

ALBERT and CORNELIUS VAN DER HORN**Immigrant(s) Name(s) & Relationships:**

Cornelius van der Horn - single

Port of Departure & Date: Rotterdam**Port of Arrival & Date:** Port of New York; April 7, 1892**Ship:** *S.S. Spaarndam***Immigrant(s) Name(s) & Relationships:**

Albert van der Horn

Origin of Immigrant(s): Kollumerland, Friesland, Netherlands**Port of Departure & Date:** ca. 1892.**Port of Arrival & Place:** ca. 1892.**Ship:****Residence(s):** Rock Avenue, Ridgwood; Rea Avenue and Goffle Road, Midland Park,
Bergen Co., NJ**Church(es):** Second Christian Reformed Church, Paterson, Passaic Co., NJ; Christian
Reformed Church of Midland Park, Bergen Co, NJ**Family History**

Albert van der Horn was born May 4, 1841 in Kollum, Friesland, the Netherlands, the son of Kornelis Tijmens van der Horn and Getje Alberts Zijlstra. Albert was a laborer "arbeider" when he served in 1860 in the "Nationale Militie." Albert married Aafke Kamstra on November 18, 1871 in Kollumerland, Friesland, Netherlands. Aafke Kamstra was born September 14, 1845 in Achtkarspelen, Friesland, Netherlands to Gerrit Gerrits Kamstra and Elske Roelofs Kasper. When they married, Albert was age 30, a miller's helper "molenaarknecht" living in Leek, and Aafke was age 27, a house maid "dienstmeid," living in Kollum. According to his grandchildren, Albert's first wife died in the Netherlands and he remarried there before immigrating in about 1892 to the United States with his second wife. There is a death record in Achtkarspelen of an Aafke Kamstra who died December 14, 1876, age 31 years. A second marriage record for Albert has yet to be found. Albert evidently immigrated to the United States as he applied for citizenship with his son, Cornelius, in the Bergen County offices at New Barbadoes, New Jersey, on November 5, 1894. He signed the citizenship intention application with his mark of an "X." This record is currently on file at the Bergen County Clerk's Office, Hackensack, New Jersey.

According to his 1899 death record, located in the New Jersey State Archives in Trenton, Albert lived with his wife in Ridgewood, Bergen County, and resided in New Jersey for about six years. Albert's occupation is listed as a "laborer" and his parents are listed as Cornelius and Carry van der Horn of Holland. Albert Van der Horn had been sick for about eight days and died March 30, 1899, of double pneumonia at age 58. According to the Report of Death, Abraham Vermeulen of Paterson was the undertaker and the interment was at Fairlawn Cemetery. To date, no burial records concerning

Albert van der Horn have surfaced at either the Fair Lawn Memorial Cemetery or Vermeulen/Vander Plaat Funeral Home in Franklin Lakes. Perhaps he was buried in the old Vermeulen Cemetery along Benthuisen Lane, just north of Goffle Road.

CORNELIUS VAN DER HORN

Cornelius van der Horn was born October 25, 1872 as "Kornelis van der Horn" in the village of Stroobos, Gemeente Achtkarspelen, Province Friesland, Netherlands to Albert van der Horn and Aafke Kamstra. According to his oldest daughter, Minnie Brandstra, Cornelius' mother died when he was young and he was raised by his uncle in Dokkum, a village northwest of Stroobos in Friesland Province. There he worked on his uncle's farm as a cattle dealer. At some point, his father remarried. By one oral account, Cornelis came to the United States in March of 1891 on the *Maasdam* at age 18 with his older brother Gary (Gerrit), but Gary had sores on his head and was shipped back to the Netherlands. This brother later immigrated to Canada. On his naturalization papers, it states he came in 1892. I believe I have located him as "Cornis vanden Horn" passenger no. 666 on the steam ship *S.S. Spaarndam* from Rotterdam which arrived in the Port of New York on April 7, 1892. He was located between decks with his age given as 19, a laborer destined for Paterson, NJ and listed by himself. His brother "Gerrit van der Hoorn" was located on the passenger list for the "*Werkdam*" which arrived in New York on June 4, 1892 from Rotterdam (no. 307, age 18, a laborer from Warfum, destined for NJ). The next records found on this family in New Jersey were located in Bergen County Clerk's Office when Albert and Cornelius van der Horn petitioned for citizenship on the same day, November 5, 1894. "Cornelius Vander Horn" was granted citizenship in the United States of America on October 5, 1900 (New Barbadoes, Bergen County, NJ). His citizenship document says he applied in September 1900.

Grietje Huizenga was born April 20, 1876 to "Hendrik Huizinga" and "Jacomina Lammerts" in Warffum, Groningen Province, Netherlands, where her parents were day-laborers. Groningen Province is the next province east of Friesland Province, both of which are in northern Netherlands. She supposedly came to the United States with her family in May of 1891 and lived in Boonton, Morris County, New Jersey, for four years before moving to Ridgewood, Bergen County, New Jersey.

Cornelis and Grietje (Gertrude) were married on April 8, 1899 at the church parsonage by Rev. Reinder Drukker, pastor of the Second Christian Reformed Church, Paterson, Passaic County, New Jersey. They lived at first in a rented house on Rock Avenue in Glen Rock Borough, Ridgewood Township where they were listed in the 1900 US Census. Cornelius is listed as a day laborer who was unemployed for three months in the past year. Both Cornelius and Gertrude were listed as coming to America in 1891. Next, they moved to Rea Avenue, Midland Park for three or four years before moving back to Ridgewood where they lived at 337 Goffle Road for over 40 years. They were members of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. They had seven children, but the first child born June 5, 1900, died during childbirth.

Church records from the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park show Cornelius born November 25, 1872, baptized February 10, 1878 by Dr. J. Van Dijk, joining the church on July 3, 1908 and transferred church membership from Kollum in Friesland Province, Netherlands. According to the church records, Grietje was born

April 20, 1875, baptized October 20, 1877 by Dr. A. F. Blaauw, made confession of faith July 8, 1908 and transferred from Baflo, Groningen Province, Netherlands. Apparently, they joined the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park in 1908 as their first three children were all baptized on July 19, 1908 by Rev. P. Ekster.

"Cornelis van der Horn" filed his intention to become a citizen along with his father, Albert, on November 5, 1894 in New Barbadoes, Bergen County. Cornelius next filed a Petition for Naturalization on September 19, 1900. It states he arrived in New York City in 1892, was 27 years old and a laborer residing in Ridgewood. It appears that Cornelius also went with his father-in-law, Henry Huizenga, as they all filed petitions on the same day with several other "Hollanders." Cornelius and Gertrude are listed in the 1910 US census living on in a mortgaged home on Goffle Road in Ridgewood Township along with daughters Minnie, Eva, Henrietta and son, Albert. Cornelius' occupation is given as a mason's helper.

Cornelius had several jobs. He worked as a mason's helper and worked in the tannery off Goffle Hill Road. Later he cleaned passenger cars at the Erie Railroad station in Hawthorne. He would pick up the loose change he found and bring it home. My Grandmother, Henrietta, was allowed to take the Indian head pennies for her coin collection. Cornelius also took care of Sheffield's estate on Godwin Avenue across from Lincoln Avenue. He grew and sold strawberries to help pay his taxes. His son Albert was a carpenter and lived at home for many years and drove his parents around since they did not drive themselves. They walked to church on Sundays to the nine o'clock service and to the afternoon two o'clock Dutch service. They often stopped at Gertrude's parents house at 76 Goffle Road on the their walks to church. Occasionally, they took the trolley to Paterson which ran behind their house.

Gertrude died at age 76 on November 25, 1952 at their Ridgewood home. Cornelius died shortly thereafter on May 21, 1953 at age 80. They were both buried in section 7 of the Fair Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Fair Lawn, Bergen Co., NJ.

Family of Kornelis (Cornelius) van der Horn

Kornelis (Cornelius) van der Horn was born October 25, 1872 in Achtkarspelen, Friesland, Netherlands, and died May 21, 1953 in Ridgewood, Bergen, NJ. He married **Grietje (Gertrude) Huizenga** April 8, 1899 in Paterson, Passaic, NJ, daughter of Hendrik Huizinga and Jacomina Lammerts.

Children of Kornelis van der Horn and Grietje Huizenga are:

1. **Jacomina (Minnie) van der Horn**, born May 12, 1903 in Ridgewood, Bergen, NJ; died March 14, 1997 in Ridgewood, Bergen, NJ. Minnie van der Horn was given the name Jacomina after her grandmother Jacomina Lammerts. She was baptized on 19 July 1908 by Rev. P Ekster of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. She was a silk weaver before her marriage. Minnie married Hartman Bandstra on June 24, 1925 at Midland Park and lived most of their married lives at 361 Goffle Road, Ridgewood.
2. **Aafke (Eva) van der Horn**, born June 17, 1905 in Ridgewood; died May 29, 1956 in Ridgewood. Eva van der Horn was given the name of Aafke after her grandmother, Aafke Kamstra. She was baptized on July 19, 1908 by Rev. P Ekster of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. Eva married Harry

Jeffer at her parent's home on Goffle Road in Ridgewood.

3. Henrietta van der Horn, born July 14, 1906 in Ridgewood; died July 18, 1998 in Wyckoff, Bergen, NJ. Henrietta van der Horn was born July 14, 1906 in Ridgewood. She was baptized on July 19, 1908 with the given name of Henderika by Rev. P Ekster of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. She married 1) Henry Bosch on March 11, 1925 in the parsonage of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. Henry Busch was born August 21, 1903 in Doornspijk, Gelderland, Netherlands. She married 2) Peter van der Wende on November 27, 1965 at the Calvin Christian Reformed Church (now Cedar Hill), Wyckoff.
4. Albert van der Horn, born September 3, 1909 in Midland Park, Bergen, NJ; died March 12, 1957 in Upper Saddle River, Bergen, NJ. He married Alice Coleman. Albert van der Horn (Al/Bucky) was baptized on July 19, 1908 by Rev. P. Ekster of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park.
5. Gerrit (Gary) van der Horn, born August 6, 1911 in Midland Park, Bergen, NJ; died December 24, 1990 in Wyckoff, Bergen, NJ. Gary van der Horn was baptized with the given name of Gerrit on September 30, 1911 by Rev. J. Hoekstra of the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. Gary married Dorothy Spadaro (Dot) July 6, 1944. Dot was born January 15, 1917 in Paterson.
6. Berend (Barney) van der Horn, born April 9, 1914 in Midland Park, Bergen, NJ; died August 8, 1997 in Ridgewood, Bergen, NJ. Barney van der Horn, with the given name of Berend, was baptized August 9, 1914 in the Christian Reformed Church of Midland Park. Barney married Johanna De Young on November 24, 1938 in the Riverdale Reformed Church of Paterson. Johanna De Young was born August 17, 1917 in Paterson.

MARTEN VAN DER MEER

Immigrant(s) Name(s) & Relationships:

Marten van der Meer
Antje Fennema – wife
Femmigje – daughter
Cornelia (Katie) – daughter
Afke (Agnes) – daughter
Jacobus – son
Ijpkjen (Emma) – daughter
Niese (Nellie) – daughter
Sybren (Samuel) - son

Origin of Immigrant(s): Oudega, Wymbritseradeel, Friesland, Netherlands

Port of Departure & Date: Rotterdam; March 14, 1903

Port of Arrival & Date: New York; March 25, 1903

Ship: *S.S. Noordam*

Residence(s): Paterson, Passaic Co., and Midland Park, Bergen Co., NJ

Church(es): Prospect Park CRC, Passaic Co., and CRC Midland Park, Bergen Co., NJ