Ancestors of Maria Catherine Schneider

Generation 1

1. **Maria Catherine Schneider**, daughter of Georg Ludwig Schneider and Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel, was born on July 01, 1822 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 11, 1887 in Calaveras County, California (Mokelumne Hill Protestant Cemetery). She married **Martin Daniel Fischer** on June 17, 1849 in St Louis, Missouri. He was born on June 07, 1820 in Hesse-Kassel, Germany. He died on July 09, 1909 in Calaveras County, California.

   Notes for Maria Catherine Schneider:
   She and her twin sister were born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen. Emma Wetter Hobbs describes both twins as having come to America, though has their spouses mixed up. Maria Catherine was definitely the wife of Martin Daniel Fischer in California. These women were Emma's great-aunts. While obviously not very close to her, I have no doubt both came to America, one settling in California and the other in or near Milwaukee.

   When and how she got to America is uncertain. Her brother J. Georg's family came to Ohio in 1848. It would have made sense to travel together but that apparently did not happen.

   Moved from St. Louis to California in 1853. Living in Calaveras County by 1860.

Generation 2

2. **Georg Ludwig Schneider**, son of Johann Jost Schneider and Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel, was born on December 28, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 08, 1837 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
3. **Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel**, daughter of Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst, was born on March 02, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 14, 1852 in Wunderthausen.

   Notes for Georg Ludwig Schneider:
   Born in Altehäusers Haus and became the tenant after his father.

   Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel:
   Born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen.

   Georg Ludwig Schneider and Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel had the following children:

   i. Georg Ludwig Schneider was born on October 11, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 29, 1801 in Wunderthausen.

   ii. Johann Georg Schneider was born on November 18, 1802 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 15, 1864 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married **Luise Florentine Wetter** on May 21, 1826 in Wunderthausen. She was born on July 29, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 18, 1889 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

   Notes for Johann Georg Schneider:
   Born in Althäusers Haus, Wunderthausen. He was the heir, but sold the property and left for America. He applied for emigration on January 23, 1848 and the family arrived in New York on the ship Amazone out of Bremen on May 31, 1848. Presumably they went directly to Crawford County, Ohio.Their daughter, Catherine, was already there and had married J. Ludwig Riedesel in Crawford County, Ohio. In 1852, he and his son, Henry, walked to Clinton County, Iowa, to purchase land. He was a founding member of the German Reformed Church in Wheatland and an Elder. There are inconsistent records of the date of his death, but I rely on the contemporaneous diary of the Rev. Klar. He died without leaving a will.

   iii. Elisabeth Florentine Schneider was born on March 16, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 04, 1884 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. She married **Georg Gabriel Wetter** on November 30, 1828 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 27, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 22, 1864 in Sherrill, Dubuque, Iowa.

   Notes for Elisabeth Florentine Schneider:
   Born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen though lived with her husband at Petersgrund. The family came briefly to America in 1833 but went back to Wunderthausen, returning to stay in 1845. The latter trip was on the ship Minna out of Bremen, landing in New York on

October 4, 1845.

iv. Johannes Schneider was born on December 03, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 13, 1809 in Wunderthausen.

v. Ludwig Heinrich Schneider was born on February 20, 1810 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 24, 1883 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). He married **Elisabeth Amalia Mörchen** on September 23, 1838. She was born on March 11, 1809 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 15, 1894 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Schneider:
Known as Louis or J.H. Born in Altehäusers Haus, Wunderthausen but became a kind of sub-tenant or renter in the house called Häusches . Applied to emigrate on February 18, 1857 and came to America with his family on the ship Johann Schmidt out of Bremen. It landed in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. They apparently went immediately to Wheatland. Was a member of the first Board of Trustees when St. Paul's was founded in 1861. If I am correct, his farm was in Section 17 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County.

vi. Johann Ludwig Schneider was born on December 06, 1812 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 03, 1870 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Amalia Riedesel** on November 23, 1862 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 23, 1826 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Amalia Treude** on August 15, 1847 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 18, 1811 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 18, 1861 in Wunderthausen.

vii. Anna Elisabeth Schneider was born on July 30, 1815 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 19, 1906 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland). She married **Johannes Knebel** on January 07, 1836 in Wunderthausen. He was born on November 13, 1803 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 24, 1872 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Schneider:
Born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen. Arrived in New York on the ship "Hansa" out of Bremen on October 27, 1865 with her husband and some children. By the 1880 Census, she was living in the home of her daughter and son-in-law and listed as "Lizzie." I doubt she was called quite that in the German community but most likely was known by her middle name of Elisabeth.

viii. Maria Amalia Schneider was born on May 17, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 18, 1842 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Mörchen** on September 23, 1838 in Wunderthausen. He was born on June 15, 1803 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 08, 1867 in Wunderthausen.

ix. Johann Philipp Schneider was born on October 10, 1820 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 06, 1822 in Wunderthausen.

1. x. Maria Catherine Schneider was born on July 01, 1822 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 11, 1887 in Calaveras County, California (Mokelumne Hill Protestant Cemetery). She married **Martin Daniel Fischer** on June 17, 1849 in St Louis, Missouri. He was born on June 07, 1820 in Hesse-Kassel, Germany. He died on July 09, 1909 in Calaveras County, California.

xi. Elisabeth Florentine Schneider was born on July 01, 1822 in Wunderthausen. She married **M. C. Schmidt**

Notes for Elisabeth Florentine Schneider:
She and her twin sister were born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen. Some of suggested that she died in 1834, but that was the fate of another 10-year old Elisabeth Schneider.
Emma Wetter Hobbs describes both twins as having come to America, though has their spouses mixed up. Maria Catherine was definitely the wife of Martin Daniel Fischer in California. These women were Emma's great-aunts. While obviously not very close to her, I have no doubt both came to America, one settling in California and the other in or near Milwaukee.

Generation 3

4. **Johann Jost Schneider**, son of Johannes Schneider and Anna Maria Helm, was born on December

06, 1755 in Helberhausen. He died on February 26, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel** on February 14, 1783 in Wunderthausen.

5. **Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel**, daughter of Gabriel Riedesel and Anna Margarete Kümmel, was born on August 30, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1806 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Jost Schneider:
Born in the Hilchenbach area but married into Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel:
Born in Altehäusers Haus, the tenancy of which passed to her husband. Known as Anna Elisabeth.

Johann Jost Schneider and Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel had the following children:

2. i. Georg Ludwig Schneider was born on December 28, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 08, 1837 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 02, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 14, 1852 in Wunderthausen.

ii. Johann Philipp Schneider was born on September 21, 1788 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 22, 1838 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Amalia Riedesel** on May 05, 1811 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 18, 1789 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 19, 1846 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Philipp Schneider:
First tenant in Hanphilippses Haus in Wunderthausen.

iii. Johann Georg Schneider was born on January 21, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 17, 1791 in Wunderthausen.

iv. Maria Elisabeth Schneider was born on May 08, 1792 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 24, 1799 in Wunderthausen.

v. Johann Franz Schneider was born on January 06, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 15, 1796 in Wunderthausen.

6. **Johannes Riedesel**, son of Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Gertraud Weller, was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Dienst** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen.

7. **Maria Elisabeth Dienst**, daughter of Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott, was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:
Born into Weymers Haus and became the tenant. He was the second person to serve as schoolmaster in Wunderthausen. There was no school building so classes were held in one or another house, which was not very satisfactory. The teaching position was very much a side-job, though suggests he was more literate than average.

Notes for Maria Elisabeth Dienst:
Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen.

Johannes Riedesel and Maria Elisabeth Dienst had the following children:

i. Johann Franz Riedesel was born on August 21, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 14, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 11, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 26, 1840 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Riedesel:
Born in Weymers Haus but became the tenant in Seimes.

ii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on March 31, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen.

iii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on June 02, 1778 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1857 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catherine Elisabeth Fuchs** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 22, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1845 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:
Born in and tenant in Weymers Haus, Wunderthausen.

3. iv. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on March 02, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 14, 1852 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Schneider** on December 11, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 28, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 08, 1837 in Wunderthausen.

v. Ludwig Riedesel was born on February 21, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1847 in Galion, Crawford, Ohio. He married **Florentine Althaus** on February 08, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She was born on April 08, 1792 in Wunderthausen. She died in 1847 in Galion, Crawford, Ohio.

Notes for Ludwig Riedesel:
He was born in Weymers Haus in Wunderthausen but married into Haase Haus. This was one of the smaller houses in the village. It was unusual for a man his age to emigrate, but the greater opportunities for his four sons (and already married daughter) may have been compelling. The house and property (meagre, I think) were sold to J. Daniel Müsse from Jochums Haus. Most of the family traveled to New York, landing on June 7, 1845. Son J. Ludwig had gone the year before, and they brought with them his fiance, Catherine Schneider. All settled in Crawford County, Ohio.

Ludwig and Florentine died around 1847-1848, reportedly in an epidemic of some kind (cholera?) along with their daughter-in-law and at least one grandchild. They were interred in a private cemetery probably belonging to the Gerhardts. Its identity is long lost but we are reasonably certain where it is.

vi. Johannes Riedesel was born on June 24, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 16, 1812 in Stettin (now in Poland).

Notes for Johannes Riedesel:
He died in a military hospital in Stettin, a once German city now "Szczecin" in Poland. He was a conscript in the army with which Napoleon fatally invaded Russia. The French had taken over Wittgenstein years before so the peasants were subject to both heavy taxes and conscription.

vii. Maria Amalia Riedesel was born on January 18, 1789 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 19, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Philipp Schneider** on May 05, 1811 in Wunderthausen. He was born on September 21, 1788 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 22, 1838 in Wunderthausen.

viii. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on June 30, 1791 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Mörchen** on June 19, 1830 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 02, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 22, 1836 in Wunderthausen.

Generation 4

8. **Johannes Schneider** was born in Hilchenbach. He married **Anna Maria Helm**

9. **Anna Maria Helm** She died in 1783.

Johannes Schneider and Anna Maria Helm had the following child:

4. i. Johann Jost Schneider was born on December 06, 1755 in Helberhausen. He died on February 26, 1839 in Wunderthausen. He married **Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel** on February 14, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 30, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1806 in Wunderthausen.

10. **Gabriel Riedesel**, son of Johannes Riedesel and Anna Margarete Müsse, was born on May 03, 1735 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 24, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Margarete Kümmel** on November 29, 1765 in Wunderthausen.

11. **Anna Margarete Kümmel**, daughter of Johann Jost Kümmel and Anna Margarete Homrighausen, was born on April 12, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 02, 1791 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Gabriel Riedesel:
Born in Gundermanns Haus but married into Altehäusers and became the tenant.

Notes for Anna Margarete Kümmel:
Born in Altehäusers which passed to her husband on her marriage. Her birth name was Anna Margarete, but she was known as Elisabeth at the time of her marriage.

Gabriel Riedesel and Anna Margarete Kümmel had the following children:

5. i. Catharina Elisabeth Dorothea Riedesel was born on August 30, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 02, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johann Jost Schneider** on February 14, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 06, 1755 in Helberhausen. He died on February 26, 1839 in Wunderthausen.

ii. Maria Elisabeth Riedesel was born on January 27, 1769 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 24, 1826 in Wunderthausen.

iii. Elisabeth Amalie Riedesel was born on February 26, 1771 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 11, 1849 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Ludwig Mörchen** on September 14, 1794 in Wunderthausen. He was born on December 11, 1763 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 17, 1828 in Wunderthausen.

iv. Johann Franz Riedesel was born on August 10, 1775 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 14, 1829 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Juliane Trapp** on August 20, 1808 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 09, 1778 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 12, 1834 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Riedesel:
Born in Altehäusers Haus.

12. **Georg Gabriel Riedesel**, son of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, 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.

13. **Elisabeth Gertraud Weller**, daughter of Johann Phillip Weller and Anna Gertraud Trapp, was born on August 27, 1726 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 21, 1780 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:
Married into Wetzels 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. He had some duties as a forester but this was limited to the administration of forest rights around Wunderhausen rather than as a full-fledged official of the Count.

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

Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Gertraud Weller had the following children:

6. i. Johannes Riedesel was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Dienst** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen.

ii. Anna Margarethe Riedesel was born on December 19, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 20, 1819 in Langewiese. She married **Johannes Spies** on September 06, 1781 in Girkhausen. He was born on March 09, 1743 in Langewiese. He died on October 08, 1806 in Langewiese.

iii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on March 06, 1760 in Wunderthausen. He died in Prob. America. He married **Florentine Spies** She was born in 1759 in Girkhausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:
Granted permission to emigrate to the United States in 1796/97. It is not absolutely certain that he left and no records of him or any progeny have surfaced in the U.S. One reading of his baptismal record is with the name Ludwig.

iv. Maria Juliana Riedesel was born on January 31, 1763 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 15, 1763 in Wunderthausen.

v. Georg Ludwig Riedesel was born on May 21, 1764 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 23, 1764 in Wunderthausen.

vi. Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on June 09, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on February

28, 1833 in Diedenshausen. He married **Catharina Florentine Beitzel** on January 13, 1793 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 13, 1749 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Elisabeth Gernand** on January 28, 1800 in Diedenshausen. She was born on March 15, 1777 in Diedenshausen. She died on December 20, 1839 in Diedenshausen.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:
Born in Weimers Haus in Wunderthausen but became the tenant in Pauls Haus in Diedenshausen. He left for America in 1796, but returned in 1799.

vii. Georg Franz Riedesel was born on February 19, 1769 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Franz Riedesel:
Believed to have gone to America in 1796. It's a good guess that he was absorbed into the Baltimore community, though other Wittgensteiners settled in Pennsylvania as well.

viii. Anna Catherina Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 15, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 24, 1847 in Wunderthausen. She married **Ludwig Heinrich Strackbein** on July 23, 1796 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 26, 1771 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 06, 1826 in Wunderthausen.

14. **Johannes Dienst**, son of Johannes Dienst and Catherine Elisabeth Spies, was born on August 11, 1719 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1784 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Pott** in 1747 in Wunderthausen.

15. **Maria Magdalena Pott**, daughter of Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies, was born on August 07, 1724 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 01, 1800 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Dienst:
Tenant in Linde Haus.

Notes for Maria Magdalena Pott:
Born in Beitzels Haus. Also recorded as Anna Magdalena, though was probably called Magdalena (or Lena) in everyday life.

Johannes Dienst and Maria Magdalena Pott had the following children:

i. Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Dienst was born on December 09, 1747 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 15, 1784 in Wunderthausen. She married **Georg Gabriel Homrighausen** on January 17, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 14, 1739 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 09, 1799 in Wunderthausen.

ii. Johann Franz Dienst was born on April 27, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen** on January 18, 1782 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 27, 1759 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Franz Dienst:
Born in and tenant in Linde Haus, Wunderthausen.

iii. Catharina Dienst was born on February 26, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 24, 1752 in Wunderthausen.

iv. Johannes Dienst was born on December 01, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 06, 1753 in Wunderthausen.

v. Johannes Dienst was born on January 25, 1754 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 29, 1754 in Wunderthausen.

7. vi. Maria Elisabeth Dienst was born on February 26, 1755 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She married **Johannes Riedesel** on April 21, 1776 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 27, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 19, 1835 in Wunderthausen.

vii. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on March 16, 1757 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 21, 1758 in Wunderthausen.

viii. Johannes Dienst was born on May 01, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 02, 1835 in Diedenshausen. He married **Anna Catharina Homrighausen** on January 18, 1789. She was

born on September 18, 1763 in Diedenshausen. She died on April 29, 1814 in Diedenshausen.

ix. Maria Magdalena Dienst was born on March 29, 1762 in Wunderthausen.

x. Sebastian Dienst was born on February 14, 1765 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 04, 1833 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married **Anna Katharine Lauber** on October 23, 1789. She was born on July 25, 1766 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She died on August 13, 1834 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).

Notes for Sebastian Dienst:
Born in Linde Haus in Wunderthausen but married into a house in Girkhausen/Hoheleye.

xi. Johann Georg Dienst was born on June 17, 1767 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 12, 1781 in Wunderthausen.

xii. Johann Georg Dienst was born on March 08, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 27, 1770 in Wunderthausen.