



Scott Harrison Dunham, the son of James and Minnie Dunham, grew up on what is now the Fuerst Farmstead. Dunham died a hero's death in France, the only Novi soldier in World War I known not to return. He was sent overseas and was a runner with the 32nd Infantry Division and died on October 15, 1918 in the Argonne Forest, France while carrying dispatches as a runner. He was killed by artillery during a heavy barrage. After Scott's death, the Dunhams put the farm up for sale. Jacob Fuerst and his second wife, Rebecca Raupp, reassemble the original 160 acres and establish the Fuerst Farmstead for their family of two sons and four daughters.