

## FRANK AND HILMA HEDLUND IN CHICAGO

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*The Hedlund family.*

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>Frank W. Hedlund (Frans Johansson).</b>	<b>Hilma Augusta Emilia Jonson Hedlund (Hilma Jonasdotter).</b>
<b>BORN:</b>	July 27, 1865 in Boda, Lommaryd, Sweden.	June 18, 1866 in Stora Sälleryd, Vetlanda, Sweden.
<b>FATHER:</b>	<b>Johan Svensson</b> (1835-1915), born in Gunnarstorp, Lommaryd, Sweden.	<b>Jonas Peter Larsson</b> (1826-1896), born in Stora Sälleryd, Vetlanda, Sweden.
<b>MOTHER:</b>	<b>Eva Gustava Karlsdotter</b> (1835-1899), born in Hökhult, Lommaryd, Sweden.	<b>Inga Katarina Petersdotter</b> (1829-1904), born in Skepperstad Nedregård, Skepperstad, Sweden.
<b>MARRIED:</b>	June 4, 1892	
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	Inspector of farm machines ( <i>maskininspektör</i> ).	Housewife.
<b>DEATH:</b>	Oct 18 1932 in a car accident in Chicago (age 67). Buried at Cedar Park Cemetery in Chicago.	Dec 6 dec 1929 in Chicago from a stroke (age 63). Buried at Cedar Park Cemetery in Chicago.

Frans Johansson was born in 1865 to a poor peasant family (*backstugusittare*) in the croft Oxelstugan in Boda, Lommaryd in Småland, Sweden. He changed his name to Frank W. Hedlund when arriving in New York 1882. Hilma Jonasdatter was born in 1866 to a farmer family in Stora Sälleryd, a small village near the city Vetlanda in Smaland, Sweden. She left Gothenburg on May 6 1887 with destination Chicago. After arrival to Chicago she lived with her sister Christina Larson's family at 12 Crosby Street in Swede Town, north of Chicago. Frank and Hilma got married in 1892. They had three children.

In 1898 the family moved to a house at 12146 Wallace Street in West Pullman south of Chicago. At the time Frank was a carpenter but later he became an inspector of farm machines on Harvestors (McCormic) (*jordbruksmaskiner*). In 1918 the family lived a few kilometers north, at 11408 State St. Hilma died in 1929. Frank died in an accident in 1932, when he was hit by a car when crossing the street. Frank and Hilma are buried at Cedar Park Cemetery in West Pullman.

You can read the whole story of the Hedlund family in my book "The Jonson sisters in Chicago", April 2013.

**Children** (no information of living persons is published):

<b>Edith Frances Catherine Hedlund Peterson,</b> born Oct 11 1892 in Chicago.	Before marriage Edith worked as a stenographer and lived with her parents. Around 1922 she married <b>Victor Rengus Peterson</b> , born in Chicago Feb 28 1894. His parents were Nels V. Peterson (1865-1934) and Hulda O. Peterson (1867-1930), both from Sweden. Vic worked as a carpenter. Victor and Edith lived at 10988 Edbrooke Avenue in West Pullman and later at 9950 Parnell Avenue, close to her parents. Edith died in 1974 in Saint Ignatius north of Missoula, Montana. They had two children: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Edith Mae Peterson</b>, born 1923 in Chicago, died same year.</li><li>• <b>Victor Frank Peterson</b>, born Dec 6 1924 in Chicago. Died in 1996 in Saint Ignatius, Montana.</li></ul>
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<p><b>Harry William Hedlund,</b> born Feb 27 1894 in Chicago.</p>	<p>In 1910 Harry worked as a stockboy. During WW1 he served in France in the Medical Corps. In 1929-22 he served on an Atlantic vessel. When visiting England he met a girl, <b>Lucille Gladys Barrett</b> from Liverpool, born Nov 18 1902. They married Sep 23 1920 in Bristol and had a son the next year. The family left England for America (Chicago) in 1922. They lived on the North Side of Chicago, at 1703 Barry Avenue and later at 5237 N.Ashland Avenue. Harry worked as a post office clerk. Later they moved to Los Angeles, CA. They lived at 3717 Centinela Av, later at 1120 Northwood Road in Seal Beach. Harry died in Dec 1968, Lucille died May 7 1988. They had one child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Harry Frederick Hedlund,</b> born Nov 27 1921 in Anfield, Liverpool, England. Harry served in the US Air Force as a bomber pilot during the WW2 and the Korean War. His airplane was shot down in the North Korea and Harry became a POW for several years. He retired from USAF in 1970. Harry died Aug 2 2008 in California. He was married to <b>Patricia Lucille Lifquist</b> (1926-2010). They had three children (living).</li></ul>
<p><b>Franklin Carl Hedlund,</b> born Apr 16 1899 in Chicago.</p>	<p>Before marriage Franklin worked as a "bill clerk" at Belt Railway. In 1920 he married <b>Myrtle Linnea Hylander</b>, born June 2 1902 in Chicago. Her father was William Hylander from Indiana. The mother was Hulda Olivia Johnson from Askeryd, Sweden. Franklin and Myrtle first lived at 108 113th Place close to his parents. Franklin worked as an inspector of a machine shop and Myrtle was a housewife. The last five years they lived in Orland Park township. Myrtle died on Dec 19 1964 and Franklin died in Nov 1972. They had three children:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Franklin William Hedlund,</b> born July 14, 1920. He died March 16 1995.</li><li>• <b>girl,</b> born Dec 18, 1922. Died the same day.</li><li>• <b>Madeline Myrtle Hedlund,</b> born Dec 23, 1923.</li></ul>

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*Cedar Park Cemetery in south Chicago. Finding and cleaning the gravestones in Oct 2010.*

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**Ulf Björkdahl's geneology. Published 2009-06-12, updated 2013-05-31.**