

FAMILY FRAGMENTS

PREAMBLE: My interest in genealogy began late 1999. Over the years, a good deal of my findings were published on www.pelteret.co.za/genealogy. In October 2012, I decided to move on and explore other interests.

However, the correspondence relating to prior publications did not stop. Between 2011 - 2020 over 230 persons have been in touch, either providing information complementing that published earlier or seeking specific information. A good deal of the correspondence represented considerable work and decided research acumen on the part of the correspondent.

I have been prevailed upon to publish particularly worthwhile material as an addendum to my original publications. These are they.

FAMILY NAME: BOONZAEIJER/BOONZAJER/BOONZAAIER/ BOONZAIER/ BOONZAAZER/ BOONZAAÿER

Dalene du Toit : 2011/06/14, 12:02 pm

I feel at last ready to share the information that I have. I do not know where what I know and what you have uncovered fit together, but perhaps you can help me with that.

I know/presume I form part of 1.1.4.2.8.3 because I found this grave at Philadelphia where my aunt told me that my paternal grandfather (Christoffel called Stoffel, b 11.05.1919 – 29.04.1977) grew up on the farm Magsrug/Magrug, now a chicken farm.

Oupa Stoffel (headmaster and Afrikaans teacher, koshuis vader etc.=I never knew him.) was married to my grandmother: Maria Magdalena (-noemnaam Maria-Grobbelaar she was from Wellington 01.09.1922-16.10.1995)- a music teacher in Darling, I loved her very much, she was well loved.

They had: ... (confidential)

Johan Boonzaier Ellisras : 2008/12/12, 6:29 pm

Thank you very very much, I obtained a copy of this document a while back. As a matter of fact, I am mentioned in this document. I subsequently went to Jacobsdal where I tracked down my grandfather's baptismal record, and also found a sibling of his not mentioned in your document. I am now trying to obtain more information on my great grandfather Pieter Hendrik Eliezer Boonzaier married to Emily Cathrine Graham, and this is proving extremely difficult. There may be a link between my great grandfather and (Pieter Hendrik Boonzaier, immigrant settled in Jacobsdal, ORC m. Barendina Catharina DE GEEEST / De Feist). This is also proving extremely difficult. All I need to complete my document is to find my greatgrandad's parents.

I also discovered the origin of our family name of Robert Stephen Alfred: I discovered a Robert Stephen Alfred Graham living in the Free State at the time, which I think (still unproven) is my greatgrandmother's father.

I must tell you that thanks to your document I was pointed down a avenue of discovering my past, something I knew nothing about, since my dad died in a car accident when I was two years old, and we lost contact with the Boonzaier side of my family. Now all of a sudden I can colour in my grey past with vivid colours, stories and tangible documents.

While in Jacobsdal I discovered that my great granddad had a store, saw the house that he lived in, and although he moved away from Jacobsdal my guess is about 80 years ago, I was given

his Family Bible that somehow found it's way back to Jacobsdal for me to find, and in this Bible I found his acceptance card into the NG Church dated 1888.

Attached is some photos for you to look at. I must tell you to stand inside the church where my grandfather was baptized was a unbelievable experience.

2008/12/13, 9:45 am

Ellisras is a small town bursting out of it's seams with a new power station being built here. Temperature can get up to 46 deg C, so it is very hot here.

I have photographed a great deal of the NG Church Jacobsdal's birth and member register. I am still working through it, and attached is what I found on Catharina de Geest. I intend to record a list of what I have, and to publish it on the net so everyone can have access to it.

PS I do not know how to suck eggs !!

2009/05/13, 7:01 pm

Dr. Robin, attached please find the latest Boonzaier Jacobdal family tree. I will keep you updated as new information becomes available (and mistakes are corrected). I was able to establish a connection between the Boonzaier clan from the Cape, and the one from Jacobsdal:

d. Allard ~ 18.6.1676 d. 12.1.1739 m. Helena de HAAS

a. Allardus ~ 1712 d. 12.12.1769 m. (first) 1.7.1737 Dirkje STELS (Jacobsdal Branch) Pieter Hendrik emmigrated to Boshof circa 1854

12.9.1747) (second) Cornelia TAATS Arnhem 13.10.1748

b. Willem ~ 11.8.1715 d. 11.3.1766 m. 22.8.1744 Hendrina MÖLLER (**Cape Branch**)

2011/06/20, 11:54 am and 2019/07/03, 9:57 am

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Family tree published here as addendum to this document.
