

Descendants of Marie Riedesel

Generation 1

1. **MARIE¹ RIEDESEL** was born on August 30, 1880 in Paris, France. She died on November 09, 1972 in Parsons, Labette, Kansas (Memorial Park Cemetery). She married (1) **ALFRED ROTH** in 1899 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She married (2) **ADAM HENRY ZEHNER**, son of Philipp Zehner and Margarethe Lotz, on June 16, 1904 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. He was born on January 14, 1878 in Marjoß, Main-Kinzig-Kreis, Hessen, Germany. He died on December 31, 1940 in Harper, Oklahoma (Zion Lutheran Cemetery).

Notes for Marie Riedesel:

She came to America alone about the time that her mother died in 1896. She worked as a maid for the Roth family in Chicago, and eventually married a son of the family. He was mentally unstable and the marriage ended in divorce. She then married Adam Zehner. They lived in various places but settled in Memphis by 1920. There are reports that they divorced in 1926 but as of 1930, she and her daughter Celia were living at Stigler, Haskell County, Oklahoma while Adam was boarding separately somewhere else. Her oldest son Albert and daughter Margaret were in Memphis, Tennessee.

She moved to the Chanute, Kansas, area in 1946 where she belonged to the Christian Church. Her sons Earl and Theodore lived there as well. Her place of death was the Labette County Medical Center (Kansas).

Notes for Adam Henry Zehner:

Came to the US about 1901. He was naturalized September 5, 1911. When he registered for the draft in 1917 he was described as being stout, of medium height with light hair and blue eyes. Living in Memphis, Tennessee in 1920 and was then described the employer of a butcher shop. By 1930, he was only a Laborer in Haskell County, Oklahoma.

Adam Henry Zehner and Marie Riedesel had the following children:

- i. **ALBERT PHILLIPS² ZEHNER** was born on October 20, 1905 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. He died in August 1960 in Harper County, Oklahoma. He married Hattie Martin on March 28, 1937.
- ii. **MARGUERITE ZEHNER** was born about 1908 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois. She died on April 29, 1947 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama. She married **FRANCIS BEARDEN GILLESPIE**. He was born on May 13, 1908 in Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee. He died on June 20, 1964 in San Bernadino, California.

Notes for Marguerite Zehner:

Marguerite attended college and was a teacher. Her early death was due to tuberculosis.

- iii. **THEODORE ZEHNER** was born on February 19, 1910 in Oklahoma. He died on September 19, 1979 in Thayer, Neosho, Kansas (Memorial Park Cemetery).

Notes for Theodore Zehner:

Never married.

- iv. **CECILIA ANNE GERTRUDE ZEHNER** was born on October 12, 1914 in Tennessee. She died on August 18, 2003 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama (Pine Crest Cemetery). She married Jacob Frederick Hopp, son of David Hopp and Susan Martin, on March 28, 1937 in Woodward, Woodward, Oklahoma. He was born on July 08, 1909 in Selman, Oklahoma. He died on December 03, 2001 in Mobile, Mobile, Alabama (Pine Crest Cemetery).

Notes for Jacob Frederick Hopp:

Known as Jack.

- v. **EARL PETER ZEHNER** was born on August 03, 1918 in Memphis, Shelby, Tennessee. He died on September 05, 1989 in Chanute, Neosho, Kansas.

Notes for Earl Peter Zehner:

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Moved to the Chanute area about 1947 where he farmed. He never married.