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1. Added description for Anna Reuter, daughter of Frank Reuter (page 22).
2. Changed description of Anna Maria Reuter, daughter of Anton Reuter and Maria Steffes (page 22). Previous version (version 2) stated that Anna Maria Reuter may have been a nun in Mankato, Minnesota based on Mankato postcards evidence. Further investigation by Molly Emig Schultz (Sept-Dec 2005) indicates these postcards are written by Sr. Mary Edna Nowak, sister-in-law of Maggie Reuter Nowak (b. October 16, 1877). The Nowak-Mankato postcards have been removed from H-S-R version 3 and provided to Molly for Nowak family book usage.
3. Tin Type photographs circa 1880's (page 66) Changed description of middle tin type photo from 'Unknown' to 'Possibly Emma (Roller) and Gertrude (Wagner) before they were married?'
4. Added Anton Reuter Masburg trunk pages and pictures (pages 68, 69). Thank you Barabara Sherada, Carole Sherada and James Sherada.
5. Changed 'grade' to 'grade (generation)' for clarity.

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Forward

The scope of this book is to present the ancestral history of the Hermes-Steffes-Reuter family who emigrated from Masburg, Germany to Detroit, Michigan, 1881.

Only the basic family structure is presented in this release. This book is not a detailed study but is meant as a starting point to be distributed to the rest of the family.

Genealogy work is never done. There are always more 'fruit to be picked' from this family tree. Perhaps a more comprehensive work can be presented in the future.

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Maria Steffes married **Johann Josef Hermes** in Masburg, Germany. From this marriage, 6 children were born. Johann Josef Hermes died 1864, Masburg. **Maria Steffes** married (second) **Anton Reuter**, 1866, Masburg. From this marriage, 6 children were born. In 1881, Anton Reuter and Maria (Steffes-Hermes) Reuter emigrated from Masburg, Germany to Detroit, Michigan.

Section 1

Introductory information on Masburg and surrounding communities.

Section 2

The ancestral history of **Johann Josef Hermes** and **Maria Steffes** is presented. Johann Josef Hermes, son of **Hubert Hermes** and **Anna Maria Steffes**, died 1864, Masburg.

Numbers are assigned to each family and increase as we move *back in time*. Please be aware that some families in this section may also appear in section 3, but the assigned family numbers will be different.

Section 3

The ancestral history of **Anton Reuter** and **Maria Steffes** is presented. Anton Reuter was the son of **Johann Josef Reuter** and **Anna Maria Adams**.

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Section 4

A collection of photographs and historical documents is presented.

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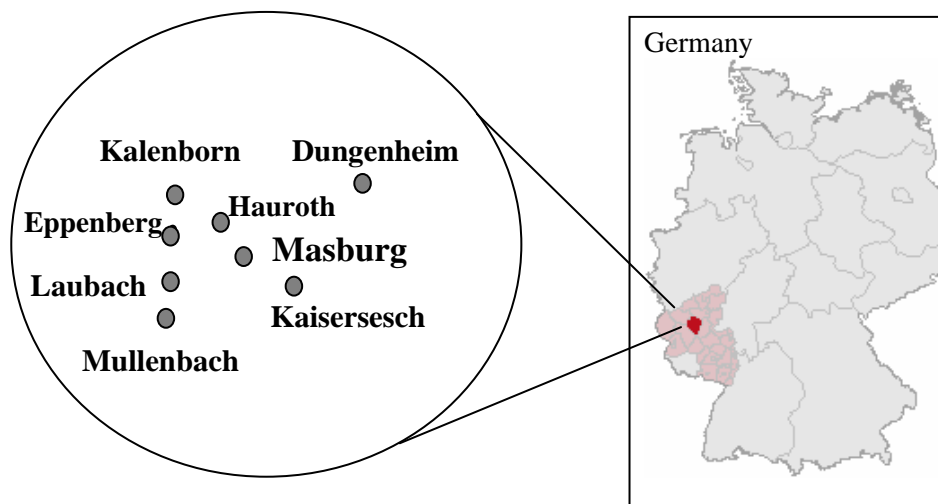
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Background Information on Masburg

Contributed by Ursula Buchholz

Masburg is a village in the district of Cochem (Cochem-Zell) in Rhineland-Palatinate (Rheinland-Pfalz). It has about 1,000 inhabitants and is about 9 km². The surrounding geographic area is commonly referred to near the Eifel; the Eifel is a low mountain range that was formed from volcanic activity 1000's of years ago.



The village of Masburg was first mentioned in a document dated 1177 where properties of the abbey Karden at the Mosel river were recorded. Up to 1798 Masburg was part of the Archdiocese Trier, governed by the Lord elector, the Archbishop in Trier. Following the French Revolution, Napoleon brought an end to the Holy Roman Empire and Masburg became part of the French department Rhine et Moselle. Although the French government did not last more than 15 years, it brought considerable changes in administration and life to the Rheinland. In 1815, new border lines were drawn in Germany, the Rheinland became part of Prussia and it took the Rheinland residents quite a while to get acquainted with the idea of Prussian way of life and being ruled by a protestant king in Berlin. Today, Masburg is embedded in the organization of Verbandsgemeinde Kaisersesch, district of Cochem in the State of Rheinland-Pfalz.

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Everywhere in the Eifel the climate is rough and the soil is mainly stony and does not allow a prosperous agricultural income. Therefore people always had to find a second leg to stand on. The slate mines in and near Masburg played an important economic role and many men found their daily income in the mines. Others had to leave the Eifel and had to work in the industrial areas in Cologne or the Ruhrgebiet.



Figure 1. Masburg, Germany. A view from a hillside.

Times have changed, the slate mines were closed nearly 50 years ago. Industrial zones have opened nearby. Today, the Masburg residents earn their keep in the cities and villages around or in Masburg themselves.

Considering the fact that life in the Eifel was always hard, people were poor and famine was a daily guest at the lunch table, it is easy to understand that the idea to emigrate found open ears. From the early 1820's onwards, persons left the Eifel by the thousands, and emigrated to the United States.

As family research in Germany is mainly based on church books, a word should be said about the Masburg parish. A document from 1573 is still available indicating the boundaries of Masburg parish that shows us the importance and size of the parish. Six affiliated villages, i.e. Muellenbach (Müllenbach), Laubach, Eppenberg, Kalenborn, Bermel, Hauroth and some mills and farms outside the villages themselves, belonged to Masburg parish and were administered from there. Therefore, all genealogical data for these villages can be found in the Masburg church books; the collection of historic church books are kept at Bistumsarchiv in Trier.



Figure 2. St. Laurentius Church, Masburg.

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Information sources for Masburg, Germany

- Familienbuch der katholischen Pfarreien St. Laurentius Masburg mit Bermel, Eppenberg, Haurath und Kalenborn von 1717 bis 1798 und von 1860 – 1899 und St. Hubertus Müllenbach mit Laubach, Leienkaul und Hochpochten von 1717 bis 1899 by Ursula Buchholz, Selbstverlag, Bergheim 2003,. Based on Kirchenbücher der Pfarrei Masburg in Bistumsarchiv Trier, Germany.
- Civil records from Personenstandsakten Bürgermeisterei Kaisersesch in Landeshauptarchiv Koblenz, File 656,75 / 1798-1872.

Note: The original Masburg Church records from the time period 1798-1860 are lost. To help fill in this data gap, Ursula also consulted many secondary sources including civil records in Koblenz, prior to release of the Masburg book. Ursula recommends that all researchers consult the civil records in Koblenz to establish the correct ‘family connection’.

Information source for Hermes Family, Detroit, Michigan

- Yagley & Roller-Hermes-Reuter Family History, The Early Years in Detroit, Michigan, A Collection By Robert J. Yagley book. An Historical Guide To Discovering Your Past; Third edition, 2nd Printing March 2004, Endicott, NY

Information source for Reuter Family, Detroit, Michigan

- Private Genealogy Collection of Molly Emig Schultz, Detroit, Michigan. 2004

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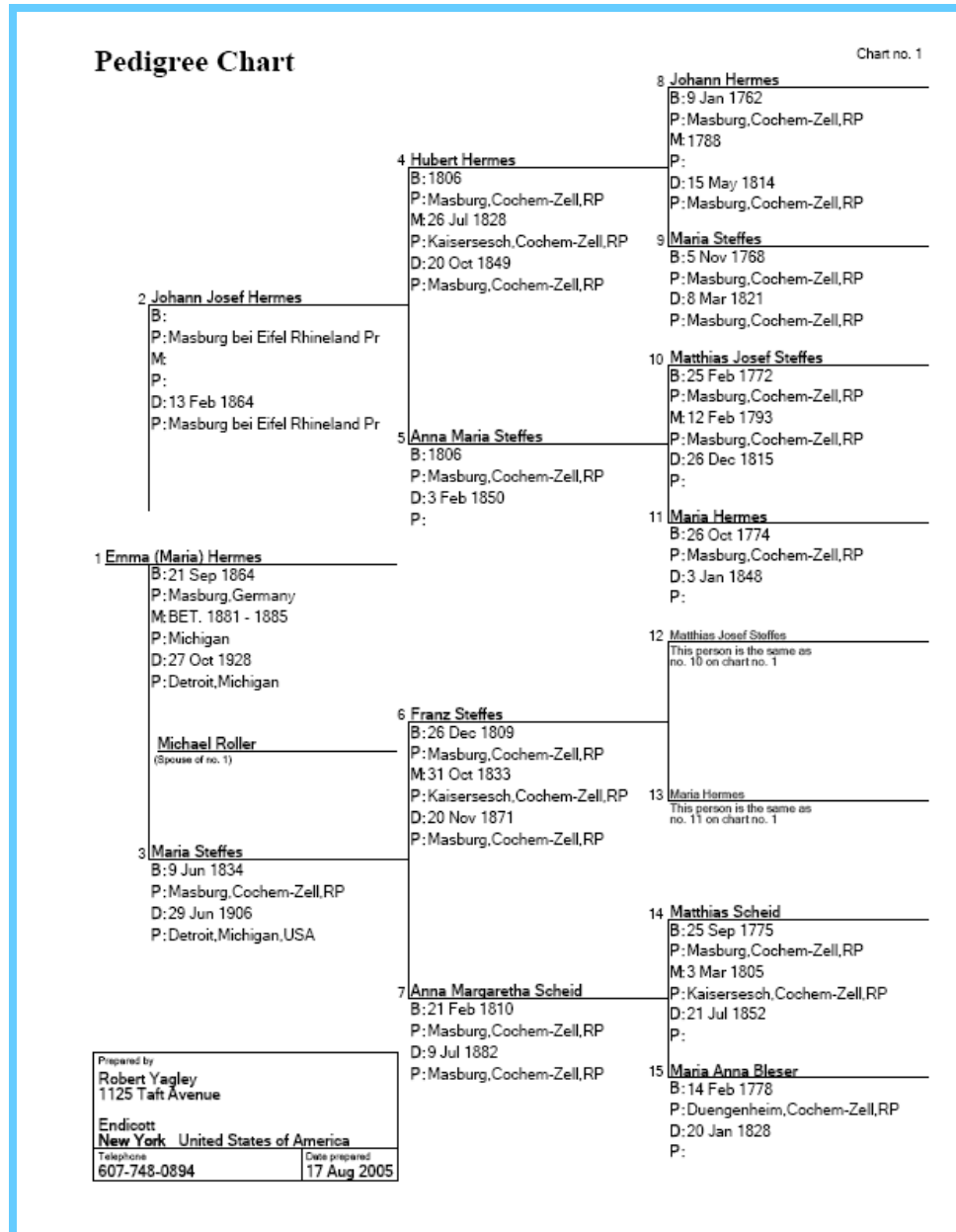
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Number assignment and text color explained.

Example

(6) Franz Steffes and Anna Margaretha Scheid

6. Franz Steffes was born December 26, 1809 in Masburg and died November 20, 1871 in Masburg. Franz Steffes was the son of **Matthias Josef Steffes (12)** and **Maria Hermes**.

Franz Steffes married **Anna Margaretha Scheid (7)** October 31, 1833 in Kaisersesch, daughter of **Matthias Scheid (14)** and **Maria Anna Bleser**. Anna Margaretha Scheid was born February 21, 1810 in Masburg and died July 9, 1882 in Masburg.

Children of **Franz Steffes** and **Anna Margaretha Scheid** are:

- +3 i. Maria Steffes**, b. June 9, 1834, Masburg; d. June 29, 1906, Detroit, Michigan.
Married (1) **Johann Josef Hermes (2)** before 1853. (6) children.
Married (2) **Anton Reuter**, November 20, 1866, Masburg. (6) children.
ii. Anton Steffes, b. About 1843; d. October 20, 1878, Masburg.

Note on numbers: Numbers are assigned to individuals to link each family connection. These numbers are easily recognized and may commonly appear as a number in parenthesis (6).

In this example, Franz Steffes is assigned a number (6). His wife, Anna Margaretha Scheid is assigned number (7).

The father of an individual is assigned a number that is 2 time the child number. In this example, the father of Franz Steffes is assigned a number (12) and the mother, Maria Hermes, is assigned a number (13).

The child, Maria Steffes, is assigned a number 3. The plus sign in front of the number +3 indicates there is more data on her families; ie. husbands and children.

Because Maria married twice, the ancestral history of her first husband, Johann Josef Hermes, is presented in the Hermes Section; and the ancestral history of her second husband, Anton Reuter, is presented in the Reuter Section.

Note on text color: Although the ancestral families are presented in color text in the pdf file, the book is designed to be economically printed on paper using black ink only. The color text was done during development of this book; it appears in the pdf file as an aid for the reader. The general guideline was the ancestral family of Maria Steffes is color coded in green text. The ancestral families of Hermes and Reuter are color coded in blue text. (g=green=girl; b=blue=boy).

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First Generation

(2) Johann Josef Hermes and Maria Steffes

2. Johann Josef Hermes was born July 16, 1828 in Masburg, Cochem-Zell, Rheinland-Pfalz (RP), Germany and died February 13, 1864 (age 37 years), Masburg. Johann Josef Hermes was the son of **Hubert Hermes (4)** and **Anna Maria Steffes**.

Johann Josef Hermes married **Maria Steffes (3)** before 1853, daughter of **Franz Steffes (6)** and **Anna Scheid**. Maria Steffes was born June 9, 1834 in Masburg, Germany and died June 29, 1906 in Detroit, Michigan, ¹ USA. (6) children.

Maria Steffes married (2) **Anton Reuter**, November 20, 1866, Masburg.

Anton Reuter was the son of **Johann Josef Reuter** and **Anna Maria Adams**. Anton Reuter was born September 19, 1840; died October 10, 1906, Detroit, Michigan. (6) children.

In 1881, Anton and Maria (Steffes-Hermes) Reuter emigrated from Germany arriving in New York enroute to Detroit. Offspring traveling to America included John and Katharina (Hermes) Schefges (Schäfges) and 3 children, Joseph, Maria and Gertrude; Gertrude Hermes, Emma Hermes, Frank Reuter, Catherine Reuter and Margaret Reuter. Frank Hermes and Matthias Hermes choose to stay in Masburg. Maria Reuter ² stayed in Germany to care for her grandmother Reuter, Anna Maria (Adams) Reuter, mother of Anton Reuter. *When her grandmother died in 1888, Maria immigrated to Detroit, Michigan. She revisited her birthplace in 1908 (see 1908 Masburg photo).*

Children of **Johann Josef Hermes** and **Maria Steffes** are:

- i. **Katharina ('Katie') Hermes**, born Masburg. Married **John Schefges (Schäfges)**, May 10, 1876, Kaisersesch. John Schäfges, son of **Johann Schäfges III** (b.1803; d.1858, Hauroth) and **Katharina Steffes** (d. 1868). *John Schefges (Schäfges) and Kate Hermes immigrated to America, 1881.* Children:
 1. **Joseph Hermes (Schefges)**, born April 19, 1876, Masburg. Married **Emma Volz**, Michigan. (3) children.

¹ Maria Steffes Hermes Reuter is buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit, Michigan.

² Maria (Mary) Reuter provided care to Anna Maria (Adams) Reuter, 1881-1888, per Molly (Emig) Schultz genealogy collection.

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2. **Maria Schefges**, born June 23, 1878, Hauroth, Germany.³
(Hauroth is about 3 miles from Masburg).
3. **Gertrude Schefges**, born April 26, 1880, Masburg.
Married **Otto Stutzman**, Detroit. (5) children.
4. **Kate Schefges**, born 1881, Masburg.
Married **Frank Bauer**, Detroit. (3) children.
5. **Annie Schefges**, born 1884, Detroit; died 1952.
Married **Louis Decker**. (6) children.
6. **Margaret Schefges**, born 1886, Detroit; died 1949.
Married **Frank Beaudion**. (7) children.
7. **Elizabeth Schefges**, born 1888, Detroit.
Married **Joseph Urban**, Detroit. (7) children.
8. **Mamie Schefges**, born 1892, Detroit.
Married **Paul Snyder**. (1) child.
9. **Edna Schefges**, born 1895; died 1925
Married **Albert Brown**. (4) children.
- ii. **Matthias (Matthew) Hermes**, b. 1853, Masburg.
Married **Margaretha Reuter** of Masburg. Margaretha Reuter, born 1854, daughter of **Johann Josef Reuter** and **Anna Maria Adams**. Matthias Hermes and his wife, Margaretha, lived in Masburg, Germany. Children:
 1. **Anton Hermes**, born October 7, 1875, Masburg;
died January 1, 1882, Masburg
 2. **Franz Hermes**, born March 4, 1878, Masburg;
died January 12, 1892, Masburg.
 3. **Maria Hermes**, born March 28, 1882, Masburg
 4. **Anton Hermes**, born December 1885, Masburg.
 5. **Barbara Hermes**, born December 7, 1887, Masburg.
- iii. **Franz (Frank) Hermes**, b. December 25, 1854, Masburg.
Married **Anna Arenz**, February 11, 1878, Muellenbach (Müllenbach), Germany. Anna Arenz, born July 8, 1856, Kalenborn, Germany, daughter of **Matthias Arenz** and **Ann Marie Kreucher**. Franz Hermes and his wife, Anna, lived in Masburg, Germany. Children:
 1. **Anna Maria Hermes**, born December 31, 1879, Masburg
 2. **Margaretha Hermes**, born August 17, 1882, Masburg.
 3. **Maria Hermes**, born December 4, 1885, Masburg.
 4. **Katharina Hermes**, born June 21, 1889, Masburg.
 5. **Gertrud Hermes**, born September 15, 1892, Masburg.

³ The birth record of Maria Schefges states the parents are 'Johann Schäfges and Katherina Hermes'. It is not known if Maria survived childhood or emigrated to America.

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Married **Lorenz Wölwer**.

6. **Josef Hermes**, born January 16, 1895, Kalenborn..

iv. **Gertrud Hermes**, b. January 17, 1858, Masburg; d. November 27, 1926, Michigan. Married **NN Wagner**. *Gertrude Hermes immigrated to America, 1881.*

v. **NN Hermes**, b. March 24, 1861, Masburg, d. March 24, 1861, Masburg,

vi. **Maria ('Emma') Hermes**, ⁴ b. September 21, 1864, Masburg; d. October 27, 1928, Detroit, Michigan. Married **Michael Roller**, Michigan (?). ⁵ *Maria (Emma) Hermes immigrated to America, 1881.* Children:

1. **Gertrude Roller**, born March 11, 1885, Detroit; d. April 7, 1960, Battle Creek, Michigan. Married **John Dietzler**, August 8, 1907, Detroit. (3) children.
2. **Mamie Roller**, born December 21, 1886; d. October 16, 1965. Single. She lived most of her adult life with her sister, Evelyn (Roller) Kummer.
3. **Antoinette ('Nettie') Roller**, born ???; d. ???
Married **William Butterfield**. No children.
4. **Emma Mary Roller**, born October 24, 1890, Detroit; d. January 18, 1949.
Married **William Henry Martin**. (3) children.
5. **Edna Roller**, born about 1892; died October 21, 1948.
Married **John P. Miller**, Michigan. (3) children.
6. **Blanche Roller**, born July 8, 1896; died July 1, 1949, Livonia, Michigan.
Married (1) **James Rowe Rice**. (3) children.
Married (2) **George Smith**. No children.
7. **Leona Marie Roller**, born February 23, 1898, Detroit; died February 19, 1982, Mt. Clemens, Michigan.
Married **Edward Jerome Yagley**, October 20, 1915, Detroit. (7) children.
9. **Edwin Roller**, born March 3, 1900, Detroit; d. September 30, 1963. Married **Stella NN**. No children.
10. **Evelyn Roller**, born July 1, 1904, Detroit; died May 18, 1985.
Married **Nicholaus T. Kummer**, June 5, 1929. (2) children.

⁴ Emma Hermes was baptized as 'Maria' according to the Masburg church records.

⁵ Maria Hermes and Michael Roller did NOT marry in Masburg. Masburg marriage records have been searched and none has been found.

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Children of **Anton Reuter** and **Maria Steffes** are:

- i. **Mary (Maria) Reuter**, b. May 15, 1867, Masburg; d. August 12, 1945, Detroit. Married **Wilhelm Emig**, October 29, 1892, Detroit. *Mary Reuter immigrated to America, 1888.* Children:
 1. **Francis Anthony Emig**, born June 13, 1893, Detroit; died August 30, 1893, Detroit.
 2. **William Frank Emig**, born September 22, 1894, Detroit; died July 26, 1970, Sterling Heights, Michigan. Married (1) **Louise DeMorainville**, about 1920. Divorced 1922. Married (2) **Sarah Agnes Molyneaux**, October 1, 1924, Wayne County. (5) children.
 3. **James Aloysius Emig**, born June 5, 1896, Detroit; died March 8, 1897, Detroit.
 4. **Margaret Emig**, born September 26, 1898, Detroit; died 1950, E. Detroit. Married **James William Steele**, July 28, 1917, Detroit. (3) children.
 5. **Marie Josephine Emig**, born December 2, 1899, Detroit; died April 4, 1900, Detroit.
 6. **Clarence Michael Emig**, born August 12, 1901, Detroit; died April 16, 1902, Detroit.
- ii. **Johann Reuter**, b. April 19, 1869, Masburg. d. April 26, 1878, Masburg..
- iii. **Franz (Frank) Reuter**, b. October 5, 1871, Masburg. died 1943, Detroit. Married **Julia Bessa**, October 24, 1893, Detroit. Julia Bessa, born 1876, Germany; daughter of Anthony Bessa and Julia Biefski. *Frank Reuter immigrated to America, 1881.* (3) Children.
 1. **Anna Reuter**, born February, 1890. Adopted. She was a nun, a seamstress at the House of Good Shepard, Detroit, Michigan. ⁶
 2. **Ethel Reuter**, born 1899; died 1997. Married **Louis Surridge**. (2) children.
 3. **Clifford Reuter**, born January 6, 1902; died January 1979.
- iv. **Anna Maria Reuter**, b. January 25, 1874, Masburg. ⁷ Most probably died before 1881, Masburg.

⁶ Anna Reuter, listed as a nun-seamstress in the House of Good Shepard, Detroit, 1910 US Census, supervisors District Number 1, enumeration district 145.

⁷ Very little is known about Anna Maria Reuter. A death record for Anna Maria Reuter has not been located in the Masburg church records. There is no known evidence of Anna Maria being in Detroit.

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- v. **Katharina ('Catherine' also 'Kitty') Reuter**, b. January 25, 1875, Masburg; d. July 15, 1918, Detroit. Married **James Peabody**, August 6, 1894, Detroit. *Katharina Reuter immigrated to America, 1881*. Children:
 - 1. **Maureen Peabody**, born about 1900; died about 1998, North Hollywood, California. Adopted. Married **George Wright**.
 - 2. **Elliot Peabody**, born December 12, 1908; died April 1976. (1) child.
- vi. **Margaretha / Margaret ('Maggie') Reuter**, b. October 16, 1877, Masburg; died October 8, 1933, Detroit. Married **John Nowak**, October 26, 1897, Detroit. *Margaretha Reuter immigrated to America, 1881*. Children:
 - 1. **Norman Nowak**, born July 13, 1900, Detroit; died March 16, 1967, Detroit. Married **Dorothy Karrer**, August 29, 1927, Detroit. (4) children.
 - 2. **Erma Martha Nowak**, born January 21, 1902, Detroit; died August 31, 1992, Port Huron, Michigan. Married **Stanley Wolff**, October 3, 1931, Detroit. (3) children.
 - 3. **Loretta Catherine Nowak**, born February 25, 1904, Detroit; died February 5, 1991, Roseville, Michigan. Married **George Julius Flynn**, October 16, 1929, Detroit. (4) children.
 - 4. **John Aloysious Nowak**, born December 5, 1905, Detroit; died June 9, 1982, Ocala, Florida. Married **Lucinda Carnetti**, March 30, 1946. No children.
 - 5. **Beatrice Emma Nowak**, born May 9, 1908, Detroit; d. May 6, 1955, Detroit. Married **Leo Lacroix**, 1947. No children.
 - 6. **Josephine Mary Nowak**, born March 19, 1910, Detroit; died August 21, 1961, E. Detroit. Married **Stanley Marie Forton**, March 8, 1931, Kalamazoo, Michigan. (5) children.
 - 7. **Margaret Gertrude Nowak**, born March 12, 1912, Detroit; died March 24, 1982, Warren, Michigan. Married **Isadore ('Joe') Shereda**, May 26, 1936, Detroit. (8) children.
 - 8. **Vincent Nowak**, born February 25, 1914, Detroit; died September, 1994, Santa Anna, California. Married (private-living), January 12, 1935, Detroit. (6) children.

Second Generation

(4) Hubert Hermes and Anna Maria Steffes

4. **Hubert Hermes** was born 1806 in Masburg, Germany and died October 20, 1849 in

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Masburg. Hubert Hermes was the son of **Johann Hermes (8)** and **Maria Steffes**.

Hubert Hermes married **Anna Maria Steffes (5)** July 26, 1828 in Kaisersesch; daughter of **Matthias Steffes (10)** and **Maria Hermes**. Anna Maria Steffes was born 1806 in Masburg and died February 3, 1850.

Note: Hubert Hermes: Occupation: Landwirt

Children of **Hubert Hermes** and **Anna Maria Steffes** are:

- +2 i. **Johann Josef Hermes**, b. July 16, 1828, Masburg; d. February 13, 1864.
Married **Maria Steffes (3)** before 1853. (6) children.
Maria Steffes, second marriage, **Anton Reuter**, November 20, 1866, Masburg. (6) children.
- ii. **Maria Hermes**
- iii. **Matthias Hermes**
- iv. **Maria Catharina Hermes**, b. 1834; d. September 23, 1873, Masburg.
- v. **Johann Josef Hermes**, b. August 16, 1836, Masburg; d. July 5, 1916, Masburg.
- vi. **Anna Maria Hermes**, b. 1839; d. September 28, 1868, Masburg
- vii. **Katharina Hermes**, b. About 1841; d. August 30, 1873, Masburg.
- viii. **Hubert Hermes**, b. March 4, 1843, Masburg.

(6) Franz Steffes and Anna Margaretha Scheid

6. Franz Steffes was born December 26, 1809 in Masburg and died November 20, 1871 in Masburg. Franz Steffes was the son of **Matthias Josef Steffes (12)** and **Maria Hermes**.

Franz Steffes married **Anna Margaretha Scheid (7)** October 31, 1833 in Kaisersesch, daughter of **Matthias Scheid (14)** and **Maria Anna Bleser**. Anna Margaretha Scheid was born February 21, 1810 in Masburg and died July 9, 1882 in Masburg.

Children of **Franz Steffes** and **Anna Margaretha Scheid** are:

- +3 i. **Maria Steffes**, b. June 9, 1834, Masburg; d. June 29, 1906, Detroit, Michigan.
Married (1) **Johann Josef Hermes (2)** before 1853. (6) children.
Married (2) **Anton Reuter**, November 20, 1866, Masburg. (6) children.
- ii. **Anton Steffes**, b. About 1843; d. October 20, 1878, Masburg.

Third Generation

(8) Johann Hermes and Maria Steffes

8. Johann Hermes was born January 9, 1762 in Masburg and died May 15, 1814 in Masburg. Johann Hermes was the son of **Paul Hermes (16)** and **Eva Jacobs**.

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Johann Hermes married **Maria Steffes (9)** 1788, daughter of **Michael Steffes (18)** and **Anna Reuter**. Maria Steffes was born November 5, 1768 in Masburg; and died March 8, 1821 in Masburg. (8) children

Children of **Johann Hermes** and **Maria Steffes** are:

- i. **Maria Elisabeth Hermes.**
- ii. **Anna Hermes**, b. January 30, 1788, Masburg, d. December 20, 1864.
Notes for Anna Hermes: Mutter "Anna" genannt.
- iii. **Anton Hermes**, b. January 16, 1791, Masburg.
- iv. **Ursula Hermes**, b. January 24, 1793, Masburg; d. March 11, 1860.
- v. **Anna Catharina Hermes**, b. January 4, 1795, Masburg; d. April 1, 1798.
- vi. **Anna Maria Hermes**, b. February 11, 1798, Masburg; d. November 14, 1870. 73 Jahre alt
- vii. **Johann Josef Hermes**, b. July 3, 1804, Masburg; d. April 21, 1863.
Married January 6, 1825.
- +4 viii. **Hubert Hermes**, b. 1806, Masburg; d. October 20, 1849, Masburg;
Married **Anna Maria Steffes (5)** July 26, 1828, Kaisersesch. (8) children.

(10) Matthias Josef Steffes and Maria Hermes

10. Matthias Josef Steffes was born February 25, 1772 in Masburg; died December 26, 1815. Matthias Josef Steffes was the son of **Michael Steffes (20)** and **Anna Reuter**.

Matthias Josef Steffes married **Maria Hermes (11)** February 12, 1793 in Masburg, daughter of **Paul Hermes (22)** and **Eva Jacobs**. Maria Hermes was born October 26, 1774 in Masburg, and died January 3, 1848. (5) children.

Children of **Matthias Josef Steffes** and **Maria Hermes** are:

- i. **Anton Steffes**, b. March 5, 1794, Masburg.
- ii. **Anton Steffes**, b. June 1, 1795, Masburg; d. April 3, 1798.
- iii. **Hubert Steffes**, b. November 8, 1797, Masburg.
- +5 iv. **Anna Maria Steffes**, b. 1806, Masburg; d. February 3, 1850.
Married **Hubert Hermes (4)** July 26, 1828, Kaisersesch. (8) children.
- +6 v. **Franz Steffes**, b. December 26, 1809, Masburg; d. November 20, 1871,
Masburg. Married **Anna Margaretha Scheid (7)** October 31, 1833,
Kaisersesch. (2) children.

(12) Matthias Josef Steffes and Maria Hermes

Same as (10)

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(14) Matthias Scheid and Anna Maria Bleser

14. Matthias Scheid was born September 25, 1775 in Masburg, died July 21, 1852. Matthias Scheid was the son of **Johann Nikolaus Scheid (28)** and **Maria May**.

Matthias Scheid married **Maria Anna Bleser (15)** March 3, 1805 in Kaisersesch, daughter of **Johann Bleser (30)** and **Anna Maria Bleser**. Anna Maria Bleser was born February 14, 1778 in Duengenheim (Düngenheim), and died January 20, 1828. (2) children.

Children of **Matthias Scheid** and **Maria Anna Bleser** are:

- i. **Anton Scheid**, b. November 17, 1805, Masburg. Married **Anna Reuter**, Anna Reuter was the daughter of **Johann Reuter** and **Maria Margaretha Josten**.
Anton Scheid and Anna Reuter immigrated to America, 1843, and settled in Detroit. One of Anna's daughters married Descamp and settled in Seattle, Washington.
- +7 ii. **Anna Margaretha Scheid**, b. February 21, 1810, Masburg; d. July 9, 1882, Masburg.
Married **Franz Steffes (6)** October 31, 1833, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

Fourth Generation

(16) Paul Hermes and Eva Jacobs

16. Paul Hermes was born July 1, 1728 in Masburg; died December 12, 1792. Paul Hermes was the son of **Anton Hermes (32)** and **Margarethe Pauly**.

Paul Hermes married **Eva Jacobs (17)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg, daughter of **Johann Stephan Jacobs (34)** and **Maria Muesch (Müsch)**. Eva Jacobs was born July 26, 1738 in Kalenborn; died July 27, 1806 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (6) children.

- +8 i. **Johann Hermes**, b January 9, 1762, Masburg; d. May 15, 1814, Masburg.
Married **Maria Steffes (9)** 1788. (8) children.
- +11 ii. **Maria Hermes**, b. October 26, 1774, Masburg; d. January 3, 1848.
Married **Matthias Josef Steffes (10)** February 12, 1793, Masburg. (5) children.

(18) Michael Steffes and Anna Reuter

18. Michael Steffes was born December 18, 1744 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach), and died before July 29, 1789. Michael Steffes was the son of **Johann Servatius Steffes (36)** and **Maria Magdalena Welling**.

Michael Steffes married **Anna Reuter (19)** January 25, 1762 in Muellenbach

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(Müllenbach), daughter of **Anton Reuter (38)** and **Ursula Steffes**. Anna Reuter was born August 5, 1742 in Masburg, and died July 29, 1789. (7) children

- +9 i. **Maria Steffes**, b. November 5, 1768, Masburg; died March 8, 1821, Masburg. Married **Johann Hermes (8)** 1788. (8) children.
- +10 ii. **Matthias Josef Steffes**, b. February 25, 1772, Masburg; d. December 26, 1815. Married **Maria Hermes (11)** February 12, 1793, Masburg. (5) children.

(28) Johann Nikolaus Scheid and Maria May

28. Johann Nikolaus Scheid was born January 12, 1744 in Masburg. Johann Nikolaus Scheid was the son of **Anton Scheid (56)** and **Maria Gertrud Bell**.

Johann Nikolaus Scheid married **Maria May (29)** February 12, 1772 in Koblenz, daughter of **Johann May (58)** and **Anna Barbara Esper**. Maria May was born January 3, 1745 in Masburg. (6) children.

- +14 i. **Matthias Scheid**, b. September 25, 1775, Masburg; d. July 21, 1852. Married **Maria Anna Bleser (15)** March 3, 1805, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

(30) Johann Bleser and Anna Maria Bleser

30. Johann Bleser was born April 19, 1752, Duengenheim. Johann Bleser was the son of **Johann Peter Bleser (60)** and **Maria Schmitz**.

Johann Bleser married **Anna Maria Bleser (31)** August 5, 1777 in Duengenheim, daughter of **Johann Friedrich Bleser (62)** and **Maria Elisabeth Stoll**. Anna Maria Bleser was born April 3, 1755 in Kaisersesch. (1) child.

- +15 i. Anna Maria Bleser, b. February 14, 1778, Duengenheim (Düngenheim); d. January 20, 1828. Married **Matthias Scheid (14)** March 3, 1805, Kaisersesch. (2) children

Fifth Generation

(32) Anton Hermes and Margaretha Pauly

32. Anton Hermes was born about 1705, and died May 27, 1769 in Masburg. Anton Hermes was the son of **Hubert Hermes (64)** and **Maria Magdalena NN**.

Anton Hermes married **Margarethe Pauly (33)** February 18, 1727 in Masburg, daughter of **Nikolaus Pauly (66)** and NN. Margarethe Pauly was born about 1706, and died July 21, 1773 in Masburg. (1) child.

- +16 i. **Paul Hermes**, b. July 1, 1728, Masburg; d. December 12, 1792. Married **Eva Jacobs (17)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg. (6) children

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(34) Johann Stephan Jacobs and Maria Muesch (Müsch)

34. Johann Stephan Jacobs was born about 1715 in Kalenborn. Johann Stephan Jacobs was the son of **Nikolaus Jacobs (68)** and **Gertrud NN**.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (1) **Maria Muesch (Müsch) (35)** January 29, 1737 in Kalenborn, daughter of **Johann Muesch (Müsch) (70)** and **Maria NN**. Maria Muesch (Müsch) was born August 23, 1718 in Kalenborn, and died November 9, 1740. (1) child.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (2) **Maria Magdalena Riedt** February 25, 1743 in Masburg. Maria Magdalena Riedt was born about 1712, and died July 9, 1759. (1) child.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (3) **Maria Catharina Schneider** June 1, 1764 in Koblenz. Maria Catharina Schneider was born October 24, 1730 in Masburg, and died September 28, 1796. (3) children.

+17 i. Eva Jacobs, b. July 26, 1738, Kalenborn; d. July 27, 1806 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach)

Married **Paul Hermes (16)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg. (6) children

(36) Johann Servatius Steffes and Maria Magdalena Welling

36. Johann Servatius Steffes was born about 1710, and died April 17, 1771. Johann Servatius Steffes was the son of **Johann Steffes (72)** and **Anna Barbara NN**.

Johann Servatius Steffes married (1) **Maria Magdalena Welling (37)** daughter of **Georg Welling (74)** and **Maria Catharina NN**. Maria Magdalena Welling was born April 22, 1721 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach) and died August 30, 1765. (10) children.

Johann Servatius Steffes married (2) **Catharina Thomas** February 15, 1768 in Masburg. Catharina Thomas was born March 14, 1717 in Kaisersesch. No children.

+18 i. Michael Steffes, b. December 18, 1744, Muellenbach (Müllenbach); d. before July 29, 1789.

Married **Anna Reuter (19)** January 25, 1762, Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (7) children

(38) Anton Reuter and Ursula Steffes

38. Anton Reuter was born about 1705, and died August 3, 1757. Anton Reuter was the son of **Johann Reuter (76)** and **Margaretha NN**.

Anton Reuter married **Ursula Steffes (39)** February 19, 1730, daughter of **Paul Nikolaus Steffes (78)** and **Gertrud NN**. Ursula Steffes was born about 1708, and died February 5, 1761 in Masburg. (8) children.

+19 i. Anna Reuter, b. August 5, 1742, Masburg; d. July 29, 1789.

Married **Michael Steffes (18)** January 25, 1762, Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (7) children

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(56) Anton Scheid and Maria Gertrude Bell

56. Anton Scheid was born October 27, 1719 in Masburg; and died January 1, 1780. Anton Scheid was the son of **Franz Scheid (112)** and **Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäffges)**.

Anton Scheid married **Maria Gertrud Bell (57)** February 19, 1743 in Masburg, daughter of **Peter Bell (114)** and **NN**. (Peter Bell died before 1743). Maria Gertrud Bell died April 9, 1774. (4) children.

+28 **i. Johann Nikolaus Scheid**, b. January 12, 1744, Masburg.
Married **Maria May (29)** February 12, 1772 in Koblenz, (6) children.

(58) Johann May and Anna Barbara Esper

58. Johann May was born about 1712, and died February 19, 1763. Johann May was the son of **Nikolaus May (116)** and **Susanna NN**.

Johann May married **Anna Barbara Esper (59)** February 11, 1738 in Masburg, daughter of **Matthias Esper (118)** and **Catharina NN**. Anna Barbara Esper was born about 1712, and died May 8, 1762. (3) children.

+29 **i. Maria May**, b. January 3, 1745, Masburg.
Married **Johann Nikolaus Scheid (28)** February 12, 1772, Masburg.
(6) children.

(60) Johann Peter Bleser and Maria Schmitz

60. Johann Peter Bleser (variant Bläser) was born March 19, 1711, Düngeheim, and died May 1, 1752, Düngeheim. Johann Peter Bleser was the son of **Johann Wilhelm Bleser (120)** and **Catharina NN**.

Johann Peter Bleser married **Maria Schmitz (61)** February 8, 1745 in Düngeheim. The parents of Maria Schmitz are unknown. Maria Schmitz was born ?????, and died May 31, 1768 (3) children.

+30 **i. Johann Bleser**, b. April 19, 1752, Düngeheim.
Married **Anna Maria Bleser (31)** August 5, 1777, Düngeheim.
(1) children.

(62) Johann Friedrich Bleser and Maria Elisabeth Stoll

62. Johann Friedrich Bleser was born January 5, 1733, Kaisersesch; died February 22, 1778, Kaisersesch. The parents of Johann Friedrich Bleser are **Peter Bleser (124)** and **Anna Valerius**.

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+31 i. **Anna Maria Bleser**, b. April 5, 1755, Dungenheim.
Married **Johann Bleser (30)** August 5, 1777, Kaisersesch.
(1) child.

Sixth Generation

(64) Hubert Hermes and Maria Magdalena NN

64. Hubert Hermes died August 12, 1734. The parents of Hubert Hermes are unknown.

Hubert Hermes married **Maria Magdalena NN**. Maria Magdalena NN died June 25, 1739 in Masburg. The parents of Maria Magdalena NN are unknown. (2) children.

+32 i. **Anton Hermes**, b. about 1705; d. May 27, 1769, Masburg.
Married **Margarethe Pauly (33)** February 18, 1727, Masburg. (1) child.

(68) Nikolaus Jacobs and Gertrud NN

68. Nikolaus Jacobs was born about 1680, and died January 3, 1736. The parents of Nikolaus Jacobs are unknown.

Nikolaus Jacobs married **Gertrud NN** about 1700. Gertrud NN was born about 1680. The parents of Gertrud NN are unknown. (3) children.

+34 i. **Johann Stephan Jacobs**, b. about 1715, Kalenborn.
Married **Maria Muesch (Müsch) (35)** January 29, 1737, Kalenborn.
(1) child.

(70) Johann Muesch (Müsch) and Maria NN

70. Johann Muesch (Müsch) married **Maria NN**. She died November 19, 1768. (3) children.

+35 i. **Maria Muesch (Müsch)**, b. August 23, 1718, Kalenborn;
d. November 9, 1740.
Married **Johann Stephan Jacobs (34)** January 29, 1737, Kalenborn.
(1) child.

(72) Johann Steffes and Anna Barbara NN

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72. Johann Steffes was born about 1679. Johann Steffes was the son of **Matthias Steffes (144)** (b. about 1640) and NN.

Johann Steffes married (1) **Anna Barbara NN (73)** before 1710. Anna Barbara NN was born about 1690, and died November 29, 1737. Parents unknown. (8) children.

Johann Steffes married (2) **Anna Maria Rinck** May 6, 1738 in Masburg. Anna Maria Rinck died December 13, 1770 in Laubach. Parents unknown. No children.

+36 i. Johann Servatius Steffes, b. about 1710; d. April 17, 1771.

Married (1) **Maria Magdalena Welling (37)**. (10) children

(74) Georg Welling and Maria Catherina NN

74. Georg Welling died January 28, 1732. The parents of Georg Welling are unknown. Georg Welling married **Maria Catharina NN**. Maria Catharina NN died February 26, 1741. The parents of Maria Catharina NN are unknown. (5) children.

+37 i. Maria Magdalena Welling, b. April 22, 1721, Muellenbach (Müllenbach); d. August 30, 1765

Married **Johann Servatius Steffes (36)**. (10) children

(76) Johann Reuter and Margaretha NN

76. Johann Reuter was born about 1680, and died November 12, 1719 in Masburg. The parents of Johann Reuter are unknown.

Johann Reuter married **Margaretha NN (77)**. Margaretha NN was born about 1680, and died December 30, 1738. The parents of Margaretha NN are unknown. (2) children.

+38 i. Anton Reuter, b. about 1705, and died August 3, 1757.

Married **Ursula Steffes (39)** February 19, 1730. (8) children.

(78) Paul Nikolaus Steffes and Gertrud NN

78. Paul Nikolaus Steffes died January 19, 1733. He married **Gertrud NN (79)**. Gertrud NN died March 19, 1727. (2) children.

+39 i. Ursula Steffes, b. about 1708; d. February 5, 1761, Masburg.

Married **Anton Reuter (38)** February 19, 1730. (8) children

(112) Franz Scheid and Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäfges)

112. Franz Scheid was born about 1690, and died December 30, 1762. The parents of Franz Scheid are **Anton Scheid (224)** and **Maria NN**.

Franz Scheid married **Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäfges) (113)** June 16, 1719 in Masburg. The parents of Margaretha Schaeffges are unknown. Margaretha Schaeffges was

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born about 1692, and died October 26, 1735. (8) children.

- +56 i. Anton Scheid**, b. October 27, 1719, Masburg; d. January 1, 1780.
Married **Maria Gertrud Bell (57)** February 19, 1743, Masburg.
(4) children.

(116) Nikolaus May and Susanna NN

116. Nikolaus May died June 17, 1727. Nikolaus May was the son of **Johann May (232)** and NN.

Nikolaus May married **Susanna NN (117)** before 1705. The parents of Susanna NN are unknown. (7) children.

- +58 i. Johann May**, b. about 1712; d. February 19, 1763.
Married **Anna Barbara Esper (59)** February 11, 1738, Masburg.
(3) children.

(118) Matthias Esper and Catharina NN

118. Matthias Esper died November 21, 1739. The parents of Matthias Esper are unknown.

Matthias Esper married **Catharina NN (119)** before 1710. The parents of Catharina NN are unknown. (5) children.

- +59 i. Anna Barbara Esper**, b. about 1712; d. May 8, 1762.
Married **Johann May (58)** February 11, 1738, Masburg.
(3) children.

(120) Johann Wilhelm Bleser and Catharina NN

120. Johann Wilhelm Bleser was born ?????, Dungenheim and died January 1720, Dungenheim. Johann Wilhelm was the son of **Andreas Bleser (240)** (of Duengenheim) and **Anna Schäffer (Scheffer)**

Johann Wilhelm Bleser married **Catharina NN (121)** before 1704. The parents of Catharina NN are unknown. Catharina NN was born ?????, and died ?????.
(5) children.

- +60 i. Johann Peter Bleser**, b. March 19, 1711, Dungenheim;
d. May 1, 1752, Dungenheim.
Married **Maria Schmitz (61)** February 8, 1745, Dungenheim.

(124) Peter Bleser and Anna Valerius

124. Peter Bleser was born December 9, 1691; died May 16, 1762, Kaisersesch. The

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parents of Johann Friedrich Bleser are **Matthias Bleser (248)** and **Katharina Müllenbach**.

Peter Bleser married **Anna Valerius (125)** 1724, Kaisersesch; daughter of **Johann Matthias Valerius (250)** and **Anna Barbara Fronard**. Anna Valerius, born January 1, 1702, Kaisersesch; died March 4, 1741, Kaisersesch. (7) children.

+62 **i. Johann Friedrich Bleser**, b. January 5, 1733, Kaisersesch;
d. February 22, Kaisersesch..
Married **Maria Elisabeth Stoll (63)** January 25, 1755, Kaisersesch.
(3) children.

(126) Franz Josef Stoll and Maria May

126. Franz Josef Stoll was born November 8, 1708, Kaisersesch; died June 5, 1744, Kaisersesch. The parents of Franz Josef Stoll are **Johann Stoll (252)** and **Anna Gertrud Nausin**.

Franz Josef Stoll married **Maria May (127)**, date unknown. The parents of Maria May are unknown. (2) children.

+63 **i. Maria Elisabeth Stoll**, b. July 25, 1733, Trier; d. February 19, 1784,
Lutzerath.
Married **Johann Friedrich Bleser (62)** January 25, 1755, Kaisersesch.
(3) children.

Seventh Generation

(224) Anton Scheid and Maria NN

224. Anton Scheid was born about 1665 in Masburg, and died February 3, 1722. The parents of Anton Scheid are unknown.

Anton Scheid married **Maria NN (225)**. Maria NN died July 7, 1730 in Masburg. The parents of Maria NN are unknown. (1) child.

+112 **i. Franz Scheid**, b. about 1690; d. December 30, 1762.
Married **Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäffges) (113)** June 16, 1719, Masburg.
(8) children.

(232) Johann May and NN

232. Johann May died before 1728. The parents of Johann May are unknown. Johann May married **NN**. (3) children.

+116 **i. Nikolaus May**, d. June 17, 1727.
Married **Susanna NN (117)** before 1705. (7) children.

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(240) Anton Bleser and Eva Britzen

240. Anton Bleser was born April 5, 1669 in Duengenheim; died December 26, 1720 in Duengenheim. Anton Bleser was the son of **Andreas Bleser (480)** (of Duengenheim) and **Anna Scheffer**.

Anton Bleser married **Eva Britzen (241)** August 3, 1694 in Duengenheim. The parents of Eva Britzen are unknown. Eva Britzen died April 29, 1727 in Duengenheim. (5) children.

+120 i. **Nikolaus Bleser**, born ?????.

Married **Luzia Josten (121)** September 16, 1721, Duengenheim.

(252) Johann Stoll and Anna Gertrud Nausin

252. Johann Stoll was born June 3, 1685, Kaisersesch; died about 1719. The parents of Johann Stoll are **Matthias Stoll (504)** (of Kaisersesch) and **Magdalena Hoffmann**.

Johann Stoll married **Anna Gertrud Nausin (253)**, date unknown. The parents of Anna Gertrud Nausin are unknown. Anna Gertrud Nausin b. ?????; d. December 3, 1748, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

+126 i. **Franz Josef Stoll**, b. November 8, 1708, Kaisersesch; died June 5, 1744, Kaisersesch. Married **Maria May (127)**, date unknown. (?) children.

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Who were Johann Servatius Steffes and Maria Magdalena Welling?

By Ursula Buchholz

(Note: Ursula is also a direct descendant of Johann Servatius Steffes and Maria Magdalena Welling. Based on additional data she has collected, she has provided this short essay to share with the Hermes family- RY)

Everybody searching the family roots in the ancient parish of Masburg will definitely have a member of the Steffes-clan in his / her ancestry.

The Steffes originally came from Laubach, the first, Claiss and Johann Stephans, we find mentioned in a tax list of 1563, the Kurtrierisches Feuerbuch.

The next one we have is Matthias Steffes, probably born either in Laubach or Müllenbach about 1640. Matthias Steffes had 5 sons, Wilhelm, Johann, Matthias, Johann Stephan and Peter. When church books start in 1717 it is not obvious that these 5 men are brothers. They all got married before 1717 and their father is not recorded in the church books. But there are civil documents, the tax lists of 1728 and 1733 and the land records of 1720. And here it is that the heirs of a Matthias Steffes are mentioned. Certainty about their relation we get in the late 1780s when descendants of these 5 sons get married and it turns out that bride and groom are distant cousins, related to each other in 3rd or 4th generation. At the beginning of the 19th century those 5 Steffes brothers have so many descendants in Müllenbach that it is necessary to divide the clan into several branches. The Müllenbach residents helped themselves by adding a suffix at the family-name Steffes, according to their profession or their residential or linked their wife's' names with the Steffes. So we got the Steffes-gräfen, Steffes-hof, Steffes-lay, Steffes-ollig etc.

The Steffes must have been a wealthy family as far as wealth can be defined in the Eifel. For a couple of hundred years the Müllenbach residents had their income in the slate industry, the village was famous for the roof slate, mined out in Müllenbach pits.

Johann Servatius's father, Johann Steffes, was mentioned in the land records in 1720, in the tax list of 1728 it is said, that he has found his income in the slate mines. He is Schultheiß in Laubach and as such part of his duties were to observe his co-residents' legal behaviour. Did he neglect his duties against the authorities or did he stick to his fellow village people? In any case a document is left informing us that Johann Steffes was fined with 6 Gulden for not having reported some misconduct, although he had sworn the oath as mayor.

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With his first wife Anna Barbara Johann Steffes has 8 children and soon after her death on November 29, 1737 he marries Anna Maria Rinck, probably a younger woman from Kail. Her death is recorded on December 13, 1770, whereas nothing is known about Johann Steffes' death.

Johann Servatius Steffes, his son, we know as father of 10 children and husband of two wives. On January 27, 1739 he married Maria Magdalena Welling and moved from Laubach to Müllenbach. Maria Magdalena's birth is already recorded in the church books on April 22, 1721; her parents were Georg Welling and Maria Catharina. There is a village named Welling not too far off from Laubach / Müllenbach and it is nearly sure that the Welling family came from this village at the late 1680. In 1705 a Johann Welling, slate miner in profession, is tenant in Hochpochten forest, he pays 8 Reichstaler tenancy for the fields in that forest and together with Herman Arenz he worked in a slate pit. His heirs are mentioned in 1720 being owner of some ground in Müllenbach. It may be assumed that Georg Welling and Maria Magdalena Welling (his daughter's sponsor), were children of Johann Welling sr. Both, Georg and Maria Magdalena Welling, owned ground in Müllenbach and we may assume that "money married money" when Johann Servatius got married to Georg's daughter Maria Magdalena.

As a Schöffe in Müllenbach he was elected member of the church court, a board of elder men in the village, observing their co-residents moral behaviour. At the Müllenbach church he has donated a mass to be celebrated for his and Maria Magdalena's salvation.

After Maria Magdalena had died on August 30, 1765 he married Catharina Thomas, a widow from Kaisersesch, on February 15, 1768.

8 of his ten children grew up and 7 of them founded a family. Michael, born December 18, 1744 married Anna Reuter from Masburg, 3 of his sons founded new Steffes – branches in Masburg. Nothing is known from now on about the Steffes families in Masburg so far. But there are still civil treasures to be discovered in the archive in Koblenz.

Johann Servatius' daughter Johannetta Steffes, born October 24, 1747, married her 3rd grade (generation) cousin Nikolaus Stoll. The Stoll family had come to Müllenbach in the late 1680s and first worked in the slate mines. Nikolaus' and Johannetta's grandson Nikolaus Abler emigrated to Mt. Calvary, Fond-du-Lac county, WI. With the ss "Vierge Marie" he arrived in New York in 1847.

Their granddaughter Anna Margaretha Abler married Hermann Alflen and lived with him at the Gerhardsrother Hof in Hochpochten forest. She is my gr-gr-mother.

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Peter Steffes-hoff, born on February 18, 1756, married first into the Bleser-family from Urnersbach and second into the Reuter-family from Masburg. His wife Anna Maria Reuter was a daughter of Nikolaus Reuter and Maria Catharina Wirtz. Some of Peter's descendants emigrated to Wisconsin, too.

Matthias Steffes, born June 19, 1751, married his 2nd grade (generation) cousin Margaretha Steffes. No children are known from this couple.

Johann Steffes-gräfen, born May 19, 1758, married his 3rd grade (generation) cousin Anna Barbara Schmitz. Anna Barbara's brother Peter was miller in Müllenbach. His father-in-law Matthias Miesen was bell-founder in Masburg and his son Matthias Joseph Schmitz, proud father of 24 children with 2 wives, was bell-founder in Müllenbach, today still known in the collective Müllenbach memory, named "Glockesch-Matthes" (bell-Matthew)

The daughter Anna Gertrud Steffes, born September 16, 1760, married her 4th grade (generation) cousin Peter Steffes-mies.

And the youngest daughter Maria Catharina Steffes, born March 6, 1764, married Peter Josten, son of Johann Nikolaus Josten and Maria Steffes, the Josten-family in Masburg.

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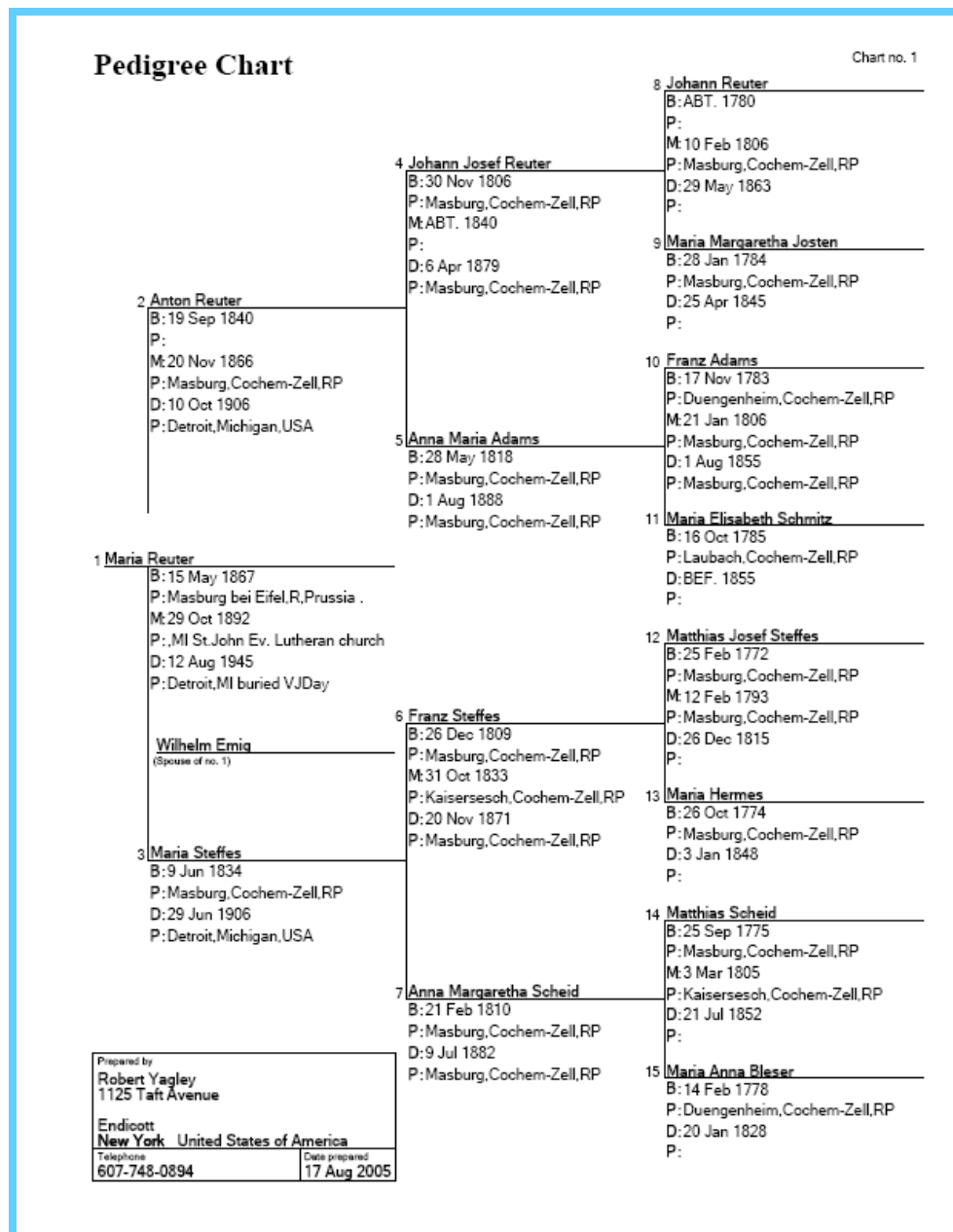
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First Generation

(2) Anton Reuter and Maria Steffes

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Maria Steffes (1) married Johann Josef Hermes

Maria Steffes (2) married Anton Reuter

Second Generation

(4) Johann Josef Reuter and Anna Maria Adams

4. Johann Josef Reuter was born November 30, 1806 in Masburg, and died April 6, 1879 in Masburg. Johann Josef Reuter was the son of **Johann Reuter (8)** and **Maria Margaretha Josten**.

Johann Josef Reuter married **Anna Maria Adams (5)**, daughter of **Franz Adams (10)** and **Maria Elisabeth Schmitz**. Anna Maria Adams was born May 28, 1818 in Masburg, and died August 1, 1888 in Masburg.

Notes: Johann Josef Reuter resided in Masburg.

Children of **Johann Josef Reuter** and **Anna Maria Adams** are:

- i. **Franz Reuter**. Resided in Masburg.
- +2. ii. **Anton Reuter**, b. September 19, 1840; d. October 10, 1906, Detroit, Michigan, USA.
Married **Maria Steffes (3)**, November 20, 1866, Masburg. (6) children.
Maria Steffes, first married **Johann Josef Hermes**, before 1853, Masburg. (6) children.
- iii. **Franz Reuter**, b. September 17, 1844, Masburg; d. November 7, 1844.
- iv. **Johann Reuter**, b. 1845. Resided in Masburg
- v. **Maria Reuter**, b. 1851.
- vi. **Margaretha Reuter**, b. 1854.
- vii. **Josef Reuter**, b. September 1855, Masburg; d. October 15, 1855, Masburg.

(6) Franz Steffes and Anna Margaretha Scheid

6. Franz Steffes was born December 26, 1809 in Masburg and died November 20, 1871 in Masburg. Franz Steffes was the son of **Matthias Josef Steffes (12)** and **Maria Hermes**.

Franz Steffes married **Anna Margaretha Scheid (7)** October 31, 1833 in

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Kaisersesch, daughter of **Matthias Scheid (14)** and **Maria Anna Bleser**. Anna Margaretha Scheid was born February 21, 1810 in Masburg and died July 9, 1882 in Masburg.

Children of **Franz Steffes** and **Anna Margaretha Scheid** are:

- +3 i. **Maria Steffes**, b. June 9, 1834, Masburg; d. June 29, 1906, Detroit, Michigan.
Married (1) **Johann Josef Hermes (2)** before 1853. (6) children.
Married (2) **Anton Reuter**, November 20, 1866, Masburg. (6) children.
- ii. **Anton Steffes**, b. About 1843; d. October 20, 1878, Masburg.

Third Generation

(8) Johann Reuter and Maria Margaretha Josten

8. Johann Reuter was born about 1780, and died May 29, 1863 in Masburg. Johann Reuter was the son of **Peter Reuter (16)** and **Anna Woelwer**.

Johann Reuter married **Maria Margaretha Josten (9)**, February 10, 1806, Masburg; daughter of **Johann Nikolaus Josten (18)** and **Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller)**. Maria Margaretha Josten was born January 28, 1784 in Masburg, and died April 25, 1845.

Notes: 1. Johann Joseph Reuter resided in Masburg.

Children of **Johann Reuter** and **Maria Margaretha Josten** are:

- +4 i. **Johann Josef Reuter**, b. November 30, 1806, Masburg; d. April 6, 1879, Masburg;
Married **Anna Maria Adams (5)**. (7) children.
- ii. **Johann Nikolaus Reuter**, b. September 7, 1809, Masburg.
- iii. **Franz Reuter**, b. June 10, 1812, Masburg.
- iv. **Anna Maria Reuter**, b. August 28, 1813, Masburg; d. April 7, 1866, Masburg.
- v. **Anna Reuter**, b. August 24, 1816, Masburg.
Married **Anton Scheid**, Masburg. Anton Scheid, son of **Matthias Scheid (14)** and **Maria Anna Bleser (15)**
Anton Scheid and Anna Reuter immigrated to America, 1843, and settled in Detroit. One of Anna's daughters married Descamp and settled in Seattle, Washington.
- vi. **Matthias Reuter**, b. September 4, 1822.

(10) Franz Adams and Maria Elisabeth Schmitz

10. Franz Adams was born November 17, 1783 in Duengenheim (Düngenheim), and

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died August 1, 1855 in Masburg. Franz Adams was the son of Nikolaus **Adams (20)** and **Catharina Lies**.

Franz Adams married **Maria Elisabeth Schmitz (11)**, January 21, 1806, Masburg; daughter of **Matthias Schmitz (22)** and **Magdalena Welling**. Maria Elisabeth Schmitz was born October 16, 1785 in Laubach, and died before 1855. (6) children.

Notes: 1. Franz Adams resided in Masburg. Profession: Lehrer (teacher).

Children of **Franz Adams** and **Maria Elisabeth Schmitz** are:

- i. **Maria Katharina Adams**, b. December 19, 1806, Masburg; d. July 14, 1869, Masburg.
- ii. **Barbara Adams**, b. April 10, 1809, Masburg.
- iii. **Paskal Adams**, b. August 12, 1814, Masburg; d. July 25, 1881, Masburg. Paskal Adams resided in Masburg.
- +5 iv. **Anna Maria Adams**, b. May 28, 1818, Masburg; d. August 1, 1888, Masburg; Married **Johann Josef Reuter (4)**. (7) children.
- v. **Johann Adams**, b. May 3, 1821, Masburg. Johann Adams, 1855, resided Pillig, Mayen-Koblenz, RP.
- vi. **Anna Gertrud Adams**, b. March 19, 1824, Masburg.

(12) Matthias Josef Steffes and Maria Hermes

12. Matthias Josef Steffes was born February 25, 1772 in Masburg; died December 26, 1815. Matthias Josef Steffes was the son of **Michael Steffes (24)** and **Anna Reuter**.

Matthias Josef Steffes married **Maria Hermes (13)** February 12, 1793 in Masburg, daughter of **Paul Hermes (26)** and **Eva Jacobs**. Maria Hermes was born October 26, 1774 in Masburg, and died January 3, 1848. (5) children.

Children of **Matthias Josef Steffes** and **Maria Hermes** are:

- i. **Anton Steffes**, b. March 5, 1794, Masburg.
- ii. **Anton Steffes**, b. June 1, 1795, Masburg; d. April 3, 1798.
- iii. **Hubert Steffes**, b. November 8, 1797, Masburg.
- iv. **Anna Maria Steffes**, b. 1806, Masburg; d. February 3, 1850; Married **Hubert Hermes**, July 26, 1828, Kaisersesch; b. 1806, Masburg; d. October 20, 1849, Masburg.
- +6 v. **Franz Steffes**, b. December 26, 1809, Masburg; d. November 20, 1871, Masburg; Married **Anna Margaretha Scheid (7)** October 31, 1833, Kaisersesch; (2) children.

(14) Matthias Scheid and Anna Maria Bleser

14. Matthias Scheid was born September 25, 1775 in Masburg, died July 21, 1852.

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Matthias Scheid was the son of **Johann Nikolaus Scheid (28)** and **Maria May**.

Matthias Scheid married **Maria Anna Bleser (15)** February 21, 1805 in Kaisersesch, daughter of **Johann Bleser (30)** and **Anna Maria Bleser**. Anna Maria was born February 14, 1778 in Duengenheim (Düngenheim), and died January 20, 1828.

Children of **Matthias Scheid** and **Maria Anna Bleser** are:

- ii. **Anton Scheid**, b. November 17, 1805, Masburg. Married **Anna Reuter**, Anna Reuter was the daughter of **Johann Reuter (8)** and **Maria Margaretha Josten (9)**
Anton Scheid and Anna Reuter immigrated to America, 1843, and settled in Detroit. One of Anna's daughters married Descamp and settled in Seattle, Washington.
- +7 ii. **Anna Margaretha Scheid**, b. February 21, 1810, Masburg; d. July 9, 1882, Masburg.
Married **Franz Steffes (6)** October 31, 1833, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

Fourth Generation

(16) Peter Reuter and Anna Woelwer (Wölwer)

16. Peter Reuter was born September 12, 1742 in Masburg, and died July 20, 1792.

Johann Josef Reuter was the son of **Matthias Reuter (32)** and **Anna Mertes**

Peter Reuter married **Anna Woelwer (Wölwer) (17)** May 22, 1776, Masburg; daughter of **Johann Woelwer (Wölwer) (34)** and **Catharina Theisen**. Anna Woelwer was born April 22, 1758 in Hauroth. (7) children.

- +8 i. **Johann Reuter**, b. about 1780, Masburg; d. May 29, 1863, Masburg.
Married **Maria Margaretha Josten (9)** February 10, 1806, Masburg.
(6) children.

(18) Johann Nikolaus Josten and Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller)

18. Johann Nikolaus Josten was born March 9, 1756 in Masburg. Johann Nikolaus Josten was the son of **Peter Lorenz Josten (36)** and **Anna Maria Mertes**.

He married **Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller) (19)**, February 11, 1783, Masburg; daughter of **Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller) (38)** and **Gertrud Jacobs**. Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller) was born December 9, 1750 in Kalenborn. (4) children

- +9 i. **Maria Margaretha Josten**, b. January 28, 1784, Masburg;
d. April 25, 1845.
Married **Johann Reuter (8)** February 10, 1806, Masburg.
(6) children.

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(22) Matthias Schmitz and Magdalena Welling

22. Matthias Schmitz was born February 13, 1746 in Laubach, and died before 1806. Matthias Schmitz was the son of **Peter Schmitz (44)** and **Maria Margaretha Steffes**.

Matthias Schmitz married **Magdalena Welling (23)**, May 2, 1769, Masburg; daughter of **Paul Welling (46)** and **Maria Kremer**. Magdalena Welling was born October 7, 1743 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (7) children.

+11 i. **Maria Elisabeth Schmitz** b. October 16, 1785, Laubach;
d. before 1855

Married **Franz Adams (10)**, January 21, 1806, Masburg; (6) children.

(24) Michael Steffes and Anna Reuter

24. Michael Steffes was born December 18, 1744 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach), and died before July 29, 1789. Michael Steffes was the son of **Johann Servatius Steffes (48)** and **Maria Magdalena Welling**.

Michael Steffes married **Anna Reuter (25)** January 25, 1762 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach), daughter of **Anton Reuter (50)** and **Ursula Steffes**. Anna Reuter was born August 5, 1742 in Masburg, and died July 29, 1789. (7) children

+12 ii. **Matthias Josef Steffes**, b. February 25, 1772, Masburg; d. December 26, 1815. Married **Maria Hermes (13)** February 12, 1793, Masburg.
(5) children.

(26) Paul Hermes and Eva Jacobs

26. Paul Hermes was born July 1, 1728 in Masburg; died December 12, 1792. Paul Hermes was the son of **Anton Hermes (52)** and **Margarethe Pauly**.

Paul Hermes married **Eva Jacobs (27)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg, daughter of **Johann Stephan Jacobs (54)** and **Maria Muesch (Müsch)**. Eva Jacobs was born July 26, 1738 in Kalenborn; died July 27, 1806 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (6) children.

+13 ii. **Maria Hermes**, b. October 26, 1774, Masburg; d. January 3, 1848.
Married **Matthias Josef Steffes (12)** February 12, 1793, Masburg.
(5) children.

(28) Johann Nikolaus Scheid and Maria May

28. Johann Nikolaus Scheid was born January 12, 1744 in Masburg. Johann Nikolaus Scheid was the son of **Anton Scheid (56)** and **Maria Gertrud Bell**.

Johann Nikolaus Scheid married **Maria May (29)** February 12, 1772 in Koblenz,

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daughter of **Johann May (58)** and **Anna Barbara Esper**. Maria May was born January 3, 1745 in Masburg. (6) children.

+14 i. **Matthias Scheid**, b. September 25, 1775, Masburg; d. July 21, 1852.
Married **Maria Anna Bleser (15)** March 3, 1805, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

(30) Johann Bleser and Anna Maria Bleser

30. Johann Bleser was born April 19, 1752, Duengenheim. Johann Bleser was the son of **Johann Peter Bleser (60)** and **Maria Schmitz**.

Johann Bleser married **Anna Maria Bleser (31)** August 5, 1777 in Duengenheim, daughter of **Johann Friedrich Bleser (62)** and **Maria Elisabeth Stoll**. Anna Maria Bleser was born April 3, 1755 in Kaisersesch. (1) child.

+15 i. **Anna Maria Bleser**, b. February 14, 1778, Duengenheim (Düngenheim); d. January 20, 1828.
Married **Matthias Scheid (14)** March 3, 1805, Kaisersesch. (2) children

Fifth Generation

(32) Matthias Reuter and Anna Mertes

32. Matthias Reuter was born about 1712 in Masburg, and died July 17, 1783.

Matthias Reuter was the son of **Johann Reuter (64)** and **Margaretha NN**.

Matthias Reuter married **Anna Mertes (33)**, May 21, 1737, Masburg; daughter of **Franz Mertes (66)** and **Margaretha NN**. Anna Mertes was born before 1719 in Masburg, and died January 31, 1744. (3) children.

+16 i. **Peter Reuter**, b. September 12, 1742 in Masburg; died July 20, 1792.
Married **Anna Woelwer (Wölwer) (17)** May 22, 1776, Masburg.
(7) children.

(34) Johann Woelwer (Wölwer) and Catharina Theisen

34. Johann Woelwer (Wölwer) was born May 19, 1726 in Masburg, and died December 5, 1777. **Johann Woelwer (Wölwer)** was the son of **Martin Wolf (68)** and **Luzia Schaefer (Schäfer)**.

He married **Catharina Theisen (35)**, November 2, 1754 in Hauroth; daughter of **Peter Theisen (70)** and **Maria Lang**. Catharina Theisen was born April 17, 1731 in Hauroth. (6) children.

+17 i. **Anna Woelwer (Wölwer)**, b. April 22, 1758, Hauroth.
Married **Peter Reuter (16)** May 22, 1776, Masburg. (7) children.

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(36) Peter Lorenz Josten and Anna Maria Mertes

36. Peter Lorenz Josten was born about 1717, and died April 26, 1777. Peter Lorenz Josten was the son of **Franz Josten** and **Catharina Esper**.

Peter Lorenz Josten married **Anna Maria Mertes**, February 16, 1751, Masburg; daughter of **Franz Mertes** and **Margaretha NN**. Anna Maria Mertes was born March 7, 1723 in Masburg, and died May 1, 1777. (6) children.

+18 i. **Johann Nikolaus Josten**, b. March 9, 1756, Masburg.

Married **Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller)** (19) February 11, 1783, Masburg.
(4) children

(38) Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller) and Gertrude Jacobs

38. Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller) was born before 1717 in Kalenborn, and died December 22, 1762. Nikolaus Schueller was the son of **Johann Schueller (Schüller)** (76) and **Johannetta NN**

Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller) married **Gertrud Jacobs (39)**, January 27, 1749 in Masburg; daughter of **Peter Jacobs (78)** and **Catharina Lang**. Gertrud Jacobs was born December 29, 1729 in Kalenborn, and died September 19, 1769. (6) children.

+19 i. **Elisabeth Schueller (Schüller)**, b. December 9, 1750, Kalenborn.

Married **Johann Nikolaus Josten (18)** February 11, 1783, Masburg.
(4) children

(44) Peter Schmitz and Maria Margaretha Steffes

44. Peter Schmitz was born about 1710 in Eppenberg, and died September 15, 1761. Peter Schmitz was the son of **Nikolaus Schmitz (88)** and **NN Engels**.

Peter Schmitz married (1) **Eva Muesch (Müsch)**. Eva Muesch (Müsch) died July 18, 1736.

Peter Schmitz married (2) **Maria Margaretha Steffes (45)**, January 27, 1739 in Masburg; daughter of **Johann Steffes (90)** and **Anna Barbara NN**. Maria Margaretha Steffes was born about 1715, and died August 28, 1792. (10) children.

+22 i. **Matthias Schmitz** b. February 13, 1746 in Laubach, and died before 1806.

Married **Magdalena Welling (23)**, May 2, 1769, Masburg. (7) children.

(46) Paul Welling and Maria Kremer

46. Paul Welling was born about 1715, and died December 29, 1781. Paul Welling was the son of **Georg Welling (92)** and **Maria Catharina NN**.

He married **Maria Kremer (47)**, October 16, 1736 in Masburg; daughter of

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Heinrich Kremer (94) and **Maria Catharina NN**. Maria Kremer was born April 21, 1719 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach). (8) children.

+23 i. **Magdalena Welling** b. October 7, 1743 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach);
Married **Matthias Schmitz (22)**, May 2, 1769, Masburg. (7) children.

(48) Johann Servitius Steffes and Maria M. Welling

48. Johann Servatius Steffes was born about 1710, and died April 17, 1771. Johann Servatius Steffes was the son of **Johann Steffes (96)** and **Anna Barbara NN**.

Johann Servatius Steffes married (1) **Maria Magdalena Welling (49)** daughter of **Georg Welling (98)** and **Maria Catharina NN**. Maria Magdalena Welling was born April 22, 1721 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach) and died August 30, 1765. (10) children.

Johann Servatius Steffes married (2) **Catharina Thomas** February 15, 1768 in Masburg. Catharina Thomas was born March 14, 1717 in Kaisersesch. No children.

+24 i. **Michael Steffes**, b. December 18, 1744, Muellenbach (Müllenbach);
d. before July 29, 1789.
Married **Anna Reuter (25)** January 25, 1762, Muellenbach (Müllenbach).
(7) children

(50) Anton Reuter and Ursula Steffes

50. Anton Reuter was born about 1705, and died August 3, 1757. Anton Reuter was the son of **Johann Reuter (100)** and **Margaretha NN**.

Anton Reuter married **Ursula Steffes (51)** February 19, 1730, daughter of **Paul Nikolaus Steffes (102)** and **Gertrud NN**. Ursula Steffes was born about 1708, and died February 5, 1761 in Masburg. (8) children.

+19 i. **Anna Reuter**, b. August 5, 1742, Masburg; d. July 29, 1789.
Married **Michael Steffes (18)** January 25, 1762, Muellenbach
(Müllenbach).
(7) children

(52) Anton Hermes and Margaretha Pauly

52. Anton Hermes was born about 1705, and died May 27, 1769 in Masburg. Anton Hermes was the son of **Hubert Hermes (104)** and **Maria Magdalena NN**.

Anton Hermes married **Margarethe Pauly (53)** February 18, 1727 in Masburg, daughter of **Nikolaus Pauly (106)** and **NN**. Margarethe Pauly was born about 1706, and died July 21, 1773 in Masburg. (1) child.

+26 i. **Paul Hermes**, b. July 1, 1728, Masburg; d. December 12, 1792.
Married **Eva Jacobs (27)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg. (6) children

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(54) Johann Stephan Jacobs and Maria Muesch (Müsch)

54. Johann Stephan Jacobs was born about 1715 in Kalenborn. Johann Stephan Jacobs was the son of **Nikolaus Jacobs (108)** and **Gertrud NN**.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (1) **Maria Muesch (Müsch) (55)** January 29, 1737 in Kalenborn, daughter of **Johann Muesch (Müsch) (110)** and **Maria NN**. Maria Muesch (Müsch) was born August 23, 1718 in Kalenborn, and died November 9, 1740. (1) child.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (2) **Maria Magdalena Riedt** February 25, 1743 in Masburg. Maria Magdalena Riedt was born about 1712, and died July 9, 1759. (1) child.

Johann Stephan Jacobs married (3) **Maria Catharina Schneider** June 1, 1764 in Koblenz. Maria Catharina Schneider was born October 24, 1730 in Masburg, and died September 28, 1796. (3) children.

+27 **i. Eva Jacobs**, b. July 26, 1738, Kalenborn; d. July 27, 1806 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach)
Married **Paul Hermes (26)** June 7, 1757 in Masburg. (6) children

(56) Anton Scheid and Maria Gertrude Bell

56. Anton Scheid was born October 27, 1719 in Masburg; and died January 1, 1780. Anton Scheid was the son of **Franz Scheid (112)** and **Margaretha Schaefges (Schäfges)**.

Anton Scheid married **Maria Gertrud Bell (57)** February 19, 1743 in Masburg, daughter of **Peter Bell (114)** and **NN**. (Peter Bell died before 1743). Maria Gertrud Bell died April 9, 1774. (4) children.

+28 **i. Johann Nikolaus Scheid**, b. January 12, 1744, Masburg.
Married **Maria May (29)** February 12, 1772 in Koblenz, (6) children.

(58) Johann May and Anna Barbara Esper

58. Johann May was born about 1712, and died February 19, 1763. Johann May was the son of **Nikolaus May (116)** and **Susanna NN**.

Johann May married **Anna Barbara Esper (59)** February 11, 1738 in Masburg, daughter of **Matthias Esper (118)** and **Catharina NN**. Anna Barbara Esper was born about 1712, and died May 8, 1762. (3) children.

+29 **i. Maria May**, b. January 3, 1745, Masburg.
Married **Johann Nikolaus Scheid (28)** January 3, 1745, Masburg.
(6) children.

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(60) Johann Peter Bleser and Maria Schmitz

60. Johann Peter Bleser (variant Bläser) was born March 19, 1711, Dungenheim, and died May 1, 1752, Dungenheim. Johann Peter Bleser was the son of **Johann Wilhelm Bleser (120)** and **Catharina NN**.

Johann Peter Bleser married **Maria Schmitz (61)** February 8, 1745 in Dungenheim. The parents of Maria Schmitz are unknown. Maria Schmitz was born ?????, and died May 31, 1768 (3) children.

+30 **i. Johann Bleser**, b. April 19, 1752, Dungenheim.

Married **Anna Maria Bleser (31)** August 5, 1777, Dungenheim.
(1) child.

(62) Johann Friedrich Bleser and Maria Elisabeth Stoll

62. Johann Friedrich Bleser was born January 5, 1733, Kaisersesch; died February 22, 1778, Kaisersesch. The parents of Johann Friedrich Bleser are **Peter Bleser (124)** and **Anna Valerius**.

Johann Friedrich Bleser married **Maria Elisabeth Stoll (63)** January 25, 1755 in Kaisersesch; daughter of **Franz Josef Stoll (126)** and **Maria May**. Maria Elisabeth Stoll, born July 25, 1733, Trier; d. February 19, 1784, Lutzerath. (3) children.

+31 **i. Anna Maria Bleser**, b. April 5, 1755, Dungenheim.

Married **Johann Bleser (30)** August 5, 1777, Kaisersesch.
(1) child.

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(64) Johann Reuter and Margaretha NN

64. Johann Reuter was born about 1680, and died November 12, 1719 in Masburg. The parents of Johann Reuter are unknown.

Johann Reuter married **Margaretha NN (65)**. Margaretha NN was born about 1680, and died December 30, 1738. The parents of Margaretha NN are unknown. (2) children.

+50 **i. Anton Reuter**, b. about 1705, and died August 3, 1757.

Married **Ursula Steffes (51)** February 19, 1730. (8) children.

+32 **i. Matthias Reuter**, b. about 1712 in Masburg; d. July 17, 1783.

Married **Anna Mertes (33)**, May 21, 1737, Masburg. (3) children.

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(66) Franz Mertes and Margaretha NN

66. Franz Mertes died April 8, 1735. The parents of Franz Mertes are unknown.

Franz Mertes married **Margaretha NN (67)** before 1719. Margaretha NN died March 28, 1737. The parents of Margaretha NN are unknown. (5) Children.

+33 i. Anna Mertes, b. before 1719 in Masburg; d. January 31, 1744.

Married **Matthias Reuter (32)**, May 21, 1737, Masburg. (3) children.

(68) Martin Wolf and Luzia Schaefer (Schäfer)

68. Martin Wolf died February 1, 1755 in Hauroth. The parents of Martin Wolf are unknown.

Martin Wolf married (1) **Luzia Schefer (Schäfer) (69)**. Luzia Schaefer died May 21, 1748. (8) children.

Martin Wolf married (2) **Maria Gertrud Schefges (Schäfges)**. Maria Gertrud Schafeges (Schäfges) was born before 1717. The parents of Maria Gertrud Schefges (Schäfges) are unknown. (1) child.

+34 i. Johann Woelwer (Wölwer), b. May 19, 1726, Masburg;
d. December 5, 1777.

Married **Catharina Theisen (35)**, November 2, 1754, Hauroth.
(6) children.

(70) Peter Theisen and Maria Lang

70. Peter Theisen was born about 1705, and died December 25, 1772. Peter Theisen was the son of **Jakob Theisen (140)** and **Eva NN**. (Jakob Theisen died February, 28, 1732; Eva NN died October 3, 1719, Hauroth)

Peter Theisen married **Maria Lang (71)** February 3, 1728 in Kalenborn; daughter of **Jakob Lang (142)** and **Gertrud NN**. Maria Lang was born about 1706, and died April 25, 1741 in Hauroth. (2) children.

+35 i. Catharina Theisen, b. April 17, 1731 in Hauroth.

Married **Johann Woelwer (Wölwer) (34)**, November 2, 1754, Hauroth.
(6) children.

(72) Franz Josten and Catharina Esper

72. Franz Josten was born ?????, died January 13, 1755 in Masburg. Franz Josten was the son of **Matthias Josten (144)** and **NN**.

Franz Josten married **Catharina Esper (73)**. The parents of Catharina Esper are unknown. Catharina Esper died November 3, 1755 in Masburg. (4) children.

+36 i. Peter Lorenz Josten was born about 1717, and died April 26, 1777.

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Married **Anna Maria Mertes (37)** February 16, 1751, Masburg.
(6) children.

(74) Franz Mertes and Margaretha NN
(same as 66)

(76) Johann Schueller and Johannetta NN

76. Johann Schueller (Schüller) died April 6, 1723. The parents of Johann Schueller are unknown. Johann Schueller married **Johannetta NN (77)**. The parents of Johannetta NN are unknown. (4) children.

+38 **i. Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller)**, b. before 1717, Kalenborn.
Married **Gertrud Jacobs (39)**, January 27, 1749, Masburg;
(6) children

(78) Peter Jacobs and Catharina Lang

78. Peter Jacobs was born about 1690, and died January 31, 1757. Peter Jacobs was the son of **Nikolaus Jacobs (156)** and **Gertrud NN**.

Peter Jacobs married (1) **Maria NN**. She died August 18, 1726 in Kalenborn. Parents unknown. (4) children.

Peter Jacobs married (2) **Catharina Lang (79)**, February 11, 1727 in Kalenborn; daughter of **Jakob Lang (158)** and **Gertrud NN**. Catharina Lang was born about 1710, and died March 3, 1772. (9) children.

+39 **i. Gertrud Jacobs**, b, December 29, 1729, Kalenborn; d. September 19, 1769
Married **Nikolaus Schueller (Schüller) (38)** January 27, 1749, Masburg.
(6) children

(88) Nikolaus Schmitz and NN Engels

88. Nikolaus Schmitz died December 24, 1722. The parents of Nikolaus Schmitz are unknown. Nikolaus Schmitz married **NN Engels**. The parents of NN Engels are unknown. (5) children.

+44 **i. Peter Schmitz**, b. about 1710, Eppenberg; d. September 15, 1761.
Married **Margaretha Steffes (45)** January 27, 1739, Masburg.
(10) children

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(90) Johann Steffes and Anna Barbara NN

90. Johann Steffes was born about 1679. Johann Steffes was the son of **Matthias Steffes** and NN.

Johann Steffes married (1) **Anna Barbara NN** before 1710. Anna Barbara NN was born about 1690, and died November 29, 1737. The parents of Anna Barbara NN are unknown. (8) children.

Johann Steffes married (2) **Anna Maria Rinck**. Anna Maria Rinck died December 13, 1770 in Laubach. No children.

+45 i. **Maria Margaretha Steffes**, before 1715, and died August 28, 1792.
Married **Peter Schmitz (44)** January 27, 1739, Masburg. (10) children

(92) Georg Welling and Maria Catharina NN

92. Georg Welling died January 28, 1732. The parents of Georg Welling are unknown.

Georg Welling married **Maria Catharina NN**. Maria Catharina NN died February 26, 1741. The parents of Maria Catharina NN are unknown. (5) children.

+46 i. **Paul Welling** was born about 1715, and died December 29, 1781
Married **Maria Kremer (47)**, October 16, 1736, Masburg. (8) children.

+49 i. **Maria Magdalena Welling**, b. April 22, 1721, Muellenbach (Müllenbach);
d. August 30, 1765
Married Johann **Servatius Steffes (48)**. (10) children

(94) Heinrich Kremer and Maria Catharina NN

94. Heinrich Kremer died December 20, 1725. The parents of Heinrich Kremer are unknown.

Heinrich Kremer married **Maria Catharina NN**. **Maria Catharina NN** died May 23, 1725; Parents unknown. (2) children.

+47 i. **Maria Kremer**, b. April 21, 1719 in Muellenbach (Müllenbach).
Married **Paul Welling (46)**, October 16, 1736, Masburg. (8) children.

(96) Johann Steffes and Anna Barbara NN

96. Johann Steffes was born about 1679. Johann Steffes was the son of **Matthias Steffes (192)** (b. about 1640) and NN.

Johann Steffes married (1) **Anna Barbara NN (97)** before 1710. Anna Barbara NN was born about 1690, and died November 29, 1737. Parents unknown. (8) children.

Johann Steffes married (2) **Anna Maria Rinck** May 6, 1738 in Masburg. Anna Maria Rinck died December 13, 1770 in Laubach. Parents unknown. No children.

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- +48 i. Johann Servatius Steffes**, b. about 1710; d. April 17, 1771.
Married (1) **Maria Magdalena Welling (47)**. (10) children

(98) Georg Welling and Maria Catherina NN
(same as 92)

(100) Johann Reuter and Margaretha NN
(same as 64)

(102) Paul Nikolaus Steffes and Gertrud NN

102. Paul Nikolaus Steffes died January 19, 1733. He married **Gertrud NN (103)**.
Gertrud NN died March 19, 1727. (2) children.

- +51 i. Ursula Steffes**, b. about 1708; d. February 5, 1761, Masburg.
Married **Anton Reuter (50)** February 19, 1730. (8) children

(104) Hubert Hermes and Maria Magdalena NN

104. Hubert Hermes died August 12, 1734. The parents of Hubert Hermes are unknown.

Hubert Hermes married **Maria Magdalena NN (105)**. Maria Magdalena NN died June 25, 1739 in Masburg. The parents of Maria Magdalena NN are unknown.
(2) children.

- +52 i. Anton Hermes**, b. about 1705; d. May 27, 1769, Masburg.
Married **Margarethe Pauly (53)** February 18, 1727, Masburg.
(1) child.

(108) Nikolaus Jacobs and Gertrud NN

108. Nikolaus Jacobs was born about 1680, and died January 3, 1736. The parents of Nikolaus Jacobs are unknown.

Nikolaus Jacobs married **Gertrud NN** about 1700. Gertrud NN was born about 1680. The parents of Gertrud NN are unknown. (3) children.

- +54 i. Johann Stephan Jacobs**, b. about 1715, Kalenborn.
Married **Maria Muesch (Müsch) (55)** January 29, 1737, Kalenborn.
(1) child.

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(110) Johann Muesch (Müsch) and Maria NN

110. Johann Muesch (Müsch) married **Maria NN**. She died November 19, 1768. (3) children.

- +55 i. Maria Muesch (Müsch)**, b. August 23, 1718, Kalenborn;
d. November 9, 1740.
Married **Johann Stephan Jacobs (54)** January 29, 1737, Kalenborn.
(1) child.

(112) Franz Scheid and Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäffges)

112. Franz Scheid was born about 1690, and died December 30, 1762. The parents of Franz Scheid are **Anton Scheid (224)** and **Maria NN**.

Franz Scheid married **Margaretha Schaeffges (Schäffges) (113)** June 16, 1719 in Masburg. The parents of Margaretha Schaeffges are unknown. Margaretha Schaeffges was born about 1692, and died October 26, 1735. (8) children.

- +56 i. Anton Scheid**, b. October 27, 1719, Masburg; d. January 1, 1780.
Married **Maria Gertrud Bell (57)** February 19, 1743, Masburg.
(4) children.

(116) Nikolaus May and Susanna NN

116. Nikolaus May died June 17, 1727. Nikolaus May was the son of **Johann May (232)** and **NN**.

Nikolaus May married **Susanna NN (117)** before 1705. The parents of Susanna NN are unknown. (7) children.

- +58 i. Johann May**, b. about 1712; d. February 19, 1763.
Married **Anna Barbara Esper (59)** February 11, 1738, Masburg.
(3) children.

(118) Matthias Esper and Catharina NN

118. Matthias Esper died November 21, 1739. The parents of Matthias Esper are unknown.

Matthias Esper married **Catharina NN (119)** before 1710. The parents of Catharina NN are unknown. (5) children.

- +59 i. Anna Barbara Esper**, b. about 1712; d. May 8, 1762.
Married **Johann May (58)** February 11, 1738, Masburg.
(3) children.

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(120) Johann Wilhelm Bleser and Catharina NN

120. Johann Wilhelm **Bleser** was born ?????, Dungenheim and died January 1720, Dungenheim. Johann Wilhelm was the son of **Andreas Bleser (240)** (of Duengenheim) and **Anna Schäffer (Scheffer)**

Johann Wilhelm Bleser married **Catharina NN (121)** before 1704. The parents of Catharina NN are unknown. Catharina NN was born ?????, and died ?????.
(5) children.

- +60** **i. Johann Peter Bleser**, b. March 19, 1711, Dungenheim;
 d. May 1, 1752, Dungenheim.
 Married **Maria Schmitz (61)** February 8, 1745, Dungenheim.

(124) Peter Bleser and Anna Valerius

124. **Peter Bleser** was born December 9, 1691; died May 16, 1762, Kaisersesch. The parents of Johann Friedrich Bleser are **Matthias Bleser (248)** and **Katharina Müllenbach**.

Peter Bleser married **Anna Valerius (125)** 1724, Kaisersesch; daughter of **Johann Matthias Valerius (250)** and **Anna Barbara Fronard**. Anna Valerius, born January 1, 1702, Kaisersesch; died March 4, 1741, Kaisersesch. (7) children.

- +62** **i. Johann Friedrich Bleser**, b. January 5, 1733, Kaisersesch;
 d. February 22, Kaisersesch..
 Married **Maria Elisabeth Stoll (63)** January 25, 1755, Kaisersesch.
 (3) children.

(126) Franz Josef Stoll and Maria May

126. **Franz Josef Stoll** was born November 8, 1708, Kaisersesch; died June 5, 1744, Kaisersesch. The parents of Franz Josef Stoll are **Johann Stoll (252)** and **Anna Gertrud Nausin**.

Franz Josef Stoll married **Maria May (127)**, date unknown. The parents of Maria May are unknown. (2) children.

- +63** **i. Maria Elisabeth Stoll**, b. July 25, 1733, Trier; d. February 19, 1784,
 Lutzerath.
 Married **Johann Friedrich Bleser (62)** January 25, 1755, Kaisersesch.
 (3) children.

(142) Jakob Lang and Gertrud NN

142. **Jakob Lang** was born ?????, and died January 31, 1751. The parents of Jakob Lang are unknown.

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Jakob Lang married **Gertrud NN (143)** ??????; The parents of Gertrud NN are unknown. Gertrud NN died December 4, 1752, Kalenborn. (2) children.

+71 i. **Maria Lang**, b. about 1706; d. April 25, 1741 in Hauroth.
Married **Peter Theisen (70)** February 3, 1728 in Kalenborn. (2) children.

+79 ii. **Catharina Lang**, b. about 1710; d. March 3, 1772
Married **Peter Jacobs (78)** February 11, 1727 in Kalenborn. (9) children.

(158) Jakob Lang and Gertrud NN (same as 142)

Seventh Generation

(224) Anton Scheid and Maria NN

224. Anton Scheid was born about 1665 in Masburg, and died February 3, 1722. The parents of Anton Scheid are unknown.

Anton Scheid married **Maria NN (225)**. Maria NN died July 7, 1730 in Masburg. The parents of Maria NN are unknown. (1) child.

+112 i. **Franz Scheid**, b. about 1690; d. December 30, 1762.
Married **Margaretha Schaeftes (Schäftes) (113)** June 16, 1719, Masburg.
(8) children.

(232) Johann May and NN

232. Johann May died before 1728. The parents of Johann May are unknown. Johann May married NN. (3) children.

+116 i. **Nikolaus May**, d. June 17, 1727.
Married **Susanna NN (117)** before 1705. (7) children.

(240) Anton Bleser and Eva Britzen

240. Anton Bleser was born April 5, 1669 in Duengenheim; died December 26, 1720 in Duengenheim. Anton Bleser was the son of **Andreas Bleser (480)** (of Duengenheim) and **Anna Scheffer**.

Anton Bleser married **Eva Britzen (241)** August 3, 1694 in Duengenheim. The parents of Eva Britzen are unknown. Eva Britzen died April 29, 1727 in Duengenheim. (5) children.

+120 i. **Nikolaus Bleser**, born ?????.
Married **Luzia Josten (121)** September 16, 1721, Duengenheim.

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(252) Johann Stoll and Anna Gertrud Nausin

252. Johann Stoll was born June 3, 1685, Kaisersesch; died about 1719. The parents of Johann Stoll are **Matthias Stoll (504)** (of Kaisersesch) and **Magdalena Hoffmann**.

Johann Stoll married **Anna Gertrud Nausin (253)**, date unknown. The parents of Anna Gertrud Nausin are unknown. Anna Gertrud Nausin b. ????: d. December 3, 1748, Kaisersesch. (2) children.

+126 i. Franz Josef Stoll, b. November 8, 1708, Kaisersesch; died June 5, 1744, Kaisersesch. Married **Maria May (127)**, date unknown. (?) children.

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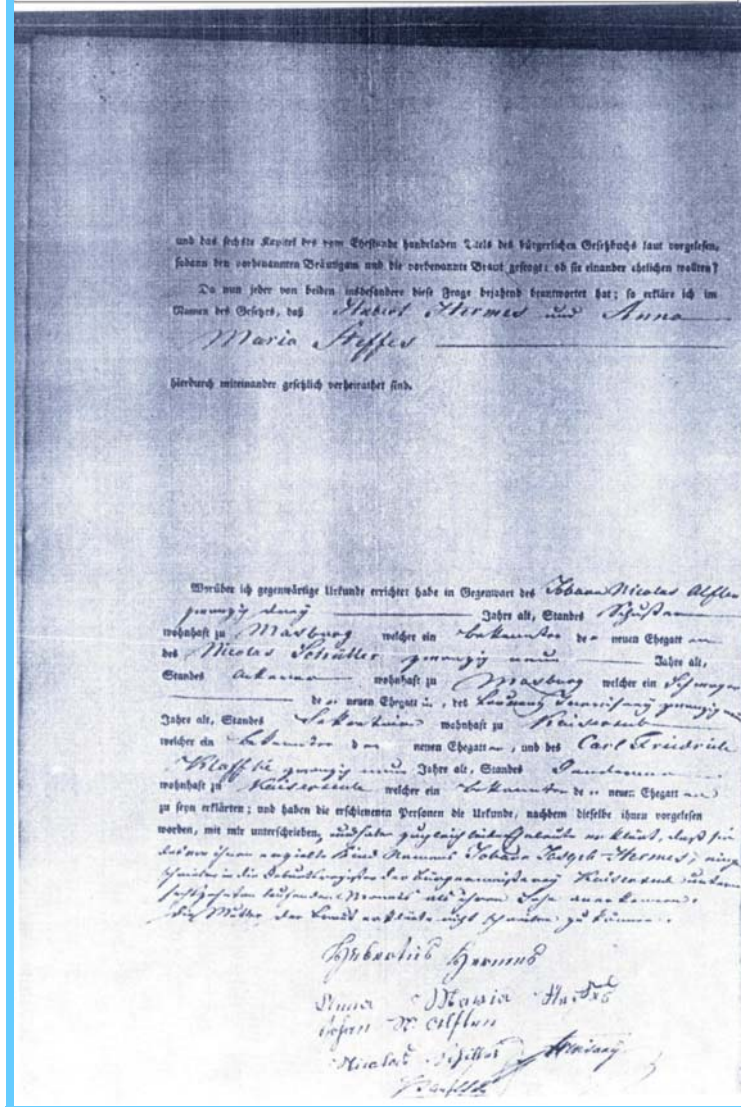
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Civil records from Personenstandsakten Bürgermeisterei Kaisersesch in Landeshauptarchiv Koblenz.



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Masburg Civil Record, 1828 Marriage – Page 1 & 2 Hubert Hermes and Anna Maria Steffes

Civil records from Personenstandsakten Bürgermeisterei
Kaisersesch in Landeshauptarchiv Koblenz.

Abstracted Information

On July 26, 1828,

Hubert Hermes, 22 years old, born in Masburg, farmer of profession,
living in Masburg, son of Johann Hermes, farmer, dead, prior living in Masburg and
Maria Steffes, dead, (grandparents are also dead, according to the groom's and the
witnesses sayings)

and

Anna Maria Steffes, 22 years old, born in Masburg, living in Masburg, daughter of
Johann Josef Steffes, farmer, dead, prior living in Masburg, and his wife Maria Hermes,
living in Masburg, present here and agrees to the marriage.

Witnesses for the marriage: Johann Nikolaus Alflen, Nikolaus Schueller ...

The new couple confirms that the child Johann Josef Hermes, registered in the
Kaisersesch birth register on July 16, 1828, is their legal son.

At the bottom of the second page, one can see the signatures of the Hubert Hermes
(groom), Anna Maria Steffes (bride) and witnesses. The bride's mother, Maria Hermes,
declares that she is not able to write.

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Tin Type photographs circa 1880's

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Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter

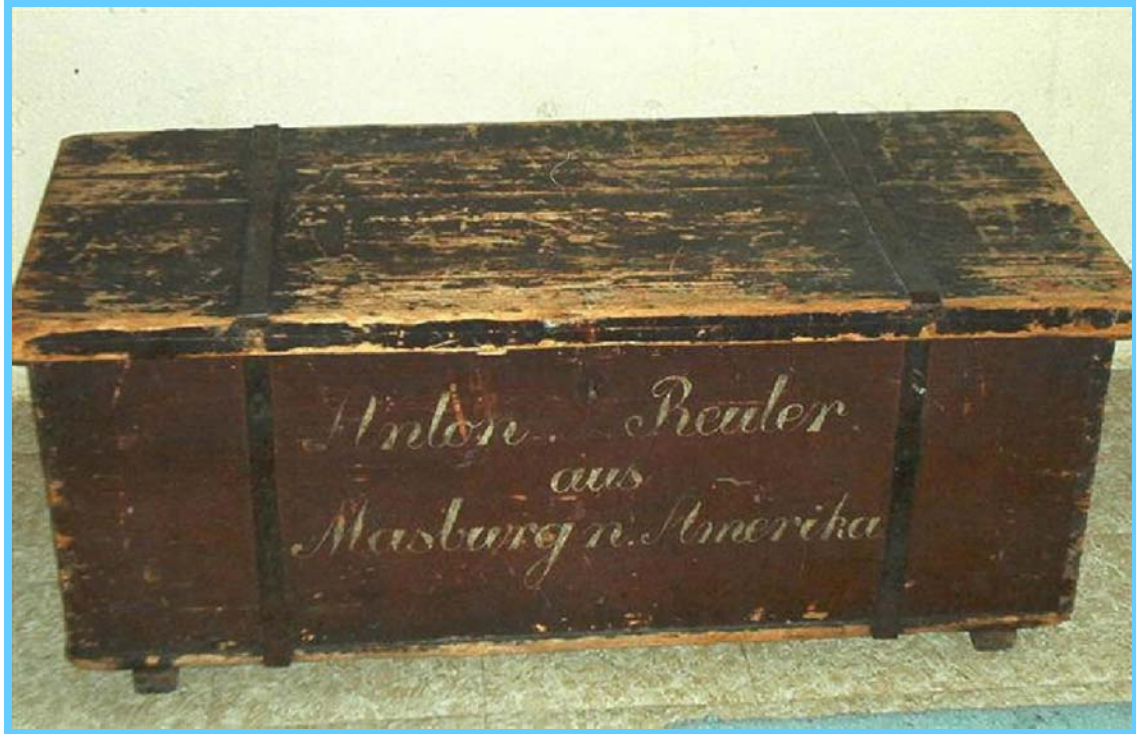
Maria Steffes (1834-1906) and Anthony (Anton) Reuter (1840-1906). Photo courtesy of Catherine Fowler, great-granddaughter, used by permission.

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Travel Trunk of Anton Reuter, circa 1881

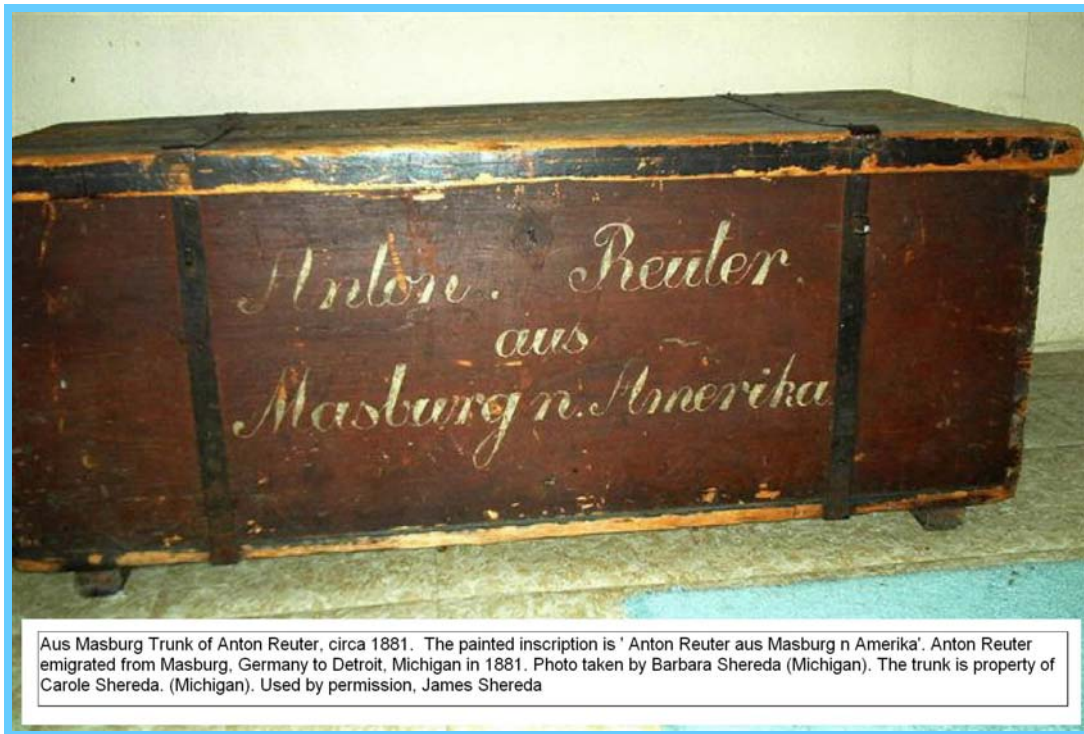
Masburg travel trunk of Anton Reuter, circa 1881. The gold painted inscription is '*Anton Reuter aus Masburg n Amerika*' (Anton Reuter aus Masburg nach Amerika, or, from Masburg to America). Anton Reuter emigrated from Masburg, Germany to Detroit, Michigan in 1881. Photo taken by Barbara Shereda (Michigan). The trunk is the property of Carole Shereda (Michigan). Used by permission, James Shereda.

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County of <u>Wayne</u>		Department of State—Division of Vital Statistics			
Township of		TRANSCRIPT OF CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		Registered No. <u>5442</u>	
Village of		(No. <u>917</u>) <u>W. Douglass</u> St. <u>11</u> Ward		[If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of street and number. If away from usual residence, give "Special Information" below.]	
City of <u>Detroit</u>		FULL NAME <u>Anthony Reuter</u>			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS					
SEX <u>M</u>	COLOR <u>W</u>				
DATE OF BIRTH (Month) <u>Sept</u> (Day) <u>19</u> (Year) <u>1840</u>					
AGE <u>66</u> years, <u>6</u> months, <u>5</u> days					
SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED <u>W</u>					
AGE AT MARRIAGE, NUMBER OF CHILDREN { If married, age at first marriage <u>26</u> years Parent of <u>6</u> children, of whom <u>4</u> are living					
BIRTHPLACE (State or country) <u>Ger</u>					
NAME OF FATHER <u>John Jos. Reuter</u>					
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) <u>Ger</u>					
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Unknown</u>					
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) <u>"</u>					
OCCUPATION <u>Lbr.</u>					
THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF					
(Informant) <u>John Nowack</u>					
(Address) <u>Detroit</u>					
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH					
DATE OF DEATH (Month) <u>10</u> (Day) <u>24</u> (Year) <u>1906</u>					
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>10/23</u> , 190 <u>6</u> , to <u>10/24</u> , 190 <u>6</u> , that I last saw him alive on <u>10/23</u> , 190 <u>6</u> , and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>10</u> M.					
The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: <u>General paralysis</u>					
<u>106</u> (DURATION) DAYS					
Contributory <u>injury to neck</u> (DURATION) DAYS					
(Signed) <u>2 L. Zimmer</u> M. D. <u>10/25</u> 190 <u>6</u> (Address) <u>Detroit</u>					
SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents: Former or usual residence How long at place of death? Days					
Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?					
PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>St. Elmer</u>	DATE OF BURIAL <u>11/27</u> 190 <u>6</u>				
UNDERTAKER <u>H. Schulte</u>	ADDRESS <u>Detroit</u>				
Filed <u>10/27</u> 190 <u>6</u>	A TRUE COPY				
Registrar					

Death Record, Detroit 1906 – Anton Reuter

Anthony (Anton) Reuter, born September 19, 1840, Germany; son of John Joseph Reuter and Anna Marie Adams. Died October 24, 1906 in Detroit. Document courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz, used by permission.

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County of	Wayne	Department of State—Division of Vital Statistics		1894	
Township of		TRANSCRIPT OF CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		Registered No. 3196	
Village of				(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number. If away from usual residence, give "Special Information" below.)	
City of	Detroit	(No. 917 in Dequall St. 11	Ward)		
FULL NAME		Mary Agnes Reuter			
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS					
SEX	7	COLOR	W		
DATE OF BIRTH	(Month) June	(Day) 9	(Year) 1834		
AGE	72 years, months, 21 days				
SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED	M				
AGE AT MARRIAGE.	If married, age at (first) marriage years				
NUMBER OF CHILDREN	Parent of children, of whom are living				
BIRTHPLACE (State or country)	Ger				
NAME OF FATHER	Frank Steffes				
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country)	Ger				
MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	Unk. Reuter				
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country)	U				
OCCUPATION	Housewife				
THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF					
(Informant)	Lulu Reuter				
(Address)	Detroit				
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH					
DATE OF DEATH	(Month) June	(Day) 29	(Year) 1906		
I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from Feb 1904, to 6/29, 1906, that I last saw him alive on 6/28, 1906, and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 12 A. M.					
The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: Valvular disease of heart					
Contributory 2 years					
Chadwick					
(Signed)	J. P. Lichner M. D.				
6/9/1906 (Address) 820 in Dequall					
SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents:					
Former or usual residence How long at place of death? Days					
Where was disease contracted, if not at place of death?					
PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL	Mt. Olivet		DATE OF BURIAL 7/12 1906		
UNDERTAKER	C. H. Schultze		ADDRESS Detroit		
Filed	6/30 1906		A TRUE COPY Registrar		

Death Record, Detroit 1906 – Mary Agnes Reuter

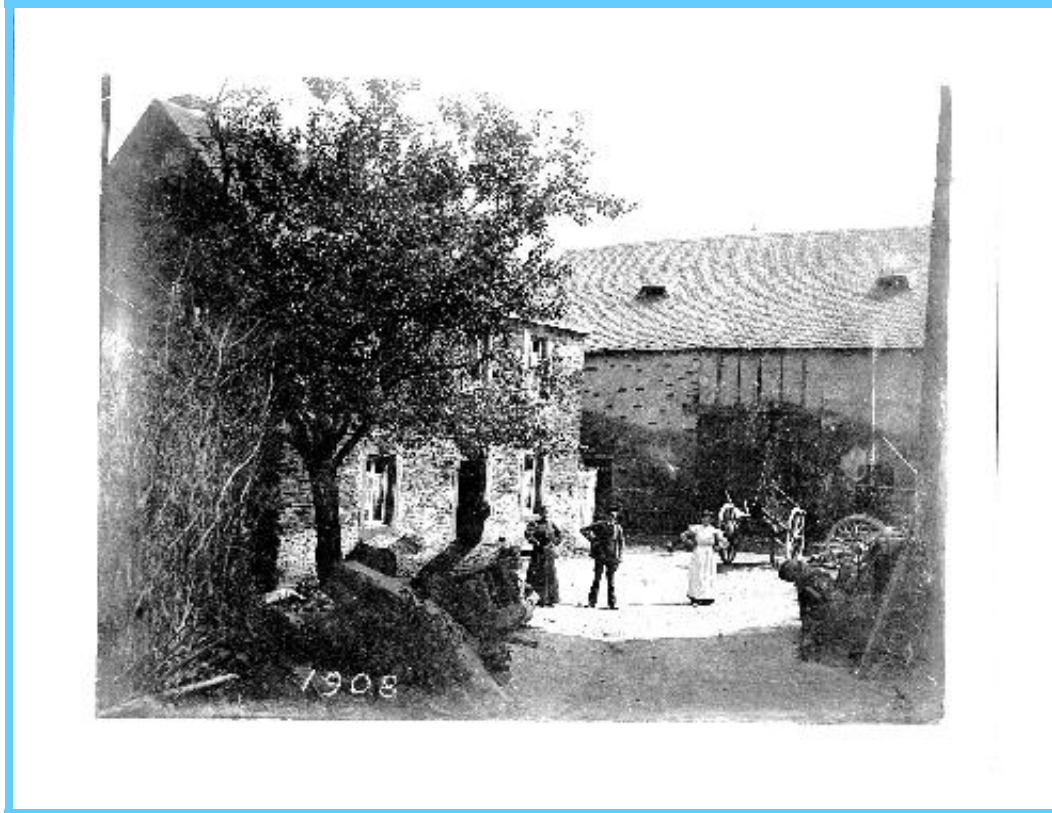
Mary Agnes Reuter, born June 9, 1834, Germany; daughter of Frank Steffes and Margaretha Scheid. Died June 29, 1906 in Detroit. Document courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz, used by permission.

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Masburg 1908

Photo taken in Masburg, Germany in 1908 at the Hermes house. The three people are believed to be Maria Reuter Emig, and either Frank (Franz) or Matt (Matthias) Hermes and his wife. The original house has been rebuilt. The current family is named Wölver. Photo courtesy of Molly (Emig) Schultz. Used by permission.

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Wilhelm Emig and Mary (Maria) Reuter

Wilhelm Emig (1861-1917) and Mary Reuter (1867-1945). Mary Reuter is the first child of Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter. Photo courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz, used by permission

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Frank Reuter and Julia Bessa

Frank Reuter (1872-1943) and Julia Bessa (1876-1941). Frank Reuter is the third child of Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter. Photo courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz, used by permission.

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Catherine Reuter and James Peabody

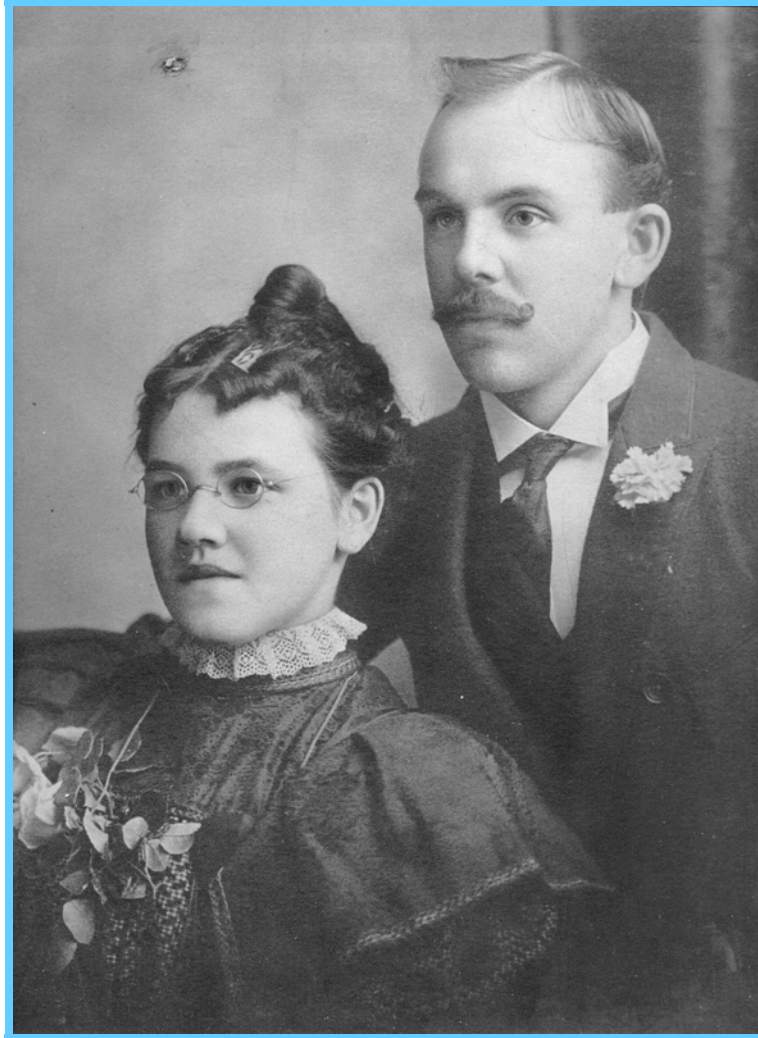
The identity is not certain, but believed to be Catherine Reuter (1876-1918) and James Peabody. Catherine Reuter is the fifth child of Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter. Photo belonged to Kitty's niece, the late Erma Wolff. Used with permission of Donald Wolff, son of Erma Wolff.

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Margaret Reuter and John Nowak

Wedding photo of Margaret Reuter (1877-1933) and John Nowak (1875-1913). Margaret Reuter is the youngest child of Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter. Photo courtesy of Donald Wolff, grandson; used by permission.

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Postcard from Illinois – Unknown author

(August 2005) Possibly thought it could have been written by Anna Maria Reuter.

(December 2005) Now known not to be written by Anna Maria Reuter. However, the author of this postcard remains unknown.

On the front of the postcard, it states Techny, Illinois, possibly the location of the Society of the Devine Word, an order of Catholic missionaries in Techny (Northbrook), Illinois. The date of the postmark has the day and month only, no year is stated. The postmark indicates it was mailed from Morton Grove, Illinois (near Chicago). There are two distinct styles of handwriting on this card; therefore it was written by two people. Postcard courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz. Used by permission. Translated by Ursula Buchholz.

The left side is written in German and states:

Dir Schwester, /
Deine Karte habe ich erhalten /
welches mich sehr gefreut hat /
ich bin so auch noch gesund /
was ich auch von Euch hoffe /
Heute war ich wo Mr. /
Chumel (?) sein Sohn /
studieren. Ich habe mit /
einem gesprochen der Platz /
ist prachtvoll .Die Karte sagt /
dir wo die Frohleichnamzen /
Prozesion gingen

Translation:

Dear Sister (her word "Dir" might be "Ginglish" -German + English. In real German she would have written Liebe Schwester) I was very pleased having received your postcard. Everything is OK with me and I do hope so for you. Today I was there where Mr. Chumel's son is studying. I have talked to somebody, the place is gorgeous. The postcard states where the Corpus Christi procession is going (Techny ?)

The right side is written by a second person and has the address of Mrs. M(argaret) Nowak, 917 McDougall, Detroit, Mich.

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Emma Hermes and Michael Roller

Emma Hermes (1864-1928) and Michael Roller (1861-1938) Family.
Back Row (left to right) - Blanche, Emma, Gertrude, Edwin, Edna, Nettie, Leona.
Front row (left to right) Evelyn, Emma (Hermes), Michael Roller, Mamie.
Emma Hermes is the sixth child of Maria Steffes and Johann Josef Hermes.
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Margaret Reuter and John Nowak Family

Family photo of Margaret Reuter (1877-1933) and her children, circa 1925. John Nowak (1875-1913), deceased. Margaret Reuter is the youngest child of Maria Steffes and Anton Reuter. Photo courtesy of Catherine Fowler; granddaughter. Used by permission.

Front row: Margaret (Reuter) Nowak is seated in the center with Josephine, Margaret on the left, and Erma, Loretta on the right.

Back row (left to right): Norman, Vincent, Beatrice, John.

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Maria Reuter Emig & Family, 1934

Maria Reuter Emig & Family posed in front of the lilac bush on Promenade. The occasion was the first communion of Marianne Emig and her brother William F. Emig, Jr. (Nick), 1934. From left: Bill Steele and Nick, Maria, William F. Emig, Sr. and Molly, Marianne and Little Margaret (Peggy) with Margaret Emig Steele in back holding Nancy Jeanne Emig. Sarah (Molyneaux) Emig and James Steele are not in this snapshot. Photo courtesy of Molly Emig Schultz. Used by permission.

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Masburg 1956



Photo taken when William Emig visited Masburg, Germany in 1956. William Emig is the tallest in the picture. On the left is Josesph Schäfges (Schefges), burgermeister (mayor). Standing next to William Emig is Maria (Hermes) Berenz, third child of Matthias (Matthew) Hermes. The identity of the lady on the far right can not be positively identified but may be a daughter of Franz (Frank) Hermes. Identification information provided by Alois Wölver, Masburg, Germany, a living descendant of Lorenz Wölver and Gertrud Hermes. Photo courtesy of Molly (Emig) Schultz. Used by permission.

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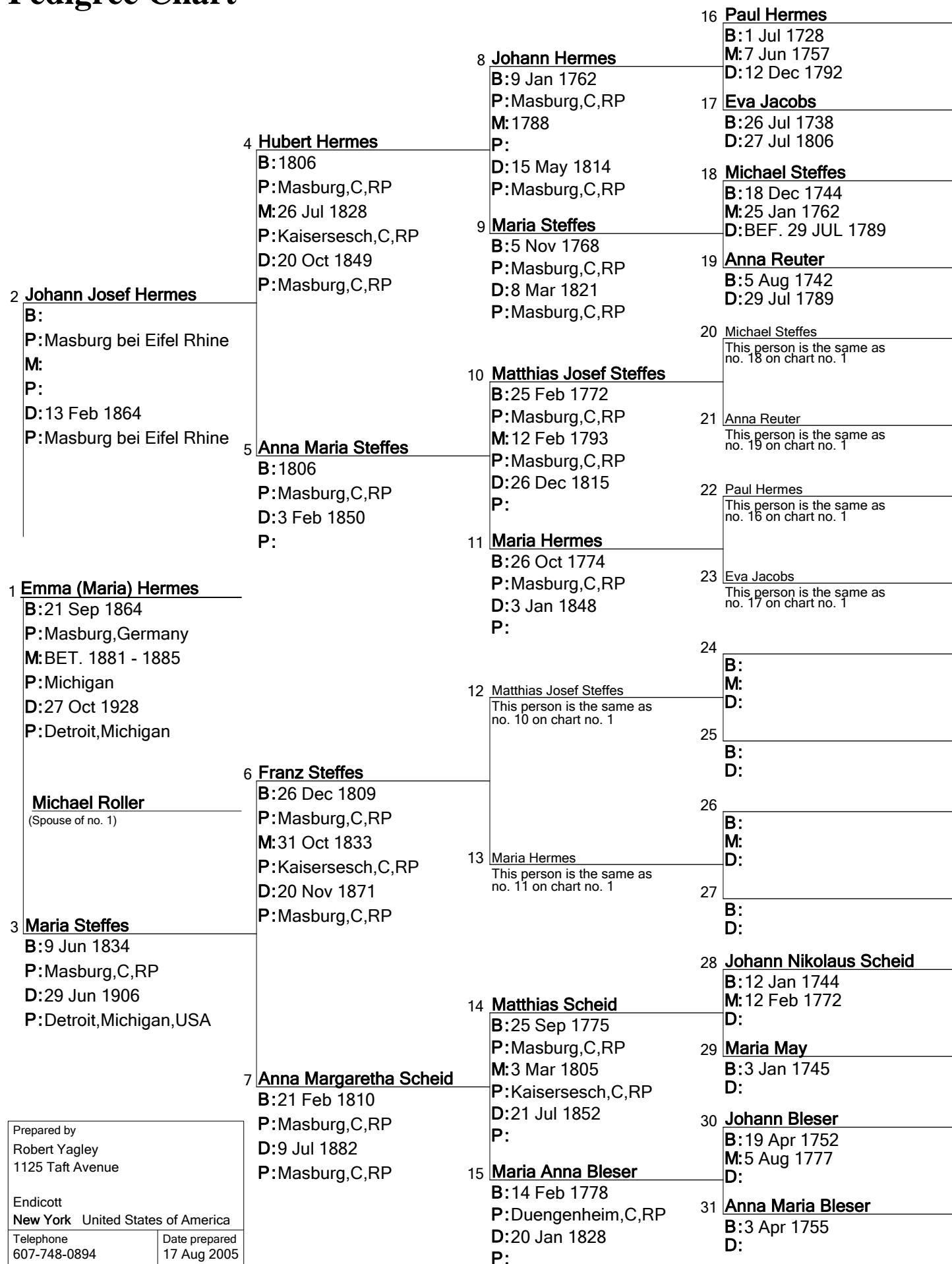
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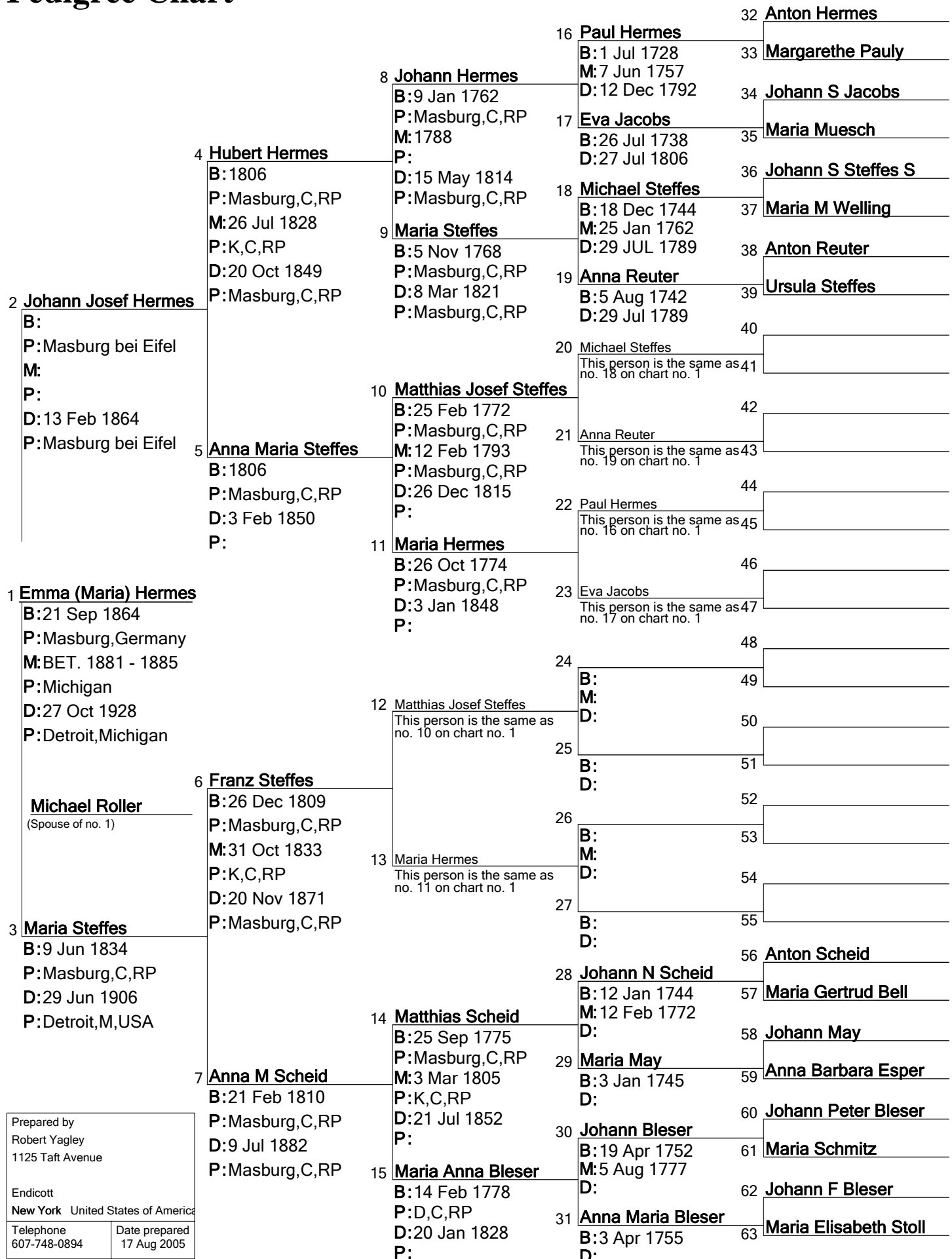
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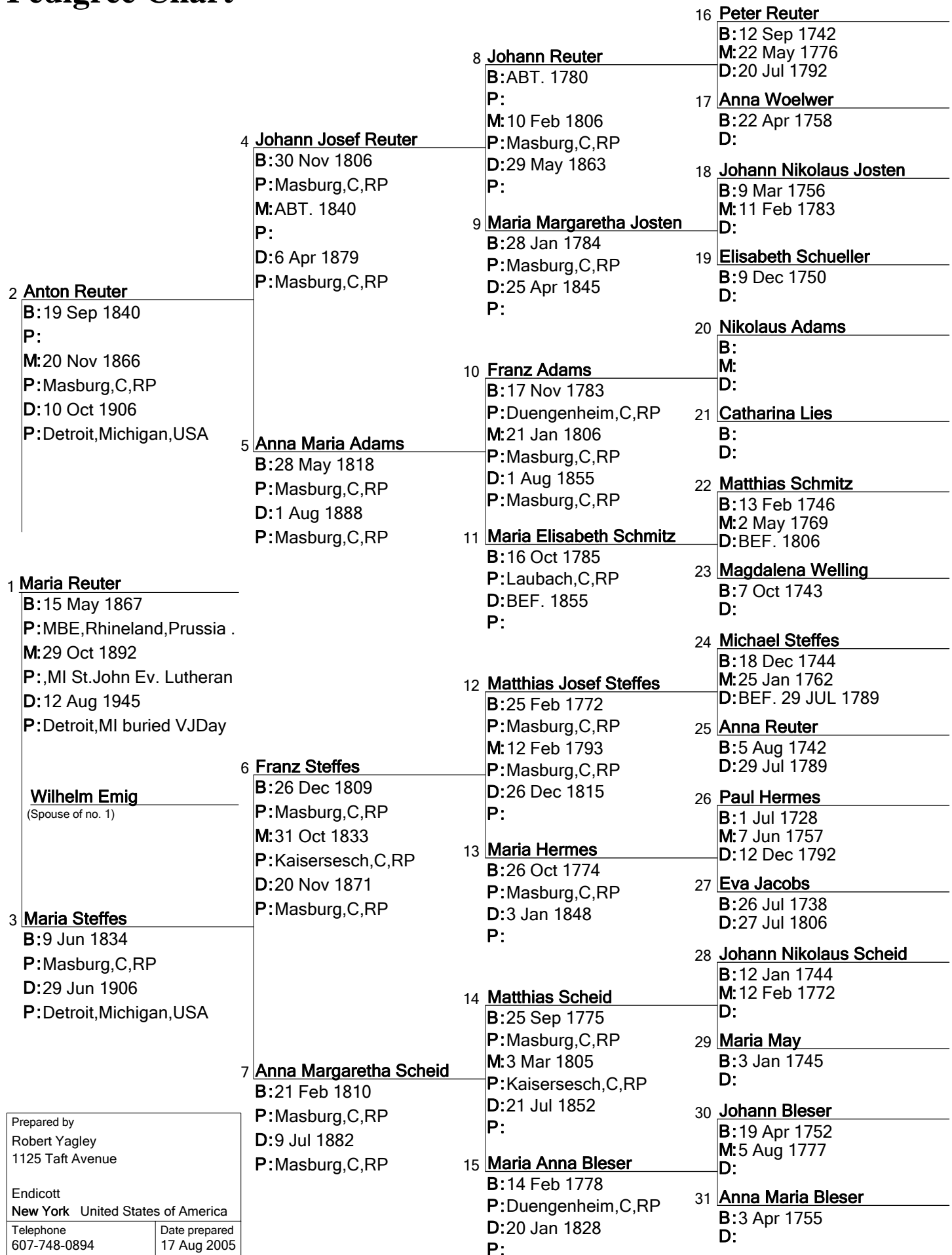
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