

Thaddeus Kazalowski and Magdalena Gruzlewski

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Michael E. Byczek's 3x-great-grandfather was Frank Januszewski from the Grodziczno Catholic Parish in the Warmian-Masurian Voivodeship of Poland. His parents were Stephen and Marianna Januszewski. However, there is some uncertainty about Marianna's maiden name. On balance of probabilities, her name was Marianna Kazalowski. Analysis of records from the Grodziczno parish revealed a baptism for a baby named Marianna born in 1777. She was the daughter of Thaddeus Kazalski and Magdalena Gruzlewski. The surnames Kazalowski and Kazalski are deemed equivalent.

On balance of probabilities, it is more likely than not, and highly plausible to be true that Thaddeus Kazalski and Magdalena Gruzlewski are Frank Januszewski's grandparents. However, more information and research is required for a final determination. Representative documents for the Thaddeus Kazalski and Magdalena Gruzlewski family are included in this documentary.

Thaddeus Kazalski and Magdalena Gruzlewski were married in 1774 at the Grodziczno church.

Three baptisms for their children have been identified, all at the Grodziczno church:

Child	Birth
Marianna	1777
Francisca	1782
Eva	1783

There is a death for Thaddeus Kazalski in 1783 who was 31 years old. This provides an estimated date of birth as 1752.

The baby Francisca Kazalski passed away just prior to Thaddeus.

There is a marriage record in 1784, also at Grodziczno, for Magdalena Kazalska who appears to have been a widow. The husband's name was Paul Skolimowski. It would appear that Magdalena was 30 and Paul 25 years old.

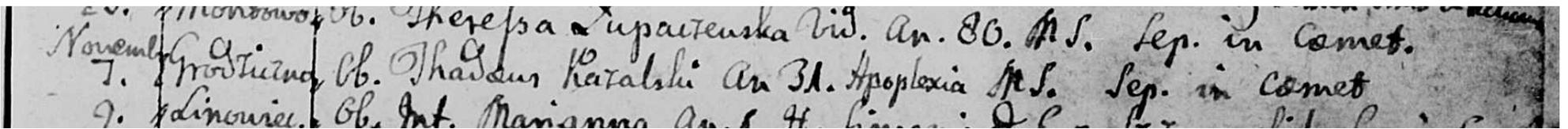
The 1784 marriage suggests that Magdalena was born about 1754. A baptism has been verified for a baby named Magdalena in 1753, the daughter of Stephan and Marianna Gruzlewski. The surname is not entirely legible. A baptism for Valentine, son of Stephan and Marianna Gruzlewski, was verified for the year 1749.

Research is ongoing to determine, with greater probability, whether these records are accurate to Frank Januszewski's mother, grandparents, and great-grandparents.

Codem	30 obis	Wem	Thaddeus Kazalski Magdalena Gruzlewska	Barbortus Laurentij Balerjaci	Grodziczno
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1774 Marriage of Thaddeus Kazalski and Magdalena Gruzlewska
 Grodziczno Parish
 Marriage appears to be listed for the Grodziczno village (illegible)

Source: Family Search Microfilm



1783 Death of Thaddeus Kazalski
Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Children of Thaddeus Kazalowski and Magdalena Gruzlewski

Representative documents are listed below.

Codem	2da February	Idem	Marianna	Thaddeus Kazalski Magdalen Gruzlewska	Antoni Lemon Agnes Oszmanska	Grodzic czno
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1777 Baptism of Marianna Kazalski
 Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

The marriage of Stephan Januszewski and Marianna Kazalowski in 1792 listed Marianna as 16 years old.
 This would suggest she was born about 1776. The 1777 baptism above is very reasonable.

15	mem	Nat. 12. Eyr	Thaddeus Kazalski	Korhy Podborowski	Grodziczno.
2. lepta	mem	Francisca nat. 1. Eyr	Magdalena De Imlew	Terefa Goralowna	
		Francisca nat	Stanislaw Kolha	Joannes Anclauski	Lorki.

1782 Baptism of Francisca Kazalski
Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

10. Aug.	Grodziczno.	Ob. Inf. Francisca Pap. an. 4.	Thaddei & Magdalena Kazalskih.	sep. in Com.
M. Linowice	Ob. Inf. Lucia Pap. an. 1.	H. Simonis & Marianna		sep. in Com.

1783 Death of Francisca Kazalski
Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Note: The child was listed as 4 years old, when she should have only been one.
This suggests the possibility of two families with the same names.

25. Decemb	Dr. Valen tinus De formatus.	Eva	Thaddeus Ka zalski et Ma gdalena d.C.	Hyacinthus Lie linski Mariap na Gruzlewska	GRODZICZNO
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1783 Baptism of Eva Kazalski
Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Possible 2nd Marriage of Magdalena Gruzlewski

<p>15. July 15. July</p>	<p>idem idem qui supra</p>	<p>Paulus Skolimowski u. Magdalena Kazalska filia juve nis Ann: 25. et illa Vidua Ann: 30. Uaballi.</p>	<p>Przemyslis Zbus Bannus.</p>	<p>Rochus Podko. rouski St. Antonig. Sics. Szczepan Orga nanus.</p>	<p>Grodzicno.</p>
<p>S. Augusti</p>	<p>Idem.</p>	<p>Jan Stanislawo.</p>	<p>Jan Palnifer</p>	<p>Jan Duki</p>	<p>15</p>

1784 Marriage of Paul Skolimowski and Magdalena Kazalski
Grodziczno (Grodziczno Parish)

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Stephen and Marianna Gruzlewski Family

On balance of probabilities, given what is known at present, Magdalena Gruzlewski's parents were Stephen and Marianna Gruzlewski from the Grodziczno Parish.

Anno 1749 16 ^{to} Fe bruari:	Joannes Abrosius wid.	Valenti nus Jh mihai:	Stephanus Gruzlewski et Marianna Gruzlewski	Michael Kutalowski et Mari anna.	De Kaba rynski.
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1749 Baptism of Valentine Gruzlewski
Son of Stephen and Marianna Gruzlewski
Grodziczno Parish

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Anno ut supra 1 ^{ma} Aprilis	Joannes Abrosius	Magda lena Jh mihori	Stephanus Gruzlewski et Mari anna	Josephus Ciecior et Ma rianna	Kabaryn ki.
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1753 Baptism of Magdalena Gruzlewski
Daughter of Stephen and Marianna Gruzlewski
Grodziczno Parish

Source: Family Search Microfilm

Additional Information

Thaddeus Kazalowski and Magdalena Gruzlewski are Michael E. Byczek's 5x-great-grandparents. Their daughter Marianna Kazalowski (4x-great-grandmother) married Stephen Januszewski in 1792 in Grodziczno. Their son Frank Januszewski (3x-great-grandfather) married Sophia Sawiensi in Byton in 1834. Their daughter Martha Januszewski (2x-great-grandmother) married Lawrence Bykowski in 1871 in Swierczyn. Their son Joseph Bykowski (great-grandfather) married Margaret Piotrowski in 1907 in Witowo prior to settling in Chicago, IL. Their son Roman Bykowski (grandfather) arrived in the United States when he was three years old. The family lived in the Bucktown neighborhood. Roman married Antoinette Murzynowicz/Marynowski in 1936 at St. Stanislaus Kostka in the Pulaski Park neighborhood. Their daughter Betty A. Bykowski (mother) married Michael M. Byczek in 1974 at St. Helen's on Augusta and Oakley in Chicago. They have two children, Michael E. Byczek (the eldest) and Katherine S. Byczek, both born in the Bridgeport neighborhood.

Google Maps:

- Grodziczno is a village in Nowe Miasto County, Warmian-Masurian Voivodeship, in northern Poland. It is the seat of the gmina called Gmina Grodziczno.

Michael E. Byczek has been compiling actual records for the Grodziczno Catholic Church (and nearby locations) over the past ten or more years through direct messages to diocese archives, access to digitized microfilm, and online resources (i.e. digitalized records from Polish archives). He has gathered an extensive collection of documents. This compiled documentary is an accurate source of genealogy for Thaddeus Kazalowski and Magdalena Gruzlewski.

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