

# PLOCH

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME: **GOLLA**

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HUSBAND'S NAME	Casper / Kasper Ploch
BIRTH DATE	3 January 1831
BIRTH PLACE	Sucha, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	6 January 1831
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
MARRIAGE DATE	29 October 1860
MARRIAGE PLACE	San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas
OCCUPATIONS	Texas: stonemason and farmer
RESIDENCES	Sucha, Poland; San Antonio and St. Hedwig, Bexar County; Panna Maria, Karnes County; and Wilson County, Texas
DEATH DATE	13 October 1909
DEATH PLACE	La Vernia, Wilson County, Texas
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

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WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME	Józefa (Josephine) Golla
BIRTH DATE	Circa 1841
BIRTH PLACE	Poland
RESIDENCES	Poland; San Antonio and St. Hedwig, Bexar County; Panna Maria, Karnes County; and Wilson County, Texas
DEATH DATE	19 October 1921
DEATH PLACE	At her residence, 804 Dawson Street, San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

## Sources and Additional Information

BAPTISM	Husband: Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland, p. 170, entry #3 (LDS Microfilm #0922993)
MARRIAGE	San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas, entry #293; Bexar County Marriage Records, Volume D2, p. 246, license #1890
TAX ROLLS	Texas: 1864-1866 Wilson County
LAND RECORDS	Bexar County Deeds, Volume T2, p. 489, date filed: 10 February 1866 (Wilson County land bought from Elizabeth Beall); Volume 1, p. 275, date of instrument: 13 July 1874, date filed: 23 July 1874 (sold to John Ploch)
CITIZENSHIP	Declaration of Intention: 4 November 1882, Bexar County, Box B, #120; Naturalization: 28 October 1886, Bexar County District Court #37, Civil Minutes, Volume M, p. 99; Voter Registration: 1865 Bexar County
FEDERAL CENSUS	Texas: 1880 Bexar County, 1900 Wilson County
DEATH RECORDS	Husband: Wilson County, Volume 1, p. 54, certificate #386; Wife: Texas State Death Certificate, stamped #26855
BURIAL RECORDS	Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495) Husband: p. 12, second entry Wife: p. 47, third entry
OBITUARY	Wife: <i>San Antonio Light</i> , 20 October 1921, p. 17
TOMBSTONES	Both in Polish in Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

*Submitted by:* Jim and Doris Kosub, Montgomery, Texas



**C**asper, born in Sucha, Poland, was the son of Adalbert Ploch and Susanna Radziej. According to sworn testimony given by Casper when he made his Declaration of Intention, he immigrated to Texas in December of 1855. He and his brother Lawrence Ploch probably left Poland together (see Lawrence Ploch profile).

Józefa Golla was the daughter of Valentine Golla and Lucy Dzierion. According to family history, Józefa's family immigrated to Texas in the 1850s and landed in Indianola where an epidemic was raging. She lost all family members except for two brothers. A Mexican family by the name of Casanova took the children to San Antonio and cared for them. Later, Józefa became a housekeeper in San Antonio where she met Casper (Doris Kosub, personal communication). They were wed at San Fernando Cathedral in 1860.

In 1866 Casper purchased land in Wilson County. He and Józefa had a large family and lived on a farm in La Vernia. Casper died there in 1909, and Józefa eventually moved to San Antonio where she died in 1921. They are buried at St. Hedwig parish cemetery.

### Baptism Records of Ploch Children

26 November 1861	Joseph	entry #176	Immaculate Conception of the BVM Catholic Church, Panna Maria, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025335)
23 December 1862	Marianne	entry #218	
4 July 1865	John	p. 117, entry #4	St. Mary Catholic Church, San Antonio, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025467)
29 June 1867	Juliana	entry #36	Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495)
1 November 1869	Albina Francisca	entry #62	
8 July 1871	Vincent Alexis	entry #80	
Circa 1874	Eufemia/Fannie	not yet found	Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495)
7 May 1876	Petronella	p. 2	
6 October 1878	Francis Thomas	p. 20	
20 January 1881	Paul Francis	p. 42	
20 April 1883	Agnes Mary	p. 72	
17 October 1886	Joseph Matthew	entry #113	

Note: Two of these children died as infants: Albina Francisca died on 23 February 1870, and Joseph Matthew died on 17 March 1889 (Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas, Burial Records, entry #8 and p. 13).

Link: Marianne married John Winkler on 22 November 1881 in St. Hedwig (p. 11, fourth entry; see Carl Winkler profile).



Declaration of Intention  
by Casper Ploch

VanBeek, Barnard & Tinsley, Printers, Lithographers, Stationers and Blank Book Manufacturers, St. Louis.

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY COURT.

COUNTY OF BEXAR.

Personally Appeared

*Casper Ploch*  
who declares upon oath that he is the natural born subject of *the Kingdom of Prussia*  
that he was born in *Julian, Prussia* that he is *51* years of age; that he  
emigrated to the United States of America, and arrived at the port of *Balveston* in the State  
of *Texas* on or about the *4<sup>th</sup>* day of *December* A. D. 18*55*  
that it is his *bona fide* intention to become a citizen of the United States, and renounce forever all allegiance and  
fidelity to any foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatsoever, and particularly any and all allegiance  
to the *Government of Prussia* and that he will bear true  
allegiance to the United States and support the Constitution of the same.

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, this

day of

*Nov.* A. D. 18*82*

*Thad. W. Smith*  
County Clerk, Bexar County.

By

*Quay E. Barrera* Deputy.

STATE OF TEXAS,

COUNTY OF BEXAR.

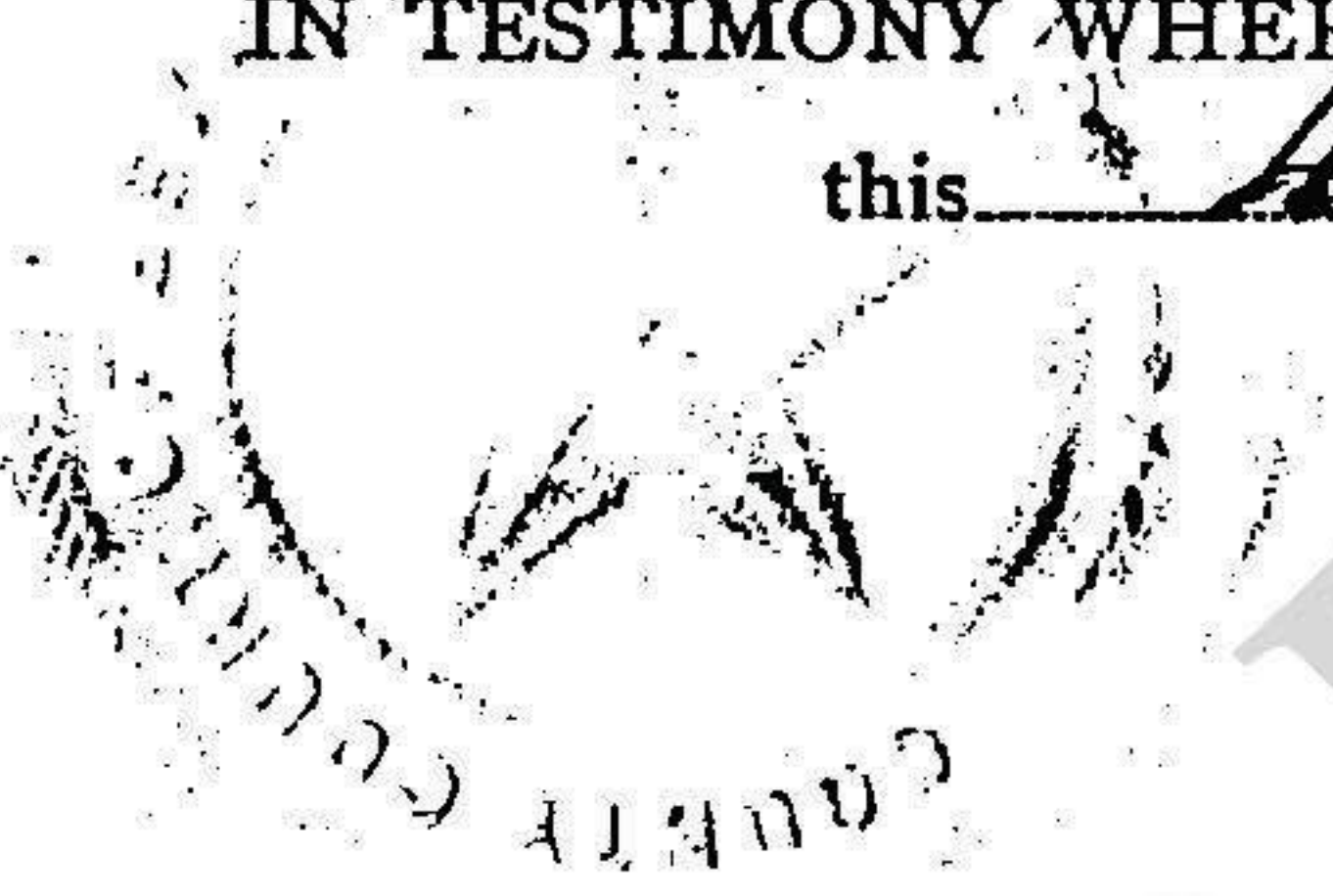
I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of the original from the records of the County Court of said County.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and the Seal of said Court, at San Antonio,

this

*4<sup>th</sup>* day of

*Nov.* A. D. 18*82*



*Thad. W. Smith*  
County Clerk, Bexar County.

By

*Quay E. Barrera* Deputy.

Note: Casper Ploch made his Declaration of Intention in the Bexar County Clerk's Office in San Antonio on November 4, 1882 (Box B, #120).



Casper Ploch and Józefa Golla  
with two of their children



*Photograph courtesy of:* Jim and Doris Kosub, Montgomery, Texas



# PLOCH

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME: **MUTZ**

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HUSBAND'S NAME	Laurentz (Lawrence) Ploch
BIRTH DATE	29 July 1813
BIRTH PLACE	Sucha, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	29 July 1813
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
MARRIAGE DATE	24 November 1839
MARRIAGE PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
OCCUPATION	Texas: farmer
RESIDENCES	Sucha and Osiek, Poland; St. Hedwig, Bexar County, Texas
DEATH DATE	1871
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

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WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME	Francisca Emelia Mutz
BIRTH DATE	10 September 1816
BIRTH PLACE	Osiek, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	10 September 1816
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
RESIDENCES	Osiek, Poland; St. Hedwig, Bexar County, Texas
DEATH DATE	Circa 1877
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

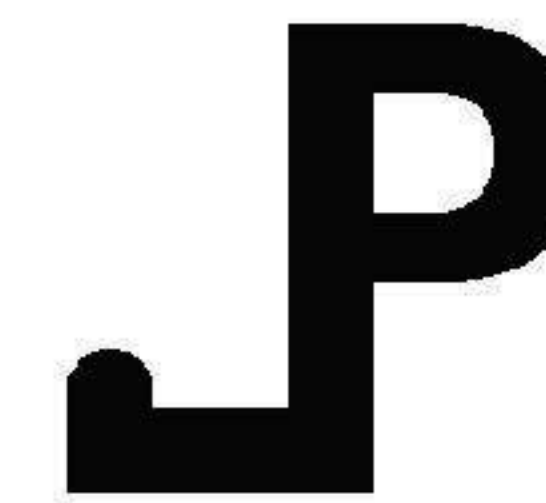
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## Sources and Additional Information

BAPTISMS	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0922849) Husband: p. 350, entry #68    Wife: p. 407, entry #110
MARRIAGE	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland, p. 66, entry #32 (LDS Microfilm #0922995)
TAX ROLLS	Texas: 1860, 1862, and 1866 Bexar County
LAND RECORD	Bexar County Deeds, Volume N2, pp. 94-95, date of instrument: 30 January 1856, date filed: 30 January 1856 (bought 30 acres for \$90 from C. G. Napier)
FEDERAL CENSUS	Texas: 1860 Bexar County
TOMBSTONES	Both in Polish in Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas (Both birth dates on tombstones disagree with documented sources; husband's death date of 28 July 1871 on tombstone conflicts with newspaper and district court accounts of his death.)

*Submitted by:* Dorothy Mann 1928 - 1999





**L**awrence was the son of Adalbert Ploch and Susanna Radziej and the brother of Casper Ploch (see Casper Ploch profile). Francisca Emelia was the daughter of John Mutz and Elisabeth Długosz. Lawrence and Francisca were married in 1839 in Rozmierz, Poland. They had eight children before leaving for America around 1855.

They were one of the founding families of St. Hedwig. The rural residents were described in the following manner: “Being farmers of the better class, they prospered from the first. The community was entirely self-supporting. Wheat was taken to the Miller Mill at Seguin, several wagon loads at a time. Not wishing to lose time out of their fields, the colonists made these trips at night” (*San Antonio Express*, 12 November 1933, section D, p. 1).

They also made evening trips to San Antonio, and on April 1, 1871, Lawrence was severely injured by a gunshot wound to his head while driving his wagon to the city (*San Antonio Daily Herald*, 6 April 1871, p. 3). He lingered for about six weeks before his death (*San Antonio Express*, 12 July 1871, p. 3). Otto Fuchs was charged with the murder and was tried in San Antonio on July 12, 1871. A jury of 12 men delivered a verdict of not guilty. Mr. Fuchs was released from custody (Bexar County District Court, Criminal Minutes, Journal A, Docket #285, p. 124).

Six years after Lawrence’s tragic death, Francisca died. She was buried in the Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery at St. Hedwig.

### Baptism Records of Ploch Children

6 December 1840	Barbara	p. 179, entry #180	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0922993)
5 May 1842	Maria	p. 225, entry #91	
9 June 1844	Anton	p. 290, entry #106	
9 June 1847	Margareta	p. 372, entry #77	
16 May 1848	Johann	p. 18, entry #43	(LDS Microfilm #0922994)
27 May 1850	Marianna	p. 69, entry #95	
26 August 1852	Ludwig	p. 190, entry #166	
25 April 1854	Martha	p. 235, entry #77	
4 April 1856	Francis	entry #3193	San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas
4 April 1856	Francisca	entry #3194	
Circa 1857	Florentina	not yet found	
Circa 1860	Julia	not yet found	
Circa 1863	John James	not yet found	

Link: Barbara married Valentin Mroz on 15 May 1859 in San Antonio at San Fernando (entry #197; see Valentin Mroz profile).