

WALTER BEUTLER
By daughter, Ethel Beutler Anderson

Walter Beutler is the oldest son of Felix and Margaritha. He was called to the Swiss-German mission in 1923 which lasted 2½ years. The language was no problem because German was the language spoken in their home and he hadn't learned English until he went to school.

Loverill taught school for about two years before she and Walter were married 26 May 1927 and moved to Dayton where Walter and Ernest had bought a farm. The first summer they lived in what had been a chicken coop while they built a small two-room house. Ernest slept in the basement and they worked together for eight years until he went on his mission. They built a bigger house, the one Sheldon lives in now, and moved in when Margaret was a baby. She was their sixth child.

My dad could fix anything from tractors and cars to toys and shoes. If it was broken Dad fixed it. He was a counselor to Uncle Goff Schwartz in the Bishopric. He was ward clerk for many years, and he taught many classes and had other callings in the church including a sealer in the Logan Temple. He performed the marriages for some of his children.

Mother had a large garden and raised almost all of our food. She sewed our clothes and was a very well read, educated person. She would read something and tell us about it at the dinner table which created an interest for us children to want to learn. She was Primary and Relief Society President and held many teaching positions. For several years she worked in the genealogy library in Logan.

We children had a busy but fun life on the dairy farm. There was much work with cows, chickens, horses, raising sugar beets and putting up the hay and harvesting the grain, but we always had a lot of fun! We played baseball, Run My Sheepy Run, Kick the Can, No Bears Out Tonight, etc. We also went swimming in the canal most summer days.

Dad and Mother had 8 children and 46 grandchildren. Their children were: Blanche, Lurn Kemp, Hazel, Virginia, Ethel, Margaret, Henry Walter, and Sheldon Kemp. We were very blessed to have parents who taught us to work and study but most important they taught us the Gospel.