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Ancestors of Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter

Generation 1

 Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter, daughter of Johann Philipp Peter and Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht, was born on March 06, 1842 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 29, 1909 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Georg Ludwig Riedesel on February 25, 1866 in Diedenshausen. He was born on January 07, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 01, 1913 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter:

Known as Katherine. Other sources give her year of birth as 1838, but that is in error. She was born in Wagners Haus, Diedenshausen. Apparently, she and her husband lived in Diedenshausen before going to America. Came on the ship Humbold with her family, which traveled from Bremen to New York and landed on May 27, 1867. Her obituary says she bore 14 children, three of whom preceded her in death. The 14th was probably an infant whose name has not come down to us.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel:

Known as Louis C. and as "Charley" in the U.S. though his obituary in the Wheatland Gazette calls him "Ludwig Carl." Born in Bergmanns/Gabels Haus in Wunderthausen where he was baptised as "Georg Ludwig." The family story is that he was a soldier in the Franco-Prussian war, but that is not possible as he emigrated in 1867 and that war took place 1870-1871. He presumably participated in the "Danish" war of 1863-64 and/or the Austro-Prussian war of 1866. He belonged to a German veterans association in nearby Lowden, Iowa. Came to America on the ship Humboldt, which traveled from Bremen to New York and landed on May 27, 1867.

They lived in Cedar County near Lowden, which is close to Big Rock as well. He eventually owned at least 160 acres in Section 24 of the Springfield Township (Cedar County). Their son Ernest continued to farm this land, followed by Ernest's sons Ernest and Harold. The farm itself was known locally as the Cambridge farm and they were referred to as the "Cambridge Riedesels."

Generation 2

- 2. **Johann Philipp Peter**, son of Johann Friedrich Paul Peter and Anna Elisabeth Althaus, was born on September 26, 1810 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 02, 1860 in Diedenshausen. He married **Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht** on December 05, 1841 in Diedenshausen.
- 3. **Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht**, daughter of Johann Franz Hackenbracht and Anna Katherine Benfer, was born on April 03, 1810 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 22, 1858 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Philipp Peter:

Born in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Wagners.

Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht and Johann Philipp Peter had the following children:

- i. Franz Peter was born on June 03, 1838 in Diedenshausen. He died on December 20, 1908 in Diedenshausen. He married Wilhelmine Dienst on April 21, 1861 in Diedenshausen. She was born on February 08, 1838 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 21, 1915 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter was born on March 06, 1842 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 29, 1909 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Georg Ludwig Riedesel on February 25, 1866 in Diedenshausen. He was born on January 07, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 01, 1913 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
 - iii. Johann Georg Peter was born on December 12, 1846 in Diedenshausen. He died on July 06, 1927 in Lidderdale, Carroll, Iowa. He married Karolina Herling about 1873 in Carroll County, Iowa. She was born on January 14, 1841 in Germany.

She died on May 27, 1896 in Carroll County, Iowa. He married Dorothea Boell on November 11, 1897 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. She was born in 1837 in Germany. She died in 1929.

Notes for Johann Georg Peter:

He was born in Diedenshausen. Came to America with his sister and brother-inlaw in 1867 on the ship Humboldt (Bremen to New York). Apparently working a farm laborer in Wheatland as of the 1870 Census. However, he moved on to Carroll County, Iowa in 1874. A number of other first- and second-generation Wittgensteiners did likewise.

Notes for Karolina Herling: Some sources give her name as Hessling.

Notes for Dorothea Boell: She was a widow at the time of her marriage to George; she had been a Klaehn or Klahn.

Generation 3

- 4. **Johann Friedrich Paul Peter**, son of Paul Peter and Maria Henriette Langenhagen, was born on July 23, 1787 in Homrighausen or Berleburg. He died on December 22, 1857 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Althaus** on November 25, 1818 in Berleburg.
- 5. **Anna Elisabeth Althaus** was born on April 20, 1792. She died on January 18, 1849 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Friedrich Paul Peter:

He lived for a while in the pietist community at Homrighausen (a small enclave north of Berleburg), as did his future wife and her parents. Became the tenant in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, by purchasing the land from Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen for 2000 Thalers in 1818 (the Homrighausens went to Baltimore, though returned later). Such a sale was only possible in the wake of the Napoleonic Wars and the absorption of Wittgenstein into the Prussian state, at which time feudalism was finally abolished.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Althaus:

Her family is believed to have come from Girkhausen, though they too lived at Homrighausen.

Anna Elisabeth Althaus and Johann Friedrich Paul Peter had the following children:

- Johann Philipp Peter was born on September 26, 1810 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 02, 1860 in Diedenshausen. He married Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht on December 05, 1841 in Diedenshausen. She was born on April 03, 1810 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 22, 1858 in Diedenshausen.
 - ii. Elisabeth Peter was born on May 31, 1815 in Diedenshausen. She died on July 04, 1819 in Diedenshausen.
 - Philipp Franz Peter was born on April 30, 1820 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 29, 1875 in Diedenshausen. He married Sophie Julius on September 18, 1847 in Diedenshausen. She was born on March 06, 1823 in Alertshausen. She died on April 07, 1900 in Diedenshausen.
 - iv. Anna Elisabeth Peter was born on July 14, 1824 in Diedenshausen. She died on August 08, 1900 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Wilhelm Schäfer on May 13, 1860 in Diedenshausen.
 - v. Friedrich Peter was born on May 14, 1830 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 12, 1915 in Diedenshausen. He married Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel on April 07, 1861 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 25, 1836 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 01, 1900 in Diedenshausen.
 - vi. Johannes Peter was born on March 20, 1834 in Diedenshausen. He died on May 09, 1888 in Diedenshausen. He married Luise Keller on September 18, 1859. She was born on January 09, 1837 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 11, 1905 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Peter: Born in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen. Took over Daniels Haus by marrying Luise.

- 6. **Johann Franz Hackenbracht**, son of Johann Debus Hackenbracht and Anna Elisabeth Rück, was born on December 18, 1773 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 16, 1811 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Katherine Benfer** on August 07, 1807 in Diedenshausen.
- 7. **Anna Katherine Benfer**, daughter of Johann Heinrich Benfer and Anna Katherina Hüster, was born on November 28, 1779 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1841 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Hackenbracht: Born in and tenant in Wagners Haus, Diedenshausen.

Anna Katherine Benfer and Johann Franz Hackenbracht had the following children:

- i. Maria Elisabeth Hackenbracht was born on May 18, 1808 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 09, 1842 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht was born on April 03, 1810 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 22, 1858 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Philipp Peter on December 05, 1841 in Diedenshausen. He was born on September 26, 1810 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 02, 1860 in Diedenshausen.

Generation 4

- 8. **Paul Peter** was born in Bohemia. He married **Maria Henriette Langenhagen**.
- 9. Maria Henriette Langenhagen was born in Berleburg.

Notes for Paul Peter:

A coachman in the service of an official with the Imperial government (viz. the Hapsburgs in Vienna). He is said to have been from Bohemia.

Maria Henriette Langenhagen and Paul Peter had the following child:

- Johann Friedrich Paul Peter was born on July 23, 1787 in Homrighausen or Berleburg. He died on December 22, 1857 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Althaus on November 25, 1818 in Berleburg. She was born on April 20, 1792. She died on January 18, 1849 in Diedenshausen.
- 12. **Johann Debus Hackenbracht**, son of Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht and Maria Elisabeth Benfer, was born on December 03, 1737 in Diedenshausen. He died on November 19, 1809 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Rück**.
- Anna Elisabeth Rück, daughter of Georg Hermann Rück and Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies, was born on December 10, 1735 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1775 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Debus Hackenbracht: Born in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen, became tenant in Wagners.

Anna Elisabeth Rück and Johann Debus Hackenbracht had the following children:

- i. Georg Hermann Hackenbracht was born on April 15, 1772 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 18, 1772 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johann Franz Hackenbracht was born on December 18, 1773 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 16, 1811 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Katherine Benfer on August 07, 1807 in Diedenshausen. She was born on November 28, 1779 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1841 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Hüster on April 03, 1798 in Diedenshausen. She was born on July 18, 1772 in Elsoff. She died on December 22, 1806 in Diedenshausen.
- 14. **Johann Heinrich Benfer**, son of Johann Heinrich Benfer and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born on July 22, 1747 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 02, 1805 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Katherina Hüster** on January 08, 1767 in Diedenshausen.
- 15. **Anna Katherina Hüster** was born on May 12, 1744 in Elsoff. She died on December 12, 1808 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Benfer:

Born in and tenant in Schneiders Haus, Diedenshausen.

Anna Katherina Hüster and Johann Heinrich Benfer had the following children:

i. Maria Elisabeth Benfer was born on August 18, 1768 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 22, 1808 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Georg Keller on November 24, 1789 in Diedenshausen. He was born on December 17, 1761 in Diedenshausen. He died on August 06, 1824 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Keller: Born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, became the tenant in Schneiders.

ii. Johann Heinrich Benfer was born on November 13, 1771 in Diedenshausen. He died in America.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Benfer: Applied to go to America in 1797 as a single person and having no trade (Handwerk).

- iii. Maria Louysa Benfer was born on August 12, 1775 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1792.
- iv. Anna Katherine Benfer was born on November 28, 1779 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1841 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Franz Hackenbracht on August 07, 1807 in Diedenshausen. He was born on December 18, 1773 in Diedenshausen. He died on June 16, 1811 in Diedenshausen.

Generation 5

- 24. **Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht**, son of Johann Georg Hackenbracht and Catharina Elisabeth Spies, was born on October 05, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 20, 1770 in Diedenshausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Benfer** on May 12, 1724 in Diedenshausen.
- 25. **Maria Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Johann Hermann Benfer and Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen, was born on September 27, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 13, 1748 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht: Born in Schulze, became the tenant in Webers Haus, Diedenshausen.

Maria Elisabeth Benfer and Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht had the following children:

- i. Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on February 23, 1725 in Diedenshausen. He died on November 15, 1777 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Kunigunda Beitzel on October 24, 1755 in Diedenshausen. She was born on July 22, 1733 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 06, 1805 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johannes Hackenbracht was born on October 27, 1726 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1734 in Diedenshausen.
- Catharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht was born on March 04, 1728 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 31, 1795 in Wemlighausen. She married Johannes Dittmann on January 10, 1755.
- iv. Anna Elisabeth Hackenbracht was born on February 14, 1729 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Elisabeth Magdalena Hackenbracht was born on November 05, 1730 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Johannes Hackenbracht was born on February 04, 1734 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 04, 1765 in Diedenshausen.
- 12. vii. Johann Debus Hackenbracht was born on December 03, 1737 in Diedenshausen. He died on November 19, 1809 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Rück. She was born on December 10, 1735 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1775 in Diedenshausen.
- 26. **Georg Hermann Rück**, son of Sebastian Rück and Anna Catharina Schüßler, was born on November 03, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1729 in Diedenshausen. He married

Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies on May 23, 1732 in Diedenshausen.

27. **Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Sebastian Spies and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on March 29, 1702 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 18, 1743 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Georg Hermann Rück:

Born in and tenant in Wagners Haus, Diedenshausen.

Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies and Georg Hermann Rück had the following children:

- i. Maria Elisabeth Rück was born on March 03, 1733 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Rück was born on December 10, 1735 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 08, 1775 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Debus Hackenbracht. He was born on December 03, 1737 in Diedenshausen. He died on November 19, 1809 in Diedenshausen.
 - iii. Anna Elisabeth Rück was born on March 03, 1738 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1753.
 - iv. Georg Franz Rück was born on July 22, 1739 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 30, 1805 in Diedenshausen.
 - v. Johann Georg Rück was born on January 06, 1743 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 12, 1811 in Diedenshausen.
- 28. **Johann Heinrich Benfer**, son of Gabriel Benfer and Anna Catharina Rück, was born on November 07, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 16, 1777 in Diedenshausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen** on January 19, 1738 in Diedenshausen.
- 29. **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on December 23, 1719 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 23, 1785 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Heinrich Benfer:

Born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, became the tenant in Schneiders.

Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen and Johann Heinrich Benfer had the following children:

- i. Conrad Benfer was born on December 25, 1738 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 08, 1744 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johannes Benfer was born on October 08, 1742 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 19, 1750 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Johann Georg Benfer was born on October 04, 1744 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 17, 1746 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Johann Konrad Benfer was born on June 21, 1746 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Heinrich Benfer was born on July 22, 1747 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 02, 1805 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Katherina Hüster on January 08, 1767 in Diedenshausen. She was born on May 12, 1744 in Elsoff. She died on December 12, 1808 in Diedenshausen.
 - vi. ?? Benfer was born on January 03, 1750 in Diedenshausen.
 - vii. Johann Sebastian Benfer was born on September 14, 1752 in Diedenshausen. He died on March 17, 1755 in Diedenshausen.
 - viii. Johanna Juliana Benfer was born on May 01, 1758 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 31, 1760 in Diedenshausen.

Generation 6

- 48. **Johann Georg Hackenbracht** was born on January 03, 1655 in Wemlighausen. He died on October 16, 1743 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Spies** on October 19, 1689 in Diedenshausen.
- 49. **Catharina Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Johann Wilhelm Spies and Mara ??, was born about 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died before 1730 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Hackenbracht: Born in Schneiders Haus, Wemlighausen, but became the tenant in Schulze, Diedenshausen. Catharina Elisabeth Spies and Johann Georg Hackenbracht had the following children:

- Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on October 05, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 20, 1770 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Benfer on May 12, 1724 in Diedenshausen. She was born on September 27, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 13, 1748 in Diedenshausen.
 - ii. Johannes Hackenbracht was born on March 28, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1738 in Diedenshausen. He married Catharina Elisabeth Benfer on November 16, 1713 in Diedenshausen. She was born on October 20, 1690 in Diedenshausen.
 - iii. Johann David Hackenbracht was born on November 23, 1695 in Diedenshausen.
 - iv. Johann Wilhelm Hackenbracht was born on March 13, 1697 in Diedenshausen.
 - v. Johann Gabriel Hackenbracht was born on February 27, 1699 in Diedenshausen.
 - vi. Johann Samuel Hackenbracht was born on October 24, 1700 in Diedenshausen.
 - vii. Sebastian Hackenbracht was born on December 18, 1702 in Diedenshausen.
 - viii. Johann Heinrich Hackenbracht was born on February 08, 1705 in Diedenshausen.
 - ix. Johann Daniel Hackenbracht was born on January 16, 1707 in Diedenshausen.
- 50. **Johann Hermann Benfer**, son of Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker, was born about 1670 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen** on October 10, 1689 in Diedenshausen.
- 51. **Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen**, daughter of Johann Jacob Saßmanshausen and Anna Elisabeth ??, was born about 1672 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Benfer:

Born in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Webers.

Catharina Elisabeth Saßmannshausen and Johann Hermann Benfer had the following children:

- i. Catharina Elisabeth Benfer was born on October 20, 1690 in Diedenshausen. She married Johannes Hackenbracht on November 16, 1713 in Diedenshausen. He was born on March 28, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1738 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johannes Benfer was born on September 21, 1694 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1709 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Maria Elisabeth Benfer was born on September 27, 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 13, 1748 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Georg Wilhelm Hackenbracht on May 12, 1724 in Diedenshausen. He was born on October 05, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died on September 20, 1770 in Diedenshausen.
 - iv. Maria Juliana Benfer was born on March 04, 1701 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1725.
 - v. Elisabeth Margaretha Benfer was born on March 22, 1704 in Diedenshausen.
 - vi. Elisabeth Gertraud Benfer was born on March 04, 1706 in Diedenshausen.
 - vii. Johannes Benfer was born on February 10, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 09, 1763 in Diedenshausen.
 - viii. Anna Elisabeth Benfer was born on February 01, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on November 30, 1754 in Diedenshausen. She married Johannes Debus Gernand on June 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 09, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 12, 1775 in Diedenshausen.
- 52. **Sebastian Rück**, son of Johannes Rück and Anna Homrighausen, was born about 1654 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1705 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Schüßler** on November 11, 1686 in Diedenshausen.
- 53. **Anna Catharina Schüßler**, daughter of Johannes Schüßler, was born about 1655 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1708.

Notes for Sebastian Rück:

Born in and tenant in Wagners Haus, Diedenshausen.

Anna Catharina Schüßler and Sebastian Rück had the following children:

- i. Catharina Elisabeth Rück was born on October 11, 1688 in Diedenshausen.
- ii. Johann Jacob Rück was born on June 14, 1691 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Johann Georg Rück was born on July 28, 1692 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1729. He married Anna Elisabeth Dienst on December 05, 1713. She was born in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Georg Hermann Rück was born on November 03, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1729 in Diedenshausen. He married Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies on May 23, 1732 in Diedenshausen. She was born on March 29, 1702 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 18, 1743 in Diedenshausen.
 - v. Anna Catharina Rück was born on March 15, 1699 in Diedenshausen.
 - vi. Johannes Rück was born on April 17, 1700 in Diedenshausen.
 - vii. Louysa Catharina Rück was born on January 04, 1705 in Diedenshausen.
- Sebastian Spies, son of Gabriel Spies and Margarete ??, was born about 1653 in Diedenshausen. He died in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Benfer on November 29, 1683 in Diedenshausen.
- 55. **Anna Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Gabriel Benfer and Anna Catharina Giebel, was born in 1665 in Diedenshausen. She died in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Sebastian Spies:

Lived in Diele Haus in Diedenshausen but became the tenant in Schreiners on his marriage to Anna Benfer.

Anna Elisabeth Benfer and Sebastian Spies had the following children:

 Johannes Spies was born on September 01, 1684 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 23, 1760 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Spies on February 09, 1714 in Diedenshausen. She was born on January 02, 1694 in Girkhausen. She died on January 28, 1757 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Spies: Tenant in Schreiners Haus, Diedenshausen.

- ii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born about 1687 in Diedenshausen. She died after 1722.
- iii. Anna Maria Magdalena Spies was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Valentin Pott on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Valentin Pott: Born in Kurts Haus but married into Beitzels and became the tenant.

iv. Catherine Elisabeth Spies was born on November 11, 1694 in Diedenshausen.
She died before 1728 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Dienst on May 16, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Spies: Born in Diele or Schreiners Haus in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst: Tenant in Linde Haus.

- v. Maria Gertraud Spies was born on December 28, 1696 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Georg Franz Spies was born on March 11, 1699 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 08, 1771.

- vii. Wilhelmine Elisabeth Spies was born on March 29, 1702 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 18, 1743 in Diedenshausen. She married Georg Hermann Rück on May 23, 1732 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 03, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died after 1729 in Diedenshausen.
 - viii. Johann Georg Spies was born on February 11, 1705 in Diedenshausen. He died in Prob. Berleburg. He married Catharine Louise Stark on September 19, 1734 in Berleburg.
- 56. **Gabriel Benfer**, son of Johannes Benfer and ?? Becker, was born about 1662 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Rück** on November 22, 1694 in Diedenshausen.
- 57. **Anna Catharina Rück**, daughter of Johannes Rück and Anna Homrighausen, was born about 1675 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Gabriel Benfer:

Tenant in Adriges Haus, Diedenshausen.

Anna Catharina Rück and Gabriel Benfer had the following children:

 Anna Maria Benfer was born about 1695 in Diedenshausen. She died on October 06, 1755 in Diedenshausen. She married Sebastian Homrighausen on May 13, 1729 in Diedenshausen. He was born on July 04, 1695 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 13, 1746 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Georg Spies on February 20, 1718 in Diedenshausen. He was born about 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1729.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies: Born in Diele Haus, Diedenshausen, became the tenant in Adriges.

- ii. Johannes Benfer was born on November 25, 1697 in Diedenshausen.
- Georg Hermann Benfer was born on October 01, 1700 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Catharina Henk on January 15, 1734. She was born in Rinthe. He married Anna Elisabeth Hedrich on December 01, 1724. She was born in Womelsdorf.
- iv. Johann Georg Benfer was born on April 24, 1703 in Diedenshausen. He died on April 01, 1756 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Kunigunda Elisabeth Strackbein on December 01, 1728 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 01, 1704 in Diedenshausen. She died on February 07, 1777 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Ernst Benfer was born on March 07, 1706 in Diedenshausen. He died in 1761. He married Anna Margarete Althaus. She was born in Womelsdorf.
- vi. Johann Heinrich Benfer was born on November 07, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 16, 1777 in Diedenshausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen on January 19, 1738 in Diedenshausen. She was born on December 23, 1719 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 23, 1785 in Diedenshausen.
 - vii. Catharina Elisabeth Benfer was born on December 02, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1794.
- 58. **Johannes Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Schüßler, was born on May 08, 1690 in Diedenshausen. He died before 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Benfer** on October 28, 1717 in Diedenshausen.
- 59. **Anna Elisabeth Benfer**, daughter of Debus (Theobald) Benfer and Catharina Elisabeth Breusing, was born after 1697 in Diedenshausen. She died on August 19, 1760 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johannes Homrighausen:

Born in Hermes Haus, Diedenshausen, but became the tenant in Schneiders.

Anna Elisabeth Benfer and Johannes Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Johann Jacob Homrighausen was born on July 09, 1718 in Diedenshausen.
- 29. ii. Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on December 23, 1719 in Diedenshausen. She died on January 23, 1785 in Diedenshausen. She married

Johann Heinrich Benfer on January 19, 1738 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 07, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 16, 1777 in Diedenshausen.

iii. Johann Anthony Homrighausen was born on January 01, 1722 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Anthony Homrighausen: Born in Schneiders Haus in Diedenshausen. Went to America in 1748. He was probably part of the party led by Rev. Johann Philipp Leydich of Girkhausen. Leydich was married to one of his first cousins, and three more sisters of that family also went to America. They settled in Maryland.

- iv. Georg Hermann Homrighausen was born on December 13, 1724 in Diedenshausen.
- v. Johann Conrad Homrighausen was born on December 13, 1724 in Diedenshausen.
- vi. Catharina Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on December 13, 1724 in Diedenshausen.
- vii. Kunigunda Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on November 25, 1726 in Diedenshausen.
- viii. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on March 13, 1729 in Diedenshausen.
- ix. Louysa Juliana Homrighausen was born on February 16, 1731 in Diedenshausen. She died on August 26, 1786. She married Johann Philipp Dickel on December 29, 1752 in Schüllar. She married Johann Philipp Dickel on December 29, 1752. He was born on November 09, 1727 in Schüllar. He died on June 11, 1781.

Notes for Louysa Juliana Homrighausen:

As near as I can tell, this is the woman christened Louysa Juliana as the 9th child of Johannes and Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen--but known as Maria Louise when she married Johann Philipp Dickel.

x. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on January 05, 1733 in Diedenshausen.