## Documentation about Frantisek Xaver Brandl and Antonie Matuna.

## Frantisek Xaver Brandl birth

Research Notes:

The book No. 12 of the Roman Catholic parish of Kolesovice (Births of Kolesovice 1868-1884) is not available - it is not in good condition. the microfilm also does not exist. for this reason I use the information of researcher from 1971

" on 8 September 1878 was born in Kolesovice # 171 Frantiseck (Xaver) Brandl

The father: Vaclav Brandl of Selc #15, the matrimonial son of Frantisek Brandl and his wife Anastazie, nee Smolarova of Svaty Jan pod Skalou # 18

the mother: Anna Semmova of Kolesovice, the matrimonial daughter of Lorenc Semm of Kolesovice # 109 and of Dorota Dobnerova of Vildstejn #18"

## Antonie Matuna birth

Reseachers Notes#3 In the State District archive in Litomerice, in the book No. 128/44 of the Roman-Catholic parish Novosedlic, on the page 108.

"The date of birth 21, May 1881

of the christening 22. May 1881

baptized by: P. Tausch, Cooperator

The Place Zuckmantl (today Pozorka) #70

The name Antonie Matuna

The Father Anton Matuna, the worker in the factory, the matrimonial son of Johann Matuna, the day-labourer of Albertsthal (today Vojtechov) #16, in the county of Melnik in Bohemia,

and of the mother Veronika, Nee Melzer of Albertsthal. The Mother: Marie Spalenka, the matrimonial daughter of Franz Spalenka, the Coachman in Durdice #18, in the county of Tabor, and of the mother marie, nee Saul(=Zoul) of Vetrov, close Vitice in Bohemia.

The godfather: Johann(?) Fritsch, ...( the occupation illegible)

The siblings

- 1: Josef, male, born on 19 May 1883 in Zuckmantl #70 Died on 13.7.1883
- 2: Anna, female, born on 29 May 1884 in Zuckmantl # 92
- 3: Barbora, female, born on 21 july 1886 in Zuckmantl #93 Died on 29 March 1888
- 4: Antonin, male, born 27 January 1888 in Zuckmantl #93
- 5: Josef, male, born on 26 April 1890 in Zuckmantl # 93

The following letter was given to Wanda Brandle Baxter, Frank Brandle's wife, by the dead letter office of the Canadian Postal Service at Lethbridge, Alberta Canada after he died. She gave it to Frances Fay Brandle about 1970. Fay is Frank's daughter.

This is a typed copy of a translation from Czech to England by a friend.

## Dear Frank,

I wish to extend my greetings to you. Your Aunt (my cousin) Bozena Jicinska from Dubi gave me your address. I am glad that the Brandle's are still alive. Your grand father Vaclav (Wenzl) Brandel was the brother of my mother (that is my uncle.) Your father Franz B. was my cousin: I Kew him well. He lived at kolesdrowitz two Kilometers (about 1 1/2 mile) from us. I am a Captain, retired, (\*Jan 31, 1883) 71 years of age.

You are now speaking only English. I am writing you about your ancestors and send you your pedigree.

Family Brandtler came from Bavaria (Germany) to our region at the beginning of the 17<sup>th</sup> century and built themselves an Inn( hostelry motel) near Lodenice (at the highway Prague – Lodenice – Beroun- Pilsen- Karlsbad) at or near Lodenice in Janska – 8 km east of Beroun . At that time there was no railway yet and the merchandise used to be hauled from Prague by horse-drawn vehicles. The inn was torn down in 1896 because of the railway which was built in its place.

Dear Frank I am sending you for the time being a shortened pedigree. A brother of your grandfather (an Uncle of mine) went to Chicago (USA) married there and died 60 years ago. Maybe his children are still there.

The Brandle were of German origin from Bavaria (Germany) who first wrote their family name Brandler, then Brandler, Grandel, Brandl. You write your family name Brandle.

You will have to furnish the female names of the pedigree according to your certificate of baptism or that of your father. I don't know them.

How are you? Yourself, your beloved family, Your brother Rudolf and your sister Antonia. Are you all well?

I am a retire officer (army) and speak 5 languages, unfortunately no English. Write in English, dear Frank, I'll have someone translate it for me.

You are the last of the Brandle's there are still a few male and female cousins of your father living here: but there name is not Brandle.

God grant that the Brandle's may not die out. Many Brandle's are buried at the St. John pod Skalou (little Johann under the mountain (rock) near Beroun. I will send you a picture of the

graveyard, in the next letter to follow dear Frank, I shall describe and tell everything in detail, any thing I know about the Brandle's. For one it can be said that they have been nice and respected people, exempt from robot service (Feudal Service) and very well-to-do. Fate has been to ruthless toward them. I often to the graveyard of the little Johann to visit their family graves. It is only 6 Km from our place and there I always think of all the Brandle's I love and honor them; my mother was a nee: Brandl (Katerina Cerna) was the daughter of an innkeeper, Ludmila Landova of a Judge, Anastazie (Smolar) of a school principle, I do not know your grandmother, nor do I know her name.

Time passes by very fast. During the first world war in 1914 I spent 6 years in Siberia (Russia) as a prisoner of war.

I shall be very happy if you answer me soon. I wish you and Your family a merry Xmas and happy new year.

With kind regards

Yours Anton Cerny

Beroun 18<sup>th</sup> of March Czecoslovokia

The picture of the graveyard is included.

Kind regards to your brother Rudolf and your sister Antonia.

The picture and the information written on the Back is as below.



I. Jakub Brandler prababicka

\* 15, 1800 + 5/2. 1849 = 49 roku

Anastazie Brandlová

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