

MICHALSKI / MICHALSKY

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME: **PIERDOŁA / PIERDOLLA**

HUSBAND'S NAME	Joseph Michalski
BIRTH DATE	24 April 1816
BIRTH PLACE	Rozmierz, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	24 April 1816
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
MARRIAGE DATE	8 May 1842
MARRIAGE PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
OCCUPATION	Texas: farmer
RESIDENCES	Rozmierz, Poland; Bexar County, Texas
DEATH DATE	31 March 1904
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME	Francisca Pierdoła
BIRTH DATE	14 September 1825
BIRTH PLACE	Grodzisko, Poland
BAPTISM DATE	15 September 1825
BAPTISM PLACE	Św. Michała (St. Michael), Rozmierz, Poland
RESIDENCES	Grodzisko and Rozmierz, Poland; Bexar County, Texas
DEATH DATE	2 July 1894
BURIAL PLACE	Annunciation of the BVM Cemetery, St. Hedwig, Texas

Sources and Additional Information

BAPTISMS	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland Husband: p. 398, entry #44 (LDS Microfilm #0922849) Wife: p. 121, entry #125 (LDS Microfilm #0922993)
MARRIAGE	Św. Michała, Rozmierz, Poland, p. 83, entry #13 (LDS Microfilm #0922995)
SHIP AND PORT TAX ROLLS LAND RECORDS	<i>Weser</i> arrived Galveston, Texas, on 3 December 1854. Texas: 1859, 1860, 1862, and 1866 Bexar County Bexar County Deeds, Volume N2, p. 96, date of instrument and filed: 30 January 1856 (paid C. G. Napier \$120 for 40 acres); Volume W1, p. 436, date of instrument: 15 February 1870, date filed: 18 January 1872 (Deed record is for heirs of Adam Pierdolla: son Joseph Pierdolla receives 222-acre farm and daughter Francisca Pierdolla, like the rest of her siblings, receives \$200.) Wilson County Deeds, Volume E, p. 65, date of instrument: 24 March 1877, date filed: 21 April 1877 (bought from Anton and Catherine Ploch; both seller and buyer from Bexar County)
CITIZENSHIP	Declaration of Intention: 27 October 1888, Bexar County Probate Minutes, Box E, #322
FEDERAL CENSUS	Texas: 1860, 1870 (wife with children), and 1880 Bexar County; husband in 1900 Bexar County
BURIAL RECORDS	Annunciation of the BVM Catholic Church, St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495) Husband: p. 39, fifth entry Wife: p. 21, fourth entry

Joseph, the son of Jacob Michalsky and Agnes Dudek, brought his wife and children to Texas in 1854 with the first major group of Silesian immigrants. They were one of 13 families that established the colony of St. Hedwig in southeastern Bexar County (*San Antonio Express*, 12 November 1933, section D, p. 1; Dworaczyk, 1936, p. 108). Joseph's wife Francisca was the daughter of Adam Pierdoła and Maria Gaurzel, Silesian immigrants who also settled in the St. Hedwig area (see Adam Pierdoła profile).

By 1866 Joseph owned 70 acres of land valued at \$233, 2 horses worth \$40, and 30 cattle valued at \$120 (Bexar County Tax Assessments, 1866, p. 68). The second church, Annunciation of the BVM, was built in 1868 on property donated by Joseph and three other parishioners, Martin Pierdolla, Anton Tudyk, and Thomas Krawietz (Dworaczyk, 1936, p. 112). Joseph and Francisca remained members of the congregation until their deaths. They were both buried in the parish cemetery.

Baptism Records of Michalski / Michalsky Children

28 September 1843	Michael	p. 266, entry #120	Św. Michała,
26 October 1845	John	p. 329, entry #146	Rozmierz, Poland (LDS Microfilm #0922993)
6 December 1847	Barbara	p. 12, entry #189	(LDS Microfilm #0922994)
4 May 1850	Catharina	p. 67, entry #43	
6 September 1852	Rosalia	p. 191, entry #173	
18 May 1856	Julia	entry #3195	San Fernando Cathedral, San Antonio, Texas
28 October 1858	Francis	entry #67	Immaculate Conception of the BVM Catholic Church, Panna Maria, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025335)
30 March 1861	Alexander	p. 36, entry #3	St. Mary Catholic Church, San Antonio, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025467)
12 September 1866	Alexander	entry #28	Annunciation of the BVM
10 October 1868	Victor	entry #50	Catholic Church,
20 January 1871	Vincent William	entry #71	St. Hedwig, Texas (LDS Microfilm #0025495)