

Descendants of John Riedesel

Generation 1

1. **JOHN¹ RIEDESEL** was born about 1848 in Stralsund, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany. He married Dorothea Roast on October 2, 1872 in Kane County, IL. She was born in March 1851 in Berlin, Germany. She died on June 2, 1926 in Kane County, IL.

Notes for John Riedesel:

As of 1880, he was working as tailor and they lived in the city of Chicago. By 1900 they were divorced and Dora/Dorothea was living back in Kane County.

Notes for Dorothea Roast:

Living in rented quarters with her three younger daughters as of 1900. She was divorced and working as a dressmaker. One other child was living (presumably Martha), but she had borne three others who were not then alive. She immigrated in 1862.

The state record of her death states that her father was "Boost Abel." The first name is unlikely but the clear implication is that she was born an Abel, with Roast being an earlier married name.

John Riedesel and Dorothea Roast had the following children:

- i. **MARTHA CAROLINE² RIEDESEL** was born on December 9, 1876 in Cook County, IL. She married Joseph G. Buss on November 26, 1899 in Kane County, IL.

Notes for Martha Caroline Riedesel:

Lived in Rochelle, Illinois, after her marriage.

- ii. **CLARA BETH RIEDESEL** was born in July 1878 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She married (1) **W. H. NOONAN**.

- iii. **ANNA M. RIEDESEL** was born in November 1880 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She died after 1937.

Notes for Anna M. Riedesel:

Still single as of 1926 when her mother died. In 1930 she was a lodger in the home of Marion Wilde in Elgin, IL, though with no occupation listed in the Census. In 1937 she was employed by the WPA.

- iv. **LOUISE W. RIEDESEL** was born in February 1886 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She married George Metzgar on May 25, 1904.