

Andrew Andreas Bring

Andrew Bring was born in Stora Kopinge, Skane, Sweden on 11 January 1835, the son of Per Ingemansson and Anna Mansdotter. He married Matte Nilsdotter in 1859 and together they had children; Nels A born 4 November 1860, Elma born on 19 September 1865, Jons born on 1 August 1867, Andrew born on 20 September 1870 and Mary born in 18 September 1875. Matte was born on 26 January 1834 in Sweden and died in Minnesota about 1890, research dates are conflicting.

Andrew, Matte, Nels, Elma, Andrew, Jr and Mary all migrated to the US in 1885, arriving in Argyle, MN on 24 December 1885. Daughter Elma died in Sweden at the age of 15. The family lived in New Maine township or Marshall county.

In Swedish records and the ship record Andrew was listed as a 'soldat' or soldier. In Sweden during the mid 1800s, soldiers were granted a small farm to live on. However, the farms were usually too small to provide for a family, so neighbors helped the family. I don't know if Andrew had one but it is possible.

Andrew was buried on his farm near Newfolden, MN. I remember when I was very young, my mother Alice, sister Avis, brother Larry and I would visit a grave in a pasture in section 31 of New Maine township. I believe it was Andrew's.

The reason Andrew is in this family history is because of his second wife, Gjartru Bakke, sister of Peder and Andrew Bakke. Check out that story in the Bakke section of this family history.