Jacob Meyer

Did I Find My Maternal Grandfather?

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What I Knew about Jacob Flower

• His name was Jacob Meier/Meyer and took surname of Flower from then governor of NY (Roswell Pettibone Flower was the 30th Governor of New York from 1892 to 1894.)
• He came from Stawiski, Poland then Russia
• He lived in NYC for a few years then moved to Louisville then back to NYC in 1907
• Naturalized in NYC in 1896 (with 5 year citizenship requirement he had to arrive before 1892)
• Married my grandmother in November 1903 in NYC
• Tried to find him to no avail on ships manifest, 1890 NYC Police Census, 1900 Census until I searched by Jacob Meyer not Flower.
• He moved to Louisville, KY and found him in City Directories there as Jacob Flower
Stawiski/ Staviski Poland (Russia)

Stawiski is a small town in Poland, about 90 miles northeast of Warsaw and about 10 miles north of Lomza.
Jacob Meyer Ships Manifest

SS Prague via Glasgow to NYC February 1888
Jacob Meyer from Stavisk age 20
Jacob Meyer Ship Manifest Scotland to NYC

SS Indiana  Glasgow to NYC
Arriving February 23 1888

Line 40 laborer age 20 from Germany

Have written to Scottish Jewish Heritage Centre to see if they have any more information- and they do not.
1890 NYC Police Census

Jacob Meyer Male age 22
375 Broom Street, New York City
Jacob Flower Naturalization  December 1896

Between 1890 Police Census and 1896 naturalization added surname of Flower

Before 1906 they did not have to name ship they arrived on
Jacob and Pauline (Szlang) Flower Marriage
November 25, 1903
Death Certificate

Freuer given as father’s last name
Is Jacob Meyer Jacob Flower?

• Your comments please