

## Ancestors of Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen

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### Generation 1

1. **Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen**, daughter of Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen and Anna Catharine Riedesel, was born on July 26, 1873 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 24, 1927 in Waterloo, Allamakee, Iowa. She married **Ernst John Guenther** on August 23, 1894 in Denver, Bremer, Iowa. He was born on April 07, 1852 in Mecklenburg, Germany. He died on December 12, 1932 in Denver, Bremer, Iowa.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen:

Born in the house known variously as Bergmanns and Gabels. Family records say she was born in 1872, but the church records in Germany say 1873. Like many, she was called by her middle name.

Came to America on the ship "Lahn" out of Bremen, landing in the port of New York on September 14, 1893. She was in the company of a cousin, Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel, and the latter's son Christian Willi Riedesel of Wunderthausen. Father and son settled in Rochester as did Elisabeth for a while. However, she moved on to Iowa where many other relatives lived.

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### Generation 2

2. **Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen**, son of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Anna Elisabeth Spies, was born on April 05, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1928 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Catharine Riedesel** on November 15, 1868 in Girkhausen.
3. **Anna Catharine Riedesel**, daughter of Gabriel Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Müsse, was born on December 11, 1848 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 14, 1912 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen:

Born in the house im Sohl but became the owner of Bergmanns/Gabels through marriage.

Anna Catharine Riedesel and Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Amalia Catherine Homrighausen was born on May 28, 1871 in Wunderthausen.
1. ii. Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on July 26, 1873 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 24, 1927 in Waterloo, Allamakee, Iowa. She married Ernst John Guenther on August 23, 1894 in Denver, Bremer, Iowa. He was born on April 07, 1852 in Mecklenburg, Germany. He died on December 12, 1932 in Denver, Bremer, Iowa.
- iii. Wilhelm Ludwig Daniel Homrighausen was born on August 21, 1875 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 01, 1876 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Lisette Homrighausen was born on December 13, 1876 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Hermine Homrighausen was born on April 01, 1880 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 31, 1953 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Mörchen on May 09, 1909. He was born on January 20, 1882 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1957.

Notes for Hermine Homrighausen:

Bergmannsa/Gabels house passed to her and to her husband.

- vi. Wilhelm Homrighausen was born on August 06, 1884 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Luise Homrighausen was born on March 29, 1887 in Wunderthausen.

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### Generation 3

4. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Maria Magdalena Pott, was born on March 17, 1813 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 22, 1874 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Spies**.
5. **Anna Elisabeth Spies**, daughter of Johannes Spies and Anna Elisabeth Lauber, was born on April 26, 1810 in Girkhausen. She died on December 11, 1857 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

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Inherited Langes Haus but sold it to build the house Im oberen Sohl.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Spies:

She seems to have been born in a house at Hoheleye, a hamlet belonging to Girkhausen.

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

- i. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on May 20, 1835 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 21, 1909 in Black Hawk County, Iowa. He married Anna Elisabeth Müsse on April 17, 1864 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 10, 1843 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 20, 1865 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Riedesel on October 27, 1867. She was born on June 04, 1844 in Rehseifen. She died in 1916 in Iowa.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in the house im Oberen Sohl, Wunderthausen. Shortly after his second marriage to Elisabeth Riedesel, he went to America--probably 1868, but I have not found an exact record. The German records say they went to Wheatland. However, the 1880 Census appears to place them in Bremer County where his occupation is that of a mason. The oldest daughter's birthplace was listed as Illinois. In 1900 they are near Waterloo in Black Hawk County.

The family adopted the spelling of Homrighaus.

Notes for Elisabeth Riedesel:

By 1900 she had borne ten children, of whom five were still alive. I cannot identify her parents, though the Wunderthausen record says her father was Ludwig Riedesel, a forest supervisor in nearby Rehseifen.

- ii. Maria Magdalena Homrighausen was born on May 21, 1838 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 12, 1838 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Sophia Homrighausen was born on June 28, 1840 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 09, 1840.
  - iv. Ludwig Homrighausen was born on April 27, 1843 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 07, 1843 in Wunderthausen.
  2. v. Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen was born on April 05, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1928 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catharine Riedesel on November 15, 1868 in Girkhausen. She was born on December 11, 1848 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 14, 1912 in Wunderthausen.
  - vi. Jacob Heinrich Homrighausen was born on June 18, 1849 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 06, 1926 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on May 29, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 08, 1852 in Wunderthausen.
6. **Gabriel Riedesel**, son of Ludwig Riedesel and Maria Gertraud Dreisbach, was born on January 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1884 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Müsse** on October 31, 1830 in Wunderthausen.
  7. **Anna Elisabeth Müsse**, daughter of Johann Philipp Müsse and Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach, was born on October 08, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 26, 1859 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Gabriel Riedesel:

Tenant in Bergmans/Gabels Haus in Wunderthausen.

Anna Elisabeth Müsse and Gabriel Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Wilhelmine Riedesel was born on October 22, 1829 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 26, 1897 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She married Johann Georg Schneider on June 24, 1848 in Bucyrus, Crawford, Ohio. He was born on December 13, 1825 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 14, 1883 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa (St. Paul's Cemetery, Wheatland).

Notes for Wilhelmine Riedesel:

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She was known as Minnie. Born in Gabels/Bergmanns Haus in Wunderthausen. She came to America with the J. Georg Schneider family--she married George Jr. The passenger manifest of the ship Amazone which arrived in New York on May 31, 1848 out of Bremen included a barely legible entry that I read as "Wilh Rittesel", age 20. The entry says "male mason" but mistakes were made. She married Johann Georg Schneider Jr. in Bucyrus, Ohio on June 24, 1848.

By 1851 the Schneiders had relocated to the Wheatland, Iowa area. Wilhelmine bore a total of 15 children. The first two were born in Ohio while the rest first saw the light of the world in Iowa. She was known as Minnie. They lived out their days there on a farm of 160 acres in Section 22 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County. George died there January 14, 1883 while Minnie died on January 26, 1897. Of course they are buried at St. Paul's Cemetery in Wheatland. They had an exceptionally large family but many children died as young adults.

Notes for Johann Georg Schneider:

Known as George, Jr. Born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen. The family arrived in New York on the ship Amazone out of Bremen on May 31, 1848. Came to Crawford County Ohio with his parents and siblings in 1848 and settled in what became Wheatland in 1851. Before the founding of St. Paul's in 1861, he is recorded as a founding member of a German Reformed congregation or community (Gemeinde) in 1857. His large farm was in Section 22 of the Spring Rock Township of Clinton County.

- ii. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on July 23, 1834 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 17, 1898 in Carroll County, Iowa (East Liberty Cemetery, Lidderdale). He married Elisabeth Florentine Schneider about 1856 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She was born on January 20, 1841 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 09, 1920 in Lanesboro, Carroll, Iowa (East Liberty Cemetery, Lidderdale).

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel:

He was known as Henry in America. Born in Bergmanns/Gabels Haus, Wunderthausen. Came to the U.S. aboard the ship "Auguste" out of Bremen. It landed in New Orleans on October 25, 1854. According to family recollections, he worked his way up the Mississippi as a mason and well-digger until he reached Davenport, Iowa. He and Florentine Schneider (also from Wunderthausen) were married and had their children in Wheatland, but they moved on in 1891 to what became Lanesboro, Iowa in Carroll County.

I believe that he owned land in section 18 of the Spring Rock Township around Wheatland; his farm in Carroll County was in section 2 of the Jasper Township.

Notes for Elisabeth Florentine Schneider:

Born in Altehäusers Haus in Wunderthausen. The family arrived in New York on the ship Amazone out of Bremen on May 31, 1848. Known as Florentine.

April 15, 1920 - Obituary of Grandma Riedesel - Mrs. Flora Riedesel passed away at her home in Lanesboro April 9th, at the age of 79 years, 2 months and 19 days, after a long illness. Although she was only confined to her bed a few hours. When she attempted to arise on the morning of her death she in some way fell and broke her hip. She suffered severely all day and passed away about 7 p.m.

Mrs. Riedesel was born in Germany and came to this county when 6 years of age and was married to Henry Riedesel in 1859. Mr. Riedesel preceded her twenty years ago. Twelve children were born to this union, ten of whom survive. They are: John and Hubert Riedesel, Mrs. Lizzie Miller, Mrs. Minnie Miller and Mrs. Clara Beckman, of Lanesboro; Peter of Wheatland; Paul, of Sioux City; Mrs. Hannah Cassum, of Sioux City; Philip, of Oklahoma; Mrs. Emma Vader, of Weiser, Idaho. All but the last two attended the funeral. There were twenty-seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

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Mrs. Riedesel came to Carroll county when the country was new and endured many hardships. Funeral services were held at the church Monday at 2 p.m. by Rev. Whear. A large crowd was present to pay their last respects to their old friend and neighbor. Interment at the East Liberty cemetery by the side of her husband. The floral offerings were beautiful. The family has the sympathy of the entire community in the loss of their mother.

- iii. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on December 25, 1836 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 01, 1900 in Diedenshausen. She married Friedrich Peter on April 07, 1861 in Diedenshausen. He was born on May 14, 1830 in Diedenshausen. He died on October 12, 1915 in Diedenshausen.
- iv. Infant Riedesel was born on October 05, 1838 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Georg Ludwig 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 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.

- vi. Johann Friedrich Wilhelm Riedesel was born on April 30, 1842 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 21, 1843 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on April 30, 1842 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 07, 1917 in Irondequoit, Monroe, New York (Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester). She married Johann Jacob Baetzel on August 24, 1869 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Zion Lutheran Church-Rochester). He was born on July 01, 1845 in Elsoff. He died on January 29, 1929 in Lockport, New York, USA.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Riedesel:

Born in Bergmanns/Gabels Haus in Wunderthausen. It appears that she as a twin according to my very best source. She is absent, though, from other transcriptions I have from the Wunderthausen records. Came to the U.S. in 1867 as a passenger on the ship Albert out of Bremen It landed in New York May 10, 1867.

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Also on board was her future husband and several others with recognizable Wittgenstein names. She and a younger sister were both christened "Anna Elisabeth." I think she was the one called Elisabeth.

Notes for Johann Jacob Baetzel:

Born in the village of Elsoff. Came to the U.S. on the ship Albert out of Bremen, arriving in New York on May 10, 1867.

- viii. Catharina Riedesel was born on September 28, 1844 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 26, 1847 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on December 10, 1846 in Wunderthausen. She died on July 10, 1900 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester). She married Jacob Schüssler on May 19, 1870 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Trinity Evangelical Church-Rochester). He was born on December 20, 1838 in Elsoff. He died on March 29, 1932 in Cleveland, Ohio (Highland Park Cemetery, Cuyahoga Ohio).

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Riedesel:

Born in Bergmanns/Gabels Haus in Wunderthausen. It is likely that she is the Anna Riedesel who arrived on the ship Marco Polo in New York on October 30, 1868. She and her husband lived in Rochester where they had a total of six children. The name of one is not known to me.

Notes for Jacob Schüssler:

He was an optician. Came to New York in 1867 on the ship "D. H. Wagen" out of Bremen.

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  - x. Anna Catharine Riedesel was born on December 11, 1848 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 14, 1912 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Wilhelm Homrighausen on November 15, 1868 in Girkhausen. He was born on April 05, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1928 in Wunderthausen.
  - xi. Johann Daniel Riedesel was born on March 01, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 31, 1929 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester). He married Louisa Mengel on May 18, 1876 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Salem Evangelical Church-Rochester). She was born about April 1857 in Rochester, Monroe, New York. She died on June 22, 1888 in Rochester, New York, USA (Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester). He married Elizabeth Mehne on September 04, 1889 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Salem Evangelical Church-Rochester). She was born on October 02, 1859 in New York. She died on March 15, 1940 in Rochester, Monroe, New York (Mount Hope Cemetery, Rochester).

Notes for Johann Daniel Riedesel:

Born in Bergmanns/Gabels Haus in Wunderthausen. Exactly when he came to the U.S. is unclear as he gave widely disparate dates in the Census records I can find. His first marriage date of 1876 in Rochester is firm.

Lived in Rochester, New York, where he owned a restaurant in the German community. Known as John. His obituary in the Rochester Democrat & Chronicle is uninformative. He was a member of several lodges and the Salem Church. No mention was made of his German origins or even his age.

Notes for Elizabeth Mehne:

Her 1910 Census entry says she had borne a total of six children but that only three were then alive.

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8. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Johann Georg Homrighausen and Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel, was born on February 09, 1786 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Magdalena Pott** on January 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen.
  9. **Maria Magdalena Pott**, daughter of Johannes Pott and Maria Elisabeth Klein, was born on November 08, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 08, 1850 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

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

Notes for Maria Magdalena Pott:

Born in Mannes Haus.

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

- i. Johann Philipp Homrighausen was born on August 07, 1805 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 28, 1885 in Denver, Bremer, Iowa (Fairview Cemetery, Denver, Iowa). He married Helene Magdalena Germann. She was born on September 28, 1819 in Germany. She died on October 12, 1857 in Schaumburg, Cook, Illinois.

Notes for Johann Philipp Homrighausen:

Born in Langes Haus in Wunderthausen. Went to America in the Apollo, landing in New York out of Bremen on July 7, 1835. He was another of those whose children modified the family name. There were other Wunderthäuser who settled in Denver, Iowa, but this family spent a lot of time in Ohio first.

- ii. Georg Ludwig Homrighausen was born on January 03, 1808 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 19, 1885 in Stone Creek, Tuscarawas, Ohio.

Notes for Georg Ludwig Homrighausen:

He was born in Langes Haus in Wunderthausen. Records show that he went to America on the ship "Themis" which landed in Baltimore out of Bremen on July 24, 1834.

There is some false information out there about him. It was not him who fathered a child by Catherine Magdalena Weller back in Wunderthausen, but a Georg Hermann Homrighausen. Nor is there a baptismal record for a daughter Elisabeth (or anyone else!) born in Wunderthausen on July 20, 1834. If he did marry an Elisabeth Alderman, she was not a Wittgensteiner. An Elisabeth Homrighausen married a Cronebach and had a family, but I am not at all certain of the relationships.

- iii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on October 06, 1810 in Wunderthausen.
4. iv. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on March 17, 1813 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 22, 1874 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Spies. She was born on April 26, 1810 in Girkhausen. She died on December 11, 1857 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Katharina Lauber on May 16, 1858. She was born on July 23, 1818 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She died on September 26, 1869 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Ludwig Heinrich Homrighausen was born on February 26, 1821 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 09, 1855 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio (Mud Run Cemetery, Tuscarawas). He married Julia Kinsey about 1844 in Ohio. She was born in 1821 in Switzerland.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Homrighausen:

Born in Neus Brückehaus/Langes in Wunderthausen. Received permission to come to America in 1841 but we don't have a ship's record for him. He settled in Tuscarawas County, Ohio His children and their descendants modified the family name.

Notes for Julia Kinsey:

She had at least one previous marriage.

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10. **Johannes Spies**, son of Johann Georg Spies and Anna Gertraud Pott, was born on August 28, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 29, 1820 in Girkhausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Lauber** on March 23, 1787.
  11. **Anna Elisabeth Lauber**, daughter of Johannes Lauber and Anna Elisabeth Rühl, was born on November 15, 1767 in Girkhausen. She died on April 22, 1828.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Lauber:

She lived in a house at Hoheleye, a hamlet belonging to Girkhausen. Her husband was from Wunderthausen but married into this house.

Anna Elisabeth Lauber and Johannes Spies had the following child:

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  - i. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born on April 26, 1810 in Girkhausen. She died on December 11, 1857 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen. He was born on March 17, 1813 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 22, 1874 in Wunderthausen.
12. **Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Johann Ludwig Riedesel and Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche, was born on October 21, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 02, 1837 in Wunderthausen. He married **Maria Gertraud Dreisbach**.
13. **Maria Gertraud Dreisbach**, daughter of Anton Dreisbach and Anna Maria Hackenbracht, was born on January 14, 1771 in Melbach. She died on December 24, 1831 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Riedesel:

Born in Ludwigs Haus, Wunderthausen but founded the house that was known as Großeludwigs.

Maria Gertraud Dreisbach and Ludwig Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on December 20, 1791 in Wunderthausen.
  - ii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on January 12, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 07, 1799 in Wunderthausen.
  - iii. Johann Jost Riedesel was born on July 11, 1795 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 08, 1873 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen on October 08, 1827 in Wunderthausen. She was born on September 23, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 12, 1872 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Johann Jost Riedesel:  
Born in Ludwigs Haus/Unter der Laye but took over Altehäusers when the Schneiders went to America. The house became known as Hanjosts (from his name).
- iv. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on October 17, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 25, 1857 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Benfer. He was born on January 12, 1800.
  - v. Maria Amalia Riedesel was born on August 11, 1803 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 06, 1827 in Wunderthausen.
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  - vi. Gabriel Riedesel was born on January 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1884 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Müsse on October 31, 1830 in Wunderthausen. She was born on October 08, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 26, 1859 in Wunderthausen.
  - vii. Georg Gabriel Riedesel was born on September 20, 1809 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1880 in Clay County, Kansas. He married Elisabeth Amalia Knoche on August 24, 1834 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 08, 1807 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 26, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Amalia Knoche on February 06, 1853 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 01, 1826 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 17, 1880 in Kansas City, Jackson, Missouri.

Notes for Georg Gabriel Riedesel:

Known as Ludwig. Born in the house "Ludwigs unter der Leye" but established the house in Wunderthausen known as Schreiners/Großeludwigs. His two wives had the same birth names, but the first was apparently known as Maria and the second as Amalia. Ludwig came to America with his second wife and at least

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three children on the ship Argonaut out of Bremen. It arrived at New York on November 9, 1867. We have newspaper advertisements that he placed in Wittgenstein in the summer of 1867 putting the house, property and harvest up for sale. He owned less than three acres of cropland and a couple pieces of pasture land.

The obituary of his son, Louis D. (from his first marriage), alludes to two half-sisters. One was Catherine and the other was probably the girl identified as "Dina" on the ship's manifest. The latter was--I believe--a common nickname for "Christine." Yet I find no record of her in the Wunderthausen records.

A recent history from Wunderthausen lists a death date in May 1884. However, I find no trace of Ludwig in the 1880 Census but his supposedly widowed wife is living with their son, Phillip.

Notes for Elisabeth Amalia Knoche:

Born in the house "Auf der Leye" (later Kellers) in Wunderthausen.

Whether it was she or her younger sister Elisabeth Florentine (b. 1831) who married Georg Gabriel (Ludwig) Riedesel is not clear. Researchers in Germany have interpreted the records to say that it was Elisabeth Florentine. However, the marriage record just says "Elisabeth Knoche" so it could be either one. The ship's list in 1867 gives her age as 42 (so born about 1825 and fitting the older sister). The 1870 Census gives her age as 44, matching the older sister's birth year of 1826. Only in 1880 did the widow give her age as 49 (an implied birth year of 1831). It is my judgment that Elisabeth Amalia (b. 1826) was the bride.

- viii. Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel was born on May 01, 1816 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 14, 1886 in Wunderthausen. He married Luise Althaus on April 14, 1839 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 28, 1816 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 06, 1872 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Riedesel:

First owner at Weisse Haus (auf der Gemeinde), born in Ludwigs unter der Laye.

14. **Johann Philipp Müsse**, son of Johann Daniel Müsse and Anna Maria Dreisbach, was born on May 17, 1765 in Berghausen. He died on April 27, 1823 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach** on February 19, 1804 in Raumland.
15. **Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach**, daughter of Johann Phillip Dreisbach and Elisabetha Katharina Strackbein, was born on November 04, 1778 in Berghausen. She died on October 05, 1827 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Philipp Müsse:

Became the tenant in Jochums Haus, Wunderthausen. Until his time, the house with this name (and associated land) was located in the village center. In 1826 he built a new house (with the same local name) on the north edge of Wunderthausen.

Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach and Johann Philipp Müsse had the following children:

- i. Anna Gertraud Müsse was born on February 23, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Ludwig Beitzel on May 16, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 21, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1857 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Ludwig Beitzel on June 15, 1827 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 31, 1791 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 18, 1857 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Beitzel:

Became the tenant in Jochums.

- ii. Johann Daniel Müsse was born on December 16, 1804 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 13, 1848 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Magdalena



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- Mörchen on March 15, 1835 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 28, 1811 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1885 in Wunderthausen.
7.     iii. Anna Elisabeth Müsse was born on October 08, 1806 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 26, 1859 in Wunderthausen. She married Gabriel Riedesel on October 31, 1830 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 23, 1807 in Wunderthausen. He died on April 15, 1884 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Wilhelmine Johanna Müsse was born on November 30, 1809 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 06, 1865 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on February 12, 1831 in Wunderthausen. He was born on March 14, 1800 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 01, 1842 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Born in Lotzes Haus, Wunderthausen; became first tenant "Am Kloster."

- v. Ludwig Heinrich Müsse was born on April 14, 1812 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 14, 1872 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen on February 25, 1838 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johannes Müsse was born on June 26, 1815 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Catherine Eckhardt on April 24, 1842.
- vii. Elisabeth Gertraud Müsse was born on October 02, 1818 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 13, 1877 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Althaus on March 15, 1840 in Wunderthausen. He was born on May 07, 1813 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 23, 1869 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Althaus:

First inhabitant of Haasebergers Haus, Wunderthausen.

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16. **Johann Georg Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein, was born on April 07, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 30, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel** on February 10, 1774 in Wunderthausen.
17. **Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel**, daughter of Johann Georg Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Knoche, was born on November 18, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 10, 1821 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Homrighausen:

Tenant in Neues Brüchehaus/Langes.

Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel and Johann Georg Homrighausen had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Amalia Homrighausen was born on August 17, 1783 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 25, 1784 in Wunderthausen.
8.     ii. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on February 09, 1786 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 19, 1851 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Magdalena Pott on January 15, 1801 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 08, 1781 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 08, 1850 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on October 26, 1788 in Wunderthausen. She died on October 03, 1789 in Wunderthausen.
18. **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.
19. **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:

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Born in Dachslöch.

Maria Elisabeth Klein and Johannes Pott had the following children:

- i. Johannes Pott was born before 1780. He died on March 18, 1850.
9. 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.
- iii. 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.

- 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.

Notes for Johannes Pott:

Born in and became the tenant in Mannes Haus.

- 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

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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.

20. **Johann Georg Spies**, son of Johann Daniel Spies and Anna Elisabeth Hederich, was born on December 27, 1720 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 20, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Gertraud Pott** on December 11, 1748 in Wunderthausen.

21. **Anna Gertraud Pott**, daughter of Johann Valentin Pott and Anna Maria Magdalena Spies, was born on January 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1805 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Georg Spies:

Born in and tenant in Beckers Haus, Wunderthausen.

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

- i. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born on January 24, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 26, 1817 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Phillip Lauber on May 29, 1772 in Girkhausen. He was born on January 10, 1750 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on November 22, 1793 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Phillip Lauber:

Born at Hoheleye near Girkhausen, became tenant in Beckers. Moved on to Schmeds house.

- ii. Johann Arndt Spies was born on December 16, 1753 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 11, 1757 in Wunderthausen.
10. iii. Johannes Spies was born on August 28, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 29, 1820 in Girkhausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Lauber on March 23, 1787. She was born on November 15, 1767 in Girkhausen. She died on April 22, 1828.
- iv. Anna Gertraud Spies was born on January 01, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 07, 1812 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Maria Juliana Spies was born on February 01, 1767 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 22, 1770 in Wunderthausen.

22. **Johannes Lauber**, son of Johannes Lauber, was born on September 13, 1743 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on November 04, 1793 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married **Anna Elisabeth Rühl** on February 24, 1767.

23. **Anna Elisabeth Rühl**, daughter of Konrad Rühl and Katharina Benfer, was born on January 02, 1742 in Langewiese. She died on January 31, 1801 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).

Anna Elisabeth Rühl and Johannes Lauber had the following children:

11. i. Anna Elisabeth Lauber was born on November 15, 1767 in Girkhausen. She died on April 22, 1828. She married Johannes Spies on March 23, 1787. He was born on August 28, 1757 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 29, 1820 in Girkhausen.
- ii. Johann Georg Lauber was born on August 07, 1772 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). He died on January 05, 1860 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). He married Anna

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Elisabeth Gertraud Pott on October 07, 1791. She was born on March 15, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 14, 1836 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married an unknown spouse on October 07, 1791.

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

24. **Johann Ludwig Riedesel**, son of Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche, was born on December 01, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 01, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche** on May 28, 1766 in Wunderthausen.
25. **Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche**, daughter of Georg Gabriel Knoche and Anna Margareta Strackbein, was born on February 17, 1743 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 10, 1773 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:

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

Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche and Johann Ludwig Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Katharina Riedesel was born on December 08, 1763 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 10, 1764 in Wunderthausen.
12. ii. Ludwig Riedesel was born on October 21, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 02, 1837 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Gertraud Dreisbach. She was born on January 14, 1771 in Melbach. She died on December 24, 1831 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Jakob Riedesel was born on March 26, 1768 in Wunderthausen.
- iv. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on March 25, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 12, 1821 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Kümmel on October 15, 1805 in Wunderthausen. She was born on December 25, 1778 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Ludwig Riedesel:  
Tenant in Neuhäusers, Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Gertraud Kümmel:  
Her triplets, born in 1812, were extremely rare. All died.

- v. Elisabeth Magdalena Riedesel was born on March 31, 1773 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 23, 1804 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Wagner on June 07, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 12, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 23, 1827 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Elisabeth Magdalena Riedesel:  
Christened Maria Magdalena but also known as Elisabeth.

Notes for Johann Georg Wagner:  
Born in Jochums house, first tenant in Wagners.

26. **Anton Dreisbach**, son of Anton Dreisbach and Anna Gertraud Dreisbach, was born on July 09, 1736 in Rinthe. He died on December 16, 1796 in Melbach. He married **Anna Maria Hackenbracht** on December 03, 1762 in Raumland.
27. **Anna Maria Hackenbracht**, daughter of Johann Daniel Hackenbracht and Katharina Elisabeth Grebe, was born on May 01, 1745 in Melbach. She died on April 19, 1777 in Melbach.

Anna Maria Hackenbracht and Anton Dreisbach had the following child:

13. i. Maria Gertraud Dreisbach was born on January 14, 1771 in Melbach. She died on December 24, 1831 in Wunderthausen. She married Ludwig Riedesel. He was born on October 21, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 02, 1837 in Wunderthausen.

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28. **Johann Daniel Müsse** was born in 1721. He died on May 03, 1777 in Berghausen. He married **Anna Maria Dreisbach** on April 11, 1760.
29. **Anna Maria Dreisbach**, daughter of Johann Henrich Dreisbach and Anna Margaretha Hesse, was born on March 03, 1723 in Berghausen. She died on June 04, 1790 in Prob Berghausen.  
Anna Maria Dreisbach and Johann Daniel Müsse had the following child:
14. i. Johann Philipp Müsse was born on May 17, 1765 in Berghausen. He died on April 27, 1823 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach on February 19, 1804 in Raumland. She was born on November 04, 1778 in Berghausen. She died on October 05, 1827 in Wunderthausen.
30. **Johann Phillip Dreisbach** was born on January 14, 1749 in Berghausen, Siegen-Wittgenstein, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany. He died on April 10, 1804 in Berghausen, Siegen-Wittgenstein, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany. He married **Elisabetha Katharina Strackbein** on January 13, 1774 in Berghausen, Siegen-Wittgenstein, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany.
31. **Elisabetha Katharina Strackbein** was born on August 03, 1755 in Wunderthausen.  
Elisabetha Katharina Strackbein and Johann Phillip Dreisbach had the following child:
15. i. Elisabeth Gertraud Dreisbach was born on November 04, 1778 in Berghausen. She died on October 05, 1827 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Philipp Müsse on February 19, 1804 in Raumland. He was born on May 17, 1765 in Berghausen. He died on April 27, 1823 in Wunderthausen.
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32. **Johannes Homrighausen**, son of Johannes Homrighausen and Anna Liese Strackbein, was born on September 27, 1706 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 11, 1783 in Wunderthausen. He married **Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein** on December 17, 1732 in Wunderthausen.
33. **Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein**, daughter of Hans Georg Strackbein and Gertraud Knoche, was born on January 15, 1711 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 02, 1760 in Wunderthausen.  
Elisabeth Magdalena Strackbein and Johannes Homrighausen had the following children:
- i. Anna Catherine Homrighausen was born on January 01, 1733 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on July 07, 1735 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Johannes Homrighausen was born on March 07, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He died on February 07, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
16. iv. Johann Georg Homrighausen was born on April 07, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 30, 1824 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel on February 10, 1774 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 18, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 10, 1821 in Wunderthausen.
- v. Catherine Elisabeth Homrighausen was born on November 06, 1746 in Wunderthausen. She died on June 13, 1804 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Strackbein. He was born on December 10, 1735 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 23, 1800 in Wunderthausen.
- Notes for Johann Georg Strackbein:  
Tenant in Kurts Haus, Wunderthausen, born in Linde house.
- vi. Elisabeth Gertraud Homrighausen was born on May 21, 1753 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 08, 1815 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on August 31, 1783. He was born on January 29, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on June 03, 1802 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Elisabeth Magdalena Homrighausen was born on February 15, 1841 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 30, 1859 in Wunderthausen.
34. **Johann Georg Riedesel**, son of Wilhelm Riedesel and Anna Margarethe Spies, 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.

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35. **Anna Elisabeth Knoche**, daughter of Johannes Knoche and Anna Elisabeth Strackbein, 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.

Anna Elisabeth Knoche and Johann Georg Riedesel had the following children:

- i. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on March 14, 1732 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Catharina Riedesel was born on February 03, 1734 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 15, 1765 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on April 23, 1752 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:  
Born in Hohmann Haus, became tenant in Gundermanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

- iii. Elisabeth Gertraud Riedesel was born on June 11, 1735 in Wunderthausen. She married Debus Benfer on December 26, 1759 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 15, 1731 in Diedenshausen. He died in May 1801 in Winterbach.

Notes for Debus Benfer:  
Born in Hirte Haus, Diedenshausen.

- iv. Johann Conrad Riedesel was born on January 13, 1738 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 19, 1770 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Maria Schütz on July 13, 1762 in Wunderthausen. She was born in Schwarzenau. She died before March 19, 1770.
- v. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on January 18, 1740 in Wunderthausen. He died on August 22, 1755 in Wunderthausen.
- vi. Johannes Riedesel was born on July 27, 1742 in Wunderthausen. He died on September 17, 1742 in Wunderthausen.
- vii. Anna Margarete Riedesel was born on May 15, 1744 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 13, 1807 in Wunderthausen. She married Johannes Strackbein on December 29, 1766 in Wunderthausen. He was born on January 20, 1725 in Wunderthausen. He died on May 13, 1778 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johannes Strackbein:  
Born in Hohmann Haus, became tenant in Gundermanns Haus, Wunderthausen.

- viii. Catharina Elisabeth Riedesel was born on April 02, 1746 in Wunderthausen.
- ix. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on February 01, 1750 in Wunderthausen. She died on May 26, 1752 in Wunderthausen.
17. x. Elisabeth Amalia Riedesel was born on November 18, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on February 10, 1821 in Wunderthausen. She married Johann Georg Homrighausen on February 10, 1774 in Wunderthausen. He was born on April 07, 1744 in Wunderthausen. He died on March 30, 1824 in Wunderthausen.
- xi. Anna Christina Riedesel was born on February 21, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 30, 1800 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Hermann Homrighausen on April 05, 1779 in Wunderthausen. He was born on August 28, 1748 in Wunderthausen.

36. **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.

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37. **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.
18. 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

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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.

38. **Johannes Klein**. He married **Anna Becker**.
39. **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:

19. 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.
40. **Johann Daniel Spies**, son of Antonius Spies and Anna Margarete Klein, was born on September 24, 1696 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 22, 1781 in Wunderthausen. He married **Anna Elisabeth Hederich** on February 23, 1719.
41. **Anna Elisabeth Hederich**, daughter of Johann Jost Hederich and Anna Magarete Boshof, was born about 1693. She died on July 19, 1755 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Johann Daniel Spies:

Tenant in Beckers house.

Anna Elisabeth Hederich and Johann Daniel Spies had the following children:

20. i. Johann Georg Spies was born on December 27, 1720 in Wunderthausen. He died on November 20, 1787 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Gertraud Pott on December 11, 1748 in Wunderthausen. She was born on January 20, 1727 in Wunderthausen. She died on March 21, 1805 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Spies was born on February 09, 1723 in Wunderthausen. She married Emanuel Weyland on June 12, 1756 in Wunderthausen.
- iii. Antonius Spies was born on December 10, 1726 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Antonius Spies:

Born in Beckers Haus in Wunderthausen. Believed to have gone to America in 1749 on the ship Fane which sailed from Rotterdam to Philadelphia.

- iv. Elisabeth Margarete Spies was born on March 07, 1730 in Wunderthausen. She died before 1740.
- v. Johann Arndt Spies was born on December 10, 1732 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Trapp on November 26, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She was born on August 24, 1738 in Wunderthausen. She died on December 26, 1802 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Anna Elisabeth Trapp:

The identities of Anna Elisabeth and Anna Gertraud are confused in the church records. The transcript says that Anna Gertraud married Arndt Spies in 1756, but she would only have been 14-15 years old. The marriage date makes more sense for the older sister; what is confusing is that burial record of the widow of Arndt Spies in 1802 says she was 61 (thus born when Anna Gertraud was). But other records show an Anna Gertraud Trapp marrying Elias Zoode after having his child in 1765. The Girkhausen Dorfbuch (1970 also lists Elias as being married to Anna Gertraud. I lean toward the conclusion that Anna Elisabeth married Arndt Spies and Anna Gertraud married Elias Zoode.

42. **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.



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43. **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.

21. 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.
36. 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.

44. **Johannes Lauber**, son of Johann Philipp Lauber and Anna Margarete Lückel, was born on February 22, 1715 in Girkhausen (Hoheleye). He died on February 28, 1797 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).

Johannes Lauber and Anna Martha Elisabeth Neumeyer had the following children:

- i. Anna Elisabeth Lauber was born on February 25, 1747 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She died on August 28, 1777 in Langewiese. She married Johannes Spies on November 16, 1763 in Girkhausen. He was born on March 09, 1743 in Langewiese. He died on October 08, 1806 in Langewiese.
- ii. Johann Phillip Lauber was born on January 10, 1750 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on November 22, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Spies on May 29, 1772 in Girkhausen. She was born on January 24, 1751 in Wunderthausen. She died on September 26, 1817 in Wunderthausen.

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Notes for Johann Phillip Lauber:

Born at Hoheleye near Girkhausen, became tenant in Beckers. Moved on to Schmeds house.

- iii. Georg Hermann Lauber was born on December 02, 1762 in Wunderthausen. He died on July 18, 1793 in Wunderthausen. He married Maria Magdalena Womelsdorf on July 04, 1777 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 17, 1759 in Wunderthausen. She died on January 24, 1819 in Wunderthausen.

Notes for Georg Hermann Lauber:

Born at Hoheleye near Girkhausen, took over Grosse house in Wunderthausen by marriage.

Johannes Lauber had the following children:

- i. Johann Georg Lauber was born on August 24, 1738 in Girkhausen. He died on January 30, 1803 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married Anna Elisabeth Dickel on November 10, 1763. She was born on December 11, 1744 in Girkhausen. She died on April 10, 1798 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).
22. ii. Johannes Lauber was born on September 13, 1743 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on November 04, 1793 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He married Anna Elisabeth Rühl on February 24, 1767. She was born on January 02, 1742 in Langewiese. She died on January 31, 1801 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).
46. **Konrad Rühl** was born on um 1708 in Allendorf Eder,,Hessen,Deutschland. He died on November 14, 1761 in Langewiese,Wittgenstein jetzt Hochsauerland Kreis,NRW,Deutschland (Y). He married **Katharina Benfer**.
47. **Katharina Benfer** was born on December 01, 1712 in Diedenshausen,Wittgenstein,NRW,Deutschland. She died on April 29, 1794 in Langewiese,Wittgenstein jetzt Hochsauerland Kreis,NRW,Deutschland (Y).  
Katharina Benfer and Konrad Rühl had the following child:
  23. i. Anna Elisabeth Rühl was born on January 02, 1742 in Langewiese. She died on January 31, 1801 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). She married Johannes Lauber on February 24, 1767. He was born on September 13, 1743 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen). He died on November 04, 1793 in Hoheleye, Girkhausen (Girkhausen).
48. **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 **Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche** on July 10, 1740 in Girkhausen.
49. **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 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.

Anna Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche and Georg Gabriel Riedesel had the following children:

24. i. Johann Ludwig Riedesel was born on December 01, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 01, 1801 in Wunderthausen. He married Anna Elisabeth Homrighausen on July 10, 1774 in Wunderthausen. She was born on March 13, 1756 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 05, 1812 in Wunderthausen. He married Elisabeth Gertraud Knoche on May 28, 1766 in Wunderthausen. She was born on February 17, 1743 in Wunderthausen. She died on April 10, 1773 in Wunderthausen.
- ii. Anna Elisabeth Riedesel was born on December 15, 1743 in Wunderthausen. She died on November 22, 1802 in Wunderthausen. She married Georg Franz Homrighausen on October 10, 1769 in Wunderthausen. He was born on February 15, 1741 in Wunderthausen. He died on October 16, 1826 in Wunderthausen.

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Notes for Georg Franz Homrighausen:  
First tenant in Kellers Haus, Wunderthausen.

- iii. Johann Georg Riedesel was born on December 26, 1745 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 04, 1746 in Wunderthausen.
  - iv. Johannes Riedesel was born on January 11, 1749 in Wunderthausen. He died on January 21, 1749 in Wunderthausen.
50. **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.
51. **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:

- i. 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.
- 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.

Notes for Johann Jacob Knoche:  
Born in Bormanns Haus, Wunderthausen, became tenant in Seilers.

- 25. 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.
- 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:

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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.
52. **Anton Dreisbach**, son of Valentin Dreisbach and Anna Barbara Hackenbracht, was born on February 27, 1701 in Balde. He died on July 23, 1752 in Rinthe. He married **Anna Gertraud Dreisbach** on August 19, 1729 in Raumland.
53. **Anna Gertraud Dreisbach**, daughter of Johann Daniel Dreisbach and Anna Elisabeth Müsse, was born on December 16, 1703 in Balde. She died on November 25, 1774 in Rinthe.  
Anna Gertraud Dreisbach and Anton Dreisbach had the following child:
- 26. i. Anton Dreisbach was born on July 09, 1736 in Rinthe. He died on December 16, 1796 in Melbach. He married Anna Maria Hackenbracht on December 03, 1762 in Raumland. She was born on May 01, 1745 in Melbach. She died on April 19, 1777 in Melbach.
54. **Johann Daniel Hackenbracht**, son of Johannes Hackenbracht and Anna Margarete Fröbe, was born on November 18, 1716 in Melbach. He died on August 29, 1765 in Melbach. He married **Katharina Elisabeth Grebe** on November 21, 1743 in Raumland.
55. **Katharina Elisabeth Grebe**, daughter of Johann Daniel Grebe and Anna Gertraud Dreisbach, was born on May 06, 1725 in Raumland. She died on May 29, 1760 in Melbach.  
Katharina Elisabeth Grebe and Johann Daniel Hackenbracht had the following child:
- 27. i. Anna Maria Hackenbracht was born on May 01, 1745 in Melbach. She died on April 19, 1777 in Melbach. She married Anton Dreisbach on December 03, 1762 in Raumland. He was born on July 09, 1736 in Rinthe. He died on December 16, 1796 in Melbach.
58. **Johann Henrich Dreisbach** was born on January 02, 1674 in Berghausen. He died on August 16, 1730 in Berghausen. He married **Anna Margaretha Hesse**.
59. **Anna Margaretha Hesse** was born on July 19, 1681 in Berghausen. She died on August 26, 1762 in Berghausen.  
Anna Margaretha Hesse and Johann Henrich Dreisbach had the following child:
- 29. i. Anna Maria Dreisbach was born on March 03, 1723 in Berghausen. She died on June 04, 1790 in Prob Berghausen. She married Johann Daniel Müsse on April 11, 1760. He was born in 1721. He died on May 03, 1777 in Berghausen.