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- A1a2a. unk
- A1a2b. unk
- A1b1a. Eloise May Boeker (1901-1978)
- A1b1b. Hulsey Beall Cason (1893-1951)
- A1b2a. unk
- A1b2b. unk

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A1a1a1. unk
A1a1a2. unk

A1a1b1. unk
A1a1b2. unk

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A1a2a2. unk

A1a2b1. unk
A1a2b2. unk

A1b1a1. Louise D. Schloendorff (1879-1951)
A1b1a2. Alfred Boeker (1874-Deceased)

A1b1b1. Jennie Jones (1868-1957)
A1b1b2. Emory Hugh Cason (1859-1921)

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GENERATION ONE

Zachary Martin Strickholm (1995-) was born in at the Mercy Medical Hospital in Sioux City, Iowa in 1995 to **Glenn Strickholm (1965-)** and **Kellie Kay Strickholm (1963-)**, who has an older brother named **Dylan Strickholm (1994-)** and to a younger sister named **Ashley Strickholm (1997-)**. At a young age he had two big issues he had to face early on into his life. The first of them were having to have tubes in his ears as a young child and as a result he has issues being around loud noises for an extended period of time. The other issue he faced was being diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder, at age 3. His family had him tested due to him not talking as much as a regular child did at this time¹.

As a result of this, going to school and interacting with people were very difficult. Luckily, according to his mother, at the time they received his diagnosis for Autism, they were in Rochester, New York. The state provided extensive therapy and childhood early intervention. She told him at one point, had they been in South Dakota, his development could have been completely different. So, he would spend some years obtaining addition aid when it comes to learning some of the basics. Despite this, his mother mentions that the level of Autism he has isn't as bad as others could have, which made life somewhat less difficult for him².

¹ Personal Knowledge of the Author Zachary M. Strickholm

² Personal Knowledge of the Author Zachary M. Strickholm

At age seven, turning eight in August, his family would move to South Dakota due to his father's job transfer during the summer before the second-grade year. From there due to his Autism he would receive help from the resource room at Dakota Valley, until his freshmen year of high school where he was tested and was deemed no longer qualified for services. Throughout his years in high school, he took part in both the school's choir and theater program. He received an individual award for acting when he took part in a one-act play. Upon graduating from high school, he went to college at Western Iowa Tech Community College and University of South Dakota. As he spent a semester at USD (University of South Dakota), his family had to move to Arkansas due to a job transfer. He's a junior currently taking classes at Pittsburgh State University.

GENERATION TWO

A1a. Kellie Kay Strickholm (1963-)

A1b. Glenn Strickholm (1965-)

Kellie Kay Strickholm (1963-) was born on 5 April 1963 in Neodesha, Kansas at Wilson County Hospital to Dorothy Mae McCrabb and Donald L. Martin. She had a sad being to her life due to losing her mother to hereditary colon cancer a month before she turned two. After her mother died, she lived with her grandparents in Douglas, Kansas for a year. Her older brother and sister stayed with her father, and she was reunited with her family when her father remarried. She spent her entire childhood in Neodesha, Kansas until going to college, after graduating high school.

She attended Coffeyville Community College and Emporia State University, where she would meet Glenn Strickholm and get married in 1990. They started their married life in New Jersey, where Dylan Strickholm was born in 1994. Three months later, they would move to Sioux City, Iowa due to a job transfer. Then in 1995, they would have another child named Zachary Strickholm and another two years later named Ashley Strickholm. Following Ashley's birth, she moved to Rochester, New York in 1997 for a job transfer. In 2000, at age thirty-seven, she would be diagnosed with hereditary colon cancer.

Following two surgeries from this diagnosis, she is happily cancer free eighteen years later. Due to several hereditary cancer cases in her family, she decided to get her children tested. Upon

being tested, Ashley and Zachary have the gene known as Lynch Syndrome. This means they are at a higher risk of developing certain cancers than the regular population. They will require yearly testing as a preventative measure. Kellie currently lives in her family home in northwest Arkansas³.

Glenn Strickholm (1965-) was born on 22 January 1965 at 4:25 AM in St. Michael's Hospital in Newark, New Jersey⁴. He was put up for adoption due to his mother being white and his father being African American. They came from South Carolina in order to have the baby up north. Due to segregation, mixed marriages between blacks and whites wasn't fully legal in the United States at this point. Therefore, his birth parents decided to have him be born in New Jersey and put him up for adoption. Luckily, the opposition to laws banning this were on their way out.

In figure 3.9, "Opposition to Laws Banning Marriages Between Blacks and Whites, by Year and Year of Birth," Fischer and Hout shows the results of surveyed responders by their year of birth and showed how they viewed the idea of intermarriage. It showed that Americans born before 1900, were more likely in favor of these laws. The opposite occurs with the baby boomers, or people born between 1945 and 1959, including 1960. It showed that they were ultimately opposed to the ban. This graph helps illustrate the ideology of these laws

³ All information provided by the mother Kellie Martin Strickholm

⁴ Adoption Background Information for Glenn Strickholm

banning the marriage of blacks and whites as the resistance to the idea was slowly losing momentum⁵.

He would be adopted a month later by Jean Cason Strickholm and Harry Strickholm with their three children. He was raised in Dumont, New Jersey for his first three years. He would move to Demarest in 1968, in which he would spent his life there until he graduated high school. He went to Demarest elementary, middle and Northern Valley Regional High School in Demarest. The high school was made up of three towns, Demarest, Haworth, Cloister. Upon his graduation, I went to Ramapo College in Mahwah, New Jersey. From there in 1984, he transferred to Emporia, where he meets Kellie Strickholm in September. He would graduate college in December of 1987 and he would be married to Kellie in 1990. In January IBP and moved to New Jersey in 1988 to 1994. Then in 1994 through 1997 he lived in Sioux City, Iowa where his son Zack and his daughter Ashley was born. Then in June of 1997, he would leave there to move to Rochester, New York and lived in Fairport, where he worked for Empire Beef Company. In 2003, he would move to Dakota Dunes, South Dakota, working for Tyson Foods. Then in 2016, he would move to Johnson, Arkansas where he continues to work for Tyson to this day⁶.

⁵ Claude S. Fischer and Michael Hout, *Century of Difference; How America Changed in the Last One Hundred Years* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2006), 51.

⁶ All information provided by Zack's father, Glenn Strickholm

GENERATION THREE

Ala1. Dorothy Mae McCrabb (1923-1965)

Ala2. Donald L. Martin (1922-2000)

Alb1. Jean Cason Strickholm (1933-)

Alb2. Harry Strickholm (1927-2013)

Dorothy Mae McCrabb (1923-1965) was born on 12 April 1923 at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Eventually, she would move to Kansas where she would meet Donald L. Martin and get married. Unfortunately, due to her dying at a young age, according to Zach's mother Kellie Strickholm, she doesn't know a lot about her. She did work as a receptionist at a local doctor's office. According to "Find a Grave Index", she is buried at Neodesha in Wilson County, Kansas⁷.

Donald L. Martin (1922-2000) was born on 19 March 1922 in Neodesha Kansas, where he would spend his entire life at. Upon his high school graduation in 1941, he joined the U.S. Marine Corp. to fight in World War II, where he was stationed in the south Pacific. He was very proud about his ties to the military and wore his Marine Corp. hat until the day he died. After the war, he returned home where he worked as a carpenter until he reached retirement. He would enjoy hunting and

⁷ "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/QVLM-DV5L> : 13 December 2015), Dorothy Mae Martin, 1965; Burial, Neodesha, Wilson, Kansas, United States of America, Neodesha Cemetery; citing record ID 83317713, *Find a Grave*, <http://www.findagrave.com>.

fishing, even serving as a reserve police officer and volunteer fire fighter. According to Zack's mom Kellie, he had a good sense of humor and had a kind heart. He never quite recovered losing his wife Dorothy to colon cancer and his second wife Betty was a wonderful wife and mother passed away in 1989⁸. According to "Find a Grave Index", he be buried in the same place as his first wife⁹.

Jean Cason (1933-) was born on 27 October 1933 in Madison, Dane County in Wisconsin. At age five in 1938, her parents divorced, and she went to live with her grandparents in New York City. They lived in 225 West 86th Street in New York City, in the Hall apartment, room number 114. Then around 1940-1941, her mother would get a job as a school psychologist in Maryland. So, she moved to Rockville Maryland, they lived in a house by the Talbott's from about 1940 to 1946. Until her mother took a job in Bloomfield, New Jersey where they lived in an apartment.

In Bloomfield, she would go to junior and senior school and around 1951 to 1955, she would go to the University of Rochester. Then in 1956 she would get married to Harry Strickholm.

In figure 4.5, "Observed and Estimated Age at First Marriage and First Union, by Year of Median Marriage," Fischer and Hout examine the age and year people get married for the first time. They divide the results into percentages and it helps show at what ages people were

⁸ Information provided by Zack's mother, Kellie Kay Strickholm

⁹ "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/QVLM-DV52> : 13 December 2015), Donald L Martin, 2000; Burial, Neodesha, Wilson, Kansas, United States of America, Neodesha Cemetery; citing record ID 83317708, *Find a Grave*, <http://www.findagrave.com>.

getting married at. Since it uses the median age women were when they first got married, it helps establish the patterns at what ages women got married. It examines from the beginning of the 1900's to the 2000's¹⁰.

They would have three children together through 1958-1960 and adopted Glenn Strickholm in 1965.

In Figure 4.11, "Ideal and Actual Number of Births, by Year," depicts two lines based on data obtained from Gallup polls. One line shows the ideal number of births families have, and it shows a change in ideal family size based on survey results. While the actual line depicts the rate at which families in America were having children between the 1930's and the 2000's. It helps show after the baby boom, the ideal family size in America was decreasing. It also helps show depending on where the family is located, and other various elements help determine the number of children the family is likely to have¹¹.

She would tour school in Lakewood New Jersey, through 1970 to 1988. She would partake in music and took part in the Civil Rights Movement. She's currently a manager of the All Season's Chamber Players¹². She currently lives in Demarest, New Jersey.

Although her family was originally from Wisconsin, due to her parents getting divorced, she was moved to Maryland. However, her mother got a new occupation that would ultimately come to live in New

¹⁰ Claude S. Fischer and Michael Host, *Century of Difference; How America Changed in the Last One Hundred Years* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2006), 69.

¹¹ Claude S. Fischer and Michael Host, *Century of Difference; How America Changed in the Last One Hundred Years* (New York: Russell Sage Foundation, 2006), 89.

¹² Information provided by Zack's grandma, Jean Cason Strickholm

Jersey. Currently, she lives in Demarest, New Jersey, which is technically classified as part of the metropolitan area of New York City. It got its name likely from the Demarest family, who was the director of the Northern Railroad of New Jersey. Demarest was formed by an act of the New Jersey legislature on 8 April 1903, from parts of both Harrington and Palisades township¹³.

Harry Strickholm (1927-2013) was born on 24 March 1927 in Bronx, New York. The following information is provided in his obituary. He lived his early life throughout the Great Depression, and he would graduate from Brooklyn Technical high school in 1945. He would serve in the U.S. Navy as an Electrical Technician during World War II. He would go on to earn several degrees and certifications such as: professional engineer, senior and lifetime member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a B.S. in physics from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, M.A. in psychology from New School of Social Research and finally a M.B.A. in marketing from New York University. He also served on the national board and finance committee of the American Ethical Union and was a member of the Ethical Society of Bergen County.

He would also volunteer for the All Seasons Chamber Players, which his wife Jean Cason which he married in 1956, helps manage. Using his vast knowledge, he would partake in a number of jobs that would use his various skills he acquired throughout his life. He also held patents on items like fiber optics, servo system, facsimile printers

¹³Wikipedia. "Demarest, New Jersey." Accessed January 28, 2018.
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demarest,_New_Jersey

and printing plate technology. He also enjoyed various other activities such as, ecology, hiking, spelunking, rock climbing, nutrition, carcinoma research, aging, parapsychology and statistics. He would ultimately pass away on 5 March 2013¹⁴.

GENERATION FOUR

A1a1a. Anna Mae Baldwin (1891-1978)

A1a1b. Joseph F. McCrabb (Deceased)

A1a2a. unk

A1a2b. unk

A1b1a. Eloise May Boeker (1901-1978)

A1b1b. Hulsey Beall Cason (1893-1951)

A1b2a. unk

A1b2b. unk

Anna Mae Baldwin (1891-1978) would be born on 17 April 1891 in the city of Atlanta in Cowley County, Kansas. She would marry Joseph F. McCrabb.

Joseph F. McCrabb (Deceased) would marry Anna and would have two children together, Dorothy Mae McCrabb and Hubert McCrabb.

Eloise May Boeker (1901-1978) would be born on 20 September 1901 in New York City, New York. According to the 1930 U.S. Census she would be living Rochester in Monroe County, New York¹⁵. She would get married

¹⁴ Information related to Harry Strickholm comes from his Obituary

¹⁵ "United States Census, 1930," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/X78H-7M2> : accessed 21 April 2018), Eloise Cason in household of Hulsey Cason, Rochester, Monroe, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 82, sheet 4B, line 81, family 63, NARA microfilm publication T626 (Washington D.C.: National

to Hulsey Cason on 6 September, 1923 in Manhattan, New York¹⁶. Her death would be in August 1978 in Atlantic City in Atlantic County, New Jersey.

Hulsey Bean Cason (1893-1951) would be born on 21 February 1893 in Georgia. According to World War I draft documents, he was drafted from 1917 to 1918¹⁷. Husley and his wife Eloise would have two children together. According to "Find a Grave Index", he is confirmed buried in Warren, Georgia¹⁸.

Archives and Records Administration, 2002), roll 1451; FHL microfilm 2,341,186.

¹⁶ "New York, New York City Marriage Records, 1829-1940," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/248C-6YD> : 10 February 2018), Hulsey Cason and Eloise Boeker, 06 Sep 1923; citing Marriage, Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, New York City Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 1,653,918.

¹⁷ "United States World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KZZD-5XD> : 13 March 2018), Hulsey B Cason, 1917-1918; citing Henry County, Georgia, United States, NARA microfilm publication M1509 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.); FHL microfilm 1,557,075.

¹⁸ "Find A Grave Index," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/QVGV-R8DH> : 13 December 2015), Hulsey Cason, ; Burial, , Warren, Georgia, United States of America, Long Creek Baptist Church Cemetery; citing record ID 123605928, *Find a Grave*, <http://www.findagrave.com>.

GENERATION FIVE

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A1a2a2. unk

A1a2b1. unk

A1a2b2. unk

A1b1a1. Louise D. Schloendorff (1879-1951)

A1b1a2. Alfred Boeker (1874-Deceased)

A1b1b1. Jennie Jones (1868-1957)

A1b1b2. Emory Hugh Cason (1859-1921)

A1b2a1. unk

A1b2a2. unk

A1b2b1. unk

A1b2b2. unk

Louise D. Schloendorff (1879-1951) was born on 3 January 1879 in New York. According to the 1910 census she was living in the Manhattan Ward 12 in New York, New York¹⁹. Then in the 1920 Census, it showed she moved from there to the Manhattan Assembly District 15 in New York, New York²⁰.

¹⁹ "United States Census, 1910," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/M5WK-XV2> : accessed 21 April 2018), Louise P Boeler in household of Alfred Boeler, Manhattan Ward 12, New York, New York, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 386, sheet 6B, family 140, NARA microfilm publication T624 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1982), roll 1017; FHL microfilm 1,375,030

²⁰ "United States Census, 1920," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:MM9.1.1/MJBP-V9H> : accessed 21 April 2018), Louise D Boeker in household of Alfred Boeker, Manhattan Assembly District 15, New York, New York, United States; citing ED 1091, sheet 6B, line 63, family 139, NARA microfilm publication T625 (Washington D.C.: National

Alfred Boeker (1874-Deceased) was born on 1 April 1874 in New York, New York. He would marry Louise on 7 November 1900 in Manhattan, New York²¹. They would have two children.

Jennie Jones (1868-1957) was born on 24 December 1868 in Georgia. On 15 May 1890 she would get married to Emory Cason²². According to the U.S. Census, they originally live in various districts in Georgia, like for instance in the 1910 Census they lived in Augusta Ward 4 in Richmond, Georgia²³. According to the Presbyterian of the South, she took part in a celebration for a local church in Georgia²⁴.

Emory Hugh Cason (1859-1921) was born 25 June 1859 in Jefferson Georgia. He would marry Jennie and they would have three children. He would die on 16 June 1921²⁵.

Archives and Records Administration, 1992), roll 1213; FHL microfilm 1,821,213.

²¹ "New York, New York City Marriage Records, 1829-1940," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/24S6-DJ8> : 10 February 2018), Alfred Boeker and Louise Schloendorff, 07 Nov 1900; citing Marriage, Manhattan, New York, New York, United States, New York City Municipal Archives, New York; FHL microfilm 1,570,440.

²² "Georgia, County Marriages, 1785-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/KXVL-D3X> : 5 November 2017), Emory Cason and Jessie Jones, 15 May 1890; citing Marriage, Columbia, Georgia, United States, county courthouses, Georgia; FHL microfilm 514,718.

²³ "United States Census, 1910," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/MLL8-ZFM> : accessed 21 April 2018), Emory Cason, Augusta Ward 4, Richmond, Georgia, United States; citing enumeration district (ED) ED 68, sheet 2B, family 19, NARA microfilm publication T624 (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1982), roll 211; FHL microfilm 1,374,224.

• ²⁴ *The Presbyterian of the South : [combining the] Southwestern Presbyterian, Central Presbyterian, Southern Presbyterian.* (Atlanta, Ga.), 20 Dec. 1916. *Chronicling America: Historic American Newspapers.* Lib. of Congress. <<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/lccn/10021978/1916-12-20/ed-1/seq-15/>>

²⁵ "Georgia Deaths, 1914-1927," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.1.1/JD6P-7ZQ> : 9 March 2018), Emory H. Cason, 16 Jun 1921, Augusta, Richmond, Georgia, United States; citing

reference 15722, Department of Archives and History, Atlanta; FHL microfilm 2296937.