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# Jacob Huss

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Father: ???

Mother: ???

Wife: ??? (\*? - †?)

Children: ? Huss (\*? - †?)  
? Huss (\*? - †?)  
? Huss (\*? - †?)  
Nickolas Huss (\*1837 - †1895)

Birth: Germany

Death: Germany

# Nickolas Huss

\*1837 - †29 Sep 1895

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Father: Jacob Huss (\*? - †?)

Mother: ??? (\*? - †?)

Siblings: ? Huss (\*? - †?)  
? Huss (\*? - †?)  
? Huss (\*? - †?)

Wife: Christina Miller (\*1834 - †1913)

Children: Edward Huss (\*1860 - †1929)  
John Huss (\*1861 - †1925)  
Michael Huss (\*1863 - †1952)  
George Huss (\*1866 - †1940)  
Peter Huss (\*1867 - †1940)  
Elizabeth Huss (\*1868 - †1936)  
Alexandria Zaundia Huss (\*1869 - †1950)  
Nickolas Huss (\*1871 - †1946)  
Mary Huss (\*1873 - †1935)  
Anna Huss (\*1875 - †1948)  
Christina Huss (\*1877 - †1946)

Birth: 1837  
Luxenburg

Wedding: 1858  
Antwerp  
(Christina Miller)

Death: 29 Sep 1895  
Town of Freedom

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Note: a) Page 736 Commemorative Biographical Record In this article, Huss was spelled "Hoss". We don't know the date of this article, but it may have been published sometime between 1892 and 1896, based on the status of his children in the article.  
Nicholas Huss. Among the many industrious Germans who have left their Fatherland to seek a home in the United States. A large number have, during the last half century, settled within the limits of Outagamie County, Wisconsin, and commencing their life in the Western World with no capital saved, a willing heart and plenty of energy and pluck, have risen to the prosperity they so justly deserve. The gentleman whose name is here mentioned, and who is now a substantial farmer and large landowner in Freedom Township, Outagamie County is a prominent example of this class of successful self-made men.  
He was born in 1837 in Luxemburg, Germany, the only son of Jacob Huss, a farmer in moderate circumstances who had a family of four children. He and his wife both died in Germany. Nicholas received only a common-school education in his native land. and when thirteen years of age commenced life for himself, beginning to work in a wall-paper mill. When 22 years of age he married, in Belgium (where he was also employed in a paper-mill), to Miss Christine Miller, a native of that country. A few years after his marriage, concluded to come to America. His wife's brother, who had settled in Calumet county, Wisconsin, having informed him of the superior chances offered to poor men here. In the spring of 1864 he sailed from Antwerp, with his wife and three children. and six weeks later landed at New York, from which port they immediately came west to Appleton, Wisconsin. Mr Huss secured employment in the streets of Appleton and later worked seven months in the rake factory in that city. During all this time recieving but fifteen dollars in cash, the remainder of his wages being paid with orders on stores, etc. He next worked as a section hand on the Chicago & North Western railroad between Appleton and Neenah, for two summers and one winter. He then obtained employment in a Pulp and Paper mill, continuing to engage in various kinds of labor for eight years after his arrival here. About 1872 having saved enough from his wages to invest in land. He

purchased eighty acres in the N.W. quarter of section 32, Freedom Township, which had been cleared of the best timber. But the land was still covered with brush and small trees, and was totally unimproved. The farmers in the vicinity did not think the land could be made tillable, but Mr. Huss was determined to have a home, and build a log house on the place took up his residence there and resolutely set to work. As time went on, however the land began to yield an income and he not only succeeded in clearing the original tract, but from time to time made additions thereto and today is the owner of 320 acres of improved farm land. Mr. Huss' life is a fair example of what may be accomplished by any young man who has energy and perseverance, for he has risen in spite of many obstacles to an enviable position among the extensive farmers in Outagamie county. The land which his neighbors considered good for nothing has been converted by care and skillful management into a most productive farm. While the old log house has been replaced by a substantial brick residence, one of the best in the vicinity. In building his fortune, however, Mr. Huss has not lost sight of his reputation, and by his fair and honest dealings has succeeded in winning and retaining. He and his family are highly esteemed in the township as substantial citizens, of whom the community might feel proud. For the last two or three years, Mr. Hoss has been victim of rheumatism, and has done little active farm work, his family has almost entire charge. Mr. and Mrs. Hoss have been blessed with a family of eleven children, as follows: Edward, a farmer of Freedom; John and Michael, also of Freedom; George, of Appleton; Peter, at home; Nicholas, a cheesemaker; Elizabeth, at home; Alexandria (Mrs. Nick Fox), of Apple Creek; Mary (Mrs. John Bruecker); Annie, widow of Mike Romenesko; and Christina, at home. Mr. Hoss is a Democrat in political respects and, though no aspirant for public honors, has been pathmaster of his township. The family are members of the Catholic Church in Freedom. Purchased Farm in Freedom, Wisconsin in 1872.