

Legend: Frank Kassuba, Jr. (About 1875 – 1934)



A second generation farmer in Otsego County, Frank Kassuba, Jr. worked the 160 acres cleared by his father. The Kassubas left Germany and settled in Otsego County in about 1878, clearing land and growing potatoes, as well as a garden for their personal use. Frank, Jr. was raised clearing timber on a farm that he would take over after his father's death.

Frank added oats, corn, rye, wheat and hay to the farm's complement, with potatoes remaining his largest crop. As a second-generation pioneer, he would take one of his two teams of horses and his sons to work in the lumber camps. One of those sons, Albert, took over the farm at 17 years old, when his father was killed in an automobile accident.

Kassuba Road is named after the family and runs adjacent to Kassuba Lake. When the family farm burned in 1922, it was rebuilt. Acreage has expanded from the original 80 acres to about 510 acres. The farm was designated a Centennial Farm in 1982.

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