who are referred to as Tollef's half-brothers, therefore they were sons of Ingrid's other husband:²⁴

- KNUT MÆLUM, died ca. 1653. Knut took over Mælum.
- GUNNAR KISE. Lived in Nes parish.

Ingrid had one other son, but it is not clear which marriage he came from:²⁵

- LARS MÆLUM. Owned part of Øverli farm in Gudbrandsdalen.

408. Laurits Christensen. He was married to

409. Ingeborg

Laurits Christensen was a parish priest in Elverum 1570—1610. He once accused Ingeborg Knudsdatter Økset (363) of casting a spell on his son, Morten.

The children of Laurits and Ingeborg were:

- 204 i. CHRISTEN LAURITSEN.
- ii. MORTEN LAURITSEN.

¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 171. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*. I estimated Amund's birth year based on the known birth years of some of his descendants.

² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 171.

⁴ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 241.

⁵ Hans Marius Trøseid, *Hof Bygdebok, bind 2, Gards- og slektshistorie for Sør-Jara og Mosogn* (Åsnes: Åsnes Kommune, 1983), 407.

⁶ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 5, Heradsbygda II* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1988), 318.

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- ⁷ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 280. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*. Håkon is known to have died in 1625, and he is said to have been 100 years old.
- ⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ⁹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 57.
- ¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.
- ¹² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹³ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.
- ¹⁴ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.
- ¹⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
- ¹⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 178.
- ¹⁷ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 178.
- ¹⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 178.
- ¹⁹ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 3, Strandbygda* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1985), 126.
- ²⁰ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 125.
- ²¹ Bjarne Morthoff, *Romedalboka, bind 1* (Elverum: Elverum Trykk, 1967), 18.
- ²² Toralv Bleken-Nilssen, *Furnes Bygdebok I* (Furnes: Furnes historielag, 1941.), 421.
- ²³ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 18.
- ²⁴ Morthoff, *Romedalboka 1*, 18.
- ²⁵ Bleken-Nilssen, *Furnes Bygdebok I*, 421.

— 10th Generation —

592. Rågjer Trongarden¹, born at Trongarden farm, Åsnes.

During the 1500's the original Hagen farm was subdivided, and at the end of that century the owner of Vestre Hagen was a man named Rågjer. He was born at Trongarden in Hof parish, which in modern times has become part of Åsnes kommune. According to the Elverum bygdebok, Rågjer served as a juror in 1576.

The name of Rågjer's wife is not known. We know of one son:
296 i. ALV RÅGJERSON, born at Trongarden, died 1639.

656. Tore Bjølset in 1528 owned and lived at Bjølset Farm, Elverum. The dates of his birth and death are not known, but he is supposed to have lived to be 100 years old.² He was married to

657. NN Håkonsdatter Nordre Oppsal, of whom all that we know is that she was the daughter of Håkon from Nordre Opsal Farm.³

Tore is the last owner of the entire Bjølset farm. Upon his death the farm was split among his heirs into two parts: Nordre Bjølset went to Gudmund Toresen and Søndre Bjølset went to Håkon Toresen. Bjølset lies on the west bank of the Glåma river, south of the town of Elverum. The farms in this district are very old, and some barrows from Viking times are found in the area.⁴

Håkon had three sons that we know of, and it is likely there was also one or more daughters:

328 i. HÅKON TORESEN, born circa 1525⁵, died 1625⁶.
1330 ii. GUDMUND TORESEN, died 1599⁷.
iii. KJELL TORESEN. Settled at Storstua Braskereid in Våler and Søndre Ljømo in Elverum.⁸

665. Gunhild Gudmundsdatter Bjølset⁹.

Not many facts are known about Gunhild Gudmundsdatter. She inherited a portion of Nordre Bjølset Farm from her father in 1599¹⁰. We do not know when she was born or died, or the name of her husband.

Gunhild had three sons:¹¹
i. GUDMUND SØNDERBERG.
332 ii. TORE SØNDERBERG, born circa 1571, died after 1641¹².
iii. MORTEN SØNDERBERG.

668. Gunder Olsen Bånerud, born circa 1560, died circa 1620 at Bånerud Farm, Elverum¹³. He was married circa 1580 to

669. Ragnhild Semmingsdatter Øvre Skjefstad, born circa 1560, probably at Øvre Skjefstad Farm, Elverum¹⁴.

Gunder Olsen was a county administrator (*lensmann*) in Elverum. Around 1600 he leased Bånerud farm. From Ragnhild Semmingsdatter he inherited part of Andrå farm in Rendalen¹⁵.

Gunder and Ragnhild had these children¹⁶:
334 i. PEDER GUNDERSEN.
ii. GURI GUNDERSDATTER
iii. SEMMING GUNDERSEN

iv. KIRSTEN GUNDERSDATTER

724. Gudmund Jensen Økset, born and died at Økset Farm, Elverum. The name of his wife is unknown.

Gudmund Jensen took over Økset from his father. We know of Gudmund that in 1560 he owned all of Økset Farm, and a portion of Uthus.

Gudmund had many children, among them these sons:

- i. OLE GUDMUNDSSEN, died before 1615.
- ii. HANS GUDMUNDSSEN, died before 1615.
- 362 iii. LASSE GUDMUNDSSEN, died 1631.
- iv. BJØRN GUDMUNDSSEN.

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- ¹ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 241.
 - ² S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 280. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.
 - ³ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 57.
 - ⁴ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 57.
 - ⁵ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 280.
 - ⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 58.
 - ⁷ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 275.
 - ⁸ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 57.
 - ⁹ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 178.
 - ¹⁰ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 77.
 - ¹¹ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 293.
 - ¹² Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 178.
 - ¹³ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 3, Strandbygda* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1985), 125.
 - ¹⁴ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 5, Heradsbygda II* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1988), 306.
 - ¹⁵ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 5*, 306.
 - ¹⁶ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 3*, 125.

— 11th Generation —

1314. Håkon Nordre Oppsal lived in 1528 at Nordre Oppsal Farm, Elverum.¹

Håkon and his brother Mikkell together farmed Nordre Oppsal.

The only information we have concerning Håkon's wife is that she came from Våle farm in Våler parish². They had these children³:

- i. SIGURD HÅKONSEN. Took over Nordre Oppsal.
- ii. OLAV HÅKONSEN, died circa 1580.
- iii. JEDVARD HÅKONSEN.
- 657 iv. NN HÅKONSDATTER. (Name unknown.) Married Tore Bjølset.
- v. NN HÅKONSDATTER. (A daughter, name unknown.)

1330. Gudmund Toresen Bjølset died in 1599 at Nordre Bjølset Farm, Elverum⁴.

Gudmund's parents were Tore Bjølset (656) and NN Håkonsdatter Nordre Oppsal (657). Gudmund inherited all of Nordre Bjølset from his father⁵.

Gudmund's wife is unknown, but they had the following children⁶:

- i. OLA GUDMUNDSSEN.
- ii. KJELL GUDMUNDSSEN. Died before 1599⁷.
- iii. TORE GUDMUNDSSEN. Took over Nordre Bjølset⁸.
- iv. DORDI GUDMUNDSDATTER.
- 665 v. GUNHILD GUDMUNDSDATTER.
- vi. GORON GUDMUNDSDATTER.

1338. Semming Semmingsen Øvre Skjefstad lived circa 1540 at Øvre Skjefstad farm, Elverum.⁹ He was married to

1339. Kirsten Øvre Skjefstad.

They had three daughters:

- i. MARTA SEMMINGSDATTER.
- 669. ii. RAGNHILD SEMMINGSDATTER.
- iii. RANDI SEMMINGSDATTER.

1448. Jens Økset Mellom, died Økset Farm, Elverum.

In 1528 Jens farmed at Økset.

The only child of Jens' that we know of is:

- 724 i. GUDMUND JENSEN.

¹ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 4, Heradsbygda I* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1988), 187. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 4*.

² Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 4*, 187.

³ Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok 4*, 187.

⁴ Håvard Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 1, Bjølset og Hagen* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1983), 77. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum Bygdebok 1*.

⁵ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 57.

⁶ Skirbekk, *Elverum Bygdebok 1*, 77.

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- ⁷ S. H. Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse* (Kristiania: Cammermeyers Boghandel, 1909), 276. Hereinafter cited as *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*.
- ⁸ Finne-Grønn, *Elverum en Bygdebeskrivelse*, 276.
- ⁹ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 5, Heradsbygda II* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1988), 306.

— 12th Generation —**2676. Semming Øvre Skjefstad.**¹

Semming probably lived at Øvre Skjefstad farm, Elverum. His wife is unknown, but he had two sons, who both farmed at Øvre Skjefstad:

- i. ERIK SEMMINGSEN.
- 1338. ii. SEMMING SEMMINGSEN.

¹ Magne Stener, *Elverum Bygdebok, bind 5, Heradsbygda II* (Elverum: Elverum Kommune, 1988), 306.

4. Ancestors of Petrine Eriksdatter Hovin

Petrine Eriksdatter's ancestors are presented in a format called an Ahnentafel or Sosa-Stradonitz listing. The subject of the Ahnentafel is listed as #1, the subject's father as #2 and the subject's mother as #3, then the grandparents as #4 to #7, and so on back through the generations. In this scheme, any person's father has double that person's number, and a person's mother has double the person's number plus one. A man's child has half the man's number, and a woman's child has half the woman's number after first subtracting one. Apart from #1, who can be male or female, all even-numbered persons are male, and all odd-numbered persons are female.

All places in this ancestry are located in Hedmark fylke, Norway, unless otherwise noted. The first time a farm is mentioned in a section it will be followed by the name of its kommune or parish. Subsequently the kommune or parish will be omitted unless it is needed for clarity. Place names are spelled using their modern spellings, which in some cases differ from the spellings in historical documents.

— 1st Generation —

1. Petrine Eriksdatter Hovin (Pauline Ringness), born 10 July 1832 at Hovin farm, Løten, died 27 March 1899 at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, USA. She married **Herman Olsen Ringnes (Herman O. Ringness)** (H.1), the son of Ole Olsen Hagen (H.2) and Hanna Hansdatter Skramstad (H.3), on 15 July 1863.

Petrine's mother, Eline Pedersdatter Slagsvold, drowned when Petrine was not quite 6 years old. Petrine's father, Erich Simensen Årsrud, did not remarry. It appears that Erich and his brother continued to run the farm at Hovin by themselves and that Petrine and her three siblings were raised by their paternal grandmother, Eli Knudsdatter, in her home at Kolset farm.

In 1863 Herman purchased Ringnes Nordre Farm, Løten¹. Herman and Petrine and their three children at the time left Norway in May 1866, sailing from Christiania (Oslo) on the bark *Eucharis* and arriving in Quebec in June². They settled in Stevens Point, Portage County, Wisconsin, USA. Herman worked as a shoemaker, eventually opening his own business³.

Herman and Petrine raised Emma, the daughter Petrine had with Jørgen Olsen Kjøstad before she married Herman:

EMMA JØRGENDATTER (EMMA RINGNESS), born 1 February 1861 at Hovin Farm, Løten⁴, died 29 December, 1936 at Stevens Point, Wisconsin⁵. She married Frank Miller in 1878⁶.

The children of Herman Olsen and Petrine Eriksdatter were:

- i. HANNA HERMANDATTER (HANNA RINGNESS), born 3 November 1863 at Ringnes Nordre⁷, died 1868 in Stevens Point⁸.
- ii. ELIAS HERMANSEN (ALEX RINGNESS), born 23 January 1865 at Ringnes Nordre⁹, died 22 August 1939 in Stevens Point¹⁰. He married Clara Means on December 1913 in Chicago, Illinois¹¹. Alex took over his father's shoe business.
- iii. OLE J. RINGNESS, born 6 July 1866 in Amherst, Portage County, Wisconsin¹², died 22 March 1937 in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois¹³. Ole married Amelia Ell in Stevens Point on 3 August 1898¹⁴. Ole worked as an inspector for the Peoria Water Company¹⁵.
- iv. HENRY S. RINGNESS, born 15 January 1868 in Stevens Point¹⁶, died 24 June 1936 in Peoria¹⁷. He married Fannie Booth on 24 October 1892 in Stevens Point¹⁸. Henry was an assistant superintendent of the Peoria Water Company¹⁹.
- v. HELINA S. RINGNESS, born and died 1870 in Stevens Point²⁰.

- vi. JOHN RINGNESS, born January 1871 in Stevens Point²¹. John moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, where he married Ida Larson²².
- vii. HANS P. RINGNESS, born and died 1872 in Stevens Point²³.

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- ¹ J. B. Morthoff, *Løtenboka, vol. 1* (Løten: Løten Historielag, 1949), 753, microfiche no. 6068154, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as *Løtenboka 1*.
 - ² Herman Ringnæs entry; *Eucharis* Passenger List, 13 June, 1866, ship 55, p 4, line 6; in *Passenger Lists: Quebec 1865 - 1921*; C-4521 (Ottawa: Library and Archives Canada), microfilm no. 0889441, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah.
 - ³ Ringness Boots & Shoes advertisement, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 19 April 1879, page 2, column 1.
 - ⁴ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 24, no. 27, microfilm 0307219, Family History Library [FHL], Salt Lake City, Utah. Hereinafter cited as Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877.
 - ⁵ Mrs. Emma Miller, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 30 December 1836, 3, col. 3. Hereinafter cited as Stevens Point Daily Journal.
 - ⁶ Dunn County Marriage Records Index 1:301, online <<http://www.wisconsinhistory.org>>, database "Wisconsin Vital Records", downloaded 08 January 2007. Emma's last name is misspelled as "Ringlep" in this index.
 - ⁷ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: 63, no. 129.
 - ⁸ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu>>, database "Portage County Cemetery Locator."
 - ⁹ Løten Parish Registers, 1860-1877: male births 1865, 82, no. 11.
 - ¹⁰ Funeral of Mr. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 26 August 1939, page 3, column 2.
 - ¹¹ They Were Found Out, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 8 December 1913, page 1, column 1.
 - ¹² Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
 - ¹³ Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
 - ¹⁴ Ringness-Ell, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 4 August 1898, page 1, column 3.
 - ¹⁵ Ole J. Ringness, *Stevens Point Daily Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 23 March 1937, page 1, column 4.
 - ¹⁶ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
 - ¹⁷ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
 - ¹⁸ Wedding Bells, *The Stevens Point Journal*, Stevens Point, Wisconsin, 29 October, 1892, page 1.
 - ¹⁹ Henry Ringness Rites Saturday, *The Peoria Journal*, Peoria, Illinois, 25 June 1936, page 20.
 - ²⁰ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator* (Stevens Point, Wisconsin: Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society, 1999), Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006. Hereinafter cited as *Portage County Cemetery Locator*.
 - ²¹ John Ringness household, 1900 U.S. Census, Hennepin County, Minnesota, population schedule, Minneapolis Ward 4, Enumeration District (ED) 39, sheet 1, dwelling 5, family 8, online <<http://www.ancestry.com>>, downloaded 11 January 2007.
 - ²² John Ringness household, 1900 U.S. Census, Hennepin County, Minnesota, population schedule, Minneapolis Ward 4, Enumeration District (ED) 39, sheet 1, dwelling 5, family 8, online <<http://www.ancestry.com>>, downloaded 11 January 2007.
 - ²³ Stevens Point Area Genealogical Society et. al., *Portage County Cemetery Locator*, Forest Cemetery, block 7, online <<http://library.uwsp.edu/>>, database "Portage County, Wisconsin Cemetery Locator", downloaded 20 December 2006.

— 2nd Generation —

2. Erich Simensen Årsrud, born 1795 at Årsrud Farm, Løten, died 27 April 1872 at Hovin Farm, Løten. On 20 April 1830 he was married to

3. Eline Pedersdatter Slagsvold, born 1807 at Slagsvold Farm, Romedal (now Stange), died 27 May 1838 at Hovin.

Erich and Eline had four children:

- i. BERTHE LISABETH ERICSDATTER, born 6 Oct 1830, died 24 Jun 1893.
1. ii. PETRINE ERICSDATTER, born 10 Jul 1832, died 27 Mar 1899.
- iii. SESSEL ERICSDATTER, born 13 Jul 1834, died 24 Mar 1901.
- iv. MIKKEL ERIKSEN, born 25 Sep 1836, died 30 Dec 1915.

— 3rd Generation —

4. Simon Erichsen Morthov was born in 1760 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He was baptized on 1 January 1761 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Berthe Johansdatter Rømmen østre**, daughter of **Johan Madsen Rømmen Østre** and **Johanne Embretsdatter Grøholt øde**, in 1789 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1792 at Årsrud Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died on 27 May 1817 at Årsrud Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

5. Berthe Johansdatter Rømmen østre was born on 23 May 1768 at Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Michel Johansen Haugen** in 1787 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Simon Erichsen Morthov**, son of **Erich Østensen Morthov** and **Kari Tollesdatter Fuglset**, in 1789 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1813 at Årsrud Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 15 January 1813 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

6. Peder Hansen Ihrstad, born 1771 at Dal Østre Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune), died 18 December 1821 at Herdal Farm, Løten. On 9 November 1804 he was married to

7. Eli Knudsdatter Torshov, born 1782 at Torshov Farm, Løten, died 10 June 1861 at Kolset Farm, Løten.

Peder and Eli had the following children:

- i. KARI PEDERSDATTER, born 3 Aug 1805, died 29 Mar 1877.
3. ii. ELINE PEDERSDATTER, born 1807, died 27 May 1838.
- iii. HANS PEDERSEN, born 20 Nov 1809.
- iv. CORNILLE PEDERSDATTER, born 1811, died about 1827.
- v. CHRISTOFFER PEDERSEN, born 16 Sep 1815.
- vi. ELI PEDERSDATTER, born 3 Jul 1819, died 29 May 1820.
- vii. PETRONILLE PEDERSDATTER, born 23 May 1822.

In 1825 Eli married Erich Olsen Kolset. They had one daughter:

INGER ERICSDATTER, born 2 June 1826, died 10 September 1828.

Erich Olsen also had two children from his previous marriage to Marthe Olsdatter Benningstad:

OLEANA ERICSDATTER, born 8 August 1819.

MIKKEL ERICHSEN, born 14 April 1822, died 30 January 1865.

It appears that after Eli's daughter Eline (3) died in 1838, Eline's four children children came to live with Eli at Kolset.

— 4th Generation —

8. Erich Østensen Morthov was born in 1730 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1754 at Bruker Of Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Kari Tollesdatter Fuglset**, daughter of **Tollef Carlsen Fuglset** and **Else Henriksdatter Dalen**, on 8 January 1754 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1808. He was buried on 4 January 1808 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

9. Kari Tollesdatter Fuglset was born in 1730 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Erich Østensen Morthov**, son of **Østen Christophersen Morthov** and **Siri Erichsdatter Morthov**, on 8 January 1754 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died on 4 March 1808 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

10. Johan Madsen Rømmen Østre was born in 1723 at Skramstad vestre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1750 at Bruker of Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Johanne Embretsdatter Grøholt øde**, daughter of **Engebret Jonsen Grøholt øde** and **Anne Olsdatter Enge østre**, in 1751 at Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1780 at Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 22 May 1780.

11. Johanne Embretsdatter Grøholt øde was born in 1730. She married **Johan Madsen Rømmen Østre**, son of **Mad Siverson Skramstad vestre** and **Ragnhild Christophersdatter Igulstad**, in 1751 at Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1803 at Rømmen østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 19 September 1803.

12. Hans Hansen Ihrstad, born 1728 at Sande Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune), died 1810 at Irstad Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune). In 1764 or 1765 he married

13. Kari Olsdatter Dal, born at Roko Farm, Løten, died 1778 at Dal Østre Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune).

Hans and Kari had the following children:

- i. HANS HANSEN, born 3 Aug 1765, died 1804.
- ii. OLE HANSEN, born 1767, died 24 Nov 1826.
6. iii. PEDER HANSEN, born 1771, died 18 December 1821.
- iv. KARI HANSDATTER, born 1773.

Kari was previously married to Peder Christiansen Dal, who died in 1764. They lived at Dal Østre Farm in Romedal. Peder and Kari had three children:

- MARTHE PEDERSDATTER, born 1757.
- CHRISTEN PEDERSEN, born 1759.
- PRENILLE PEDERSDATTER, born 1762.

In 1779 Hans married Kari Olsdatter Sande. They had the following children:

- ANDERS HANSEN, born 1781, died 30 January 1840.
- OLE HANSEN, born 1785.
- MONS HANSEN, born 1789.
- HENRIK HANSEN, born 1795, died 12 December 1843.

14. Knud Christiansen Sollerud was born in 1732 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He was baptized on 6 April 1732 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1759 at Bruker Of Sollerud Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Elli Johansdatter Torshov**, daughter of **Johannes Knutsen Gudsås østre** and **Anne Pedersdatter Hovde**, on 30 January 1762 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1774 at Bruker Of Hov

Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1778 at Bruker Of Torshov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1799 at Torshov Farm, Løiten, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 8 November 1799 at Løiten, Hedmark, Norway.

15. Elli Johansdatter Torshov was born in 1740 at Gudsås østre Farm, Vang, Hedmark. She was baptized on 14 December 1740 at Gudsås østre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Knud Christiansen Sollerud**, son of **Kristen Knutsen Gålås Store** and **Marte Olsdatter Sollerud**, on 30 January 1762 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1798 at Løiten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 23 April 1798 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

— 5th Generation —

16. Østen Christophersen Morthov was born in 1683. He married **Siri Erichsdatter Morthov**, daughter of **Erich Halvorsen Ringnes** and **Eli Knudsdatter Hov**, in 1730 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1730 at Bruker Of Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1738. He was buried on 5 October 1738 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

17. Siri Erichsdatter Morthov was born in 1703 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Østen Christophersen Morthov** in 1730 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Christopher Halvorsen Dotterud** in 1739 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1742 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 26 November 1742 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

18. Tollef Carlsen Fuglset was born in 1693 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1712 at Bruker Of Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1772 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 17 February 1772.

19. Else Henriksdatter Dalen was born in 1704 at Dalen Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1784 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 2 June 1784.

20. Mad Siverson Skramstad vestre was buried. He was born in 1681 at Gile Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1694 at Bruker of Gile Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Ragnhild Christophersdatter Igulstad** in 1707 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1715 at Bruker Of Skramstad vestre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1732 at Skramstad vestre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

21. Ragnhild Christophersdatter Igulstad was born in 1679 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Mad Siverson Skramstad vestre**, son of **Sjurd Matsen Gile** and **Dorte Olsdatter Stor-Dørum**, in 1707 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She lived in 1741 at Bruker of Igulstad Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1762 at Igulstad Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 19 April 1762 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

22. Engebret Jonsen Grøholt øde was born in 1698 at Grøhold øde Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1744 at Bruker Of Grøhold øde Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1780 at Grøhold øde Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

23. Anne Olsdatter Enge østre was born in 1700. She died in 1778 at Grøhold øde Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 28 March 1778 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

24. Hans Helgesen Sande, born 1684 at Sande Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune), died 1759 at Sande. He was married to

25. Mari Pedersdatter Røne, born ca 1690 at Røne Farm, Løten.

From 1735 until 1756 Hans Helgesen was the *lensmann*, or sheriff, of Romedal parish.

Hans and Mari had the following children:

- i. MARTE HANSDATTER, born ca. 1719.
- ii. LARS HANSEN, born ca. 1720, died 1806.
- iii. KIRSTI HANSDATTER, born 1720.

- iv. LISBET HANSDATTER, born 1723.
- v. MARI HANSDATTER, born 1725.
- 12. vi. HANS HANSEN, born 1728, died 1810.
- vii. DORTE HANSDATTER, born 1730.

26. Ola Olsen Hol, born 1670 at Hol Vestre Farm, Vang (now in Hamar kommune), died 1744 at Roko Farm, Løten. He married

27. Kari Johannesdatter O, born at O Vestre Farm, (now in Hamar kommune).

Ola and Kari had the following children:

- i. OLE OLSEN, born 1700, died 1751.
- ii. JOHAN OLSEN.
- iii. MARTHE OLSDATTER.
- 13. iv. KARI OLSSDATTER, died 1778.

Kari was previously married to Peder Christiansen Dal, who died in 1764. They lived at Dal Østre Farm in Romedal. Peder and Kari had three children:

- MARTHE PEDERSDATTER, born 1757.
- CHRISTEN PEDERSEN, born 1759.
- PRENILLE PEDERSDATTER, born 1762.

In 1779 Hans married Kari Olsdatter Sande. They had the following children:

- ANDERS HANSEN, born 1781, died 30 January 1840.
- OLE HANSEN, born 1785.
- MONS HANSEN, born 1789.
- HENRIK HANSEN, born 1795, died 12 December 1843.

28. Kristen Knutsen Gålås Store was born in 1688 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He was baptized on 4 November 1688 at Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Marte Olsdatter Sollerud**, daughter of **Ole Pedersen Sollerud** and **Marte Eriksdatter Sollerud**, on 19 January 1718 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He lived on 26 March 1718 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1737 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 10 March 1737 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway.

29. Marte Olsdatter Sollerud was born circa 1693 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She married **Kristen Knutsen Gålås Store**, son of **Knut Bårdsen Galas Store** and **Rønnøe Halvorsdatter Frøberg**, on 19 January 1718 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Nils Nilssen (--?--)** on 26 November 1738 at Sollerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1765. She was buried on 16 May 1765.

30. Johannes Knutsen Gudsås østre was born in 1711 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was baptized on 27 March 1711 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Anne Pedersdatter Hovde**, daughter of **Peder Jenssen Hovde** and **Ingebor Olsdatter Hellerud vestre**, on 17 October 1735 at Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He lived on 13 July 1737 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1787 at Gudsås østre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 13 February 1787 at Gudsås østre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway.

31. Anne Pedersdatter Hovde was born in 1711 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She was baptized on 21 June 1711 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She married **Johannes Knutsen Gudsås østre**, son of **Knut Anderssen Hov** and **Eli Johannesdatter Dæli**, on 17 October 1735 at Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1795 at

Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 16 November 1795 at Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

— 6th Generation —

34. Erich Halvorsen Ringnes was born circa 1659. He lived in 1695 at Bygselmann of Ringnes Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1699 at Bygselmann of Ringnes Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1701 at Bruker Of Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1729 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

35. Eli Knudsdatter Hov was born in 1663. She died in 1739 at Morthov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 8 February 1739 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

36. Carl Tollefsen Fuglset was born in 1656 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1712.

37. Mari Larsdatter Høllingstad

38. Henrik Olsen Dalen was born circa 1663 at Rustad store Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1693 at Bruker of Halstenshov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1697 at Bruker of Dalen Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1720 at Dalen Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

39. Marthe Kjelsdatter Norderhov was born in 1662 at Norderhov østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 19 April 1740 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

40. Sjurd Matsen Gile lived in 1686 at Bruker Of Gile Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1694 at Gile Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

41. Dorte Olsdatter Stor-Dørum was born circa 1656 at Stor-Dørum Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1717 at Skattum Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

44. Jon Engebretsen Grøholt øde

48. Helge Bersvendsen Høsbjør, born circa 1650 at Høsbjør Farm, Furnes (now in Ringsaker kommune). He was married to

49. Kjersti Olsdatter Sande, born at Jønsberg Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune), died 1730 at Sande Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune).

Helge and Kjersti had the following children:

24. i. HANS HELGESEN, born ca. 1684, died 1759.
- ii. JOHANNE HELGESDATTER.

Kjersti was the widow of Laurits Eriksen Sande, who had been the farmer at Sande before Helge. Laurits and Kjersti had the following children:

LARS LARSEN.
MARI LARSDATTER.
DORTE LARSDATTER.

50. Peder Larsen Røne, born 1657 at Røne Farm, Løten, died there in 1734. He was married to

51. Marthe Andersdatter Røne, died 1712 at Røne.

Peder and Marthe had the following children:

- i. ANDERS PEDERSEN, born 1688, died 1741. Took over Røne after his father.
25. ii. MARI PEDERSDATTER.
- iii. MARGRETHE PEDERSDATTER.

After Marthe died, Peder married Lisbeth Halvorsdatter Brun. They had one child:
LARS PEDERSEN, born 1717. Took over Røne after Anders Pedersen.

52. Ola Torgersen Hol, born circa 1643, died 1670/71 at Hol Vestre Farm, Vang (now in Hamar kommune). He married

53. Ingrid Persdatter Hol, died 1710 at Hol Vestre.

Ola and Ingrid had one child that we know of:

26. i. OLE OLSEN, born 1670, died 1744.

Ingrid married a second time, to Ola Hallvorsden Hol. Ola Hallvorsden and Ingrid had the following children:

- ELI OLSDATTER.
- BERTE OLSDATTER.
- OLIV OLSDATTER.
- HALLVORD OLSEN, born circa 1681, died 1722.
- KARI OLSDATTER, born circa 1686.

54. Johannes Larsen O, born circa 1648 at Skråstad Farm, Vang (now in Hamar kommune), died 1700 at O Vestre Farm, Vang (now in Hamar kommune). He married

55. Anne Jakobsdatter O, born 1647/48, died 1729.

Johannes and Annehad the following children:

- i. JAKOB JOHANNESSEN, born circa 1672, died before 1715.
- ii. LARS JOHANNESSEN, born circa 1677.
- iii. MEKKEL JOHANNESSEN, born 1678, died 1752.
27. iv. KARI JOHANNESDATTER.
- v. KERSTI JOHANNESDATTER, born 1683, died 1737.
- vi. NN, born and died 1685.
- vii. NN, born and died 1686.
- viii. TOMMES JOHANNESSEN, born 1687, died 1711.
- ix. JOHAN JOHANNESSEN, born 1691.

56. Knut Bårdsen Galas Store lived at Bruker Of Gålås Store Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He was born circa 1664 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He lived circa 1686 at Bruker Of Frøberg Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Rønnøe Halvorsdatter Frøberg** on 11 August 1686 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Gønner Anstensdatter Mørud** on 3 July 1689 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1699.

57. Rønnøe Halvorsdatter Frøberg married **Kristen Michelet** before 1683 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She married **Knut Bårdsen Galas Store**, son of **Bård Knutsen Gålås Store** and **Gønner Halvorsdatter Busvold**, on 11 August 1686 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1688 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 5 December 1688 at Frøberg Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

58. Ole Pedersen Sollerud lived at Bruker Of Sollerud Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He died. He was born circa 1647. He married **Marte Eriksdatter Sollerud** in 1688 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

59. Marte Eriksdatter Sollerud was born circa 1657. She married **Ole Pedersen Sollerud**, son of **Peder Pedersen Sollerud**, in 1688 at Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1717 at Sollerud Vestre Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried in 1717.

60. Knut Anderssen Hov was born circa 1671 at Hov, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married NN (--?--) on 5 February 1698. He lived on 20 March 1703 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Eli Johannesdatter Dæli** at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Ollaug Olsdatter (--?--)** on 28 October 1720. He died in 1737 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 20 August 1737 at Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

61. Eli Johannesdatter Dæli was born circa 1675 at Dæli Farm, Ringsaker, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Knut Anderssen Hov**, son of **Anders Larssen Hov** and **NN Hov**, at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1717 at Gudsås Østre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 9 October 1717 at Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

62. Peder Jenssen Hovde was born circa 1677 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Ingebor Olsdatter Hellerud vestre**, daughter of **Ole Olsen Hellerud vestre** and **Mari Rasmusdatter Hovin vestre**, on 6 April 1704 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1733 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 25 June 1733 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

63. Ingebor Olsdatter Hellerud vestre was born between 1676 and 1682 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She married **Peder Jenssen Hovde**, son of **Jens Pedersen Hangenholen søndre**, on 6 April 1704 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1734 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 14 June 1734 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

— 7th Generation —

68. Halvor Erichsen Trømnes lived in 1673 at Bygselmann Of Ringnes Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

70. Knud Gulbrandsen Hov died. He was born in 1644. He lived in 1672 at Bruker Of Hov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

71. Ingeborg Embretsdatter Hov

72. Tollef Lauritsen Fuglset was born in 1594. He died circa 1683 at Fuglset Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

76. Ole Olsen Rustad was born in 1626 at Rustad store Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He lived in 1650 at Bygselmann of Rustad store Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1691 at Rustad store Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

77. Mari Mortensdatter Torp was born in 1627 at Torp søndre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She died after 1680.

78. Kjeld Andersen Norderhov was born circa 1631 at Nes, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Anne Tollefsdatter Norderhov** circa 1655 at Nes, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1693.

79. Anne Tollefsdatter Norderhov died. She was born circa 1633. She married **Tjøstel Tollefsen Norderhov**, son of **Tollef Pedersen Mælum** and **Anne Lauritsdatter Disen**, circa 1634 at Norderhov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Kjeld Andersen Norderhov** circa 1655 at Nes, Hedmark, Norway.

80. Mats Jonsen Gile died. He was born before 1656. He married **Anne Ingvoldstad** in 1656.

81. Anne Ingvoldstad died. She was born before 1656 at Stor-Ingvoldstad Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Mats Jonsen Gile** in 1656.

82. Ola Kristoffersen Stor-Dørum was born circa 1620. He died in 1698 at Stor-Dørum Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

83. Guri Arntsdatter Stor-Dørum died before 1682 at Stor-Dørum Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

88. Engebret Grøholt øde lived in 1643 at Bruker Of Grøhold øde Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

96. Bersvend Andersen Høsbjør, born circa 1605—1611, died 1683 at Høsbjør Farm, Furnes (now in Ringsaker kommune). He was married to

97. NN (daughter of Peder Anderssen Bjørge).

Bersvend may have been the son of Anders Olufsen Skjefstad, who farmed at Høsbjør just before Bersvend. Although there is circumstantial evidence for this, clear documentation of the father/son relationship is missing, so we will not assume it. Note that Ander Olufsen

Skjefstad/Høsbjør is the grandson of Seming Skjefstad (H.1338) and son of Randi Semmingsdatter (H.1338.iii).

Bersvend had the following children:

48. i. HELGE BERSVENDSEN.
- ii. ANDERS BERSVENDSEN.

98. Olluff Simensen Jønsberg, born circa 1602 at Jønsberg Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune), died probably after 1668 at Jønsberg. His wife's name is not known.

Although we do not know the name of Olluff Simensen's wife, we know that she was the widow of Lennert Bretten, who was the farmer at nearby Bretten Farm.

Olluff had the following children:

- i. SIMEN OLSEN, born ca. 1640.
- ii. JOHAN OLSEN.
49. iii. KJERSTI OLSDATTER.
- iv. MARIT OLSDATTER.
- v. JOHANNE OLSDATTER.
- vi. ÅSTE OLSDATTER.
- vii. ÅSTE OLSDATTER.

100. Lars (Laurits) Eriksen Røne, born 1622, died at Røne Farm, Løten in 1703. He was married to

101. Mari Larsdatter Røne.

Lars and Mari had the following children:

50. i. PEDER LARSEN, born 1657, died 1734. Took over Røne after his father.
- ii. KJERSTI LARSDATTER.
- iii. KAREN LARSDATTER.
- iv. MAGNHILD LARSDATTER.

112. Bård Knutsen Gålås Store was born between 1627 and 1634. He lived in 1659 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. He married **Gønner Halvorsdatter Busvold**, daughter of **Halvor Børgesen Sveinhaus** and **Sissel Andersdatter Busvold**, at Gålås store Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1689 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 24 April 1689 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

113. Gønner Halvorsdatter Busvold was born circa 1640 at Busvold Farm, Romedal, Hedmark, Norway. She married **Bård Knutsen Gålås Store**, son of **Knut Olsen Gålås Store** and **Guru Gålås Store**, at Gålås store Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1689 at Galås store Farm, Furnes, Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 24 April 1689 at Gålås store Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

116. Peder Pedersen Sollerud lived at Bruker Of Sollerud Vestre Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He died. He was born circa 1624 at Nederkvern.

120. Anders Larssen Hov was born between 1620 and 1625. He married **Marte Andersdatter Hov** before 1650 at Hov Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **NN Hov** between 1650 and 1669 at Hov, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1695 at Hov, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 27 June 1695 at Hov, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

121. NN Hov married **Anders Larssen Hov** between 1650 and 1669 at Hov, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

124. Jens Pedersen Hangenholen søndre was born circa 1639 at Hangenholen søndre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1699 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 2 August 1699 at Hovde Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

126. Ole Olsen Hellerud vestre was born circa 1645 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. He married **Mari Rasmusdatter Hovin vestre**, daughter of **Rasmus Hovin vestre**, at Hovin vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

127. Mari Rasmusdatter Hovin vestre was born circa 1636 at Hovin vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She married **Ole Olsen Hellerud vestre**, son of **Ole Eriksen Hellerud vestre**, at Hovin vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She died in 1711 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway. She was buried on 19 February 1711 at Hellerud vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

— 8th Generation —

136. Erich Erichsen Trømmes lived in 1638 at Bygselmann of Ringnes Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

142. Embret Bøttelsen Hov was born in 1599. He lived in 1637 at Bruker Of Hov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1672 at Hov Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

143. Rønnaug Olsdatter Igulstad died in 1675.

152. Ole Rustad was born circa 1609. He died in 1643.

154. Morten Olsen Torp was born in 1594 at Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1675 at Torp søndre, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

194. Peder Anderssen Bjørge, died 1642 at Bjørge Farm, Furnes (now in Ringsaker kommune).

Peder had the following children:

- i. KRISTOFFER PEDERSEN, born circa 1610.
- ii. ANDERS PEDERSEN, born circa 1614.
- 97. iii. NN PEDERSDATTER Married Bersvend Anderssen Høsbjør.
- iv. MARTE PEDERSDATTER..
- v. GORO PEDERSDATTER, born circa 1619.

196. Simen Håghensen Jønsberg, died circa 1629 at Jønsberg Farm, Romedal (now in Stange kommune). He was married to

197. Åste Jønsberg.

Simen and Åste had the following children:

- 98. i. OLLUF SIMENSEN, born circa 1602.
- ii. HANS SIMENSEN.
- iii. ENGBRET SIMENSEN.
- iv. HÅGEN SIMENSEN.

200. Erich (Erik) Olsen Røne.

Erich had the following children:

- i. JENS ERIKSEN, born 1621. Took over Grylling after his father.
- 100. ii. LARS ERIKSEN, born 1622, died 1703. Took over Røne after his father.
- iii. OLE ERIKSEN, born 1628.
- iv. SVEND ERIKSEN, born 1634.

224. Knut Olsen Gålås Store lived in 1645 at Bruker Of Gålås Store Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1657 at Galås store Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

225. Guru Gålås Store lived in 1657 at Bruker Of Gålås Store Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

226. Halvor Børgesen Sveinhaus was born circa 1604. He died in 1669 at Busvold Farm, Romedal, Hedmark, Norway. He was buried on 22 March 1669 at Romedal, Hedmark, Norway.

227. **Sissel Andersdatter Busvold** was born at Busvold, Romedal.
248. **Peder Hangenholen søndre** was born circa 1604.
252. **Ole Eriksen Hellerud vestre** was born circa 1595.
254. **Rasmus Hovin vestre** died circa 1653 at Hovin vestre Farm, Furnes (Vang), Hedmark, Norway.

— 9th Generation —

272. Erich Trømnes lived in 1612 at Bygselmann Of Trømnes Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

284. Bøttel Berg

285. Taran Olluffsdatter Berg lived in 1638 at Bygselmann of Berg Østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

286. Ole Gulbrandsen Igulstad was born in 1578. He lived in 1617 at Bygselmann of Igulstad Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1665 at Berge Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway.

388. Anders Bjørge.

From 1612—1617 Anders lived at Bjørge Farm, Furnes (now in Ringsaker kommune).

Anders had one child that we know of:

194. i. PEDER ANDERSEN.

400. Ole Grylling.

Erich had one son that we know of:

200. i. ERIK OLSEN.

448. Ole Knutsen Gålås Store lived in 1636 at Gålås Store Farm, Vang, Hedmark, Norway.

454. Anders Nilssen Busvold died. He was born circa 1570 at Busvold Farm, Romedal, Hedmark, Norway.

— 10th Generation —

570. Olluff Berg lived in 1616 at Bygselmann of Berg Østre Farm, Løten, Hedmark, Norway. He died in 1665.

908. Nils Andersen Busvold was born circa 1540 at Busvold Farm, Romedal, Hedmark, Norway. He died circa 1617 at Busvold Farm, Romedal, Hedmark, Norway.

909. Sessel Østensdatter Bratt died. She was born circa 1530 at Bjølstad Farm, Heidal, Oppland, Norway.

— 11th Generation —

1818. Østen Guttormsen Bratt was born in 1475 at Bjølstad Farm, Heidal, Oppland, Norway. He died in 1550 at Bjølstad Farm, Heidal, Oppland, Norway.

— 12th Generation —

3636. Guttorm Endridesson Bratt died. He was born in 1530 at Bjølstad Farm, Heidal, Oppland, Norway.

3637. Cecilie Petersdatter Skiaker was born in 1430 at Skjåk, Oppland, Norway. She died in 1509 at Bjølstad Farm, Heidal, Oppland, Norway.

— 13th Generation —

7274. Peter Gudleiksson Bratt was born circa 1404. He died circa 1482.

Appendix A. Ole Olsen Ringnes Ødegård's Background

Herman Olsen's father, Ole Olsen, married Hanna Hansdatter in 1812 and stayed at Ringnes Ødegård farm, in Løten parish, for the rest of his life. However, Ole was not a native of Løten. Where did he come from? Establishing Ole Olsen's parentage is important because half of Herman Olsen's ancestor's cannot be determined without this information.

We know from the record of his marriage that he came from the farm named Damen in Elverum, the next parish to the east of Løten. (Note that the church parishes of Løten and Elverum in the 1800's correspond roughly to the modern *kommuner* of the same names.)

In order to determine Ole Olsen's parents the scant information on his background that is available in the Løten sources must be matched against the Ole Olsens who are mentioned in the Elverum sources.

What follows is the evidence that places Ole Olsen's birth in Elverum in 1782, and identifies his parents as Ole Amundsen and Sophie Håkonsdatter of Østre Hagen Farm in Elverum.

Here is what the Løten sources say about Ole Olsen:

- In the record of his marriage to Hanna Hansdatter on 20 April 1812, Ole is referred to as “Enkemand og Skieløbre”, which means “widower and ski infantry soldier”. His residence is given as Dammen in Elverum¹.
- The church register records his death on 9 September 1859 at age 77².
- Ole's children were named Ole (1812)³, Lisbet (1815)⁴, Inger Marie (1818)⁵, Helene (1821)⁶, Severin (1824)⁷, and Herman (1831)⁸.
- I found no references to this same Ole Olsen in Løten sources prior to his marriage in 1812.

Based on the church register's statement about his age when he died, Ole would have been born around 1782. Note that the Løten sources do not say he was born in Elverum, merely that he came from there in 1812.

It is worth noting that “Ole Olsen” was a very common name in Hedmark at that time. 89 men named Ole Olsen were listed in the Elverum census of 1801, the last census taken before 1812 – this is almost 3% of the *kommune's* total male population⁹. Before diving in to the Elverum records I posted a request for help with this search at an online forum at www.NorwayHeritage.com. Among several very helpful responses was one that identified Ole Olsen Hagen, born 1782 in Elverum, as a good candidate for my search¹⁰. The facts of Ole Olsen Hagen's life mesh with the facts in the Løten parish records.

Because Ole is referred to as a widower in Løten in 1812, I searched the Løten and Elverum parish records for an Ole Olsen who was married after 1800 and whose wife died before 1812. The only one I found was Ole Olsen Hagen in Elverum. On 8 April 1806 at Elverum Church, “Ungkarl og Skialobren” (bachelor and ski infantry soldier) Ole Olsen of Hagen farm married Marthe Jensdatter of Damen farm¹¹. Then on 22 September 1811, Marthe Jensdatter of Damen, age 28, was buried at Elverum¹². Marthe's (and therefore Ole's) residence in 1811 at Damen agrees with the 1812 marriage record from Løten.

Marthe's baptism record in the parish register shows that she was born in the fall of 1783¹³. At the time her family lived at Harstad Farm, but by the time of her confirmation in 1799 the family was living at Damen¹⁴.

What about the occupation of *skieløbre*, which is mentioned in both marriage records? There was a *skieløbre* company based in Elverum at that time¹⁵. These army conscripts were required to serve 12 days a year, for a 9-year period. I do not know how many of the young men in Elverum were *skieløbre*, but certainly not all of them were. For example, in Elverum in 1806, 33 marriages were recorded in the church register. Many of the grooms were titled "ungkarl", but only two were *skieløbre*. An additional two grooms were identified as other types of soldier¹⁶. This suggests that between 10% and 20% of young men in Elverum at that time might have been called *skieløbre*. Since *skieløbre* status was far from universal among young men in Elverum, the fact that both marriage records refer to Ole Olsen as a *skieløbre* should be considered as significant evidence that the two Ole Olsens were the same person.

Based on these facts, it seems almost certain the same Ole Olsen was married in Elverum in 1806 to Marthe Jensdatter and then in Løten in 1811 to Hanna Hansdatter.

More facts can be established about Ole Olsen prior to his 1806 marriage. We assume that he was born around 1782, and that in 1806 he lived at Hagen farm in Elverum. There is one additional clue in the Elverum 1806 marriage record: two men are named as sponsors – these are witnesses who know the bride and groom well enough to attest that they can be legally married. The sponsors were often, but not always, relatives or friends of the bride or groom. In this case, the sponsors were named Ole Ødegaard and Amund Olsen Hagen.

The 1801 census for Elverum shows that Ole Olsen, 19 years old, lived at Hagen farm, which was then owned by his brother, Amund Olsen¹⁷. It is reasonable to assume that the brothers Ole and Amund listed on Hagen farm in the 1801 census are the same as the groom and witness at the 1806 wedding.

At this point, given the information in the Elverum parish records and bygdeboks, it is straightforward to establish that the Ole Olsen Hagen who married in Marthe Jensdatter 1806 and Hanna Hansdatter in 1812, was born in 1782 to Amund Olsen and Sophie Håkonsdatter at Østre Hagen Farm¹⁸.

Why did Ole Olsen move to Løten after his wife's death? I have not found any evidence that addresses this question directly, but there are three interesting possibilities.

First, consider the second witness to Ole Olsen's 1806 Elverum wedding, Ole Ødegaard. Some time during 1801 the family of Hanna Hansdatter (who would marry Ole Olsen in 1812) moved to Ringnæs Ødegård farm in Løten¹⁹. In the Løten church records this farm name is often shortened to simply Ødegård or Ødegaard. Hanna had a brother named Ole Hansen, who was a corporal in the army in 1801²⁰. It is possible that Ole Olsen Hagen and Ole Hansen Ringnæs Ødegård became friends during their army service, and that the Ole Ødegaard listed as a sponsor at Ole Olsen's 1806 wedding is Ole Hansen, and that through this friendship Ole Olsen met Hanna Hansdatter. I don't know if this could ever be proven, but it's an interesting possibility.

Second, 70 years before Ole moved to Løten, the land speculators Jens Hals and Bondy Simensen, who were Ole Olsen's great-grandfather and first cousin three times removed, respectively (on his mother's side), owned Ringnes farm²¹. Perhaps this family connection had influenced Ole's decision to move to that part of Løten.

Third, one of Ole Olsen's distant relatives lived in Løten, and he was among the godparents of Ole Olsen and Hanna Hansdatter's children. Lars Olsen, who lived at Berset farm near Ringnes²², was one of the godparents for at least four of Ole's children: Ole, Lisbet, Inger

Marie and Herman. Traditionally in Norway the godparents (often there were more than two of them) were relatives of the mother or father. Lars Olsen was related to both of Ole Olsen's parents: Lars was a third cousin once removed of Ole Olsen's father, Ole Amundsen; Lars and Sophie Håkonsdatter, Ole Olsen's mother, were fifth cousins. I have not found any relationship between Lars Olsen and Hanna Hansdatter. Since Ole was not from Løten parish, it is possible that Lars Olsen was his nearest relative in the parish, and therefore someone Ole would ask to be a godparent. Perhaps the fact that Ole had relatives in Løten drew him to settle there.

The only facts that cast doubt on the identity of Ole Olsen come from the names of his children. Traditionally, parents would name their first two boys after the two grandfathers, and the first two girls after the grandmothers. Also, a child would sometimes be named after the deceased previous spouse of one of the parents. In this case, those expected names are Ole, Hans, Sophie and Lisbet (from the grandparents), and Marthe (from Ole's first wife). Although there is an Ole and a Lisbet among the children, there are no Hans, Sophie or Marthe. In addition, I haven't found any members of either Ole's or Hanna's families named Inger, Helene, Severin, or Herman. It could be the case that Ole and Hanna simply decided, for some reason, not to strictly follow tradition in naming their children. On the other hand, it is possible that I have identified the wrong Ole Olsen, and the correct one has all these other names in his family. I searched the 1801 Elverum census database to locate such a family, but with no success. For the time being, I accept that the amount of evidence supporting Ole Olsen's identity outweighs the doubts caused by his children's names.

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Appendix B. Elli Johannesdatter Torshov's Background

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