

Luzenske Family



The community of Frankenmuth was familiar to Ted Luzenske even before moving here in 1962. As a salesman for Saginaw Seed and Supply Company, based in Saginaw, he traveled throughout mid-Michigan, visiting Star of the West and other rural elevators in this area. The City of Frankenmuth had much to offer the Luzenske family, but Frankenmuth has also benefited from the service that Ted Luzenske gave to the community. Ted is a past president of the Civic Events Council, served on the Heritage Park Commission, and the City Beautification Committee. He was also involved in the Saginaw Valley Pheasants Forever Chapter.

Ted Luzenske, the only child of Theodore and Margaret Luzenske, was born May 12, 1936 in Saginaw, Michigan. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University. On September 17, 1960, he married Sally Ann Purcell in Waterford, Michigan. Ted and Sally had two children, Beth Ellen and David John.

Beth Ellen Luzenske was born May 18, 1963. She married Saeb Bargouthy and they have three children: Abraham Saeb born August 5, 1989; Nicholas Saeb born December 25, 1992; and Adlai Theodore born January 11, 1993. Beth attended St. Lorenz Lutheran School and graduated from Frankenmuth High School. She is a graduate of Northwood Institute in Midland, Michigan.

David John Luzenske was born October 13, 1964. He attended St. Lorenz Lutheran School and graduated from Frankenmuth High School. He is a graduate of Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan. David is a senior mechanical designer for Steelcase in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Luzenskies can trace their family history back to Valentine Luziński and Susan nee Mejka Luziński. Valentine was born in Golen, Ost Friesland, near Meppen, Germany. Both Valentine and Susan died before 1861. They had a son, Anton.

Anton Luziński was born June 14, 1837 in Wapiński Olsztyn, German Poland. He married Eva Bartkowska on January 28, 1861, in Zichmin Warszawa, Russian Poland. They came to New York in July of 1881. Both and Anton Eva died in Berlin, Wisconsin; Anton on March 25, 1926, and Eva on April 4, 1888. They had a son, Adam.

Adam J. Luziński, the seventh child of Anton and Eva, was born December 15, 1875, in Lierburku, Poland. He married Francis E. Drzonek born April 23, 1876, at St. Stanislaus Church in Chicago, Illinois on October 6, 1897. Adam and Francis died in Saginaw, Michigan; Adam on February 13, 1946 and Francis on May 1, 1956.

Theodore Edward, the son of Adam and Francis, was the father of Ted Luzenske. Theodore was born March 6, 1910 in Chicago, and died December 25, 1973 in Saginaw, Michigan. On October 14, 1933, he married Margaret Ray Stroebel Nothelfer born April 17, 1914. She died February 21, 1989 in Saginaw, Michigan.



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