

Joseph “Kar-yence” Delorme. (1838-1912)

Joseph “Kar-yence” Delorme was born in March 1838, the son of Joseph Auguhk-quay” Delorme (b.c. 1815) and Isabelle Gourneau. Isabelle was the daughter of Joseph Grenon and Angélique Folle-Avoine (Wild-Rice). Joseph Jr. married Angélique Gingras (b.c. 1844), the daughter of Métis Trader Antoine Blanc Gingras and Scholastique Trottier on May 20, 1864. The couple had twelve children.

- Larose, born 1866.
- Joseph, born 1868, married Julia Grant.
- François, born 1871, married Cléopée Gladu.
- Adèle, born 1874.
- Pierre Frédéric, born 1876.
- Scholastique, born 1878.
- Virginie, born 1880.
- Angélique, Born July 4, 1882.
- Elizabeth, a twin also born July 4, 1882. She married Phillip Malaterre.
- Marie, born 1884, married William Poitras.
- Elise, born 1888, married Fred Monette.
- Justine, born 1892, married Louis Napoleon Malaterre.

His father, Joseph Sr., had been a counselor to Chiefs Little Shell II and III and Kar-yence in turn was a counselor to Chief Little Shell III.¹ Joseph and Isabelle and their family were enumerated in the 1850 census at Pembina as family # 96. The census shows Joseph age 35, hunter, Isabella age 32, Isabella age 14, Joseph age 13, Ann age 9, Elizabeth age 7, Sarah age 5, William age 3, and Louis age 3. Joseph Auguhk-quay Delorme Sr. received annuities and scrip (Half Breed Scrip # 218) under the 1863 Red Lake and Pembina Treaties of 1863. In 1868 he took annuities for himself, two women and six children under Little Shell’s Band and in 1867 took annuities for himself, one woman and six children under Way-ke-ge-ke-zhick’s Band.



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¹ Counselors for Little Shell III in the 1890s [These men also served as counselors for Little Shell II: Ayse-sense]. Sas Swaine Poitras (67); Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung, William Davis (70), Paydway-walsh-kum, Louis Lenoir; Boin-ence Davis (73); Kar-yence Delorme (50), a son of Auguhk-quay; Sharlo Bottineau (68); Ossaotit, Francois Desmarais (55); Tchee-kee-tarn Parisien (68); Batees-shish Valley (58), son of Norbace Valley; Ahkee-win-nini, Alex Jannott (58); Tcheer-kuhk, Joseph Desmarais (56); Bayriss, Corbet Grant (55); Karn-nar-dah, Antoine Heneult (59); and Jean Batees Gorin (Champagne, 57).