# **Descendants of Johannes Riedesel**

#### Generation 1

JOHANNES<sup>1</sup> RIEDESEL was born on November 11, 1833 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 27, 1898 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Florentine Mörchen, daughter of Johannes Mörchen and Maria Juliana Riedesel, on May 17, 1858 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on December 03, 1834 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 31, 1919 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

# Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Used the name "John H." in America. Born in the house known as Schreiners or Grosseludwigs in Wunderthausen. Arrived October 25, 1854 in New Orleans on the ship "Auguste" from Bremen in the company of other Wunderthäuser. May have first settled in Iowa City but was in Wheatland by 1860. He farmed north of Wheatland in Section 3 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County. Three of his (much younger) brothers also settled around Wheatland but it is difficult to tell how close they were.

## Notes for Florentine Mörchen:

Born in the Wunderthausen Mill. Came to the U.S. on the Johann Schmidt out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. By1900, she and several of the children had relocated to a farm in Scott County.

Johannes Riedesel and Florentine Mörchen had the following children:

- i. ELISABETH<sup>2</sup> RIEDESEL was born on August 28, 1859 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on July 14, 1882 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
- ii. JOHN E. RIEDESEL was born on May 23, 1861 in Iowa City, Johnson, Iowa. He died on September 19, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Emma Katherine Webbles, daughter of Georg Webbles and Christina Kramer, on December 07, 1893 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on February 18, 1867 in Lyons, Clinton, Iowa. She died on October 03, 1945 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
  - iii. FRED RIEDESEL was born on July 23, 1863 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on October 02, 1948 (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

#### Notes for Fred Riedesel:

He never married. By 1900 he farmed in the Liberty Township of Scott County with his sister, Mary, keeping house.

- iv. Christina Riedesel was born on August 05, 1865 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on March 02, 1949. She married John Roscoe Knabel, son of Johannes Knebel and Anna Elisabeth Bender, on January 11, 1894 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on February 26, 1870 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on August 04, 1947 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.
  - V. ANNA RIEDESEL was born on May 24, 1867 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on November 21, 1938 in Donahue, Scott, Iowa. She married Edward Grell, son of Joachim Frederick Grell and Margarethe Sophie Blumer, on December 29, 1915 in Scott County, Iowa. He was born on March 07, 1863 in Dixon, Scott, Iowa. He died on November 05, 1938.
  - vi. MARY RIEDESEL was born on May 10, 1869 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on December 23, 1936 (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

### Notes for Mary Riedesel:

She never married but kept house on the farm operated by her brother Fred.

- 4. vii. LISETTA SARAH RIEDESEL was born on December 10, 1871 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. She died on February 06, 1958 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. She married William Hoffman on February 22, 1894 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. He was born on January 26, 1863. He died on July 08, 1943.
- 5. viii. Lena Lydia Riedesel was born on February 20, 1873 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 21, 1953 in Blairstown, Benton, Iowa. She married John Mathias Lang on August 02, 1911 in Blairstown, Benton, Iowa. He was born on

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November 04, 1884. He died on June 09, 1963.

- ix. LAURA F. RIEDESEL was born on August 05, 1875 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on May 05, 1970 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married John Beuthien on February 19, 1908 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He was born on May 08, 1884 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on January 06, 1974 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.
- x. EMMA RIEDESEL was born on October 20, 1877 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 12, 1929 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She married Louis William Strackbein, son of Johann Ludwig Strackbein and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, on March 01, 1916 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He was born on December 12, 1879 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on February 21, 1955 in Blue Grass, Scott, Iowa.

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2. **JOHN E**.<sup>2</sup> **RIEDESEL** (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on May 23, 1861 in Iowa City, Johnson, Iowa. He died on September 19, 1927 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Emma Katherine Webbles, daughter of Georg Webbles and Christina Kramer, on December 07, 1893 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on February 18, 1867 in Lyons, Clinton, Iowa. She died on October 03, 1945 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for John E. Riedesel:

Worked as a carpenter most of his life. Served with Wheatland Volunteer Fire Department.

John E. Riedesel and Emma Katherine Webbles had the following children:

- i. RUTH D.<sup>3</sup> RIEDESEL was born on January 07, 1895 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on April 13, 1957 in Carthage, Hancock, Illinois.
- ii. ETTA LELA RIEDESEL was born on November 30, 1898 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on October 24, 1988 in Havana, Mason, Illinois. She married (1) RAYMOND DETLEF KAHL on March 14, 1935 in Aledo, Mercer, Illinois. He was born on January 27, 1898 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He died on November 19, 1968 in Havana, Mason, Illinois. She married (2) ARTHUR NAHUM BLACKMAN on September 15, 1916 in Clinton County, Iowa. He was born on January 23, 1895 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on August 06, 1967 in Milan, Rock Island, Illinois.

Notes for Etta Lela Riedesel: Known as Lela.

iii. LESTER HERBERT RIEDESEL was born on December 01, 1899 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on June 25, 1969 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He married (1) LOUISE ROENFELDT on October 17, 1925 in Clinton, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on March 10, 1907 in Bryant, Clinton, Iowa. She died on February 02, 1968. He married (2) MARTHA WIEDENHOFF on January 25, 1947. She was born on December 13, 1909. She died on January 02, 1986. He married (3) MARIE HOKER on June 09, 1951. She was born on April 15, 1905 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died in January 1985 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Lester Herbert Riedesel: Worked for the railroad.

iv. WILBERT RAYMOND RIEDESEL was born on March 20, 1902 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on March 13, 1991 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He married Berniece Anna Emma Bender, daughter of Charles Bender and Louisa Berner, on August 30, 1932 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She was born on August 10, 1911 in Elwood, Clinton, Iowa. She died on October 23, 2004 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Berniece Anna Emma Bender: Her obituary refers to her as Anna Emma.

- v. ELSIE RIEDESEL was born on February 12, 1906. She died on March 27, 1982. She married (1) ALTON B. HERRING. He was born on May 04, 1901. He died on January 18, 1984. She married (2) THOMAS RICHARD MURPHY on July 12, 1930.
- 3. Christina<sup>2</sup> Riedesel (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on August 05, 1865 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She

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died on March 02, 1949. She married John Roscoe Knabel, son of Johannes Knebel and Anna Elisabeth Bender, on January 11, 1894 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on February 26, 1870 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on August 04, 1947 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.

Notes for Christina Riedesel:

Known as Tinnie.

Notes for John Roscoe Knabel:

The original German name was Knebel but he apparently took the Knabel spelling.

John Roscoe Knabel and Christina Riedesel had the following children:

- i. FLORENTINE ELIZABETH VELMA<sup>3</sup> KNABEL was born on January 19, 1897 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died in August 1981 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. She married Everett George LaRue on November 17, 1913 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He was born on December 26, 1896 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He died in April 1974 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa.
- ii. ALICE KNABEL was born on April 16, 1901 in Dixon, Scott, Iowa. She died on October 30, 1986 in Bettendorf, Scott, Iowa. She married John Henry Porth on January 08, 1918 in Rock Island, Illinois. He was born on August 25, 1897 in Pleasant Valley, Scott, Iowa. He died on November 27, 1918 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.
- iii. HOWARD KNABEL was born in 1907 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He died in 1941. He married ARLENE K MULSAKY.
- 4. **LISETTA SARAH**<sup>2</sup> **RIEDESEL** (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on December 10, 1871 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. She died on February 06, 1958 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. She married William Hoffman on February 22, 1894 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. He was born on January 26, 1863. He died on July 08, 1943.

Notes for Lisetta Sarah Riedesel:

Often known as Sadie.

William Hoffman and Lisetta Sarah Riedesel had the following child:

i. ALMA<sup>3</sup> HOFFMAN was born in January 1897. She married William Jacobsen, son of Peter Jacobsen and Margarete Jepsen, on December 20, 1922 in Clinton County, Iowa.

Notes for Alma Hoffman:

I find no trace of her after her marriage in 1922.

5. **Lena Lydia**<sup>2</sup> **Riedesel** (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on February 20, 1873 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 21, 1953 in Blairstown, Benton, Iowa. She married John Mathias Lang on August 02, 1911 in Blairstown, Benton, Iowa. He was born on November 04, 1884. He died on June 09, 1963.

John Mathias Lang and Lena Lydia Riedesel had the following children:

- i. RAYMOND E.<sup>3</sup> LANG was born on February 13, 1912 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He married RUTH E YERINGTON. She was born on July 02, 1918 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on May 13, 1997 in Columbus, Muscogee, Georgia.
- ii. Francis Alvin Lang was born on June 26, 1914 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He died on August 26, 1986 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He married Doris E Wineke on September 26, 1936 in Nashua, Chickasaw, Iowa. She was born on January 09, 1915 in West Branch, Cedar, Iowa. She died on May 25, 2015 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa.
- iii. FLORENCE MILDRED LANG was born on October 14, 1916. She died on June 01, 2005 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. She married KENNETH SPENCER.
- 6. **LAURA F.**<sup>2</sup> **RIEDESEL** (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on August 05, 1875 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on May 05, 1970 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married John Beuthien on February 19, 1908 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He was born on May 08, 1884 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on January 06, 1974 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Laura F. Riedesel:

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Her middle name is often given as Flora but I suspect it started out as Florentine (her mother's given name). To my knowledge, baptismal records from St. Paul's church do not exist from this time.

John Beuthien and Laura F. Riedesel had the following children:

- HILDA FRANCES<sup>3</sup> BEUTHIEN was born on September 13, 1909 in Wheatland, Clinton, lowa. She died on January 16, 2002 in Cedar Rapids, Linn, Iowa. She married Erwin Fred Proesch on October 07, 1936 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on May 14, 1911 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. He died on March 04, 1981 in Clinton, Clinton, Iowa.
- ii. EDGAR HOWARD BEUTHIEN was born on March 08, 1911. He died on February 06, 2000. He married Mabel Dora Meyer on November 23, 1932. She was born on March 27, 1913. She died on March 20, 1989.
- iii. FLORENCE GRACE BEUTHIEN was born on January 01, 1913. She died on February 04, 2017 in De Witt, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married (1) WILLIAM BURHOP on November 23, 1932. He died on January 29, 1933. She married (2) JULIUS KELDING on October 18, 1941. He died on May 06, 1943. She married (3) NORMAN LUDWIG SCHNEIDER, son of Ferdinand Schneider and Marie Homrighausen, on October 01, 1949. He was born on October 27, 1913. He died on November 03, 1992.
- 7. **EMMA**<sup>2</sup> **RIEDESEL** (Johannes<sup>1</sup>) was born on October 20, 1877 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 12, 1929 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She married Louis William Strackbein, son of Johann Ludwig Strackbein and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, on March 01, 1916 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He was born on December 12, 1879 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on February 21, 1955 in Blue Grass, Scott, Iowa.

Louis William Strackbein and Emma Riedesel had the following child:

SYLVAN C.<sup>3</sup> RIEDESEL was born on June 20, 1908 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 29, 1973 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Sylvan C. Riedesel: Served in World War II.