

## *Ancestors of Mary Ann Rentschler*

### *Generation No. 1*

**1. Mary Ann Rentschler**, born 31 Mar 1885 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hamburg, PA: Visit to cemetery May 1986, June 1993, August 1994, (date)., (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, (date)., (3) *Berks Co. PA Marriage Records*, (place).); died 28 Feb 1968 in Laurel Nursing Home, Hamburg RD 1, Berks Co., PA (Source: St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hamburg, PA: Visit to cemetery May 1986, June 1993, August 1994.). She was the daughter of **2. James Washington Rentschler** and **3. Laura Amelia Balthaser**. She married **(1) Robert Franklin Stoudt** Abt. 24 Dec 1903 (Source: *Berks Co. PA Marriage Records*, license issued this date.). He was born 16 Dec 1879 in Bethel Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hamburg, PA: Visit to cemetery May 1986, June 1993, August 1994, (date)., (2) *Berks Co. PA Marriage Records*.), and died 15 Apr 1965 in 140 S. Third St., Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hamburg, PA: Visit to cemetery May 1986, June 1993, August 1994, (date)., (2) "The Hamburg Item."). He was the son of George Washington Stoudt and Anna Maria Rentschler.

Notes for Robert Franklin Stoudt:

Robert and Mary Ann's two children, James and Irma were born on a farm just west of the road now known as the Hex Highway, between Hamburg and Shartlesville in Tilden Twp. The farm was previously owned by Mary Ann's parents, James and Laura Rentschler. Sometime after 1920, Robert and Mary Ann moved into Hamburg. They lived on Third St., two doors from Mary Ann's parents, James and Laura Rentschler. In 1924, they bought property on the north side of Walnut St. from Sarah A. Dietrich. There, along the railroad tracks, Robert established a coal and lumber yard.

In 1929, with the beginning of the depression, there was little market for lumber. Robert used the materials he could not sell to build two duplex houses on Walnut St. He allowed a neighbor to store his steam shovel at the lumber yard in return for digging cellars for the houses. The houses were numbered 239, 241, 243 and 245 Walnut St. Their daughter, Irma and husband, Paul Christman moved into no. 239 in about 1933.

The market for building materials remained poor through WW II. In the late 1930's or early 1940's Robert began raising chickens for the meat and eggs, selling what his family didn't need to the local grocer. He raised the baby chicks in the former lumber yard office. When they were big enough, hens were moved to a hen house to lay eggs. Roosters were sold for meat. His grandchildren often stopped by with a wagon to pick up meat and eggs for their supper.

Robert and Mary Ann had purchased property in and around Hamburg before the depression. They were able to break their holdings up into smaller lots and sell them off one at a time. Between 1929 and 1949, they were the grantor or grantee in at least 26 transactions.

### *Generation No. 2*

**2. James Washington Rentschler**, born 02 Aug 1858 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Death Certificate for James W. Rentschler*., (2) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*., (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 95.); died 23 Jan 1936 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Death Certificate for James W. Rentschler*., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105.). He was the son of **4. Michael Geiss Rentschler** and **5. Caroline Nunnemacher Schock**. He married **3. Laura Amelia Balthaser** 11 Oct 1884 in parsonage, 146 S. 5th St, Reading, Berks Co., Pa, by Rev. B.D. Zweizig (Source: (1) *Non-Certified Marriage Application for James and Laura Rentschler*, (date)., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - baptisms & marriages 1873-1893*, Pg. 242.).

**3. Laura Amelia Balthaser** (Source: *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 4 (Laura Amelia).), born 18 Apr 1866 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA

(Source: (1) *Death Certificate for Laura A. Rentschler.*, (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 4 (17 Apr 1866)., (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, new cemetery, Lot A 060, grave 2.); died 21 Jan 1952 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Death Certificate for Laura A. Rentschler.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, new cemetery, Lot A 060, grave 2.). She was the daughter of **6. Levi Kissling Balthaser** and **7. Sarah W. Baer**.

Notes for James Washington Rentschler:

James Washington Rentschler was born and raised on his father's farm in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA. He married Laura Amelia Balthaser who was born in neighboring Penn Twp. (James and Laura's family Bible). The Balthasers and Rentschlers were both members of St. Michael's Union Church. James and Laura probably knew each other as children.

While their children were young, James and Laura owned a farm in Tilden Twp. After a flood in the early 1900's, they moved to Hamburg, where they purchased the home at 150 S. Third St. It was one of the first homes in Hamburg to have indoor plumbing. The sewer line led to a creek. (Merryl Rentschler) It is believed they sold (or gave) the farm to their daughter, and son-in-law, Mary Ann and Robert Stoudt whose two children were born there.

For the 1920 census, James gave his occupation as "laborer, coal yard." This was probably Robert Stoudt's coal and lumber yard on Walnut St., behind their houses on Third St. James often helped Rob unload coal from RR cars into bins. (Merryl Rentschler)

James and Laura's daughter Valleria Missouri was known as "Sourie." She was probably named after Laura's younger sister. Notes concerning her death, written on a scrap of paper inserted in the family Bible, refer to her as Sourie B. Her full name may have been Valleria Missouri Balthaser Rentschler. Sourie married Gloss Seiders in May 1917. They divorced before 1920. Sourie and her son, Merryl lived with James and Laura until Sourie's death in 1925. Gloss had never shown any interest in his son, never visiting or contributing to his support, though he too lived in Hamburg. After Sourie's death, James and Laura adopted Merryl. They dropped his last name, Seiders and he became Merryl Rentschler. (Merryl Rentschler)

In the 1920's and 30's, Laura took in boarders whose payment of rent supported her, James, Sourie and Merryl. (Merryl Rentschler) Elmer Strump, listed as a servant in their household in the 1920 census, may have been one of these boarders.

James grew very hard of hearing in his later years. He used a "tin horn" hearing aid. (Merryl Rentschler, Bob Christman). Laura was known by her great grandchildren as "Grammom."

James and Laura were active members of St. Michael's Union Church where they are buried.

Children of James Rentschler and Laura Balthaser are:

- i. Mary Ann Rentschler, born 31 Mar 1885 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 28 Feb 1968 in Laurel Nursing Home, Hamburg RD 1, Berks Co., PA; married Robert Franklin Stoudt Abt. 24 Dec 1903.
- ii. Howard B. Rentschler, born 04 Mar 1886 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, page 106; section A, lot 060, grave 6., (3) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler.*); died 18 Sep 1886 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, page 106; section A, lot 060, grave 6., (2) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler.*).
- iii. Robert Patterson Rentschler, born 15 Jul 1887 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, (date)., (2) "The Reading Eagle," Reading, Berks Co., PA, obituary of Robert P. Rentschler.); died 29 Nov 1957 in Reading Hospital, West Reading, Berks Co., PA (Source: "The Reading Eagle," Reading, Berks Co., PA, obituary of Robert P. Rentschler.); married (1) Herma E. Althouse 12 Sep 1908 in By Rev. S.A. Leinbach (Source: (1) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, (date) on a piece of a match box found inside Bible., (2) *Non-Certified Marriage Application for Robert P. Rentschler and Herma Althouse*, Berks Co. Marriage Records, vol 33, pg 121, no. 242 (date and Rev.)); born 06 Oct 1888 in Center Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl*, (date)., (2) *Non-Certified Marriage Application for Robert P. Rentschler and Herma Althouse*, Berks Co. Marriage Records, vol 33, pg 121, no. 242.); died 29 Dec 1955 (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1920, Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Enum. Dist. 27, page 3, line 95)., (2) Arthur G. Schuman, *Salem EUB Church Tombstone Inscriptions, Tilden Twp.*,

- Berks Co., PA*, (1964), Pg. 9.); married (2) Stella Shollenberger Aft. 1920 (Source: *U.S. Census*, 1920 Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Enum Dist 27, page 03, line 95).); born 26 Feb 1891.
- iv. James Franklin Rentschler, born 16 Jun 1889 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler.*, (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 106, section A, lot 060, grave 5.); died 20 Nov 1889 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 106, section A, lot 060, grave 5.).
  - v. Valleria Missouri Rentschler, born 21 Mar 1893 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler.*, (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105, section A, lot 060, grave 3.); died 08 Sep 1925 in Reading Hospital, West Reading, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105, section A, lot 060, grave 3.); married Glosse William Seiders 29 May 1917 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl.*, (2) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, on a sheet of paper found inside Bible.); born 17 Jan 1893 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*); died 24 Feb 1941 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*).
  - vi. Calvin Balthaser Rentschler, born 20 Apr 1897 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, on a sheet of paper found inside Bible.); died 21 May 1973 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 174, section B, lot 005, grave 6.); married Julia Catharine Pepper 25 Jun 1937 in Reading, Berks Co., PA by Rev. Hermann F. Miller (Source: *Non-Certified Marriage Application for Calvin Rentschler and Julia Pepper*, Berks Co. Marriage Records, vol. 117, pg. 212, no. 212.); born Abt. 1916 in Tamaqua, PA (Source: *Non-Certified Marriage Application for Calvin Rentschler and Julia Pepper*, Berks Co. Marriage Records, vol. 117, pg. 212, no. 212.).
  - vii. Edwin Balthaser Rentschler, born 20 Apr 1897 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl.*, (2) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, on a sheet of paper found inside Bible.); died 11 Sep 1981 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*); married Jane Melone 03 Jun 1938 in Rochester, MN (Source: *Wedding Invitation*, for Jane Melone and Edwin Rentschler, (copy in records of Nancy C. McDonnell).).
  - viii. infant daughter Rentschler, born 17 Jul 1898 in Tilden Twp. Berks Co., PA (Source: *Berks Co. PA Register of Births 1894 - 1906.*); died 18 Jul 1898 in Tilden Twp. Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Berks Co. PA Register of Births 1894 - 1906.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 106, section A, lot 060, grave 7.).
  - ix. Merryl Rentschler, born 08 Dec 1917 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl.*, (2) *Bible owned by James and Laura Rentschler*, on a sheet of paper found inside the Bible.); Adopted child; married Pearl Rice 10 Apr 1950 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*); born 09 Jan 1908 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*); died 30 Apr 1989 in Nazareth, Northampton Co., PA (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*).

### Generation No. 3

**4. Michael Geiss Rentschler** (Source: assumed, since (1) it was common at that time, among the PA Germans to give multiple children, especially boys their mother's maiden name for their middle name, (2) of 11 sons, at least 6 have the middle initial "G." and (3) their mother's maiden name was Geiss .), born 29 May 1825 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 33.); died 27 May 1893 in Bernville, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Berks Co. PA Register of Deaths 1894 - 1906.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 61: row 32, tombstone 3.). He was the son of **8. Johannes George Rentschler** and **9. Anna Maria Geiss**. He married **5. Caroline Nunnemacher Schock** 03 Dec 1853.

**5. Caroline Nunnemacher Schock**, born 31 Jul 1833 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 58: row 32, tombstone 4.); died 10 Aug 1885 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 58: row 32, tombstone 4.). She was the daughter of **10. Michael Schock** and **11. Elizabeth Nunnemacher**.

Notes for Michael Geiss Rentschler:

In 1850, Michael lived at home with his widowed mother and two younger siblings, Anna Maria and Joseph. Also living with them was a cousin, Sarah Kauffman. Sarah was the daughter of Michael's aunt, Sarah (Rentschler) and her husband, Joseph Kauffman.

In 1854 Michael purchased the family farm in Upper Bern Twp. from his father's estate. His younger brother, Joseph and cousin Sarah Rentschler were living with him as a servant and maid. Sarah was the daughter of Michael's uncle, Daniel and wife Anna Maria (Phillips). A boy named Thomas and a girl named Susanna also lived with them. Their last names are not given.

In 1870, Susan Naftzinger was living with Michael and Caroline. She was born in the same year as the Susanna who was living with them in 1860. The two children living with them in 1860 may have been Thomas and Susannah Naftzinger.

It appears to have been common for teenagers to live for a time with an aunt and uncle or close family friend. The girls worked as servants or maids, the boys as farm laborers or servants.

Michael also owned a mercantile business, probably a general store or dry goods store in Centerport which he passed to his son, Michael Schock Rentschler.

Michael served on the building committee for construction of the present building housing St. Michael's Church. He was the third Rentschler to take an active part in construction of St. Michael's Church.

Children of Michael Rentschler and Caroline Schock are:

- i. Ellen Meia Rentschler (Source: *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler*, aka Maria (St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766-1991), Helena Mia (Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church 1810 - 1880).), born 13 Dec 1854 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 86.); died 06 Nov 1855 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 60: row 15, tombstone 16.).
- ii. Kitty Ann Rentschler, born 11 Mar 1856 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 127., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 60: row 17, tombstone 13.); died 09 Sep 1872 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 60: row 17, tombstone 13 (date)., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler*, (date)., (3) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 15 Oct. 1872 issue (date & place).).
- 2 iii. James Washington Rentschler, born 02 Aug 1858 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 23 Jan 1936 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA; married Laura Amelia Balthaser 11 Oct 1884 in parsonage, 146 S. 5th St, Reading, Berks Co., Pa, by Rev. B.D. Zweizig.
- iv. Alexander S. Rentschler, born 12 Aug 1860 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 136., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105: section A, lot 059, grave 2.); died 26 Feb 1932 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105, section A, lot 059, grave 2.); married Annie Laura Balthaser 24 Oct 1884 in By Rev. B.D. Zweizig (Source: (1) *Berks Co. PA Marriage Records*, (date)., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - baptisms & marriages 1873-1893*, Pg. 244.); born 03 Apr 1866 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105, section A, lot 059, grave 1., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 110, place assumed.); died 03 Feb 1910 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Page 105, section A, lot 059, grave 1.).
- v. Michael Schock Rentschler, born 27 Oct 1862 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 142., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 053, grave 5.); died 07 Jul 1943 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 053, grave 5.); married Sarah Rebecca Potteiger 14 Mar 1885 in parsonage, 146 S. 5th St, Reading, Berks Co., Pa, by Rev. B.D. Zweizig (Source: *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - baptisms & marriages 1873-1893*, Pg. 243.); born 06 Dec 1866 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 053, grave 6.); died 01 Jan 1934 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 053, grave 6.).

- vi. Emma Leisa Rentschler, born 23 Apr 1865 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Earl W. Ibach, *The Hub of the Tulpehocken*, (1976)., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 108., (4) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981.*); died 01 Feb 1914 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 054, grave 2.); married Jerome Allison S. Balthaser 20 Jun 1885 in By Rev. B.D. Zweizig (Source: *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - baptisms & marriages 1873-1893*, Pg. 243.); born 15 Mar 1864 in or near Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 054, grave 1., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 145.); died 04 Jun 1916 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104, section A, lot 054, grave 1.).
- vii. Franklin Rentschler (Source: *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347 (Franklin, son of Michael G. & Caroline (Schock)).), born 29 Mar 1868 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 156., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347.); died 05 Jan 1878 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, row 32, tombstone 1., (3) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 15 Jan 1878 issue., (4) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347 (of diphtheria).).
- viii. Sarah Jane Rentschler (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 29 Aug 1871 issue., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347 (Sarah Jane, dau Michael G. & Caroline (Schock))., (3) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (Sera Schenn).), born 01 Jan 1870 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1868-1876., (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 17, tombstone 14., (4) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (5) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 311.); died 04 Aug 1871 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1868-1876., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 17, tombstone 14., (3) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (4) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 311 (of consumption).).
- ix. Caroline Rentschler (Source: *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347 (Caroline, dau Michael G. & Caroline (Schock)).), born 10 Dec 1873 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 15 Jan 1878 issue., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 32, tombstone 2., (3) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (4) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347.); died 01 Jan 1878 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1877-1884., (2) *Bible owned by Michael G. and Caroline Rentschler.*, (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 32, tombstone 2., (4) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 347 (of diphtheria).).

**6. Levi Kissling Balthaser** (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48 (Levi).), born 16 May 1833 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, new cemetery, lot A137, grave 1.); died 09 Jun 1899 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121.). He was the son of **12. Samuel G. Balthaser** and **13. Mary Kissling**. He married **7. Sarah W. Baer** 13 May 1865 in Berks Co., PA, by Rev Thomas T. Jaeger (Source: *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Marriages 1865 - 1869; Translated & Transcribed by Jeffrey J. Howell, pg. 14.).

**7. Sarah W. Baer**, born 12 Oct 1843 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, lot A137, grave 2., (2) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981.*); died 05 Apr 1921 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery*

*Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121., (2) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775 - 1981*). She was the daughter of **14. John Baer** and **15. Anna Eva Williams**.

Children of Levi Balthaser and Sarah Baer are:

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i. Laura Amelia Balthaser, born 18 Apr 1866 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 21 Jan 1952 in Hamburg, Berks Co., PA; married James Washington Rentschler 11 Oct 1884 in parsonage, 146 S. 5th St, Reading, Berks Co., Pa, by Rev. B.D. Zweizig.
- ii. Sarah Lydia "Sallie" Balthaser (Source: (1) *Bible owned by Cyrus and Henrietta Dewees.*, (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 152 (Sarah Lydia), (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, lot A137, grave 3 (Sarah S.)), born 14 Apr 1867 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, lot A137, grave 3., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 152.); died 08 Jun 1896 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121.); married Hiram Henry Dewees 26 Apr 1884 in Recorded at Salem (Bellemans) Union Church, by Rev. Benj. D. Zweizig (Source: (1) *Bible owned by Cyrus and Henrietta Dewees.*, (2) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *A Directory of Burials on Salem Belleman's Graveyard 1746-1972*, (November 1979)., (3) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *Baptisms, Births & Marriages, Salem Belleman's Union Church*, (1982).); born 15 May 1865 (Source: *Bible owned by Cyrus and Henrietta Dewees.*); died 01 Mar 1900 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *A Directory of Burials on Salem Belleman's Graveyard 1746-1972*, (November 1979), Pg. 71, grave # 1777.).
- iii. James Monroe Balthaser (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12 "old" cemetery, Row 31 Tombstone 4 (James Monroe), (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340 (James Monroe, son of Levi L. and Sarah (Baer)), (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 156 (James Manroe)), born 25 Mar 1868 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12 "old" cemetery, Row 31 Tombstone 4., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340., (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 156.); died 02 Oct 1876 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340 (of diphtheria)).
- iv. Emma Rosebella Balthaser (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 163., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, new cemetery, Lot A 137, grave 4 (Emma R.), (3) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 17 (Emma Rosetta).), born 02 Jul 1870 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121 "new" cemetery, lot A 137, grave 4., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 163., (3) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 17 (3 Jul 1870).); died 29 Nov 1895 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, new cemetery, Lot A 137, grave 4.).
- v. Nora Irene Balthaser (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13 "old" cemetery" row 31, tombstone 16 (Nora Irene), (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340 (Nora Irene, dau Levi K & Sarah (Baer)), (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 167 (Nora Irene).), born 06 Sep 1871 (Source: (1) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 167., (3) *Rentschler, Merryl*, no source cited, maybe an interview or personal knowledge as her sister, Laura was his grandmother.); died 17 Sep 1876 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13 "old" cemetery" row 31, tombstone 16., (2) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - marriages & burials 1859-1880*, Pg. 340, died of diphtheria.).
- vi. Valeria Missouri Balthaser (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl*, no source cited, maybe interview or personal knowledge as her sister, Laura was his grandmother.), born 11 Oct 1872 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl*, no source cited, maybe interview or personal knowledge as her sister, Laura was his grandmother.).
- vii. Leanda Susanna Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 27 (Leanda Susanna).), born 30 Dec 1873 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104 "new" cemetery lot A 49,

- grave 2., (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 27.); died 14 May 1947 (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl.*, (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 104.); married Jacob M. Mengel Abt. 1893 (Source: *Berks Co. PA Marriage Records Index*, "Electronic," Vol. 8, pg. 84, application date 1893.); born 27 Aug 1868 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 103 "new" cemetery lot A 49, grave 1., (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 11.); died 04 Jun 1947 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 103.).
- viii. Mary Ann Balthaser (Source: (1) *Rev. B.D. Zweizig's Records - burials 1880-1885 & marriages 1893-1903*, Pg. 320 (Mary Ann, dau Levi and Sarah (Baer))., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12 "old" cemetery, row 37, tombstone 8 (Mary A.)., (3) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 32 (Mary Ann).), born 06 May 1876 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12 "old" cemetery, row 37, tombstone 8., (2) *Baptismal Records of Rev. B.D. Zweizig (1864-1900) at St. Michael's Union Church*, Pg. 32.); died 08 Mar 1885 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12 "old" cemetery, row 37, tombstone 8.).

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**8. Johannes George Rentschler**, born 30 Mar 1786 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 13, tombstone 6.); died 01 Apr 1844 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 13, tombstone 6., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1825-1850.). He was the son of **16. Johannes George Rentschler** and **17. Catharina Margaretha Wagner**. He married **9. Anna Maria Geiss** 13 Nov 1810 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 13, tombstone 6.).

**9. Anna Maria Geiss**, born 19 May 1791 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 13, tombstone 7 (date)., (2) fraktur for Anna Maria Geiss, photo., (3) fraktur for Anna Maria Geiss, photo (date & place).); died 28 Jul 1857 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 13, tombstone 6., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1851-1860.). She was the daughter of **18. Michael Geiss** and **19. Barbara**.

#### Notes for Johannes George Rentschler:

Johannes George Rentschler, Jr. (second generation American) was born in 1786 in Bern Township. In 1789, Bern Township was divided and the area where the Rentschlers lived was renamed Upper Bern.

According to documents regarding the estate of his grandfather, Michael, his father, Johannes George, Sr. purchased his father's farm in 1795 and raised his family including Johannes George, Jr. there. (Administration file of Michael Rentschler, filed Berks Co. Courthouse, Reading, PA) This farm was located between Blue Mountain and the town of Hamburg. (1854 land owners' map of Upper Bern Twp.)

Johannes George, Jr. was the oldest of 11 children. He is listed in all censuses by his full name. He may be called John informally to distinguish him from his father who was often listed in the censuses as George or John George.

In 1810 Johannes George married Anna Maria, a daughter of Michael Geiss ("old" cemetery at St. Michael's Church, Tilden Township). Like his father, Johannes George was a farmer. He and Anna Maria were the parents of 13 children including a set of twins. Apparently, of the children who died in early childhood, (Elizabeth, Moses, George, and twins Daniel and Eli) several died of typhoid fever. (The Michael Rentschler Family in America by Harvey Driebelbis.) Only seven of the children lived to adulthood. Two of their children, Michael G. and Anna Maria Rentschler married Schock siblings, Carolina and Reuben.

In 1821 he purchased a farm of about 103 acres in Upper Bern Twp from Mathias Naftzinger. (Patent Book H, Vol. 18, page 78 in Harrisburg, PA) By 1837, he owned 200 acres of land in Upper Bern Twp. He farmed and operated a distillery. He maintained 2-5 mature horses and 3-5 mature cows at a time. He

continued to operate the distillery until at least 1843. (Microfilmed State and County tax records from 1837 - 1864)

In 1841 he appears to have purchased another farm bringing his land holdings to 300 acres and two houses. In addition he was able to lend \$700 at interest and purchase a \$75 pleasure carriage. (Microfilmed State and County tax records from 1837 - 1864) He was clearly a very prosperous farmer.

Johannes George and Anna Maria are buried in the "old" cemetery at St. Michael's Church, Tilden Township.

Children of Johannes Rentschler and Anna Geiss are:

- i. Wilhelm George Rentschler, born 27 Oct 1812 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 62, "old" cemetery, row 35, tombstone 11., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 5.); died 13 Aug 1881 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 62, "old" cemetery, row 35, tombstone 11., (2) *Rentschler, Meryll*, cites Reading Adler 20 Sep 1881.); married (1) Elizabeth Seaman 28 Oct 1837 in By Rev. A.L. Herman (Source: *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 62, from the Reading "Adler," Marriages by Rev. A.L. Herman 1823-1826, 1828-1850, William Rentschler m. Elisabeth Säman, both of Bern.); born 08 Oct 1816 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 10, tombstone 16.); died 12 Dec 1839 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 10, tombstone 16.); married (2) Mary Ann Nagle Aft. 1839; born 03 Mar 1820 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 62, row 35, tombstone 12.); died 19 Nov 1901 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 62, row 35, tombstone 12.).
- ii. Johann George Rentschler, born 12 Feb 1814 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 7., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery row 34, tombstone 14.); died 13 Apr 1882 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 34, tombstone 14.); married Maria Klapp; born 24 Aug 1818 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 34, tombstone 15.); died 31 Dec 1883 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, "old" cemetery, row 34, tombstone 15.).
- iii. Elizabeth Rentschler, born 15 Dec 1815 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 11.); died 02 Aug 1822 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994.).
- iv. Elias Rentschler, born 26 Apr 1817 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 9 tombstone 14., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 14.); died 22 Jan 1834 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 9, tombstone 14.).
- v. Moses Rentschler, born 18 Feb 1820 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, "old" cemetery, row 6, tombstone 5., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 20.); died 07 Jul 1822 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, "old" cemetery, row 6, tombstone 5.).
- vi. George Rentschler, born 21 Oct 1821 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 25., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 6, tombstone 2.); died 10 Aug 1822 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old" cemetery, row 6 tombstone 2.).
- vii. Samuel G. Rentschler, born 11 Aug 1823 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 29., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 158, section A, lot 351, grave 1.); died 10 Jan 1900 in Centre Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 158, section A, lot 351, grave 1., (2) *Berks Co. PA Register of Deaths 1894 - 1906*, (place).); married Caroline N.



- Zimmerman; born 11 Jul 1829 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 158, section A, lot 351, grave 2.); died 15 Oct 1908 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 158, section A, lot 351, grave 2.).
- 4 viii. Michael Geiss Rentschler, born 29 May 1825 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 27 May 1893 in Bernville, Berks Co., PA; married Caroline Nunnemacher Schock 03 Dec 1853.
- ix. Daniel G. Rentschler, born 19 Sep 1826 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 35., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, "old" cemetery, row 6, tombstone 4.); died 09 Jul 1827 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, "old" cemetery, row 6, tombstone 4.).
- x. David G. Rentschler, born 17 Dec 1827 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 37., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 24."); died 30 Nov 1883 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, "old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 24."); married Catharine Heckman 09 Nov 1852 (Source: *Rentschler, Merryl.*); born 27 May 1828 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, "old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 25."); died 18 Jun 1894 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, "old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 25.).
- xi. Anna Maria Rentschler, born 19 Mar 1832 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 45.); died 23 Mar 1898 in West Leesport, Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 20 & 33.); married Reuben Schock Abt. 1852 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994.); born 05 Sep 1824 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 31.); died 03 Apr 1909 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 33.).
- xii. Joseph G. Rentschler, born 26 Jul 1833 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, section A, lot 058, grave 1.); died 18 Mar 1903 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, section A, lot 058, grave 1.); married Mary Ann Seyfert; born 14 Nov 1842 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, section A, lot 058, grave 2.); died 12 May 1889 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 105, section A, lot 058, grave 2.).

**10. Michael Schock** (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (Reuben).), born 22 Apr 1788 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 71 old cemetery, row 21, tombstone 19.); died 02 Jul 1865 in probably Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 11 Jul 1865 edition (Obituaries 1860-1870, BCGS Library)., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 71 old cemetery, row 21, tombstone 19.). He was the son of **20. John Michael Schock** and **21. Susanna Himmelberger**. He married **11. Elizabeth Nunnemacher** 23 Jun 1818 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70-71 old cemetery, row 21, tombstone 19, 20.).

**11. Elizabeth Nunnemacher** (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (Reuben).), born 19 Aug 1797 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 21, tombstone 20.); died 20 Jul 1883 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 21, tombstone 20.). She was the daughter of **22. Christopher Nunnemacher** and **23. Elisabeth Hicks/Hix**.

Notes for Michael Schock:

Michael died intestate. His family petitioned to have his 158 acre farm appraised and divided among the heirs by a group of trusted local men. The farm was located along the boundary of Upper Bern and Center Twps. with two acres lying in Center Twp. and the remainder in Upper Bern Twp. An Orphans Court was held to announce the appraisal and division of the farm. Apparently, it was divided among only the male

children. The judge announced the division and asked each son in turn whether they elected to accept it. Jesse accepted his portion. Reuben accepted his own and offered to buy the other portions from the estate at \$5 over the appraised amount. Franklin requested that his portion be sold. Elias offered \$10 over the appraised amount for each of his siblings portions of the estate. Jesse and Reuben agreed to sell their portions to Elias as well. The farm was appraised at \$9,014.50. (Administration file of Michael Schock (1788-1865))

Notes for Elizabeth Nunnemacher:

Elisabeth Schock renounced her right to act as administrator of her husband, Michael's estate, instead requesting appointment of her three sons, Jesse, Reuben and Elias. She signed the request with "her mark," indicating that she could not write. (Administration file of Michael Schock 1788-1865)

Children of Michael Schock and Elizabeth Nunnemacher are:

- i. Jesse Schock, born 30 Oct 1818 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 17.); married Maria Phillips 14 Sep 1844 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 14 tombstone 9.); born 08 Nov 1827 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 14 tombstone 9.); died 30 Jun 1845 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 14 tombstone 9.).
- ii. Anna Maria Schock, born 11 Jun 1820 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 21., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 116 new cemetery, lot A 111, grave 4.); died 27 Mar 1907 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 116 new cemetery, lot A 111, grave 4.); married Israel R. Miller; born 15 Oct 1822 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 116 new cemetery, lot A 111, grave 1.); died 17 Mar 1892 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 116 new cemetery, lot A 111, grave 1.).
- iii. Elizabeth Schock, born 04 Apr 1822 (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 26.); died 14 Apr 1880 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59 old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 3.); married Jacob K. Rentschler 17 Nov 1846 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59 old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 3.); born 14 Mar 1822 (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, 26.); died 16 Dec 1894 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59 old cemetery, row 35, tombstone 2.).
- iv. Reuben Schock, born 05 Sep 1824 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 31.); died 03 Apr 1909 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 33.); married Anna Maria Rentschler Abt. 1852 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994.); born 19 Mar 1832 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 45.); died 23 Mar 1898 in West Leesport, Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 20 & 33.).
- v. Franklin Schock, born 30 Apr 1827 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 36.); died 08 Feb 1896 (Source: Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 32, lot 82.); married Mary Ann Borkey; born 30 Mar 1830 (Source: Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 32, lot 82.); died 22 Nov 1915 (Source: Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 32, lot 82.).
- vi. Elias Schock, born 09 May 1830 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 42.); died

- 18 Sep 1904 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 119 new cemetery, lot A 125, grave 1.); married Mary Ann Seaman; born 07 Mar 1839 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 119 new cemetery, lot A 125, grave 2., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 59.); died 18 Sep 1904 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 119 new cemetery, lot A 125, grave 2.).
- 5 vii. Caroline Nunnemacher Schock, born 31 Jul 1833 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 10 Aug 1885; married Michael Geiss Rentschler 03 Dec 1853.
- viii. Amanda Schock, born 22 Nov 1835 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 54.); married William Potteiger; born Bet. 1825 - 1835.

**12. Samuel G. Balthaser**, born 06 Mar 1810 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13, row 21 tombstone 35., (2) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, (10 March 1810 and place).); died 09 Oct 1866 in Penn Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13, row 21 tombstone 35., (2) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, (date and place).). He was the son of **24. Johan Jacob Balthaser** and **25. Maria Magdalena Greth**. He married **13. Mary Kissling** Abt. 1830.

**13. Mary Kissling**, born 28 Mar 1809 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 21 tombstone 36.); died 19 Jan 1884 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 21 tombstone 36.).

Children of Samuel Balthaser and Mary Kissling are:

- i. Elias Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48 (Eli).), born 16 May 1833 in in or near Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 48., (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 10, tombstone 3.); died 06 Jun 1837 in in or near Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12.).
- 6 ii. Levi Kissling Balthaser, born 16 May 1833 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 09 Jun 1899 in Tilden Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Sarah W. Baer 13 May 1865 in Berks Co., PA, by Rev Thomas T. Jaeger.
- iii. Emilia Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 52 (Emilia).), born 18 Feb 1835 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99.); died 04 Jun 1914 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99.); married Levi Kauffman; born 20 Nov 1831 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99.); died 07 Nov 1900 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99.).
- iv. Lydia Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 55 (Lydia).), born 28 Aug 1836 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 26 "old" cemetery, row 39, tombstone 20., (3) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 55.); died 28 Mar 1905 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 26 "old" cemetery, row 39, tombstone 20, confirms "A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers" by addition of age to date of birth.); married William Folk; born 16 Sep 1829 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 40.); died 23 Oct 1888 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St.*

- Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 27, row 39, tombstone 19, confirms "A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers" by addition of age to date of birth.).
- v. Isabella Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 58 (Isabella).), born 07 Sep 1838 (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 58.); died 21 Feb 1909 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 99.); married John L. Wagner.
  - vi. Adam Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 60 (Adam).), born 07 Dec 1839 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11 row 10, tombstone 2.); died 07 Oct 1840 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11 row 10, tombstone 2.).
  - vii. Aaron Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 61 (Aaron).), born 09 Sep 1841 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 61 (Aaron).); died 30 May 1895 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); married Kate Kauffman Bef. 1872 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 108, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 05 May 1848 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); died 02 Jun 1911 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.).
  - viii. Mary Balthaser, born 18 Nov 1845 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); died 19 Mar 1915 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); married Abraham DeTurk Abt. 1865 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 120-121 based on probanle date of birth of first child.); born 12 Jun 1843 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); died 11 Apr 1915 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.).
  - ix. Catharina Anna Balthaser, born 29 Apr 1847 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11 "old" cemetery, row 8, tombstone 18.); died 31 Mar 1850 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, "old" cemetery row 8, tombstone 18.).
  - x. William K. Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 71 (William).), born 23 Sep 1848 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 71.); died 28 May 1920 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); married (1) Mary Billman Bef. 1868 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 123, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 05 Dec 1846 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 123.); died 28 Jun 1880 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 123.); married (2) Dianna Miller Ritter Aft. 1880 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 123, based on datte of death of first wife.); born Bet. 1845 - 1860.
  - xi. John K. Balthaser, born 07 Feb 1850 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, "new" cemetery, lot A136, grave 1.); died 29 Jul 1898 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, "new" cemetery, lot A136, grave 1.); married Leanda Kauffman Bef. 1873 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 127, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 12 Jan 1851 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, "new" cemetery, lot A136, grave 4.); died 09 Sep 1940 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 121, "new" cemetery, lot A136, grave 4.).
  - xii. Monroe Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 76 (Monroe).), born 07 Apr 1851 (Source: *Baptismal*

*Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA, Pg. 76.*); died 30 May 1938 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); married Mary Ann Babb Bef. 1877 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 135, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 19 Nov 1856 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.); died 05 Aug 1937 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100.).

- xiii. Jared K. Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA, Pg. 145.*), born 12 Sep 1843 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 120, lot A135, grave 1.); died 31 Jan 1903 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 120, lot A135, grave 1.); married Harriet Stoudt Bef. 1864 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 108, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 11 Jun 1844 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 120, lot A135, grave 2.); died 30 Apr 1914 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 100., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 120, lot A135, grave 2.).

**14. John Baer** (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born 22 Aug 1814 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98 (1814 PA)., (2) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694 (place)., (3) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ Bern Church.); died 12 Jun 1875 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ Bern Church.Berks County Estate Records 1752 - 1914Register of Wills OfficeReading, Pa.(copied from the internet).READING ADLER NEWSPAPER, Reading, Pa. June 29, 1874.). He was the son of **28. Abraham Baer** and **29. Rachel Miller**. He married **15. Anna Eva Williams**.

**15. Anna Eva Williams** (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694 (Ann Williams)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Anna Eva Williams, READING ADLER NEWSPAPER, Reading, Pa. June 29, 1874.), born 21 Dec 1812 in Pennsylvania (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98 (1811)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard, ( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa., (3) Estimate, 22 Dec 1812, based on date of death and age (81-00-17).); died 08 Jan 1894 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard, ( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Ministers Records for Bern ChurchBirths, Baptisms, Marriages & Burials(copy in his possession).Bern Reformed Church RecordsBook #28 @ BCGS., (2) retyped by Wanda M. Gartner, *Record of Bern Reformed Church, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (indexed by Jacqueline Nein Flamm, 1981 (includes burials)), Pg. 44 (age 81-00-17).). She was the daughter of **30. Samuel Williams**.

Children of John Baer and Anna Williams are:

- i. William Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Abt. 1837 (Source: *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98.); died Bef. 1909 (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.); married Sarah Moser; born Bet. 1837 - 1847.
- ii. John Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Abt. 1839 (Source: *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98.); died Bef. 1909 (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and*

*Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.); married Elizabeth Ludwig 02 Jan 1858 in Ely's Hotel, Reading, Berks Co., PA by Rev. Isaac Miesse (Source: (1) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *Baptisms, Births & Marriages, Salem Belleman's Union Church*, (1982), Pg. 16., (2) *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 4, from the Reading Adler, Marriages by Rev. Isaac Miesse, 1838-1865, John Bär m. Elizabeth Ludwig, both of Bern.); born Bet. 1839 - 1849.

- iii. Levi W. Baer, born Abt. 1841 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *U.S. Census*, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA, pg 433, family #98.); died 30 Sep 1908 in Maidencreek Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.); married Rebecca Boyer 1860 (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.); born Bet. 1830 - 1845.
- iv. Annie Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Abt. 1843 (Source: *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98.); married Elias Schell.
- 7 v. Sarah W. Baer, born 12 Oct 1843; died 05 Apr 1921; met (1) Cyrus Rothenberger; married (2) Levi Kissling Balthaser 13 May 1865 in Berks Co., PA, by Rev Thomas T. Jaeger.
- vi. Mary Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Abt. 1846 (Source: *Unidentified Berks Co., newspaper.*); married William Hafer.
- vii. Daniel F. Baer (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear (Daniel)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Daniel F.), born Abt. 27 Aug 1847 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98 (year)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, based on date of death and age, Ministers Records for Bern ChurchBirths, Baptisms, Marriages & Burials(copy in my possession).New Cemetery Records for Bern ChurchBern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ BCGS.Bern Reformed Church RecordsBook #28 @ BCGS.); died 29 Aug 1896 (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.); married Ellen Gruber 26 Oct 1889 in Bern Church, Bern Twp, Berks Co. PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Berks County Marriage Index - 1885 to PresentRegister of Wills OfficeReading, Pa.(copied from internet).); born 15 Sep 1865 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Bern Reformed Church RecordsBook #28 @ BCGS.Berks County Marriage Index - 1885 to PresentRegister of Wills OfficeReading, Pa.(copied from internet).); died 23 Mar 1944 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, New Cemetery lot 24-A1, New Cemetery Records for Bern ChurchBern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ BCGS.).
- viii. Henry B. Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born 1848 (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, Tombstone Inscription @ Bellman's ChurchCentre Twp, Berks County, Pa.(my notes from walking the cemetery )..., (2) Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, bounded: N by Carry Walk 1, E by Carry Walk b, S by Old Church Grove, W by Carry Walk c.); died 1893 (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, Tombstone Inscription @ Bellman's ChurchCentre Twp, Berks County, Pa.(my notes from walking the cemetery )..., (2) Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, bounded: N by Carry Walk 1, E by Carry Walk b, S by Old Church Grove, W by Carry Walk c.); married Elizabeth L. "Leanda" Spangler Aft. 1870; born 1850 (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, Tombstone Inscription @ Bellman's ChurchCentre Twp, Berks County, Pa.(my notes from walking the cemetery )..., (2) Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, bounded: N by Carry Walk 1, E by Carry Walk b, S by Old Church Grove, W by Carry Walk c.); died 1937 (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, Tombstone Inscription @ Bellman's ChurchCentre Twp, Berks County, Pa.(my notes from walking the cemetery )..., (2) Milton K. and Luella Blatt, *Fairview Cemetery of Belleman's Church, Center Twp., Berks Co., PA*, (1977), Pg. 23, SW Section, lot 61, bounded: N by Carry Walk 1, E by Carry Walk b, S by Old Church Grove, W by Carry Walk c.).

- ix. Emma Rebecca Baer (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98 (Emma)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, (Emma Rebecca), New Cemetery Records for Bern ChurchBern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ BCGS.Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard( Old Graveyard ).), born 24 Mar 1849 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850, Bern Twp., Berks Co., Pa, Roll 753, Pg. 433, Dwelling #94, family #98 (year)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ Bern Church.New Cemetery Records for Bern ChurchBern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ BCGS.); died 01 Jan 1854 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Bern Church - A Guide to its Graveyard( Old Graveyard )Bern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ Bern Church.New Cemetery Records for Bern ChurchBern Twp, Berks County, Pa.Book @ BCGS.).
- x. Percival W. Baer (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear (Percival)., (2) *Index to Burials at Charles Evans Cemetery*, "Electronic," "BAER, PERCIVAL W. 21Jan1919."), born 09 Jun 1852 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Notes from Christie Baer, concerning interview with her grandmother, dated 7 Jan, 1994.); died 16 Jan 1919 in probably Reading, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, (date), Notes from Christie Baer, concerning interview with her grandmother, dated 7 Jan, 1994., (2) assumed, since per Michael Kendig, he lived on Douglas St. and left the house to his son and step daughter., Notes from Christie Baer, concerning interview with her grandmother, dated 7 Jan, 1994.); married Catherine Z. "Kate" Herbein; born 27 Feb 1850 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Notes from Christie Baer, concerning interview with her grandmother, dated 7 Jan, 1994.); died 28 Feb 1909 in Reading, Berks County, PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, Notes from Christie Baer, concerning interview with her grandmother, dated 7 Jan, 1994..).

#### *Generation No. 5*

**16. Johannes George Rentschler**, born 11 Oct 1756 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, Row 7, tombstone 6.); died 24 Mar 1827 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1825 - 1850., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, Row 7, tombstone 6.). He was the son of **32. Michael Rentschler** and **33. Catharine Rosine**. He married **17. Catharina Margaretha Wagner** Abt. 1785 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of oldest child and known place of residence..).

**17. Catharina Margaretha Wagner**, born 23 Dec 1765 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg 58, row 7 tombstone 7., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1825 - 1850.); died 02 Jun 1847 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 7, tombstone 7., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1825 - 1850.). She was the daughter of **34. John Jacob Wagner** and **35. Catharine Magdalena Schock**.

Notes for Johannes George Rentschler:

Johannes George was a first generation American, born on his father's farm between Blue Mountain and Hamburg in what is now Tilden Township.

He served in Capt. Jacob Sherdel's Company of the Berks Co. Militia in the Revolutionary War. (The Michael Rentschler Family in America by Harvey Driebelbis.) He is listed in the Pennsylvania Archives as a Sergeant under Captain Jacob Shendel in the Berks Co. Militia under Col. Gehr on the 4th May 1784. (Pennsylvania Archives, Series 2, Vol. XIV)

In 1795, Johannes George Rentschler bought his father's farm bringing his land holdings in Berks Co. to over 429 acres. His only brother, John, moved to Union County, PA to raise his family so Johannes George could be considered the forefather of all of the Rentschlers in Berks County today.

In 1810 a new building was built for St. Michael's Lutheran and Reformed Church. Johannes George served on the building committee and is credited with raising the most money towards construction of the new building. (The Michael Rentschler Family in America by Harvey Driebelbis.)

Johannes George's will provided for a home, food, supplies and care for his wife for the remainder of her life. The main property, passed to his sons, Jacob and Simon. (Will of Johannes George Rentschler, filed Berks Co. Courthouse)

Johannes George and his wife Catharine (or Catharina) are buried at St. Michael's Church in the "old" cemetery.

Children of Johannes Rentschler and Catharina Wagner are:

- 8 i. Johannes George Rentschler, born 30 Mar 1786 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 01 Apr 1844 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Anna Maria Geiss 13 Nov 1810.
- ii. Michael W. Rentschler, born 09 Dec 1791 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, row 23, tombstone 7.); died 25 May 1868 in Centre Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 60, row 23, tombstone 7 (date), Here source cites wife as Margaretha, dau. of Joseph., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1860 - 1870 (place).); married Anna Maria Kauffman 07 Apr 1818 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 23, tombstone 8.); born 11 Jul 1797 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 23, tombstone 8.); died 07 Feb 1862 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 23, tombstone 8.).
- iii. Elizabeth Rentschler, born 09 Dec 1793 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 25, row 34, tombstone 10.); died 01 Mar 1880 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 25, row 34, tombstone 10.); married Christian Kauffman 03 Jun 1816 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 35, row 34, tombstones 9 & 10.); born 08 Feb 1793 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 35 old cemetery, row 34, tombstone 9.); died 25 Jan 1881 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 35 old cemetery, row 34, tombstone 9.).
- iv. George Rentschler (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs. 13 & 22, all information about George..), born 08 Oct 1795 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 14 Jan 1879 in Illinois; married (1) Sarah Miller; married (2) Catharine Zerbe.
- v. Magdalena Rentschler, born 09 Aug 1797 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 16, row 13, tombstone 10.); died 21 Jan 1843 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 16, row 13, tombstone 10.); married Johannes Berger Abt. 1820 (Source: assumed, based on birth of first child.); born Bet. 1785 - 1800.
- vi. Daniel W. Rentschler, born 29 Aug 1799 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 20, tombstone 1.); died 19 May 1866 in Centerport, Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 20, tombstone 1 (date).); married Anna Maria Phillips 14 Mar 1824 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 58, row 20, tombstone 1, tombstone 2.); born 02 May 1801.
- vii. Samuel Simon Rentschler, born 16 May 1801 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 34, tombstone 7 (date).); died 28 Sep 1880 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 34, tombstone 7 (date).); married Elizabeth Stoudt Abt. 1822 (Source: assumed, based on birth of first child.); born Bet. 1800 - 1810.
- viii. Catharine Rentschler, born 03 Apr 1804 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs 13 & 24.); died 15 Oct 1885 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs 13 & 24.); married Peter Phillips; born 09 Apr 1796 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs. 13, 23 & 24.).
- ix. Jacob W. Rentschler, born 03 Apr 1804 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, row 6, tombstone 16 (date. place assumed.)); died 28 Jan 1874 in Bernville, Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 59, row 6, tombstone 16., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1877 - 1884.); married (1) Sarah Fegley 21 Mar 1829 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials*



- 1766 - 1991, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 18.); born 04 Jun 1810 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 18.); died 31 Jan 1837 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 18.); married (2) Sarah Diehl 22 Dec 1839 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 18.); born 31 Jan 1819 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 15.); died 11 Dec 1845 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 61, row 10, tombstone 15.).
- x. William W. Rentschler, born 03 Jun 1807 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Records of Freiden's Lutheran Church, Shartlesville, Berks Co., PA*, (date. place assumed.)); died 16 Sep 1883 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Records of Freiden's Lutheran Church, Shartlesville, Berks Co., PA*, (date)., (2) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, 2 Oct 1883 (date & place).); married Elizabeth Kauffman 12 Oct 1837 (Source: *Records of Trinity Lutheran Church, Reading, PA*, Marriages 1751 - 1850.); born 16 Sep 1809 (Source: *Records of Freiden's Lutheran Church, Shartlesville, Berks Co., PA*); died 11 Feb 1875 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Rentschler, Merryl*, cites Reading Adler 23 Feb 1875 (date & place)., (2) *Records of Freiden's Lutheran Church, Shartlesville, Berks Co., PA*, (date).).
- xi. Sarah Rentschler, born 18 Apr 1809 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1851 - 1860 (date. place assumed)., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 34, row 25, tombstone 26.); died 14 Sep 1859 (Source: (1) *Transcribed Excerpts from the Reading "Adler" newspaper*, Obituaries 1851 - 1860., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 34, row 25, tombstone 26.); married Joseph Kauffman.

**18. Michael Geiss** (Source: fraktur for Anna Maria Geiss, photo.), born Bet. 1751 - 1771. He married **19. Barbara**.

**19. Barbara** (Source: fraktur for Anna Maria Geiss, photo.), born Bet. 1751 - 1771.

Child of Michael Geiss and Barbara is:

- 9 i. Anna Maria Geiss, born 19 May 1791 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 28 Jul 1857 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Johannes George Rentschler 13 Nov 1810.

**20. John Michael Schock** (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70, old cemetery, row 5, tombstone 1.), born 24 Nov 1747 in Germany (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 5 tombstone 1 (date)., (2) Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 7 (place).); died 01 Mar 1815 in probably Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 70 old cemetery, row 5 tombstone 1.). He was the son of **40. Johan Jacob Schock**. He married **21. Susanna Himmelberger**.

**21. Susanna Himmelberger** (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 71, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 8.), born 21 Oct 1753 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 71 old cemetery, row 7 tombstone 8.); died 29 Aug 1830 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 71 old cemetery, row 7 tombstone 8.). She was the daughter of **42. Valentin Himmelberger** and **43. Mary Elizabeth**.

Child of John Schock and Susanna Himmelberger is:

- 10 i. Michael Schock, born 22 Apr 1788 in Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 02 Jul 1865 in probably Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Elizabeth Nunnemacher 23 Jun 1818.

**22. Christopher Nunnemacher** (Source: (1) *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (Christopher)., (2) *Will of Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher (died c1814)*, (Christoph).), born Abt. 1773 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*.); died Abt. 1809 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*.). He was the son of **44. Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher** and **45. Anna Barbara Weis**. He married **23. Elisabeth Hicks/Hix** Abt. 1797 (Source: (1)

Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 11 (tombstone of Elisabeth (Hix) Nunnemacher).

**23. Elisabeth Hicks/Hix** (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born 20 Apr 1779 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: (1) Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair., (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 11, Date is recorded "04/20/1799." Probably in error as date of marriage is given as 1797.); died 25 Sep 1828 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 11.). She was the daughter of **46. Johan Conrad Hix** and **47. Anna Maria Heyer**.

Notes for Christopher Nunnemacher:

Baptisms Recorded at St. Michael's Union Church 1810-1880

Sarah child of Christofel and Philippina Nunemacher, born 3 Jan 1811; bapt. 28 Apr 1811; sponsor Michael and Susanna Nunnemacher.

Catharina child of Jacob and Philipina Nunnemacher, born 10 Apr 1813; bapt 20 Jun 1813; sponsor Catharina Wagner

Does the first record indicate that Christofel did not pass away about 1809? Was his wife named Philippina? Or is this a different Christofel? Christofel did have a brother named Michael whose wife was Susanna.

Does the second record indicate that the first was copied incorrectly and the husband should be Jacob, not Christophel? Is this Jacob a brother of Christophel and Michael?

Children of Christopher Nunnemacher and Elisabeth Hicks/Hix are:

- 11 i. Elizabeth Nunnemacher, born 19 Aug 1797 in probably Berks Co., PA; died 20 Jul 1883; married Michael Schock 23 Jun 1818.
- ii. John Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Abt. 1799 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.); married Nancy Kauffman; born 26 Aug 1799 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.); died 08 Sep 1869 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.).
- iii. Maria Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Bet. 1799 - 1803; married Philip Womelsdorf.
- iv. Conrad Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Bet. 1799 - 1803.
- v. Margaret Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Abt. 1803 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.); married William Dehart; born Abt. 1803 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.).
- vi. Michael Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Abt. 1806 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.); died Abt. 1880 in Reading, Berks County, PA (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.); married Maria Hain; born Abt. 1807 (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.).
- vii. Rebecca Nunnemacher (Source: Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.), born Bef. 1809; married Deiter Hartranft.

**24. Johan Jacob Balthaser**, born 16 Sep 1775 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 14, tombstone 12.); died 03 Jul 1845 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 14, tombstone

12.). He married **25. Maria Magdalena Greth** 1802 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12.).

**25. Maria Magdalena Greth**, born 27 Dec 1785 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 14, tombstone 11.); died 10 Oct 1865 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 14, tombstone 11.). She was the daughter of **50. Nicholas Andrew Greth** and **51. Susannah Dewald**

Notes for Johan Jacob Balthaser:

"The majority of the Balthasers now living in Berks and adjoining counties are the direct descendants of John Jacob Balthaser...who married Maria Magdalena Greth. Both are buried at St. Michaels Church in Tilden Twp.

They had 16 children. One son and two daughters died in infancy, and Isaac drowned when quite young; but five daughters and seven sons raised families." (A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers, Pg. 15)

Children of Johan Balthaser and Maria Greth are:

- i. Isaac Balthaser, born Bet. 1800 - 1835; died in "drowned when quite young" (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 15.).
- ii. son Balthaser, born Bet. 1800 - 1835; died in died in infancy (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 15.).
- iii. daughter Balthaser, born Bet. 1800 - 1835; died in died in infancy (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 15.).
- iv. daughter Balthaser, born Bet. 1800 - 1835.
- v. Sarah Balthaser, born 17 Oct 1802 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.); died 29 Apr 1872 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.); married Jacob Boyer; born 11 Jul 1795 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.); died 03 Jul 1866 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.).
- vi. Hannah Balthaser, born 06 Aug 1804 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 57, row 21 tombstone 10.); died 03 Apr 1880 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 57.); married Jacob Renno Abt. 1824 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 57, row 21 tombstone 9, "Married to Hanna Balthaser, 41 years."); born 04 Feb 1789 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 57, row 21 tombstone 9.); died 19 Jan 1865 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 57.).
- vii. Jeremias Balthaser, born 04 Apr 1808 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12, row 38 tombstone 13.); died 10 Nov 1885 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 12.); married (1) Sarah Rick Bef. 1833 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16 (assumed based on date of birth of oldest child).); born 16 Sep 1810 (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13, row 12 tombstone 4., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 2 (10 Sep 1810).); died 12 Jun 1839 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13.); married (2) Catharine Williams Aft. 1839 (Source: assumed, based on date of first wife's death.); born 01 May 1822 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, row 23 tombstone 22.); died 10 Sep 1862 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11.); married (3) Susannah Rahn Aft. 1862 (Source: assumed, based on date of second wife's death.); born 18 Sep 1822 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13.); died 04 Dec 1886 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 13.).
- 12 viii. Samuel G. Balthaser, born 06 Mar 1810 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 09 Oct 1866 in Penn Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Mary Kissling Abt. 1830.
- ix. Jacob Balthaser, born 06 Dec 1812 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); died 06 Dec 1879 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); married Sarah Kauffman Bef. 1836 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 147,

- assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 11 Apr 1814 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17 (yr.), (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 7.); died 02 Nov 1887 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.).
- x. Johann Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 7.), born 21 Feb 1814 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 7.); died 28 Apr 1893 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); married Catharine Beahr Bef. 1842 (Source: *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 2, from the Reading Adler, Marriages by Rev. Isaac Miesse, 1838-1865, John Balthaser of Upper Bern m. Catherine Bär of Windsor.); born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- xi. Benjamin Balthaser, born 25 Mar 1815 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17, 216., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, row 38 tombstone 9.); died 06 Sep 1891 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17, 216., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11.); married (1) Diana Williams 23 Mar 1844 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, row 27 tombstone 19.); born 29 Jan 1825 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, row 27 tombstone 19.); died 21 Jun 1856 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11.); married (2) Anna Maria Hix Aft. 1856 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 216, based on date of death of first wife.); born 04 Jul 1816 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 216., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11, row 38 tombstone 10.); died 12 Jun 1885 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 11.).
- xii. Maria Balthaser, born 23 Sep 1820 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 30.); died 08 Sep 1885 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 30.); married (1) Benjamin Sunday 28 Sep 1831 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 30.); born 21 Jun 1816 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 29, "Sontag."); died 08 Jun 1866 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 29.); married (2) George Berger 27 Feb 1870 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 76, row 21 tombstone 30.); born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- xiii. George Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 30 (George).), born 04 Apr 1824 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 235., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 30.); died 22 Apr 1899 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); married Mary Miller Bef. 1853 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 235, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 07 Sep 1827 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); died 13 Aug 1910 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.).
- xiv. Willhelm Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 35.), born 16 Oct 1826 (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, pg. 17., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 35.); died 14 Aug 1869 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); married Mary Ritter Bef. 1852 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 242, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 10 Jan 1830 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.); died 21 Aug 1921 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 17.).

- xv. Elizabeth Balthaser, born 22 Mar 1829 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 249., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976).); died 13 Feb 1874 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 249., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976).); married Johannes Baer 12 Sep 1846 in By Rev. A.L. Herman (Source: *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 46, Marriages by Rev. A.L. Herman 1823-1826, 1828-1850, John Bär of Windsor m. Elizabeth Balthaser of Upper Bern.); born 23 Aug 1819 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 249., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976).); died 21 Oct 1890 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 249., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976).).
- xvi. Susanna Balthaser (Source: *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 49.), born 21 Sep 1833 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 112, lot A091, grave 2., (2) *Baptismal Records of St. Michael's Union Church, 1810-1880, Bern (Now Tilden) Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Pg. 49.); died 25 Apr 1892 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 112, lot A091, grave 2.); married Edward Kauffman Bef. 1852 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 256, assumed based on date of birth of first child.); born 15 Feb 1830 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 112, lot A091, grave 1.); died 25 Jul 1889 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 112, lot A091, grave 1.).

**28. Abraham Baer** (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born 06 Jun 1790 in probably Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28 (date and Northampton Co.), abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855., (2) assumed, next older and next younger siblings, Johann Peter and Jonathan were born in Weisenberg Twp.); died 25 Jan 1855 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co. (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855.). He was the son of **56. Johan Adam Baer** and **57. Anna Margaretha Peter**. He married **29. Rachel Miller**.

**29. Rachel Miller** (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear (Rachel), (2) "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, (Rachel Miller).), born 18 Dec 1792 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA, pg 441, family #206 (year)., (2) Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites her tombstone at Epler's Church Cemetery, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.); died 06 Dec 1861 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites her tombstone at Epler's Church Cemetery, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.).

Children of Abraham Baer and Rachel Miller are:

- i. Abraham Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Bet. 1810 - 1825; died Aft. 1854 (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record.); married Sarah Gicker 18 Sep 1847 in By Rev. A.L. Herman (Source: *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 47, Marriages by Rev. A.L. Herman 1823-1826, 1828-1850, Abraham Bär m. Sara Gicker, both of Bern.); born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- ii. Mary Baer (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record.), born Bet. 1810 - 1825; died Aft. 1855 (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record.); married Jacob Albright; born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- 14 iii. John Baer, born 22 Aug 1814 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 12 Jun 1875 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Anna Eva Williams.

- iv. Catharine "Kate" Baer (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear (Kate)., (2) "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record (Catharine).), born 23 Sep 1815 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com.); died Aft. 1854 (Source: *Will of Abraham Barr (1790-1855)*.); married Mr. Pifflin; born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- v. Isaac Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born 07 Jan 1819 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites his tombstone in the cemetery at Bern Church, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.); died 10 Sep 1886 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites his tombstone in the cemetery at Bern Church, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.); married Annie Gicker 25 Oct 1845 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites his tombstone in the cemetery at Bern Church, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.); born Bet. 1820 - 1830.
- vi. Joseph Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born 07 Apr 1820 (Source: Kendig, Michael P., MontanaMoose1@aol.com, cites his tombstone in the cemetery at Bern Church, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.); died Aft. 1854 (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record.); married Mary (Polly) Wert 12 Jul 1844 in By Rev. A.L. Herman (Source: *Berks Co. Newspaper Records, Vol. 1*, Pg. 45, Marriages by A.L. Herman 1823-1826, 1828-1850, Joseph Barr of Bern m. Polly Wirt of Penn.); born Bet. 1810 - 1825.
- vii. Sarah Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Abt. 1830 (Source: *U.S. Census*, Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA, pg 441, family #206.); died Aft. 1855 (Source: "Journal of the Berks County Genealogical Society," Vol. 11, No. 2, pg. 28, abstracts of death records kept by Berks Co. c1852-1855, father's death record.); married Jared Snyder; born Bet. 1810 - 1825.

**30. Samuel Williams** (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 1694, biography of Levi W. Bear.), born Bet. 1772 - 1792.

Notes for Samuel Williams:

There are two Samuel Williams listed in the 1850 census in Berks Co. The one in Center Twp. (roll 752, pg. 81) is age 32. He could be a brother of Anna Eva, but not her father. The other is in Upper Bern Twp. (roll 752, pg. 121) and is only 13.

Child of Samuel Williams is:

- 15 i. Anna Eva Williams, born 21 Dec 1812 in Pennsylvania; died 08 Jan 1894 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married John Baer.

#### *Generation No. 6*

**32. Michael Rentschler**, born 18 Oct 1720 in Stammheim, Wuerttemberg, Germany (Source: (1) Don Yoder, *Pennsylvania German Immigrants 1709-1786*, (Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, 1980), Pg. 103 (date)., (2) Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10, gives date of birth as 18 Oct 1722. This conflicts with "Pennsylvania German Immigrants 1709-1786" but solves the problem of only 5 months between the births of Michael and his older brother, Jacob b. May 1720.); died Mar 1797 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Driesbach Cemetery Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA.). He was the son of **64. Michael Rentschler** and **65. Anna Maria Plocher**. He married **33. Catharine Rosine** Bef. 1752 in Germany (Source: (1) assumed, based on date of birth of oldest child. (date)., (2) assumed, based on immigration date (place).).

**33. Catharine Rosine** (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 11.), born Abt. 1720 in Germany (Source: Estimate, based on husband's

date of birth.); died Bet. 1795 - 1797 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Driesbach Cemetery Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA, Indicates distribution to 6 children or their surviving heirs. No mention of surviving spouse, therefore she probably died before him., (2) *Articles of Agreement between Michael & Rosine Rentschler and son, Johannes George.*, (1795).).

Notes for Michael Rentschler:

Michael Rentschler, his wife Rosine and probably their oldest daughter, left the town of Stammheim in the province Wuerttemberg, Germany for America on 05 Apr 1754 and arrived in Philadelphia on the ship "Barclay" on 14 Sep 1754.

The typical journey from Wuerttemberg to Philadelphia began with a trip, 8 days sailing time, down the Rhine River to Rotterdam in Holland. From there the immigrants sailed across the North Sea to Cowes in England. This leg of the journey took about 6 days. From Cowes they sailed across the Atlantic to Philadelphia, a journey of two more months. The trip typically took up to six months due to layovers in each port and bad weather which could make each leg of the journey longer. The small ships carried hundreds of passengers at a time. There was very little space and no privacy. Many died and many more caught various diseases from their fellow passengers, arriving in America in ill health. Food often spoiled and bad weather could result in shortages of food and drinking water before reaching land. Due to the shortage of space, very few personal possessions could be packed. Possessions and money were often damaged by water, swept overboard during storms or stolen by fellow passengers. ("Journey to Pennsylvania" by Gottlieb Mitleberger c 1754; edited and translated by Oscar Handlin and John Clive, 1960)

On 04 Nov 1755 he purchased 11 acres in Berks Co. Michael may have lived in Windsor Township for a time as he is listed in the 1757 and 1759 tax records as a property owner in that township. It seems to have been common for a farmer to own land in several places. He may have owned a second farm in Windsor Township. Over time, he added to his property holdings.

Michael Rentschler was one of four trustees of the Lutheran congregation in Bern Township. They applied for a land warrant in 1767 to build a church for their congregation. St. Michael's Church, a log building, was completed in August 1769. It was named for Reformed minister, Rev. Philip Michael. Over time, Bern Township was broken up into smaller townships. Today, St. Michael's Union Church is located in Tilden Township.

Michael and Rosine raised six children, two boys and three girls. Two, Johannes George and Eva Catharine, married Wagner siblings, Catharina Margaretha and Jacob. After Eva Catharine's death at age 53, Jacob married her younger sister, Anna Catharine.

Michael Rentschler served in the Revolutionary War. "One of (his) assignments was to guard prisoners being moved from Reading to Lancaster, PA." (DAR Patriot Index p. 64.)

In 1795 Michael sold his land to his oldest son, Johannes (John) George in an agreement stating that as a condition of the sale, their son was to provide them "food, shelter, clothing, medical service, etc. suitable to their station in life and to procure for them wines and liquors when requested to for the rest of their lives." John George "took out letters in the estate" on 20 Mar 1797. Distribution was in six equal shares as follows:

1. Johannes (John) George (son).
2. Magdalena, John and George, children of John and Anna Maria Dunkelberger (grand children)
3. John, Rosina, and Catharine, children of Wilhelm and Margareta (Rentschler) Diebert (grand children)
4. Jacob Waggoner, husband of the late Eva Catharine Rentschler (daughter)
5. Jacob Wagoner, husband of the late Anna Catharine Rentschler (daughter)
6. John Rentschler (son)

Michael and Rosine's graves have not been found but it is believed they are buried in the old cemetery at St. Michael's Church as it was 30 yrs old when they died. They were founding members and lived nearby.

Children of Michael Rentschler and Catharine Rosine are:

- i. Anna Maria Rentschler, born Abt. 1752 in Wuerttemberg, Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994.); died Bet. 1790 - 1794 in Upper Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: Shirley J. Turner, Tucson, AZ, "The Dunkelberger Family: Europe to America 1600-1982," 1982, Pg. 29.); married Johannes Jacob

- Dunkelberger Abt. 1770 in Berks Co. (Source: Shirley J. Turner, Tucson, AZ, "The Dunkelberger Family: Europe to America 1600-1982," 1982, Pg. 27 (date), Pg 29, " [In] 1781 or very soon after,, John, son of Clement, with a pregnant wife, Anna Maria, left Windsor Twp. and migrated to Little Mahanoy Twp. (Northumberland)..."); born Bet. 1740 - 1755.
- 16    ii. Margaretha Rosine Rentschler (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 11 All information.), born 1754 in unknown; died Abt. 1795; married Wilhelm Diebert Abt. 1777 (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of first child.); born Bet. 1744 - 1755.
- iii. Johannes George Rentschler, born 11 Oct 1756 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 24 Mar 1827 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Catharina Margaretha Wagner Abt. 1785 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.
- iv. John Rentschler, born 1759 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Driesbach Cemetery Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA, (date).); died 19 Feb 1825 in Buffalo Twp., Northumberland (now Union) Co., PA (Source: Driesbach Cemetery Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA.); married Maria Dorothea Will Bef. 1793 in Berks Co., PA (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of their first child..).
- v. Eva Catharine Rentschler, born 19 Dec 1760 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 14.); died 07 Mar 1813 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 14.); married Jacob Wagner Abt. 1786 (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of their first child.); born 18 Dec 1757 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.); died 27 May 1833 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.).
- vi. Anna Catharine Rentschler, born Abt. 1762 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 17.); died 11 Dec 1844 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA; married Jacob Wagner Aft. 1813; born 18 Dec 1757 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.); died 27 May 1833 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.).

**34. John Jacob Wagner** (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 83, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 8.), born 04 Oct 1729 (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 83, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 8.); died 13 May 1800 (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 83, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 8.). He married **35. Catharine Magdalena Schock**.

**35. Catharine Magdalena Schock** (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 81, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 6.), born 11 Jan 1737/38 (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 81, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 6.); died 24 Aug 1820 (Source: (1) *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 81, old cemetery, row 4, tombstone 6.).

Children of John Wagner and Catharine Schock are:

- i. Jost Wagner
- ii. Magdalena Wagner
- iii. Anna Maria Wagner
- 17    iv. Jacob Wagner, born 18 Dec 1757 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.); died 27 May 1833 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: *Wagner, James H.*, 26 Feb 1998.); married (1) Eva Catharine Rentschler Abt. 1786 (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of their first child.); born 19 Dec 1760 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 14.); died 07 Mar 1813 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 14.); married (2) Anna Catharine Rentschler Aft. 1813; born Abt. 1762 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 17.); died 11 Dec 1844 in Little Mahanoy Twp., Northumberland Co., PA.
- v. Catharina Margaretha Wagner, born 23 Dec 1765; died 02 Jun 1847 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Johannes George Rentschler Abt. 1785 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA.



**40. Johan Jacob Schock**, born Bet. 1710 - 1725 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 7 (place).); died Aft. 1759 (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 7.).

Child of Johan Jacob Schock is:

- 20 i. John Michael Schock, born 24 Nov 1747 in Germany; died 01 Mar 1815 in probably Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Susanna Himmelberger.

**42. Valentin Himmelberger** (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.), born 09 Dec 1709 in Schriesheim? Germany (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.); died 03 Mar 1787 in Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org., (2) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *Baptisms, Births & Marriages, Salem Belleman's Union Church*, (1982), Pg. 118.). He married **43. Mary Elizabeth** 03 Oct 1737.

**43. Mary Elizabeth**, born 06 Nov 1713 in Europe, probably Germany; died 01 Jun 1788 in Berks Co., PA.

Notes for Valentin Himmelberger:

Valentin Himmelberger arrived in Philadelphia from Amsterdam via Cowes (England) on 5 Oct 1737, on the ship "Bilander Townshead". Valentin located in Bern Township, Berks county, Pennsylvania, had a farm there and raised a family. He made his will on 28 Feb 1778. (Bonnie Blau bonnieb@sbceo.org)

Will of Valentin Himmelberger (<http://home.tiscali.nl/~ti033082/frm-homhimhum-us.htm>, web pages of Ber Himmelberger, the Netherlands)

In the Name of Amen

I Valentin Himmelberger of Bern Township Berks County and in the State of Pennsylvania, find myself weakly in Body but thank God by my (forms) and full understanding Considering the Mortality of my Body, make and ordain this my last Will and Testament as follows.

I recommend my Soul in the Hands of the Lord, of whom I have received it, accordingly (xxxx) upon my Demise on the Earth to be Christianly Buried by my Executors. (Trusting) my worldly Estate wherewith the Lord Blessed me in this life, I give and Bequeath to my Lawful Heirs as follows.

Firstly I give and Bequeath to my beloved Wife Maria Elizabeth all my moveable Estate and that shall all be appraised piece for piece, but remain in her hand till (five) weeks after her Death, when all the moveable goods shall be sold at Public Auction and of the money arising therefrom,

Ten Pounds shall be paid to my Eldest Son Philip beforehand for his first Birth Right and the remaining Money shall be distributed among my Eight Children in eight equal shares, therein my Son Jacob Himmelberger shall be excluded,

my Son Philip the first Born I have already paid in hand two hundred pounds in Specie,

I have already paid in hand to my Daughter Elizabeth in Specie money and the worth of money one hundred Pounds,

I have paid in hand to my Daughter Catherina Ninety Pounds Specie,

and Seventy Pounds shall yet be paid to her Children Harry Fisher, Michael and John with Lawful Interest from the fifteenth day of March one Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Five, and Shall be Paid to each as he arrives his Age twenty three Pounds five Shillings and eight Pence Principal except the Interest from the Time aforesaid,

I have paid in in hand to my Daughter Clara one hundred pounds Specie,

I have paid in hand to my Son George one hundred and fifty pounds Specie,

I have deducted my Son Jacob's Inheritance in full of the Consideration Money for the Land,

I have paid in hand to my Son Ulrich two hundred Pounds in Specie,

I have paid in hand to my Daughter Susanna one hundred Pounds Specie in Money and Money's Worth, and I have also paid in hand in Money to my Daughter Eva one hundred pounds Specie,

this bequest and now paying beforehand shall be each of my Children's full Share,

two Bonds one of thirty three Pounds Five Shillings and eight Pence are yet remaining back by my Son Jacob,

one Bond of Philip (Refer) for twenty five Pounds,

and one other of Mathias Weaver for Thirteen Pounds,

these said Bonds and the Money arising from the moveable effects shall after my beloved Wife's death be distributed in eight equal Shares, therein my Son Jacob excluded A Bank Note whereby my Son Jacob has one thousand and seven hundred Dollars, which is now alone in my name to Fifty Pounds Nineteen Shillings and five pence, my eight Children Shall have twenty one pounds part thereof.

I make and Proclaim my Son Philip and my Son in Law Abraham (Birsof) to my only executors of this my last Will and Testament, I make Void and Recall all former Wills and Testament, ratify and confirm this my last Will and Testament and not other.

Published and Declared and Subscribed the Twenty eight Day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven in the presence of us

/s/ Jost Stouss

/s/ Ulrich Bagenstoss      Valentin (Mark of X) Himmelberger

More about Valentin Himmelberger (<http://home.tiscali.nl/~ti033082/frm-homhimhum-us.htm>, web pages of Ber Himmelberger, the Netherlands)

In the transcription of the ships list there are two Valentins: 'HEMMELBERGER, Vallentin' and 'HENNEBERGER, Valentin' (a 'HENEBERGER, Hans Melgior' is also on the list). Another source indicates that the name in this list is spelled Hammelberger.

Valentin Hemmelberger was not able to sign his name so he made a mark and the name was written in by the clerk

The other Valentin (Henneberger) could write (at least his own name).

Since our Valentin couldn't write when he made his will, we can come to the conclusion that Valentin Henneberger and Hans Melchior Henneberger are not the persons we are looking for.

Mr. Howell indicated that Valentine [sic] Himmelberger had eight children, Philip, Elizabeth, Catharine, George, Jacob, Susanna, Clara and Eva.

Valentin Himmelberger was followed to America some years later by a brother, Georg. Georg came to America from Schriesheim and in Schriesheim somebody found a document which tells us that George followed his brother Valentin to America.

Children of Valentin Himmelberger and Mary Elizabeth are:

- i. Phillip Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born 02 Mar 1738/39 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)); died 27 Dec 1796; married Margaret Brecht; born 10 Sep 1745 (Source: (1) Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)., (2) *Burials at St. John's (Host) Reformed Church "old" Cemetery, Tulpehocken Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Row 17, 8. Margareth Himmelberger nee Brechtin b. 10 Sep 1745 d. 10 Mar 1806 Left 9 children to mourn her loss.); died 10 Mar 1806 (Source: (1) Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)., (2) *Burials at St. John's (Host) Reformed Church "old" Cemetery, Tulpehocken Twp., Berks Co., PA*, Row 17, 8. Margareth Himmelberger nee Brechtin b. 10 Sep 1745 d. 10 Mar 1806 Left 9 children to mourn her loss..).
- ii. Catharine Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born Bet. May 1741 - Aug 1742 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)); married Henry Johannes Fischer; born Bet. 1731 - 1742 (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)).
- iii. Mary Elizabeth Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born 01 Jul 1741 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)).
- iv. Clara or Gloria Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born 11 Feb 1743/44 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)); died 02 May 1818 in Alsace Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Johan Nickolas Fischer 29 Nov 1765 in Alsace Twp Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)); born Bet. 1734 - 1744; died Aft. 1779 (Source: Septennial Census, Pg 10.).
- v. Georg Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born 12 Apr 1747 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org), date is uncertain, either 12 or 21 Apr 1747.); died 19 Sep 1821 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)).
- vi. Elizabeth Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org), cites research of Bev Albert.), born 11 Mar 1748/49 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org), cites research of Bev Albert at Salem (Bellemans' Church).); died 14 Jan 1825 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org), cites reserach of Bev Albert.).
- vii. Jacob Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)), born 12 Mar 1749/50 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, [bonnieb@sbceo.org](mailto:bonnieb@sbceo.org)); died 10 Oct 1824 (Source: (1) Ber

- Himmelberger, *web pages of Ber Himmelberger*, (The Netherlands), "Electronic," click on "see 8"., (2) Milton K. & Luella E. Blatt, *Directory of Burials on Salem (Bellemans) Graveyard*, (November 1979), Pg. 39, row 8, grave 3.); married Susanna.
- viii. Ulrich Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.), born 12 Apr 1752 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.); died Dec 1793 in Nelson Co., KY (Source: Ber Himmelberger, *web pages of Ber Himmelberger*, (The Netherlands), "Electronic," click on "see 9".); married Elisabeth Tesch (or Lesch) Abt. 1776 (Source: Ber Himmelberger, *web pages of Ber Himmelberger*, (The Netherlands), "Electronic," click on "see 9".); born Bet. 1752 - 1760.
- 21 ix. Susanna Himmelberger, born 21 Oct 1753; died 29 Aug 1830; married John Michael Schock.
- x. Eva Himmelberger (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.), born Abt. 1755 (Source: Blau, Bonnie, bonnieb@sbceo.org.); married Abraham Bucks.

**44. Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher** (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of Ludwig Nunnemacher., (2) Ralph Beaver Strassberger and Wm. J. Hinke., *Pennsylvania German Pioneers Vols I, II and III*, (PA German Society, Norristown, PA 1934), Vol I, Pg. 661-665 (Georg Ludwig)., (3) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 6, tombstone 9.), born 26 Dec 1739 in Germany (Source: (1) Ralph Beaver Strassberger and Wm. J. Hinke., *Pennsylvania German Pioneers Vols I, II and III*, (PA German Society, Norristown, PA 1934), Pgs 661-665 (place)., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 6, tombstone 9 (date).); died 16 Mar 1815 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of Ludwig Nunnemacher (place and between Dec 1814 and Apr 1815)., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 6, tombstone 9.). He married **45. Anna Barbara Weis** 15 Sep 1765 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 2, tomb stone 5, Anna Barbara (date)., (2) assumed, based on date of immigration of 1754.).

**45. Anna Barbara Weis** (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 6, tombstone 9 (husband, Ludwig).), born 16 Nov 1745; died 17 Aug 1824.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher:  
FTM CD#209  
Pennsylvania Wills, 1682-1834

NUNNEMACHER, LUDWIG, Bern.  
December 13, 1814 - April 12, 1815.  
Mentions wife, not named.  
Names sons Michael and Jacob and 3 grandchildren of dau. Maria, wife of John SOEB.  
Mentions also a deceased son Christoph who had 7 children.  
Exrs: Son Michael and grandson Valentine WAGNER.  
Wit: Henry COTTOL and Jacob FISHER.

FTM CD#501  
Immigration Records: Immigrants to Pennsylvania 1600s-1800s

Ludwig Nunnemacher aka Georg Ludwig Nonnenmacher arrived on the brigantine "Mary & Sarah," qualified 26 Oct 1754. Captain was Thomas Brodrich. The ship was from Amsterdam by way of Portsmouth England. The passengers were from Franconia, Wirtenberg (sic) and the Palatinate. Georg Ludwig signed his own name.  
(Pennsylvania German Pioneers, Vol.I, by Strassberger and Hinke, Pgs 661-665)

St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766-1991  
Entries for both Ludwig and Anna Barbara state they bore 5 sons and 5 daughters.  
(Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 6, tombstone 9; Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 2, tombstone 5)

Children of Georg Nunnemacher and Anna Weis are:

- i. Michael Nunnemacher (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, Ludwig Nunnemacher., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 9.), born 16 Oct 1767 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 9 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).); died 21 Jul 1833 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 9.); married Susanna Leininger; born 03 Aug 1776 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 10.); died 06 Jan 1828 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 55, old cemetery, row 7, tombstone 10 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).).
- ii. daughter Nunnemacher (Source: *Will of Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher (died c1814)*, His executors were his son, Michael and grandson, Valentine Wagner.), born Bet. 1763 - 1783 in probably Schuylkill Co., PA; married Mr. Wagner; born Bet. 1763 - 1783.
- 22 iii. Christopher Nunnemacher, born Abt. 1773 in probably Berks Co., PA; died Abt. 1809 in probably Berks Co., PA; married Elisabeth Hicks/Hix Abt. 1797.
- iv. Jacob Nunnemacher (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of Ludwig Nunnemacher.), born Bet. 1763 - 1783 in probably Berks Co., PA.
- v. Johannes Nunnemacher (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 56, old cemetery, row 2, tombstone 20., Parentage assumed based on date of birth (after parents' marriage in 1765) and date of death (before Ludwig wrote his will in 1814).), born 09 Nov 1779 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 56, old cemetery, row 2, tombstone 20.); died 11 Nov 1803 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 56, old cemetery, row 2, tombstone 20.).
- vi. Anna Maria Nunnemacher (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of Ludwig Nunnemacher (Maria)., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 1 tombstone 11 (Maria (Nunnemacher))., (3) kept by Rev. John Wm. Boos, *Records of Schwartzwald Church, Exeter Twp., Berks Co., PA 1781-1811*, (copied from Mr. Unger's copy Feb-Jun 1941 by Wm. J. Hinke), Pg. 255 (Anna Maria).), born 18 Apr 1781 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 1 tombstone 11 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).); died 20 Feb 1811 in probably Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Will of Georg Ludwig Nunnemacher (died c1814)*, Will indicates Maria is already deceased in 1814., (2) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 1 tombstone 11.); married Johannes Loeb 14 Jun 1803 in by Rev. John Wm. Boos (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 1 tombstone 11 (year)., (2) kept by Rev. John Wm. Boos, *Records of Schwartzwald Church, Exeter Twp., Berks Co., PA 1781-1811*, (copied from Mr. Unger's copy Feb-Jun 1941 by Wm. J. Hinke), Pg. 255.); born 16 Jun 1784 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 5 tombstone 6.); died 14 Oct 1814 (Source: Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 42, old cemetery, row 5 tombstone 6.).

**46. Johan Conrad Hix** (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.), born 13 Jul 1740 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Salem (Hetzl's) Lutheran Church, Pinegrove Twp., Schuylkill Co.); died 21 Dec 1814 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Salem (Hetzl's) Lutheran Church, Pinegrove Twp., Schuylkill Co.). He was the son of **92. Johan Heinrich Hix** and **93. Anna Catharina Faust**. He married **47. Anna Maria Heyer** 15 May 1768 in Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co., PA by Rev. Waldschmidt (Source: (1) H. A. Weller, *Records of Zion Red Church, West Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co? PA*, <http://www.stonecabin.com/bensinger/pastoral.html>., (2) Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites PA Archives, Series 6, Vol 6, Rev. John Waldschmidt's records.).

**47. Anna Maria Heyer** (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer., (2) Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites PA Archives, Series 6, Vol 6, Rev. John Waldschmidt's records.), born Abt. 1747 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); died 01 Nov 1820 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date)., (2) Transcribed and compiled by Larry Haines, Berks Co., PA, "Death Notices and Obituaries of the Reading Adler Newspaper, Reading, Berks Co., PA (1797-1824)," Issue of 21 Nov 1820.). She was the daughter of **94. Georg Heyer**.

Children of Johan Hix and Anna Heyer are:

- i. Anna Maria Hicks/Hix (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*), born 17 Feb 1769 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died 11 Oct 1845 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date. Place assumed based on place of burial).); married Johan Conrad Kerschner 08 Apr 1791 in By Rev. John Wm. Boos (Source: kept by Rev. John Wm. Boos, *Records of Schwartzwald Church, Exeter Twp., Berks Co., PA 1781-1811*, (copied from Mr. Unger's copy Feb-Jun 1941 by Wm. J. Hinke), Pg. 223.); born 20 Sep 1770 (Source: (1) *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*, (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 206, section OC.); died 31 May 1850 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 206, section OC (date. Place assumed based on place of burial).).
- ii. George Hicks/Hix (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*), born 22 Dec 1770 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 32, old cemetery, location not noted (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert., (2) *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died 03 Jan 1850 in probably Upper Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Luann and Betty Seaman, *St. Michael's Cemetery Burials 1766 - 1991*, Pg. 32, old cemetery, location not noted (date. Place assumed based on place of burial)., (2) *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); married Catharine Nunnemacher 1797 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); born Bet. 1770 - 1780.
- iii. Johann Henrich Hicks/Hix (Source: H. A. Weller, *Records of Zion Red Church, West Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co? PA.*), born 28 May 1773 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died Jul 1812 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); married Elizabeth Lauer Abt. 1798 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); born Bet. 1773 - 1783.
- 23 iv. Elisabeth Hicks/Hix, born 20 Apr 1779 in Schuylkill Co., PA; died 25 Sep 1828 in probably Berks Co., PA; married (1) Christopher Nunnemacher Abt. 1797; married (2) Ludwig Seaman Abt. 1810.
- v. Conrad Hicks/Hix (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*), born 29 Jun 1782 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died 07 Jun 1858 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); married Anna Moyer 01 Jan 1805 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); born 16 Nov 1787 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); died 03 Oct 1861 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*).
- vi. Michael Hicks/Hix (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*), born Abt. 1786 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died Dec 1862 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair*, December 1862.); married (1) Catharine; died Bef. 1806 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early*

*Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); married (2) Elizabeth Belleman 15 Apr 1806 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); born Abt. 1788 (Source: Transcribed and compiled by Larry Haines, Berks Co., PA, "Death Notices and Obituaries of the Reading Adler Newspaper, Reading, Berks Co., PA (1797-1824)," Pg. 38, based on age and date of death.); died 09 Feb 1824 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*).

- vii. Rebecca Hicks/Hix (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*), born Abt. 1788 in Schuylkill Co., PA (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*, (date), Place assumed from "Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert.); died 01 Oct 1820 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); married John Shoemaker 04 Sep 1808 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); born 1786 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*); died 17 Sep 1853 (Source: *Steven James cites "Some Early Families of Berks County" by Beulah Hix Blair.*).

**50. Nicholas Andrew Greth** (Source: (1) Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, FL 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," CRED, Nicholas Andrew, seven weeks old, son of Andrew Cred and his wife Elizabeth, bapt 23 Nov 1788; sponsors Nicholas Andrew Cred and his wife Anna Dewald., (2) James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.), born 10 Aug 1759 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.); died 06 Jun 1845 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.). He was the son of **100. Andreas Greth** and **101. Magdalena**. He married **51. Susannah Dewald** Bef. 1785 in Berks Co., PA.

**51. Susannah Dewald** (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.), born 05 Apr 1758 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.); died 28 Feb 1836 (Source: James Adam Balthaser, *A Genealogical Record of the Balthasers 1775-1981*, Pg. 16.). She was the daughter of **102. Michael DeWalt** and **103. Maria Barbara Schmidt**.

Notes for Nicholas Andrew Greth:

There are many variations of the name "Greth." They include: Grett, Gret, Greth, Great, Crate, Crete, Cred, Kret, Kreth. (Bob Angstadt via e-mail 24 Apr 2003)

"The parents of Maria Magdalena Greth lived on a farm...about one-half mile southwest of what was formerly Adam's Hotel. The original building stood about 200 yds south of the present homestead. There is a burial ground about one-quarter mile from the present building where Nicholas Greth and Susannah (Dewaldin) Greth, his wife are buried...They had eight children. Three sons and five daughters." (A genealogical Record of the Balthasers, by James Adam Balthaser, 1981)

Children of Nicholas Greth and Susannah Dewald are:

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- i. Maria Magdalena Greth, born 27 Dec 1785; died 10 Oct 1865 in Berks Co., PA; married Johan Jacob Balthaser 1802.
  - ii. Susan Greth (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, FL 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," (Susan Cred).), born 03 Oct 1787 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, FL 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); married Joseph Spring 16 Apr 1804 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, FL 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); born Bet. 1777 - 1787.
  - iii. Barbara Greth (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, FL 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."), born 05 Oct 1790 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*,

- (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); died Aft. 1823 (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," her husband's administration file.; Bavear, John, BernNov 3, 1823.Adm. To Barbara, widow and John Greth, brother-in-law.); married John Beaver 01 Dec 1806 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," BEAVER, John, 1 Dec 1806, of Conrad and Margaret Beaver, and Barbara, dau of Nicholas and Susan Greth; witnesses Daniel Greth and Joseph Burgy.); born Bet. 1780 - 1790; died 03 Nov 1823 (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," his administration file.; Bavear, John, BernNov 3, 1823.Adm. To Barbara, widow and John Greth, brother-in-law.).
- iv. Anna Greth (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."), born 01 Sep 1792 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); married Thomas Dum/Dunn 21 Mar 1809 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); born Bet. 1782 - 1792.
- v. John Greth (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."), born 13 Aug 1794 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," The compiler recorded: b. 13 Aug 1795 (sic, 1794?). The listing as presented is in alphabetical order. The original is probably in chronological order. 8 months is unusually long for them to have waited to baptize the baby. I wonder if the DOB is 13 Apr 1795?); died Abt. 1863 (Source: Angststadt, Bob.); married Magdalen Fink 31 Mar 1816 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," GRETT, John, 31 Mar 1816, son of Nicholas and Susan Greth, to Magdalen, dau of John and Catharine Fink; witnesses Henry Fink and Susan Greth.); born 10 Aug 1776 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," FINCK, Magdalen, of Conrad Finck and his wife Catharine, b 10 Aug 1777 (error perhaps for 1776), bapd at Andrew Greth's house in Windsor township, 17 Mar 1777; sponsors John Greth and Magdalen Greth..).
- vi. Eva Margaret Greth (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."), born 09 Dec 1797 (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic.").

**56. Johan Adam Baer** (Source: (1) Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 911 (Adam.), (2) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168, cites, Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, Number 2, April 1990. Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born 07 Sep 1746 in Claussville, Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168, cites, Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, Number 2, April 1990. Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.); died 21 May 1796 in Maxatawny Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168, cites, Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, Number 2, April 1990. Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.). He was the son of **112. Johannes Baer** and **113. Regina**. He married **57. Anna Margaretha Peter** Bef. 1776 in probably Northampton Co., PA (Source: assumed, based on date and place of birth of oldest child.).

**57. Anna Margaretha Peter** (Source: Bair, William W., letter of 5 July 2000.), born 19 Apr 1755 in Germansville, Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) Bair, William W., letter of 5 July 2000., (2) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168-169.);

died 04 Apr 1828 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168-169, cites:1. Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, Number 2, April 1990. Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56 :Bur. Ziegels Cem., Weisenburg Twp., Lehigh Co., PA. She m. (2) Frederick Muthart (1776-1854)." 2. Records of Joseph S. Dubs, Reformed Minister Berks and Lehigh Counties, PA: 1822-1854; SLC FHL Q974.8 V2dj.). She was the daughter of **114. Jacob Peter** and **115. Elisabetha**.

Notes for Johan Adam Baer:

Adam went a few miles northwest of the old Hans Baer home and in 1773 settled on a farm which has been in the family since - for over 130 years. (The Pennsylvania German, Vol 7, No 1, pg 333-337, 1906-7, "The Baer Family" by Samuel A. Baer, PhD, Harrisburg, PA)

Notes for Anna Margaretha Peter:

On the death certificate for her son, Abraham (d. 1855), her name is listed as My Peter. My must have been a nickname for Magdalena. ("Our Pennsylvania German Families, Chelson, Edna Barnett, 1998, Pg. 321 -22)

Children of Johan Baer and Anna Peter are:

- i. Elisabeth Baer, born 22 Mar 1776 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).
- ii. Maria Magdalena Baer, born 17 Sep 1777 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).

Notes for Maria Magdalena Baer:

BAER/BAHR/BAR in the Schwarzwald Church Register  
Exeter Twp, Berks Co, Pa.  
Rev. J. Wilhelm Boos, (1740-1814), Reformed Minister

Maria Magdalene Barr and Johannes Rober were married 7 Apr 1795. (Is this this Maria Magdalena?)

- iii. Johann Peter Baer, born 15 Feb 1779 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp.); died 12 May 1853 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 323.); married Magdalena Merkel 09 May 1797 in Macungie, Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 323, cites *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pp 48-56.); born 24 Jun 1780 in probably Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) *U.S. Census*, 1850 Weisenburg Twp, Lehigh Co., PA, roll 792, pg. 191 (year)., (2) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 323, cites *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pp 48-56.); died 09 Jul 1859 in Lehigh Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 323, cites *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pp 48-56.).

Notes for Johann Peter Baer:

"Peter was the oldest son of Adam and is familiarly known as 'Red Peter' or 'Peter the Red.' He lived on the old homestead and had six children." (The Pennsylvania German, Vol 7, No. 1, pg. 333-337, 1906-7, "The Baer Family" by Samuel A. Baer, PhD, Harrisburg, PA)



- iv. Maria Catharina Baer, born 20 Dec 1780 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp.); married Peter Schmeck.
- v. Johann Adam Baer, born 09 Apr 1782 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).
- vi. Johan Friedrich Baer, born 09 Feb 1784 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).
- vii. Heinrich Baer, born 11 Nov 1785 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).
- viii. Anna Margaretha Baer, born 17 Apr 1787 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Lowhill Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Lowhill Twp..).
- ix. Johann Jacob Baer, born 16 Dec 1788 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Weisenberg Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Weisenberg Twp..).
- 28 x. Abraham Baer, born 06 Jun 1790 in probably Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA; died 25 Jan 1855 in probably Bern Twp., Berks Co; married Rachel Miller.
- xi. Jonathan Baer, born 06 May 1794 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: John T. Humphrey, *Pennsylvania Births, Lehigh County 1734-1800*, (Humphrey Publications, Washington, D. C. 1992), pg. 9, Records of the Weisenberg Lutheran and Reformed Congregations in Weisenberg Twp..).

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**64. Michael Rentschler**, born 06 Sep 1691 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 23 May 1765 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.). He was the son of **128. Jacob Rentschler** and **129. Anna Schneider**. He married **65. Anna Maria Plocher** Abt. 1715 in Germany (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of oldest child.).

**65. Anna Maria Plocher**, born in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died Abt. 1736 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).

Children of Michael Rentschler and Anna Plocher are:

- i. Maria Elizabeth Rentschler, born 21 Jul 1716 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 27 Aug 1716 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- ii. Maria Elizabeth Rentschler, born 16 Oct 1717 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- iii. Jacob Rentschler, born 10 May 1720 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 01 Sep 1730 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- 32 iv. Michael Rentschler, born 18 Oct 1720 in Stammheim, Wuerttemberg, Germany; died Mar 1797 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Catharine Rosine Bef. 1752 in Germany.
- v. Anna Magdalena Rentschler, born 15 Jan 1724/25 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 24 Feb 1725/26 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).

- vi. Anna Magdalena Rentschler, born 13 Oct 1727 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 18 Aug 1729 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- vii. Jacob Rentschler, born 30 Oct 1730 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 29 Apr 1740 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- viii. Anna Maria Rentschler, born 09 Sep 1733 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10, "Died young.").

**92. Johan Heinrich Hix** (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77.*), born Abt. 1716 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77.*). He was the son of **184. Johan Valentin Hix** and **185. Magdalena Elizabetha Repp**. He married **93. Anna Catharina Faust** 06 Mar 1736/37 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.).

**93. Anna Catharina Faust** (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.), born Bet. 1716 - 1726; died Bet. 1744 - 1746 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany. She was the daughter of **186. Caspar Faust**.

Children of Johan Hix and Anna Faust are:

- i. Johannes Hix (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.), born Abt. 1738 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.).
- 46 ii. Johan Conrad Hix, born 13 Jul 1740 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; died 21 Dec 1814 in Schuylkill Co., PA; married Anna Maria Heyer 15 May 1768 in Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co., PA by Rev. Waldschmidt.
- iii. Anna Elizabetha Hix (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.), born Abt. 1742 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.).
- iv. Johan Henrich Hix (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.), born Abt. 1744 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites Langenselbold Reformed KB.).

**94. Georg Heyer** (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," HEYER, GEORGE, Alsace. December 3, 1785 - May 8, 1790. To eldest son Adam 5 shillings beforehand. Son Jacob shall have the land and pay £125 in equal shares to son Adam, dau. Anna Maria HICKS, dau. Magdalena BAKER and her 2 children by her first husband, Leonard and Elisabeth BOYER, dau. Margaret BICKLEY and dau. Catharine BAHM. Exr: Jacob HEYER. Wits: John Isaac FELIX and John William BOOS. Translation..., (2) Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 77, cites PA Archives, Series 6, Vol 6, Rev. John Waldschmidt's records.), died Abt. 1785 in Alsace Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," HEYER, GEORGE, Alsace. December 3, 1785 - May 8, 1790. To eldest son Adam 5 shillings beforehand. Son Jacob shall have the land and pay £125 in equal shares to son Adam, dau. Anna Maria HICKS, dau. Magdalena BAKER and her 2 children

by her first husband, Leonard and Elisabeth BOYER, dau. Margaret BICKLEY and dau. Catharine BAHM. Exr: Jacob HEYER. Wits: John Isaac FELIX and John William BOOS. Translation.).

Notes for Georg Heyer:

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Pennsylvania Wills, 1682-1834

HEYER, GEORGE, Alsace.

December 3, 1785 - May 8, 1790.

To eldest son Adam 5 shillings beforehand.

Son Jacob shall have the land and pay £125 in equal shares to son Adam, dau. Anna Maria HICKS, dau. Magdalena BAKER and her 2 children by her first husband, Leonard and Elisabeth BOYER, dau. Margaret BICKLEY and dau. Catharine BAHM. Exr: Jacob HEYER.

Wits: John Isaac FELIX and John William BOOS.

Translation.

Children of Georg Heyer are:

- 47 i. Anna Maria Heyer, born Abt. 1747; died 01 Nov 1820 in Bern Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Johan Conrad Hix 15 May 1768 in Brunswick Twp., Schuylkill Co., PA by Rev. Waldschmidt.
- ii. Adam Heyer (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer.).
- iii. Jacob Heyer (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer.).
- iv. Magdalena Heyer (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer.).
- v. Margaret Heyer (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer.).
- vi. Catharine Heyer (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," will of father, George Heyer.).

**100. Andreas Greth** (Source: Angstadt, Bob, e-mail messages of Apr 2003.), born 26 Dec 1720 in Europe, probably Germany or Alsace-Lorraine (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," calculated from date of death and age.); died 05 Jan 1811 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Baptisms 1741-1818*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," (date)., (2) Angstadt, Bob, (place)., (3) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Greth, Andrew, Windsor. 1805-Jan. 16, 1811 To wife Magdalena all estate during life. Afterwards to son Andrew L1. Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares. Exr: son Nicholas Wits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.). He was the son of **200. Andreas Greth**. He married **101. Magdalena** Bet. 1740 - 1755.

**101. Magdalena**, born Bet. 1720 - 1730; died Aft. Jan 1811 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Angstadt, Bob, (place)., (2) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Greth, Andrew, Windsor. 1805-Jan. 16, 1811 To wife Magdalena all estate during life. Afterwards to son Andrew L1. Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares. Exr: son Nicholas Wits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.).

Notes for Andreas Greth:

FTM CD #209, PA Wills 1682-1834:

Greth, Andrew, Windsor.

1805-Jan. 16, 1811

To wife Magdalena all estate during life.

Afterwards to son Andrew L1.

Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.

Exr: son Nicholas

Wits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner

This Andreas or his father who was also Andreas Grett carried a document from the Catholic church. This apparently is found in the museum at the church in Bally. (Bob Angstadt by e-mail 22 Apr 2003)

Anders or Andreas arrived on the ship Phoenix landing in Philadelphia Sept 15, 1749. Listed with him is Anders and Johannes, probably his father and brother. (Mary Alice via e-mail 5 Feb 2003)

Children of Andreas Greth and Magdalena are:

- i. Andrew Greth (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, Greth, Andrew, Windsor.1805-Jan. 16, 1811To wife Magdalena all estate during life.Afterwards to son Andrew L1.Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.Exr: son NicholasWits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760; married Elizabeth Heinrich 17 Nov 1777 in home of Christian Henrich, Albany Twp., Berks Co., Pa (Source: (1) Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Marriages 1741-1819; DEATHS, 1765-1818; CONVERSIONS, 1781-1785*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic.", (2) Angstadt, Bob, via e-mail 24 April 2003, "As you perused the Goshenhoppen record you may have noted reference to Asperum Collem or some variation. This is a distinctive landmark (a cone-shaped hill) in lower Albany Twp. where the Henrich farm was located."); born Bet. 1740 - 1760.
- ii. John Greth (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, Greth, Andrew, Windsor.1805-Jan. 16, 1811To wife Magdalena all estate during life.Afterwards to son Andrew L1.Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.Exr: son NicholasWits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.), born Bet. 1740 - 1755; married Elizabeth Seiffert 30 Jan 1776 in Berks Co., PA (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Marriages 1741-1819; DEATHS, 1765-1818; CONVERSIONS, 1781-1785*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); born Bet. 1740 - 1755.
- iii. Michael Greth (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, Greth, Andrew, Windsor.1805-Jan. 16, 1811To wife Magdalena all estate during life.Afterwards to son Andrew L1.Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.Exr: son NicholasWits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.), born Bet. 1740 - 1755; married Catharine Hartman 15 Nov 1774 in "the church" (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Marriages 1741-1819; DEATHS, 1765-1818; CONVERSIONS, 1781-1785*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic."); born Bet. 1740 - 1755.
- 50 iv. Nicholas Andrew Greth, born 10 Aug 1759 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA; died 06 Jun 1845 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Susannah Dewald Bef. 1785 in Berks Co., PA.
- v. Magdalena Greth (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, Greth, Andrew, Windsor.1805-Jan. 16, 1811To wife Magdalena all estate during life.Afterwards to son Andrew L1.Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.Exr: son NicholasWits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.), born Bet. 1740 - 1765; married John Bauman 24 May 1785 in "the church" (Source: Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Marriages 1741-1819; DEATHS, 1765-1818; CONVERSIONS, 1781-1785*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," BAUMAN, John, 24 May 1785, in the church,non-Catholic, to Magdalen Grett, both single. The groom promised to allow his wife, and their children free practice of their religion; witnesses Peter Bauman, Laurence Gubernator, our schoolmaster, and Nicholas Schmitt, our surgeon.); born Bet. 1740 - 1765.
- vi. Barbara Greth (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, Greth, Andrew, Windsor.1805-Jan. 16, 1811To wife Magdalena all estate during life.Afterwards to son Andrew L1.Remainder to 3 sons, John, Michael and Nicholas and 2 daus. Magdalena Bauman and Barbara Seibert in equal shares.Exr: son NicholasWits: Daniel Rieser and Jacob Sterner.), born Bet. 1740 - 1765; married Philip Seibert Abt. 02 Nov 1784 in Christian Henrich's house, Albany Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: (1) Compiled by Barbara Brady O'Keefe, *Goshenhoppen, St. Paul's Mission, Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament Marriages 1741-1819;*

*DEATHS, 1765-1818; CONVERSIONS, 1781-1785*, (127 Avenue, Miami, Fl 33175; copyright 1982), "Electronic," at Christian Henrich's house near Asperum Collem., (2) Angstadt, Bob, As you perused the Goshenhoppen record you may have noted reference to Asperum Collem or some variation. This is a distinctive landmark (a cone-shaped hill) in lower Albany Twp. where the Henrich farm was located.); born Bet. 1730 - 1765.

**102. Michael DeWalt**, born 22 Aug 1716 in Medard, Rhein-Pfalz, Gemany (Source: (1) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 196 (year)., (2) Angstadt, Bob, (date, place) via e-mail of 22 Apr 2003.); died 31 Dec 1798 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 196.). He married **103. Maria Barbara Schmidt** Bef. 1740 (Source: Angstadt, Bob, via e-mail 22 apr 2003.).

**103. Maria Barbara Schmidt** (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," (Barbara) husband's will:, Pennsylvania Wills, 1682-1834 DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria. Exrs: Son John and son-in-law Nicholas CRATE. Wits: Casper SCHMIDT, Sr., Casper SCHMIDT, Jr. and Thomas LIGHTFOOT., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 196 (Maria Barbara)., (3) Angstadt, Bob, Maria Barbara Schmidt, e-mail message of 1 Apr 2003.), born 09 Oct 1719 (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 196.); died 06 Jan 1801 (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 196.).

Children of Michael DeWalt and Maria Schmidt are:

- i. John Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria. Exrs: Son John and son-in-law Nicholas CRATE. Wits: Casper SCHMIDT, Sr., Casper SCHMIDT, Jr. and Thomas LIGHTFOOT.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760; married Catharine?.
- ii. George Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760.
- iii. Henry Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760.
- iv. Jacob Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760.
- v. Katharine Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760; died Bef. 1799 (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will:, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during

- life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.)
- vi. Eva Maria Dewald (Source: (1) *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria., (2) *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 198 (Eva Maria).), born 03 Nov 1744 (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 198.); died 25 Jun 1799 (Source: *History of Zion's UCC (Windsor Castle) 1760-1976*, (The Kutztown Publishing Co., Kutztown, PA 1976), Pg. 198.); married Mr. Gellinger.
- vii. Barbara Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760.
- 51 viii. Susannah Dewald, born 05 Apr 1758; died 28 Feb 1836; married (1) Martin Rieger May 1777; married (2) Nicholas Andrew Greth Bef. 1785 in Berks Co., PA.
- ix. Maria Dewald (Source: *Pennsylvania Wills 1682-1834, Broderbund CD #209*, "Electronic," Father's will, DEVOLT (DEWALT), Windsor. December 9, 1798 - January 21, 1799. To wife Barbara rents, etc. of plantation whereon I now live containing about 80 acres during life and all movables. Afterwards to be sold and estate divided equally among sons: John, George, Henry, Jacob, children of dau. Katharine, daus. Eve, Barbara Elizabeth, Susanna and Maria.), born Bet. 1740 - 1760.

**112. Johannes Baer** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 200-203.), born Abt. 1694 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 43.); died Abt. 1754 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 43, "An inventory and appraisal of the estate of Johannes Baer was filed in 1754. In a record dated 21 May 1755, his widow Regina had m. (2) Peter Groh."). He was the son of **224. Melchior Bar** and **225. Anna Gross/Groß**. He married **113. Regina** Bet. 1741 - 1743 in probably Northampton Co., PA.

**113. Regina**, born Abt. 1725 (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 200.); died Abt. 1769 (Source: *Bair, William W.*, letter of 5 July 2000.).

Notes for Johannes Baer:

Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate, by Annette Kunselman Burgert, pg. 42:

Johannes Bahr arrived on the ship Phoenix. ref: Strassburger & Hinke, Vol I, pg. 346. Christophel Bar and Melcher Bar arrived on the same ship.

ibid, pg. 43:

"Northampton Co. PA. Orphans Court, File 5, Folder 261: An inventory and appraisal of the estate of Johannes Baer was filed in 1754. In a record dated 21 May 1755, his widow Regina had m. (2) Peter Groh. Minor children named in the guardianship records were Johannes and Barbara (in 1758 both over 14 years) and Jacob and Joh. Adam (in 1758 both under 14 years)."

From FTM CD#501 Immigration Records: Immigrants to Pennsylvania, 1600's-1800's:

1) "Foreigners Who Took thje Oath of Allegiance 1727-1775" Edited by Wm Henry Egle, published at Harrisburg 1890, reprinted 1967 and 1994

2) "Thirty Thousand Immigrant Names in PA 1727-1776" by Prof. I. Daniel Rupp, reprinted at Baltimore 1975.

3) "Pennsylvania German Pioneers" by Strassburger and Hinke

All three list:

ship Mortenhouse arrived 24 August 1728, passenger Johannes Bar/Bair

ship Lydia arrived 11 Dec 1739, passengers Rudolph Bar (age 20), Heinrich Bar (age 20), Hans Bar (age 29)

ship Francis and Elizabeth, arrived 30 Aug 1743, passenger Johannes Bar/Parr (age 23)

ship Phoenix, arrived 30 Sept 1743, passengers Johannes Bar (signed his name "H"), Melchior Bar \*, Melchior Bar Jr., Christophel Bar.

\* The ancestor of the numerous Baer family in Lehigh Co. See "Anniversary History of Lehigh Co." Allentown, 1914 Vol II, p. 33-44. (PA German Pioneers)

Johannes was the sixth child of Melchior and Anna. Other than Melchior, the names of the others are unknown. (Our Pennsylvania German Families by Edna Barnett Chelson, 1998, pg. 240)

Children of Johannes Baer and Regina are:

- i. Barbara Baer (Source: Morton Luther Montgomery, *Historical and Biographical Annals of Berks County Pennsylvania*, (1909 by J.H. Beers & Co., Chicago), Pg. 911.), born Bef. 1744 in Germantown, Philadelphia Co., or Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 202, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.); died in probably Allentown, Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 202-203, cites William F. O'Dell, TWELVE FAMILIES An American Experience, A History of Selected Lineages (Baer Family included); 1981, Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore; Pgs 224-462; "Barbara m. Henry Fetter. Lived in Allentown, PA."); married Henry Fetter.

Notes for Barbara Baer:

BAER/BAHR/BAR in the Schwarzwald Church Register  
Exeter Twp, Berks Co, Pa.  
Rev. J. Wilhelm Boos, (1740-1814), Reformed Minister

Barbara Bar and Henrich Klein were sponsors at the baptism of Henrich, son of Thomas Gibene on 13 Jul 1806. The child was born 27 Apr 1806. (Is this the same Barbara?)

- ii. Jacob Baer (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites IGI 31,980 film 1553550 Batch film F512747 Sheet 0036.), born 1745 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 203, cites DAR Patriot Index; p. 27.); died 24 Feb 1810 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 203, cites DAR Patriot Index; p. 27.); married Elizabeth Peter; born 05 Mar 1747/48 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites IGI 31,980 film 1553550 Batch film F512747 Sheet 0036.); died 16 Jun 1815 in Lowhill Twp., Lehigh Co., PA (Source: (1) Ed. George B. Everton, Sr., *The Handy Book for Genealogists, 7th Edition*, (The Everton Publishers, Inc., Logan, UT 1981), Pg. 249 Lehigh Co. was formed in 1812 from Northampton Co., (2) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites records of Lowhill Church.).

Notes for Jacob Baer:

Jacob Baer, the third son of Hans, obtained the old farm and also acquired several large tracts east of the Adam Baer farm. He was the owner of over 500 acres and had twelve children - six sons and six daughters. He gave each of these sons a farm." (The Pennsylvania German, Vol 7, No 1, pg 333-337, 1906-7, "The Baer Family" by Samuel A. Baer, PhD, Harrisburg, PA). "The old farm" is assumed to be his father, Hans's.

- 56      iii. Johan Adam Baer, born 07 Sep 1746 in Claussville, Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA; died 21 May 1796 in Maxatawny Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Anna Margaretha Peter Bef. 1776 in probably Northampton Co., PA.

**114. Jacob Peter** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168-169, cites "History of the Peter Family" photocopied at SLC FHL. Includes his will that lists all children - three Peter girls married three Baer men.), born Abt. 1712 in Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 205-207.); died Abt. 1788 in Heidelberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 205-207, cites History of Lehigh Co., Vol. III 1700-1890, pg. 989, Family History Library (974.827 D2r) Salt Lake City, UT.). He was the son of **228. Casper Peter**. He married **115. Elisabetha**.

**115. Elisabetha** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 168-169, cites "History of the Peter Family," photocopied at SLC FHL.), born Abt. 1716 in probably Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 205-207.); died Aft. 1790 in probably Heidelberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 205-207, cites 1790 Census, Heidelberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA, head of household, Elizabeth Peter, family members include one male over 16, two females.).

Children of Jacob Peter and Elisabetha are:

- i. John Ulrich Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 207.), born Abt. 1738 (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 207.).
- ii. Philip Jacob Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.), born Abt. 1742 (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.); died Abt. 1823 in North Whitehall, Lehigh Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).
- iii. Magdalena Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.), born Abt. 1746 (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.).
- iv. Elizabeth Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites IGI 31,980 film 1553550 Batch film F512747 Sheet 0036.), born 05 Mar 1747/48 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites IGI 31,980 film 1553550 Batch film F512747 Sheet 0036.); died 16 Jun 1815 in Lowhill Twp., Lehigh Co., PA (Source: (1) Ed. George B. Everton, Sr., *The Handy Book for Genealogists, 7th Edition*, (The Everton Publishers, Inc., Logan, UT 1981), Pg. 249 Lehigh Co. was formed in 1812 from Northampton Co., (2) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites records of Lowhill Church.); married Jacob Baer; born 1745 in Weisenberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 203, cites DAR Patriot Index; p. 27.); died 24 Feb 1810 in Lowhill Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 203, cites DAR Patriot Index; p. 27.).

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- v. Nicholas Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.), born Abt. 1750 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1)



- Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).).
- vi. Mary Magdalena Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.), born 17 Feb 1753 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208, cites records of Egypt Church.); died Bef. 1777 (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 206, cites the will of Jacob Peter "...Fourthly: It is my will and desire that the two children of my deceased daughter, Mary Magdalena Masser..."); married Mr. Masser.
- vii. John Jacob Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208.), born Abt. 1754 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 208 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).).
- 57 viii. Anna Margaretha Peter, born 19 Apr 1755 in Germansville, Northampton Co., PA; died 04 Apr 1828 in Northampton Co., PA; married Johan Adam Baer Bef. 1776 in probably Northampton Co., PA.
- ix. Elizabetha Barbara Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209.), born Abt. 1756 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209.).
- x. Anna Elisabetha Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209.), born Abt. 1758 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).).
- xi. Abraham Peter (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209.), born Abt. 1760 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: (1) Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 209 (date)., (2) assumed, (place).).

#### *Generation No. 8*

**128. Jacob Rentschler**, born 24 Jun 1655 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs. 9 and 10.); died 10 Aug 1716 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pgs. 9 and 10.). He was the son of **256. Jacob Rentschler** and **257. Magdalena**. He married **129. Anna Schneider** Abt. 1678 in Germany (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of oldest child.).

**129. Anna Schneider**, born 30 Sep 1657 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 29 Jun 1736 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).

Children of Jacob Rentschler and Anna Schneider are:

- i. Hans Rentschler, born 02 Jul 1679 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 22 May 1688 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- ii. Jacob Rentschler, born 18 Oct 1681 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- iii. Conrad Rentschler, born 16 Feb 1683/84 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- iv. Andreas Rentschler, born 03 Sep 1688 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- 64 v. Michael Rentschler, born 06 Sep 1691 in Germany; died 23 May 1765 in Germany; married (1) Anna Maria Plocher Abt. 1715 in Germany; married (2) Christina Magdalena Fellnagel Aft. 1736 in Germany.
- vi. Hans Joerg Rentschler, born 04 Oct 1693 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.); died 16 Jul 1697 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).
- vii. Hans Joerg Rentschler, born 16 Nov 1697 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).

- viii. Anna Magdalena Rentschler, born 06 Apr 1700 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 10.).

**184. Johan Valentin Hix** (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.), born Abt. 1688 (Source: Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert, Pg. 76-77.); died 05 Oct 1738 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.). He was the son of **368. Johan Henrich Hix** and **369. Anna Maria Heyliger**. He married **185. Magdalena Elizabetha Repp** 22 Jan 1710/11 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.).

**185. Magdalena Elizabetha Repp** (Source: Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Burgert, Pg. 76-77.), born May 1687 (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), calculated from date of death and age as given on pg. 76.); died 06 Jan 1736/37 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.). She was the daughter of **370. Wörner Repp**.

Child of Johan Hix and Magdalena Repp is:

- 92 i. Johan Heinrich Hix, born Abt. 1716 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; married (1) Anna Catharina Faust 06 Mar 1736/37 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; married (2) Anna Catharine Kleiss 09 Feb 1745/46 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany.

**186. Caspar Faust** (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.).

Child of Caspar Faust is:

- 93 i. Anna Catharina Faust, born Bet. 1716 - 1726; died Bet. 1744 - 1746 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; married Johan Heinrich Hix 06 Mar 1736/37 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany.

**200. Andreas Greth** (Source: Angstadt, Bob.), born in Europe, probably Germany or Alsace-Lorraine.

Notes for Andreas Greth:

This Andreas or his son, who was also Andreas Grett carried a document from the Catholic church. This apparently is found in the museum at the church in Bally. (Bob Angstadt by e-mail 22 Apr 2003)

Child of Andreas Greth is:

- 100 i. Andreas Greth, born 26 Dec 1720 in Europe, probably Germany or Alsace-Lorraine; died 05 Jan 1811 in Windsor Twp., Berks Co., PA; married Magdalena Bet. 1740 - 1755.

**224. Melchior Bar** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240.), born Abt. 1643 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites William F. O'Dell, TWELVE FAMILIES An American Experience, A History of Selected Lineages (Baer Family included); 1981, Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore; Pgs 224-462; "Barbara m. Henry Fetter. Lived in Allentown, PA."); died 05 Apr 1706 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites: 1. William F. O'Dell, TWELVE FAMILIES An American Experience, A History of Selected Lineages (Baer Family included); 1981, Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore; Pgs 224-462; 2. Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.). He was the son of **448. Hans**

**Bar** and **449. Anna Hufschmid**. He married **225. Anna Gross/Groß** 28 Nov 1671 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites: 1. William F. O'Dell, *TWELVE FAMILIES An American Experience, A History of Selected Lineages* (Baer Family included); 1981, Gateway Press, Inc., Baltimore; Pgs 224-462; "Barbara m. Henry Fetter. Lived in Allentown, PA." 2. Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).

**225. Anna Gross/Groß** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born Abt. 1648 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites: Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.); died Aft. 1708 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240, cites: Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).

Notes for Melchior Bar:

Melchior was the seventh child of Hans and Anna. The names of the others are not listed. (Our Pennsylvania German Families by Edna Barnett Chelson, 1998, pg. 264)

Children of Melchior Bar and Anna Gross/Groß are:

- i. Melchior Baer (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), pg 43.), born Abt. Jan 1688/89 in near Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240-241.); died 02 Oct 1771 in N. Whitehall Twp., Northampton Co., PA (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 44, cites Schlosser's Reformed KB.); married (1) Eve Elisabeth Gneser; born Abt. 1702; died Abt. Jan 1775 in Northampton Co., PA (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 240-241, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.); married (2) Catharina Widmer Bef. 1713 in probaby Reischweiler, Palatinate, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 43 (names children beginning with Melchior b. 1713).); died Bef. 1726 in Rieschweiler, Palatinate, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 44.); married (3) Anna Elisabetha Abecky 15 Jan 1725/26 in Rieschweiler, Palatinate, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 44.); born Abt. 1698 in Hasleland, Canton Bern, Switzerland (Source: (1) Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 44 (place)., (2) Estimate, based on age and date of death.); died 03 Feb 1775 in N. Whitehall Twp?, Northampton Co., PA (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate*, (The Pennsylvania German Society, Birdsboro, PA, 1985), Pg. 44.).

Notes for Melchior Baer:

World Family Tree Vol 10, Pedigree # 2273 has Melchior Bear b. Zwiebrucken, Germany. Same kids, different wife and only one wife.

Eighteenth Century Emigrants from German Speaking Lands to North America, Vol II: The Western Palatinate, by Annette Kunselman Burgert, pg. 43:  
 "Northampton Co. PA Wills: "Melchior Baer (the younger), Macungie Twp. (26 Feb 1773-16 Mar 1773). Wife Eve Elisabeth; eight children, sons and daughters, including eldest son Melchior and son Jacob (others are not named). Exrs: Anthony Stahler and Leonard Steininger. Wit.: Frank Werks and Nicholas Klotz.

- 112      ii. Johannes Baer, born Abt. 1694 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died Abt. 1754 in Northampton Co., PA; married (1) Anna Elisabetha Haberlig 30 Jan 1718/19 in recorded at Rieschweiler Reformed and Nunschweiler Reformed, Palatinate, Germany; married (2) Regina Bet. 1741 - 1743 in probably Northampton Co., PA.

**228. Casper Peter** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 241, cites "History of Lehigh Co., Pennsylvania", Vol. III 1700-1890, pg. 989, Family History Library (974.827 D2r) Salt Lake City, UT;.), born 1698 in Zell, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 241.).

Child of Casper Peter is:

- 114      i. Jacob Peter, born Abt. 1712 in Switzerland; died Abt. 1788 in Heidelberg Twp., Northampton Co., PA; married Elisabetha.

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**256. Jacob Rentschler**, born Abt. 1610 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.); died 15 Nov 1691 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.). He married **257. Magdalena** Abt. 1640 in Germany (Source: assumed, based on date of birth of oldest child.).

**257. Magdalena** (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).

Children of Jacob Rentschler and Magdalena are:

- i. Catharine Rentschler, born 12 Dec 1641 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.); died 09 Feb 1698/99 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).
- ii. child Rentschler, born 26 Jun 1646 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).
- iii. child Rentschler (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.), born Abt. 1648 in Germany (Source: Estimate, based on dates of birth of next older and younger siblings.).
- iv. Johannes Rentschler, born 17 Aug 1650 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.); died 03 Jan 1650/51 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).
- v. Johannes Rentschler, born 19 Feb 1651/52 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).
- vi. George Rentschler, born 05 Apr 1654 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.); died 14 Jun 1654 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).
- 128      vii. Jacob Rentschler, born 24 Jun 1655 in Germany; died 10 Aug 1716 in Germany; married Anna Schneider Abt. 1678 in Germany.
- viii. still born Rentschler, born 08 Apr 1659 in Germany (Source: Harvey Driebelbis, "The Ancestors and Descendants of Michael Rentschler Family," c1994, Pg. 9.).

**368. Johan Henrich Hix** (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbod in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77.*), born Bet. 1648 - 1668 in Rotenberg, Germany (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbod in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77 (place) date estimated.*). He married **369. Anna Maria Heyliger** 25 Apr 1688 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76 cites records of Langenselbold Reformed KB.).

**369. Anna Maria Heyliger** (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbod in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77.*), born Bet. 1648 - 1668. She was the daughter of **738. Johannes Heyliger**.

Child of Johan Hix and Anna Heyliger is:

- 184 i. Johan Valentin Hix, born Abt. 1688; died 05 Oct 1738 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; married Magdalena Elizabetha Repp 22 Jan 1710/11 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany.

**370. Wörner Repp** (Source: *Steven James cites "Eighteenth Century Immigrants from Langenselbod in Hesse to America" by Annette Kunselman Bergert, Pg. 76-77.*), born Bet. 1647 - 1687.

Child of Wörner Repp is:

- 185 i. Magdalena Elizabetha Repp, born May 1687; died 06 Jan 1736/37 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany; married Johan Valentin Hix 22 Jan 1710/11 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany.

**448. Hans Bar** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274.), born 17 Sep 1609 in Rifferswil, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.); died 17 Jul 1686 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: *Rebecca Hinnersheitz, Family Tree Maker User Web Page - Jochim Bar*, "Electronic," Individual #3.). He was the son of **896. Hans Ulrich Bar** and **897. Barbel Wyss**. He married **449. Anna Hufschmid** 03 Aug 1630 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).

**449. Anna Hufschmid** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born Abt. 1610 in probably Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, based on date of baptism.); died 02 Aug 1681 in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, cites: Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.). She was the daughter of **898. Heinrich Hufschmid** and **899. Barbara Guth**.

Child of Hans Bar and Anna Hufschmid is:

- 224 i. Melchior Bar, born Abt. 1643 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died 05 Apr 1706 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married Anna Gross/Groß 28 Nov 1671 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland.

**738. Johannes Heyliger** (Source: Annette Kunselman Burgert, *Eighteenth Century Emigrants from Langenselbold in Hesse to America*, (AKB Publications, Myerstown, PA 1997), Pg. 76.), born Bet. 1600 - 1650.

Child of Johannes Heyliger is:

- 369 i. Anna Maria Heyliger, born Bet. 1648 - 1668; married Johan Henrich Hix 25 Apr 1688 in Langenselbold, Hesse, Germany.

**896. Hans Ulrich Bar** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274.), born Abt. 1584 in Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274.); died 20 Apr 1628 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274.). He was the son of **1792. Jochim Bar** and **1793. Justina Schoch**. He married **897. Barbel Wyss** 13 Nov 1606 in Rifferswil, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).

**897. Barbel Wyss** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: *Bair, William W.*, "The Genealogy of Henry Baer" by Willis N. Baer, p. 7.); died 02 Apr 1617 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 274, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.).

Children of Hans Bar and Barbel Wyss are:

- 448 i. Hans Bar, born 17 Sep 1609 in Rifferswil, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died 17 Jul 1686 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married Anna Hufschmid 03 Aug 1630 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland.
- ii. Heinrich Bar (Source: *Bair, William W.*, "The Genealogy of Henry Baer" by Willis N. Baer, Pg. 7.).

**898. Heinrich Hufschmid**(Source: Order of Worship, HPCUMC, Cincinnati, Ohio, Pg. 264, cites: Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born Bet. 1570 - 1590 in probably Switzerland. He married **899. Barbara Guth**.

**899. Barbara Guth** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 264, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." Mennonite Family History Magazine, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56.), born Bet. 1570 - 1590 in probably Switzerland.

Child of Heinrich Hufschmid and Barbara Guth is:

- 449 i. Anna Hufschmid, born Abt. 1610 in probably Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died 02 Aug 1681 in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married Hans Bar 03 Aug 1630 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland.

#### *Generation No. 11*

**1792. Jochim Bar** (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 276.), born Abt. 1558 in Knonau, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg.

276.); died Bef. 1634 in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 276.). He was the son of **3584. Hans Bar**. He married **1793. Justina Schoch** 03 Nov 1583 in Ottenbach, Knonau, Zurich, Switzerland (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 276.).

**1793. Justina Schoch**, born Bet. 1558 - 1568 in probably Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died Bef. 1634 in Knonau, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: assumed, Mrs. Chelson says (1) she died "after 1637" but Jochim died before 1634 and was married twice, Therefore, Justina had to have died before 1634.(1) *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, Chelson, 1998, Pg. 276-277.).

Notes for Jochim Bar:

Jochim was an Anabaptist (Wiedertauffer). Justina was his first wife. Elsbeth was his second wife. Jochim died before 1634 as in 1634 and 1637, his widow was living in Knonau parish with son Jorg Bar. (*Our Pennsylvania German Families* by Edna Barnett Chelson, 1998, pg. 276-277, cites Best, Jane E. "BAR Families of Ottenbach, Switzerland, and Lehigh County, Pennsylvania." *Mennonite Family History Magazine*, Vol. IX, No. 2, April 1990, Elverson, PA, pgs 48-56)

Children of Jochim Bar and Justina Schoch are:

- 896 i. Hans Ulrich Bar, born Abt. 1584 in Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died 20 Apr 1628 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married (1) Barbel Wyss 13 Nov 1606 in Rifferswil, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married (2) Barbel Wydler 25 May 1617 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland.
- ii. Jorg Bar (Source: Edna Barnett Chelson, *Our Pennsylvania German Families*, (Masthoff Press, Morgantown, PA 1998), Pg. 277.), born Abt. 1600 in Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: *Rebecca Hinersheitz, Family Tree Maker User Web Page - Jochim Bar*, "Electronic," child of Individual #1.); married (1) Barbel Buchman; married (2) Elizabeth Boch 1670 in Rossau, Mettmenstetten, Germany (Source: *Rebecca Hinersheitz, Family Tree Maker User Web Page - Jochim Bar*, "Electronic," Generation No. 1, child of individual #1.).

#### *Generation No. 12*

**3584. Hans Bar** (Source: *Bair, William W.*, "The Genealogy of Henry Baer" by Willis N. Baer, p. 7.), born Bet. 1518 - 1538 in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: *Bair, William W.*, "The Genealogy of Henry Baer" by Willis N. Baer, p. 7.); died in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland (Source: *Bair, William W.*, "The Genealogy of Henry Baer" by Willis N. Baer, p. 7.).

Child of Hans Bar is:

- 1792 i. Jochim Bar, born Abt. 1558 in Knonau, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; died Bef. 1634 in probably Ottenbach, Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married (1) Elsbeth Joss in probably Canton Zurich, Switzerland; married (2) Justina Schoch 03 Nov 1583 in Ottenbach, Knonau, Zurich, Switzerland.