

THE WEBBINK FAMILY

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A History and Genealogy

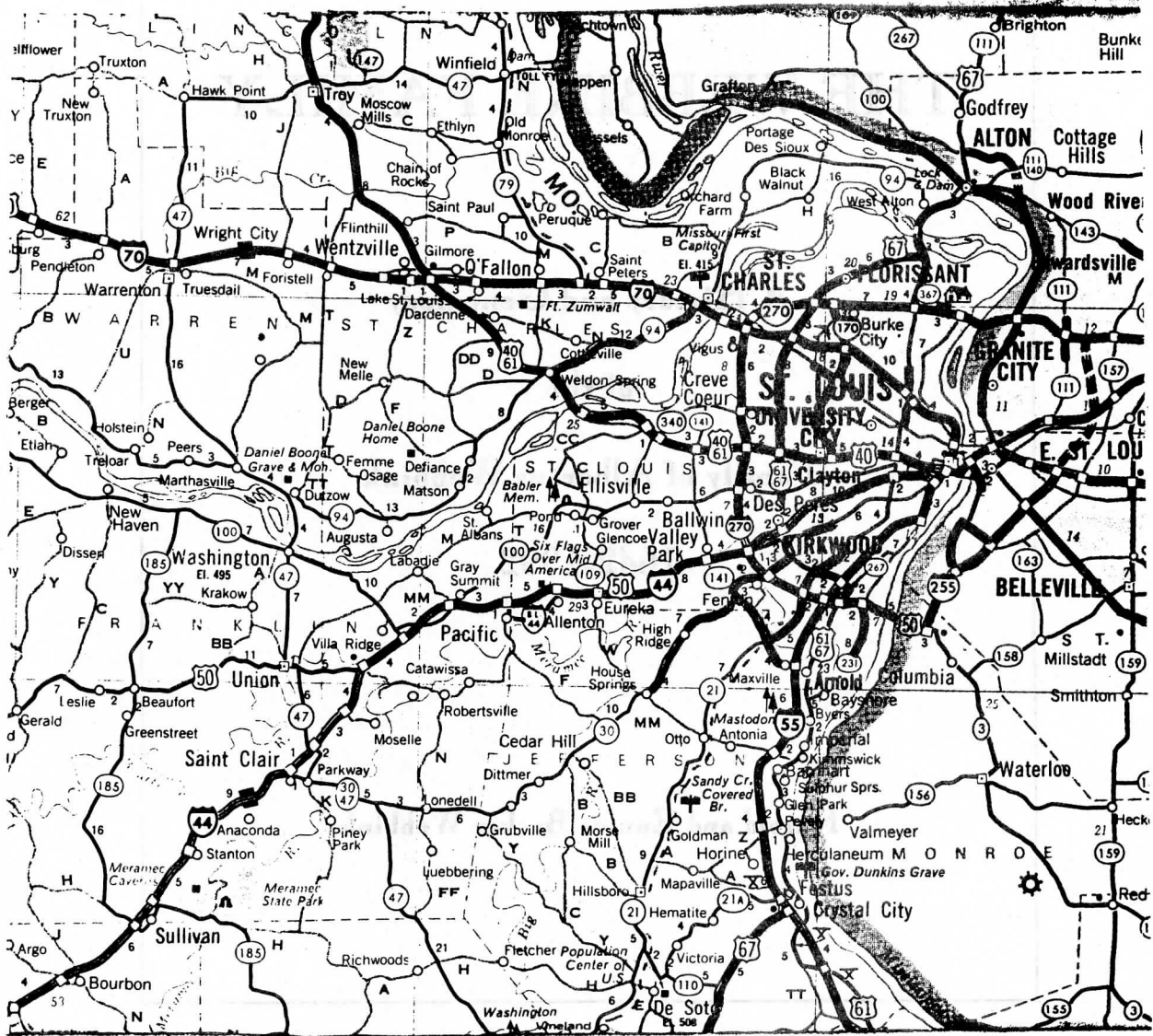
of the

Family of Albertus Webbink

1642-1992

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Area in Missouri where the early Webbinks lived.

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This book is dedicated to the memory of
my father, Albert Friedrich (Fred) Webbink.

-- *Harold*

INTRODUCTION

This book is a joint effort of Harold and myself (Eunice). I have always been interested in genealogy, having put in many volunteer hours with the St. Charles County Historical Society Archives. For years I collected information pertaining to Harold's and my families with the hope of someday organizing it into book form. My sister and I published a book on our father's family and I have been urged to do one on the Webbink family. Since Harold's retirement two years ago we have purchased a computer and during the past year we have made a concerted effort to complete this project. While I did the research, Harold was the computer operator, using Roots III software to compile the data. This book is the result of our efforts.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Although this book is primarily the effort of the authors, there are many individuals who have contributed to our efforts:

Johan Webbink (# 36, Tenth generation in Part I of this book) who did all the research of the Webbink family in the Netherlands. Johan and Amy, his wife, live in Elst, Utrecht, a town southeast of Amsterdam. At sometime or other our immediate family have had the pleasure of meeting him and his family. We are always in touch and he is indeed a pleasure to know. He has put in many hours in doing research.

Greg Webbink, our son who "discovered" Johan in the late 1960's. Greg was attending college in Washington, D.C., found Johan's name in an Amsterdam phone book (at the time he was living in Amsterdam) and began corresponding with him. Greg's persistence in finding his "roots" and his insistence that we do this book, gave us the needed impetus.

Carrol and Phil Geerling of Lineage Press who gave us encouragement and guidance throughout the process of this printing. Phil made halftones of all the photographs and snapshots and both shared their expertise with us. They are delightful people to work with.

And last but not least, all the many relatives who answered requests for information about their immediate families. We hesitate to mention names for fear of omitting someone, but they know who they are. They have provided names, dates, photos and any information they had. In fact, we had to gather very little information from outside sources as can be seen by our list of references in the back of the book. Again we thank you.

FORMAT

This book is arranged in two parts. Part I is "The Old Country". This contains the Dutch history of the Webbink family. All this material came from Johan Webbink of the Netherlands who researched it there. Chapter I is a personal history of Johan and his family. Chapter II contains early Webbink history and Chapter III a computerized genealogical chart of the Dutch Webbinks, beginning with Jan Webbink in 1642. The name Webben was changed to Webbink circa 1783. To allow the computer to trace and relate the Webbinks and Webbens as one and the same we have added Webbink to the name Webben.

Part II "The New Country", has its beginning with Albertus Webbink. We have included copies and translations of documents of his emigration from Holland to Germany and then to America. These will include some church documents. A

few translated letters from Dutch relatives have been found including the original portion of one. American documents include Albertus' naturalization application, Civil War papers and a probate document of his estate.

The following chapters in Part II are on each of Albertus' children, beginning with the eldest. We have included all the information that was made available to us, including pictures of all of his children and grandchildren.

The strange punctuation, or lack thereof, along with abbreviations that you will find are due to certain parameters imposed by Roots III, the computer software that was used in compiling this book.

Other explanations are in order. Some of you are probably questioning why we use the name United Church of Christ (commonly referred to as UCC) throughout the book when the original church in Femme Osage (where nearly all of the early Webbink records are found) was the Evangelical Church. The Evangelical Church united with the Reformed Church in 1934 and became known as Evangelical and Reformed. In 1957 this denomination united with the Congregational Christian Church and the United Church of Christ was created. For the sake of present day descendants who might want to go back to their "roots", we thought it best to use its present day name.

Whenever we had access to baptismal names we used them. The first name given was often not the name used by that person and therefore we placed the name used in parenthesis. It is quite common to find inconsistencies in the spelling of names when researching. Wives' names are given by their maiden names.

A complete list of source material is given in the back of the book.

We hope that you receive as much pleasure in reading this book as we had in writing it.

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