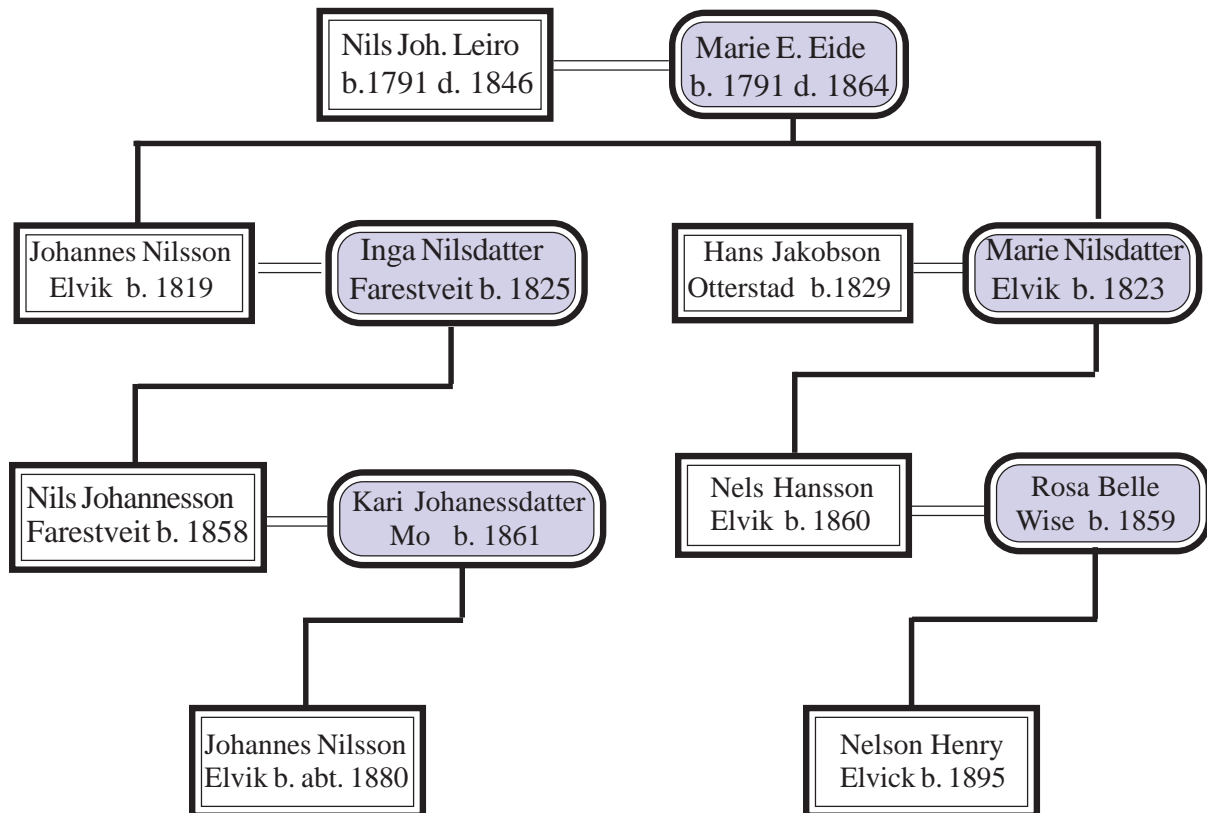


Descendants of Nils Johannesson Leiro & Marie Eiriksdatter Eide



Nils Leiro changed his surname from Leiro to Elvik when he took possession of Bruk 2 at Elvik in 1805 at the age of 14. He subsequently married Marie Eiriksdatter Eide. Johannes, the oldest son of this union, scored twice in the inheritance scenario. As the oldest son he inherited Elvik Bruk 2, but also ended up with a farm at Farestviet in Modalen. He married Inga Bertina Johannesdatter Farestveit. Inga was an only child so both the Elvik and Farestveit farms ended up in this family. Johannes had two sons named Nils. The youngest Nils, born in 1858, returned to take possession of the Elvik farm in 1875. Nils was married twice, first in 1879 to Kari Johannesdatter Mo. One of the children of this marriage was Johannes, born probably about 1880. Johannes subsequently immigrated to the USA. Johannes Elvik and Nelson Elvick, the last two names in the chart above, would have been second cousins.

In our family photograph collection there is a photo of a group of men and the place Northwood written somewhere on it. Also there is a photo of a John Elvick. The era would be about the early 1900's and my Aunt Marie (Nelson Elvick's sister) has written "cousin of Nels Elvick on the back. The Johannes Nilson Elvik above would be a good candidate to be that person. Also on the 1885 mid decade census of Grand Forks County in North Dakota there is an entry for a Nelse Elvick who is a 23 year old farm hand born in Norway. This would put his year of birth at about 1852, but I haven't been able to locate such a person.