

Henry Zeisset and Perseda Schreiber Timeline



Wedding, 1908



House circa 1940

- 1878: Perseda Schreiber born in Cosby, MO to Rev. J.F. Schreiber and Maria Fisher.
- 1881: Perseda's father purchases the 160-acre farm, one mile south and a mile east of Leonardville, and a small 16' x 24' house is built; Perseda's brother Gideon lives here and farms.
- 1895: Perseda's father retires from preaching, moves here
- 1896: Perseda's father dies; mother and brothers continue farming
- 1905: Perseda and her mother move to town, rent out the farm

- 1878: Henry is born at Kreuzfeld, Germany
- 1883: Henry and Bettie move in with family of Uncle Johannes at Niedersteinach. Their father, Jakob Friedrich Zeisset joins them when he loses the Kreuzfeld farm. Bettie leaves with Bertha in 1885 for America.
- 1893: Henry immigrates from Germany, by ship to Ellis Island, by train to Riley. He comes to live with sister Bertha and Juergen Nanninga. He works there one year.
- 1894: Henry works as a farm laborer for area farmers
- 1906: Henry rents farm at Grandview, farms on his own
(Map 1)
- 1908: Henry marries Perseda Schreiber, they live on Grandview farm
- 1909: Henry and Perseda rent the Schreiber farm from her family
(Map 2)
- 1909: Merton is born
- 1911: Carol is born
- 1915: Perseda's mother dies at Holton, Kansas
- 1916: Henry and Perseda buy the farm for \$16,000 from other heirs
- 1918: Perseda's appendectomy is performed in this house by Dr. Carlson

- 1922: House is expanded with the addition of the kitchen, utility porch, and living room
- 1927: House “modernized;” first in the community with indoor toilet
- 1930: Merton leaves for college
- 1938: Carol marries Raymond Benninga and they move to their own farm west of Leonardville. Henry hires Raymond to help with farming this place, Raymond later rents part, then all of it.
- 1943: Farm is paid off
- 1957: Henry becomes seriously ill, but mostly recovers
- 1958: Henry and Perseda move to 303 E. Chase, Leonardville, sell the farm at auction for \$24,000
- 1961: Henry dies in nursing home in Junction City
- 1969: Perseda dies after living her last year at Leonardville Nursing Home

For more information, see <http://zeissetgenealogy.org/henrystories.htm>

Family Statistics

- First Generation: 2 children
- Second Generation: 6 grandchildren
- Third Generation: 15 great grandchildren
- Fourth Generation: 25 great-great grandchildren