

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME: SNOGA

HUSBAND'S NAME Johann (John) Kowalik

BIRTH DATE

BIRTH PLACE

BIRTH PLACE

BAPTISM DATE

30 May 1824

Obrowiec, Poland

31 May 1824

BAPTISM PLACE Sw. Marii Magdaleny (St. Mary Magdalen), Jasiona, Poland

MARRIAGE DATE 10 November 1850

MARRIAGE PLACE Sw. Marii Magdaleny (St. Mary Magdalen), Jasiona, Poland

OCCUPATIONS Texas: farmer and mail carrier

RESIDENCES Obrowiec and Strzebniów, Poland; Panna Maria, Texas

DEATH DATE 30 March 1904

DEATH PLACE Frank Opiela's Store in Panna Maria, Karnes County, Texas

BURIAL PLACE Immaculate Conception of the BVM Cemetery, Panna Maria, Texas

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME Agnieszka (Agnes) Snoga

BIRTH DATE

BIRTH PLACE

Gogolin, Poland

BAPTISM DATE

21 January 1827

21 January 1827

BAPTISM PLACE Wniebowzięcia NMP (Assumption of the BVM), Otmęt, Poland

RESIDENCES Gogolin and Strzebniów, Poland; Panna Maria, Texas

DEATH DATE 29 January 1897

BURIAL PLACE Immaculate Conception of the BVM Cemetery, Panna Maria, Texas

Sources and Additional Information

BAPTISMS Husband: Św. Marii Magdaleny, Jasiona, Poland, p. 45, entry #41

(LDS Microfilm #0936558)

Wife: Wniebowzięcia NMP, Otmęt, Poland, p. 30, entry #6

(LDS Microfilm #0936561)

MARRIAGE Sw. Marii Magdaleny, Jasiona, Poland, p. 84, entry #28

(LDS Microfilm #0936559)

SHIP AND PORT Weser arrived Galveston, Texas, on 3 June 1855.

TAX ROLLS Texas: 1857, 1860, 1862, 1865, and 1866 Karnes County

LAND RECORDS Karnes County Deeds, Volume C, p. 1, date of instrument: 1 April 1867,

date filed: 20 July 1871 (paid Johan Dziuk \$1 for 46.6 acres 3.5 miles

above the mouth of the Cibolo Creek);

Volume C, p. 2, date of instrument: 1 April 1867, date filed: 20 July 1871 (paid Thomas Moczygemba \$1 for 20 acres on the San Antonio

River 3 miles above the mouth of the Cibolo Creek);

Volume C, pp. 145-146, date of instrument: 5 January 1872

CITIZENSHIP Naturalization: 23 November 1869, Karnes County Commissioner's

Court Minutes, Volume A, p. 68, #215 (Declaration of Intention referenced

in this record.); Voter Registration: 1869 Karnes County

FEDERAL CENSUS Texas: 1860, 1870, and 1880 Karnes County; husband in 1900 Karnes

County

DEATH RECORD Husband: Karnes County, Volume 1, p. 71, certificate #72;

Texas State Death Certificate, stamped #36549

BURIAL RECORDS Immaculate Conception of the BVM Catholic Church, Panna Maria,

Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025335) Husband: p. 33 Wife: p. 27

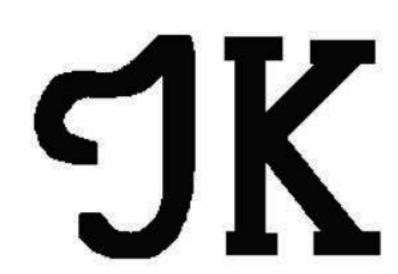
TOMBSTONES Both in Polish in Immaculate Conception of the BVM Cemetery, Panna

Maria, Texas

OTHER Paul Snoga, a brother of Agnes, arrived in 1870 (see Paul Snoga profile).

Submitted by: Mary Ann Moczygemba Watson, Sugar Land, Texas

Kowalik Brand: *The Texas Stock Directory*, Jackson and Long, 1865, p. 79, Karnes County



ohn was the son of Jacek Kowalik and Magdalena Cebula. Agnes was the daughter of Andrzej Snoga and Franciska Biela. John and Agnes sailed to Texas in 1855 on the *Weser* and settled in Panna Maria. In 1866 John owned a town lot valued at \$30, 20 acres worth \$40, 16 cattle valued at \$96, and other property worth \$78 (Karnes County Tax Assessments, 1866, p. 9).

In 1867 plans proceeded for the construction of a parochial school in Panna Maria with John serving as an advisor on the building committee of the two-story stone building. This building, with the school located on the first floor and a rectory on the second floor, was completed in January of 1869 (Dworaczyk, 1936, p. 39; Przygoda, 1971, p. 47; Baker, 1979, pp. 114-115).

In the 1870s, a mail route ran from San Antonio to Panna Maria and then on to Helena, Goliad, and Victoria. For a brief time, John had charge of this mail route (Dworaczyk, 1936, p. 45; Didear, 1969, p. 39).

In 1872 John purchased 50 acres of land in the Panna Maria area from John Twohig and W. J. Hardee. He paid for the property with "...two hundred fifty dollars gold..." (Karnes County Deed Records, Volume C, p. 145). John continued to prosper and in 1877 was also one of the benefactors for the second church built at Panna Maria (Dworaczyk, 1936, p. 39).

Seven years after Agnes died, John died in Frank Opiela's Store in Panna Maria. They are both buried in the parish cemetery.

Baptism Records of Kowalik Children

10 August 1851 12 January 1853	Marianna Philippine	p. 160, entry #102p. 186, entry #2	Św. Marii Magdaleny, Jasiona, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0936558)
Circa 1855	Joanna	not yet found	
6 April 1858 12 August 1860 27 September 1862 8 April 1864 11 November 1866	Vincent Peter Tecla John Leopold	entry #55 entry #122 entry #205 entry #246 entry #299	Immaculate Conception of the BVM Catholic Church, Panna Maria, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025335)

Note: Marianna, who was born on 7 August 1851, died after only sixteen days on 23 August 1851 (Św. Marii Magdaleny, Burial Records, p. 102, entry #64, LDS Microfilm #0936560).

Link: Joanna married Anton Kroll on 31 January 1876 in Panna Maria (p. 2, second entry; see Franz Kroll profile).