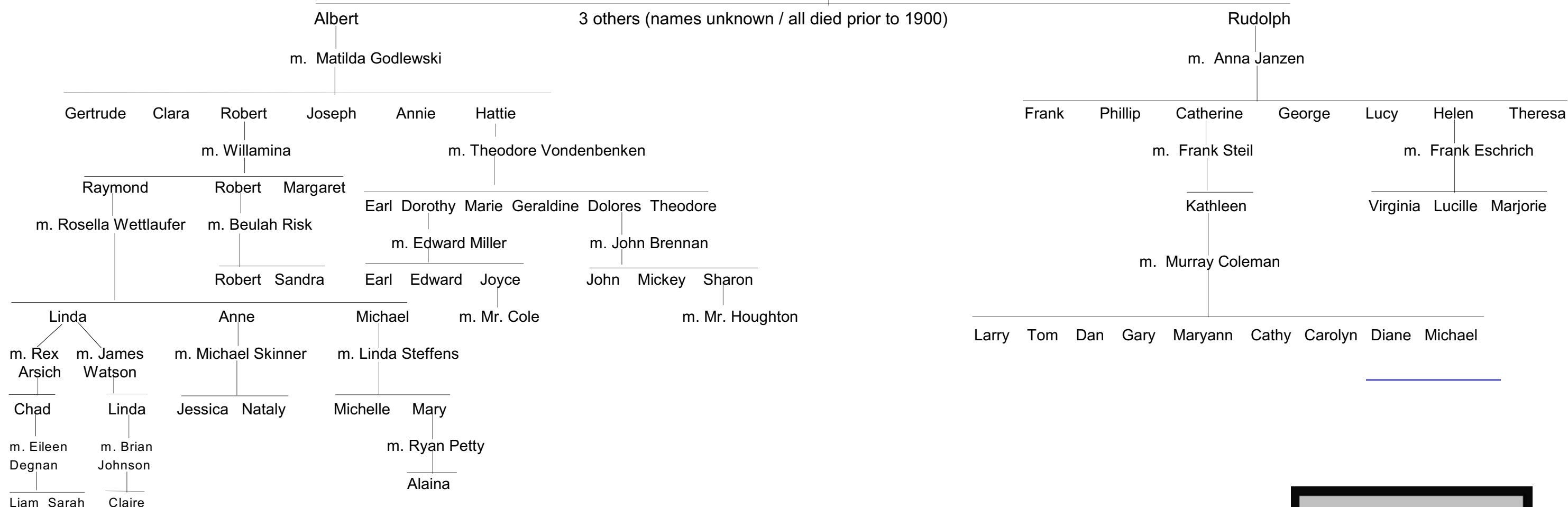


**Frank Lukaschewski**

**Louisa Kuhnke**

b. 1823 Poland / d. 1921 Detroit



Rudolph and his mother Louisa Kuhnke Lukaschewski immigrated to the United States from Poland in 1887. They sailed on the SS Weser from Bremen, Germany and arrived in Baltimore, Maryland in May 1887. The ship's log shows just the two of them traveling together. Louisa was 64 years old at the time.

Rudolph's brother Albert also immigrated to the United States in 1887 but probably came over on a different ship since he was not listed as a passenger with his mother and brother on the Weser.

The Detroit City Directory had a listing for Louisa Lukaschewski in 1889. Since she was listed as a widow of Frank, and since there was no listing of Frank as a passenger on the Weser in 1887, it is reasonable to conclude that her husband Frank had died in Poland prior to her departure in 1887.

Louisa reported to the 1900 census that she was the mother of five children, only two of whom were still alive

at that time. Various documents suggest that her two living children were Albert and Rudolph.

Rudolph, who was born in 1863 and married Anna Janzen in 1891. Anna was born in Danzig, Poland, a town adjacent to Oliva where Rudolph was born and raised. Anna immigrated to the United States in 1881.

In 1895, Rudolph and Anna bought a house at 470 Alexandrine Avenue in Detroit. They were the parents of seven children. Anna died in 1919 and her funeral services were conducted at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Detroit. Church records show that Rudolph died in 1928.

Albert August Lukaschewski, who was born in 1861, married Matilda Godlewski and they had five children. One of their sons, Robert John Lukaschewski, was born in 1896 and died in 1976 in Detroit. His draft registration documents show that in 1917 he was working at the Packard Motor Car Company.

Records at Mt. Olivet Cemetery show that Albert A. Lukaschewski and his wife Matilda are buried in the same section of the cemetery as his mother Louisa and his brother Rudolph, along with Rudolph's wife Anna and their children Lucy, Theresa, Frank, and Catherine. Records show that Louisa was 98 years old at the time of her death in 1921. Albert died at the age of 72.

Thanks to Facebook, and with the help of Michelle Lukaschewski of Rochester Hills, Michigan, the Lukaschewski family tree was revised in January 2011 to include 20 more people. Michelle is a member of the branch of the family headed by Albert August Lukaschewski and Matilda Godlewski. Most of the names supplied by Michelle are of people who currently live in Michigan. .

**Descendents of Frank Lukaschewski and Louisa Kuhnke** (rev. 1-17-11)

