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Ancestors of Johannes Knebel

Generation 1

1. **Johannes Knebel**, son of Ludwig Heinrich Knebel and Anna Catherine Womelsdorf, was born on June 24, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob. America.

Notes for Johannes Knebel:

Born in Schwarze Haus in Wunderthausen. A Johann Knebel matching his age and traveling with other Knebels was on board the "Jupiter" when it arrived in New York on June 11, 1867. His likely sister, Amalia, is listed immediately below him. What happened to him subsequently is unknown to me.

Generation 2

- Ludwig Heinrich Knebel, son of Johann Georg Knebel and Maria Amalia Strackbein, was born on December 20, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 12, 1867 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Womelsdorf on January 14, 1824 in Wunderthausen.
- 3. **Anna Catherine Womelsdorf**, daughter of Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf and Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst, was born on December 27, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 01, 1848 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Knebel: Tenant in Schwarze house.

Notes for Anna Catherine Womelsdorf: Born in Beckers house.

Anna Catherine Womelsdorf and Ludwig Heinrich Knebel had the following children:

i. Johann Heinrich Knebel was born on August 21, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 20, 1911 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Knebel:

Known as Henry. Born in Schwarzehaus, Wunderthausen. He was probably the Henry Knebel aboard the "Auguste" which landed in New Orleans out of Bremen on October 25, 1854. He appears to have lived with the John P. Knoche family in Jackson County, Missouri, in 1860 but eventually went back to Wheatland. He had a farm just over the Clinton County line in Section 6 of the Liberty Township of Scott County. He evidently never married.

- ii. Maria Amalia Knebel was born on August 12, 1828 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johann Georg Knebel was born on July 24, 1831 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1870 in Wunderthausen.
- Anna Elisabeth Knebel was born on March 08, 1833 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1870 in Wunderthausen. She married Heinrich Kroh on January 15, 1854 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 25, 1825 in Wemlighausen. He died on July 18, 1886 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Heinrich Kroh: Born in Kiepehaus in Wemlighausen but inherited Schwarzehaus in Wunderthausen after his marriage.

v. Ludwig Heinrich Knebel was born on November 04, 1834 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Knebel: Probably went to America. A man matching his description lived with his first cousin Caroline (Knebel) Riedesel in Monroe County, IL, in 1870.

- vi. Johannes Knebel was born on October 08, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 07, 1839 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Catherine Knebel was born on August 21, 1838 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 18, 1864.

- viii. Ludwig Knebel was born on March 09, 1841 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Johannes Knebel was born on June 24, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob. America.
 - x. Amalia Knebel was born on August 04, 1846 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Amalia Knebel: Born in Schwarze Haus in Wunderthausen. She came to America with her older brother Johannes on the ship Jupiter out of Bremen which landed in New York on June 11, 1867. Where she went thereafter is unknown.

Generation 3

- 4. **Johann Georg Knebel**, son of Georg Hermann Knebel and Elisabeth Gertraud Womelsdorf, was born on February 21, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 25, 1832 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Amalia Strackbein** on March 07, 1785 in Wunderthausen.
- 5. **Maria Amalia Strackbein**, daughter of Johann Georg Strackbein and Maria Magdalena Pott, was born on June 15, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 13, 1833 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Knebel: Born in and tenant in Schwarze house.

Notes for Maria Amalia Strackbein: Born in Kurts house.

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Maria Amalia Strackbein and Johann Georg Knebel had the following children:

- i. Ludwig Heinrich Knebel was born on January 08, 1788 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 18, 1788 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johann Hermann Knebel was born on March 19, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 26, 1789 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Ludwig Heinrich Knebel was born on December 20, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 12, 1867 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Womelsdorf on January 14, 1824 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 27, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 01, 1848 in Wunderthausen.
 - iv. Johann Heinrich Knebel was born on December 09, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 09, 1795 in Wunderthausen.
 - v. Maria Amalia Knebel was born on March 06, 1796 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 06, 1855 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Ludwig Wetter on March 09, 1823 in Wunderthausen. He was born on May 03, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 14, 1840 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Wetter:

Born at Petersgrund near Wunderthausen. The land was divided in 1828 between him and his brother, who eventually sold his share and moved to America.

- vi. Johann Peter Knebel was born on May 28, 1799 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Johannes Knebel was born on December 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 27, 1803 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Johann Heinrich Knebel was born on February 24, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 19, 1869 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Amalia Womelsdorf on January 14, 1824 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 19, 1808 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1881 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Knebel: Born in Schwarze Haus, Wunderthausen, but assumed ownership of Beckers Haus by marriage.

6. **Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf**, son of Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf and Maria Amalia Wagner, was born on March 20, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 27, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst** on August 11, 1805.

7. **Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst**, daughter of Johann Franz Dienst and Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on January 24, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf: Tenant in Beckers Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst: Born in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst and Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf had the following children:

- Anna Catherine Womelsdorf was born on December 27, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 01, 1848 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Heinrich Knebel on January 14, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 20, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 12, 1867 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. Maria Amalia Womelsdorf was born on November 19, 1808 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1881 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Heinrich Knebel on January 14, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 24, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 19, 1869 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Knebel: Born in Schwarze Haus, Wunderthausen, but assumed ownership of Beckers Haus by marriage.

iii. Johann Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf was born on September 12, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob. America.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf: Born in Beckers Haus in Wunderthausen. In 1841 he arrived in New Orleans on the ship Diana out of Bremen, along with his brother. What happened to them, I don't know.

- iv. Johann Franz Womelsdorf was born on July 30, 1813 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Johann Georg Womelsdorf was born on June 13, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob.America.

Notes for Johann Georg Womelsdorf: In 1841 he arrived in New Orleans on the ship Diana out of Bremen, along with his brother. They came from Beckers house in Wunderthausen. What happened to them, I don't know.

Generation 4

- 8. **Georg Hermann Knebel**, son of Johann Hermann Knebel and Anna Catherine Wetzel, was born on August 01, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 01, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Womelsdorf** on January 08, 1756 in Wunderthausen.
- 9. **Elisabeth Gertraud Womelsdorf**, daughter of Johannes Womelsdorf and Anna Gertraud Pott, was born on December 17, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 28, 1794 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Hermann Knebel: Born in and tenant in Schwarze Haus, Wunderthausen.

Elisabeth Gertraud Womelsdorf and Georg Hermann Knebel had the following children:

- Johann Georg Knebel was born on February 21, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 25, 1832 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Amalia Strackbein on March 07, 1785 in Wunderthausen. She was born on June 15, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 13, 1833 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. Elisabeth Gertraud Knebel was born on January 17, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 29, 1813 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein

on March 07, 1785 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on March 07, 1785. He was born on December 27, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 04, 1829 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein: Born in and tenant in Kurts house.

- iii. Ludwig Knebel was born on December 01, 1762 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Henrich Knebel was born on December 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 18, 1820 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Margarete Lauber on January 24, 1794 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 23, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 10, 1826 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Henrich Knebel: Born in Schwarze Haus, Wunderthausen, but became the tenant in Schmeds.

- v. Elisabeth Amalia Knebel was born on November 04, 1768 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 11, 1813 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Anna Elisabeth Knebel was born on February 14, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 13, 1797 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Georg Hermann Knebel was born on January 20, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 08, 1775 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Georg Garbriel Knebel was born on December 19, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 25, 1806 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Elisabeth Gertraud Knebel was born on January 23, 1779 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 28, 1779 in Wunderthausen.
- 10. **Johann Georg Strackbein**, son of Samuel Strackbein and Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein, was born on December 10, 1735 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 23, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Pott** on July 07, 1762 in Wunderthausen.
- 11. **Maria Magdalena Pott**, daughter of Johannes Pott and Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf, was born on December 12, 1742 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 17, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:

Tenant in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen, born in Linde house.

Maria Magdalena Pott and Johann Georg Strackbein had the following children:

i. Johannes Strackbein was born on December 27, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 04, 1829 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Knebel on March 07, 1785. She was born on January 17, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 29, 1813 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein: Born in and tenant in Kurts house.

- ii. Maria Amalia Strackbein was born on June 15, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 13, 1833 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Knebel on March 07, 1785 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 21, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 25, 1832 in Wunderthausen.
 - iii. Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein was born on August 26, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherina Elisabeth Riedesel on July 23, 1796 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 15, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 24, 1847 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein: Born in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen. Became the tenant in Schäfers.

- iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein was born on August 22, 1774 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 06, 1775 in Wunderthausen.
- 12. Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf, son of Johannes Womelsdorf and Anna Gertraud Pott, was born on November 19, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 26, 1773 in Wunderthausen. He

married Maria Amalia Wagner on January 18, 1770 in Wunderthausen.

13. **Maria Amalia Wagner**, daughter of Johannes Wagner and Anna Catherine Strackbein, was born on February 08, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 06, 1830 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf:

Born in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen, but eventually became the tenant in Beckers.

Maria Amalia Wagner and Ludwig Heinrich Womelsdorf had the following children:

i. Maria Amalia Womelsdorf was born on April 22, 1770 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1829 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Knoche on October 22, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 07, 1773 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 18, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Franz Mörchen on January 17, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 15, 1769 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 30, 1847 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Knoche: Tenant in Seilers Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Mörchen: Born at the Wunderthausen mill. Married the widow of the tenant at Seilers Haus.

- ii. Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf was born on March 20, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 27, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst on August 11, 1805. She was born on January 24, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen.
- Johann Franz Dienst, son of Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott, was born on April 27, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen on January 18, 1782 in Wunderthausen.
- 15. **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Georg Hermann Homrighausen and Maria Catharina Kuhn, was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Dienst:

Born in and tenant in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen and Johann Franz Dienst had the following children:

- Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst was born on January 24, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Womelsdorf on August 11, 1805. He was born on March 20, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 27, 1816 in Wunderthausen.
 - ii. Juliana Catherine Gertraud Dienst was born on January 27, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 17, 1853. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on July 18, 1802. He was born on July 15, 1762 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 03, 1825 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen: Born in Hermes house, Diedenshausen, married into Linde house in Wunderthausen.

- Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst was born on August 15, 1788 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 19, 1871 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Womelsdorf on August 11, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on July 18, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 22, 1857 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Hermann Beitzel on July 05, 1818 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 29, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1834 in Wunderthausen.
- V. Johannes Dienst was born on May 01, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 24, 1851 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Keller on December 03, 1823. She was born in Diedenshausen.