

A ThruLines™ for Thure Petter Brorström

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Introduction

My mother was Grace Florence Brorström (1916-2000). All four of her grandparents were Swedes who immigrated to America in the 1880's. This means that her ethnicity was 100% Swedish, making me 50% Swedish.

I am interested in my family genealogy, and I find that it is very helpful to use DNA not only to confirm the relationships with people in my existing family tree, but also to extend this tree by finding new DNA matches and learning how they are related. I have been able to use the DNA profiles of several of my Brorström cousins in researching the Swedish branch of my family tree, since they have DNA matches with distant cousins that I don't have (due to the way that autosomal DNA is inherited).



Glimmingehus Castle in Skåne – near Simrishamn

I now am making use of the new ThruLines™ software on the Ancestry.com website to expand my knowledge of my family tree. This software looks at all the family trees on Ancestry.com to try to build a connection between me and my DNA matches (that is, the people with whom I have a DNA match, indicating that we are descended from a common ancestor). The ThruLines™ are organized by generation – first my parents, then grandparents, great-grandparents, etc.

ThruLines™ for Thure Petter Brorström





I recently examined my ThruLines™ for my third-great grandfather Thure Petter Brorström (1768-1855). I don't have DNA matches with descendants of any of his children other than my second-great grandfather Malte Brorström (1816-1877). And Thure Petter had LOTS of children – four with his first wife and nine with his second wife. Of course, this is going back so many generations that any living descendants of Thure Petter are likely to be my fourth- or fifth-cousins, and we know that individuals with such distant relationships can have zero shared DNA. So I would have to be lucky to have a DNA match with a descendant of another child of Thure Petter.

For completeness, I looked at Annmarie's ThruLines™ for Thure Petter – and I'm glad that I did!

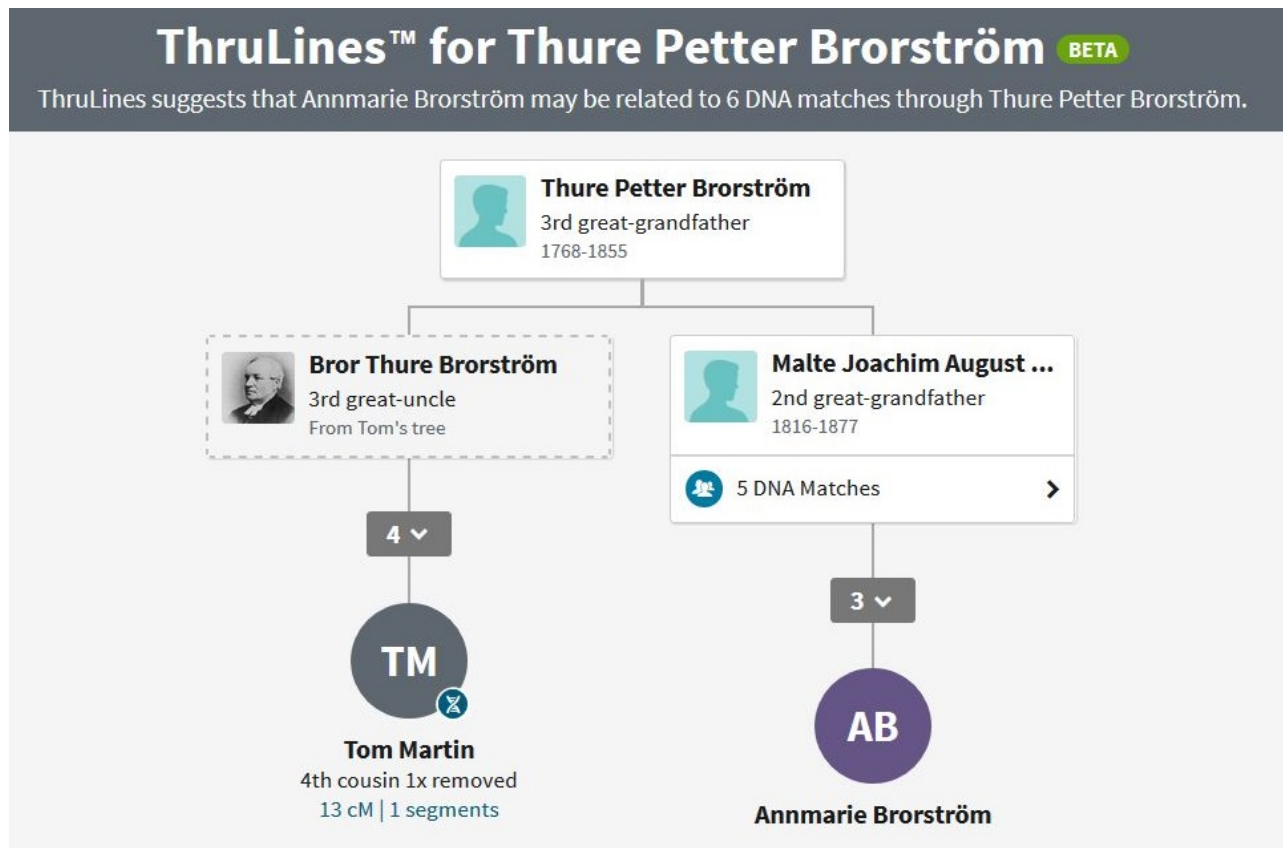
ThruLines™ BETA

ThruLines suggests how Annmarie Brorström may be related to their DNA matches through these common ancestors.

3rd Great Grandparents

 Thure Petter Brorström 3rd great-grandfather 1768-1855	 Beata Christina Hultman 3rd great-grandmother 1787-1826	 Paulus Laurentius Billing 3rd great-grandfather 1788-1837	 Kristina Maria Fick 3rd great-grandmother 1790-1862
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The following ThruLines™ shows that Annmarie and a man named Tom Martin are both descended from Thure Petter Brorström:



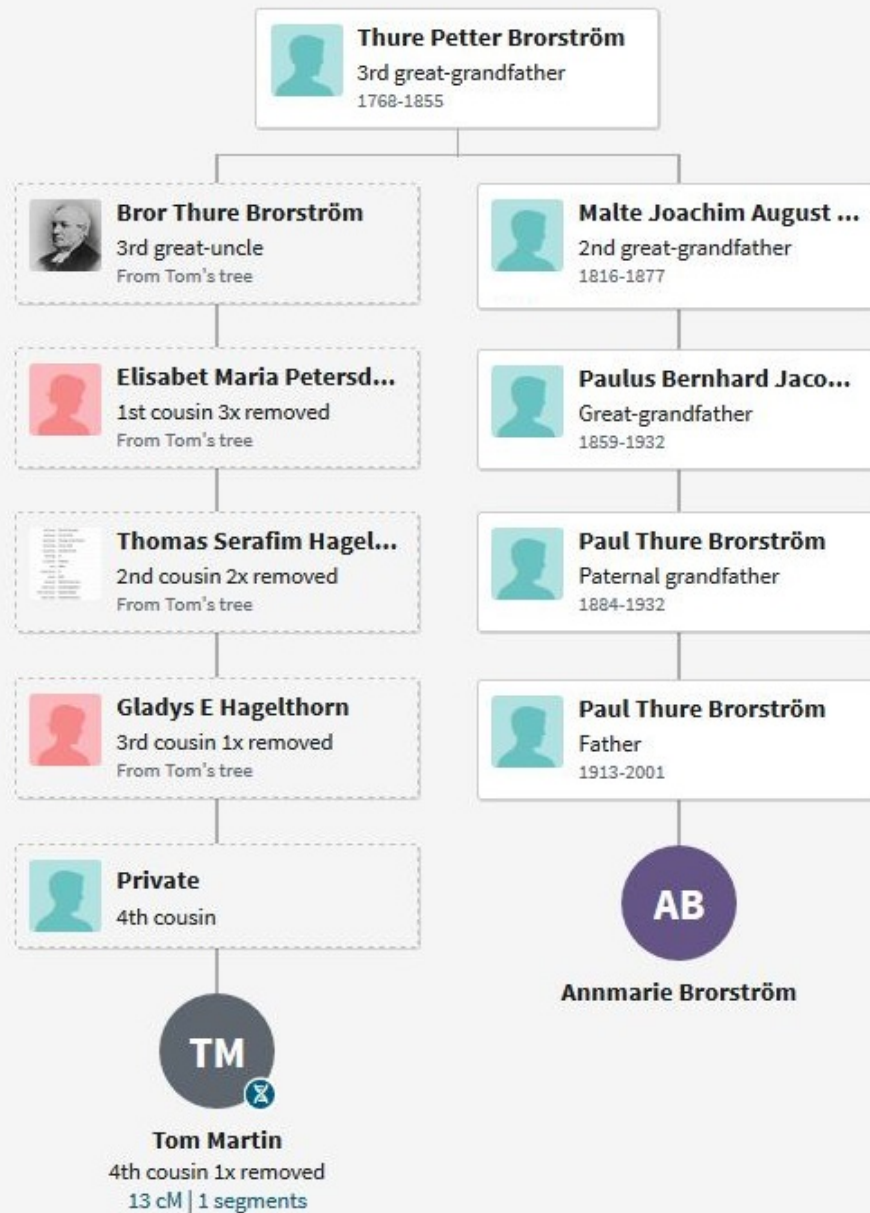
Annmarie is descended from our second-great grandfather Malte Joachim August Brorström (1816-1877), while Tom Martin is descended from Malte's older brother, Bror Thure Brorström (1807-1886).

Furthermore, this ThruLines™ indicates that Annmarie and Tom are fourth-cousins once-removed, and they share 13 cM of DNA on a single segment.

Expanding the tree shows both of their lines back to Thure Petter:

ThruLines™ for Thure Petter Brorström BETA

ThruLines suggests that Anmarie Brorström may be related to 6 DNA matches through Thure Petter Brorström.

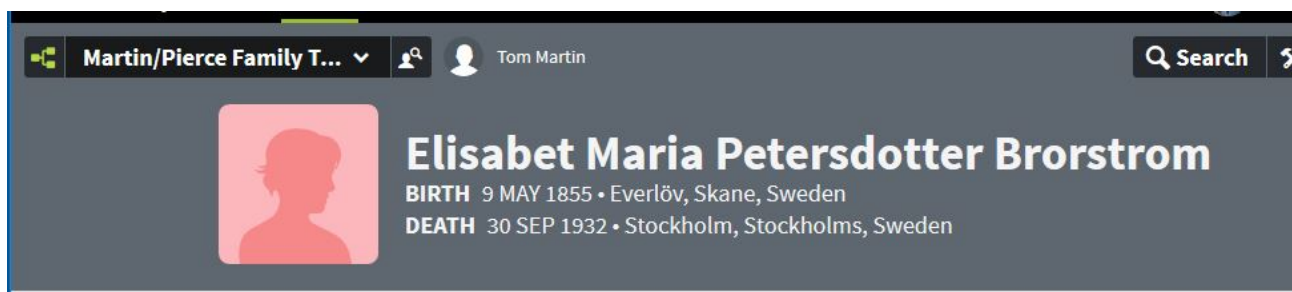


This tree does NOT show Tom's father, since his father is still living.


I find it interesting to see how the ThruLines™ software connected our two branches of the tree. Tom Martin's tree does NOT have Malte as a son of Thure Petter, and Anmarie's tree does NOT have Bror Thure as a son of Thure Petter. But since they both went back to Thure Petter, the software connected the two lines. This required some good programming, since Tom's tree shows this fellow as Thure Petrus, using the Latinized form of Petter. This could be his real name,

since he was a priest at the church in Borrby, and clergy at that time did have Latinized names. I'll keep using Thure Petter in my family tree.

Tom's tree shows that Bror Thure's daughter was Elisabeth Maria Petersdotter Brorström:



Martin/Pierce Family T... Tom Martin Search

 **Elisabet Maria Petersdotter Brorstrom**
BIRTH 9 MAY 1855 • Everlöv, Skane, Sweden
DEATH 30 SEP 1932 • Stockholm, Stockholms, Sweden

This tree also shows that Elisabeth was married to Gustaf Henrik Robert Hageltorn (1846–1926). Elisabeth appears in Anna Guttorp's family tree as Elisabeth Petronella Brorström (1855-1935), having the same husband:



Släkten Guttorp med närstående

	Bror Thure Brorström (1807-1886)
	EMMA Karin Rosengvist (1821-1857)
m. 31 aug 1877	
Gustaf Hagelthorn 	ELISABETH Petronella Brorström 
 b. 27 apr 1846, Farhult, Malmöhus län d. 7 mar 1926, Stockholm bur. occ. Stationsinspektör edu. rel.	 b. 9 maj 1855, Everlöv, Malmöhus län d. 30 sep 1935, Stockholm bur. occ. edu. rel.

I'm likely to go with the name in Anna's tree.

I am always surprised when I find family trees on Ancestry with the same information for common ancestors. For example, Tom's tree and Annmarie's tree both include Thure Petter Brorström's mother, Kristina Charlotta Bergstedt (1736-1811):

Direct ancestors with the surname Bergstedt

<p>From Tom Martin : Martin/Pierce Family Tree (3)</p> <p>Christina Charlotta Bergstedt B: 19 OCT 1736 in Närtuna socken, Roslagen D: 6 AUG 1811 in Malmö Car., Malmöhus län</p>	<p>From Annmarie Brorström : GBO_ancestors_GEDCOM_file (3)</p> <p>Kristina Charlotta Bergstedt B: 19 OCT 1736 in Närtuna, Sweden D: 6 AUG 1811 in Malmö, Sweden</p>
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Of course, both trees also have Thure Petter's wife, Beata Christina Hultman (1787-1826):

Direct ancestors with the surname Hultman

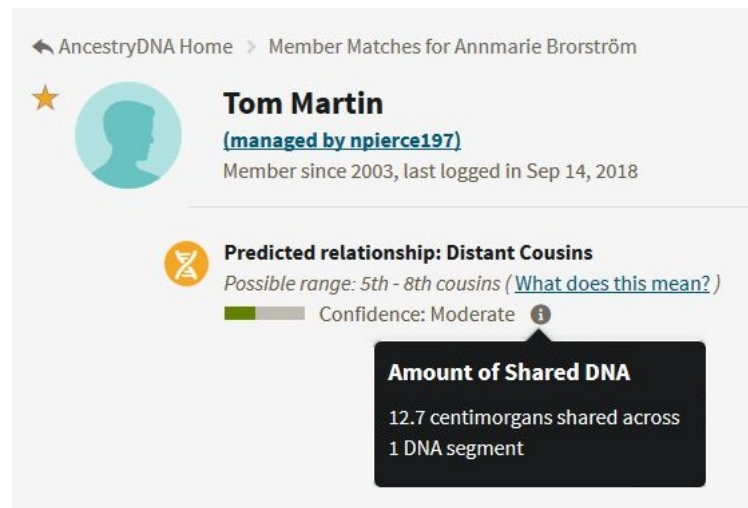
<p>From Tom Martin : Martin/Pierce Family Tree (1)</p> <p>Beata Christina Hultman B: 06 Jan 1787 D: 10 May 1826</p>	<p>From Annmarie Brorström : GBO_ancestors_GEDCOM_file (2)</p> <p>Beata Christina Hultman B: 6 JAN 1787 in Karlskrona, Sweden D: 10 May 1826 in Borrby, Kristianstad, Sweden</p>
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And Thure Petter (Petrus) himself:

Direct ancestors with the surname Brorström

<p>From Tom Martin : Martin/Pierce Family Tree (2)</p> <p>Thure Petrus Brorström B: 10 Oct 1768 in Fågeltofta, Kristianstad, Skåne, Sweden D: 3 Oct 1855 in Borrby, Kristianstad, Skåne, Sweden</p>	<p>From Annmarie Brorström : GBO_ancestors_GEDCOM_file (6)</p> <p>Thure Petter Brorström B: 10 OCT 1768 in Fågeltofta, Sweden D: 3 OCT 1855 in Borrby, Sweden</p>
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Recall that the ThruLines™ software on Ancestry.com found Tom Martin because of his DNA match with Annmarie:



The screenshot shows a member match for Tom Martin on AncestryDNA. At the top, it says "AncestryDNA Home" and "Member Matches for Annmarie Brorström". Below this is a star icon, a profile picture placeholder, and the name "Tom Martin" in bold. Underneath the name, it says "(managed by npierce197)" and "Member since 2003, last logged in Sep 14, 2018". A horizontal line separates this from the relationship information. Below the line is a DNA double helix icon, followed by "Predicted relationship: Distant Cousins" in bold. Underneath that, it says "Possible range: 5th - 8th cousins (What does this mean?)". Below the text is a progress bar and "Confidence: Moderate" with an information icon. A black tooltip box is overlaid on the progress bar, containing the text "Amount of Shared DNA" and "12.7 centimorgans shared across 1 DNA segment".

Interesting that nobody else in the family who has tested on Ancestry.com has this DNA match – Susan, Stuart, or Burks. So I am really fortunate to be able to access Annmarie’s DNA test on the Ancestry.com website.

Conclusion

In this short narrative, I described Annmarie’s ThruLines™ for Thure Petter Brorström (1768-1855). Annmarie is descended from our second-great grandfather Malte Joachim August Brorström (1816-1877), while Tom Martin is descended from Malte’s older brother, Bror Thure Brorström (1807-1886).

It always is nice to find one more DNA match confirming our family’s roots in Skåne County, Sweden!