

Pietro (Colaianni) Colianni's Family

Pietro Bernardino Colajanni (Colaianni – naturalization papers dropped the “a” it became Colianni)

Birth: December 27, 1893 – San Pietro Avellana, Molise, Italy

Emigrated: At the age of 17 - January 29, 1911, arrived Ellis Island February 9, 1911 on the vessel Berlin from Naples. Traveled with uncle Gennaro Colaianni and cousins, destination is Gennaro's son Giovanni in Livingston, MN (Iron Range). Worked with the Colaianni Brothers - Contractors for the railroad.

Moved to Minneapolis (1915?): Census 1920 – Peter's house was on 3423 Taylor St. NE. Also in 1920 census, Joseph Colianni, 3641 Architect Ave with wife Susie, children: Bernice (adopted, born Wisconsin), Primo and Joseph's brother Peter. In 1930 census, family in house changed to: John Colianni, wife Diana.

Children: Gennaro, ---aterine, Ida, Helen, Julia, Violet, John, Joseph, Luis and son-in-law, Arthur Cufaude

Married: Giuseppa (Josephine) Truncali on October 15, 1919 (b: April 19, 1893, Caltabellotta, Grigenti, Sicily - emigrated Nov. 1912)

Naturalization: Application and Intent, 1918 to 1925 – Citizenship 1926

Children: Mary (Maria) Carmel – Oct 10, 1916

Sam (Sabatino) Domenic - Oct 13, 1918

Jasper (Gaspare) Nunzio (hearing impaired from scarlet fever) – Mar 25, 1920

Rose (Rosa) June (hearing impaired from illness) – Oct 26, 1923

Domenic “Nick” Peter(?) – Dec 23 (26?), 1925

Death: April 26, 1951 – Minneapolis, MN

Occupation: Laborer with Colianni Brothers (contractors w/railroad), Minneapolis Water Works and also ran a grocery store on 18th and Central Ave. NE.

Peter's immediate family I have documentation on:

Parents –

Domenicantonio Colajanni (abt 1863) and Maria Domenica Colajanni (abt 1866)

Sisters - Serafina – Jan 1893-Feb 1893 / Serafina – Sep 27, 1897-Sept 11, 1898

Brother - Sabatino Serafino – 1897

(others? Family said yes, Joseph, Paul, etc., could these have been cousins, close as to call his brothers? Have no documentation from microfilm yet)

Grandparents –

Paternal: Bernardino Colajanni and Elisa diGiacomo (Bernardino death 1874)

Maternal: Pietro Colaianni and Ninfa(?) diGiacomo

Ggrandparents-

Paternal: Costanza Colajanni and Madalena Morelli

Other relations:

Gennaro (Peter's uncle) emigrated in 1897 as a widow (wife died, Gaetana)

Sons: Antonino (Anthony “Tony”), Giuseppe (Joseph), Giovanni (John), Paolo Vito (Paul), Pietro (Peter)

(Albert & Albert Jr., Joe Colianni, Paul V. Jr. and Paul V. III, Helen, etc.)

Surnames:

Morelli, diGiacomo, Ricci, Colavecchio, Labate, Carlino/Carlini, Frazzino/Frazzini, Giancola's, Donatelli(?), Marino(?)