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Introduction

Michael, it is with pleasure we present you with the findings of your second research session with us.

Your research goal for this session was to identify all the siblings of Giovanni Lombardo (born 21 September 1877 in Marsala, Trapani, Sicily, Italy) and Angelina Marino (born 16 August in Strasatti, Marsala, Trapani, Sicily, Italy), and identify the spouses and children of those siblings. Additionally, you requested we document as much information as possible of the parents of Giovanni and Angelina (Giuseppe Lombardo and Rosaria Patti, and Andrea Marino and Rosa Mezzapelle, respectively), and that we provide full translations of all records found during this project.

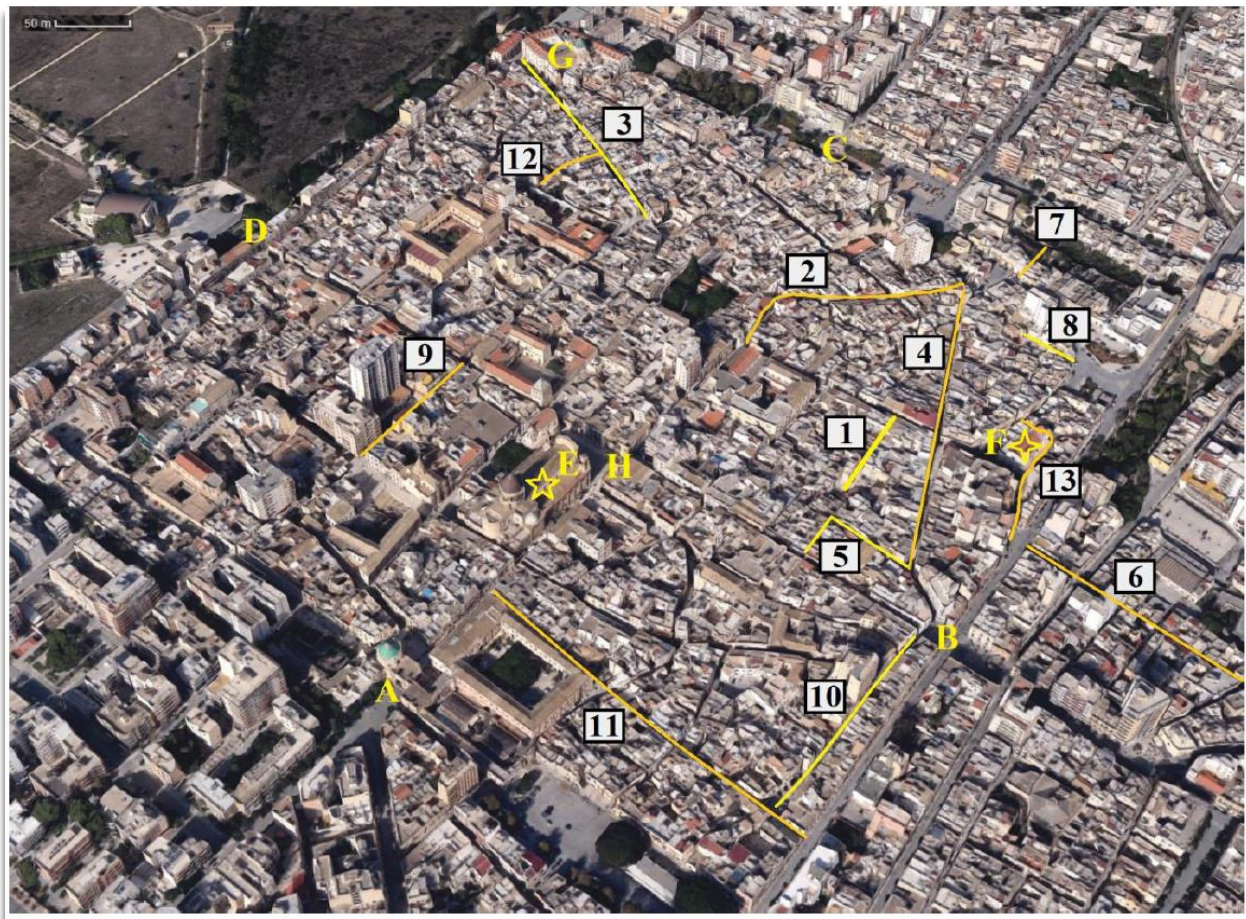
Originally, our plan was to research records not only held with the civil registrar of Marsala—who also holds records for the hamlet of Petrosino—but to also find corresponding sacramental records with the parishes. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, research in parish records was not possible. We were, however, still able to achieve your research objective by identifying all siblings of Giovanni Lombardo and Angelina Marino, and the immediate families of those siblings. Our researcher Gabriele Musumeci worked on your case for us by visiting the town hall of records in Marsala. The following is his report of his work, in his own words (with minor corrects made due to English being his second language). We have added all of these new individuals to your online *Ancestry* tree, and have uploaded all 57 documents to their corresponding events.

Preparation

To prepare for research, I relied on the civil records of Marsala available online (births: 1820-1910, weddings and deaths: 1820-1928). I bypassed the several gaps on the documentation available online by arranging a visit the hall of records in Marsala. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, I was unable to spend much time in the hall of records, so I had to make a selection of the records I could look for; thus, I went for the ones that could get me as much information as possible about the members of Giovanni Lombardo's and Angela Marino's families.

In this report, there are relevant toponyms designated with a code referring to the pictures' gallery and the map of Marsala:

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| 1. vicolo Suoro Palma | 8. vicolo Cavazza | B. <i>porta Mazara</i> |
| 2. via San Michele | 9. via Curatulo | C. <i>porta Trapani (Porticella)</i> |
| 3. via San Francesco | 10. via Grazia Vecchia | D. <i>porta Nuova</i> |
| 4. via Don Calogero | 11. via Santa Caterina | E. <i>Chiesa Madre</i> |
| 5. <i>via Sanclimenti</i> | 12. vicolo Macina | F. <i>Church of San Matteo</i> |
| 6. via Lazzara | 13. via Dagotti | G. <i>Church of San Francesco</i> |
| 7. <i>vicolo dell'Infermeria</i> | A. <i>porta Giaribaldi</i> | H. <i>Palazzo VII Aprile</i> |



Giovanni Lombardo and Angela Marino

Giovanni Lombardo and Angela Marino married in Marsala on February 13th, 1904 (doc.6) and settled in the countryside south of Marsala, in the area known as *contrada Terranova*. Besides the two children reported by you, Rosaria (1904-1937) and Rosa (1916-1997), I was able to document three children born to this couple, all stillborn:

- 1) Rosa Lombardo (I), born on November 12th, 1906 (doc.7);
- 2) Rosa Lombardo (II), born on January 11th, 1908 (doc.8);
- 3) Giuseppe Lombardo, born on April 11th, 1910 (doc.9).

Giovanni Lombardo's Family

Giovanni Lombardo's parents were Giuseppe and Rosaria Maria Patti. When they got married, Rosaria was about 15 years old, in 1863. As there are no indexes available online for the wedding

records before 1866, I had to go through the whole registers for 1862-64, page-by-page, looking for their wedding, but without success. Still, I was able to learn more about them.

Giuseppe Lombardo was born to Leonardo (born about 1819) and Vita De Vita (born about 1818) on March 27th, 1841, in *via Suoro Palma* (doc.48). Rosaria Maria Patti, six years younger, was born to Francesco (born about 1817) and Maria Anna Bonafede (born about 1819) on November 2nd, 1847 in *via San Michele* (doc.49). They were peasants and belonged to a family of peasants.

The couple Giuseppe Lombardo and Rosaria Maria Patti had seven children, six of whom grew to adulthood:

1. Leonardo, named after the paternal grandfather, was born on February 25th, 1864, just north of the walled city, outside *porta Trapani*, the gate heading to that city (doc.10). Leonardo married in Marsala on April 19th, 1896 with Vincenza Abate (doc.11). As you shared previously, Leonardo and Vincenza had two children before emigrating to the USA; only one could be documented, Vita. No reference to Giuseppa was found in records, though another child was found born after Giuseppa's approximate date of birth:
 - a. Vita Lombardo, born on October 20th, 1898 (doc.12), who married Giuseppe Giacalone in the USA and had several children;
 - b. Rosaria Lombardo, born on November 5th, 1903 (doc.13);
2. Francesco, named after the maternal grandfather, was born on December 8th, 1866 in *via San Francesco*.¹ He married Caterina Ampola when he was almost 40 years old, on September 8th, 1906 in Marsala (doc.11). I could document only one child for this couple:
 - a. Rosaria Lombardo, born on March 19th, 1909 (doc.15)

We know for certain that Francesco remained living in Marsala: indeed, he reported the death of his mother in 1924 (doc.51) and he died in Petrosino² on July 22nd, 1957.

3. Giovanni (I) was the only child of Giuseppe Lombardo and Rosaria Patti who died as a child. He was born on May 31st, 1870 in a courtyard of what is now *via Calogero Isgro*,³ and there he died 19 days later (docs.16-17);

In the death record, it says he was "born in and died at his paternal home". Via Fuori Porto Mazara is not a street name, but is saying "a street outside of Porto Mazara." Porto Mazara is on the SE side of the [old/historic] city. Porto Mazara has been destroyed and rebuilt a handful of times, but was where the piazza Giacomo Matteotti was built to commemorate the place.

¹ Corresponding to nowadays' *piazza San Francesco* and *via Dott. S. Angileri*.

² Petrosino became an independent *comune* (municipality) in 1980, and included territories once belonging to Marsala and Mazara del Vallo. Still, a section of the hall of records of Marsala was established there since 1893 and the village began having its own civil records.

³ The street was known for the shoemakers' and cobblers' workshops and later for its shoe shops. On that street there are still mural tile-made decorations celebrating this history of the street.

4. Vita, named after the paternal grandmother, was born on October 17th, 1873 in the same house where Giovanni was born three years earlier (doc.18). When she was 20 years old, on November 25th, 1893, she married Vincenzo Indelicato, who was also peasant from Marsala (doc.19). Only one child of this couple could be documented, a stillborn:

- a. Nicolò Indelicato, born on September 27th, 1895 (doc.120).

Vita's death is not reported in Marsala before 1929 and there is no death annotation on her birth record at the hall of records in Marsala. This might mean that she – most likely along with her husband – left Marsala shortly after the unfortunate birth of their firstborn child;

5. Anna, named after her maternal grandmother, was also born on *via Calogero Isgrò* on October 9th, 1875 (doc.121). She got married twice. The first time was on January 9th, 1908, to Vincenzo Taranto, who was born in nearby Mazara del Vallo, but resided in Marsala. I could document only one child for this couple:

- a. Antonina Taranto was born on March 25th, 1909. When she was almost 20 years old, on February 7th, 1929, she got married with Gaspare Indice;

On October 16th, 1939, when she was 64 years old, Anna married again in Petrosino. Her second husband's name was Ignazio Renda.

6. Giovanni (II), your direct ancestor, was born on *via Sanclimenti* on September 21st, 1877 (doc.1);
7. Giuseppe, the youngest child of Giuseppe Lombardo and Rosaria Maria Patti, was born on March 28th, 1880, also on *via Sanclimenti*. He emigrated to the USA quite early, but soon returned to Marsala, where, on February 13th, 1915, he married Ignazia Patti. Like his elder brother Francesco, he remained living in Marsala. We find him reporting his mother's death in 1924 (doc.48), and he died in Marsala on June 7th, 1947 (doc.21).

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28th not March

Your second great-grandfather Giuseppe Lombardo died at 60 years old on August 4th, 1901, on *via Lazara*, and his mother, Vita De Vita, was still living (doc.47). His wife, Rosaria Patti, survived him twenty-three years and died 77 years old on December 18th, 1924, on *contrada Pastorella* (doc.48), in the countryside south of Marsala, not far from Petrosino and Strasatti.

Angela Marino's Family

Angela Marino's father, Andrea Marino, was born on September 7th, 1826 in Marsala, in *via dell'Infermaria*, to Andrea (born about 1791) and Rosa Marino (born about 1802), both peasants (doc.52). Andrea married twice. His first wife was Francesca Morana, a foundling born in about 1833. Four children of the couple could be documented (half-siblings of Angela Marino), all of which died as children, except one:

1. Andrea (I) was born on July 15th, 1861 on *via Calogero Isgrò* and died one week later on *via Cavařza*. He was baptized in the parish of *San Matteo* (docs.25-26);
2. Andrea (II) was born in *via Cavařza* on March 23rd, 1863 and died there one year and nine months later, on December 14th, 1864. He was also baptized in the parish of *San Matteo* (docs.27-28);
3. Andrea (III), the only child of Francesca Morano who survived to adulthood, was born on October 19th, 1869 in *via Curatulo* and, like his namesake father, married twice (doc.29). His first wife was Angela Pipitone, whom he married on February 11th, 1895 (doc.30). I could document two children of this couple, both born in *contrada Bambina*, but with a gap of four years between them, which may suggest the family lived elsewhere for a while:
 - a. Francesca Marino was born on May 15th, 1898 (doc.31);
 - b. Andrea Marino was born on January 3rd, 1902 (doc.32);

On September 1st, 1918, when he was almost 49 years old, Andrea Marino married again, this time to Girolama Scalia. Andrea Marino died on October 7th, 1960 in Santo Padre, a section of the *comune* in the north of the territory of Marsala; he was 91 years old.

4. Antonio (I) was born on May 17th, 1873 in *via Grazia Vecchia* and died there eighteen days later, on June 4th (docs.33-34).

Francesca Morana died at *via Grazia Vecchia* on May 29th, 1873 at 10 p.m., most likely due to the consequences of the childbirth she had gone through twelve days earlier. She was 40 years old (doc.54).

Four months later, on October 4th, 1873, Andrea Marino married Rosa Mezzapelle (doc.56), the mother of Angela Marino. Rosa was 23 years younger than her husband; she was born on March 1st, 1850 on *via Santa Caterina* to Francesco (born about 1820) and Maria Venera Pellegrino (born about 1828), both peasants (doc.53). Andrea Marino and his second wife had six children:

5. Angela (I) was born on August 7th, 1874 on *via Macina*, ten months after her parents' wedding (doc.32). She died on January 16th, 1879 when she was four years old and her family had already moved to *via Dagotti* (doc.36);
6. Maria Venera, named after her maternal grandmother, was born on October 21st, 1876 on *via Dagotti* (doc.34). She got married with Melchiorre Figlioli on January 13th, 1896 (doc.38) and the couple had four children that were found documented:
 - a. Andrea Figlioli, born on June 2nd, 1899, who married Caterina De Vita on January 6th, 1926 (doc.39). He resided in Marsala after his marriage as we find him reporting his maternal grandmother's death in 1928 (doc.57). **Moreover, he was likely the one writing to Irene Pulizzi in 1956 and who met "Peter" during his visit to**

Marsala. Andrea refers to Peter as a nephew, but indeed he was the son of a first cousin of his. Andrea Figlioli is the only member of the family who is reported not to be a peasant or a farmer, as he was a duty officer;

- b. Pasquale Figlioli was born on December 12th, 1903 and on February 6th, 1932, he married Rosina Montalto⁴ (doc.40);
 - c. Antonio Figlioli was born on December 17th, 1906 and married Maria Amato on April 9th, 1932 (doc.41);
 - d. Vitina Figlioli was born on February 27th, 1910 and married Antonino Genovese on April 1st, 1930 (doc.42);
7. Antonio (II) was born on January 23rd, 1880⁵ in *contrada Terrenove* and married Maria Agate on January 29th, 1912 (docs.43-44), as reported by you, with a little spelling difference concerning his wife's surname. Shortly after, he emigrated to the United States where he and his wife had children. He died on July 27th, 1960;
8. Angela (II), the client's ancestor, was born in *via Dagotti* on August 11th, 1882 (doc.5);
9. Michela (I) was born on December 2nd, 1885 in *contrada Bambina* and died seven months later in *via Dagotti* (docs.45-46);
10. Michela (II) was born on November 9th, 1893 in *contrada Terrenove* (doc.47) when her parents were 67 and 43 years old. She arrived in the United States in 1917, where she married Antonino Lombardo and had several children. She died on May 20th, 1980.

Andrea Marino died when he was 80 years old on March 29th, 1907, in his house in *contrada Bambina* (doc.56). It was in this same place 21 years later, on December 28th, 1928, where his widow Rosa Mezzapelle died at 78 years old (doc.57).

⁴ The first name is not clear. Rosina is my best guess.

⁵ Not in 1885, as reported in the family tree originally provided.



Further Perspectives

There are plenty of options to follow up on this research:

- A second visit could be arranged to the hall of records of Marsala to check the birth records more recent than 1910 to complete the offspring of Giovanni Lombardo and Angela Marino and their siblings. Also, checking the death records after 1928 could give further details about the death of the family members who continued living in Marsala;
- Additionally, relying on the support of the recordkeepers at the *comune* of Marsala, we may be able to track down living descendants of both the Lombardo and the Marino families;
- We could further trace the ancestry of Giovanni Lombardo and Angela Marino relying on both the records available online and the parish records of the *Chiesa Madre* and the parish of *San Matteo*. In the first case, the documents are kept at the *Museo degli Arazzi* in Marsala, which is closed now due to COVID-19 restriction policies. Concerning the parish of *San Matteo*, we

contacted the priest, who also has decided not to admit researchers during the pandemic emergency. Still, we got in contact with an association that digitalized most of the records of the *Chiesa Madre* and that would be available to assist us in the research upon compensation.



On the left, a view of *via Sanclimenti*, where Giovanni Lombardo was born in 1877. On the right, a view of *via Dagotti*, where Angela Marino was born in 1882.

Index of the Records

(All civil records from the comune of Marsala, kept at the State Archive of Trapani, available online, except when indicated "on site", meaning it is a copy kept at the hall of records of the comune of Marsala)

- 1) Marino Angelina. Birth record N.1022 (1883);
- 2) Mezzapelle Rosa. Death record N.621 (1928);
- 3) Marino Andrea - Mezzapelle Rosa. Wedding record N.271 (1873);
- 4) Lombardo Giovanni. Birth record N.942 (1877) (*on site*);
- 5) Marino Angela. Birth record N.1022 (1882);

- 6) Lombardo Giovanni - Marino Angela. Wedding record N.130 (1904);
- 7) Lombardo Rosa. Birth record N.1391 (1906);
- 8) Lombardo Rosa. Birth record N.64 (1908);
- 9) Lombardo Giuseppe. Birth record N.505 (1910);
- 10) Lombardo Leonardo. Birth record N.213 (1864);
- 11) Lombardo Leonardo - Abate Vincenza. Wedding record N.119 (1896);
- 12) Lombardo Vita. Birth record N.1611 (1898);
- 13) Lombardo Rosaria. Birth record N.1338 (1903);
- 14) Lombardo Francesco. Birth record N.1223 (1866);
- 15) Lombardo Rosaria. Birth record N.373 (1909);
- 16) Lombardo Giovanni. Birth record N.532 (1870);
- 17) Lombardo Giovanni. Death record N.386 (1870);
- 18) Lombardo Vita. Birth record N.1052 (1873);
- 19) Indelicato Vincenzo - Lombardo Vita. Wedding record N.310 (1893);
- 20) Indelicato Nicolò. Birth record N.1415 (1905);
- 21) Lombardo Anna. Birth record N.935 (1875) (*on site*);
- 22) Taranto Vincenzo - Lombardo Anna. Wedding record N.5 (1908);
- 23) Taranto Antonina. Birth record N.394 (1909);
- 24) Lombardo Giuseppe. Birth record N.311 (1875) (*on site*);
- 25) Marino Andrea. Birth record N.674 (1861);
- 26) Marino Andrea. Death record N.393 (1861);
- 27) Marino Andrea. Birth record N.352 (1863);
- 28) Marino Andrea. Death record N.937 (1864);

- 29) Marino Andrea. Birth record N.891 (1869);
- 30) Marino Andrea - Pipitone Angela. Wedding record N.55 (1895);
- 31) Marino Francesca. Birth record N.868 (1898);
- 32) Marino Andrea. Birth record N.44 (1902);
- 33) Marino Antonio. Birth record N.569 (1873);
- 34) Marino Antonio. Death record N.289 (1873);
- 35) Marino Angela. Birth record N.794 (1874) (*on site*);
- 36) Marino Angela. Death record N.42 (1879);
- 37) Marino Maria Venera. Birth record N.1024 (1876);
- 38) Figlioli Melchiorre - Marino Maria Venera. Wedding record N.8 (1896);
- 39) Figlioli Andrea. Birth record N.859 (1899);
- 40) Figlioli Pasquale. Birth record N.1501 (1903);
- 41) Figlioli Antonio. Birth record N.1501 (1903);
- 42) Figlioli Vitina. Birth record N.343 (1910);
- 43) Marino Antonio. Birth record N.132 (1880);
- 44) Marino Antonio - Pipitone Angela. Wedding record N.26 (1912);
- 45) Marino Michela. Birth record N.1699 (1885);
- 46) Marino Michela. Death record N.519 (1886);
- 47) Marino Michela. Birth record N.1660 (1893);
- 48) Lombardo Giuseppe. Birth record N.275 (1841);
- 49) Patti Rosaria. Birth record N.803 (1847);
- 50) Lombardo Giuseppe. Death record N.600 (1901);
- 51) Patti Rosaria. Death record N.570 (1924);

- 52) Marino Andrea. Birth record N.641 (1826);
- 53) Mezzapelle Rosa. Birth record N.220 (1850);
- 54) Morana Francesca. Death record N.280 (1873);
- 55) Marino Andrea - Mezzapelle Rosa. Wedding record N.271 (1873);
- 56) Marino Andrea. Death record N.221 (1907);
- 57) Mezzapelle Rosa. Death record N.621 (1928) (*on site*).

Your Research Package

Our research for this session comprises several elements, each of which is critical to the results of our efforts on your behalf. This report must be seen in conjunction with these other parts as the full scope of the research you requested.

Research Report. This document walks you through our research, highlights the important information we uncovered and discusses the challenges we faced.

Research Journal. The accompanying Research Journal is the list of our searches, both successful and not successful. The Research Journal documents the true scope of the research performed during this session. It is an essential tool for future research because it also details sources that did not provide new information.

Document Images. These copies of the documents we uncovered during our research contain the key information we found about your family, along with full citations for those records.

Private Family Tree. We created a private family tree at Ancestry for the family line(s) we researched. This tree not only reflects the documented information you provided, but it also presents the information we discovered. The link to your tree will be provided by your **Client Relationship/Research Manager**.



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