

HENDERSON, THOMAS
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Thomas Henderson was born in Viipuri/Viborg in Karelia in 1877. In Finland he worked as a carpenter and shipbuilder. He came to Canada as an unmarried man about 1906. He worked in Toronto for a shipbuilder on Yonge Street. (and in a lumber camp around Huntsville - Oiva Svensk).

Aliisa Hakala was born in Waasa, western Finland in 1868. Thomas and Aliisa met in Toronto and were married in 1910.

Children : Alfred, 1911 and Eino, 1914 were born in Toronto. Aili, 1915 and Alma 1917 - 1927 were born in Louise Township.

First Home In Louise Township. The family moved to the south part of Lots 11 and 12, concession 1V, Louise Township about 1914. The settler on the land before them was a bachelor, Matti Kuula. There was a two storey log house near the river that Kuula had built. Aili was born in the house in March, 1915.

Thomas worked in Worthington as a carpenter and miner. He would come home for the weekends.

Second House. Thomas built a new house on the hill farther from the river. This was also of log, there were four rooms on the ground floor and three rooms above. They moved into it about 1921. Thomas's brother, Pekka and his wife Hilma moved into the house they had left. Pekka used the form "Hendriksen".

Thomas Henderson died in April, 1935 at the age of 58.
His wife Aliisa died in December, 1939, aged 71 years.
They are both buried in Toronto.