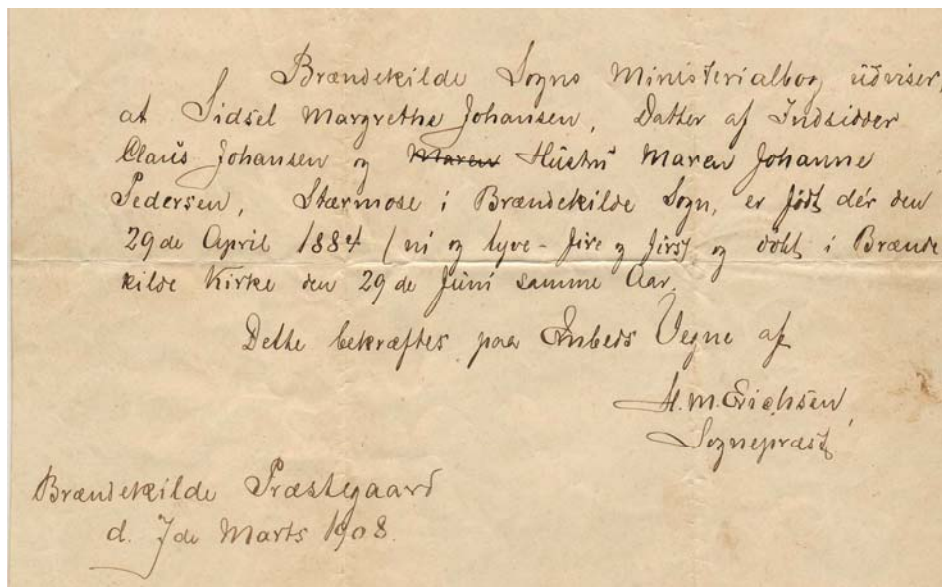


Part *3*

Margrethe

Sidsel Margrethe Johansen was born 29. Apr. 1884, in Stærmose, Odense County, to smallholder Claus Johansen (1846-1929) and wife Maren Johanne Pedersen (1848-1888). She had an older sister, Johanne, who died 2½ years old, and a younger brother, Hans Peder. Margrethe was baptized in Brændekilde church, 29. Jun. 1884, held by her mother, sponsors: smallholder Rasmus Madsen's wife Kristine, smallholder Poul Kristian Knudsen, smallholder Rasmus Madsen, all living in Brændekilde, and her father.



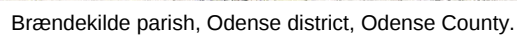
Margrethe's baptism document.

Margrethe's mother died 17. Sep. 1888, when Margrethe was 4½ years old, and one year later, her father Claus emigrated to America. Life hadn't been easy for Claus. From 1880 to 1888 he lost 8 close relatives: 3 children, 2 wives, 2 mothers in law and his father (his mother died when Claus was 11 years old). Claus told the Danish authorities, that he intended to go to Chicago. Margrethe was cared for by day labourer Rasmus Madsen and his wife Marie Kristine Jørgensen in Vædehuset in Brændekilde.

1. Apr. 1895, she was sent to the poorhouse in Brændekilde, where she lived until her confirmation.



The poorhouse in Brændekilde



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Vædehuset is the little house at left, as it might have looked in 1890.
The farm at right is Favrholm.



Vædehuset ,as it looks in 2007.

Margrethe was confirmed 17. Apr. 1898, in Brændekilde church, Odense County.

She was now able to care for herself and 1. Nov. 1898, she moved to Bellinge, where she worked for farmer Poul Rasmussen and wife Mette Kirstine Hansen. In 1901 (census), she was still at farmer Poul Rasmussen in Bellinge. In 1906 (census), she worked for farmer Søren Nielsen in Brylle, where she met Anders. About 1907, they moved to Sjælland. They both worked on the manor Nørager near Tissø, she worked as a milkmaid and Anders worked in the forest. At the time of their marriage, she lived with Hans's parents in Ruds Vedby Snarebakke.

Anders Sørensen was born 3. Jan. 1884, in Langemark, Holbæk County, to shoemaker Hans Sørensen (1859-1917) and wife Karen Marie Jørgensen (1858-1932). Baptized in Sæby church, 9. Mar. 1884, held by smallholder Hans Jørgensen's wife Stine, Buerup, sponsors: his father and smallholder Hans Jørgensen, Buerup.

Confirmed 17. Apr. 1898, in Reerslev church, Holbæk County.

He worked on different farms in the western part of Sjælland. In 1902 he was in Ørslev near Slagelse, for examination by the draft board. Later the same year he moved to Fyn, where he worked for farmer Søren Nielsen and wife Marie Nielsen in Brylle. Margrethe worked at the same place. Anders joined the army on 17. Apr. 1906, in the 17. Batallion, in Sølvgade, Copenhagen. After 6 months service, he returned to Brylle.

In 1907 he moved back to Sjælland, and most likely he took Margrethe with him. At the time of his marriage in 1908, he was a herdsman on the farm Løvegård, Near Høng, and Margrethe stayed with Anders's parents in Ruds Vedby Snarebakke.

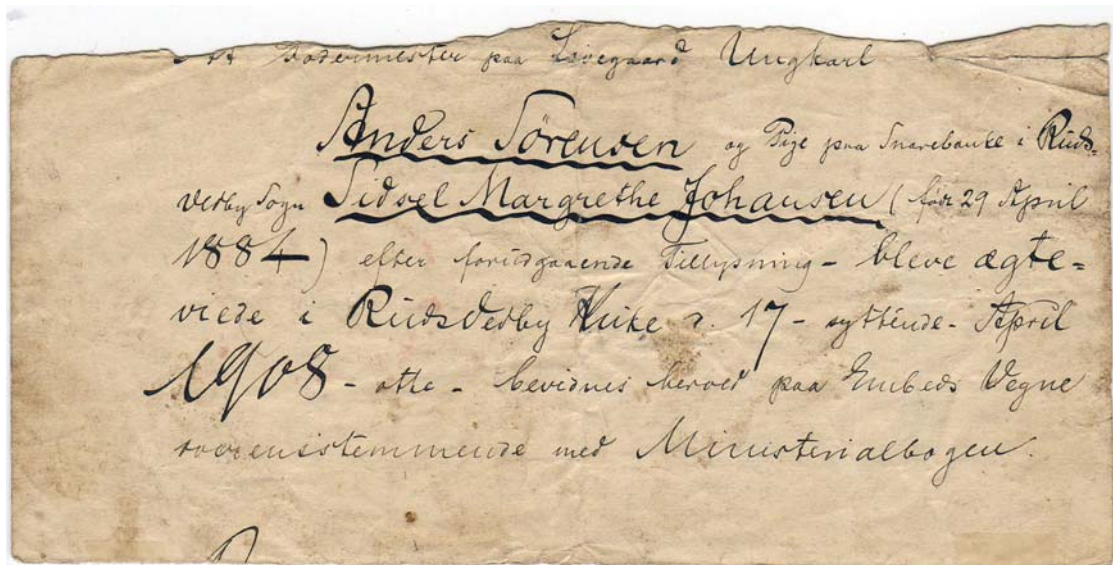
They Married 17. Apr. 1908, in Ruds Vedby church, Holbæk County, best men: shoemaker Hans Sørensen and farmer Carl Emil Olsen, Ougtvad.



Anders as soldier

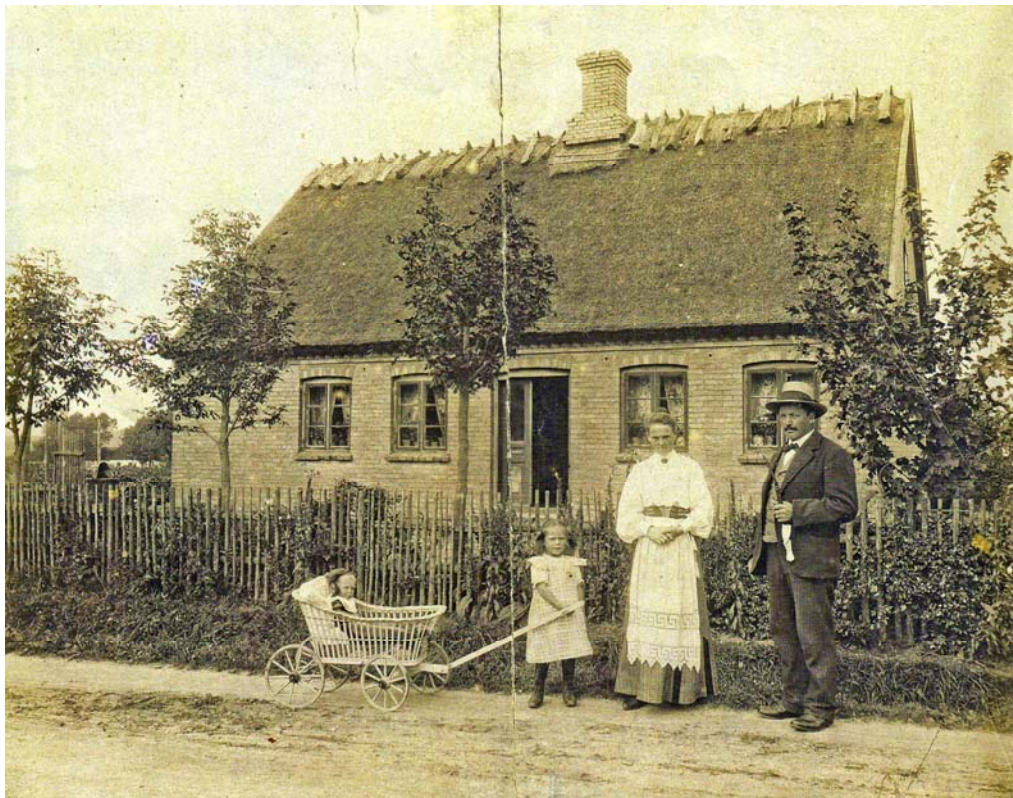


Margrethe and Anders 17. Apr. 1908.



Anders and Margrethe's marriage document.

After they married they lived in Sæby and worked on the manor Sæbygård. Then they moved to Løjes Mølle near Buerup, where Anders worked in the forest. Later they moved to Uglerup and to Nørager skov, where they lived in a little house near Solbakkegård. About 1915-1916 they moved to Ougtvad. In 1917, after Anders's father Hans died, they moved to Marie's house in Ruds Vedby Snarebakke. Anders taught himself how to make and repair shoes, and in this way he earned a living. Margrethe had various jobs outside their home.



Possibly Margrethe and Anders in front of their house (unknown where).
In the baby carriage Karen, Gudrun is standing next to Margrethe.

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Underskrevet Gaarvejrs Niels Hansen
af Ougtved søgtes og overdrager hermed til
Husmand Anders Sørensen ved Snareballe
en Parcel af den mig tilgode liggende Ad-
konis liggende Ejendomme hermed
Ougtved By, Sognd, Stykke nr. 100.
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helt og hele i Løst og Løst Løst og Løst
til den offentlige Vej. For at kunne afbringe
og afbringe af Kjøbsretten påviser.

Handelen er indgaaet således:

1. Parcelen er indgaaet af Kjøbsretten af
Husmanden fra mig af for den Regning
af Husmanden.
2. Skatte af Afgifter fra Udstyknings
af at regne heraf Kjøbsretten.
3. Sammenlægning af Kjøbsretten 300 Kr. for
Husmanden Kr. som heraf af 1/2 Skp.
og en Underskrift på Kontrakt.

4. alle indskrifter og tilhørende
af den derved af Udstyknings
heraf Kjøbsretten.

For at kunne afbringe af Kjøbsretten
gjæld heraf Kjøbsretten
Naar Udstykningsretten i Orden af Kjøbsretten
heraf Kjøbsretten til Skjode

For at kunne afbringe af Kjøbsretten
heraf Kjøbsretten af den derved af Kjøbsretten
paa de omhandlede Villor.

For at kunne afbringe af Kjøbsretten
paa 1 Skjode den 5 Septbr 1919

Sammenlægning
Ved Hansen Anders Sørensen.

Føl Vilhelmsen
Madsen Fredrik Rasmussen

Skide.

Da Kjøbsretten Anders Sørensen har
fået den pågældende Kjøbsretten af og opført alle
Løst og Løst Villor skatte og indtægter overdraget.

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Finis Vedby den 7 November 1928

Regning

for Thomasen A. Sørensen Snareballe R.V.

fra Carl Hansen Røde Vedby Mark

1920

April	1 Gangstie		48 00
	1 Hestebude		29 00
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I 1919 Margrethe and Anders bought a piece of land from farmer Niels Hansen in Ougtved (deed above). The lot is located on the road to Ougtved. Here they build a small house, where the family lived for the next 50 years.

The size of the lot was 1 skæppe land (695 m²) and became matr. No. 1b. They owned it from 5. September 1919.

I have bills for a total of 3498,69 Dkr, which i assume is close to the price of the house. The bills also shows that Anders and Margrethe started to build the house shortly after they purchased the land.

In 1926, the house was insured in Husmands Brandkassen (insurance company). The value of the house inclusive storehouse and a house for chickens, was estimated to 5350 Dkr.

In 1968, when Margrethe died, the house was sold for 40.000 Dkr.

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Insurance policy showing the value of all their belongings i 1925



Anders and Margrethe with their children in front of the house in Ougtved.

Anders was also a tradesman. In 1933, when his daughter Anna married Frederik, he bought a small house 'Nakskovhuset' near Reerslev and for a period, he rented it to Anna and Frederik. In 1942, when his son Viggo married Ella, Anders bought the house in Lambæk, and rented it to Viggo and Ella. After one year he sold it to them with a nice profit!

Together they had the following children:

Gudrun Marie Sørensen, born 6. May 1908, in Løve, Holbæk County,
Karen Rosalie Sørensen, born 20. Oct. 1909, in Sæby, Holbæk County,
Anna Elisabeth Sørensen, born 22. May 1911, in Fuglsangshuset, Løjes Mølle,
Lars Peter Kristian Marius Sørensen, born 26. Aug. 1913, in Fuglsangshuset,
Tekla Johanne Sørensen, born 29. Jan. 1916, in Ougtved Mark, Holbæk County,
Kaj Kristian Sørensen, born 29. Jan. 1916, in Ougtved Mark, Holbæk County,
Peder Viggo Sørensen, born 18. Apr. 1917, in Sæby, Holbæk County,
Hans Christian Sørensen, born 18. Apr. 1917, in Sæby, Holbæk County,
Ida Sørensen, born 9. Mar. 1922, in Ougtved Mark, Holbæk County.

It was many children in short time – in particular 2 sets of twins in 2 years.

They didn't have cradles for that many children, instead Margrethe used drawers from a bureau.



Anna, Karen, Gudrun and Lars.



Gudrun, Karen and Anna.



Margrethe and Anders



Gudrun, Karen, Anna and Kaj
Ida, Viggo, Hans, Tekla and Lars.
Picture taken in 1931 at Viggo and Hans' confirmation.



Margrethe and Anders's silver wedding 17. Apr. 1933 in Ougtvad.
 Back row l to r: Lars, Gudrun, Hans, Johannes, Kaj, Anna holding Poul, Tekla, Sofie, Karen holding Inger and Jens P.
 Ida holding Smut, Margrethe, Anders and Viggo.
 (Sofie and Jens P. were Johannes's parents)



Margrethe at her 70 year birthday, 29. Apr. 1954, in Ougtved, surrounded by her children, children-in-law and grandchildren.



Ida, Viggo, Karen, Hans, Gudrun, Lars, Anna, Kaj and Ida, 29. Apr. 1954.



Margrethe

Above at her 70 years birthday.

At right she is at her daughter Anna and Frederik in Pedersborg shortly before she died.

At right: grandchild Carsten



Anders died 18. Oct. 1945 in Sæby Hospital, 61 years old, buried 23. Oct. 1945, in Sæby church yard, Løve district.



After Anders died, Margrethe lived alone in her house in Ougtved. She was doing well and enjoyed bicycling, when she visited her nearest relatives. This went on until shortly before she died.

Margrethe died, 31. Dec. 1967, 83 years old, at her daughter Gudrun's home near Ruds Vedby, buried 4. Jan. 1968, in Sæby church yard, Løve district.

Anders and Margrethe's grave on Sæby church yard . Anders found this special stone on the field near their house in Ougtved, and decided that it should be placed his grave. He brought it home on a wheel-barrow and placed it on a stone fence near the house in Ougtved. When he died it was engraved and placed on his grave on Sæby church yard.