

**Husband: Tollef Ole RENDAHL**

Born: 23 Sep 1878 in: Freeborn County, Minnesota, USA  
 Married: 16 Jan 1900 in: Cooperstown, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA  
 Died: 30 Sep 1938 in: Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA  
 Father: Ole Bendiksen RENDAHL  
 Mother: Tilda THOMPSON

**Wife: Betsy H. OVERBY**

Born: 11 Feb 1883 in: Northfield, Rice County, Minnesota, USA  
 Died: 24 Dec 1969 in: Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA  
 Father: Hans Nielson OVERBY  
 Mother: Ambjor ANDERSDATTER

**CHILDREN**

1 M	Name: Ole Tollef RENDAHL Born: 20 Mar 1900 in: Binford, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA Died 1: 02 Jul 1932 in: Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA Died 2: 02 Jul 1932 in: Cause of death was infection in the wound to his thigh Married: Spouse: Anna G. OLSON
2 M	Name: Hans RENDAHL Born: 12 Jun 1903 in: North Dakota, USA Died: 30 Jul 1993 in: Frazee, Becker County, Minnesota, USA Married: 13 Sep 1933 Spouse: Ethel BRANSTED
3 M	Name: Elmer RENDAHL Born: 08 Sep 1905 in: Binford, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA Died: 09 May 1942 in: Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA Married: 08 Feb 1935 Spouse: Hazel RYAN
4 M	Name: Theodore RENDAHL Born: 23 Nov 1907 in: Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota, USA Died: 27 Nov 2003 in: North Dakota, USA Married: 04 Apr 1935 Spouse: Lenore Christine THOMPSON
5 F	Name: Josephine Tilda RENDAHL Born: 15 Feb 1910 in: Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota, USA Died: 24 Nov 2005 in: Washington, USA Married: 18 Nov 1937 Spouse: Herman LANGE
6 M	Name: Alfred RENDAHL Born: 04 Sep 1912 in: Benedict, Mclean Co, North Dakota, USA Died: 30 Jul 1944 in: Minot, Ward Co, North Dakota, USA Married: 07 Jul 1938 Spouse: Blanche Jennie Irene SIMMONS

<b>Husband:</b>	<b>Tollef Ole RENDAHL</b>
aka:	Tom RENDAHL
Born:	23 Sep 1878
in:	Freeborn County, Minnesota, USA
Died:	30 Sep 1938
in:	Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA
Source:	Certificate of Death, (North Dakota) State Health Department, filed 02 Nov, 1938.
Relationship with Father:	Ole Bendiksen RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Tilda THOMPSON - Natural
Burial:	03 Oct 1938 Concordia Lutheran Cemetary, Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota
Source:	Burial date taken from Certificate of Death filed 02 Nov, 1938.
Census:	22 Apr 1930 ED-37, Roll T626_1738, Page 1A, Image 0757, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota
Homestead:	29 May 1913 Meridian 5, TWP 149N, Range 82W, Section 13, 160 acres
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	

**Notes**

1900 Federal Census of Township 147, Range 61, Griggs County, North Dakota, done June of that year, lists Tom Rindahl [sic], age 22, born in Minnesota, November 1878, occupation farmer. Wife, Betsy, age 16, born in Minnesota, February 1884. The census, taken in June of 1900, does not mention baby Ole T who was born in March.

1910 Federal Census of Township 149, Range 82, McLean County, North Dakota, done in April of that year, lists Tom Rindahl [sic], age 31, occupation farmer, married 10 years. Wife, Betsie, age 26, married 10 years, mother of 6 children, 5 living. Children: Ole, age 10, born in North Dakota; Hans, age 7, born in North Dakota; Elmer, age 5, born in North Dakota; Theodore, age 3, born in North Dakota; Josie, age 3 months. Andrew Radestosh (last name difficult to read), servant, age 43, born in Illinois; parents born in Norway.

According to World War I Registration Card (s/n 199), his birth date is 23 Sep, 1878, making him 39 as of 12 Sep 1918. He is listed as having blue eyes and DK Brown hair; Height-Tall; Build-Stout; Occupation-"Farmer & Stockman" employed by "Myself".

1920 Federal Census of Poplar Township (T149, R82), McLean County, North Dakota, done in January-February of that year, lists Tom Rendahl, age 41. Wife, Bettsie, age 35. Children: Ole, age 19; Hans, age 16; Elmer, age 13; Theodore, age 12; Josephine, age 9; Alfred, age 7. Agnes Mortensen, boarder, age 21, born in Minnesota; father born in Denmark, mother born in Minnesota. Occupation teacher.

BLM Records for surnames "Q-R" inclusive for McLean County, North Dakota show several possible listings for Tom. Three listings have a common spelling of "Tom Rendahl". The dates for these listings are 5/29/1913, 6/27/1910, 12/20/1926. These listings respectively are (Meridian, Twp, Range, Section, acreage, how acquired): 5/149N/82W/13/160/Homestead; 5/149N/82W/14/40/Cash sale; 5/150N/80W/28/80/Homestead. Another listing is for "Thom Rendahl", dated 1/4/1909 for Meridian 5, Twp 149N, Range 82W, Section 12, 40 acres, acquired by cash sale.

I have reprinted articles from Binford Times submitted to me by Allen Osmundson of Binford, North Dakota in fall 2002. First of three articles ran in 12/3/1907, with the second in 7/30/1908, and the third dated 11/18/1920. Tom, apparently from the 1907 article, moved from Binford to the "homestead near Max this state". The 1908 article has Tom visiting Binford "...for the sole purpose of getting a clean shave and a good haircut." Tom visited with "friends and relatives" in Binford for the past week according to the 1920 article.

Ted Rendahl (son) was the information source for the Certificate of Death that was filed with the State Health Department on 08 Oct 1938. The Certificate was granted 02 Nov 1938. Ted put down a birth date of 23 Sep 1877 for Tom, but that appears to be wrong in lieu of other sources that show a birth date of 23 Sep 1878.

A 10/13/1938 obituary in the Max Enterprise referred to Tom as "...well known and prominent farmer of Snake

*Creek Township south of town." This obituary was supplied by Allen Osmundson of Binford, North Dakota.*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	<p>Wife: Betsy H. OVERBY          Married: 16 Jan 1900          Beginning status: Married              in: Cooperstown, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA          Source: (1) Marriage License, 15, License #311 to Tollef O Reindal of Binford and Betsy H Overby also of Binford, dated January 16, 1900.                (2) Marriage Certificate, 15, #311 completed by Rev E T(?) Silness, a Lutheran minister in the County of Griggs and State of North Dakota. The service was conducted on 16 Jan 1900 (venue not mentioned). Witnesses A. H. Berg and Emma Berg both of Cooperstown.                (3) Consent of Parents or Guardian, We, Emma Olsen the mother of Betsy H Overby (her father being died) who is of the age of 16 years, and who desires to be united in marriage to Tollef O Reindal of the town of Binford in the County of Griggs and the State of North Dakota, do hereby certify that we have and do give our consent to the marriage of said Betsy H Overby and Tollef O Reindal. Given at Cooperstown North Dakota, the 15th day of Jan A.D. 1900. [endorsed by Mrs. Emma O {not legible} - mother of Betsy H Overby] [witnessed by B.H. Overby and John T.(?) Vangen].</p>
<b>Wife:</b>	<b>Betsy H. OVERBY</b>
Born:	11 Feb 1883
in:	Northfield, Rice County, Minnesota, USA
Died:	24 Dec 1969
in:	Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA
Source:	North Dakota Certificate of Death, State Department of Health, received 07 Jan 1970.
Relationship with Father:	Hans Nielson OVERBY - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Ambjor ANDERSDATTER - Natural
Burial:	27 Dec 1969
Source:	Concordia Lutheran Cemetary, Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota
Census:	Burial date taken from North Dakota Certificate of Death, received 07 Jan 1970. 1930
Social Security Number:	ED-37, Roll T626_1738, Image 0757, Page 1A, Sheet 111, Ln 27, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota
Source:	501-56-9160 Ancestry.com, Social Security Death Index, Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2008.
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	

**Notes**

*Mr. Allen Osmundson of Binford, North Dakota supplied an obituary that was from a local paper, dated December 1969. Implied date of the obituary is 12/24/1969, as the reference was to "today" for the date of death of Betsy. The Social Security Death Index has a verified date of death as 15 Dec 1969. However, the death certificate for Betsy states that she died at 12:08PM on 24 Dec 1969, and was buried on 27 Dec 1969. Apparently, the Social Security Death Index is not infallible.*

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Ole Tollef RENDAHL</b>
Born:	20 Mar 1900
in:	Binford, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA
Died:	02 Jul 1932
in:	Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural

Census:	26 Apr 1930 ED-2; page 2B; image 0546; roll T626_1738; Andrews township, McLean Co, ND
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	

**Notes**

According to World War I Registration Card (s/n 179), his birth date is 20 Mar, 1900, making him 18 as of 12 Sep 1918. He is listed as having brown eyes and light brown hair; Height-Medium; Build-Medium; Occupation-Farmer; Employer's Name-Tom Rendahl (Father).

Mr. Allen Osmundson of Binford, North Dakota has supplied a retype of the obituary that appeared in the Max Enterprise on 08 Jul 1932. The obituary corroborates what son, Truman, told me when I met him at Lois (Rendahl) Berg's home, in that a horse leaned against a windmill, causing it to fall onto Ole. Ole later died from infection in the wound in his thigh in a Minot hospital.

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Anna G. OLSON
Beginning status:	Married
<b>Child:</b>	<b>Hans RENDAHL</b>
Born:	12 Jun 1903
in:	North Dakota, USA
Died:	30 Jul 1993
in:	Frazee, Becker County, Minnesota, USA
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural
Census:	1930 ED-37; Snake Creek Twp; McLean County, ND; Page 1A; Roll T626_1738; Image 0757
Confirmation:	1921 Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, North Dakota
Social Security Number:	470-40-3617
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	

**Notes**

Birth and death dates per Social Security Death Index: United States, 1937-1997; SocSec # issued in Minnesota.

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Ethel BRANSTED
Married:	13 Sep 1933
Beginning status:	Married
<b>Child:</b>	<b>Elmer RENDAHL</b>
Born:	08 Sep 1905
in:	Binford, Griggs County, North Dakota, USA
Died:	09 May 1942
in:	Trinity Hospital, Minot, Ward County, North Dakota, USA
Source:	Certificate of Death, (North Dakota) State Health Department, received 13 Jul, 1942.
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural
Burial:	12 May 1942 Concordia Lutheran Cemetary, Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota
Source:	Burial date taken from Certificate of Death received 13 July, 1942.
Census:	1930 ED-37, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota, Page 1A, Roll T626_1738, Image 0757

Confirmation:	1921 Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, North Dakota
Social Security Number:	502-07-2432
Source:	Certificate of Death, (North Dakota) State Health Department, filed 13 Jul, 1942.

<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	
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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Hazel RYAN
Married:	08 Feb 1935
Beginning status:	Married

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Theodore RENDAHL</b>
aka:	Ted
Born:	23 Nov 1907
in:	Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota, USA
Died:	27 Nov 2003
in:	North Dakota, USA
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural

Census:	1930 ED-37, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota, Page 1A, Roll T626_1738, Image 0757
Confirmation:	1922 Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, North Dakota
Social Security Number:	502-32-7555

<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	
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**Notes**

*Was present at the 03 Jul 1999 Rendahl reunion in Minot, North Dakota.*

*Social Security Death Index provided the verified date of death.*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Lenore Christine THOMPSON
Married:	04 Apr 1935
Beginning status:	Married

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Josephine Tilda RENDAHL</b>
Born:	15 Feb 1910
in:	Benedict, McLean County, North Dakota, USA
Died:	24 Nov 2005
in:	Washington, USA
Source:	Social Security Death Index, and obituary received from Blanche Rendahl.
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural

Census:	1930 ED-37, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota, Page 1A, Roll T626_1738, Image 0757
Confirmation:	1924 Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, North Dakota
Social Security Number:	538-62-4789
Source:	Ancestry.com, Social Security Death Index, Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2008.

<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	
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**Notes**

*Was present at the 03 Jul 1999 Rendahl reunion in Minot, North Dakota.*

*Blanch Rendahl sent to me a typed copy of an obituary of Josephine which is scanned into this file of Family Tree Maker and repeated here:*

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*Josephine Tilda (Rendahl) Lange, was born on Februray 15, 1910 at home in rural Benedict North Dakota. Her parents, Tom and Betsy, were of Norwegian ancestry. She had (5) brothers; Ole, Hans, Elmer, Ted, and Alfred. She often spoke of how wonderful her parents were. She also often spoke of how fond she was of her paternal grandmother who lived nearby and was a great influence on her life. She said if tere was ever a saint, it was her grandma Rendahl. She talked of growing up herding cattle on horseback and enjoying the friendship of her brother Alfred and a live-in school teacher as the one room school house was next to their home. She only completed 8th grade, the norm for that era. She was often asked to sing at special church functions as well as being the church choir organist.*

*The social functions of the neighborhood included barn dances where she met Herman John Lange and married him on November 18, 1937. They lived on the Lange farm, rural Max, close to her childhood home. They raised (4) children; Beverly, Blaine, Bob, and Ken. She worked hard planting large gardens, canning meat and vegetables, milking cows, raising chickens, and keeping a spotless household. She was a great cook and her baking was delicious. She was an active member of the church Laidies Aid Society that put on many money raising and volunteer events. She loved playing cards; runny and whist.*

*They sold the Lange farm in 1963 and moved the family to Oak Harbor, Washington. She enjoyed the milder weather but missed terribly her life long friends. Herman passed away in 1980. She had never spent a night alone in her life until that time. She sold her house in Mount Vernon and lived in several senior housing units the last 20 years.*

*Josephine lost most of her sight and hearing and suffered from osteoporosis. As a result, it was hard for her as she could not enjoy reading, knitting, television (especially politics), visiting, walking, and traveling. She accepted her hardships quite well. Shw was raised a Lutheran but became a Catholic when she married Herman. Religion was very important to her all her life. She often spoke of how wonderful the Catholic religion really is. She told us often to pray often and attend church regularly and that if you don't have faith, you don't have much. Even though she could not do those things the last years, she felt she was ok with the Lord. She said she wasn't perfect, but did the best she could. She was a model of moral value. She always did the right thing. She was always highly respected for her moral value and judgement as well as compassion for others. She is a model for all to follow.*

*The last year, she enjoyed the short visits from close family members. Dementia was worsening, but she always remembered the close family members. She would mention how she appreciated the attention from her family and all the support and help they provided over the years. She was content with her surroundings and did not suffer much pain. She would say it is time her her to go, move on. She couldn't believe she was 95 years old. She would say wouldn't it be grand to see and talk to some of the old close family members and old friends that had passed on.*

*Josephine was preceeded in death by her son, Blaine, and daughter, Beverly. She is survived by her sons, Bob, and Ken, 14 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.*

*Josephine passed on peacefully November 24, 2005. She loved her family and would hope that they take care of each other and live a well respected life. God bless you Mom, Grandma, Great Grandma! You will be missed. We hope and pray you had a grand reunion with old family members and friends, and hope to be reunited with you again to spend eternity. Than you for your love, support, friendship, inspiration, and sharing your life with us.*

*Josephine's family extends a special thanks to Ken, Donna, Jody, and Goeffrey for the day to day loving support they provided her over many years. Thank you.*

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<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Husband:	Herman LANGE
Married:	18 Nov 1937
Beginning status:	Married

<b>Child:</b>	<b>Alfred RENDAHL</b>
Born:	04 Sep 1912
in:	Benedict, Mclean Co, North Dakota, USA
Died:	30 Jul 1944
in:	Minot, Ward Co, North Dakota, USA
Relationship with Father:	Tollef Ole RENDAHL - Natural
Relationship with Mother:	Betsy H. OVERBY - Natural
Census:	1930 ED-37, Snake Creek Twp, McLean County, North Dakota, Page 1A, Roll T626_1738, Image 0757
Confirmation:	1928 Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, North Dakota
<b>Address and Phone(s)</b>	

**Notes**

*Reprint of Ward County Independent, August 3, 1944 obituary was obtained from Allen Osmundson of Binford, ND*

*Per phone conversation with Blanche Rendahl on 20 June, 2003, Alfred sang in the Concordia Lutheran Church choir as a tenor.*

*75th Anniversary book of Concordia Lutheran Church, Benedict, ND, p13, re:Luther League, noted that Alfred Rendahl was the first president. Luther League was originally known as "Young People"*

<b>Marriage Information</b>	
Wife:	Blanche Jennie Irene SIMMONS
Married:	07 Jul 1938
Beginning status:	Married