

Descendants of Johannes Mörchen

Generation 1

1. **JOHANNES¹ MÖRCHEN** was born on August 14, 1820 in Wunderthausen. He died in 1877 in Tipton, Cedar, Iowa. He married Catherine Elisabeth Bernhardt, daughter of Johann Adam Bernhardt and Elisabeth Amalia Trapp, on August 10, 1851 in Wunderthausen. She was born on November 27, 1829 in Wunderthausen. She died on August 27, 1915 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska (Beaver View Cemetery).

Notes for Johannes Mörchen:

The American spelling of the last varied (Merchen, Merchan, Murchen) though he was more consistently known as John. Born in the house Am Gefälle in Wunderthausen. Came to America on the ship "Johann Schmidt" out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. Information about his children is inconsistent. I have not seen any one definitive source. Before his death, he farmed 120 acres in Cedar County/Springfield Township/Section 13.

Notes for Catherine Elisabeth Bernhardt:

Known as Catherine. Born in the house called Schneidemühle in Wunderthausen. Came to America on the ship "Johann Schmidt" out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. After being widowed in 1877, she apparently moved to Wheatland from Cedar County, and then she and several of the children moved to Knox County, Nebraska near Crofton. The children apparently all used the spelling "Merchen." She was living with son Henry in 1900.

She bore 11 children, 9 of whom were alive in 1900, and 10 of whose names we know. I have seen a listing for a Joseph Merchen born in 1872, but that is the same year as Henry F. was apparently born. Perhaps they were twins. There was no living Joseph in the 1880 Census. Perhaps there are mistakes.

Johannes Mörchen and Catherine Elisabeth Bernhardt had the following children:

- i. **INFANT² MÖRCHEN** was born on October 27, 1852 in Wunderthausen. Infant died on October 27, 1852 in Wunderthausen.
2. ii. **JOHANN GEORG MÖRCHEN** was born on December 10, 1853 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1920 in Probably Colorado. He married (1) **CAROLINA WETTER**, daughter of Johann Georg Wetter and Sophia Müller, on July 19, 1882 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. She was born on November 13, 1862 in Sherrill, Dubuque, Iowa. She died on October 08, 1882 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. He married (2) **ELIZA FORD** on September 13, 1876 in Carroll County, Iowa. She was born in May 1857 in Indiana. He married (3) **ALICE FLOY IRWIN**, daughter of James Henry Irwin and Martha Jane Robinson, on July 25, 1883 in Sac, Iowa, USA. She was born about 1861 in Ohio. She died after 1930 in Probably Colorado.
- iii. **LUDWIG HEINRICH MÖRCHEN** was born on February 25, 1856 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1870.

Notes for Ludwig Heinrich Mörchen:

Born in the house "Am Gefälle" in Wunderthausen. Came to America on the ship "Johann Schmidt" out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857. Nothing more is known.

- iv. **J. FRANCIS MÖRCHEN** was born in April 1858 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on May 03, 1922 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska (Crofton Cemetery). He married Katherine Van Meter, daughter of Thomas Van Meter and Elizabeth Ann Kinkaid, in 1897 in Knox County, Nebraska. She was born on August 27, 1878 in Shelby County, Indiana. She died on March 17, 1927 in Nebraska.

Notes for J. Francis Mörchen:

As of 1920 they were living with her father at Crofton. Also known as Frank and as Merchen.

3. v. **SUSANNA MÖRCHEN** was born on April 07, 1860 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on August 11, 1948 in Moore, Cleveland, Oklahoma, USA (Smith Cemetery, Moore). She married Johann Georg Riedesel, son of Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Amalia Knoche, in Clinton, Iowa. He was born on November 27, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 18, 1932 in Moore, Cleveland, Oklahoma,

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- USA (Smith Cemetery, Moore).
4. vi. LOUIS MÖRCHEN was born on May 03, 1862 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on June 26, 1936 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota. He married Anna McKee, daughter of William J. McKee and Hannah Leona Wells, on July 07, 1890 in Wayne, Custer, Nebraska. She was born on November 19, 1872 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on April 13, 1954 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota.
 5. vii. JOHN MÖRCHEN was born on May 02, 1864 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on July 14, 1959 in Fresno, California (Belmont Memorial Park). He married Rebecca Mayer, daughter of Gottlieb Jakob Mayer and Justina Litau, about 1896 in Naper, Nebraska, USA. She was born on May 07, 1878 in Russia. She died on November 19, 1966 in Fresno, California (Belmont Memorial Park).
 6. viii. KATHRYN MÖRCHEN was born on November 15, 1865 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on July 25, 1913 in Knox County, Nebraska. She married Adolph Schaller on October 13, 1887 in Audubon, Iowa, USA. He was born in October 1856 in Minnesota. He died on February 07, 1930 in Knox County, Nebraska (Bloomfield Cemetery).
 7. ix. PHILIP HENRY MÖRCHEN was born on June 05, 1868 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on May 23, 1944 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska (Beaver View Cemetery). He married (1) DORA ANGIE MCKEE on February 07, 1893 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She was born in March 1873 in Redfield, MN. She died on December 31, 1962 in Creighton, Knox, Nebraska. He married (2) DORA MERCHEN. She was born about 1872 in Nebraska.
 8. x. CHARLES ERNEST FREDERICK MÖRCHEN was born on August 16, 1870 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on August 03, 1944 in Marsland, Dawes, Nebraska. He married Matilda Ulrika Hammerback on December 19, 1895 in Niobrara, Knox, Nebraska. She was born on March 17, 1878 in Rock Island, Rock Island, Illinois. She died on February 05, 1972 in Denver, Colorado.
 9. xi. HENRY FREDRICK MÖRCHEN was born on November 15, 1872 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died in 1936 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (Smith Cemetery, Moore). He married (1) UNKNOWN about 1894. She was born in Norway. She died before 1900. He married (2) MAUDE MAY RICHARDSON on August 27, 1907 in Butte, Nebraska, USA. She was born about 1886 in Nebraska. She died about 1922.

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2. **JOHANN GEORG² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on December 10, 1853 in Wunderthausen. He died before 1920 in Probably Colorado. He married (1) **CAROLINA WETTER**, daughter of Johann Georg Wetter and Sophia Müller, on July 19, 1882 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. She was born on November 13, 1862 in Sherrill, Dubuque, Iowa. She died on October 08, 1882 in Glidden, Carroll, Iowa. He married (2) **ELIZA FORD** on September 13, 1876 in Carroll County, Iowa. She was born in May 1857 in Indiana. He married (3) **ALICE FLOY IRWIN**, daughter of James Henry Irwin and Martha Jane Robinson, on July 25, 1883 in Sac, Iowa, USA. She was born about 1861 in Ohio. She died after 1930 in Probably Colorado.

Notes for Johann Georg Mörchen:

He was known as George Merchen. Born in the house known as Am Gefälle in Wunderthausen. Came to America on the ship "Johann Schmidt" out of Bremen, landing in New Orleans on June 1, 1857 with his family. Caroline (Wetter) died shortly after they were married. After marrying Alice, they moved on to Denver, Colorado where he was a carpenter.

Johann Georg Mörchen and Alice Floy Irwin had the following children:

10. i. JOSEPH JOHN³ MERCHEN was born on June 23, 1884 in Missouri Valley, Harrison, Iowa. He died on June 16, 1965 in Alameda County, California. He married Bessie L Reynolds on May 09, 1906 in Missouri. She was born about 1885 in Kentucky.
- ii. VILLA F MERCHEN was born in October 1887 in Colorado.

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11. iii. GLEN GEORGE MERCHEN was born on February 21, 1889 in Denver, Colorado. He died on August 19, 1952 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington. He married (1) FLORENCE JARVIS, daughter of George Jarvis and Carrie V. Naff, on May 26, 1938 in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho. She was born about 1894 in Washington. She died on April 04, 1942 in Yardley, Spokane, Washington. He married (2) ANNA C MARSHALL on September 07, 1910 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington. She was born on September 30, 1883. She died in July 1963 in Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, United States of America. He married (3) BETTY G ROSENBALM on May 14, 1950 in Newport, Spokane, Washington, USA. She was born on June 14, 1922 in Colorado.
3. **SUSANNA² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on April 07, 1860 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on August 11, 1948 in Moore, Cleveland, Oklahoma, USA (Smith Cemetery, Moore). She married Johann Georg Riedesel, son of Georg Gabriel Riedesel and Elisabeth Amalia Knoche, in Clinton, Iowa. He was born on November 27, 1844 in Wunderthausen. He died on December 18, 1932 in Moore, Cleveland, Oklahoma, USA (Smith Cemetery, Moore).

Notes for Susanna Mörchen:

She was in the first generation of Wunderthäuser born in America. Though her widowed mother and younger siblings moved on to Nebraska, I believe she lived around Wheatland before marrying George D. Riedesel.

Notes for Johann Georg Riedesel:

Known as George D. Born in Schreiners/Grosseludwigs Haus, Wunderthausen. Arrived in New York on the ship Hansa out of Bremen on October 27, 1865 (Captain H.J. Von Santen). He first lived on the farm of his brother John near Wheatland after coming to the US. Later he owned and farmed land with his other brothers, Louis D. and Henry D. Riedesel. Around 1900, he and his wife moved to Moore, Oklahoma. His tombstone is engraved with the birth date of November 27, 1844 (at odds with the birth record in Wunderthausen) and death date of December 21 (at odds with his death certificate).

Two sons and a daughter, Adele (known as Della), all unmarried, lived on the family farm.

Johann Georg Riedesel and Susanna Mörchen had the following children:

- i. JOHN GEORGE³ RIEDESEL was born on April 06, 1883 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on March 11, 1970 in Moore, Cleveland, Oklahoma, USA (Smith Cemetery, Moore).

Notes for John George Riedesel:

Known as John in some cases, but his grave says "George Jr." He continued to farm at Moore along with his siblings Adele and (Louis) Franklin.

- ii. ADELE LOUISE RIEDESEL was born on April 20, 1885 in Clinton County, Iowa, USA. She died on May 17, 1958 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (Smith Cemetery, Moore).

Notes for Adele Louise Riedesel:

Known as Della. She never married and continued to live on the family farm with older brother George and younger brother (Louis) Franklin.

12. iii. ALVENA LOUISA RIEDESEL was born on March 30, 1888 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on May 13, 1978 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery). She married Leo Josesph Meyer, son of Daniel W. Meyer and Abby Schader, on September 08, 1906 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He was born on December 15, 1881 in Morgan County, Missouri. He died on March 14, 1965 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery).
- iv. OSCAR RIEDESEL was born on March 08, 1891 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on September 20, 1891 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa.
- v. LOUIS FRANKLIN RIEDESEL was born on July 03, 1898 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. He died on September 09, 1990 in Purcell, McClain, Oklahoma.

Notes for Louis Franklin Riedesel:

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Never married. Known as Frank. He remained on the family farm with his older siblings George and Adele.

4. **LOUIS² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on May 03, 1862 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on June 26, 1936 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota. He married Anna McKee, daughter of William J. McKee and Hannah Leona Wells, on July 07, 1890 in Wayne, Custer, Nebraska. She was born on November 19, 1872 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on April 13, 1954 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota.

Notes for Louis Mörchen:

Some family referred to him as "Louis Zeke" Merchen.

Notes for Anna McKee:

Bore six children by 1900, five of whom were alive. One source says she had 13 children in all. Her son Harry's obituary refers to twelve deceased siblings, and one who was still alive in 2003 (making 14, including the nameless infant).

Louis Mörchen and Anna McKee had the following children:

- i. **JOHN FRANKLIN³ MERCHEN** was born on December 01, 1891 in Nebraska. He died on September 08, 1962 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota.
- ii. **DOLLY MERCHEN** was born on March 03, 1893 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on March 01, 1977 in Newberg, Yamhill, Oregon. She married Charles Edward Barkman on February 18, 1915 in Hartington, Cedar, Nebraska. He was born on May 31, 1880 in Iowa. He died on July 19, 1971 in Yamhill, Yamhill, Oregon.
- iii. **LENALEONA MERCHEN** was born on April 20, 1895 in Knox County, Nebraska. She died on June 22, 1947 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska.
13. iv. **WILLIAM FRED MERCHEN** was born on January 19, 1897 in Nebraska. He died on July 24, 1974 in Madison, Lake, South Dakota. He married Josephine Irene Cummings on July 25, 1921 in Yankton, Yankton, South Dakota. She was born on July 02, 1904.
- v. **SADIE K. MERCHEN** was born on March 14, 1900 in Nebraska. She died on May 18, 1912 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska.
14. vi. **ANNA ELISABETH MERCHEN** was born on April 22, 1902 in Crofton, Knox County, Nebraska, United States of America. She died on May 04, 2001 in Wayzata, Hennepin, Minnesota. She married Wilfred Randolph Wilder on December 25, 1921 in Mellette, Spink, South Dakota. He was born on April 06, 1892 in Ladora, Iowa, Iowa. He died on March 15, 1967 in Pierre, Hughes, South Dakota.
- vii. **ALBERT JAMES MERCHEN** was born on May 06, 1904 in Crofton, Nebraska. He died on June 27, 1980 in Wright, Campbell, Wyoming. He married EMMA BEARD.
15. viii. **HARRY ERIC MERCHEN** was born on July 10, 1906 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on July 28, 2003 in Kadoka, Jackson, South Dakota. He married Mildred Lillian Beard on March 10, 1929 in White River, Lyman, South Dakota. She was born on December 17, 1908 in Polk County, Nebraska. She died on March 18, 2002 in Kadoka, Jackson, South Dakota.
- ix. **LOUIS MAX MERCHEN** was born on August 22, 1908 in Knox County, Nebraska. He died on February 14, 2002 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota. He married Hazel Mary Eggers on April 26, 1929 in Yankton, South Dakota. She was born on February 01, 1911 in Knox County, Nebraska. She died on July 13, 1999 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota.
- x. **LESLIE ARTHUR MERCHEN** was born on July 23, 1910 in Grofton, Nebraska. He died on June 07, 1996 in Billings, Yellowstone, Montana. He married Nellie Jane Gibson in September 1934 in Tripp, South Dakota, USA. She was born on March 18, 1910. She died on June 16, 2007 in Montana.
- xi. **DONALD DODE MERCHEN** was born on July 04, 1912 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on June 08, 1987 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota.

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- xii. ESTHER LOUISE MERCHEN was born on April 08, 1914 in Crofton, Knox County, Nebraska, United States of America. She died on December 30, 2010 in New Underwood, Pennington County, South Dakota, United States of America. She married CHRISTIAN ADAM MATZ. He was born on October 18, 1910 in Canada. He died on July 03, 1934.
 - xiii. CAROL PHYLLIS MERCHEN was born on July 30, 1916 in Tripp, South Dakota, USA. She died on June 16, 1994 in Rushville, Sheridan, Nebraska. She married Earl Huddleston Grass on August 19, 1933. He was born on October 03, 1916 in Wayside, Dawes, Nebraska. He died on November 29, 1954 in Chadron, Dawes, Nebraska.
 - xiv. CHILD MERCHEN.
5. **JOHN² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on May 02, 1864 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on July 14, 1959 in Fresno, California (Belmont Memorial Park). He married Rebecca Mayer, daughter of Gottlieb Jakob Mayer and Justina Litau, about 1896 in Naper, Nebraska, USA. She was born on May 07, 1878 in Russia. She died on November 19, 1966 in Fresno, California (Belmont Memorial Park).

Notes for John Mörchen:

As of 1910 he was a retail merchant and living next to his cousin Henry Fred in the Basin township of Boyd County, NE.

Notes for Rebecca Mayer:

Came to America in 1893.

John Mörchen and Rebecca Mayer had the following children:

- i. JUSTINA³ MERCHEN was born on April 17, 1897 in Nebraska. She died on November 26, 1903 in Nebraska.
 - ii. OLGA MERCHEN was born in June 1898 in Nebraska. She died before 1910.
 - iii. HENRY MERCHEN was born on December 23, 1901 in Nebraska. He died on January 19, 1988 in Fresno, California.
 - iv. MARIA MERCHEN was born on January 01, 1908 in Nebraska. She died on June 16, 1981 in Fresno, California.
 - v. WILLIAM GEORGE MERCHEN was born on September 25, 1915 in American Falls, Power, Idaho, USA. He died on February 10, 1995 in Fresno, California.
6. **KATHRYN² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on November 15, 1865 in Cedar County, Iowa. She died on July 25, 1913 in Knox County, Nebraska. She married Adolph Schaller on October 13, 1887 in Audubon, Iowa, USA. He was born in October 1856 in Minnesota. He died on February 07, 1930 in Knox County, Nebraska (Bloomfield Cemetery).

Adolph Schaller and Kathryn Mörchen had the following children:

- i. JOHN³ SCHALLER was born on September 24, 1888 in Audubon County, Iowa, United States of America. He died in 1965.
 - ii. WILLIAM SCHALLER was born on October 20, 1889 in Iowa. He died in July 1965.
 - iii. CHARLIE SCHALLER was born in 1890 in Audubon County, Iowa, United States of America. He died in 1919.
 - iv. RALPH SCHALLER was born on October 30, 1892 in Audubon County, Iowa, United States of America. He died on November 16, 1892 in Nebraska.
7. **PHILIP HENRY² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on June 05, 1868 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on May 23, 1944 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska (Beaver View Cemetery). He married (1) **DORA ANGIE MCKEE** on February 07, 1893 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She was born in March 1873 in Redfield, MN. She died on December 31, 1962 in Creighton, Knox, Nebraska. He married (2) **DORA MERCHEN**. She was born about 1872 in Nebraska.

Notes for Philip Henry Mörchen:

1900 Census gives his year of birth as 1868 and the 1880 Census implies the same. However, his grave in the Beaverview Cemetery gives it as 1865 (or has been transcribed incorrectly). May

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have been known as John at some point.

Philip Henry Mörchen and Dora Angie McKee had the following children:

- i. CHARLES H.³ MERCHEN was born on April 24, 1894 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on February 01, 1983 in Cherry County, Nebraska. He married HAZEL TAGUE. She was born on May 21, 1898 in Iowa City, Johnson, Iowa. She died in July 1985 in Cherry County, Nebraska.

Notes for Charles H. Merchen:
Lived at Norris, SD, after their marriage but eventually settled at Valentine.
- ii. MINNIE ELIZABETH MERCHEN was born on February 24, 1896 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on December 13, 1981. She married JAMES CAYLER.
- iii. FRED WILLIAM MERCHEN was born on April 08, 1898 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on October 16, 1980 in Bloomfield, Knox, Nebraska. He married LEONA KARLIN. She was born on December 19, 1909. She died on August 27, 2003 in Knox County, Nebraska.
16. iv. OTTO PHILLIP MERCHEN was born on August 07, 1900 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on October 11, 1977 in Knox County, Nebraska. He married BESSIE PARSON. She was born on October 06, 1906. She died in June 1987 in Knox County, Nebraska.
- v. GUY HERBERT MERCHEN was born on October 15, 1902 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on November 11, 1976 in Nebraska. He married LEONE M. DOUGLAS. She was born in 1921.
- vi. ANNA KATHERINE MERCHEN was born on January 04, 1905 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on April 26, 2001 in Creighton, Knox, Nebraska. She married ROY F. KECK. He was born on February 27, 1903. He died on July 22, 1994.
- vii. ROSIE PHYLLIS MERCHEN was born on July 25, 1907 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on October 27, 1915.
- viii. MARY MILDRED MERCHEN was born on July 28, 1910 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on April 18, 2007 in Creighton, Knox, Nebraska. She married HOWARD WILLIAM KECK. He was born on January 05, 1910 in Knox County, Nebraska. He died on August 23, 1985 in Omaha, Douglas, Nebraska.
- ix. PHILLIP WOODROW MERCHEN was born on July 25, 1912 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on February 13, 1996 in Nebraska. He married MAVIS DOUGLAS.
- x. EARL HAROLD MERCHEN was born on October 13, 1915 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on March 29, 1969 in Soda Springs, Caribou County, Idaho, United States of America. He married BERNICE DEHL.
8. **CHARLES ERNEST FREDERICK² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on August 16, 1870 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died on August 03, 1944 in Marsland, Dawes, Nebraska. He married Matilda Ulrika Hammerback on December 19, 1895 in Niobrara, Knox, Nebraska. She was born on March 17, 1878 in Rock Island, Rock Island, Illinois. She died on February 05, 1972 in Denver, Colorado.

Notes for Matilda Ulrika Hammerback:

The 1900 Census says that she had borne four children, three of whom were living. However, only John and an unnamed daughter are enumerated. May have been known as Lila.

Charles Ernest Frederick Mörchen and Matilda Ulrika Hammerback had the following children:

17. i. JOHN PETER³ MERCHEN was born on April 26, 1897 in Weigand, Knox Co. Neb.. He died on May 08, 1949 in Nebraska. He married EDITH ??. She was born in 1899. She died in 1964 in Nebraska.
- ii. JOSIE M. MERCHEN was born in May 1900 in Nebraska. She died on April 28, 1981.
- iii. SUSAN MERCHEN was born about 1903 in Nebraska.

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- iv. ERNEST MERCHEN was born about 1908 in Nebraska. He died on January 30, 1995 in Ogallala, Keith, Nebraska, USA.
- 18. v. MARGERET MATHILDA MERCHEN was born on December 09, 1910 in Crofton (Sweden) Nebr.. She died in 1986. She married EDWARD WILLIAM WEST. He was born on February 28, 1905 in Coleridge, Cedar County, Nebraska, United States of America. He died on February 21, 1956 in Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa, United States of America.
- 9. **HENRY FREDRICK² MÖRCHEN** (Johannes¹) was born on November 15, 1872 in Cedar County, Iowa. He died in 1936 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (Smith Cemetery, Moore). He married (1) **UNKNOWN** about 1894. She was born in Norway. She died before 1900. He married (2) **MAUDE MAY RICHARDSON** on August 27, 1907 in Butte, Nebraska, USA. She was born about 1886 in Nebraska. She died about 1922.

Notes for Henry Fredrick Mörchen:

Known as Henry Merchen (or even Merchant). Appears to have been widowed by 1900. The Census shows him living with his daughter and mother. In 1910 he had a young wife, Maud, and a child living with them. His name is listed as "Ray Richardson" and I suspect this was a step-son. This was at Basin, Boyd County, Nebraska.

Henry Fredrick Mörchen and Unknown had the following child:

- i. **KATHERINE³ MERCHEN** was born on December 08, 1894 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. She died on March 29, 2000 in North Las Vegas, Clark, Nevada, USA. She married Cecil W. Collins on July 25, 1932 in Fall River, South Dakota, USA. He was born on August 05, 1891 in Nevada, Vernon County, Missouri, United States of America. He died on August 11, 1965 in Cheyenne, Laramie County, Wyoming, United States of America.

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- 10. **JOSEPH JOHN³ MERCHEN** (Johann Georg² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on June 23, 1884 in Missouri Valley, Harrison, Iowa. He died on June 16, 1965 in Alameda County, California. He married Bessie L Reynolds on May 09, 1906 in Missouri. She was born about 1885 in Kentucky.
Joseph John Merchen and Bessie L Reynolds had the following child:
 - i. **BETTIE FLOY⁴ MERCHEN** was born about 1918 in Missouri. She died on March 25, 2006.
- 11. **GLEN GEORGE³ MERCHEN** (Johann Georg² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on February 21, 1889 in Denver, Colorado. He died on August 19, 1952 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington. He married (1) **FLORENCE JARVIS**, daughter of George Jarvis and Carrie V. Naff, on May 26, 1938 in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho. She was born about 1894 in Washington. She died on April 04, 1942 in Yardley, Spokane, Washington. He married (2) **ANNA C MARSHALL** on September 07, 1910 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington. She was born on September 30, 1883. She died in July 1963 in Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, United States of America. He married (3) **BETTY G ROSENBALM** on May 14, 1950 in Newport, Spokane, Washington, USA. She was born on June 14, 1922 in Colorado.
Glen George Merchen and Anna C Marshall had the following children:
 - i. **PHYLLIS⁴ MERCHEN** was born about 1915 in Washington.
 - ii. **GWENITH ORVILLE MERCHEN** was born on July 22, 1917 in Spokane, Washington. She died on April 02, 1933 in Spokane, Spokane, Washington.
 - iii. **GEORGIANNA MERCHEN** was born on March 08, 1920 in Spokane, Washington. She died on January 17, 2004.
- 12. **ALVENA LOUISA³ RIEDESEL** (Susanna² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on March 30, 1888 in Wheatland, Clinton, Iowa. She died on May 13, 1978 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery). She married Leo Joeseph Meyer, son of Daniel W. Meyer and Abby Schader, on September 08, 1906 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He was born on December 15, 1881 in Morgan County, Missouri. He died on March 14, 1965 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma (St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery).

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Notes for Alvena Louisa Riedesel:

Known as Ollie. She was the only child to marry and move off the family farm.

Leo Joseph Meyer and Alvena Louisa Riedesel had the following children:

- i. ANDREW CHARLES⁴ MEYER was born on May 16, 1908 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He died on June 14, 1941 in Oklahoma City, Canadian, Oklahoma (St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery). He married Pauline Ann Stibbens on January 31, 1935 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She was born on January 29, 1920 in Oklahoma. She died on February 29, 2012.
 - ii. ESTHER GERTRUDE MEYER was born on March 13, 1913 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She died on June 01, 2011 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She married Fortcrable Snow on May 11, 1935 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He was born on May 10, 1909 in Hugo, Choctaw, Oklahoma. He died on September 29, 1982.
 - iii. ABBIE ALVENA MEYER was born on September 26, 1917 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She died on October 19, 1996 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She married (1) FLOYD HENSLEY on July 28, 1937 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He was born on March 16, 1911 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. He died on July 07, 1977 in Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma. She married (2) DUDLEY WAYNE ALEXANDER on August 26, 1985 in Van Buren, Arkansas. He was born on January 01, 1918 in Duncan, Stephens, Oklahoma.
13. **WILLIAM FRED³ MERCHEN** (Louis² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on January 19, 1897 in Nebraska. He died on July 24, 1974 in Madison, Lake, South Dakota. He married Josephine Irene Cummings on July 25, 1921 in Yankton, Yankton, South Dakota. She was born on July 02, 1904.

William Fred Merchen and Josephine Irene Cummings had the following children:

- i. DOROTHY ELIZABETH⁴ MERCHEN was born on April 15, 1922 in Nebraska. She married EARL FREDERICK WEADAN. He was born on February 28, 1914. He died on January 11, 1996 in Murdo, Jones, South Dakota.
 - ii. AILEEN MARDELL MERCHEN was born on January 03, 1924. She died in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho. She married RUDOLPH CHARLES SHRINER. He was born on June 19, 1909. He died in December 1983 in Coeur d'Alene, Kootenai, Idaho.
 - iii. RICHARD WILLIAM MERCHEN was born on October 18, 1925 in White River, Mellette, South Dakota. He died on November 27, 2001 in Omaha, Douglas, Nebraska. He married Jeanne Lewis on July 16, 1945. She was born on May 06, 1927.
 - iv. VELMA LOUISE MERCHEN was born on June 08, 1927 in White River, Mellette, South Dakota. She married (1) FRANK S. ROOT. He was born on November 03, 1909. He died on May 16, 1994 in Winner, Tripp, South Dakota. She married (2) MATTIAS HOEFFER. He was born on December 31, 1923. He died in June 1970 in Idaho.
 - v. ARTHUR RONALD MERCHEN was born on August 15, 1932 in White River, Mellette, South Dakota. He married Margaret Smith on August 03, 1953.
 - vi. JOANNE DELORES MERCHEN was born on September 19, 1933 in White River, Mellette, South Dakota. She married Calvin R. Jerred on August 25, 1954. He was born on March 03, 1933.
14. **ANNA ELISABETH³ MERCHEN** (Louis² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on April 22, 1902 in Crofton, Knox County, Nebraska, United States of America. She died on May 04, 2001 in Wayzata, Hennepin, Minnesota. She married Wilfred Randolph Wilder on December 25, 1921 in Mellette, Spink, South Dakota. He was born on April 06, 1892 in Ladora, Iowa, Iowa. He died on March 15, 1967 in Pierre, Hughes, South Dakota.

Wilfred Randolph Wilder and Anna Elisabeth Merchen had the following children:

- i. FAYE⁴ WILDER.
- ii. LYNN WILDER.

Generation 3 (cont.)

15. **HARRY ERIC³ MERCHEN** (Louis² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on July 10, 1906 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on July 28, 2003 in Kadoka, Jackson, South Dakota. He married Mildred Lillian Beard on March 10, 1929 in White River, Lyman, South Dakota. She was born on December 17, 1908 in Polk County, Nebraska. She died on March 18, 2002 in Kadoka, Jackson, South Dakota.

Notes for Harry Eric Merchen:

Grew up in the Winner, White River and Norris areas. After their marriage they lived and ranched near Norris, South Dakota. Later they moved into Kadoka but continued to own and operate the ranch. In the early 1990's they sold the ranch to their sons, Harry Merchen, Jr. and Widd Merchen. He was the longest-surviving of 13 siblings.

Harry Eric Merchen and Mildred Lillian Beard had the following children:

- i. MELVIN⁴ MERCHEN was born on December 08, 1931 in Norris, Mellette, South Dakota. He died on December 11, 2003 in Rapid City, Pennington, South Dakota. He married Carol L. Batie on December 28, 1953 in Webster, Day, South Dakota.
 - ii. INFANT MERCHEN.
 - iii. HARRY MERCHEN JR..
 - iv. JEANINE MERCHEN.
 - v. MARK MERCHEN.
 - vi. WIDD MERCHEN.
 - vii. RONNELL MERCHEN.
16. **OTTO PHILLIP³ MERCHEN** (Philip Henry² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on August 07, 1900 in Crofton, Knox, Nebraska. He died on October 11, 1977 in Knox County, Nebraska. He married **BESSIE PARSON**. She was born on October 06, 1906. She died in June 1987 in Knox County, Nebraska.

Otto Phillip Merchen and Bessie Parson had the following children:

- i. RICHARD D.⁴ MERCHEN was born about 1925 in Knox County, Nebraska.
- ii. MAXINE E. MERCHEN was born about 1928 in Knox County, Nebraska.

17. **JOHN PETER³ MERCHEN** (Charles Ernest Frederick² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on April 26, 1897 in Weigand, Knox Co. Neb.. He died on May 08, 1949 in Nebraska. He married **EDITH ??**. She was born in 1899. She died in 1964 in Nebraska.

John Peter Merchen and Edith ?? had the following children:

- i. CLEO⁴ MERCHEN was born about 1924.
- ii. GALEN MERCHEN was born about 1928.

18. **MARGERET MATHILDA³ MERCHEN** (Charles Ernest Frederick² Mörchen, Johannes¹ Mörchen) was born on December 09, 1910 in Crofton (Sweden) Nebr.. She died in 1986. She married **EDWARD WILLIAM WEST**. He was born on February 28, 1905 in Coleridge, Cedar County, Nebraska, United States of America. He died on February 21, 1956 in Sioux City, Woodbury County, Iowa, United States of America.

Edward William West and Margeret Mathilda Merchen had the following children:

- i. CLAYTON R⁴ WEST was born on July 18, 1930 in Crofton, Knox County, Nebraska, United States of America. He died on September 30, 2010 in Wausa, Knox County, Nebraska, United States of America.
- ii. DENNIS R WEST was born in 1935. He died in 1983.