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Great-grandmother immigrated around 1860 from Unterampfrach. Brikken Jensen visited from the US. The wave of refugees is currently on everyone's lips. But this issue was also beautiful in past time to date. Around 150 years ago, young men and women from Unterampfrach for economic reasons from Germany were, for example, emigrated to the United States to America. With the 20-year Brikken Jensen now returned the descendant of a former emigrant for some days back where her great-grandmother originated.

It must have been in between 1860 and 1970, when three young women had taken the maiden name "Weinberger" of Unterampfrach from the arduous and long journey to America to be. Not entirely voluntarily, as afterwards it turned out, because the poverty in Swiss francs Deiser time was very big and their hungry children, many parents could not take care of.

Even on the ship overseas met the young women on some men from Unterampfrach which have also been on the crossing in another life . Upon arrival we sat down in the states of Iowa and Minnesota . One of the women had between terribly homesick . But eventually found all her happiness and were married on the spot former men Unterampfrach .

Phyllis Ose, the grandmother of Brikken Jensen, was a few years ago while browsing the web on one side of the village community Unterampfrach encountered on which it was also about the organist Georg Weinberger. Then Phyllis Ose contacted the technical manager for this page, Hans-Peter Scheurer. They wanted to find out if there were other relatives with the name Weinberger in Unterampfrach.

With a tour group in Germany Phyllis Ose was traveling since then in July 2011 with a tour group in Germany on the road, they also took a short trip to Unterampfrach. When you visit the local St. Sebastian's / St. Vitus Church , where the three in 19 century had been baptized, Phyllis Ose could no longer hold back her tears. As the back in America, she also told Brikken Jensen from these experiences .

Now it has Brikken Jensen doing even devious even to Germany and Bavaria. Until end January, it is part of its course lasting four years in the US, a country semester at the Technical University in Ingolstadt enrolled. It was only natural for them to take a flying visit by Unterampfrach. Here Hans-Peter Scheurer took care , in whose house they found shelter now, and Georg Weinberger with their families lovingly around the 20 -year-old from Saint Cloud, Minnesota.

Was the name Weinberger in Unterampfrach formerly quite common, so the family of George Weinberger now lived in the only house in the place where this name is still standing at the bell. Not even a stone's throw away

was - set back from the road - the birthplace of the three emigrants. You 've got it now demolished and in its place in 1910 a house.

For three days now Brikken Jensen received a crash course in Franconian hospitality conveys and got to know with their Begleitern also de historic cities of Dinkelsbühl and Rothenburg. She enjoyed her first stay in Germany to the fullest and was overwhelmed by the attractions and hospitality.

The compounds should be maintained, it said in unison. Before this year's Christmas Brikken Jensen will again come to Unterampfrach, and then live with the family Weinberger.