

Descendants of Georg Ludwig Riedesel

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1. **GEORG LUDWIG¹ RIEDESEL** was born on January 07, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 01, 1913 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter, daughter of Johann Philipp Peter and Katharina Elisabeth Hackenbracht, on February 25, 1866 in Diedenshausen. She was born on March 06, 1842 in Diedenshausen. She died on June 29, 1909 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

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."

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 Humboldt 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.

Georg Ludwig Riedesel and Wilhelmine Elisabeth Peter had the following children:

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 - i. **FRIEDRICH² RIEDESEL** was born on June 04, 1861 in Diedenshausen. He died on May 28, 1910 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Christina Horstmann, daughter of Johann Horstmann and Lisetta Meier, on April 15, 1891 in Scott, Iowa, USA. She was born on October 02, 1870 in Hamburg, Germany. She died on December 08, 1958 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa.
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 - ii. **GEORGE LAWRENCE RIEDESEL** was born on September 12, 1867 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on October 27, 1916 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa (St. Patrick's Cemetery, Dixon). He married Emma Franey, daughter of James Franey, on April 09, 1890 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She was born on June 17, 1869 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She died on December 25, 1935 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (St. Patrick's Cemetery, Dixon).
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 - iii. **AUGUST JOHN RIEDESEL** was born on August 12, 1869 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on December 13, 1941 in Liberty, Scott, Iowa, USA (Dixon Cemetery). He married Edna Sophia Shaw on February 17, 1897 in Scott County, Iowa. She was born in 1873 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died before 1930 (Dixon Cemetery).
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 - iv. **LOUISE RIEDESEL** was born on November 14, 1870 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on August 26, 1949 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She married **EDWARD G. MCCLELLAN**. He died before 1900.
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 - v. **KATHRYN RIEDESEL** was born on July 28, 1872 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on July 15, 1953 in Turner, Turner, South Dakota. She married Frederick E Hansen on August 24, 1893. He was born on August 26, 1870 in Kendall County, Illinois. He died on November 29, 1943 in Centerville, Faulk, South Dakota.
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 - vi. **LOUIS CHARLES RIEDESEL JR.** was born on May 04, 1874 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on September 26, 1957 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri (Ashland Cemetery, St. Joseph). He married (1) **EMMA MARIE MEYERS**, daughter of John Meyers, about 1905. She was born on January 11, 1887 in Black Hawk County,

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- Iowa. She died on January 10, 1952 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri (Ashland Cemetery, St. Joseph). He married (2) MARION REBECCA HAZELTON. She was born on March 29, 1877. She died on March 09, 1905 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa.
8. vii. EMMA RIEDESEL was born on February 02, 1878 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on September 08, 1942 (Holstein Cemetery, Ida County IA). She married GEORGE AGNEW. He was born on February 03, 1866. He died on May 03, 1948 (Holstein Cemetery, Ida County IA).
9. viii. ERNEST RIEDESEL was born on May 08, 1879 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on April 27, 1958 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County). He married Marie Jess on February 21, 1906. She was born on September 12, 1882 in Mecklenburg, Germany. She died on January 25, 1976 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County).
- ix. JULIUS RIEDESEL was born on February 02, 1881 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 04, 1905 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).
10. x. RUDOLPH RIEDESEL was born on May 12, 1882 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 09, 1956 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County). He married Anna Hagge, daughter of George Hagge and Lena Rasch, on February 16, 1910. She was born on May 14, 1891 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. She died on July 17, 1980 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County).
11. xi. WILHELMINE FLORENTINE RIEDESEL was born on June 23, 1885 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 05, 1946 in Iowa City, Johnson, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Dedrick John Schepers, son of William Schepers and Christina Tebbe, on September 23, 1908 in Cedar County, Iowa. He was born on February 18, 1866. He died on June 04, 1944.
- xii. HERMAN RIEDESEL was born on July 27, 1887 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 01, 1942 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Herman Riedesel:

In 1930 he was living in Chicago with a family that included his sister, Louise (Riedesel) and her son Edward McClellan and family. No occupation is given for Herman, also known as Henry.

- xiii. WALTER RIEDESEL was born in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa.

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2. **FRIEDRICH² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on June 04, 1861 in Diedenshausen. He died on May 28, 1910 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married Christina Horstmann, daughter of Johann Horstmann and Lisetta Meier, on April 15, 1891 in Scott, Iowa, USA. She was born on October 02, 1870 in Hamburg, Germany. She died on December 08, 1958 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa.

Notes for Friedrich Riedesel:

Known as Frederick in the U.S. He was born in Wagners house in Diedenshausen where his parents were apparently living at the time--or was it just his mother? However, his father had owned the house Gabels (or Bergmanns) in Wunderthausen. Came to the U.S. with his parents on the ship "Humboldt" out of Bremen arriving in New York on May 27, 1867. He was active in a fraternal organization known as the Modern Woodmen of America (Springtown Camp No. 24). Naturalized as a citizen in 1889 in Scott County. In 1900 he was living in the Spring Rock Township and employed as a railroad section laborer.

Notes for Christina Horstmann:

Came to the US in about 1889 with her uncle, Henry Horstmann. She lived with her uncle at Toronto, Iowa, until her marriage to Friedrich Riedesel. Worked as a telephone operator in Bennett for 27 years following her husband's death.

Friedrich Riedesel and Christina Horstmann had the following children:

- i. ARTHUR HENRY³ RIEDESEL was born on April 11, 1892 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. He died on February 17, 1980 in San Juan, Bexar, Texas. He married Alma E.

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Reinking on July 06, 1920. She was born on September 11, 1894 in Lowden, Cedar, Iowa. She died on October 02, 1987 in Hennepin, Minnesota.

Notes for Arthur Henry Riedesel:

Baptized Arthur Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel on 10/18/1896 back in Wheatland by the Rev. Charles Riedesel. Served in World War II and was in business in Monona, Iowa. Lived in Iowa City in 1936.

- ii. HARRY WILLIAM RIEDESEL was born on June 26, 1893 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on April 06, 1959. He married Alma Rix on March 08, 1916. She was born on March 04, 1892 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on January 11, 1974.

Notes for Harry William Riedesel:

Baptized Harry Wilhelm Ludwig Riedesel back in Wheatland by the Rev. Charles Riedesel on 10/18/1896. Elected to Greater Springfield Bowling Hall of Fame. In 1930 he was a factory salesman living in Springfield, IL.

- iii. EDNA EMMA RIEDESEL was born on July 16, 1894 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on June 15, 1961 in Lowden, Cedar, Iowa (Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Lowden). She married Walter Herman Meyer on December 06, 1916 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. He was born on October 30, 1895 in Lowden, Cedar, Iowa. He died on January 05, 1936 in Lowden, Cedar, Iowa.

Notes for Edna Emma Riedesel:

Baptized Lucy Maria Katharicia Riedesel back in Wheatland by the Rev. Charles Riedesel on 10/18/1896.

- iv. LUCY MARIA RIEDESEL was born on August 18, 1896 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on October 18, 1998. She married Henry Plate in 1918. He was born in 1889. He died after 1932.
- v. WALTER RIEDESEL was born about March 1901 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on April 01, 1901 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.
- vi. RALPH EMERSON RIEDESEL was born on September 05, 1902 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died in November 1986 in Bettendorf, Scott, Iowa. He married Gertrude Geu, daughter of Heinrich Frederick Johann Christian Geu and Bertha Schrank, on February 24, 1927 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She was born on December 25, 1904 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on November 20, 1974 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.
- vii. FRANCIS CLARK RIEDESEL was born on December 13, 1907 in Inland, Cedar, Iowa, USA. He died in June 1953 in Monona, Clayton, Iowa. He married Dorothy Franco in 1929. She was born on June 16, 1909 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. She died in 1993.

- 3. **GEORGE LAWRENCE² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on September 12, 1867 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on October 27, 1916 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa (St. Patrick's Cemetery, Dixon). He married Emma Franey, daughter of James Franey, on April 09, 1890 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She was born on June 17, 1869 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She died on December 25, 1935 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (St. Patrick's Cemetery, Dixon).

George Lawrence Riedesel and Emma Franey had the following children:

- i. STELLA ANN³ RIEDESEL was born on January 17, 1891 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She died on December 26, 1972 in Dixon, Scott, Iowa. She married Joseph Wenceslaus Flynn on October 09, 1912 in Scott County, Iowa. He was born on September 28, 1892 in Allens Grove Township, IA. He died in July 1975 in Dixon, Scott, Iowa.
- ii. JAMES L. RIEDESEL was born on October 13, 1892 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on April 27, 1916 in Trout Park Camp, Kane County, IL (St. Patrick's Cemetery, Dixon).

Notes for James L. Riedesel:

Died under suspicious circumstances. He had been employed a cashier for the

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Cudahy Packing company in Elgin, Illinois, for two to three months at the time of his death. He was staying with friends in a cabin near the "Trout Park Camp" around Elgin. The newspaper reported that one of his roommates "was awakened by Riedesel's making a strange noise. He shook his companion but got no answer: Riedesel's breaths appeared to be coming in gasps and within a few minutes he ceased to breathe . . . he appeared to be in good health but yesterday complained of being numb." The attending doctor attributed his death to "a severe attack of heart trouble", but no autopsy was performed.

- iii. RUTH RIEDESEL was born on April 17, 1894 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died in December 1983 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. She married RUDOLPH EDWARD WIESE. He was born on February 22, 1892 in Scott County, Iowa. He died on December 04, 1969 in California.
- iv. GEORGE O. RIEDESEL was born on February 16, 1897 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died in February 1963. He married ELLA MARIE EHRKE. She was born on March 06, 1896 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died in March 1978.

Notes for George O. Riedesel:
Living in Davenport in 1936.

- v. LOUIS JAMES RIEDESEL was born on September 05, 1899 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on December 22, 1958 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He married VERONICA A. EARLY. She was born on October 06, 1897 in Lost Nation, Clinton, Iowa, USA. She died on August 31, 1968 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.

Notes for Louis James Riedesel:
Worked as a school janitor.

- vi. ELMER JOSEPH RIEDESEL was born on March 19, 1903 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He died on December 31, 1949 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He married Helen Burns on April 21, 1924. She was born on July 29, 1903 in Omaha, Douglas, Nebraska. She died in May 1985 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.

4. **AUGUST JOHN² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on August 12, 1869 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on December 13, 1941 in Liberty, Scott, Iowa, USA (Dixon Cemetery). He married Edna Sophia Shaw on February 17, 1897 in Scott County, Iowa. She was born in 1873 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died before 1930 (Dixon Cemetery).

Notes for August John Riedesel:

Grave is unmarked, but he and Edna are interred next to the Vilmont family.

August John Riedesel and Edna Sophia Shaw had the following children:

- i. CHARLES AUGUST³ RIEDESEL was born on October 23, 1899 in Scott County, Iowa. He died on April 03, 1973.

Notes for Charles August Riedesel:
Iowa birth records give his middle name as Anthony.

- ii. LILA P. RIEDESEL was born on October 18, 1902 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on February 24, 1993 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.
- iii. GLADYS E. RIEDESEL was born on April 29, 1907. She died on April 15, 1960. She married HARVEY BORCHERS.

5. **LOUISE² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on November 14, 1870 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on August 26, 1949 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She married **EDWARD G. MCCLELLAN**. He died before 1900.

Notes for Edward G. McClellan:
Deserted family after birth of son.

Edward G. McClellan and Louise Riedesel had the following child:

- i. EDWARD GEORGE³ MCCLELLAN was born about 1892 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. He married Olga ?? about 1920. She was born about 1891 in Kansas.

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Notes for Edward George McClellan:

He was an architect in Chicago.

6. **KATHRYN² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on July 28, 1872 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on July 15, 1953 in Turner, Turner, South Dakota. She married Frederick E Hansen on August 24, 1893. He was born on August 26, 1870 in Kendall County, Illinois. He died on November 29, 1943 in Centerville, Faulk, South Dakota.

Frederick E Hansen and Kathryn Riedesel had the following children:

- i. **WILLIAM ERNEST³ HANSEN** was born on June 12, 1895 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. He died in March 1982 in South Dakota.
 - ii. **JULIUS HANSEN** was born on June 10, 1905 in Centerville, Faulk, South Dakota.
 - iii. **FRED HANSEN**.
 - iv. **ALMA HANSEN**.
 - v. **LOUIE HANSEN**.
 - vi. **EDWARD G. HANSEN**.
7. **LOUIS CHARLES² RIEDESEL JR.** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on May 04, 1874 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on September 26, 1957 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri (Ashland Cemetery, St. Joseph). He married (1) **EMMA MARIE MEYERS**, daughter of John Meyers, about 1905. She was born on January 11, 1887 in Black Hawk County, Iowa. She died on January 10, 1952 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri (Ashland Cemetery, St. Joseph). He married (2) **MARION REBECCA HAZELTON**. She was born on March 29, 1877. She died on March 09, 1905 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Louis Charles Riedesel Jr.:

Known as Louis Jr. Lived at Big Rock, Iowa, but moved on to St. Joseph, Missouri. Gave his age as 53 in the 1930 Census which is off by several years. He worked then as a greenskeeper for a private family. They were living in the St. Joseph township of Buchanan County.

Friday, 27 Sep 1957 St. Joseph Gazette:

Louis Riedesel, 1413 South 13th Street, died at a hospital here last night. He was 83. The body is at the Meierhoffer-Fleeman Funeral Home, where services will be held at 1:30. Dr. B. V. Powell will officiate and interment will be in Ashland Cemetery. Mr. Riedesel, a retired farmer, was born in Lowden, Iowa, and had lived in St. Joseph 40 years. He was a member of the Methodist Church. Survivors are four sons, Raymond and Lawrence Riedesel, Denver, Colo., and Frank and George Riedesel, St. Joseph; three daughters, Mrs. Katherine Timm, Kansas City, Kan.; Mrs. Mabel Novak, Denver, and Mrs. Alice Dynes, St. Joseph; a sister, Mrs. Louise McLaughlin, Chicago; a brother, Ernest Riedesel, Benton, Iowa; 19 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Louis Charles Riedesel Jr. and Emma Marie Meyers had the following children:

- i. **GEORGE L.³ RIEDESEL** was born on March 28, 1904 in Iowa. He died on August 09, 1960 in Missouri.

Notes for George L. Riedesel:

He lived with his parents and never married.

- ii. **MABEL LORETTA RIEDESEL** was born on January 04, 1908. She died on October 30, 1999. She married ?? NOWAK.
- iii. **ALICE MAY RIEDESEL** was born on October 08, 1908 in Scott County, Iowa. She died on August 10, 1999 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri. She married (1) **EARL BABCOCK**. She married (2) **GEORGE MILTON DYNES** on March 17, 1932 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri. He was born on August 12, 1910. He died on December 25, 1959.

Notes for Alice May Riedesel:

Both the children Lester and John were living with their Riedesel grandparents in 1940 in St. Joseph, MO.

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- iv. RAYMOND LOUIS RIEDESEL was born on September 23, 1913 in Red Oak, Cedar, Iowa. He died on May 20, 1994 in Longmont, Boulder, Colorado. He married Izetta Viola McGinnis, daughter of John Franklin McGinnis and Artie May Barnes, on September 10, 1943 in Bend, Deschutes, Oregon. She was born on February 03, 1910 in Corrina, KS. She died on May 25, 1977 in Probably Missouri.

Notes for Raymond Louis Riedesel:

As of 1936, he was living in St. Louis, MO, and working for Joseph J. Komer. He died at the Applewood Living Center in Longmont, CO. He served in the Army during World War II and received a Purple Heart. He was a sheet metal worker with Rocky Mountain Sheet Metal.

- v. LAWRENCE LESTER RIEDESEL was born on July 20, 1917 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on November 17, 2006 in Hurst, Tarrant, Texas. He married Oleta Maxine Collins on May 01, 1943. She was born on June 04, 1920 in Omaha, Douglas, Nebraska. She died on December 24, 2002 in Dallas, Texas.

Notes for Lawrence Lester Riedesel:

Worked for the General Services Administration.

Notes for Marion Rebecca Hazelton:

Known as Rebecca.

Louis Charles Riedesel Jr. and Marion Rebecca Hazelton had the following children:

- vi. KATHERINE RIEDESEL was born on August 30, 1901 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She married JOHN BARTKOWSKI.
- vii. FRANK LOUIS RIEDESEL was born on February 22, 1904 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on August 02, 1985 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri. He married Jessie Doran Williams on December 11, 1937 in Jackson, Missouri. She was born on March 26, 1910 in Platte County, Missouri. She died on January 18, 1994 in St Joseph, Andrew, Missouri.

Notes for Jessie Doran Williams:

Marriage record gives her name as Jessie Doran Corder.

8. **EMMA² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on February 02, 1878 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on September 08, 1942 (Holstein Cemetery, Ida County IA). She married **GEORGE AGNEW**. He was born on February 03, 1866. He died on May 03, 1948 (Holstein Cemetery, Ida County IA).

George Agnew and Emma Riedesel had the following children:

- i. WILLIAM MCKINLEY³ AGNEW was born on September 12, 1900 in Ida Grove, Ida, Iowa. He died on August 23, 1973 in Mankato, Blue Earth, Minnesota.
- ii. BERNICE ETHEL AGNEW was born on May 17, 1904 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa. She died on March 28, 1996 in Cherokee, Iowa.
- iii. JESSIE V AGNEW was born on December 17, 1906 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa. He died on August 29, 1979 in Orange County, California.
- iv. MARJORIE ELLA AGNEW was born on May 13, 1914 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa.
- v. RUTH CATHRYN AGNEW was born on February 04, 1916 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa. She died on September 22, 1997 in Riverside County, California.
- vi. DOROTHY MARCELLA AGNEW was born on September 07, 1918 in Holstein, Ida, Iowa.
9. **ERNEST² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on May 08, 1879 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on April 27, 1958 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County). He married Marie Jess on February 21, 1906. She was born on September 12, 1882 in Mecklenburg, Germany. She died on January 25, 1976 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County).

Notes for Ernest Riedesel:

Took over the family farm.

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Ernest Riedesel and Marie Jess had the following children:

- i. ERNEST HENRY³ RIEDESEL was born on May 01, 1910 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on April 01, 1994. He married Ruth Maurine Hamer on April 16, 1944. She was born on July 21, 1916 in Waterloo, Allamakee, Iowa. She died on April 23, 2008 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa.

Notes for Ernest Henry Riedesel:
Farmed at Bennett, IA.

Notes for Ruth Maurine Hamer:

Ruth M. Riedesel, formerly of Bennett and Tipton, Iowa, passed away at 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 23, 2008, in Fejervary Nursing Home, Davenport, Iowa. Funeral services will be held at Peace Church of Christ United in Bennett on Monday, April 28, at 10:30 a.m. Visitation will be held Sunday from 3 to 6 p.m. at Fry Funeral Home, Tipton. Burial will be at Inland Cemetery near the farm where Ruth and husband, Ernest, lived and farmed for many years. Ruth was born July 21, 1916, in Orange Township near Waterloo, to Clarence and Elizabeth Reitz Hamer. She attended schools there till her graduation from Orange High School and University of Northern Iowa with an elementary teaching certificate. She taught the primary grades at Bennett Community Schools for three years and one year at Lone Tree Schools. Ruth was also employed for a short time at Rock Island Arsenal during World War II. Ruth married Ernest Riedesel from Bennett on April 16, 1944. They farmed and raised two sons, Robert and Ronald, and one daughter, Jean. Ruth returned to teaching kindergarten for 16 years at Bennett Community Schools before retiring. Ruth's love and talent for music led her to service of 34 years as organist at Peace Church of Christ United in Bennett. She and her husband, Ernest, sang and accompanied numerous weddings, funerals and other community events. Ruth volunteered for many church and community groups and shared her time whenever needed. She loved flowers and gardening through her life. Ruth and Ernest were married nearly 50 years. Ruth is survived by her son, Ronald Riedesel and wife Joyce, of Aurora, Colo.; daughter, Jean (Riedesel) Hatch and husband Jim, of Georgetown, Texas, and son, Robert Riedesel and wife Marilyn, of Davenport, Iowa; granddaughter, Wendy (Riedesel) Schlagetter and husband Matt, of Englewood, Colo., grandson, Greg Riedesel of Aurora, Colo., granddaughter, Sara (Riedesel) Verdick and husband Todd, of Bettendorf, Iowa, and grandson, Scott Riedesel and wife Kendra, of Fairfax, Iowa; and sister, Doris Jean Miller and husband Lyle and family from Woodston, Kan. Ruth was proud great-grandmother to Carson and Taylor Schlagetter, Jessalyn, Arissa and Lyra Riedesel and Gavin and Kade Verdick. Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, brothers, Robert and Mervin, and husband, Ernest.

- ii. HAROLD HERMAN RIEDESEL was born on September 23, 1913 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died in August 1980. He married Luverne Conrad, daughter of Richard Conrad and Anna Goedelmann, on September 25, 1938. She was born on March 31, 1914 in Clarence, Cedar, Iowa. She died in November 2000.

Notes for Harold Herman Riedesel:
Farmed at Tipton, IA.

10. **RUDOLPH² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on May 12, 1882 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. He died on May 09, 1956 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County). He married Anna Hagge, daughter of George Hagge and Lena Rasch, on February 16, 1910. She was born on May 14, 1891 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. She died on July 17, 1980 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa (Inland Cemetery, Cedar County).

Rudolph Riedesel and Anna Hagge had the following children:

- i. ERMA³ RIEDESEL was born on April 29, 1911 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. She died on January 05, 2001. She married Raymond Louis Fox, son of Louis Henry Fox and Bertha Schneider, on September 15, 1940. He was born on January 16, 1907 in Spring Rock, Clinton, Iowa, USA. He died in November 1982.

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- ii. ROLAND HERMAN RIEDESEL was born on October 11, 1917 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. He died on April 18, 1991 in Davenport, Scott, Iowa. He married Florence DeWolf on January 05, 1946. She was born on August 10, 1917 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on August 04, 1998.

Notes for Roland Herman Riedesel:
Farmed at Bennett, IA.

- iii. RALDO CLAUS RIEDESEL was born on October 11, 1917 in Bennett, Cedar, Iowa. He died on June 01, 1987. He married Mildred Lorraine Kelting, daughter of Louis Henry Kelting and Mary Wilhelmina Copp, on June 29, 1945 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on August 25, 1924 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on June 27, 2010 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa.

Notes for Raldo Claus Riedesel:
Farmed at Bennett, IA.

- 11. **WILHELMINE FLORENTINE² RIEDESEL** (Georg Ludwig¹) was born on June 23, 1885 in Big Rock, Clinton, Iowa. She died on January 05, 1946 in Iowa City, Johnson, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married Dedrick John Schepers, son of William Schepers and Christina Tebbe, on September 23, 1908 in Cedar County, Iowa. He was born on February 18, 1866. He died on June 04, 1944.

Dedrick John Schepers and Wilhelmine Florentine Riedesel had the following children:

- i. DOROTHY³ SCHEPERS. She married (1) FRED ESERHAUT. He was born in 1905. He died in 1953. She married (2) ALBERT WILLER.
- ii. FLORENCE SCHEPERS. She married (1) WILBUR DEMOSS. She married (2) HERBERT COOK.