
**Ancestors of
Grandmother Lena J. Koppers**

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First Generation

1. Grandmother Lena J. Koppers was born on 22 Mar 1905 in New Jersey and died on 17 Jan 1989 in Paterson, N.J. at age 83. Another name for Lena was Coppers or Coopers.

General Notes: According to Cynthia Kruse "Thomas Koppers was a truck driver and was involved in a fatality. Lena Koppers and her father were in a serious car accident, Lena was seriously injured."

According to her daughter Leona's birth certificate, she was 21 when Leona was born which would mean she was born in 1907. 1940 Census says she was born 1908. U.S. Death Index says she was born 22 Mar 1905. 1915 Census also shows date of birth as March 1905.

Obituary

LENA (KOPPERS) LOEFFLER, 83, of Paterson, died Tuesday. Born in Paterson, Mrs. Loeffler was a lifelong resident. She was a parishioner of St Gerards R.C. Church, Paterson. A retired weaver, Mrs. Loeffler worked for Beaties Carpet Manufacturing, Little Falls, for many years. Her husband, Charles, died in 1957. Survivors include two sons, Karl of Largo, Fla., and Thomas of Hackensack; three daughters, Leonia Barbieri of Redding Beach, Fla., Doreen Hamlin of Paterson and Anamae Thompson of Paterson; a sister, Margaret Metoske of Paterson; ten grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. Services are 9.30 a.m. Saturday at Aquino Colonial Funeral Home, 238 Union Ave. Paterson.

Noted events in her life were:

- She resided at Goodwin Street in 1905 in Paterson, N.J..
- She resided at 67 Marshall Street in 1924 in Paterson, N.J..
- She resided at 56 1/2 Slater Street in 1940 in Paterson, N.J..
- She resided at Sheridan St in 1960 in Paterson, N.J..

Lena married **Grandfather Charles A. Loeffler** on 30 Jun 1926 in New Jersey.

Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Mother Leona Jennie Loeffler** was born on 22 Jun 1927 in Paterson, NJ and died on 16 Nov 2019 in Palm Harbor, FL at age 92. Another name for Leona was Lee.
- ii. **Anna Mae Loeffler** was born on 15 Apr 1931 in Paterson, NJ and died on 15 Dec 1995 in Paterson, NJ at age 64.
- iii. **Karl D. Loeffler** was born on 17 Mar 1933 in Paterson, NJ, died on 9 Mar 2021 in Dunedin, FL at age 87, and was buried in Curlew Hills Memory Gardens Palm Harbor, FL. Another name for Karl was Carl.
- iv. **Thomas L. Loeffler** was born on 12 Nov 1945 in Paterson, NJ and died on 18 Apr 2001 in Hackensack, NJ at age 55.
- v. **Doreen Loeffler**

Lena next married **Tony**.

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Second Generation (Parents)

2. Thomas K. Koppers was born in May 1867 in Holland and died on 1 May 1944 in Paterson, N.J. at age 77. Another name for Thomas was Coperas Cappers Coppers.

General Notes: Was told that he went blind and died young possibly from a car accident. Records contradict this. He's not listed with his wife in the 1920 census or later. In 1940 a Thomas Kopper born age 23 widowed is listed living in a welfare home in Wayne, NJ. If the age is correct then it can't be this Thomas. I think the age is wrong.

In a 1886-1890 city directory a Thomas Koppers is shown living at 130 Peel Street Paterson, NJ. In 1887 a Thomas Koppers living in the US for at least 5 years, currently in Paterson, NJ, was granted citizenship. In 1900 a Thomas, wife and children other than Lemis are listed under the name Coperas.

In 1924 Jennie Coppers and some children are shown living at 67 Marshal Street Paterson. No husband is listed.

1915 census shows hia DOB Jul 1865

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Thomas Koppers The funeral rites for Thomas Koppers, 78, husband of the late Jennie Koppers of 138 Caldwell avenue, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the R. Charles D. Legg and Sons Home for Funerals, 384 Broadway. The Rev. O. M. Demcott pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church, officiated. Interment followed in Laurel Grove Cemetery. Surviving are three daughters Mrs. Anna Hannan, Mrs. Margaret McCoy and Mrs. Lena Loeffler; two sons, Harry and Thomas Koppers; ten grandchildren, and one great-grandchild

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Noted events in his life were:

- He immigrated Holland in 1882 at New York.
- He was naturalized on 21 Dec 1887 in Passaic County, NJ.
- He resided at 130 Peel Street in 1890 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at 86 Montgomery Street in 1900 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at 33 Lawrence Street in 1910 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at Goodwin Street in 1915 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at 67 Marshall Street in 1924 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at 223 Slater St. in 1927 in Paterson, N.J..
- He resided at Passaic County Welfare Home in 1940 in Wayne, NJ.

Thomas married **Jannetje Rietdyk** on 22 Aug 1888 in Paterson, N.J.

Children from this marriage were:

- Anna Koppers** was born in Jul 1888 in New Jersey and died on 19 Jan 1960 in Paterson, N.J. at age 71. Other names for Anna were Haffman and Hannon.
- Lemis Koppers** was born in 1892 in New Jersey and died circa 1940 about age 48.
- Anthony Koppers** was born on 26 Jan 1893 in Paterson, NJ and died on 2 Dec 1940 in Los Angeles, CA at age 47. Another name for Anthony was Tunis.
- Harry John Koppers** was born on 18 Feb 1894 in Paterson, NJ and died in Sep 1976 in Paterson, NJ at age 82. Another name for Harry was Cooper.
- Garrett J. Koppers** was born on 1 Apr 1894 in New Jersey and died on 19 Apr 1974 at age 80. Another name for Garrett was Cooper.

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- vi. **Cornelius Koppers** was born in Mar 1897 in Paterson, NJ. Another name for Cornelius was Neal.
- vii. **Thomas Joseph Koppers** was born on 24 Dec 1898 in New Jersey and died on 21 Oct 1980 in Paterson, N.J. at age 81.
- viii. **Margaret Koppers** was born in Sep 1901 in Paterson, NJ. Other names for Margaret were Maggie and McCoy.
- ix. **Richard Koppers** was born in Jan 1903 in Paterson, NJ and died on 8 Nov 1926 in Hawthorne, NJ at age 23.
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3. Jannetje Rietdyk was born on 19 Apr 1868 in Holland and died on 22 Aug 1924 in Paterson, N.J. at age 56. Other names for Jannetje were Jane, Copper, and Coppers.

General Notes: 1915 NJ State Census show her born Apr 1867. 1900 census shows surname Coperas. May have naturalized in 1898

Noted events in her life were:

- She traveled in 1880.
- She immigrated Holland on 24 Nov 1881 at New York.
- She resided at 69 Marshall Street in 1920 in Paterson, N.J..

Jannetje married **Thomas K. Koppers** on 22 Aug 1888 in Paterson, N.J.

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Third Generation (Grandparents)

4. Gerrit Johan Koppers was born in 1841 in Leeuwarden, Netherlands.

Noted events in his life were:

- He worked as a Schippersknech (ship servant) in Holland.

Gerrit married **Ante de Jong** on 19 Mar 1863 in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

The child from this marriage was:

- 2 i. **Thomas K. Koppers**

5. Ante de Jong was born in 1843 in Dokkum, Holland.

Ante married **Gerrit Johan Koppers** on 19 Mar 1863 in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

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Fourth Generation (Great-Grandparents)

8. Thomas Koppers was born circa 1820 in Netherlands.

Thomas married **Elizabeth Weber**.

The child from this marriage was:

4 i. **Gerrit Johan Koppers**

9. Elizabeth Weber

Elizabeth married **Thomas Koppers**.

10. Pier Eilardus de Jong.

Noted events in his life were:

- He worked as a beurtschipper in Holland.

Pier married **Sjoukje Klazes Terpstra**.

The child from this marriage was:

5 i. **Ante de Jong**

11. Sjoukje Klazes Terpstra

Sjoukje married **Pier Eilardus de Jong**.

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(No surname)

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