# Descendants of Georg Ludwig Riedesel (Ludwig Riddle/Radle)

## Generation 1

GEORG LUDWIG<sup>1</sup> RIEDESEL was born on May 13, 1817 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 27, 1903 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). He married (1)
CAROLINE MATILDA SCHAEFFER about 1845 in probably New Jersey. She was born on August 16, 1824 in Germany. She died on October 27, 1867 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He married (2)
CATHERINE ?? about 1870. She was born in 1832 in Bavaria. She died before 1885 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey.

## Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel:

Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born May 13, 1817, in Wunderthausen in the house known as Wetzels. He was the eighth of nine recorded children of Johann Ludwig and Anna Elisabeth (Knoche) Riedesel.

An older sister, Catherine, came to live in Warren County, New Jersey in 1837. Ludwig's application for naturalization states that he arrived in 1841 and that is the year he received permission to emigrate. He married Caroline Schaeffer (probably Schäfer) around 1845. She was born August 16, 1824 in Germany. One source gives Wunderthausen as her place of birth but this is incorrect. No Schäfer daughter is recorded in the birth records at this time--and no Schäfer family even lived in the village. Nor were they married there.

Several of the Riedesels who settled in Warren County came to be known as Riddle or Radle. It's not that there weren't other Germans around who could pronounce (and spell) Riedesel correctly, but this seemed to be the rule. Ludwig (or Louis) farmed near what was called Oxford Furnace. Ludwig finally received his naturalization papers in 1854 as "Ludwig Readle" though his signature says "Riedesel." He is buried as "Ludwig Riddle."

They had at least seven children before Caroline died in 1867. Four of their children are buried with them. The family name of his second wife Catherine is not known to me. Some have identified her as another Riedesel/Riddle by birth but that is almost certainly in error. There were three children that we know of from the marriage with Catherine.

#### Notes for Caroline Matilda Schaeffer:

There are claims that she came from Wunderthausen but there is no sign of her in the quite-complete local church records. There was no Schaeffer/Schäfer/Scheffer families in the village at all. Another source names her father as "Christian Allen." The first name was rare in Wittgenstein while "Allen" did not exist there. Their daughter Louisa's death certificate from 1912 gives her name as "Clara Scheffer." If accurate, that is probably just a family nickname.

Georg Ludwig Riedesel and Caroline Matilda Schaeffer had the following children:

- i. JOHN<sup>2</sup> RIDDLE was born in 1847 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1854 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ).
- ii. ANNA ELIZABETH RADLE was born about 1848 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on December 21, 1908 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse. She married (1) JOHN BROST on March 12, 1873 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on June 18, 1838 in Germany. He died on December 10, 1911 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married (2) GEORG LUDWIG LAUBER, son of Johann Georg Lauber and Catherine Elisabeth Pott, in December 1869 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on November 06, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 31, 1873 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey.
  - iii. CATHERINE RIDDLE was born in 1849 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1854 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery).
  - iv. LOUISA M. RADLE was born on August 10, 1853 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on October 04, 1912 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. She married Allen T. Groman on August 12, 1891 in Belvidere, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on November 29, 1859 in Hanover Township, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He died on August 26, 1930 in Bethlehem, Northampton, Pennsylvania.

Notes for Louisa M. Radle: They had no children. Her birth certificate names her, and the parents, "Radle."

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- v. GEORGE RIDDLE was born in 1856 in New Jersey. He died in 1861 in New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery).
- Vi. CHRISTOPHER ALLEN RADLE was born on August 06, 1859 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1932 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery). He married Harriet Elizabeth Reinhart on June 30, 1897 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She was born on July 04, 1862 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1935 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery).
  - vii. LEWIS RIDDLE was born in 1863 in New Jersey. He died in 1867 in New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery).

## Notes for Catherine ??:

This Catherine has often been mistaken for another Riedesel/Riddle--by me among others--specifically a Catherine Riddle born in 1839 to Wunderthausen immigrants. The 1880 Census, however, shows that this woman was born in Bavaria about 1832. She is listed with her husband and family in the 1880 Federal Census but is not listed in the 1885 New Jersey Census and you must assume she had died. The grave marker for Catherine Riddle in the Hazen cemetery (d. August 08, 1917) belongs to the Catherine Riddle born in 1839 who never married. There is a Find-a-Grave entry for the latter but I think the birth year of 1832 is in error.

Georg Ludwig Riedesel and Catherine ?? had the following children:

- 4. viii. CAROLINE RIDDLE was born on September 09, 1870 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 17, 1935 in Greenwich, Warren, New Jersey. She married Sanford D. Rush on November 11, 1891 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on April 12, 1872 in Warren County, New Jersey. He died on January 26, 1964 in Warren County, New Jersey.
  - ix. FREDERICK WILLIAM RIDDLE was born on June 28, 1873 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died on May 04, 1882 (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ).

Notes for Frederick William Riddle:

He is buried as a Radle though his siblings went by Riddle. I have seen references to a child supposed called "William Ludwig" of about the same age, but think this is an error.

 x. ROSANNA RIDDLE was born on June 28, 1873 in Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1947 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married (1) GEORGE A. BROKAW, son of Cornelius Pittenger Brokaw and Louisa S. Riddle, on February 19, 1889 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on October 19, 1866 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in January 1899 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She married (2) JORDAN SCHAFFER. He was born on April 24, 1849. He died on September 09, 1939.

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ANNA ELIZABETH<sup>2</sup> RADLE (Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born about 1848 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on December 21, 1908 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse. She married (1) JOHN BROST on March 12, 1873 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on June 18, 1838 in Germany. He died on December 10, 1911 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married (2) GEORG LUDWIG LAUBER, son of Johann Georg Lauber and Catherine Elisabeth Pott, in December 1869 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on November 06, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 31, 1873 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey.

John Brost and Anna Elizabeth Radle had the following children:

- CAROLINE M.<sup>3</sup> BROST was born on December 05, 1874 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 24, 1960 in Quakertown, Bucks, Pennsylvania. She married JOHN W. PITTENGER. He was born on April 23, 1870 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He died on April 30, 1954 in West Falls, Pike, Pennsylvania.
  - ii. MARY S. BROST was born in July 1877 in Cornish, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1942 in Orlando, Orange, Florida (Hazen Cemetery).

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Notes for Mary S. Brost: Lived in Florida, never married.

iii. WILLIAM BROST was born on April 18, 1883 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1930 in White, Warren, New Jersey.

Notes for William Brost: Never married.

 FREDERICK BROST was born on November 16, 1886 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 15, 1960 in White, Warren, New Jersey. He married Eva Rittenhouse in 1910 in New Jersey. She was born on October 01, 1891 in Cornish, Warren, New Jersey. She died in August 1983 in Belvidere, Warren, New Jersey.

Notes for Frederick Brost: Had no children.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Lauber:

Came by steamship to America in 1865 from Hohmanns house in Wunderthausen. Letters home describe his employment in steel mills and the high wage he received (in comparison to home). His wife is described as Ludwig Riedesel's daughter, Elisabeth, and I am making a logical leap in assuming that this was the Georg Ludwig Riedesel from Wetzels. His dream of buying his own home came to a sudden end when he was killed in an industrial accident.

Georg Ludwig Lauber and Anna Elizabeth Radle had the following child:

- LEWIS GEORGE<sup>3</sup> LAUBER was born on November 27, 1871 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died on June 20, 1932 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He married Margaret Melroy Amendt in 1910 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She was born on April 24, 1873 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1934 in White, Warren, New Jersey.
- 3. CHRISTOPHER ALLEN<sup>2</sup> RADLE (Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on August 06, 1859 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1932 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery). He married Harriet Elizabeth Reinhart on June 30, 1897 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She was born on July 04, 1862 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1935 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery).

Notes for Christopher Allen Radle:

He took the Radle spelling though his parents were buried as "Riddle."

Christopher Allen Radle and Harriet Elizabeth Reinhart had the following children:

- CAROLINE MAE<sup>3</sup> RADLE was born on June 30, 1898 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 14, 1987 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married Harry William Wagner on November 02, 1918 in Montana, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on January 14, 1891 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 30, 1968 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.
  - ii. ALLAN THEODORE RADLE was born on August 23, 1900 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He died on February 06, 1975 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery).

Notes for Allan Theodore Radle: Apparently never married.

RAYMOND CHRISTOPHER RADLE was born on May 13, 1902 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He died on September 07, 1968 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey (Musconetcong Valley Cemetery).

Notes for Raymond Christopher Radle: Apparently never married.

 iv. ALICE HARRIET RADLE was born on January 27, 1904 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died on April 04, 1957 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She married Charles Fletcher Bodine about 1924 in Asbury, Hunterdon, New Jersey. He

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was born on February 19, 1902 in Asbury, Hunterdon, New Jersey. He died on June 29, 1979 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse.

4. CAROLINE<sup>2</sup> RIDDLE (Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on September 09, 1870 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 17, 1935 in Greenwich, Warren, New Jersey. She married Sanford D. Rush on November 11, 1891 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on April 12, 1872 in Warren County, New Jersey. He died on January 26, 1964 in Warren County, New Jersey.

Sanford D. Rush and Caroline Riddle had the following children:

- ASA ROBERT<sup>3</sup> RUSH was born on July 08, 1892 in Franklin, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 06, 1976 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He married (1) SOPHIA POPINKO. She was born in 1918. She died in 1963. He married (2) ANNA M BOWLBY. She was born on May 12, 1898 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on November 15, 1938 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.
- MAUDE RUSH was born on July 01, 1894 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 06, 1968 in St Petersburg, Pinellas, Florida. She married William Bennett Gordon in 1913 in New Jersey. He was born on October 28, 1888 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1945 in Newark, Essex, New Jersey.
- HELEN G. RUSH was born on September 24, 1899 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died in February 1987 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She married Archibald Cole in 1918. He was born on July 18, 1896 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 31, 1973 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.
- ROSANNA<sup>2</sup> RIDDLE (Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on June 28, 1873 in Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1947 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married (1) GEORGE A. BROKAW, son of Cornelius Pittenger Brokaw and Louisa S. Riddle, on February 19, 1889 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on October 19, 1866 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died in January 1899 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She married (2) JORDAN SCHAFFER. He was born on April 24, 1849. He died on September 09, 1939.

George A. Brokaw and Rosanna Riddle had the following children:

i. CAROLINE<sup>3</sup> BROKAW was born on June 06, 1890 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 03, 1956 in Passaic, Passaic, New Jersey.

Notes for Caroline Brokaw: Never married. Was a school teacher.

 MABEL KATHERINE. BROKAW was born on October 20, 1891 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 31, 1963 in Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts. She married Winfield Frank Hutton about 1925. He was born on November 09, 1887 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He died on October 07, 1940 in Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts.

#### **Generation 3**

 CAROLINE M.<sup>3</sup> BROST (Anna Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Radle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on December 05, 1874 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 24, 1960 in Quakertown, Bucks, Pennsylvania. She married JOHN W. PITTENGER. He was born on April 23, 1870 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He died on April 30, 1954 in West Falls, Pike, Pennsylvania.

John W. Pittenger and Caroline M. Brost had the following children:

- MINERVA CAROLINE<sup>4</sup> PITTENGER was born on June 09, 1900 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. She died on December 25, 2002 in Yardley, Bucks, Pennsylvania. She married JOSEPH HANKINSON CARTER. He was born on March 29, 1901 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He died on October 06, 1979 in Lakewood, Ocean, New Jersey.
- ii. JOHN ELWOOD PITTENGER was born on December 08, 1905 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He died on June 18, 1989 in Milford, Pike, Pennsylvania.
- LEWIS GEORGE<sup>3</sup> LAUBER (Anna Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Radle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on November 27, 1871 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He died on June 20, 1932 in Easton, Northampton, Pennsylvania. He married Margaret Melroy Amendt in 1910 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She

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was born on April 24, 1873 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 1934 in White, Warren, New Jersey.

Lewis George Lauber and Margaret Melroy Amendt had the following children:

- i. WILLARD C.<sup>4</sup> LAUBER was born on August 31, 1911 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. He died on May 12, 1982 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. He married BERTHA M LANCE. She was born on July 16, 1916 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.
- ii. WALTER GEORGE LAUBER was born on January 02, 1913 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. He died on August 02, 1995 in Frenchtown, Hunterdon, New Jersey. He married CATHERINE A.??. She was born in 1927. She died in 1987.
- iii. DORIS E. LAUBER was born on November 08, 1920 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse. She died on December 28, 2009 in Bethlehem, Lehigh, Pennsylvania.
- CAROLINE MAE<sup>3</sup> RADLE (Christopher Allen<sup>2</sup>, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on June 30, 1898 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 14, 1987 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. She married Harry William Wagner on November 02, 1918 in Montana, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on January 14, 1891 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 30, 1968 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.

Harry William Wagner and Caroline Mae Radle had the following children:

- i. CLARENCE FRED<sup>4</sup> WAGNER was born on September 14, 1919 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died on June 30, 1982 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey. He married Helene Alberdina Gild on July 22, 1939 in Elkton, Cecil, Maryland. She was born on October 23, 1918 in Great Meadows, Warren, New Jersey. She died on August 13, 2011 in Norwich, Chenango, New York.
- ii. ALICE MAE WAGNER was born on May 18, 1924 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on June 11, 2013 in Bethlehem, Northampton, Pennsylvania. She married JOHANN BICHLER. He was born on January 31, 1911 in Traunstein, Bavaria, Germany. He died in March 1984 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey.
- 9. ALICE HARRIET<sup>3</sup> RADLE (Christopher Allen<sup>2</sup>, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on January 27, 1904 in Harmony, Warren, New Jersey. She died on April 04, 1957 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She married Charles Fletcher Bodine about 1924 in Asbury, Hunterdon, New Jersey. He was born on February 19, 1902 in Asbury, Hunterdon, New Jersey. He died on June 29, 1979 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse.

Charles Fletcher Bodine and Alice Harriet Radle had the following children:

- i. BERTHA HARRIET<sup>4</sup> BODINE was born on September 26, 1926 in Broadway, Warren, New Jersey. She died on October 19, 2012 in Hackettstown, Warren, New Jersey. She married Carl Vescelius Wyckoff about 1948 in Warren County, New Jersey. He was born on March 10, 1923 in Port Murray, Warren, New Jersey. He died on August 12, 2002 in Hackettstown, Warren, New Jersey.
- ii. ANNA MAE BODINE was born on July 15, 1928 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died in 2009 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jerse. She married Robert F. May in 1949 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on April 24, 1926 in Elizabethtown, Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He died in July 1995 in Phillipsburg, Warren, New Jersey.
- iii. CHILD BODINE.
- ASA ROBERT<sup>3</sup> RUSH (Caroline<sup>2</sup> Riddle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on July 08, 1892 in Franklin, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 06, 1976 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He married (1) SOPHIA POPINKO. She was born in 1918. She died in 1963. He married (2) ANNA M BOWLBY. She was born on May 12, 1898 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on November 15, 1938 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.

Asa Robert Rush and Anna M Bowlby had the following children:

i. JOHN DILLY<sup>4</sup> RUSH was born on February 24, 1917 in Jersey City, Hudson, New Jersey. He died on June 18, 1974 in Netcong, Morris, New Jersey. He married Irma Gladys Bott in March 1951 in Mount Olive, Morris, New Jersey. She was born in

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1905 in New Jersey. She died in 1978 in Ner Jersey.

- ii. ROBERT ASA RUSH was born on January 04, 1919 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died on August 10, 1993 in Dover, Morris, New Jersey. He married MARION E O'BRIEN. She was born in 1921.
- 11. MAUDE<sup>3</sup> RUSH (Caroline<sup>2</sup> Riddle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on July 01, 1894 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 06, 1968 in St Petersburg, Pinellas, Florida. She married William Bennett Gordon in 1913 in New Jersey. He was born on October 28, 1888 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died in 1945 in Newark, Essex, New Jersey.

William Bennett Gordon and Maude Rush had the following children:

- i. WILLIAM ROBERT<sup>4</sup> GORDON was born on September 14, 1919 in Newark, Essex, New Jersey. He died on July 26, 2008 in The Woodlands, Montgomery, Texas. He married ELIZABETH MARIE FORSTER. She was born on May 05, 1921 in Hackensack, Bergen, New Jersey. She died on June 26, 2005 in The Woodlands, Montgomery, Texas.
- ii. KARL EDWIN GORDON was born on March 21, 1921 in Washington Way, New Jersey. He died on April 08, 1997 in West Orange, Essex, New Jersey. He married Dorothy Celia Hathaway in 1946 in New Jersey. She was born on May 11, 1923 in Newark, Essex, New Jersey. She died on June 22, 2010 in Newton, Sussex, New Jersey.
- 12. HELEN G.<sup>3</sup> RUSH (Caroline<sup>2</sup> Riddle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on September 24, 1899 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died in February 1987 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She married Archibald Cole in 1918. He was born on July 18, 1896 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died on January 31, 1973 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.

Archibald Cole and Helen G. Rush had the following children:

- i. DORIS MERLE<sup>4</sup> COLE was born on October 25, 1918 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. She died on May 01, 2007 in Lopatcong, Warren, New Jersey. She married Frank Bartles Hoffman in March 1949 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He was born on March 26, 1914 in Rockaway Neck, Morris, New Jersey. He died on January 28, 1999 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey.
- ii. HAROLD G. COLE was born on June 03, 1922 in Washington, Warren, New Jersey. He died in July 2014 in New Jersey. He married FRANCES BACKENSTOE WICKERT. She was born about 1925 in Pennsylvania.
- MABEL KATHERINE.<sup>3</sup> BROKAW (Rosanna<sup>2</sup> Riddle, Georg Ludwig<sup>1</sup> Riedesel) was born on October 20, 1891 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. She died on January 31, 1963 in Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts. She married Winfield Frank Hutton about 1925. He was born on November 09, 1887 in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He died on October 07, 1940 in Springfield, Hampden, Massachusetts.

Winfield Frank Hutton and Mabel Katherine. Brokaw had the following children:

- i. WINFIELD FRANKLIN<sup>4</sup> HUTTON was born on November 30, 1925 in New Jersey.
- ii. WILLIAM JORDAN HUTTON was born on December 15, 1926 in New Jersey. He died on April 12, 2008 in Savannah, Chatham, Georgia. He married PATRICIA CATHERINE RYAN. She was born on February 17, 1933. She died on March 08, 2018 in Houston, Harris, Texas.