

**MRS. PETER MOLZ**  
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**ALBERTA VIOLA “BIRDIE” LAU**, daughter of John Henry Lau (1852-1922) and Amanda Jane Byers (1854-1933), was born on 9 Jul 1876 in Pennsylvania. In 1896, she married **PETER MOLZ**, son of Christian Molz (1845-1913) and Carolina Kiistner (1841-1928). Peter was born on 28 Oct 1872 in Germany.

Peter and Alberta lived most of their married life in Stanton County, Kansas where Peter farmed the land. In 1900 and 1910, they were living in Mitchell, Stanton County, Kansas. In 1920, they made their home in Stanton, Stanton County, Kansas. By 1940, they were in Big Bow, Stanton County, Kansas, but soon moved to Syracuse, Hamilton County, Kansas.

Three children were born in their marriage; **FLORA HELEN MOLZ** (1896-1981) married to John Marquardt (1887-1966), **MERVIN PETER MOLZ** (1899-1968) married to Mary Alice Shorter, and **ETHEL MOLZ** (1911-1994) married to James Olen Warner (1907-1991).

Alberta died on 14 Jun 1949 in Syracuse, Hamilton County, Kansas. Peter died there on 6 May 1950. Burial was at the Syracuse Cemetery in Syracuse, Kansas.