Compiled by Dr. Paul Riedesel using independent transcriptions of church registers and other documents for Wittgenstein by Jochen Karl Mehldau (1934-2022), Georg Lauber (1904-1978), and J. Wilhelm Knoche (1883-1944).

# **Ancestors of Elisabeth Pott**

#### **Generation 1**

1. **Elisabeth Pott**, daughter of Johannes Pott and Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel, was born on May 14, 1843 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 03, 1892 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married **Georg Heinrich Dickel** on February 11, 1872 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on December 02, 1830 in Girkhausen. He died on March 05, 1917 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Elisabeth Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus, Wundethausen. Came to the U.S. on the ship Deutschland, landing in New York on October 10, 1868.

Notes for Georg Heinrich Dickel:

Known as Henry. Born in the house called Zwistmühle, a single Hof between Neuastenberg and Girkhausen. At the time of his birth, the mill belonged to the parish and community of Girkhausen. Only following a modern reorganization is the property officially tied to the village of Neuastenberg in the town of Winterberg in the Hochsauerland Kreis.

Came to America on the ship "Jupiter" out of Bremen, landing in New York on June 11, 1867. With his brother he owned 80 acres in Section 5 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County. His older son, Carl/Charles, eventually took over the farm.

#### **Generation 2**

- Johannes Pott, son of Johannes Pott and Maria Elisabeth Klein, was born on April 01, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1856 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel on August 03, 1823 in Wunderthausen.
- 3. **Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel**, daughter of Johann Ludwig Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Knoche, was born on March 23, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1878 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Pott:

Born in and became the tenant in Mannes Haus.

Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel and Johannes Pott had the following children:

i. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on November 27, 1822 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 28, 1872 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein on July 28, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 18, 1818 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 12, 1869 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein: Born in and became the tenant in Kurts Haus.

ii. Catherine Elisabeth Pott was born on January 09, 1825 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 18, 1902 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Lauber on July 04, 1847 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 24, 1818 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 12, 1912 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Pott: Born in Mannes house.

Notes for Johann Georg Lauber:

Founded the house "Im Gründchen" outside of Wunderthausen though was born in Hohmanns.

iii. Johannes Pott was born on January 08, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 10, 1913 in Hazen, Warren, New Jersey (Hillside Cemetery, Oxford). He married Christiana Hirt about 1860. She was born in 1841 in Berne, Switzerland. She died in 1906 (Hillside Cemetery, Oxford). Notes for Johannes Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus in Wunderthausen. He arrived in New York on the ship Centurion out of Antwerp in 1852. Living in the Oxford, NJ, area in the late 1890s. He is described as having been a big man in family records. Living with his brother, George, at the time of the 1860 Census and was apparently single then; occupation was that of a miner. He eventually became known as "Potts" as did his sons.

- iv. Elisabeth Amalia Pott was born on November 25, 1828 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 09, 1901 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on June 12, 1853 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 17, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 12, 1863 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Anna Catherine Pott was born on February 13, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 18, 1910 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married Johann Franz Schneider on August 03, 1854 in America. He was born on October 27, 1829 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 10, 1892 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

## Notes for Anna Catherine Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus in Wunderthausen. Arrived in New York on the ship "Rio Packet" out of Bremen on July 19, 1854. Though they were not married until a month after landing, the passenger list (but not the German permission files) gives her last name as Schenider. Her name was on the family farm near Wheatland as of 1894; another large tract in Section 20 is also listed as belonging to "Mrs. F. Schneider." That may have been her but maybe not.

#### Notes for Johann Franz Schneider:

Known as Franz. Born in the Wunderthausen house called Hanphilippses. Came to New York on the ship "Rio Packet" out of Bremen and arrived on July 19, 1854. The passenger list gives Anna's name as Schneider and lists baby Anna. Perhaps they married in Germany and had another ceremony in the U.S. Perhaps not. He was a deacon in the first Kirchenrat (Board) of St. Paul's church in 1861 as was one of his brothers (uncertain which). As late as July of 1860 (Census), he was living in Warren County, NJ, next to the Pott brothers. He owned farmland in Sections 15, 22 and 23 of the Spring Rock Township.

vi. Johann Georg Pott was born on July 13, 1834 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 10, 1913 in Hazen, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). He married Mary Johanna Glashner on April 18, 1872. She was born about 1840 in Weimar. She died in 1922 (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). He married Elisabeth Leinbach on April 16, 1858. She was born on July 28, 1835 in Prussia. She died on March 10, 1872 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey.

## Notes for Johann Georg Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus, Wunderthausen. German records confirm that he came to America on the ship Rio Packet out of Bremen, landing in New York on July 19, 1854. That record says he was bound for Kentucky and had a child (unnamed) with him.

Lived in Warren County, NJ. Known as George. Naturalized in September, 1859. His death certificate says that he died of apoplexy.

Notes for Mary Johanna Glashner: Her name may have been Glasner.

## Notes for Elisabeth Leinbach:

Records of the Jonestown Hillside Cemetery, Warren Co NJ list an "Eliza Potts", wife of George, who was born July 28, 1828, and died March 18, 1872. This could be the same woman but the details differ.

vii. Wilhelmine Pott was born on October 07, 1836 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Wilhelmine Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus in Wunderthausen. She is supposed to have gone to America but I have found no records.

- viii. Georg Ludwig Pott was born on February 02, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1839 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Luise Florentine Pott was born on August 21, 1840 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 05, 1900 in Wunderthausen.
- x. Elisabeth Pott was born on May 14, 1843 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 03, 1892 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Georg Heinrich Dickel on February 11, 1872 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He was born on December 02, 1830 in Girkhausen. He died on March 05, 1917 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

#### **Generation 3**

- 4. **Johannes Pott**, son of Johann Hermann Pott and Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp, was born on October 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 06, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Klein** on November 16, 1786 in Wunderthausen.
- 5. **Maria Elisabeth Klein**, daughter of Johannes Klein and Anna Becker, was born on July 31, 1754 in Dachsloch. She died on March 21, 1823 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Pott:

Born in and tenant in Mannes Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Klein:

Born in Dachsloch.

Maria Elisabeth Klein and Johannes Pott had the following children:

- i. Johannes Pott was born before 1780. He died on March 18, 1850.
- ii. Maria Magdalena Pott was born on November 08, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 08, 1850 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen. He was born on November 02, 1781 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1851 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on January 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 09, 1786 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1851 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Magdalena Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in Langes Haus.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Tenant in Neues Brückehaus/Langes. Found frozen to death.

ii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on October 28, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 06, 1827 in Wunderthausen. She married Christian Beitzel. He was born on November 09, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 18, 1816 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus.

Notes for Christian Beitzel:

Born in the house Unter der Leye. Neither he nor his wife inherited a tenancy so it is unclear where or how they lived.

iv. Maria Elisabeth Pott was born on December 02, 1786 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 15, 1852 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Riedesel

on August 03, 1823. He was born on June 24, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 17, 1842 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Pott: Born in Mannes Haus.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel: Tenant in Wetzels Haus, Wunderthausen.

- 2. v. Johannes Pott was born on April 01, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1856 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel on August 03, 1823 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 23, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1878 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Catherine Elisabeth Pott was born on November 28, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 03, 1866 in Littlestown, Adams, Pennsylvania. She married Johannes Riedesel about 1815. He was born on September 15, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 03, 1855 in Littlestown, Adams, Pennsylvania.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus in Wunderthausen. The records show her traveling to America as "Pott" and with a child in 1818. Her husband (to be) left at the same time, but it appears that they were not married at the time they applied to emigrate. The child was certainly the son known later as Johannes Riedesel or Rittase.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Wetzels Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to Pennsylvania in 1818 where he was known as John Rittase. They farmed near Hanover, York County before moving to a farm in Union Township, Adams County. He is buried at Christ Church near Littlestown, PA, in Adams County with the following inscription:

In memory of JOHN RITTASE born Sept. 15,1787 in the canton of Wittgenstein in the kingdom of Prussia and being a citizen of America for the last 40 years died Nov. 3, 1855

It appears that the family eventually agreed on "Rittase" and used that spelling consistently thereafter. Church records when their children were young used some variation on "Riedes." It was a German-speaking congregation and one might have expected the proper name to have endured, but that was not the case. "Rittase" sounds very much like the Wittgenstein pronunciation of "Riedesel" except for dropping the final "L". Everyone with this name appears to trace back to John.

- 6. **Johann Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Johann Ludwig Riedesel and Anna Catharina Ruppert, was born on February 21, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 25, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Knoche** on March 02, 1801 in Wunderthausen.
- 7. **Anna Elisabeth Knoche**, daughter of Johann Jacob Knoche and Catharina Florentine Beitzel, was born on February 07, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 23, 1834 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel: Tenant in Wetzels Haus in Wunderthausen. Anna Elisabeth Knoche and Johann Ludwig Riedesel had the following children:

- Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 09, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 24, 1802 in Wunderthausen.
- 3. ii. Elisabeth Wilhelmine Riedesel was born on March 23, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1878 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Pott on August 03, 1823 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 01, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1856 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Johannes Riedesel was born on September 26, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 22, 1808 in Wunderthausen.
  - Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on January 01, 1808 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 06, 1828 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on April 02, 1810 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 15, 1826 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on January 27, 1812 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 25, 1897 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Homrighausen on July 11, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 22, 1804 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 03, 1878 in Wunderthausen.

## Notes for Johann Ludwig Homrighausen:

He was born in Brückeschneiders house in Wunderthausen. He inherited it from his father, but it may have had little if any agricultural land. In his early youth he was employed as a shepherd in neighboring Diedenshausen and then as teacher in the small settlements at Dachsloch and Langewiese. However, in 1833 he began what would be a lifetime of employment as one of the school teachers in Diedenshausen. His family continued to live in Wunderthausen (2km away), but during school he was only there two nights a week.

Originally, his compensation was mostly in grain though he was later paid a cash salary. It was meagre, and like most men in the region he pursued a side craft to help make ends meet. Homrighausen carved spoons, a common trade in Wunderthausen. His birthday was the same as that of Kaiser Wilhelm I, which was a great source of pride.

He married twice. All five children of his first marriage died in childhood, and his wife died shortly after the birth of the last child. The children of his marriage to Amalia Riedesel were healthier

vii. Anna Catherine Riedesel was born on April 22, 1815 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 11, 1909 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). She married Johann Georg Riedesel in 1837. He was born on November 13, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 31, 1894 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ).

#### Notes for Anna Catherine Riedesel:

Born in Wetzels house in Wunderthausen. Married her husband in Germany in 1837 and came to America that year, according to family records. The 1900 Census gives her name as "Riddle." In other sources it is listed as Radle.

She appears to have been known as Mary Catherine.

## Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Born in Seimes/Weisßkopf Haus in Wunderthausen but went to America in 1837, reportedly after being discharged from military service in 1834. He and Catherine were married in Germany in 1837, but not in the Girkhausen parish of which their native Wunderthausen was a part. They went to America and settled at Oxford, New Jersey (now Hazen) in 1837; the name of their ship or exact travel dates are not known. Much of the information about the family is taken from a family Bible that was transcribed by a descendant.

At least by the children's generation, they had settled on the name of "Riddle" though there are references to other variations. Known as George--sometimes Ritesel, sometimes Radle, sometimes Riddle. A transcription of the New Jersey death record lists him as "J. George Riddle." That source gives his year of death as 1893. His grave marker says 1884. Other family trees say 1894 which I am accepting for now but any of the dates is possible.

viii. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on May 13, 1817 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 27, 1903 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey (Hazen Cemetery, Warren County, NJ). He married Caroline Matilda Schaeffer about 1845 in probably New Jersey. She was born on August 16, 1824 in Germany. She died on October 27, 1867 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey. He married Catherine ?? about 1870. She was born in 1832 in Bavaria. She died before 1885 in Oxford, Warren, New Jersey.

## Notes for Georg Ludwig Riedesel:

Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born May 13, 1817, in Wunderthausen in the house known as Wetzels. He was the eighth of nine recorded children of Johann Ludwig and Anna Elisabeth (Knoche) Riedesel.

An older sister, Catherine, came to live in Warren County, New Jersey in 1837. Ludwig's application for naturalization states that he arrived in 1841 and that is the year he received permission to emigrate. He married Caroline Schaeffer (probably Schäfer) around 1845. She was born August 16, 1824 in Germany. One source gives Wunderthausen as her place of birth but this is unlikely. No Schäfer daughter is recorded in the birth records at this time--and no Schäfer family even lived in the village. Nor were they married there.

Several of the Riedesels who settled in Warren County came to be known as Riddle or Radle. It's not that there weren't other Germans around who could pronounce (and spell) Riedesel correctly, but this seemed to be the rule. Ludwig (or Louis) farmed near what was called Oxford Furnace. Ludwig finally received his naturalization papers in 1854 as "Ludwig Readle" though his signature says "Riedesel." He is buried as "Ludwig Riddle."

They had at least seven children before Caroline died in 1867. Four of their children are buried with them. The family name of his second wife Catherine is not known to me. Some have identified her as another Riedesel/Riddle by birth but that is almost certainly in error. There were three children that we know of from the marriage with Catherine.

#### Notes for Caroline Matilda Schaeffer:

There are claims that she came from Wunderthausen but there is no sign of her in the quite-complete local church records. There was no Schaeffer/Schäfer/Scheffer families in the village at all. Another source names her father as "Christian Allen." The first name was rare in Wittgenstein while "Allen" did not exist there. Their daughter Louisa's death certificate from 1912 gives her name as "Clara Scheffer." If accurate, that is probably just a family nickname.

## Notes for Catherine ??:

This Catherine has often been mistaken for another Riedesel/Riddle--by me among others--specifically a Catherine Riddle born in 1839 to Wunderthausen immigrants. The 1880 Census, however, shows that this woman was born in Bavaria about 1832. She is listed with her husband and family in the 1880 Federal Census but is not listed in the 1885 New Jersey Census and you must assume she had died. The grave marker for Catherine Riddle in the Hazen cemetery (d. August 08, 1917) belongs to the Catherine Riddle born in 1839 who never married. There is a Find-a-Grave entry for the latter but I think the birth year of 1832 is in error.

ix. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 20, 1819 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 03, 1843 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Franz Homrighausen on April 26, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 06, 1814 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 27, 1907 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Johann Franz Homrighausen:

Known as Franz. Born in Räderhaase/Haasebergers Haus in Wunderthausen. He apparently served some time in the Prussian army as he was later a member of a German veterans association in nearby Lowden. Came to Crawford County, Ohio with the extended Riedesel family. They had arrived in New York out of Bremen on June 7, 1845. The family moved on to what became the Wheatland community by 1857. According to the 1911 memorial booklet celebrating the 50th anniversary of the founding of St. Paul's church in Wheatland, he had been a founder the of the previous congregation in 1857.

By the time of his death, he owned 536 acres of farmland at Wheatland (in Sections 27, 28 and 33 of the Spring Rock Township). He was clearly a prosperous farmer and a respected elder in the German community and church. Though his two wives had the same given names, they were not that closely related. His one child with his first wife died a few months after she did in 1843.

The three sons each took over part of his substantial farm.

#### **Generation 4**

- 8. **Johann Hermann Pott**, son of Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies, was born on August 03, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp** on October 29, 1751 in Wunderthausen.
- 9. **Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp**, daughter of Johannes Trapp and Anna Elisabeth Knoche, was born on March 15, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 11, 1791 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Pott:

Born in Beitzels Haus, Wunderthausen, became the tenant in Mannes.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp:

Born in Mannes Haus.

Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp and Johann Hermann Pott had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Pott was born on September 19, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 27, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Franciskus Pott was born on October 09, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 23, 1754 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johannes Pott was born on October 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 06, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Elisabeth Klein on November 16, 1786 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 31, 1754 in Dachsloch. She died on March 21, 1823 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Johann Georg Pott was born on February 27, 1758 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 31, 1758 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Johann Georg Pott was born on February 09, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 06, 1808 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Pott: Born and apparently continued to live in Mannes Haus.

- vi. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on March 15, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 27, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Pott was born on March 15, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 14, 1836 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She married Johann Georg Lauber on October 07, 1791. He was born on August 07,

1772 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). He died on January 05, 1860 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). She married Johannes Hachenbracht on November 27, 1783. He was born on September 15, 1760 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on October 30, 1790 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Pott: Born in Mannes Haus.

- viii. Johann Ludwig Pott was born on November 11, 1764 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 28, 1765 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Maria Elisabeth Pott was born on January 09, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 18, 1768 in Wunderthausen.
- x. Anna Catherine Pott was born on January 09, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 18, 1801 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Ruppert on July 16, 1788. He was born on September 12, 1767 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 05, 1801 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Catherine Pott: Born in Mannes Haus.

Notes for Johannes Ruppert:

Born in Schäfers am Lotzeznberg. They established as house "Krämers on Lotzenberg" but they had no known children and the house disappeared.

xi. Johann Georg Hermann Pott was born on July 10, 1768. He died in Prob. America.

Notes for Johann Georg Hermann Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus in Wunderthausen. He snuck out of Wittgenstein to go to America in about 1797. What became of him is not known but as others from Mannes also emigrated in later years, it is likely that he established himself with some success--perhaps around Oxford, New Jersey.

- xii. Georg Franz Pott was born on March 24, 1772 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 10, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- 10. Johannes Klein. He married Anna Becker.
- 11. **Anna Becker** was born in 1712. She died on July 31, 1754 in Dachsloch, Waldeck-Frankenberg, Hessen, Germany.

Notes for Johannes Klein:

Lived at Dachsloch, outside of Wunderthausen and Diedenshausen.

Anna Becker and Johannes Klein had the following child:

- i. Maria Elisabeth Klein was born on July 31, 1754 in Dachsloch. She died on March 21, 1823 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Pott on November 16, 1786 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 06, 1824 in Wunderthausen.
- 12. **Johann Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, was born on February 06, 1712 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 11, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Ruppert** on November 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen.
- 13. **Anna Catharina Ruppert**, daughter of Johann Conrad Ruppert and Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche, was born on June 27, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Gundermanns Haus, became tenant in Wetzels Haus in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Catharina Ruppert:

Born in Wetzels house.

Anna Catharina Ruppert and Johann Ludwig Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on September 11, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 12, 1753 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 21, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 25, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Knoche on March 02, 1801 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 07, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 23, 1834 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Spies on July 19, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 27, 1761 in Girkhausen. She died on October 27, 1789 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Juliana Homrighausen on October 30, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 15, 1765 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 13, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on October 21, 1766 in Wunderthausen.
- 14. **Johann Jacob Knoche**, son of Georg Gabriel Knoche and Anna Margareta Strackbein, was born on January 30, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 07, 1792 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catharina Florentine Beitzel** on January 29, 1768 in Wunderthausen.
- 15. **Catharina Florentine Beitzel**, daughter of Ludwig Franz Beitzel and Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born on October 13, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1793 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jacob Knoche:

Born in Bormanns Haus, Wunderthausen, became tenant in Seilers.

Catharina Florentine Beitzel and Johann Jacob Knoche had the following children:

i. Johannes Knoche was born on February 07, 1773 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 18, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Amalia Womelsdorf on October 22, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 22, 1770 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1829 in Wunderthausen.

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

- 7. ii. Anna Elisabeth Knoche was born on February 07, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 23, 1834 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Riedesel on March 02, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 21, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 25, 1835 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Anna Eleonore Knoche was born on December 07, 1780 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 11, 1782 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche was born on October 25, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 14, 1788 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Georg Ludwig Knoche was born on September 26, 1786 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Georg Franz Knoche was born on June 19, 1790 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 22, 1856 in Girkhausen. He married Elisabeth Magdalene Lauber about 1819. She was born on July 12, 1794 in Girkhausen. She died on December 19, 1847 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Knoche: Born in Seilers house. Founded Fränzches house Hinter der Hude.

#### **Generation 5**

- Johann Valentin Pott, son of Curt Pott and Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen, was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Maria Magdalena Spies on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen.
- 17. **Anna Maria Magdalena Spies**, daughter of Sebastian Spies and Anna Elisabeth Benfer, was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Valentin Pott:

Born in Kurts Haus but married into Beitzels and became the tenant.

Anna Maria Magdalena Spies and Johann Valentin Pott had the following children:

- i. Johannes Pott was born on August 15, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 16, 1763 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf on June 20, 1738. She was born on November 22, 1720 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 22, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Catharina Elisabeth Pott was born on February 09, 1721 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on January 25, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1803 in Diedenshausen. She married Sebastian Homrighausen on February 16, 1742 in Diedenshausen. He was born on November 15, 1716 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 26, 1800 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Maria Magdalena Pott was born on August 07, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 01, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Dienst in 1747 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 11, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1784 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Maria Magdalena Pott: Born in Beitzels Haus.

Notes for Johannes Dienst: Tenant in Linde Haus.

v. Anna Gertraud Pott was born on January 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Spies on December 11, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 27, 1720 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 20, 1787 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Spies on December 11, 1748.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies: Born in and tenant in Beckers Haus, Wunderthausen.

- 8. vi. Johann Hermann Pott was born on August 03, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp on October 29, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 15, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 11, 1791 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Johann Georg Pott was born on January 30, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 19, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Amalia Wagner on May 28, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 08, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 06, 1830 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Pott: Born in Beitzels house, but eventually took over Beckers.

- viii. Franz Pott was born on March 06, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 15, 1792. He married Florentine Pott on November 17, 1755. She was born on September 28, 1739 in Girkhausen. She died on November 26, 1794.
- 18. **Johannes Trapp**, son of Gabriel Trapp and Anna Elisabeth Catharina Womelsdorf, was born on April 21, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1738 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Knoche** on December 27, 1728 in Wunderthausen.
- 19. **Anna Elisabeth Knoche**, daughter of Hans Georg Knoche and Louisa Christina Dienst, was born on October 23, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 24, 1765 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Trapp: Tenant in Mannes Haus.

Anna Elisabeth Knoche and Johannes Trapp had the following children:

- i. Johann Heinrich Trapp was born on May 30, 1729 in Wunderthausen.
- 9. ii. Elisabeth Gertraud Trapp was born on March 15, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 11, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Hermann Pott on October 29, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 03, 1729 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen.

- iii. Konrad Trapp was born on December 24, 1731 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 10, 1817 in Langewiese.
- 24. **Wilhelm Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf, was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarethe Spies** on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen.
- 25. **Anna Margarethe Spies**, daughter of Johann Georg Spies and Anna Gertraud Homrighausen, was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Wilhelm Riedesel:

Baptised as Johann Wilhelm in Girkhausen (Pfaffe Haus), but known as Wilhelm. Married into Gundermanns Haus in Wunderthausen, one of the larger in the village. He was already paying taxes there in 1699 though did not marry until 1703.

Notes for Anna Margarethe Spies:

Born into Gundermanns Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband on her marriage.

Anna Margarethe Spies and Wilhelm Riedesel had the following children:

 Johann Georg Riedesel was born on April 15, 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 15, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Knoche on May 04, 1731 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 20, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1787 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Heir to Gundermanns Haus.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Knoche:

Born in Wetzels Haus, Wunderthausen.

- ii. Liese Gertraudt Riedesel was born on December 30, 1706 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johannes Riedesel was born on April 22, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 01, 1755 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp on February 22, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 14, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 03, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Margarete Müsse on May 17, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She was born about 1715 in Elsoff. She died on July 10, 1743 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Gundermanns Haus and became the first tenant in Neuhäusers Haus at some point.

Notes for Anna Maria Gertraud Trapp:

Apparently known as Anna Maria, though her baptismal name was Anna Gertraud.

- 12. iv. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 06, 1712 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 11, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catharina Ruppert on November 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She was born on June 27, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1781 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Weller on February 04, 1752 in Girkhausen. She was born on August 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 21, 1780 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche on July 10, 1740 in Girkhausen. She was born on October 21, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1749 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:

Married into Wetezels house and later to Weymers Haus from Gundermanns. Through his two marriages he is the progenitor of a large majority of Riedesels in the U.S. He is sometimes listed as Johann Gabriel, but was in any case almost

certainly known as Gabriel.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Weller: Born in Weymers Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband.

- vi. Samuel Riedesel was born on June 23, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on May 14, 1720 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 16, 1764 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on September 05, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 03, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 20, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Heinrich Pott on January 06, 1747 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 08, 1749 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen: Became the tenant in Beitzels.

- viii. Anna Margarethe Riedesel was born on May 16, 1725 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 08, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Ludwig Fuchs on October 21, 1751 in Wemlighausen. He was born on December 07, 1726 in Schüllar. He died on November 08, 1791 in Wemlighausen.
- 26. **Johann Conrad Ruppert**, son of Paul Ruppert, was born on December 16, 1691 in Breidenbach, Oberbergischer-Kreis. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche** on August 06, 1723 in Wunderthausen.
- 27. **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche**, daughter of Johannes Knoche and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, was born on October 21, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1749 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Conrad Ruppert:

Became the tenant in Wetzels house by marriage. What brought him here from the Mosel Valley is an interesting question.

Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche and Johann Conrad Ruppert had the following children:

- i. Anna Catharina Ruppert was born on June 27, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Riedesel on November 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 06, 1712 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 11, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Gabriel Homrighausen on March 11, 1772. He was born on April 21, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 11, 1794 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Johann Georg Ruppert was born on February 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Juliana Boshoff on January 29, 1764. She was born on April 26, 1738 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 18, 1797 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Ruppert: Born in Wetzels house. Christened Philippus but known as Johann Georg. Established the house known as Schäfers on Lotzenberg.

- iii. Elisabeth Getraud Ruppert was born about 1728. She married Johann Michel Homrighausen on December 16, 1759.
- iv. Katherine Elisabeth Ruppert was born on October 25, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Katherine Elisabeth Ruppert was born on May 24, 1735 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 15, 1812. She married ?? Dickel.
- vi. Elisabeth Margarete Ruppert was born on December 11, 1737 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 20, 1792 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Delcourt on December 28, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 06, 1737 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 16, 1775 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Wetzel.

Notes for Johannes Delcourt:

Born in and became the tenant in Franzose Haus in Wunderthausen.

- 28. **Georg Gabriel Knoche**, son of Hans Georg Knoche and Louisa Christina Dienst, was born on December 28, 1713 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margareta Strackbein** on July 07, 1738 in Wunderthausen.
- 29. **Anna Margareta Strackbein**, daughter of Johann Georg Strackbein and Anna Catharina Homrighausen, was born on February 02, 1718 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 20, 1798 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Knoche:

Tenant in Bormanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

Anna Margareta Strackbein and Georg Gabriel Knoche had the following children:

- Johannes Knoche was born on September 01, 1739 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 29, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Pott on July 28, 1769 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 03, 1753 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 01, 1798 in Wunderthausen.
- 14. ii. Johann Jacob Knoche was born on January 30, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 07, 1792 in Wunderthausen. He married Catharina Florentine Beitzel on January 29, 1768 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 13, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1793 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche was born on February 17, 1743 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 10, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Riedesel on May 28, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 01, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 01, 1801 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Gundermanns Haus, but became the tenant in Ludwigs/Unter der Laye.

iv. Catherine Elisabeth Knoche was born on April 24, 1745 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 31, 1794 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Franz Riedesel on October 25, 1780 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 21, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 17, 1810 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Knoche:

Born in Bormanns Haus, Wunderthausen. May also have been known as Anna Katharina.

Notes for Georg Franz Riedesel:

First tenant of "Försters am Lotzenberg" Haus in Wunderthausen, was a forester.

- v. Ludwig Franz Knoche was born in May 1747 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Catherine Elisabeth Knoche was born on September 25, 1748 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 26, 1758 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Georg Gabriel Knoche was born on February 22, 1751 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Maria Catharina Knoche was born on January 17, 1753 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 08, 1823 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Wagner on February 17, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 19, 1743 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 25, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Krohe on September 18, 1791. He was born about 1763. He died on March 20, 1807 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Wagner:

Born in and tenant in Lotzes Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Krohe:

Assumed the tenancy in Lotzes house.

- ix. Amalia Maria Knoche was born on April 16, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 14, 1758.
- x. Johann Georg Knoche was born on July 08, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 01, 1760 in Wunderthausen.
- 30. **Ludwig Franz Beitzel**, son of Johann Jacob Beitzel and Anna Elisabeth Spies, was born on January 26, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 07, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen** on August 11, 1748.
- 31. **Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Jakob Homrighausen and Catherina Elisabeth Weller, was born on March 03, 1715 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 27, 1790 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Franz Beitzel:

Tenant in Seilers Haus, Wunderthausen, and a church elder.

Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen and Ludwig Franz Beitzel had the following children:

- Catharina Florentine Beitzel was born on October 13, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Gabriel Riedesel on January 13, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 28, 1833 in Diedenshausen. She married Johann Jacob Knoche on January 29, 1768 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 30, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 07, 1792 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Annalehne Beitzel was born on November 10, 1750 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 12, 1758 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Catherine Elisabeth Beitzel was born on March 21, 1754 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 13, 1758 in Wunderthausen.

## **Generation 6**

- 32. **Curt Pott**, son of Matthias Pott and Katherine Eckhardt, was born about 1635 in Bracht, Amt Marburg. He died after 1699 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen** before 1659.
- 33. **Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Steffen Homrighausen and ?? Eckhardt, was born about 1635 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1686 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Curt Pott:

He had the unusual status of being a free man. Local legends as to his origins and status do not necessarily correspond to what is in the written record. In any case he was a man of some substance.

The house which he occupied came to be known as Kurts (or Curts) Haus locally, although it had been inhabited by his Homrighausen in-laws and before then by Eckharts.

Maria Elisabeth Homrighausen and Curt Pott had the following children:

 Johann Hermann Pott was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1712 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Knoche on March 20, 1698. She was born about 1675 in Wunderthausen. She died after 1715 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Hermann Pott: Born in and became the tenant in Kurts.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Knoche:

Said to be born in Bormanns house, Wunderthausen, but does not show up in the records for that house as a child.

ii. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born in 1671 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1746. She married Abraham Eckhardt on February 20, 1697. He was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died before 1740.

- iii. Catharina Pott was born about 1677 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Anna Elisabeth Pott was born on April 06, 1679 in Wunderthausen.
- V. Johann Valentin Pott was born on March 21, 1681 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 23, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Maria Magdalena Spies on June 08, 1716 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 13, 1692 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 18, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Christiana Beitzel on May 08, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 18, 1681 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Johann Matthias Pott was born on June 24, 1684 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Johann Georg Pott was born on May 10, 1686 in Wunderthausen.
- 34. **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.
- 35. **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.
- 17. 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.
  - 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.

Notes for Georg Hermann Rück:

Born in and tenant in Wagners Haus, 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.
- 36. **Gabriel Trapp**, son of Johannes Trapp and Margretha Weymer, was born about 1672 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734. He married **Anna Elisabeth Catharina Womelsdorf** on March 02, 1700 in Wunderthausen.
- 37. **Anna Elisabeth Catharina Womelsdorf**, daughter of Johannes Mannus Womelsdorf and Juliana Strackbein, was born in February 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 22, 1742 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Gabriel Trapp:

Born in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen, became the tenant in Mannes.

Anna Elisabeth Catharina Womelsdorf and Gabriel Trapp had the following children:

- i. Hans Georg Trapp was born on June 10, 1700.
- ii. Johannes Trapp was born in 1703 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1709 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Anna Gertraud Trapp was born on May 22, 1705 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Georg Trapp was born on January 17, 1707 in Wunderthausen.
- 18. v. Johannes Trapp was born on April 21, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1738 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Knoche on December 27, 1728 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 23, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 24, 1765 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Georg Wilhelm Trapp was born on November 05, 1711 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Elisabeth Gertraudt Trapp was born on April 03, 1714 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Homrighausen on June 07, 1761 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 27, 1706 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1783 in Wunderthausen.
  - viii. Johann Georg Trapp was born on June 27, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He married Christina Weller on October 01, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 21, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 12, 1798 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Trapp: Born in Mannes Haus, became tenant in Brückewaymars Haus in Wunderthausen.

- ix. Georg Wilhelm Trapp was born on March 02, 1721.
- 38. **Hans Georg Knoche**, son of Johann Henrich Knoche and ?? Homrighausen, was born about 1666 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 29, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He married **Louisa Christina Dienst** on July 12, 1703 in Wunderthausen.
- 39. **Louisa Christina Dienst**, daughter of Hans Georg Dienst and ?? Homrighausen, was born about 1674 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 15, 1755 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Hans Georg Knoche:

Born in Bormanns Haus and became the tenant.

Louisa Christina Dienst and Hans Georg Knoche had the following children:

- i. Johannes Knoche was born on January 29, 1703 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 05, 1771.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Knoche was born on October 23, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 24, 1765 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Trapp on December 27, 1728 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 21, 1709 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1738 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Spies on March 17, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 18, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- 28. iii. Georg Gabriel Knoche was born on December 28, 1713 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Margareta

Strackbein on July 07, 1738 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 02, 1718 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 20, 1798 in Wunderthausen.

iv. Johann Georg Knoche was born on February 04, 1718 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Knoche:

He came from Bormanns Haus in Wunderthausen to Philadelphia in 1752. That is all I know.

- 48. **Johannes Riedesel**, son of Hederich Riedesel and ??, was born about 1640 in Melbach. He died about 1705 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf** on February 18, 1664 in Raumland.
- 49. **Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf**, daughter of Johannes Womelsdorf, was born about 1639 in Girkhausen. She died on December 12, 1747 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:

Born in Melbach and that is where he and Anna Maria first lived after marrying. Following the death of her father, they took over Pfaffe house in Girkhausen.

Anna Elisabeth Womelsdorf and Johannes Riedesel had the following children:

 Georg Mannus Riedesel was born about 1664 in Melbach. He died on October 17, 1741 in Girkhausen. He married Catharina Elisabeth Dickel before 1696 in Girkhausen. She was born about 1671 in Girkhausen. She died on February 22, 1750 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Georg Mannus Riedesel:

Referred to as Hermann in church records. He became the tenant in Pfaffe house in Girkhausen.

- ii. Sebastian Riedesel was born about 1670 in Melbach.
- iii. Johann Reinhard Riedesel was born about 1675 in Girkhausen. He died on January 15, 1754 in Girkhausen. He married Elisabeth Schüßler on February 25, 1708 in Elsoff. She was born in 1673.

Notes for Johann Reinhard Riedesel:

Built the house in Girkhausen known as Pfaffe-Reinhards or Pfaffereinerts.

- 24. iv. Wilhelm Riedesel was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Margarethe Spies on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen. She was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 50. **Johann Georg Spies**, son of Valentin Spies, was born about 1648 in Wunderthausen. He died after 1698 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Homrighausen** on May 13, 1678 in Girkhausen.
- 51. **Anna Gertraud Homrighausen**, daughter of Johannes Homrighausen, was born about 1650 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies:

Born in Schmeds house, took over Gundermanns by marriage. It was long believed that he was the son of Gundermann Spies, but expert opinion is that he was in fact the son of Valentin Spies and an unnamed mother.

Notes for Anna Gertraud Homrighausen:

From Seimes Haus in Wunderthausen.

Anna Gertraud Homrighausen and Johann Georg Spies had the following children:

- 25. i. Anna Margarethe Spies was born on December 24, 1679 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married Wilhelm Riedesel on August 16, 1703 in Girkhausen. He was born about 1678 in Girkhausen. He died on February 09, 1748 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Catherine Elisabeth Spies was born on June 20, 1682 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.

- iii. Anna Gertraud Spies was born on March 08, 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.
- iv. Maria Juliana Spies was born on October 02, 1687 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1723 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Jacob Beitzel on April 01, 1720. He was born on September 07, 1697 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 28, 1752 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jacob Beitzel: Tenant in Seilers Haus, Wunderthausen.

- v. Daughter Spies was born on March 19, 1691.
- vi. Johannes Spies was born on September 08, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 19, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Gertraudt Strackbein. She was born on July 14, 1702 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 30, 1769 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born on July 14, 1697 in Wunderthausen.
- 52. **Paul Ruppert** was born about 1670 in Brieden, Cochem-Zell.

Paul Ruppert had the following child:

- Johann Conrad Ruppert was born on December 16, 1691 in Breidenbach,
  Oberbergischer-Kreis. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna
  Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche on August 06, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She was born
  on October 21, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1749 in
  Wunderthausen.
- 54. **Johannes Knoche**, son of Johann Herman Knoche, was born on December 07, 1678 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 09, 1751 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein** on February 03, 1701 in Wunderthausen.
- 55. **Anna Elisabeth Strackbein**, daughter of Johannes Strackbein and Anna Elisabeth Wetzel, was born on May 07, 1678 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Knoche:

Born in Bormanns, became the tenant in Wetzels.

Anna Elisabeth Strackbein and Johannes Knoche had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Katherine Knoche was born on December 19, 1702 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche was born on October 21, 1704 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 21, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Conrad Ruppert on August 06, 1723 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 16, 1691 in Breidenbach, Oberbergischer-Kreis. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Gabriel Riedesel on July 10, 1740 in Girkhausen. He was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1781 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Anna Katherine Knoche was born on February 16, 1707 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Weber on April 06, 1733. He was born in Feudingen.
  - iv. Johannes Knoche was born on October 30, 1709 in Wunderthausen.
  - v. Anna Elisabeth Knoche was born on January 20, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 23, 1787 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Riedesel on May 04, 1731 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 15, 1704 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 15, 1760 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Knoche: Born in Wetzels Haus, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel: Heir to Gundermanns Haus.

vi. Samuel Knoche was born on January 04, 1715 in Wunderthausen.

- vii. Anna Elisabeth Knoche was born on January 22, 1716 in Wunderthausen.
- viii. Johann Henrich Knoche was born on October 28, 1718 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 15, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Spies on February 04, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 29, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1783 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Henrich Knoche:

Became the tenant in Schmeds, Wunderthausen, through marriage. Born in Wetzels house.

- 58. **Johann Georg Strackbein**, son of Hans Georg Strackbein, was born about 1670 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 26, 1740 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharina Homrighausen** on February 15, 1703 in Girkhausen.
- 59. **Anna Catharina Homrighausen**, daughter of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, was born on July 10, 1685 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1750 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:

Tenant in Hohmanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

Anna Catharina Homrighausen and Johann Georg Strackbein had the following children:

i. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Strackbein was born on January 04, 1708 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 30, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Dienst on June 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He was born on July 18, 1694 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1734 in Wunderthausen. She married Samuel Strackbein on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. He was born on October 28, 1686 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 29, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Strackbein on August 23, 1740. He was born in 1711. He died on December 14, 1770.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:

Tenant in Linde Haus.

Notes for Samuel Strackbein:

Born in Grosse Haus, Wunderthausen, but took over Linde by marriage.

Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:

It is not clear where he came from though is certainly a Wittgensteiner. Married into Linde Haus in Wunderthausen but it is not certain where he came from.

ii. Anna Catherine Strackbein was born on January 07, 1712 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 17, 1780 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Jakob Homrighausen on January 08, 1734. He was born on November 21, 1703 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1772 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jakob Homrighausen: Born in Seimes house but married into Hohmanns.

- iii. Johann Jacob Strackbein was born on December 31, 1714 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 02, 1742 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Strackbein on September 22, 1740. She was born on December 26, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 04, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Strackbein on September 22, 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- 29. iv. Anna Margareta Strackbein was born on February 02, 1718 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 20, 1798 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Gabriel Knoche on July 07, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 28, 1713 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 02, 1770 in Wunderthausen.
  - Johann Georg Strackbein was born on June 18, 1721 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.

vi. Johannes Strackbein was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catharina Riedesel on April 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 03, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Margarete Riedesel on December 29, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She was born on May 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1807 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:

Born in Hohmann Haus, became tenant in Gundermanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

- 60. **Johann Jacob Beitzel**, son of Johann Jacob Beitzel and Justina Strackbein, was born on September 07, 1697 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 28, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Spies** on March 01, 1724.
- 61. **Anna Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Christine Spies, was born on November 19, 1690 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 03, 1748 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jacob Beitzel:

Tenant in Seilers Haus. Wunderthausen.

Anna Elisabeth Spies and Johann Jacob Beitzel had the following children:

- i. Johannes Beitzel was born on December 02, 1724 in Wunderthausen.
- 30. ii. Ludwig Franz Beitzel was born on January 26, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 07, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen on August 11, 1748. She was born on March 03, 1715 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 27, 1790 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Johannes Werner Beitzel was born on January 17, 1730 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Anna Catharina Beitzel was born on March 01, 1731 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 16, 1792 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Reinhard Wetter on November 30, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 06, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 31, 1802 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Catharina Beitzel:

Born at Seilers Haus in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Reinhard Wetter:

Born and lived at Petersgrund. Four children died within a few weeks of each other in the spring of 1773. The only child known to have lived to marry was Gg. Ludwig, who did at 33.

- 62. **Johann Jakob Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Schüßler, was born on December 15, 1677 in Diedenshausen. He died on January 29, 1740 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catherina Elisabeth Weller** on October 30, 1704 in Diedenshausen.
- 63. **Catherina Elisabeth Weller**, daughter of Gabriel Weller and Anna Magdalena Spies, was born in 1675 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 09, 1740 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Johann Jakob Homrighausen:

Tenant in Hermes Haus in Diedenshausen.

Catherina Elisabeth Weller and Johann Jakob Homrighausen had the following children:

 Catherina Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on March 12, 1706 in Diedenshausen. She died on March 14, 1770 in Wunderthausen. She married Francois Delcourt on April 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He was born in 1704. He died on November 14, 1755 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Francois Delcourt:

Of a French Huguenot refugee family. In the early 1700s, Wittgenstein was a refuge to a variety of religious dissenters who were persecuted elsewhere. He is described as having been a physician, and people still remember old medical texts (in French) in the house. The identity of his parents is a matter of speculation. Church records include the death of Anna Elisabeth Delcourt, the

widow of Jacob Delcourt; there were no other Delcourts in Wunderthausen at the time as far as we know. He was NOT born in Wunderthausen.

- Johannes Homrighausen was born in October 1707 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 24, 1785 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Hackenbracht on July 15, 1736 in Diedenshausen. She was born on October 30, 1714 in Diedenshausen. She died on May 21, 1770 in Diedenshausen.
- iii. Johann Jakob Homrighausen was born on November 19, 1709 in Diedenshausen. He died on February 14, 1743 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on February 07, 1712 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 10, 1763 in Girkhausen. She married Georg Wilhelm Dickel in 1737 in Girkhausen. He was born on April 24, 1714 in Girkhausen. He died on December 10, 1763 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Georg Wilhelm Dickel: Born in and tenant in Reinerts Haus, Girkhausen.

- 31. v. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on March 03, 1715 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 27, 1790 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Franz Beitzel on August 11, 1748. He was born on January 26, 1727 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 07, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Sebastian Homrighausen was born on November 15, 1716 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 26, 1800 in Diedenshausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Pott on February 16, 1742 in Diedenshausen. She was born on January 25, 1722 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 06, 1803 in Diedenshausen.
  - vii. Marie Catherine Homrighausen was born on July 25, 1721 in Diedenshausen. She died in 1801 in USA. She married Johann Leydich on May 26, 1744.
  - viii. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on January 22, 1724 in Diedenshausen. She died in USA.
  - Anna Maria Magdalena Homrighausen was born on February 11, 1728. She died in USA.