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Reiner and Ruth Widiger



Husband's Full Name: Reiner R. Widiger

Husband's Place of Birth: Bowdon, North Dakota

Husband's Father's Name: Adam W. Widiger

Husband's Mother's Name: Lillian

Husband's Siblings' Names: Kenneth

Wife's Full Name: Ruth Anderson Widiger

Wife's Place of Birth: Manfred, ND

Wife's Father's Name: Perry Anderson

Wife's Mother's Name: Lilly Rodne Anderson

Wife's Siblings' Names: MargaretThorson, Peter, Donald, Verna Bower,
LoAnn Dybing, Orren

Children's Names: Carol, Ronald, Janine Schmitz, and Adele Holth

Reiner and Ruth Widiger

Reiner attended rural school at Bowdon and Fessenden High School. Ruth attended Manfred elementary school and graduated from Fessenden High School. They were married on September 7, 1952. Reiner served in the Army from 1952 to 1954.

They first lived in rural Fessenden, and then moved to Manfred. They lived in the parsonage in Manfred. Reiner became the Standard Oil Bulk Dealer in Manfred and served in this capacity for a number of years. In 1958 the bulk station was closed in Manfred. Ruth and Reiner then moved to Fessenden where he continued working with Standard Oil and became the agent there. Ruth was employed at the local ASCS and Soil Conservation District offices prior to 1960. When Reiner opened the Standard Station she partnered with him in this work.

Source: Fessenden Centennial Book 1893 - 1993 with adaptations