

JONAS SEIBERT

Jonas Seibert was born on Jun 20, 1830 in Milford, Somerset, Pennsylvania as recorded on his headstone and in his obituary. There are a number of published genealogies that place Jonas as the 8th of 10 children born to William Seibert and Sarah Ankeny. I am still hoping to do some research into solidly proving William and Sarah as Jonas's parents as a bit more "proof" would be beneficial.

Jonas married Anna Maria Flick on November 3, 1853 in Milford, Somerset, Pennsylvania as recorded in Pennsylvania marriages and as stated in his obituary, Ann's obituary and the article for their 50th anniversary.

I haven't yet located Jonas and Anna in the 1860 Federal Census, but I do find them in the 1870 Census. They are listed in Milford, Somerset, Pennsylvania. Jonas lists his occupation as "works on saw mill". He states that his real estate is valued at \$1500, and personal property at \$580.

His obituary states that the family moved to Dixon, Lee, Illinois in 1875. The Somerset Herald Newspaper has an Assignees Notice in the Sept 16, 1874 paper stating that "Jonas Seibert, having by deed of voluntary assignment conveyed and assigned to me all his estate, real, personal, and mixed, in trust for the benefit of creditors, notice is hereby given to all person indebted to said Jonas Seibert or having claims against him to appear for settlement on Saturday, October 31, 1874 at the residence of the assignor – Solomon Snyder, Assignee". This would appear to be Jonas closing his estate and preparing to head west.

In the 1880 Federal Census we see Jonas and his family in 124, South Dixon, Lee, Illinois. Jonas lists his occupation as farming. We also see Anna's mother Elizabeth Flick living with them.

The obituaries for the pair state that the family then went to Ida Grove, Iowa in 1884. The 1895 Iowa State Census has Jonas listed in Blaine, Ida, Iowa. There is an article in the Ida County Pioneer on August 18, 1881 that state that Jonas Seibert has ground between Silver Creek and Blaine and that he is a relatively new settler. There are also a couple of articles in the same paper that mention a Mr Seibert and Mr Flick (who I believe to be Anna's brother Simon Flick) prior to 1884. I do not know if the dates in the obituaries are incorrect or if this is possibly a different Mr Seibert, but I believe these are the correct person.

The 1900 Federal Census shows Jonas and Anna in District 0037, Precinct 07, Cedar, Nebraska. Their son George and his two sons are living with them as George's wife died in 1895. Jonas and George are farming, Anna reports that she has had four children and that four are living and the two boys are in school.

In 1903 the Laurel Advocate has a piece on the Seibert's Golden Anniversary. Jonas was presented with a gold watch and chain, Anna with a pair of gold spectacles, a set of Haviland china and other useful articles.

The Laurel Advocate newspaper has a mention of Jonas in the March 11, 1904 edition where they note that in his 74th year he raised nearly 1400 bushels of oats and 1600 bushels of corn, doing all the work himself, with the exception of husking about 300 bushels of corn. Their quote at the end is "Where is there another man of that age that can do as much?"

Anna died in 1905 and after that Jonas stayed with various children as referenced in newspapers articles from the Laurel, NE paper.

The Laurel Advocate has a listing for a sale at Jonas's location in February of 1906. In this sale the following along with other items are listed (see the newspaper article for the full sale bill): 6 head of work horses, 5 cows, 10 hogs, 2 lumber wagons, 16 inch plow, 8 tons hay, 8 dozen chickens, 1 buggy, 2 sets of harness nets.

In the 1910 Federal Census he is listed in District 0047, Kearney Ward 4, Buffalo, Nebraska and with his daughter Mary who is married to Jonathan Heywood. Jonas lists his occupation as "income" whatever that may mean. Jonathan is farming, so maybe it means that Jonathan pays him a wage.

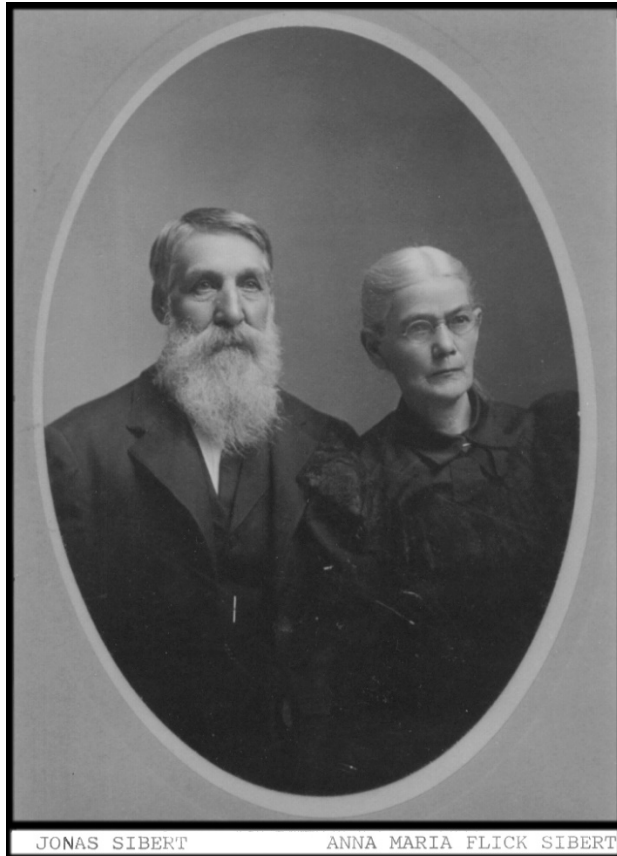
On March 1, 1913 Jonas died in Dixon, Lee, Illinois while with his daughter Sarah Juelfs as reported in his obituaries in the Cedar County, Nebraska papers. I have checked with the State of Illinois and Lee County for a death record and there is no official death record on file for Jonas Seibert.

According to his obituary Jonas was a member of the English Lutheran Church.

Jonas is buried in the Coleridge Cemetery in Cedar County Nebraska as seen in his Find A Grave Record.

Jonas and Anna had four children

- **Sarah Elizabeth Seibert (1854 - 1917)**
- **Mary Ann Seibert (1856 - 1936)**
- **George Freeman Seibert (1859 - 1915)**
- **Vasta Mahulda Seibert (1867 - 1960)**



This picture was not labeled and was with photos from Mildred Seibert Lobner. We are assuming that this is George Seibert and his sisters

ANNA MARIA FLICK

Anna Maria Flick was born on October 4, 1833 in Somerset County, Pennsylvania as reported on her death certificate and her obituary. The obituary of Anna's sister Amanda states that she was the last of a family of 10 children born to Isaac Flick and Elizabeth Davis. To date, I have only seen information on 8 children born to Isaac and Elizabeth, which I assume means that two of the children died young. I feel fairly certain that Anna is the third child as the first girl was born in 1831, the second in February of 1833 and then Anna in October of 1833. I have seen Anna's name as Ann Maria, Maria Ann and Anna Maria, the most commonly accepted seems to be Anna Maria even though her obituary is Maria Ann while her headstone is Anna Maria. I had hoped her death certificate would be clear, and it is listed as Mrs Jonas Seibert.

At present I don't have any records of Anna prior to her marriage to Jonas and as she died prior to his death, all of her information is recorded with Jonas.

Anna's obituary does state that she had been a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Church for 55 years.

Anna is buried in the Coleridge Cemetery in Cedar County Nebraska as seen in her Find A Grave Record.