

Joseph Lemire (LeMair) (b. 1811)

Joseph was born in St. Francois Xavier, the son of Pierre Lemire and Marie Salvois (Blackfoot). He married Julie Martin according to the custom of the country before 1829. She was born in 1815 at fort Pelly, the daughter of Francois Martin and Susanne Allary. They were members of Muscovequan Band before they left treaty. After the Northwest Resistance of 1885 was suppressed in May of that year, many Metis who were band members of Muscovequan Band near Lestock, Saskatchewan (north of Fort Qu'Appelle) left Treaty and applied for Metis Scrip. A number of these Metis were involved in the 1878 Metis Petition from Cypress Hills asking for a Metis reserve.

Joseph and Julie had the following children:

- Jean Baptiste Lemire, born March 6, 1829. He married Marie Berard.
- Pierre Jarvis Lemire, born 1830 at Fort Pelly. He married Therese Pelletier (b. 1835) in 1837 at St. Boniface. They had eight children born, typically for buffalo hunting families they were born at a variety of locations; at St. Francois Xavier, Long Lake, Moose Jaw, Poplar Point, Wood Mountain, Swift Current and Fort Walsh. Pierre is one of three brothers listed here who signed the 1878 Cypress Hills petition for a Metis Reserve. Their last name is spelled in a variety of ways. Pierre LeMire (Band #11) took discharge from the Muscovequan Band on April 28, 1886.
- Alexandre Lemire, born 1830
- Marie Lemire, born 1831
- Eliza Lemire, born 1832.
- Joseph Lemire born 1833. Joseph married Suzanne Lepine, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lepine and Suzanne Gariepy in 1861 at St. Francois Xavier. He then married Clemence Boyer the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier in 1868 at St. Francois Xavier. He and Clemence had four children born at Qu'Appelle, Moose Jaw and Cypress Hills. Norbert Welsh was his brother-in-law as they had married Boyer sisters Joseph signed the petition of September 7, 1876, when 30 Metis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition, on behalf of the Metis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4. He also signed the 1878 Metis Petition from Cypress Hills asking for a Metis reserve.
- Cuthbert Lemire, born 1835 at SFX died in 1852 at age 16.
- Julie Lemire, born January 30, 1840, at White horse Plains, married Jean Baptiste Larocque (b. 1832) the son of Oliver Larocque and Madeleine Piche on September 21, 1857 at St. Francois Xavier. Julie (Band #39) took discharge from the Muscovequan Band on April 28, 1886.
- Francois Lemire, born in 1844 at SFX, married Françoise Birston (b. 1850) the daughter of William Gaddy Birston and Madeleine Gonneville in 1865 at St. Francois Xavier. They had at least one child born at Cypress Hills. Francois (Band #15) took discharge from the Muscovequan Band on April 28, 1886.
- Euphosine Lemire, born 1846, on the plains, married Joseph Sisawapas Cardinal (b. 1841) in 1865 at SFX.

- Xavier Lemire, born 1851, married Clemence Birston, the daughter of William Gaddy Birston and Madeleine Gonneville in 1871 at Lebret. Xavier (Band #14) took discharge from the Muscowequan Band on April 28, 1886.
- William Lemire, born 1859 at Troy, Qu'Appelle Valley. He married Madeleine Desjarlais, the daughter of Emmanuel Desjarlais and Josette Desjarlais on March 8, 1886 at Lebret. William (Band #4) took discharge from the Muscowequan Band on April 28, 1886.

Grandsons

Lemire, Pierre Jr. #12

Pierre Lemire was born on December 28, 1860, the son of Pirre Lemire Sr. and Therese Pelletier. He married Sarah Delorme in 1882 at Cypress Hills. He took discharge from the Muscowequan Band on April 28, 1886.

Lemire, Cuthbert #13 (b. 1862)

Cuthbert Lemire was born on September 30, 1862 at Devil's Lake, the son of Pierre Lemire and Therese Pelletier. He married Marie Louise Swain, the daughter of William Swain and Angelique Hamelin. Cuthbert took discharge from the Muscowequan Band on April 28, 1886.



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