

## **Engebret Soland and Mari Olsdatter, Charter members East Norway Lake**

Engebret Halvorsen was baptized 12 June 1803 in Nes, Hallingdal. The parents were Halvor Engebretson and Birgit Knudsdatter.

Engebret was married twice and possibly 3 times. An Engelbrecht Halvorsen Stavne and Olia Johansdatter had a daughter

1. Marie born 11 Dec 1826 in Nes, Hallingdal, Norway

Engebret married Ingeborg Knudsdatter 20 Dec 1830. They had 3 children, also in Nes, Hallingdal, Norway:

2. Halvor born 18 April 1831,
3. Knud born 24 Nov 1833 and
4. Birgit born 29 Sept 1835

On 21 May 1840 Engebret Halvorsen Stavne married Mari Olsdatter Stenfatte from Eggedal. Maren Olsdatter was born 2 Mar 1809 in Eggedal to Ole Halvorsen Stenfatte and Guri Sigurdsdatter. (Mari's cemetery monument lists her birthdate as 3 Mar 1809.) Mari and Engebret had 2 sons:

5. Halvor born 26 Feb 1841 and
6. Ole born 19 Sept 1842..

Engebret emigrated 30 April 1861 as Engebret Halvorsen Soland from Nes, Hallingdal, Norway adding the Soland farm name. Only his wife Mari and 2 youngest children Halvor and Ole came with him. They left Drammen May 17 on the Bark Askur and reached Quebec July 14<sup>th</sup>. The family settled in Rice County, Minnesota. Both of their sons married there, Halvor in 1865 and Ole in 1868.

Engebret and Mari moved to Norway Lake Township around 1866 with Halvor and his family. The 1870 and 1875 censuses place them in Halvor's household. The 1880 census shows them living alone. There are no records of any land purchase by Engebret.

Engebret died 4 May 1884 at age 79. He is buried at East Norway Lake. Mari died 11 May 1886 and is also buried at East Norway Lake.

Engebret's son Halvor and his wife Gjorand are also charter members and have their own biography.

### Sources

- Family Search -birth records
- Digiralarkviet- birth, marriage, emigration records
- NorwayHeritage- emigration
- Public Member trees- ancestry
- Ancestry.com
- Evangelical Lutheran Church records

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