

Ancestor: Louise Nikolowski and Gustaf SporowskiDate: Jan. 4, 2004Researcher: Lisa L. CookeWorksheet # 001**Research Objective***What you specifically want to know*

When and where Louise Nikolowski and Gustaf Sporowski were married.

Known Facts*surrounding the research objective*

Fact Type	Fact	Source
1. Locations	1899 Louise Nikolowski in Lutgendortmund, Germany	Churchbook of Lutgendortmund, Westphalia. FHL #0556778 Evangelische Kirche Lütgendortmund (Kr. Dortmund), Kirchenbuch, 1810-1900, Salt Lake City, Utah : Gefilmt durch The Genealogical Society of Utah, 1968, FHL#0556778
2. People / Associates	Louise's siblings in Lutgendortmund during that timeframe: Margarete, Johana, Friedrike, Charlotte	Klein Jerutten Parish Baptism, Marriage & Death Records privately transcribed into Excel spreadsheet by Martin Jend, 2001
3. Time Frames & Dates	1910 Immigrated to America	Ellis Island Passenger List
4. Activities	Members of Evangelische Luthern Church in Germany and America Louise was listed as a witness to the marriage of	Church records in both locations.
5. Historical Context	1871 18 January - Wilhelm I was crowned the first Kaiser of the German Empire uniting the German states into one country 1914 28 June - Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria-Hungary and his wife were assassinated in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina provoking WW1. August 1914 - Germany declared war on Russia and France	German History and Timeline & Facts Web site. http://www.facts-about.org.uk/history-and-events-timeline-german.htm
6. Documents	None	
7. Birth	Martha Sporowski was born July 6, 1907 in Buer, West Germany	Interview with Alfreda Sporan, daughter of the Gus and Louise Sporowski, Summer 1972, California

Working Hypothesis*Possible conclusions you hope to prove or disprove*

Conclusion	Description	Comments	Proved	Disproved
1	Between 1899 and 1907 in Lutgendortmund, Germany	Based on Louise being unmarried witness to a marriage in 1899 in Lutgendortmund.	X	
2	Between 1899 and 1907 in Buer, West Germany (Gladbeck area)	Based on the Sporowski's first child Martha being born in Buer, Germany in 1907		X

Research Strategy

Plan out your research steps

Order	Strategy Description	Results	See Below Source #	✓ Done
1	Search Lutgendortmund Church Registers	Marriage Records not available between 1899 and 1907	1	X
2	Call Mary Smith, grand daughter of Gus & Louise Sporan	No marriage information available	2	X
3	Locate Petition for Naturalization - Louise Sporowski / Sporan	No marriage information available	3	X
4	Locate Petition for Naturalization for Gustaf Sporowski / Sporan	No marriage information available	4	X
5	Locate Declaration of Intent for Gustaf Sporowski / Sporan	Document states they were married July 8, 1905 in Lutgendortmund, Westfalen, Germany	5	X
6	Locate Declaration of Intent for Louise Sporowski / Sporan	Document states they were married July 8, 1905 in Lutgendortmund, Westfalen, Germany	6	X

Identified Sources

Source #	Source Type	Citation
1	Church Marriage Registers	No microfilmed records available per The Family History Library Online Card Catalogue at www.familysearch.org
2	Telephone Interview	Mary Smith, Madera, CA, 888-555-4837. Grand daughter of subjects.
3	Petition for Naturalization for Louise Sporan	Filed May 20, 1940, Madera County Courthouse, Madera, CA File #480, Certificate #463408. Also indexed on the Madera Gen Web site at http://www.cagenweb.com/madera/
4	Petition for Naturalization for Gus Sporan	Filed May 20, 1940, Madera County Courthouse, Madera, CA File #481. Also indexed on the Madera Gen Web site at http://www.cagenweb.com/madera/
5	Declaration of Intent for Louise Sporan	Filed January 17, 1938, Madera County Courthouse, Madera, CA, File #481. Also indexed on the Madera Gen Web site at http://www.cagenweb.com/madera/
6	Declaration of Intent for Gus Sporan	Filed January 17, 1938, Madera County Courthouse, Madera, CA, File #481. Also indexed on the Madera Gen Web site at http://www.cagenweb.com/madera/

Final Conclusion

Answer to the Question Posed	Per Source Numbers	If answered, Proof Argument Attached? ✓	If Not Answered, Continued on Worksheet #
Gus Sporowski and Louise Nikolowski were married July 8, 1905 in Lutgendortmund, Westfalen, Germany	5 & 6	✓	-----