

PIERDOŁA / PIERDOLLA

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME: GAURZEL / GORZEL

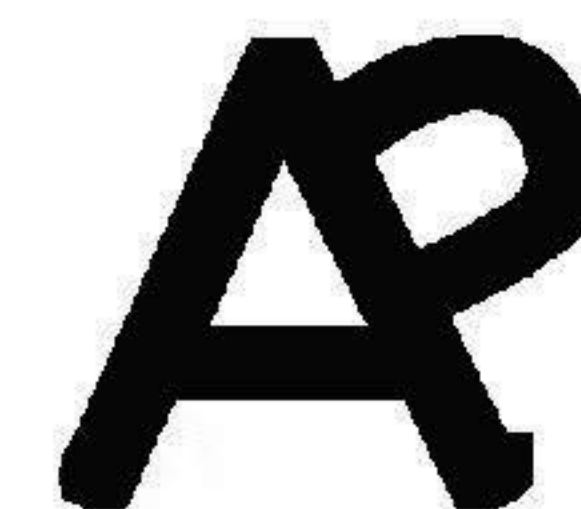
HUSBAND'S NAME	Adam Pierdolla
BIRTH DATE	18 November 1798
BIRTH PLACE	Grodzisko, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	18 November 1798
MARRIAGE PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
MARRIAGE DATE	19 January 1823
MARRIAGE PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
OCCUPATIONS	Poland: <i>chłop</i> (farm worker) and <i>soltys</i> (village administrator); Texas: farmer
RESIDENCES	Grodzisko and Rozmierz, Poland; St. Hedwig, Texas
DEATH DATE	19 August 1869
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME	Maria / Marianna Gaurzel
BIRTH PLACE	Grodzisko, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	3 July 1802
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
RESIDENCES	Grodzisko and Rozmierz, Poland; St. Hedwig, Texas
BURIAL DATE	28 November 1884
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

Sources and Additional Information

BAPTISMS	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0922849) Husband: p. 74 Wife: p. 131
MARRIAGE	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland, p. 64, entry #5 (LDS Microfilm #0922995)
SHIP AND PORT TAX ROLLS	<i>Schüler Agency List</i> shows departure from Bremen on 1 October 1855. Texas: 1858, 1859, and 1862 Bexar County
LAND RECORDS	Bexar County Deeds, Volume N2, pp. 95-96, date of instrument: 30 January 1856, date filed: 30 January 1856 (bought 102 acres for \$306 from C. G. Napier); Volume W1, p. 436, date of instrument: 15 February 1870, date filed: 18 January 1872 (222 acres with parts in both Wilson and Bexar Counties, some animals, and farm utensils are sold to Joseph Pierdolla by Adam Pierdolla heirs.)
FEDERAL CENSUS	Texas: 1860 Bexar County; wife in 1870 and 1880 Wilson County
BURIAL RECORDS	Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495) Husband: entry #5 Wife: p. 7, second entry
TOMBSTONES	Both in Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas (Years on joint tombstone disagree with documented sources.)
PROBATE	Husband: Bexar County, Volume G, p. 276, Inventory of Community Property, Document #900, date filed: 16 September 1869
OTHER	Maria Pierdolla was in Galveston, Texas, at St. Mary Cathedral on November 29, 1855. She was named as a Baptism sponsor for Andreas Coy [Koy], child of Joseph Coy and Thecla Pioseck, who was born the day before (entry # 1381). The names of Joseph Koy and Thecla Piosek appeared on the 1855 <i>Schüler Agency List</i> near the Pierdolla family.

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Adam, a twin, was the son of Christian Pierdola and Catharina Ploch. Maria, also a twin, was the daughter of Maria and Egidu Gaurzel, an inkeeper. Married in 1823, Adam and Maria had 13 children born in Poland. At an auction on October 8, 1831, Adam Pierdolla, who was the village administrator (*soltys*), acquired real estate for 862 talers that he sold in 1850 to a merchant, Pintus Apt, and a grain merchant, Aron Rosterlitz, from Strzelce Opolskie (*Aus dem Chelmer Lande*, 1929). In 1855 Adam Pierdolla's family contracted with the Schüler Agency to immigrate to Texas.

Adam and Maria were one of 13 original families that settled in the St. Hedwig community in southeastern Bexar County (*San Antonio Express*, 12 November 1933, section D, p. 1; Baker, 1979, p. 182, note 30). In late 1856, Adam registered his cattle brand at the Bexar County Courthouse. Six years later, he owned 102 acres of land, 1 horse, 20 cattle, and miscellaneous property valued at \$495 (Bexar County Tax Assessments, 1862, p. 59, entry #41).

In 1869 Adam died and was buried in the St. Hedwig cemetery. One year later, their youngest son Joseph was deeded the 222-acre farm while his siblings, Martin Pierdolla, Francisca, wife of Joseph Michalski, Catharina Pierdolla, Magdalena, wife of Anton Cieslik (see Anton Cieslik profile), Thecla, wife of Carl Mergele, and Agatha, wife of Emil Sacheren, each received \$200 (Bexar County Deed Records, Volume W1, p. 436).

Baptism Records of Pierdola / Pierdolla Children

9 November 1823	Martin	p. 90, entry #137	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0922993)
15 September 1825	Francisca	p. 121, entry #125	
20 November 1827	Maria	p. 158, entry #139	(LDS Microfilm #0922994)
21 February 1830	Josepha	p. 14, entry #34	
12 April 1832	Juliana	p. 46, entry #41	
1 June 1834	John	p. 77, entry #84	
17 June 1836	Anna	p. 109, entry #86	
4 November 1838	Catharina	p. 92, entry #162	
16 May 1841	Magdalena	p. 195, entry #69	
17 September 1843	Thecla	p. 265, entry #115	
12 April 1846	Joseph	p. 343, entry #48	
27 March 1849	Agatha	p. 38, entry #32	
Circa 1852	Lucinda/Lucilla	not yet found	

Notes: Martin came to Texas as a married man, and his wife was Francisca Wilon. They were married on 4 September 1854 in Rozmierz, Poland (Św. Michała, Marriage Records, p. 146, entry #24, LDS Microfilm #0922995). A month after their wedding, Martin and Francisca departed for America arriving in Galveston, Texas, on 3 December 1854, on the *Weser*.

Maria/Marianna died in Silesia when she was 20 ½ years old; she was buried on 28 August 1849 (Św. Michała, Burial Records, p. 274, entry #124, LDS Microfilm #0922997).

There is a Campo Santo burial record for a 20-year-old named Anna "Perdola" who was buried on 11 April 1857 in San Antonio, Texas. Names of relatives were not provided (San Fernando, Burial Records, p. 199, entry #1304, LDS Microfilm #0025450).

Link: Francisca came to Texas as a married woman. She married Joseph Michalski on 8 May 1842 in Rozmierz, Poland (p. 83, entry #13; see Joseph Michalski profile).