

Descendants of Luise Riedesel

Generation 1

1. **LUISE¹ RIEDESEL** was born on September 19, 1860 in Erndtebrück. She died on November 30, 1949 in Nordheim, DeWitt, Texas. She married (1) **WILHELM HEINRICH SCHNEIDER**. She married (2) **JOHANN FRIEDRICH WILHELM PIEPER**, son of Ottomar Pieper and Emilie Schlaak, on June 23, 1892 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. He was born on March 24, 1866 in Prussian Friedland. He died on May 03, 1950 in Nordheim, DeWitt, Texas.

Notes for Luise Riedesel:

The presumably widowed Luise and her son, Heinrich Schneider, apparently came to America in 1891 though a passenger record has yet to be found. She soon married Fred Pieper in Illinois but by 1900 they lived in Crookston, Minnesota, close to her brother Carl. The Piepers (and Henry Schneider) moved to Peoria by 1902 and ultimately to Nordheim, Texas.

"Tante Luise" remained in contact with her family in Germany--a life spanning both world wars.

Wilhelm Heinrich Schneider and Luise Riedesel had the following child:

- i. **HENRY² SCHNEIDER** was born on August 27, 1886 in Germany. He died on August 26, 1917 in Cuero, DeWitt, Texas (Nordheim Cemetery).

Notes for Johann Friedrich Wilhelm Pieper:

Known as Fred, and went by the full name of John Frederick William in the U.S. His place of birth is sometimes referred to as Pr(eussische) Friedland to distinguish it from other towns with the same name in other regions. The area became part of Poland in the aftermath of World War II, and the German inhabitants expelled.

Johann Friedrich Wilhelm Pieper and Luise Riedesel had the following children:

2. i. **JOHN H.² PIEPER JR.** was born on March 13, 1893 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. He died on July 02, 1976 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas. He married Josephine Hedwig Riedesel, daughter of Ludwig Wilhelm Riedesel and Emma Riedel, about 1917. She was born on September 27, 1895 in Garfield, DeWitt, Texas. She died on February 09, 1978 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.
3. ii. **EMILY OLIVE PIEPER** was born on April 26, 1896 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She died on August 11, 1966 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas. She married Glenn Renfroe Beckham about 1922. He was born on March 13, 1881 in Texas. He died on April 12, 1972 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.
4. iii. **OTTOMAR PIEPER** was born on November 23, 1898 in Crookston, Polk, Minnesota. He died on September 12, 1988 in Texas. He married Thelma Wied about 1925. She was born about 1902 in Texas.
- iv. **FRANCIS MARION PIEPER** was born on January 01, 1902 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. He died on July 05, 1977 in Yorktown, DeWitt, Texas. He married **JOSEPHINE BOLDT**. She was born on December 03, 1901 in Texas. She died on February 09, 1978 in Texas.

Notes for Francis Marion Pieper:

Known as Fred.

- v. **LOUISE PIEPER** was born in 1904 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. She died on July 27, 1905 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois.
- vi. **CHARLES PIEPER** was born in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. He died in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois.

Generation 2

2. **JOHN H.² PIEPER JR.** (Luise¹ Riedesel) was born on March 13, 1893 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois. He died on July 02, 1976 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas. He married Josephine Hedwig Riedesel, daughter of Ludwig Wilhelm Riedesel and Emma Riedel, about 1917. She was born on September 27, 1895 in Garfield, DeWitt, Texas. She died on February 09, 1978 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.

Notes for John H. Pieper Jr.:

Generation 2 (cont.)

Married some time before 1920, when he and his distant cousin and wife, Josephine, were living in Nordheim. In 1930, they were in Cuero (and enumerated under the spelling Peeper). The 1940 Census gives his place of birth as Chicago, not Peoria. Sales for an electric company.

Notes for Josephine Hedwig Riedesel:

This birthdate comes from a Lutheran baptismal record and is it odds with other information.

John H. Pieper Jr. and Josephine Hedwig Riedesel had the following children:

- i. EMMA LOUISE³ PIEPER was born on August 07, 1922 in Nordheim, DeWitt, Texas. She died on May 01, 2009 in Austin, Travis, Texas. She married Wessel Schroeter on April 12, 1964.
 - ii. LILLIAN DOROTHY PIEPER was born on May 10, 1925 in Nordheim, DeWitt, Texas.
 - iii. DELORES JOSEPHINE PIEPER was born on November 21, 1928. She died on May 11, 1982 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.
 - iv. JOANN HELEN PIEPER was born on February 04, 1933 in Texas.
3. **EMILY OLIVE² PIEPER** (Luise¹ Riedesel) was born on April 26, 1896 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She died on August 11, 1966 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas. She married Glenn Renfroe Beckham about 1922. He was born on March 13, 1881 in Texas. He died on April 12, 1972 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.

Glenn Renfroe Beckham and Emily Olive Pieper had the following children:

- i. GLENN ORVILLE³ BECKHAM was born about 1923. He died before 1972.
 - ii. DAVID H. BECKHAM was born about 1925. He died before 1972.
 5. iii. EMILY IRIS BECKHAM was born about 1927. She died after 1972. She married ROYCE SHOWALTER JR..
 - iv. BRUCE A. BECKHAM was born on October 14, 1928 in Texas. He died on September 26, 2000 in San Antonio, Bexar, Texas.
4. **OTTOMAR² PIEPER** (Luise¹ Riedesel) was born on November 23, 1898 in Crookston, Polk, Minnesota. He died on September 12, 1988 in Texas. He married Thelma Wied about 1925. She was born about 1902 in Texas.

Notes for Ottomar Pieper:

His birth and marriage information is inferred from a 1930 Census schedule (Cuero, DeWitt County, Texas). He was a "serviceman" for Delco Light.

Ottomar Pieper and Thelma Wied had the following child:

- i. ELIZABETH³ PIEPER was born about 1928 in Texas. She married JUSTIN AUSTIN.

Generation 3

5. **EMILY IRIS³ BECKHAM** (Emily Olive² Pieper, Luise¹ Riedesel) was born about 1927. She died after 1972. She married **ROYCE SHOWALTER JR.**

Royce Showalter Jr. and Emily Iris Beckham had the following children:

- i. ROYCE III⁴ SHOWALTER.
- ii. TERRY SHOWALTER. She married DAVID RODRIGUEZ.