

Family history

The family Immoos - quick overview



Immoos is an old Schwyzerland people family of the „Nidwässer“ quarter from Morschach, is living in Schwyz and Ingenbohl too. Among the similar family names as Zmoß, Zmoos, Mos, Moß, Moss, Mooser, Mosser, Moser, the moss, the moss-family is grasped in historical documents. It is belonging since the Middle Ages the Oberallmeind. From 1876 there will be uniform only written Immoos. The family was not created in the old country Schwyz autochthonous, but likely by immigration from descendants of the ministerials von Moos - from the line of Wassen or or those from the Valais, now called Zmoß - in the second half of the 15th century. His century in our area, especially in Morschach, become sedentary.

The original form of the family name is found in the nickname "moss", in the meaning of "swamp", "Moor" and "mud". Moss is thus a name for a location, a court or field names. In our region can be found in old documents following spellings and variations of the name: of Moses, of moss, Mos, Moos, Moß, Mooser, ze Moos, Zmoß, Zmoos, in Mos, in moss and since 1876 in Morschach, Schwyz and Ingenbohl, laid down uniformly, only Immoos. From 13-14. Century is the family in Urseren- and Reuss River Valley and the Valais documentary evidence tangible. In 14/15. Century, probably as became countrified, descended into insignificance descendants of the ministerial family von Moos - now called Zmoß - immigrated probably from the Valais or Urserental through the Schöllenen, about Wassen through Uri, to Morschach. The family may have originally possessed a background from Valais or from the Walser.

In Morschach several namesakes are equal to 1509 first mentioned in church yearbook as sponsor for the new church: "Lienhart, Hans, Verena and Jakob, much of the Mossy». First written records representative of moss in Morschach are: Lienhard Mos (1470-1530); Rudy Zmoß, Wilgis (1510-1585); Hans and Jakob Mos (1500-1560); Lienhart Mos (1530-1610), the father of Adam Zmoß. At the annual information is suspected life data. The various representatives of Moos from Morschach were mostly farmers. They were old compatriots of the country Nidwässer quarter Schwyz. Progenitor of family Moos of Morschach, Schwyz and Ingenbohl thus Lienhart Mos (Zmoß), ca. 1530-1610, Morschach, farm to mats, farmer. Genealogical absolutely secure tangible with the most descendants, however, is only his son Adam Zmoß, ca. 1590 to 17 August 1671 Morschach, farm Zun, farmer.

The moos-crest was first used in 1364 on a seal of the family von Moos of Urseren and Wassen. The Moos of Morschach family has always also led this crest. The blazon reads: "In gold, right rising black bear with red tongue in the left corner above six-pointed red star."

The history of Moos of Morschach, Schwyz, Ingenbohl and the descendants of the ancestor Lienhart and his son Adam Moos of Morschach is of Ruedi Walter Immoos (* 1948) in the Immoos Chronicle 2003 and the new edition of 2017 or 18 and on the Immoos site been researched and published (from 2009).