

## Bazzi Family

**Natale Bazzi**, was born on October 23, 1874 in Como, Italy to parents Battista and Angelina Bazzi. He was self-employed as a stonemason and bricklayer. He immigrated to the US on May 4, 1888 and petitioned for naturalization in 1905 in Pennsylvania. Natale returned to Italy and married **Francesca Goggia** (born on January 27, 1886 in Vestreno, Italy). They both came back from Italy with Ambrogio and Theodolinda Bonazzola in 1908. From the ship manifest, they were already citizens and lived in Monessen, PA. Natale and Francesca were separated by 1930. Natale married his second wife, Sidonie Bazzi, by 1940. Natale died on January 27, 1958.

**Abbondio Bazzi** was born on October 18, 1893 in Vestreno, Italy. He immigrated to the US on April 16, 1911 on the vessel Chicago. He came to Santa Barbara in 1913 and established a trucking business specializing in hauling feed to ranchers and dairy farmers throughout the county. He married Maria Cariboni on January 4, 1921 in Los Angeles. In 1929, Abbondio closed the trucking business and purchased the Live Oak Dairy on San Ysidro Rd. He ran the dairy until 1947 when he moved the operation to Buellton. He also served in the US Army in France in WWI. He belonged to the Sons of Italy, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Italian Catholic Federation, Elks Lodge, and American Legion. Abbondio passed away on December 20, 1973.

**Pietro “Pete” Bazzi** was born on October 3, 1895 in Vestreno, Como, Italy. He lived in Vestreno before immigrating to the US. He married **Francesca Bonozzola**, also from Vestreno, in the village church of St. Martin in Vestreno on February 12, 1921. Pete immigrated to the US on October 11, 1923 on the vessel, Conte Verde. He was a stonemason in Santa Barbara working on well-known local landmarks including the Santa Barbara County Courthouse and the Old Mission restoration. Pietro was a member of the Bricklayers and Tilers Local 5 of Santa Barbara. He served with the Alpine Battalion during WWI in the battles of Monte Mandrome and Montecelli. In 1972, Pietro received a gold medal from the Italian government for service to his country. In 1974, he moved to Solvang to be closer to his daughter, Geurrina Bazzi Mowry. Pietro passed away on October 2, 1976 in Solvang.

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**Guiseppe Bazzi** was born on November 12, 1886 in Vestreno, Italy to Giacomo and Margherita Calvi Bazzi. He arrived in the United States on April 17, 1915 on the vessel, Lloyd’s. He became a stonemason and lived in Montecito.

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**Tranquillo Bazzi** was born on October 23, 1888 in Vestreno, Italy to the parents, Giacomo and Margherita Calvi Bazzi. He came to the US on May 8, 1913 on the vessel SS Chicago from Arveri, France to New York City. He became a stonemason in Santa Barbara. He married **Giuseppina “Josephine” Toma** on September 18, 1915 in Santa Barbara. She was born on September 15, 1883 in Masera, Italy. Josephine’s brother, **Carlo Toma**, also immigrated to Santa Barbara.

**Gottardo Bazzi** was born on May 12, 1892 in Vestreno, Italy to Giacomo and Margherita Calvi Bazzi. He arrived in the US on April 7, 1921 on vessel, Pesoro. He became a stonemason in Santa Barbara. He married Angelina Dora. Gottardo passed away on January 16, 1965.

**Luigi Bazzi** was born on August 8, 1898 in Vestreno, Italy to Giacomo and Margherita Calvi Bazzi. He immigrated to the US on April 1, 1921 on the vessel Pesaro. He came to Santa Barbara shortly after arriving in New York City. Luigi was a hod carrier and stone mason in Santa Barbara. He married Erminia and moved to Petaluma in 1938 and then returned to Santa Barbara in 1955. He was employed by **Joe Arnoldi** as a stone mason. He was a member of the Construction and General Laborers Local 591 in Santa Barbara.

*Sources: Naturalization records, mortuary records, and obituaries provided by Santa Barbara County Genealogical Society.*