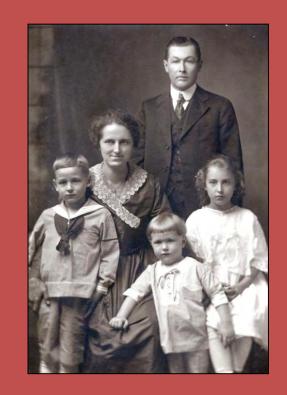
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For Terry This is his story. To our children we should give two things: one is roots, the other is wings. Author Unknown

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Introduction

Norma Katherine, Edward Weber and Gerald Robert Johnston were the children of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Philippina Weber of Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Although the lives of these children took different paths, the story of each life began and ended in Indiana. This is a family history, tracing their Scots-Irish and German roots back through the generations to their original immigrant ancestors to this country. Surnames include Johnston, Weber, Kress, Kuhn, Reymer, Stotler and Seitz. The trail leads back through Ohio to Pennsylvania and Kentucky, and eventually to Ireland and to Germany. All of the lines have been traced back to the early part of the nineteenth century. Some go back to the 1700s.

Edward Johnston and Anna Weber were originally from Shelby and Plymouth respectively, two farming communities in Richland County, Ohio. Throughout their lives, Edward and Anna maintained close ties to family in these towns. Their roots in Ohio ran deep, as their ancestors were pioneer European settlers in this region. In 1831, John and Mary Ann Johnston came from Cavan County, Ireland and established a farm near Plymouth, Ohio. A couple of years later, John and Elizabeth Kuhn, along with other family members, traveled by horse and wagon some 350 miles from Greencastle, Pennsylvania to establish a homestead in Plymouth. Shortly after 1880, Jacob Weber and Susanna Kress, German immigrants who had more recently come from Louisville, Kentucky, arrived and established a successful tavern in the township of Plymouth.

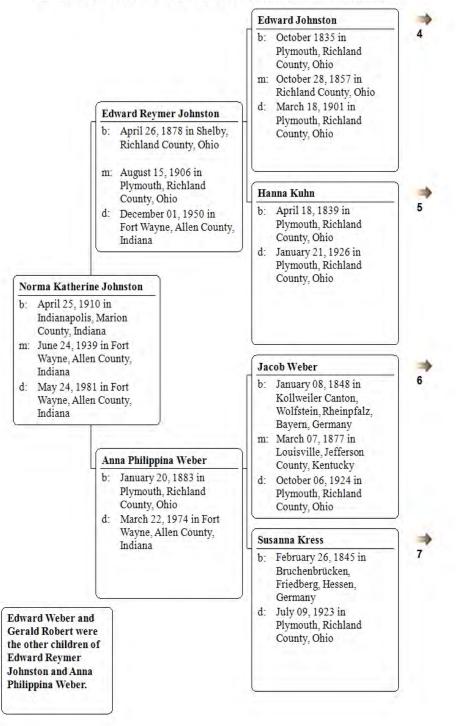
The Kuhn families of Plymouth, Ohio were descendants of pioneer immigrants to Franklin County (originally a part of Cumberland County), Pennsylvania. This area is some 170 miles west of Philadelphia and just a few miles north of the Maryland border. Scots-Irish immigrants were the first to come to this area. The Germans began to arrive about 1750. The ancestors of this Johnston family narrative arrived sometime between that date and 1790. They were there in time to join the American Revolution. Peter Kuhn, Phillip Roemer (Reymer), and Jacob Stotler were German ancestors from Franklin County who served in the Revolutionary War. Phillip Roemer was a fifer in the war and served at Valley Forge.

Information on this family history comes from a variety of sources. These include birth, death and cemetery records; U.S. census records; wills, probate and land records; immigration records, church records, family stories, and the *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*, published in Harrisburg, PA in 1953 by Clara Venable, Ed.

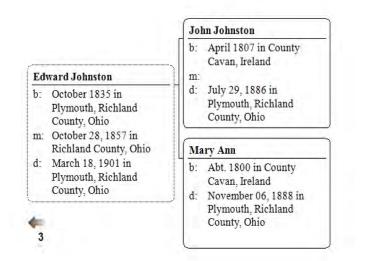
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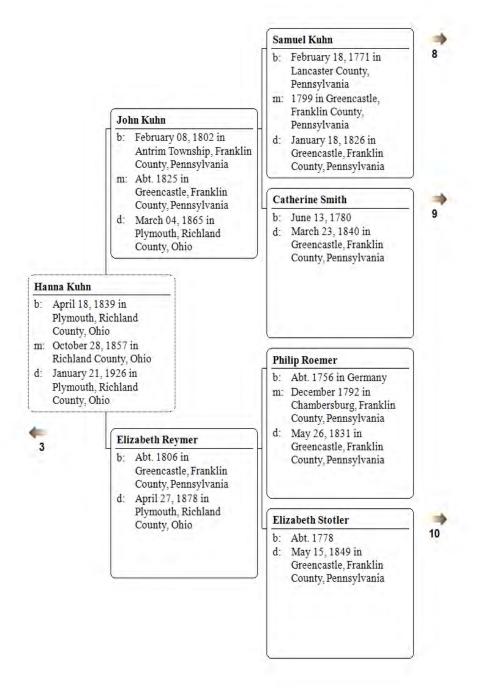
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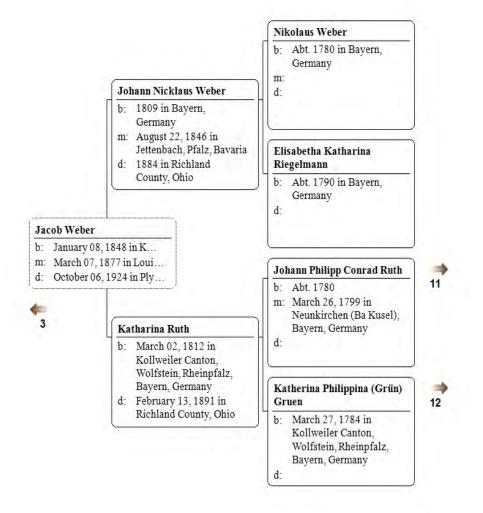


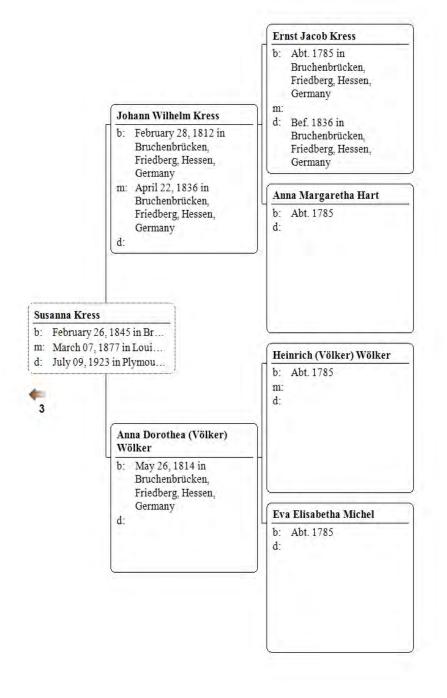


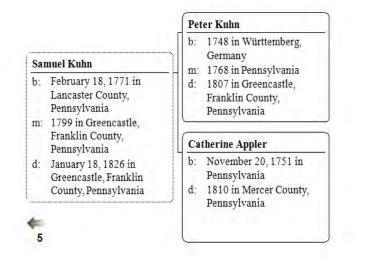
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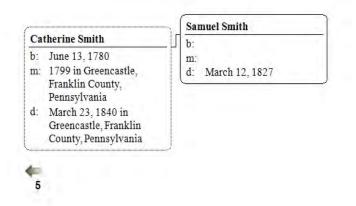


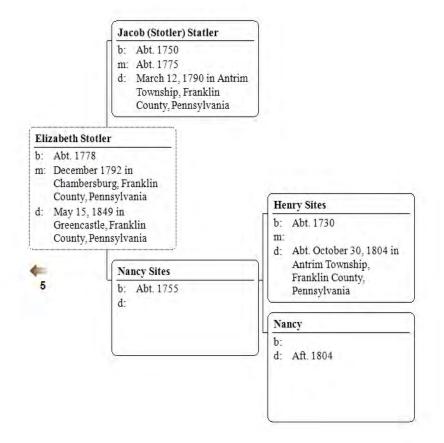












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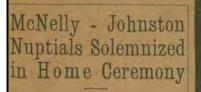




Wedding Portrait of Norma Katherine Johnston McNelley

Norma and Theodore (Ted) McNelley were married on June 24, 1939, a Saturday evening, at the home of the bride's parents, Edward and Anna Johnston, who lived at 1021 Archer Avenue in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Theodore McNelley and Norma Johnston Wedding Announcement



Mica Norma Johnston, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Johnston of 1021 Archer avenue, and Theodore T. McNelley, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. H. McNelley of 2001 Bayer avenue, were married in a pretty ceremony at 6.30 o'clock Saturday night at the bride's home, Rev. Robert F. Sheaffer of the Bethany Presbyterian church officiated and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutchinson of Chicago, the bridegroom's brother-in-law and sister, attended the couple, Only members of the families were present. Large hampers of white flowers

Large hampers of white flowers against a background of palms and ferns formed a setting for the ceremony, which was read by candlelight. The rooms were filled with garden flowers.

The bride's princess gown of white marquisette over salin was fashoned with a fitted bodice and a full skirt ending in a slight train. The sleeves were short and puffed and he neckline formed a deep V finshed with a narrow ruching. Her tap, to which was gathered her fingertip length veil of illusion, was of the ruching. She wore a string of bearls, gift of the bridegroom, and carried an arm bouquet of stephanotis interspersed with maline.

Mrs. Hutchinson was in blue mousseline de sole trimmed in peach and she carried a bouquet of peach gladioli and delicate blue delphinlums.

The bride's mother, in stardust blue lace, wore a corsage of pink roses and sweetpeas and the bridegroom's mother, in delicate pink lace, wore a corsage of blue delphiniums and pink roses. A wedding cake, flanked with green

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and white tapers interspersed with plumosis, centered the table for the buffet supper which followed the wedding. Later in the evening the couple's most intimate friends were invited to the home, when announcement was made to them of the wedding. Following the reception the couple left for a trip in the north. The bride traveled in a dusty pink suit with which she wore white accessories.

Out-of-town guests were Miss Marian McKinley of Philadelphia;

Lieut, Edward W. Johnston of San Diego, Cal.; the Misses Katherine and Elizabeth Weber and Christopher Weber of Plymouth, O.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fiedler, Miss Marjorie Christensen, Roy Christensen and Miss Lulu McNelley, all of Chicago, and Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Wirth of Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. McNelley, who has been teaching at the Harrison Hill school, was graduated from North Side high school and attended Indiana university, where she was a member of Delta Zeta, national college sorority. Mr. McNelley, a graduate of North Side high school and of Purdue university, is employed by the International Harvester company. Wedding guests included: Lt. Edward Johnston and Marian McKinley, who would soon become Edward's wife; Katherine, Elizabeth, and Christian Weber, the bride's aunts and uncle from Ohio; the Fred Wirths of Louisville, Kentucky, cousins of the bride's mother, Anna Weber Johnston; Lulu McNelley, Theodore's aunt; the Fiedlers and Christensens, Theodore's Mickelsen relatives from Chicago.

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American Heroes Johnston Ancestors who Fought in America's Wars

Peter Kuhn, Jacob Statler, and Phillip Roemer, served in the American Revolution. Edward Johnston, from Plymouth, Ohio, was a lieutenant in the Ohio Militia in the Civil War. The above are direct ancestors of Norma, Edward, and Gerald Johnston.



Above: Colonel Edward Weber Johnston, brother of Norma and Gerald Ed was a Marine Corp aviator in WW II.

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Marion McKinley to marry Lt. Edward Weber Johnston

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Edward W. Johnston 1913-2008



This photo of Edward was taken while he was a student at North Side High School. Edward, his siblings, Norma and Gerald, as well as Norma's husband Theodore (Ted) McNelley attended and graduated from this school in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Norma and Ted's children Terry and Suzanne McNelley also graduated from North Side High.



Edward and Anna Johnston with their Children c. 1915-1920



Photos taken in Indianapolis, Indiana Norma is the oldest, followed by Edward, and then Gerald.

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Johnston Family Portrait c 1920



Edward and Anna (Weber) Johnston with their children: Norma, Edward and Gerald

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Johnston Children



Norma (above) was born in 1910. Edward (right) was born in 1913.

Norma and Edward were the children of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Weber. They were born in Indianapolis, Indiana.



Norma and Edward Johnston, 1913-1915 Children of Edward R. and Anna Weber Johnston





Photos were taken on visits to the Weber Family Homestead in Plymouth, Ohio. Above right: Norma and Edward are shown with their mother Anna and their aunt Elizabeth. Below right: Their mother Anna Weber Johnston is standing.





Certificate of Birth for Norma Katherine Johnston (McNelley)

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Although she traveled to many places, Norma Johnston McNelley was born, grew up, married, raised a family and died in Indiana. It was her home.

Jacob Weber Family Portraits

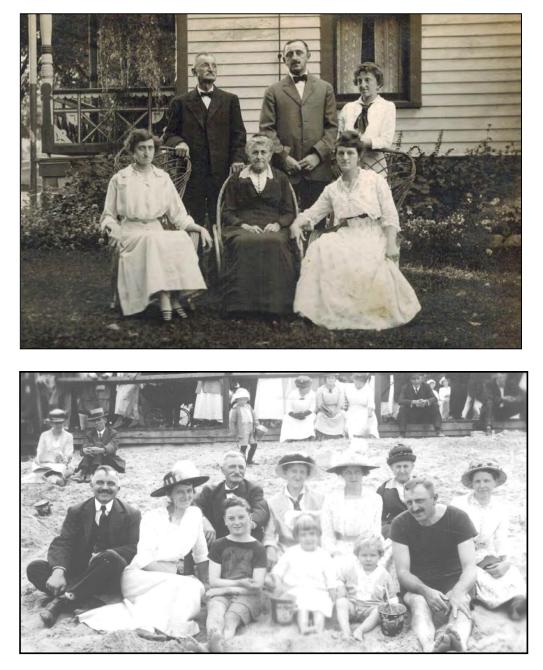


Photo above: Seated are (l to r) Catherine, Jacob's wife Susanna, and Anna. Behind them are Jacob, Christian, and Elizabeth. The photo was taken at the family home in Plymouth, Ohio about 1915.

Photo below: A family outing at the beach in Sandusky, Ohio, located on Lake Erie, 40 miles north of Plymouth. Jacob and Susanna are there with their children and grandchildren. Some individuals in the photo are not identified. The photo was taken about 1915.

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The Children of Jacob and Susanna (Kress) Weber of Plymouth, Ohio

Christian (b. 1879), Catherine (b. 1881), Anna (b. 1883); and Elizabeth (b. 1884) The photo was taken c. 1888

Certificate of Death for Anna P. (Weber) Johnston 1883-1974

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Anna spent the last eleven years of her life living in the home of her daughter Norma Johnston McNelley. She and her son Gerald (who never married) moved in with her daughter, after her daughter's husband Theodore Thomas McNelley died in 1963.



Baptism Certificate for Anna Philippina Weber

Anna was the daughter of Jacob Weber and Susanna Kress. She was born on January 20, 1883 in Plymouth, Richland Co. Ohio. Both of her parents were emigrants from Germany, who met and married in Louisville, Kentucky. By 1883 they were living in Plymouth, where they owned and ran a successful tavern and spent the remainder of their lives.

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Certificate of Death for Susanna Kress Weber 1845-1923

According to the baptism record of Susanna Kress, found in the records of the Evangelische Kirche in Bruchenbrücken, near Friedberg, Germany, Susanna's mother was Anna Dorothea Völker (Wölker). (She is listed as unknown in above document).

Transportation in the Early Twentieth Century From the Johnston Family Album

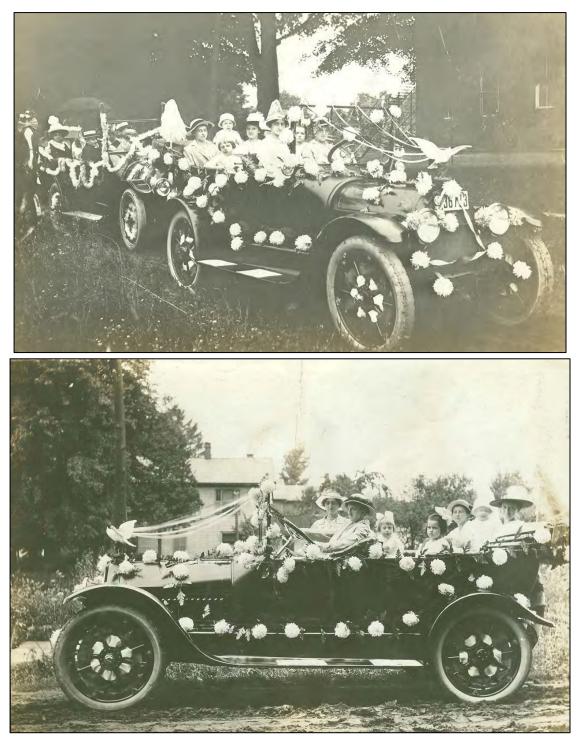


This photo was taken about 1915 in Plymouth, Ohio. Jacob Weber is in the driver's seat. Grandchildren Norma and Edward Johnston are in the back seat, along with their mother, grandmother, and aunt.

Shown right: the Johnston Family in Indianapolis, Indiana. Edward and Norma are on the running board. Their father is in the drivers' seat. Anna is in the back seat, holding baby Gerald. Taken about 1917.



Parade Day in Plymouth Ohio, c 1915



All decked out for the parade! In the bottom photo, Anna Johnston is the woman in the back seat on the right. Next to her is son Edward. Norma is the child standing right behind her aunts Kate and Elizabeth. Elizabeth is driving.

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Certificate of Death for Jacob Weber, 1848-1924

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The name of Jacob's mother was Catherine (Katharina) Ruth, instead of Charlotte Ruth as listed above. Katharina Ruth is listed as Jacob's mother on his baptism record. In the 1880 census of New Albany, Indiana, Nickolas and Catherine Weber were living with their son and daughter-inlaw Jacob and Susana Weber.

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US Census of 1870 for Louisville, Kentucky

Susan Kress, age 25, is listed in this census. She later became the wife of Jacob Weber. She is listed as a domestic servant in the household of Fred Keefer, a confectioner. Her place of birth is given as Hessen (Germany).







Susanna (l) and Katherine (r) Kress, shown in the photo above, were sisters and remained close throughout their lives. Both girls immigrated to Louisville, Kentucky from Bruchenbrücken, Germany, along with their brother Christian, in the nineteenth century (although at different times). Katherine Kress married George Lambertus and remained in Louisville. This couple had eleven children. Christian Kress married Mary Kohlhepp and also settled in Louisville. Susanna Kress married Jacob Weber and moved to Plymouth, Ohio.

The photos of the church and family home in Bruchenbrücken were taken by Fred Wirth, a descendant of Katherine Kress Lambertus. Fred made a trip to Germany in the early part of the twentieth century. Bruchenbrücken is a small community, surrounded by farmland and located six kilometers southeast of Friedberg, Germany.

Kress Sisters and Family Ties to Bruchenbrücken, Germany

The Baptism Record of Susanna Kress born in Bruchenbrücken near Friedberg, Hessen, Germany in 1845

Source: Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FamilySearch.org. FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. The record, written in Old German, translates:

In the Christian year 1845, on the 26^{th} February in the morning between four and five o'clock, according to received trustworthy information, was born the fifth child, a daughter, as the third daughter, and baptized on the 9^{th} March, to Johann Wilhelm Kre β , local burgher and shoemaker here and to his wife Anna Dorothea nee Völker, and she received the name: Susanna. Godmother was; Susanna Krick of Johann Heinrich Krick, local burgher and peasant, with Eva Elisabetha nee Völcker, legitimate daughter not confirmed yet who substituted her mother's role at the baptism and signed the present protocol next to the father of the child and me, the priest, who performed the baptism. [Signed] Friedrich Wilhelm Müller, priest; Ewa Elisabeth Krick; Johann Wilhelm Kre β .

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Johnston Family Farmhouse, Shelby, Ohio



Above: Home of Edward and Hanna (Kuhn) Johnston in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio. (Photo is undated, but taken in the early 1900s.) The handmade quilts shown here came from this homestead and were quilted about 1900. The creator of the quilts is unknown.

The variation in stitches in the quilting suggests that it was done by more than one quilter: a quilting bee. Both quilts are now in the possession of Mrs. Terry R. McNelley. Hanna Kuhn was of German descent from Pennsylvania.



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Last Will and Testament of Edward Johnston

dated March 4, 1901, and executed in Richland County, Ohio

433 This day the Application to Amit the Last Will and Testament of THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT This day the Application to Amit the Last Will and Testament of Source of Sour THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT Probate Judge. RECORD OF SAID WILL. In the name of the Denerolent Father of all , I Edward Johnston of Rymouth Township Richland County, Chio do make and publich this my will and Destament. stem the I give and acquate to my Beloved wife in liew of her dower the on which we now uside situate Plymouth Township Richland County ring about One Hundred acres and all the stock househ provision s and other goods and chattels which may time of my deceases I give and bequeath to her absolutely (she however so much thereof as may be sufficient to pay my fust debled to be her heis forever. husand no 22 Ido hurdy arminate and appoint my beloved aife Hamah Johnston utor of this my last will and testament hereby authinging and ampowering romise ady ist releas and discharge in such man to Com the debte and claime due me. I desire that ou offer property be made and that the bout of ate direct the omission of the same in persuance of the statutes. revoke all farmer wills by me made. herch testimon here of I have hereunto set by hand and real this narch a.D. 1901 Edward Johnston (seaf) Signed and acknowledged by said Edward Johnston as last will and vous presence and signe as in his John Johnston . M. W. Suffeth , TESTIMONY OF WITNESSES THE STATE OF OHIO, We, John Johnston and D. Sur RICHLAND COUNTY, ss. Speing thily swort in open Court, this 18 day of June 19 and say that we were present at the execution of the Last Will and Testament of Educated . A. D. 180/ . , depose hth deceased, hereunto annexed ; that we saw said Testat w subscribe said Will, and heard him publish and declare the same to be his in a to saw saw saw resarve subscribe said restard, at the time of executing the same, was of full age, and of sound mind and memory, and not under any restraint; and that the signed the same as witnesses at in request, and in his i presence, and in presence of each other. Shown to and subscribed in open Court, the day many subscribed in open Court, John Johnston . the day and year first above written. Probate Judge. By Deputy Clerk Probate Court.

Source: Will Records 1816-1903 for Richland County, OH; Ohio Wills and Probate Records 1786-1998, downloaded from Ancestry.com 2/16/2016

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Probate Record of Edward Johnston

dated June 4, 1901, and executed in Richland County, Ohio

The Last Will and Testament of Edward Christon, Deceased. ge it Bemembered, That on the 4 day of farme A. D. 1807, the following Application for the Probate of the Last Will and Testament of Edward Johnston, late of Richland County, Ohio, deceased, was filed in this Court: THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT { IN PROPARE COURT OF DECIMANT THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Odward formation Deceased, In PROBATE COURT OF RICHLAND COUNTY, OHIO. The undersigned Happing Horner of the formation of the Brobate of the Last Will and Testament of Odward formation for the Probate of the Last Will and Testament of Odward formation for the Probate of the Last Will and Softward Testator diverse the formation of the probate of the last will and Softward Testator diverse the probate of the softward of the following named persons at of him ext of kin: NAME DEGREE OF KINSHIP. P 0 Allower DEGREE OF KINSHIP. P. O. ADDRESS. albert E. Johnston son Couffalo hy. daughter sidow, The undersigned aske that said will be admitted to Probate and Record in said leour and that a Day be fixed therefore . " Done this 4" day of Joine 1901. THE STATE OF OHIO, RICHLAND COUNTY, 85. Hannah Johnstor . Applicant. being duly sworn, says that the statements made in the foregoing application, are true as he verily believes. KBrinkerhoff pet robal judge , Thereupon, on said 4' day of find the following Entry was made in the Journal of this Court: THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT June 4 190/ of Edward Johns Con Deceased. This day application was made in due form of law for the Probate of the Last Will and Testument of Edward Johnston Late of Richland County, Ohio, deceased; whereupon it is ordered that Notices issue from this Court to the Bridow and next of kin of said decedent, resident within the State of Ohio, acquainting them of the filing, pendancy, prayer and place and time of hearing of said application, which said time of hear ing is hereby set for the 18 day of france A. D. 189/, at 10,20 o'clock a, M. And it is further ordered that were said Notices, on caused the senant of several apout the of meserid and ment officing and that he makey not of enclosed a this Courton or before said day of hearing. Probate Judge. Thereupon, on said 4 day of from A. D. 180/, the following Notice was issued from this Court: THE STATE OF OHIO, { IN PROBATE COURT. RICHLAND COUNTY, ss. In the Matter of the Last Will and Testament of Edward Johnston, Deceased. To Hannah Shinston, Lotter B. Trago and Edward O. Johnston . You are hereby notified that on the 4 day of france A. D. 180/, an instrument of writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Edward meters late of Lymouth Township, in said County, deceased, be the Last will and restament of water and an Application to admit the same to probate was, on the same day, made in said Court. Said Application will be for hearing before this Court, on the 18 day of fame A. D. 18/, at 10 o'clock (M. Lec) Dated at Mansfield, Ohio, this 4" day of fame A. D. 180/, Dated at Mansfield, Ohio, this 4" day of frence A. D. 190/, Afterwards, to-wit: on the L& day of fune A. D. 190/, said Notice was returned into Court with the following endorsement thereon: Ge the undersigned person within named, hereby acknowledge service of the within Notice, this 7 day of fine . D. 180/ Hannah Conston Edward C. Johnston Lottie B. Trage THE STATE OF OHIO,] being duly sworn, says that on the day of County, ss. ____ A. D. 18____, he served the within notice by delivering a true copy thereof to the within named Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____ A. D 18 Thereupon, on said 18 day of fame A. D. 180/, the following Entry was made in the Journal of this Court:

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Edward Johnston, Civil War Soldier

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Edward Johnston was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant, Company B, Fourth Regiment, Ohio Militia in Richland County, Ohio on July 4, 1863. He was husband of Hanna Kuhn, the father of Edward Reymer Johnston, and the grandfather of Norma, Edward and Gerald Johnston.

John Johnston, Pioneer Settler in Richland County, Ohio

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Connell, George	Plymouth	Hotel and Livery	Brook Co., WV	1841						
Crawford, John	Plymouth	Machinist	Beaver Co., PA	1830						
Castor, Daniel	Section 19	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1825						
Clark, John	Section 12	Farming	Windham Co., CT	1847						
Colwell, J.C.	Section 1	Mechanic	Richland Co., OH	1832						
Cross, Geo. W.	Plymouth	Trader	Crawford Co., OH	1849						
Case, E.	Section 5	Agent for B.& O. R.R.	Monroe Co., NY	1838						
Clark, Eli	Section 12	Farmer	Windham Co., CT	1846						
Duncan, David L.	Section 31	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1833						
Dawson, J.W.	Section 17	Farming	Lincolnshire, England	1844						
Derringer, W.H.	Plymouth	Cooper	Cumberland Co., PA	1867						
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Ervin, J.C.	Section 1	Horticulturist	Crawford Co., OH	1867						
Ervin, William	Section 2	Farming	Stark Co., OH	1867						
Faulkner, D.S.	Section 36	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1844						
Ferguson, J.H.	Plymouth	Lumber Dealer	Richland Co., OH	1841						
Fenner, Samuel	Section 12	Farming	Bucks Co., PA	1829						
Fenner, F.T.	Section 1	Farming	Tompkins, NY	1829						
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Faulkner, George	Section 35	Farming	Lincolnshire, England	1835						
Fogelsonger, Jacob	Section 24	Farming	Erie Co., NY	1839						
Griffeth, Levi	Section 23	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1826						
Griffeth, John	Section 23	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1824						
Gipson, H.B.	Section 1	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1821						
Hutchinson, Wm.	Section 19	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1840						
Johnston, John	Section 26	Farming	Cavan Co., Ireland	1831						
King, G.W.	Section 11	Farming	Holmes Co., OH	1865						
Kirkpatrick, Wm.	Section 8	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1822						
Kirkpatrick, Geo. W.	Section 8	Farming	Richland Co., OH	1843						

John Johnston, born in Cavan County, Ireland, came to Plymouth, Ohio in 1831. (Plymouth Township was created in 1818.) John and his wife Mary, who was also born in Ireland, had four children, including ancestor Edward Johnston, who served as a Union Soldier in the Civil War. John died in Plymouth on July 29, 1886, age 79. He had spent 55 years in Richland County, OH.

The Tombstone of John and Mary Johnston

John Johnston died on July 29, 1886, aged 79 years. Mary Johnston died on November 16, 1888, aged 88 years. They are interred at Greenlawn Cemetery, Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio



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Certificate of Death for Hannah Kuhn Johnston, 1839-1926

Hannah's parents, John Kuhn and Elizabeth Reymer, were pioneer settlers in Plymouth, Ohio. They moved from Greencastle in Franklin County, Pennsylvania in 1833.

A Page from the Kuhn Family History

HISTORY OF FAMILIES OF JOHN AND ELIZABETH REYMER-KUHN AND SAMUEL AND JULIAN REYMER-KUHN The history of these two families is so closely interwoven that we are making no attempt to separate them. Brothers having married sisters brought about a closer relationship which exists even in the present generation. The following history of their trip to Ohio, was written by Samuel on the fly leaf of his Bible, now in the possession of his grand-daughter Mrs. Mable Kuhn-Riley, of Norwalk, O. "On Tuesday, the twenty-third day of April, 1833, my brother John Kuhn and on messay, the twenty third day of April, loss, wy orderer some and any myself with our families, John's family consisted of wife and three children and with my wife and one child, four months old, left Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pa., for the purpose of getting homes in the western part of Pa. But not being pleased with rights and titles of lands in that state, having looked around and having remained three days with an Uncle John Crill in Mercer County, we then concluded to go to Ashtabula Co., Ohio and remained there two weeks looking around over the country and not liking the land and the timber and titles and the agriculture move of that part of the state of Ohio, we resolved to go from there to Richland Co., by way of Cleveland and Medina to Wooster. At that time the rever ran high in Wayne and Richland County of the people going to Perryspurg in the Maumee country. We also started from Wooster for the Maumee and having gotten as far as lower Sandusky, now called Fremont, four miles beyond that place the country was called the black swamp, we began to think we had gotten rather a little too far into the back woods. Remaining there three days we resolved to return back as far as Richland Co., and rent there or perhaps buy a small home and as there was no chance to rent we bought a quarter section from a Mr. John Aldridge for one thousand dollars. "We bought in company and lived seven years together, clearing up, building and buying more land, then separated. John keeping and remaining on the quarter section, I removing on the marsh lot, which lands we held. 'John departed this life the fourth of March 1865 Samuel Kuhn was born October 24, 1807 and married Julian Reymer on Thursday December 8, 1831, in Antrim Twp., Franklin Co., Pa., by the Rev. Frederick Agustus Sholl, Pastor of the German Reformed Church at Greencastle, Pa. After the death of his first wife he was married to Miss Mary Janett Hoffman, on January 20, 1881, by Rev. O. E. Leake, Pastor of the German Reformed Church at Shelby, O. A more descriptive history of the settling of these two brothers in Ohio was written later by Peter Kuhn, a son of Samuel Kuhn, and because it contains some Interesting facts and data not given in the above quotation, we quote as follows from it "Five children of the family of Samuel and Catherine Smith-Kuhn came to Ohio to live, The first to come was Sarah and her husband John Shook. They settled in what is now Toledo, O. Then came John and Samuel Kuhn, the principals of this sketch, and a sister. Fannie Kuhn. A younger brother, Jacob Kuhn came a few years later. "John and Samuel having married sisters, were brought closer together and

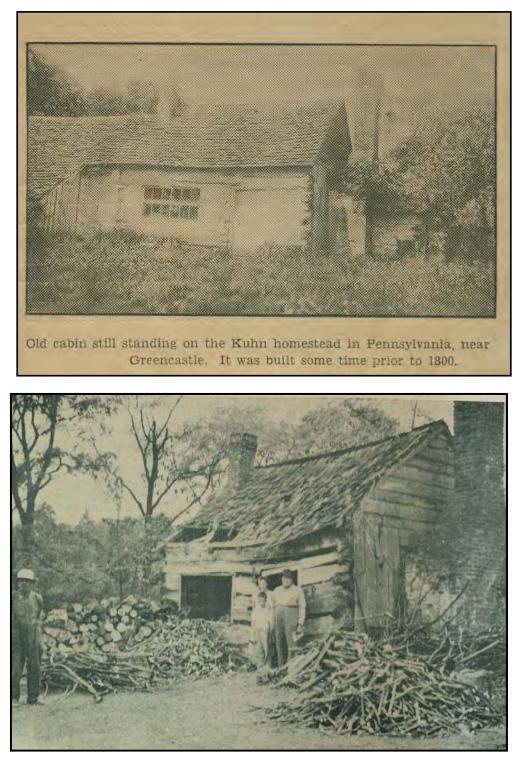
boint and Samuel having married sisters, were brought closer together and not being willing to undertake a heavy debt, which would have been necessary to purchase land in Franklin Co., that was selling at \$30 to \$50 per acre, they decided to move their families to the much talked of state of Ohio. Final preparations having been made for such a trip they started on April 23, 1833, in covered wagons.

"John's family consisted of wife and three children, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Cyruf. Samuel's consisted of his wife and one daughter. Louisa Catherine, four months old. They were accompanied by their younger sister, Fannie, then sixteen years of age and a distant relative, John Shoup

Such an undertaking for people who had scarcely been twenty miles from home before and with friends and relativos trying to pursuade them to stay at home, took some courage. Their first destination was to Pittsburg or Allegheny City, where an uncle of their wives lived, Uncle Peter Reymer, and also a sister of their wives lived there. Her name was Mrs. Nancy Bush, and she lived nine miles east of Pittsburg. This distance by the pike was about one hundred and fifty miles. Nothing occurred to mar the progress of the trip until they came to the

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Source: Venable, Clara M., Ed. Peter Kuhn Family History and Records. Published in Harrisburg, PA. 1953. (An updated edition to the original history of Peter Kuhn, published by Louise Clark of Shelby, Ohio and Clara Venable of Chambersburg, PA in 1932) Hannah Kuhn, wife of Edward Johnston, was a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Reymer) Kuhn.



Homestead of Peter Kuhn, Pioneer of Greencastle, Pennsylvania

Erected on the homestead outside of Greencastle in Franklin County, Pennsylvania Above: The home as it stood in 1932 and was printed in the Peter Kuhn Family History, 1932 edition. Below: A photo of the home taken in 1952, just before it was razed. This photo was printed in the 1953 edition of the Peter Kuhn Family History and Records (Clara Venable, Ed).

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Peter Kuhn Homestead in 2010

Now the site of the Inn at Birches Garden 7982 Kuhn Road; Greencastle, Pennsylvania



The plaque at the entrance to the property reads: "In memory of Peter Kuhn who came to this county August, 1771 and founded a homestead on this site before 1790; erected August 3, 1952 by the Kuhn Family Association.









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The Will of Jacob Statler of Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania 1790

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JOHNSTON FAMILY HISTORY Johnston Family Forebears: Their Stories

Generation 1

 Norma Katherine JOHNSTON (daughter of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) was born on April 25, 1910 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana¹. She died on May 24, 1981 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana²⁻⁴. She married Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY (son of Oscar James MCNELLEY and Louise Marie MIKKELSEN) on June 24, 1939 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. He was born on August 25, 1910 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois⁵. He died on May 17, 1963 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana⁶⁻⁸.

Notes for Norma Katherine JOHNSTON:

Norma Katherine Johnston was the second child born to Edward and Anna Weber Johnston. Their firstborn died as a young child. Norma had two younger brothers, Edward, born in 1913, and Gerald, born in 1917. The Johnston family lived in Indianapolis, Indiana until 1924, when they moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Anna and the children spent summers visiting the Weber and Johnston family homes in Plymouth and nearby Shelby, Ohio.

The family moved into an older home on Archer Avenue in the northern part of Fort Wayne and Norma enrolled in the new North Side High School. There, she was in the same 1928 graduating class as Theodore (Ted) McNelley, the young man she would eventually marry. After high school, she attended Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana for three years and affiliated with the Delta Zeta sorority. By 1931, the country was deep into the Depression and the Johnston family finances had become constrained. Norma had to leave school so that her younger brother, Edward, could attend college. In those days, teachers did not need to have a four year degree. Norma passed an examination in 1931 which allowed her to teach in the public schools and Norma taught at Harrison Hill school in Fort Wayne until her marriage in 1939. At that time, she was obliged to quit, as teachers were not allowed to be married. While she was teaching, she continued her studies over summers and through extension courses. By 1937, she had earned 96 credits toward a degree in education.

Norma and Ted were acquaintences during high school, and only began to date after both had gone away to college. They traveled between Bloomington and West Lafayette to visit each other several times during each school year and continued to see each other at times during summers in Fort Wayne. Norma loved to travel and also used her summers to travel around the country. One trip included a cruise from Montreal to New York and return travel from Newark to Fort Wayne by air - certainly an adventure in the 1930s. Other trips included travel with girl friends to Wyoming, where she had cousins, and travel all the way to the West Coast and San Diego. One summer trip included a stay at the University of Colorado at Boulder where she also took courses toward her degree. Along the way, Norma accumulated enough money to invest in Fort Wayne real estate. She bought a house that was occupied for many years by the Strasser family; the property was only sold in 1958 at the time when Ted and Norma built a new home at 4312 Dodge Avenue in Fort Wayne.

Norma and Ted were married on June 25, 1939 in a ceremony at the Johnston family home on Archer Avenue. They moved into a bungalow at 2805 Central Drive in Fort Wayne. Their two children were born while they were living there. In 1949, they moved into a home on Bayer Avenue and in 1958, they moved for the last time, to their newly-built home on Dodge Avenue. For the most part, Norma was a stay-at-home mom. She often spoke of family get-togethers for birthdays and holidays as well as trips to the McNelley family cottage on Big Long Lake. By the

time Terry, her youngest child, was ten years old, the rules on teaching and marriage had been relaxed and Norma went back to work, with occasional substitute teaching.

Life changed after Ted's untimely death in 1963 at the age of 52. Norma's mother and brother moved in with her to help out with expenses and home maintenance; Norma took a clerical administration job with the Fort Wayne Community Schools, in the Adult Education office.

From high school onward, Norma formed solid friendships with many women and maintained these friendships throughout her life. Bridge was often the activity which brought these women together. Norma traveled frequently during these years to visit her children and her brother Edward in California. In 1980, Norma and her daughter, Suzanne, traveled to England to visit her son, Terry, and his family who were spending a year in the village of Blunsdon, near Swindon, England.

Norma suffered a heart attack while working in the garden on May 24, 1981. She died in the emergency room a few hours later. At her funeral her son, Terry, remembers meeting women who had been Norma's friends since high school - a span of more than fifty years. Many recounted the support that Norma, long a widow, gave to her friends as they, too, became widows.

(Sources: Mariage announcement, obituary, recollections of Terry R. McNelley, son)

Notes for Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY:

Theodore Thomas McNelley was the eldest child of Oscar and Louise Mikkelsen McNelley. His younger sister, Alta, was born in 1913. According to his son, Terry, one of Ted's earliest memories was the fear generated by the Spanish flu which hit Chicago in the fall of 1918, at the time of the Armistice which ended the First World War. He was at home with the flu and remembered distinctly watching a celebration on the street from his bedroom window before going back to sleep. He recovered within days but remained home because the schools were closed at the height of the epidemic. His favorite memory of growing up in Chicago was of riding around town in his Uncle Harry's car at Halloween with a pumpkin on the hood ornament. Harry was a brother of Louise.

The family moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1924 after Oscar was told of good job opportunities there by his cousins, Bert and Lottie Hathaway. They moved into a new two-story home at 2001 Bayer Avenue and also acquired two adjacent lots on Big Long Lake, north of Fort Wayne. Ted helped his dad build a log cabin on one of these lots. This lake cottage was the center of his family's life for many summers in the 1920s and 30s despite the Great Depression. Ted's pastimes included sailing; he had a sailboat named the "Jeep." He was also an avid fisherman. Ted was a member of the first graduating class in 1928 from the new North Side High School in Fort Wayne. There he met his future wife, Norma Johnston, who was in the same class. After high school, Ted went to Purdue University, where he affiliated with the Triangle fraternity and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering in 1932. In 1934, he joined the International Harvester Company, and he remained with IH until his death.

Ted and Norma became engaged but delayed setting their marriage date for years because of the economic situations of their families. They married on June 25, 1939 at Norma's family home on Archer Avenue and moved into their own home, a bungalow at 2805 Central Drive in Fort Wayne. Their first child, Suzanne was born in 1941 and Terry came along in 1945. Ted worked in war production during the Second World War and had a one-year assignment in Moline, Illinois during

1942. Over the years Ted advanced to Chief Inspector for the Fort Wayne Works and, eventually, to Manager of Product Quality at Fort Wayne for the Motor Truck Division of IH.

In 1949, Ted and Norma bought the house on Bayer Avenue from his parents. Ted was a passionate woodworking enthusiast and model railroader. His first project was to build new kitchen cabinets for the home and projects continued until Ted and Norma sold the house in 1958. He made furniture for rooms throughout the home and designed and built an O-gage model railroad that took up over half of the basement. Ted's greatest do-it-yourself project was to design and build a new family home. He drafted the floor plan and contracted the construction of the home at 4312 Dodge Avenue in Fort Wayne and the family moved into the new home during November, 1958. This project gave him the opportunity to build still another set of kitchen cabinets among many other projects. At the same time Ted and Norma decided to sell the cottage on Big Long Lake because the lake cottage was becoming a major maintenance problem just as they were undertaking the new home on Dodge Avenue.

For his 10th birthday, Terry, his son, asked for an airplane ride to Chicago to see a White Sox baseball game and then a train ride home to Fort Wayne. It was an idle idea, but Ted made the arrangements and Terry's birthday wish came true!

The family was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church on Wayne Street in Fort Wayne and Ted served as an usher for many years. His son can recall him dressed in a suit bringing forward the collection during Sunday morning services. The Church is a beautiful Gothic structure designed by the same architect who did the Rockefeller Cathedral on the University of Chicago campus and the Cadet Cathedral at West Point, among other commissions.

Ted died suddenly of a heart attack on the evening of Friday, May 17, 1963 at the age of 52. He was buried at the Greenlawn Memorial Park in Fort Wayne. Norma remained in the house on Dodge Avenue until her death in 1981. She is buried next to her husband.

[Source: Terry Robert McNelley, Theodore's son; written in August, 2008]

Generation 2

- Edward Reymer JOHNSTON (son of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) was born on April 26, 1878 in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio⁹. He died on December 01, 1950 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁰⁻¹¹. He married Anna Philippina WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) on August 15, 1906 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.
- Anna Philippina WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) was born on January 20, 1883 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio¹²⁻¹³. She died on March 22, 1974 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁴.

Notes for Edward Reymer JOHNSTON:

Edward R. Johnston was born on a farm outside the small town of Shelby, Ohio. As a young adult, he taught school. On August 15, 1906, Edward married Anna Weber, a girl from nearby Plymouth, OH. Edward moved to Indianapolis, Indiana around 1908 to go into the livestock business in partnership with his older brother Albert, who was operating a similar business in Buffalo, New York. Later Edward moved to Ft. Wayne to open a Livestock Commission Company there and his nephew Bert from Buffalo moved to Lafayette, Indiana. As farmers began to form co-ops, this

business went down. His health was failing and he sold out at the end of the Depression. (Source: Recollections of Terry McNelley, including family notes he made in 1980, after conversations with his mother Norma McNelley, daughter of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Weber.)

Anna Philippina Weber was born on January 20, 1883 in Plymouth, Ohio. She was the third child of Jacob Weber and Susanna Kress Weber. On her baptism record, Peter and Phillippina Schuck are listed as Anna's godparents. These are Jacob's sister and brother-in-law. Anna grew up in Plymouth and helped her mother and sisters with the cooking and baking for the family tavern. Anna married Edward R. Johnston there on August 15, 1906; she was the only one of Jacob and Susanna's children to marry. Christian, Katherine and Elizabeth remained single and stayed in Plymouth for the rest of their lives.

Edward and Anna had four children. Edward Reymer, Jr., the oldest, was born about 1908. He is listed in the U.S. Census of 1910 as a two-year-old, born in Ohio. This child died sometime between 1910 and 1913. The family had also moved to Indianapolis, Indiana around 1908 when Edward decided to go into the livestock commission business. Three children were born to Anna and Edward in Indianapolis: Norma Katherine, Edward Weber, and Gerald Robert. Anna and the children spent their summers in Plymouth while Edward remained in Indianapolis to run the business. From photo albums and family recollections by Norma, summers included play with many other children in Plymouth, picnic outings and occasional trips to Lake Erie beaches about 33 miles to the north at Cedar Point in Sandusky. Anna's parents died in 1923 and 1924, and in 1924, Edward and Anna moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where Edward opened a livestock commission business. Despite the changes in location, Anna maintained close contact with her siblings in Plymouth and over the years, there were many family trips to Plymouth, 150 miles distant and four hours driving time from Fort Wayne.

Edward and Anna Johnston are listed in the U.S. Census records of 1910 and 1920 for Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. In the Census of 1910, Edward R (33) and Anna P (27), along with Edward R. Jr. (2), are living on Sturn Avenue in Indianapolis. Edward R. Sr. is working as a stock agent in a stock yard. In the Census of 1920, Edward and Anna are living on the same street as in 1910 with three children: Norma K (9), Edward W (6), and Gerald R (2). Their oldest child, Edward Reymer Jr. had died sometime between 1910 and 1913, when their son Edward Weber Johnston was born.

By 1930, the family had moved to Ft. Wayne, Indiana. In the U. S. Census of 1930, Edward and Anna were living with their three children on Archer Avenue in Fort Wayne. Edward is listed as a buyer for a livestock company. The home on Archer Avenue was an older house. According to her son, Edward, this home was chosen because it had a large kitchen that could accommodate a large old cook stove that Anna prized. Edward and the children would have preferred a new home on Northwood Blvd, just up the street and around the corner from the McNelleys on Bayer Avenue. Anna's children all graduated from Northside High School in Fort Wayne; Anna often told of her son Gerald's talents as a basketball player for the North Side team - including a two-point basket from a jump ball at the foul line! She was also proud of her son Edward's military service as a Marine Corps aviator during the Second World War. (Source: Recollections of Terry McNelley, including family notes he made in 1980, after conversations with his mother Norma McNelley, daughter of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Weber.)

Edward died on December 1, 1950 and was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, OH.

(Source: Cemetery record) Note that there is a Greenlawn Cemetery in both Plymouth, OH and in Ft. Wayne, IN. Anna is buried in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, but her husband, Edward Reymer Johnston, is buried in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, OH. Edward's obituary also notes his occupation as a livestock commission buyer. He was a member of the Bethany Presbyterian Church and a charter member of the Maumee Masonic Lodge. He also belonged to the Mizpah Shrine and was a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason. He was a native of Shelby, Ohio but lived in Fort Waye for 26 years (Source: Obituary, Journal Gazette, Ft. Wayne Indiana, Pub December 2, 1950)

After her husband died in 1950, Anna and her son Gerald remained in the Archer Avenue home until the death of her daughter's husband Ted in 1963. Anna and Gerald moved in with Norma and Anna remained in the home at 4312 Dodge Avenue until her death on March 22, 1974 at age 91. Anna was buried in the Greenlawn Cemetery in Fort Wayne, Indiana. (Source: Death Certificate)

(Source: Recollections of Terry McNelley, including family notes he made in 1980, after conversations with his mother Norma McNelley, daughter of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Weber.)

Anna Philippina WEBER and Edward Reymer JOHNSTON had the following children:

- Edward Reymer JOHNSTON Jr (son of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) was born about 1908 in Ohio¹⁵. He died before 1913 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana¹⁶.
- ii. Norma Katherine JOHNSTON (daughter of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) was born on April 25, 1910 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana¹. She died on May 24, 1981 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana²⁻⁴. She married Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY (son of Oscar James MCNELLEY and Louise Marie MIKKELSEN) on June 24, 1939 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. He was born on August 25, 1910 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois⁵. He died on May 17, 1963 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana⁶⁻⁸.
 - iii. Edward Weber JOHNSTON (son of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) was born on June 13, 1913 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. He died on March 30, 2008 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁷. He married Marion Davis MCKINLEY on June 06, 1940. She was born on September 16, 1919 in Pennsylvania. She died on April 09, 1975 in Santa Ana, Orange County, California.

Notes for Edward Weber JOHNSTON:

Edward Johnston was born in Indianapolis, but moved with his family to Fort Wayne in 1924. During his childhood, summers were spent visiting in the Johnston and Weber family homes in Shelby and Plymouth, Ohio. Edward graduated from North Side High School in Fort Wayne about 1931. Education was important in the Johnston family. Even though these were the depression years, his parents managed to send Edward to college. Many years later, Ed's sister Norma noted that she had to quit college after two years because there wasn't enough money to send both children to college and it was considered more important for a man to get a good education. Edward received his bachelor of science degree from Purdue University.

He entered the U.S. Marine Corps on June 8, 1935. After completing flight training

at the Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Florida, Johnston was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps on July 1, 1936. Five years later, on March 1, 1941, he was promoted to Captain. The United States entered World War II on December 7, 1941. Edward Johnston would join the war effort, serving in the Pacific theater. In the course of the war, Johnston became a seasoned flat-top pilot, meaning that he was qualified and able to land and take off from aircraft carriers. The battle of Guadalcanal was waged between August 7, 1942 and February 8, 1943. During that time, Major Edward W. Johnston served as a commanding officer in the Marine Fighting Squadron 123, providing air support on Guadalcanal.

Johnston went on to serve in the Korean Conflict. He achieved the rank of Colonel on January 1, 1951. Over the twenty-six years of his military career, Johnston was stationed at bases from coast to coast and beyond: Washington, D.C.; Dallas, Texas; El Toro, California; Honolulu, Hawaii. He also had a tour of duty in Japan. Very early in his military career, Edward Johnston made the acquaintance of Robert Edward Gayler, a much-decorated aviator with the U.S. Marine Corps who eventually became Brigadier General. They both fought at Guadalcanal and served in the Korean conflict. The two men remained life-long friends. Gayler attended Edward Johnston's 90th birthday festivities in Las Vegas in 2003.

Sources: U.S. Select Military Registers, 1862-1985: U.S. Navy and Marine Corps Officers Registers for 1945 and 1960, downloaded from Ancestry.com in Nov. 2014; Hough, Ludwig and Shaw, "Marine Task Organization and Command List (Appendix C)." History of U.S. Marine Corps Operations in WWII: Pearl Harbor to Guadalcanal. Web 11 Nov 2014; www.wings- aviation.ch Web 15 Nov 2014.

Edward Weber Johnston married Marion McKinley on June 6, 1940. Ed and Marion had three children, Edward McKinley (John), born in 1945; Catherine Ann, born in 1947, and Judith Chris (Chris), born in 1951. In 1963, Colonel Edward W. Johnston retired as Chief of Staff at El Toro, California. Also in 1963, the couple bought property on Sky Lane in Tustin, California, where they built a beautiful home, enjoyed life in southern California, and raised their children. Marion died in 1975.

In 1988, after many years as a widower, Ed married Anna Klint, who was a neighbor and friend of Ed's sister Norma in Fort Wayne. After a few years of dividing their time between California and Ft. Wayne, Ed and Ann built a new home on Ruskin Court in Ft. Wayne. However, they continued to travel throughout the United States to visit family and friends; they also enjoyed several trips abroad. Ed managed to remain fit and robust until shortly before his death on March 30, 2008 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, at the age of ninety-four. He was survived by his second wife.

(Sources: Information provided by Norma McNelley, Edward's sister and Terry McNelley, Edward's nephew; Marion McKinley's engagement announcement)

iv. Gerald Robert JOHNSTON (son of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) was born on January 22, 1917 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana¹⁸. He died on August 11, 1986 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁹⁻²⁰. Notes for Gerald Robert JOHNSTON: Gerald R. Johnston enlisted in the Army on July, 16, 1941 and was released on November 20, 1945. (Source: U.S. Dept. of Veteran Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010, Accessed on Ancestry.com on September 11, 2017) According to his nephew Terry, he served in Phoenix and Yuma, Arizona with the rank of Corporal.

Gerald worked for Indiana Michigan Power Company throughout his working life. He never married. For many years, he lived with his mother; when the husband of his sister Norma died, Gerald and his mother moved in with Norma. (Source: Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, nephew of Gerald Robert Johnston)

Generation 3

- 4. Edward JOHNSTON (son of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) was born in October 1835 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²¹⁻²². He died on March 18, 1901 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²³. He married Hanna KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) on October 28, 1857 in Richland County, Ohio²³⁻²⁴.
- Hanna KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on April 18, 1839 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio^{23, 25-26}. She died on January 21, 1926 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²⁷⁻²⁸.

Notes for Edward JOHNSTON:

Edward was a son of John and Mary Johnston who had emigrated from Ireland and settled in the town of Plymouth in Richland County in 1830.

On July 4th, 1863, Edward Johnston, received his commission as a Second Lieutenant with Company B, 4th Regiment of the Ohio Militia in Richland County, Ohio. (A copy of the Commission was sent by grandson Edward W. Johnston to Terry R. McNelley in February, 2008.)

Edward's name is also found in the "U.S. Civil War Draft Registrations Records - 1863-65," (downloaded from Ancestry.com on November 22, 2014). In this record, dated June of 1863, Edward is listed as a 27 year-old farmer from Richland County. On the same page are listed Robert and John Johnston, ages 30 and 29, respectively. These men were also farmers from Richland County and presumeably Edward's brothers. At the time of his commission, Edward had been married to Hannah Kuhn, the daughter of John Kuhn and Elizabeth Reymer, for six years. Their first child would be born the following year, in 1864. Nothing more is known about Edward's service during the Civil War. We don't know where he served or for how long he served. The sword Edward Johnston received at his commission was passed down to his son Edward Reymer, who, in turn, passed it on to his son Edward Weber Johnston, who was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1935.

After the Civil War, Edward returned to his farm outside of Shelby, Ohio. Edward and Hanna raised four children: Elbert E., Minor K., Lottie Blanch, and Edward Reymer. Edward and his family are listed in the U.S. Census records of 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900 for Plymouth, Richland Co. Ohio. Edward also appears in the U.S. Census of 1850 for Plymouth, in the household of his parents. The 1880 U.S. Census Record for Plymouth Twp, Richland Co, OH lists Edward Johnston (44) a farmer born in Ohio. His parents are listed as born in Ireland. Also listed is Hannah Johnston (41) born in Ohio. Her parents are listed as born in Pennsylvania. Children are listed as Elbert E.(16), Minor K. (13), Lottie B. (7), and Edward R. (2). All of the children are listed as born in

Ohio.

In July of 1889, Edward Johnston sold Esther Johnston (his sister) 40 acres of land in the Plymouth Township for the sum of \$1600. He also purchased a block of 40 acres in Plymouth from Emma Rhoads for \$1400 the same month. (Source: Land Records for Richland County, Ohio; Transfers of Real Estate: July, 1889. Published July 4, 1889 in the Mansfield Herald. Available online at Rootsweb, Richland Co. Ohio 2/2008)

Edward Johnston of Plymouth Township was listed as a probate juror, selected for the July 6, 1891 court. (Source: Richland Shield and Banner: 12 June 1891, Vol. DXXIV. No. 4.; Available online at Rootsweb, Richland Co. Ohio. Downloaded February, 2008)

The Civil War veteran died on March 18, 1901 at the age of 65. With the exception of his time in the Ohio Militia, Edward spent his life engaged in farming in the community in which he was born. He is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, Ohio. His gravestone reads "Edward - 1835 - 1901." He is buried in the Johnston family plot. Hanna is also buried there. (Source: Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com in January 2015)

Edward Johnston left a will, dated March 4, 1901, in which he gives and bequeaths to "My beloved wife in lieu of her dower the farm on which we now reside situated in Plymouth Township Richland County Ohio, containing about one hundred acres and all the stock household goods ..." The probate record lists the children as follows: Albert E. Johnston and Minor K. Johnston of Buffalo, NY; Mrs. Lottie B. Trago of Plymouth, OH; and Edward R. Johnston of Shelby, OH. Hannah Johnston is listed as Edward's widow. (Source: Will Records 1816-1903 for Richland County, OH; Ohio Wills and Probate Records 1786-1998,downloaded from Ancestry.com 2/16/2016)

The farm was eventually sold by Edward's sons Minor and Edward about 1935. As of 1980, the farm and farmhouse still existed and the farm was prosperous. (Source: A conversation Terry Robert McNelley had with his mother Norma Katherine Johnston McNelley, granddaughter of Edward Johnston, on March 4, 1980.)

Notes for Hanna KUHN:

Hanna is mentioned in the Will of Charlotte Kuhn, which was dated January 17, 1914 and filed for probate in Richland County, Ohio in 1915. "To the sisters, Mrs. Hannah Johnston and Mrs Nancy Kirkpatrick and heirs of the deceased brothers and sisters is left all the personal property, share and share alike, one share to each sister and one to the heirs of each brother and sister. [...] The residue of the estate consisting of a one-half interest of 53 acres in Plymouth Township is left to the two sisters and the heirs of the deceased brothers and sisters, in six parts the same as the personal property." (Source: Propate Records, Plymouth Advertiser: June 26, 1915, Vol. 62, No. 31. Available online at Rootsweb, Richland Co. OH, February, 2008.)

Hanna KUHN and Edward JOHNSTON had the following children:

 Elbert E. JOHNSTON (son of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) was born about 1864 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²⁹. He died after 1930³⁰. He married JANE. She was born about 1865 in New York³¹.

Notes for Elbert E. JOHNSTON: According to U.S. Census records, Elbert E. Johnston was living in Buffalo, Erie,

New York in 1910 with his wife and three children. His occupation was listed as Livestock Commissioner. They were still living there in 1920 with their two sons, according to the census record for that year. By 1930, Elbert and his wife had moved to Indianapolis, Marion Co., Indiana. He was still working as a Livestock Commissioner (or Broker).

This family record is traced, in part, due to the fact that Norma Johnston, daughter of Elbert's youngest brother Edward Reymer Johnston, talked about her Uncle Elbert, the livestock commissioner in Buffalo, New York. Norma's father moved to Indiana and went into the livestock commission business because of his older brother's connection with that business. (Family notes of Terry R. McNelley, son of Norma Johnston McNelley)

Minor K. JOHNSTON (son of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) was born about 1867 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio³². He died in 1947 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio³³. He married CLARA.

Notes for Minor K. JOHNSTON:

Minor K. Johnston is found in the U.S. Census records of Plymouth, Richland Co, OH in 1870, 1880, 1910, 1920, and 1930. In 1910, Minor is listed as a farmer and head of a household which includes his wife Clara, his uncle John, his mother Hannah, and a boarder. No children are listed. In 1920, Minor is listed as a widower in the household of his mother, Hanna. In 1930, he is listed as a widower living alone on a farm.

Minor died in 1947 and is buried at Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, OH (Source: Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com on 15 July 2015.)

iii. Lottie Blanche JOHNSTON (daughter of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) was born on September 27, 1872 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio³⁴⁻³⁵. She died on July 17, 1955 in Riverton, Fremont County, Wyoming³⁶. She married Alonzo Marion TREGO. He was born on January 15, 1870 in Ohio³⁷⁻³⁸. He died on July 26, 1937 in Riverton, Fremont County, Wyoming³⁹.

Notes for Alonzo Marion TREGO:

Alonzo M. Trego was born in Ohio; his father was from Pennsylvania. Alonzo married Lottie B. Johnston in Ohio about 1897. Lottie was the third child of Edward Johnston and Hanna Kuhn. According to the Ohio Births and Christenings Index, available on Ancestry.com, this child of Edward Johnston and Hanna Kuhn was christened "Lettice B." According to the Find A Grave website, the cemetery record identifies her as "Lottie Blanche Trego."

In the U.S. Census of 1920, Alonzo and Lottie were living in Riverton, Fremont, Wyoming with their two children Wanda (22) and Oakley (17). All family members were listed in the census as born in Ohio. Alonzo was a rancher, giving his occupation as "sheepman." In the U.S. Census of 1940, Lottie was living in Pavillion, Fremont, Wyoming. She was listed as a widow and head of household; a boarder lived with her.

Alonzo and Lottie died and are buried in Fremont County, Wyoming, in the

Mountain View Cemetery. (Source: Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com on 15 July 2015.)

This family was traced, in part, by the fact that Norma Katherine Johnston, the daughter of Edward Reymer Johnston and Anna Weber, kept in touch with her cousin Oakley, son of Alonzo and Lottie, through the years. In 1973, Norma visited with Oakley and his wife "Dode" on a trip out to Wyoming.

- iv. Edward Reymer JOHNSTON (son of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) was born on April 26, 1878 in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio⁹. He died on December 01, 1950 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁰⁻¹¹. He married Anna Philippina WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) on August 15, 1906 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. She was born on January 20, 1883 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio¹²⁻¹³. She died on March 22, 1974 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁴.
- Jacob WEBER (son of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on January 08, 1848 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany⁴⁰⁻⁴⁴. He died on October 06, 1924 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁴⁵. He married Susanna KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) on March 07, 1877 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky⁴⁶⁻⁴⁷.
- Susanna KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born on February 26, 1845 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany⁴⁸⁻⁵¹. She died on July 09, 1923 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁵².

Notes for Jacob WEBER:

Jacob Weber, born in 1848, and Susanna Kress, born in 1845, were from small farming communities in Germany. Jacob came from Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern. It is sometimes listed as Kollweiler, Pfalz, Bavaria. Kollweiler is now considered part of the Rhineland-Palatinate of western Germany. Susanna came from Bruchenbrücken, a village near the town of Friedberg and a few kilometers from Frankfurt, in the German state of Hessen. It is now a commuter suburb for nearby Frankfurt. Jacob Weber and Susanna Kress were part of the large wave of German immigrants who came to America in the second half of the nineteenth century. Whatever the forces for pushing them out of Europe, what pulled them to America were the opportunities for success, which Jacob and Susanna found in a small farming community in Ohio.

Jacob immigrated with his parents, Nicklaus and Katherine Weber, and three sisters, Katherine, Charlotta, and Philippina, sometime in the early 1870's. (Different years are given in the census records.) According to his passport application, submitted in 1914, Jacob came to America on a Cunard liner, sailing from Liverpool, England on December 14, 1871. No specific immigration records for the family have been found to date. It should be noted that Weber is sometimes spelled Webber, the German spelling. However, most of the documents for Jacob spell the name as Weber.

Susanna Kress was one of three siblings who together ended up in Louisville, Kentucky, although apparently they immigrated at different times. According to Susanna's grand-daughter Norma Katherine Johnston McNelley, Susanna was from a large family in Germany and they were very poor. She came to Louisville, Kentucky because she had family connections there. Before her marriage, Susanna worked as a maid to a wealthy family in Louisville. In the U.S. Census of 1870

for Louisville, KY, Susanna Kress is listed as a domestic servant in the household of Fred Hoefer, a confectioner. This man must have had a large home and a large business. In addition to the family, there were a couple of bakers, a couple of other confectioners, two men identified as laborers, and another domestic servant listed in this household.

Jacob met Susanna Kress in Louisville and they married on March 7, 1877. From Louisville, the couple moved to New Albany, Indiana, located just across the Ohio River. According to the U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana, Jacob and Susanna and their one-year-old son Christian were living on a farm there, along with Jacob's parents, Jacob's sister Katherine, her husband, Philip Buhlman, and their children, and Philip and Charlotte Dupre, the young children of Jacob's sister Charlotta (presumed deceased). A household of eleven! Jacob and Susanna's second child, Katherine, was born in New Albany in 1881.

The Weber family moved to Richland County, Ohio as a group. Jacob's brother-in-law, Benedict Dupre (husband of Charlotta) had already moved to Mansfield, in Richland County (U.S. Census Record of 1880). By 1882, Jacob, his parents, two other siblings and their families had all moved to Richland County. Anna, the third child of Jacob and Susanna, was born in Plymouth, Richland County on January 20, 1883. Jacob and Susanna's fourth child, Elizabeth, was born in Plymouth in November of 1884.

Evidently Jacob and his brothers-in-law had decided that money was to be made in the saloon business. According to the City Directory of 1883 for Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio, Benedict Dupre was operating a saloon in Mansfield. The Mansfield City Directory published in 1884, lists Jacob and Peter Schuck, husband of Jacob's sister Philippina, as operating a saloon in Plymouth, while Philip Buhlman, husband of Jacob's sister Katherine, had a saloon in nearby Shiloh. (Mansfield City Directories accessed through Ancestry.com in December, 2014)

Jacob, along with his father, Nicholas, and brothers-in-law, Philip Buhlmann and Benedict Dupre, are listed in an article in the Ohio Liberal newspaper giving the names of those being naturalized "sometime between the October and November elections" of 1884. (Source: The Ohio Liberal newspaper, published on November 5, 1884, Vol. 12, No. 30, available online under "Select Naturalization Notes, 1884", Immigration/ Naturalization Records, Richland Co. OH GenWeb; Accessed in December 2014.) Jacob stated on his passport application that he was naturalized on November 3, 1884 in the Probate Court of Richland Co. (Source: U.S. Passport Application, dated May 14, 1914; available on Ancestry.com; accessed on December 18, 2014)

The saloon was Jacob's livelihood. The U.S. Census of 1910 for Plymouth, Ohio, lists both Jacob and his son Christian as saloon-keepers. The saloon business must have been profitable; the Webers had a comfortable life in Plymouth. Jacob owned his own home. According to his descendants, Jacob invested in real estate in Louisville, Kentucky; Plymouth and Willard, Ohio; and in Indianapolis, Indiana. Jacob helped to found the Plymouth National Bank and owned an interest in the bank. His 1/25th share of the bank was still in the family at Anna Weber Johnston's death in 1974. There are also a number of property transactions on the record books of Richland County. Among them: In November of 1889, Jacob Weber bought property (lot 2969) in Mansfield Township, Richland Co, OH. from William Foss for \$1,206. In 1890, "Jacob Weber and wife" transferred the same property to his wife for \$1. (Source: "Land Records: Real Estate Transfers, November, 1889 and July, 1890". *The Mansfield Herald*. Available on Rootsweb.com, Richland Co. OH and downloaded Feb. 13, 2008)

It appears that Jacob Weber intended to travel abroad in 1914. He completed a U.S. passport application on May 14, 1914, stating that he intended to leave on July 4, 1914 and return within 3 months. It is not known where Jacob intended to travel, but he probably intended to return to Germany. There is no family story regarding a trip abroad, so it is doubtful that he went. World War I broke out in August of 1914. The passport gives other details, such as date and place of birth, emigration and naturalization details, as noted above. It also states that Jacob was 5 feet, 6 1/2 inches tall. (Source: U.S. Passport Application, downloaded from Ancestry.com on January 27, 2011)

By 1920, Jacob had retired from the saloon business and his son Christian had established a restaurant in Plymouth which he would operate for close to forty years. The tavern was noted for its food. Susanna and her three daughters cooked and baked. Susanna died on July 9, 1923 and Jacob died on October 6, 1924. Both are buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, Ohio. Even after Susanna died, Elizabeth and Katherine continued to cook and bake. Christian ran the restaurant until about 1960, when he could no longer work. Christian died in 1963. Katherine died in 1955 and Elizabeth in 1966. Elizabeth's death marked the end of the Weber family presence in Plymouth, Ohio. They had been there for more than eighty years. (Sources of information: U.S. Census of 1920; Death certificates for Jacob and Susanna; Ohio Death Index, 1938-2007, accessed on Ancestry.com in Jan 2015; Find A Grave website.)

Notes for Susanna KRESS:

Susanna gave her place of birth as Bruchenbrücken Kreis, Friedberg, Hessen (Germany) on the baptism certificate of her daughter Anna Philippina. The story of Susanna Kress has been updated to reflect information found in the church archives of Bruchenbrücken. These church records, obtained in April of 2009, show that a Susanna Kress was born on the 26th of February, 1845, "in the morning between four and five o'clock" and baptised on March 9th of that year. She was listed as the fifth child and third daughter of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker. (Source: Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3)

In March/April of 2009, an internet search of churches in the area of Friedberg, Hesse, Germany was conducted in an attempt to match the family photo of the Kress family church in Germany, taken by Freddie Wirth. (He is mentioned below.) A website was located of the Erasmus Alberus Lutheran Church in Bruchenbrücken, a few km outside of Friedberg. There is a photo on the website showing the same church as that pictured in the family photo, thus providing additional documentation that the Kress family came from Bruchenbrücken, Hesse, Germany. This small town has a long and interesting history. The church was named for Erasmus Alberus, a man who was born in Bruchenbrücken about 1500. Erasmus was a German theologian, humanist, reformer and friend of Martin Luther. There are Roman ruins attesting to Roman settlement in the area. The remnants of a Mesolithic settlement have also been found at Bruchenbrücken.

The information obtained in 2009 corrects previous information provided by family members regarding the identity of the parents. In 1958, Susanna's daughter Anna Weber Johnston was helping her grandson Terry McNelley complete a family tree and identified Kate Meyer as Susanna's mother. Anna was not certain about the name of Suzanna's father. (Anna was 75 years old at the time of the interview; her mother would have been dead 35 years and Anna never met her grandparents.) On Susanna's death record, completed by daughter Elizabeth Weber in 1923, Susanna's father is listed as Christian Kress. Her mother is listed as "unknown." Christian Kress

was indeed a family name, although not the father's name. A Katharina Meyer was born in Bruchenbrücken in 1861, some 15 years after Susanna's birth. A Susanna Maria Meyer, sister of Katharina Meyer, was born in 1863. More than likely Katharina Meyer was a member of the extended family or a close family friend. There are no records of a family headed by Christian Kress and Katharina Meyer in Bruchenbrücken in the mid nineteenth century. Norma Katherine Johnston McNelley, granddaughter of Susanna Kress, believed that Susanna and Katherine Kress were cousins. Baptism records indicate that they were sisters.

Three children of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker immigrated to Louisville, KY in the second half of the 19th century: Christian, Susanna and Katharine. Christian came to New York about 1855. He married a girl from New York and his first child was born there about 1857. Christian Kress became a shoemaker in Louisville, KY. Susanna probably came a year or two before 1870, as she was living in Louisville at the time of the U.S. census for that year. She would have been just a child when her oldest brother Christian came to this country. Susanna married Jacob Weber and eventually settled in Ohio. Katherine lists her date of immigration as 1872 on the U.S. census of 1900. Katherine married George Lambertus, a man who worked for Christian in the shoemaking business. The baptism records for Christian, Susanna, and Katherina Kress have been found in the church archives of Bruchenbrücken, along with those of five other children immigrated to America.

Sisters Katherine and Susanna maintained a life-long friendship. A couple of photos of Susanna Kress Weber and Katherine Kress Lambertus, taken together in their later years, have survived. According to Diane Hoferkamp, a descendant of George and Katherine Lambertus, Katherine's parents, as listed on her death certificate, were John William Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker. Katherine's grandson, Freddie Wirth, Jr. went back to visit the family home in Germany. A photo of the family home in Friedberg was sent to Anna Johnston, the daughter of Susanna Kress in Plymouth, Ohio (In 2008, the photo was in the possession of Anna's grandson, Terry McNelley.) A copy of the same photo, but with different remarks on the border, is in the possession of Diane Hoferkamp. Diane also provided a photo of the family church in Germany.

Susanna KRESS and Jacob WEBER had the following children:

 Christian WEBER (son of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) was born on January 06, 1879 in New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana⁵³⁻⁵⁵. He died on November 04, 1963 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁵⁶⁻⁵⁷.

Notes for Christian WEBER:

Christian was about three years old when he moved with his family from New Albany, Indiana to Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. His father established a saloon business in Plymouth, and Christian followed in his father's footsteps. In the U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth, Christian (his name is listed as Christ) was working as a "saloon clerk." The U.S. Census of 1910 for Plymouth, lists Christian, as well as his father, as a saloon-keeper. By 1920, according to the U.S. Census of that year for Plymouth, Jacob had retired and his son Christian had established a restaurant in Plymouth. He would operate this restaurant for close to forty years.

Christian never married and he never moved from Plymouth.

Christian Weber died on November 4, 1963. His obituary in the Mansfield New

Journal, dated November 5, 1963, read in part,"Christian Weber, 84, of 89 Trux Street, Plymouth, [died] yesterday in Shelby Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He was the owner of Weber's Cafe in Plymouth for many years, a Director of the Richland County Auto Club, member of Willard Elks, Mansfield Eagles, and Plymouth Chamber of Commerce."

Five months later, on April 13, 1964, the following short article appeared in the Mansfield News Journal: "The late Christian C. Weber of Plymouth, who died last November 5, left an estate valued at \$101,596, according to an inventory filed in probate court. The bulk of Mr. Weber's estate, \$80,447, was in stocks and securities, with the rest in accounts and debts receivable, \$16,548, and \$4,500 in real estate. The estate was left to a sister, Elizabeth Weber."

Katherine WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) was born in August 1881 in New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana⁵⁸. She died in 1955 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁵⁹.

Notes for Katherine WEBER:

Katherine never married. According to her niece, Norma Johnston McNelley, Katharine, along with her mother and sisters, cooked for her brother's restaurant. After her parents died, Katherine continued to live in the family home with her unmarried brother and sister. She died in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio in 1955 and was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth. The month and day of her death is unknown.

- iii. Anna Philippina WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) was born on January 20, 1883 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio¹²⁻¹³. She died on March 22, 1974 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁴. She married Edward Reymer JOHNSTON (son of Edward JOHNSTON and Hanna KUHN) on August 15, 1906 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. He was born on April 26, 1878 in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio⁹. He died on December 01, 1950 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana¹⁰⁻¹¹.
 - iv. Elizabeth WEBER (daughter of Jacob WEBER and Susanna KRESS) was born on November 19, 1884 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁶⁰⁻⁶¹. She died on November 26, 1966 in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio⁶²⁻⁶³.

Notes for Elizabeth WEBER:

Elizabeth never married and she never moved from Plymouth. Elizabeth appears in the U.S. Census records of 1900, 1910, 1920, 1930, and 1940 for Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. In the first four census records, she was living in the household of her father. In the U.S. Census record of 1940, Elizabeth and her sister Katherine are living with their brother Christian on Trux Street. She died on November 26, 1966 and is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Plymouth. Evidently Katherine and Elizabeth liked pretty china. They had an extensive collection of Haviland Limoges porcelain china which, upon their deaths, was passed to their sister Anna and, later, to Anna's descendants. (Family notes of Susan McNelley)

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- 8. **John JOHNSTON** was born in April 1807 in County Cavan, Ireland⁶⁴⁻⁶⁶. He died on July 29, 1886 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁶⁷. He married **Mary ANN**.
- 9. **Mary ANN** was born about 1800 in County Cavan, Ireland⁶⁸⁻⁶⁹. She died on November 06, 1888 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁰.

Notes for John JOHNSTON:

John Johnston was the first of our ancestors with the Johnston surname to come to the United States. He was born in Cavan County, Ireland. The Johnston surname is of Scottish origin, so it is assumed that at some point, his forebears emigrated from Scotland to settle in Ireland. Nothing is known about John's parents; the surname of his wife Mary is also unknown.

As a young man, John immigrated to America and in 1831 settled in Plymouth Township in Richland County, Ohio. His wife Mary was also from Ireland. It is not known whether they married before or after coming to the United States or whether they lived anywhere else before coming to Ohio. They were pioneer farmers in Plymouth, as this township was created only in 1818, some thirteen years prior to their arrival. They established a farm, bore and raised children, and spent the rest of their lives in Plymouth. John died there on July 29, 1886 at the age of 79. His death is recorded in the Richland County Courthouse. Their four children were John, Robert, Edward, and Esther. John and Edward became farmers and remained in the county for the rest of their lives. Robert moved with his family to Iowa, sometime between 1870 and 1880. Esther and her daughter Bell always lived in the household of her parents or siblings.

A map of Richland County, Ohio, including a land platt of Plymouth Township, was drawn from surveys in 1856. According to this map, J. Johnston is listed as a resident of Plymouth Township and has a plot of 80 acres. (Source: Atlas of Richland County, 1856. Available online at Rootsweb, Richland, County, OH, 2/2008.)

John Johnston from Plymouth Township is listed as an Acting Justice of the Peace in Richland Co in 1869. His term was set to expire on April 10, 1872. (Source: "Acting Justice's of the Peace in Richland Co. 1869." Shelby Independent News: 11 November 1869, Vol 2. No. 1. Downloaded from Rootsweb, Richland Co. Ohio archives, 2/2008.)

John Johnston is also listed as a resident of Plymouth Township, Richland Co. in 1873. On the list, it states that John Johnston was a farmer. His residence is given as Section 26, Plymouth Twp. It also states that he was born in Cavan Co. Ireland and came to Richland County in 1831. (Source: The Atlas Map of Richland County, Ohio. By A.T. Andreas. Chicago, Ill., 1873, pp. 15; available online at Rootsweb, Richland County, Ohio, 2/2008)

John and Mary Johnston are listed in the 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 U.S. Census Records for Plymouth, Richland Co., OH. In the Census of 1840, only heads of households are listed. John Johnston is listed here. According to the census, there were eight people in his household, five males and three females. In the Census of 1850, John (42) and Mary A (42) Johnston are listed along with their children: Robert C (17), John C (16), Edward H (14) and Esther J (Jane) (9). The value of John's property is listed as \$1600. The parents are listed as born in Ireland; the children were born in Ohio. In the Census of 1860, John and Mary are listed, along with Robert (28), John (20), and Jane [Esther] (19).

John Johnston (62) and Mary A. (65) are listed in the 1870 Census for Plymouth Township,

Richland Co. OH in the household of John Johnston (35). Others in this household are Robert (27), Sarah (age 30) and five children, Lee (8), Mary (6), (one not identified by name, age 4), Sarah (2), and Robert (4 months). Easter (Esther), age 28, is also listed as living in the home. John Johnston, Sr and Mary are listed as born in Ireland. The others are listed as born in Ohio.

The 1880 census for Plymouth, Richland Co. Ohio, lists John Johnston, age 72, a retired farmer, as head of the household. He was born in Ireland, as were his parents. His wife is listed as Mary A. Her age is listed as 75. She was born in Ireland, as were her parents. A son John, age 46, a daughter Easter (Esther), age 39, and a granddaughter Bell, age 3, are also living in the household. Son John's occupation is also listed as farmer. John, Easter, and Bell were all born in Ohio. Easter is listed as divorced in the census. The 1880 U.S. Census Record for Plymouth Twp, Richland Co, OH also lists Edward Johnston (44) a farmer born in Ohio, as the head of another household. His parents are both listed as born in Ireland. The households of John and Edward are the only Johnston families listed for Plymouth Township in the 1880 census.

John Johnston left a will, dated January 28, 1886 and filed in court in Richland County, Ohio on December 30, 1886. In the will, he confirms that his children were Robert, John, Edward, and Esther. The probated will also lists his widow as "Mary Ann Johnston." In the will, John bequeaths to his wife the farm of about 160 acres which is situated in Plymouth, Ohio. (Source: Will Records 1816-1903 for Richland County, OH; Ohio Wills and Probate Records 1786-1998, downloaded from Ancestry.com in October 2015.)

Mary ANN and John JOHNSTON had the following children:

 Robert JOHNSTON (son of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) was born about 1833 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷¹. He married Sarah F. COBEAN on March 26, 1861 in Richland County, Ohio⁷². She was born about 1840.

Notes for Robert JOHNSTON:

In the U.S. Census of 1870 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. OH, Robert (27), Sarah (age 30) and five children, Lee (8), Mary (6), (one not identified by name, age 4,) Sarah (2), and Robert (4 months), are listed in the household of Robert's brother John Johnston. Robert's parents and sister Esther are also living in the home.

By 1880, Robert and his family had moved to Doyle, Clark County, Iowa. Robert and Sarah "Johnson" are listed in the U.S. census for that township for that year, along with children Lee (18); Mary (16), Sarah (12) and Robert (3).

In the U.S. Census of 1900 for Doyle, Clark County, Iowa, Robert Johnston, born in Ohio in November 1831, is listed as living with his wife Sarah, age 64, and their children: "Leigh" (a son, age 37, who was a lawyer), Sarah (29), and Robbie, 22. Robert, Sr.'s parents are listed as born in Ireland. In this census, it states that Robert and Sarah were married in 1861 and that the couple had had eight children, four of whom were living.

ii. John JOHNSTON (son of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) was born about 1834 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for John JOHNSTON:

John was the son of John and Mary Johnston, Irish immigrants to Plymouth, Richland County, OH. John, Jr. was born in Plymouth and became a farmer,

following the occupation of his father. John is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900, always with other members of the Johnston family. It appears that he never married. In the U.S. Census of 1900, John, Jr., age 66, single, and a farmer, is the head of household and living with his sister, "Hester," and her daughter, Bell.

- iii. Edward JOHNSTON (son of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) was born in October 1835 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²¹⁻²². He died on March 18, 1901 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²³. He married Hanna KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) on October 28, 1857 in Richland County, Ohio²³⁻²⁴. She was born on April 18, 1839 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio<sup>23, ²⁵⁻²⁶. She died on January 21, 1926 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²⁷⁻²⁸.
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 - iv. Esther Jane JOHNSTON (daughter of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) was born in April 1841 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷³. She died on May 22, 1911 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁴.

Notes for Esther Jane JOHNSTON:

Esther appears in the U.S. census records of 1850, 1860, 1870,1880, and 1900 for Plymouth, Richland Co OH.

In the U.S. Census of 1850 "Esther J" is listed as 9 years old and living with her parents and siblings.

In the U.S. Census of 1860, "Jane," age 19 is living in the household with her parents and siblings.

In the U.S. Census of 1870, Esther is living in the household of her brother John, along with a number of other family members.

In the U.S. Census of 1880, "Easter" is living in the household of her parents, brother John, and her daughter, Belle (age 8).

In the U.S. Census of 1900, "Hester" is living in the household of her brother John and her daughter Bell (age 23). All three individuals are listed as single. In this record, Esther's month and year of birth is listed as April, 1841.

- John KUHN⁷⁵ (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on February 08, 1802 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁶. He died on March 04, 1865 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷. He married Elizabeth REYMER (daughter of Philip ROEMER and Elizabeth STOTLER) about 1825 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁸.
- Elizabeth REYMER⁷⁹ (daughter of Philip ROEMER and Elizabeth STOTLER) was born about 1806 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸⁰⁻⁸¹. She died on April 27, 1878 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷.

Notes for John KUHN:

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John and his brother Samuel married sisters, Elizabeth and Julian Reymer. A few years after marrying, these two families wanted to establish their own homesteads. Land was expensive in Pennsylvania, so both families, along with three other siblings, decided to move to Ohio, where they remained until their deaths. Peter Kuhn, a son of Samuel and great-grandson of Peter, the pioneer immigrant, described their move in a letter, which is quoted in the Peter Kuhn family history:

"Five children of the family of Samuel and Catherine Smith-Kuhn came to Ohio to live. The first to come was Sarah and her husband John Shook. They settled in what is now Toledo, O [Ohio]. Then

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came John and Samuel Kuhn, the principals of this sketch, and a sister, Fannie Kuhn. A younger brother, Jacob Kuhn came a few years later. John and Samuel having married sisters, were brought closer together and not being willing to undertake a heavy debt, which would have been necessaary to purchase land in Franklin Co., that was selling at \$30 to \$50 per acre, they decided to move their families to the much talked of state of Ohio. Final preparations having been made for such a trip they started on April 23, 1833, in covered wagons. John's family consisted of wife and three children, Margaret, Elizabeth, and Cyrus. Samuel's consisted of his wife and one daughter, Louisa Catherine, four months old. They were accompanied by their younger sister, Fannie, then sixteen years of age and a distant relative, John Shoup. Such an undertaking for people who had scarcely been twenty miles from home before and with friends and relatives trying to pursuade them to stay at home took some courage. Their first destination was to Pittsburg or Allegheny City, where an uncle of their wives lived, Uncle Peter Reymer, and also a sister of their wives lived there. Her name was Mrs. Nancy Bush. [...] The distance by the pike was about one hundred and fifty miles. Nothing occurred to mar the progress of the trip until they came to the Allegheny river, which they crossed on the ferry. The women of the party were much concerned about this and very fearful about the outcome of such a venture, especially when told that they would have to drive the horses and wagons on the boat. They were afraid the boat would sink with such a heavy load. Mrs. Samuel Kuhn, being somewhat timid, began to cry and a large boatman came to her and told her that he, being a good swimmer, would save her first, if anything went wrong, if she would give him ten cents. Then the captain gave the command, 'All men to the poles' and they were over before she knew they had started."

Six weeks later, on June 10, 1833, the two brothers had purchased a farm of 152 acres in Plymouth Township, Ohio. The two families and the sister Fannie made their home together for seven years. During this time, they were busy clearing the land, building and buying more land. In 1840, they separated and established their own homesteads on the farmland. John and Samuel remained on this land for the rest of their lives. Through letters that have been maintained by the Kuhn Family Association, it is known that many trips to visit family were made between Ohio and Pennsylvania. Sometimes they went on foot; other times by horseback. On one trip the two sisters rode horseback, carrying baby sons.

(Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 30-31.)

John and Elizabeth Kuhn had eight children, six girls and two boys: Margaretta, Elizabeth, Cyrus, Samuel, Hannah, Charlotte, Nancy and Mary. John and Elizabeth, along with their eight children, are listed on the U. S. Census records of 1850 for Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. The first two children were born in PA; the others were born in OH. Margaret is not mentioned in this census. She would have been 17 and might have been married and in another household. In the U. S. Census of 1860 for Plymouth, only 6 of the 8 children are listed with the parents. Hannah was married. Benjamin, the youngest, is not listed. He was an infant in 1850 and probably died as a young child.

John Kuhn, "husband of Elizabeth," died on March 4, 1865, aged 63 years, 26 days, and was buried at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Plymouth, Ohio. Elizabeth, who died on April 27, 1878, is also buried there. (Source: Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Plymouth Township, Richland Co. OH records, transcribed by Bragg and Armstrong in July, 2003 and placed online at Rootsweb, Richland Co Ohio, Downloaded 2/2008)

Elizabeth REYMER and John KUHN had the following children:

- Margaret KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on April 10, 1826 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸². She died in 1899. She married Hugh Wilson PATTERSON.
- Elizabeth Catherine KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on January 11, 1830 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸³⁻⁸⁴. She died on November 15, 1895 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for Elizabeth Catherine KUHN: Elizabeth had a child Benjamin J., born in February 1850. Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed, *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 27.

This child appears in the U.S. Census of 1850 as an 8-month-old, living in the household of John and Elizabeth Kuhn, along with his mother Elizabeth.

- Cyrus KUHN (son of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on February 16, 1832 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸⁵⁻⁸⁶. He died on July 04, 1898 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. He married Elizabeth NOSS.
- iv. Samuel KUHN (son of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on July 09, 1835 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁸⁷⁻⁸⁸. He died on May 12, 1896 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.
- v. Hanna KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on April 18, 1839 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio^{23, 25-26}. She died on January 21, 1926 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²⁷⁻²⁸. She married Edward JOHNSTON (son of John JOHNSTON and Mary ANN) on October 28, 1857 in Richland County, Ohio²³⁻²⁴. He was born in October 1835 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²¹⁻²². He died on March 18, 1901 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio²³.
 - vi. Charlotte KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on October 08, 1841 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁸⁹⁻⁹⁰. She died on June 10, 1915 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.
 - vii. Nancy KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on September 29, 1844 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁹¹⁻⁹². She died on April 26, 1909. She married George KIRKPATRICK on March 18, 1865.
 - viii. Mary KUHN (daughter of John KUHN and Elizabeth REYMER) was born on February 02, 1848 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁹³⁻⁹⁴. She died on September 24, 1907 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.
- 12. Johann Nicklaus WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born in 1809 in Bayern, Germany⁹⁵⁻⁹⁶. He died in 1884 in Richland County, Ohio⁹⁷. He married Katharina RUTH (daughter of Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH and Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN) on August 22, 1846 in Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria⁹⁸.
- Katharina RUTH⁹⁹ (daughter of Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH and Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN) was born on March 02, 1812 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁰⁻¹⁰². She died on February 13, 1891 in Richland County, Ohio¹⁰³.

Notes for Johann Nicklaus WEBER:

According to German baptism records, Nicklaus and Katherina Ruth had five children, all born in

the farming settlement of Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany. The children were Carl, Jacob, Katharina, Charlotta, and Philippina. The parents were married and the children baptized at the Evangelical Church in the nearby town of Jettenbach. (Source: Marriage and baptism records were found online: "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. They are also available through Ancestry.com.)

The parents and the youngest four children immigrated to the United States. (Nothing more is known about Carl, the oldest child.) Jacob stated on his passport that he emigrated in December of 1871. It is likely that the whole family came at that time or shortly thereafter. According to the U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana, Nicklaus and Katharina Weber were living on a farm, along with their son Jacob, his wife, Susanna and their one-year-old son Christian. Also in the household were their daughter Katherine, her husband, Philip Buhlman, and their children, as well as Philip and Charlotte Dupre, the young children of their daughter Charlotta (presumed deceased).

The Weber family moved to Richland County, Ohio as a group. Nicklaus' son-in-law, Benedict Dupre (husband of Charlotta) had already moved to Mansfield, in Richland County (U.S. Census Record of 1880). By 1882, Nicklaus and Katharina, along with the other three children and their families had all moved to Richland County.

Evidently Jacob and his brothers-in-law had decided that money was to be made in the saloon business. According to the City Directory of 1883 for Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio, Benedict Dupre was operating a saloon in Mansfield. The Mansfield City Directory published in 1884, lists Jacob and his sister Philippina's husband, Peter Schuck, as operating a saloon in Plymouth, while Jacob's sister Katherine's husband, Philip Buhlman, had a saloon in nearby Shiloh. (Mansfield City Directories accessed through Ancestry.com in December, 2014)

Jacob, along with his father, Nicholas, and brothers-in-law, Philip Buhlmann and Benedict Dupre, are listed in an article in the Ohio Liberal newspaper giving the names of those being naturalized "sometime between the October and November elections" of 1884. (Source: The Ohio Liberal newspaper, published on November 5, 1884, Vol. 12, No. 30," Available online under "Select Naturalization Notes, 1884", Immigration/ Naturalization Records, Richland Co. OH GenWeb; Accessed in December 2014.)

Katharina died in February of 1891. According to the headstone in the Mansfield Cemetery in Mansfield, Ohio, she died on February 5 of that year, aged "78 years, 10 months and 24 days." Also on the headstone is the name of Nickolous Webber; however the date of death is left blank. Katharina is listed as "his wife." Anna Weber Johnston, Nicklaus' granddaughter, supplied his date of death.

Katharina RUTH and Johann Nicklaus WEBER had the following children:

i. Carl WEBER (son of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on July 14, 1836 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁴.

Notes for Carl WEBER:

Carl's date of birth is given as 1836 in the baptism record. Parents and place of birth are also listed, definitely placing him in this family. However, this would mean that Carl was born when his parents were young teenagers and ten years before they

married. This is a possibility, but it might also be that the date of birth is wrong. No other information on Carl has been found.

- 6. ii. Jacob WEBER (son of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on January 08, 1848 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany⁴⁰⁻⁴⁴. He died on October 06, 1924 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁴⁵. He married Susanna KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) on March 07, 1877 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky⁴⁶⁻⁴⁷. She was born on February 26, 1845 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany⁴⁸⁻⁵¹. She died on July 09, 1923 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁵².
 - iii. Katharina WEBER (daughter of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on July 04, 1849 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁵. She died on October 13, 1910 in Huron County, Ohio¹⁰⁶. She married Philip BUHLMAN (son of Philipp BUHLMANN and Margaretha LEONHARD) on May 10, 1875 in Floyd County, Indiana¹⁰⁷. He was born on February 14, 1843 in Germany¹⁰⁸. He died on October 08, 1921 in Shiloh, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for Philip BUHLMAN:

According to the U.S. census records of 1900 and 1910, Philipp Buhlman immigrated to America in 1871. A Philipp Buhlman, age 28, is listed on a NY passenger list, arriving in NY on November 11, 1871. He was on the ship Weser that sailed from Bremen, Germany to New York. Coincidentally or not, there is a Leonard Weber listed directly above Philipp. (Source: NY Passenger Lists 1820-1957, an online database available on Ancestry.com. Accessed Dec 16, 2014)

Katharina Weber married Philip Buhlman on May 10, 1875 in Floyd County, Indiana. Phillip and Catherine Buhlman are listed in the 1880 U.S. Census of New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana, in a household of eleven people: Nicolas Weber (58), Head of Household, Occupation: Farmer; Catherine Weber (67), his wife. Also living here are Jacob Weber (32) and Suzanna Weber (35) and their son Christian (1), as well as Phillip Buhlman (37) Catherine Buhlman (30), and their three children, Charlotte (5), Charles (3) and Adolf (10 months). Completing the household are Phillip Dubra (4) and Charlotte (1), listed as nephew and niece.

By 1884, the couple were living in Richland County, OH and Philip was operating a saloon. Philip and Katharina had 4 children: Charlotte (1875), Charles (1877), Adolph (1879) and August (1881). Sadly, the three boys died in the summer of 1887, all within a period of 5 weeks. The cause of death is yet unknown.

Philip and Kate Buhlman, along with their daughter "Lottie" are listed in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Venice, Seneca County, Ohio. Philip's date of birth is listed as Feb, 1843. Kate's date of birth is given as June, 1852, and Lottie's as December, 1877. The record states that Philip immigrated in 1871 and Kate in 1872. Philip's occupation is listed as "saloon."

Philip (67), Katherine (60), and Lottie (31) are listed in the U.S. Census of 1910 for Mansfield, Richland County, OH. Under "occupation," Philip's is given as "Own income." Lottie is listed as single; her occupation, "none."

In the U.S. Census of 1920, Philip Buhlman (76) is listed as widowed. Also in the household are his daughter Lottie (age 41 and single), as well as a lodger, William Myers (40). In this record, Lottie's place of birth is listed as Kentucky.

Katharina died at the age of 61, on October 13, 1910 in Huron County, Ohio. Philip died on October 8, 1921 in Shiloh, Richland County, Ohio; he was 78. Charlotte, the oldest child, never married. She died in Richland County in 1959. Philip, Katharina, and their four children are all buried at Mount Hope Cemetery in Shiloh, Richland County, Ohio. The family shares a beautiful stone grave-marker. (Source: Find A Grave website, Accessed through Ancestry.com on Dec 16, 2014.)

iv. Charlotta WEBER (daughter of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on December 10, 1850 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁹. She died before 1880 in Floyd County, Indiana¹¹⁰. She married Benedict DUPRE on February 09, 1876 in Floyd County, Indiana. He was born in 1844 in Prussia. He died in 1923 in Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio¹¹¹.

Notes for Charlotta WEBER:

It appears that Charlotta died sometime before 1880. In the U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. Charlotte's two young children are living on a farm with her parents, a brother and a sister and their families. As of 2014, no record of Charlotte's death has been found. In 1880, Benedict was found in the U.S. Census for Mansfield, Richland, Co. Ohio. He was listed as a laborer in the household of Nicholas Wirth, a saloon keeper. Benedict stayed close to his wife's family. In 1884, Charlotta's parents and three siblings were also living in Richland County, Ohio. Benedict Dupre remarried.

v. Philippina WEBER (daughter of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) was born on April 13, 1854 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹¹². She died on November 23, 1942 in Willard, Huron County, Ohio¹¹³. She married Peter SCHUCK on May 17, 1877 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹¹⁴. He was born in November 1849 in Germany¹¹⁵⁻¹¹⁶. He died on November 20, 1892 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio¹¹⁷.

Notes for Peter SCHUCK:

Peter Schuck and Philippina Weber, both German immigrants, married in Louisville, Kentucky. Peter Schuck (31), Philopena (24), and Rudolph (2) are listed in the U.S. Census of 1880 for Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Peter's occupation is listed as "tailor."

Peter Schuck and his family moved with his in-laws to Richland County, Ohio in the early 1880s. His brother-in-law, Benedict Dupre (husband of his wife's sister Charlotta) had already moved to Mansfield, in Richland County (U.S. Census Record of 1880). Evidently Peter and his brothers-in-law had decided that money was to be made in the saloon business. According to the City Directory of 1883 for Mansfield, Richland County, Ohio, Benedict Dupre was operating a saloon in Mansfield. The Mansfield City Directory published in 1884, lists Peter Schuck and his brother-in-law Jacob Weber as operating a saloon in Plymouth, while Philip Buhlman, the husband of Philippina's sister Katherina, had a saloon in nearby Shiloh. (Mansfield City Directories accessed through Ancestry.com in December, 2014)

Peter died in 1892 at the age of 43 and is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. In the U.S. Census of 1900 for New Haven, Huron County, Ohio, Philippina Schuck is listed as a widow and the head of household. Her sons Rudolph (22) and Willie (19) are living with her. Rudolph is listed as a clerk in a railroad yard and Willie a cigar maker. It isn't known what happened to their daughter Philippina, born in 1882.

In the U.S. Census of 1940, Philippina is still living in New Haven, Huron County, Ohio and is living with her son Rudolph (62), his wife Frances (56) and a granddaughter (11). According to this census, Philippina owns the building they live in, plus three other properties. Philippina died in 1942 and is buried in the family plot in Greenlawn Cemetery, Plymouth, Ohio. (Find A Grave website, accessed in December 2014)

- Johann Wilhelm KRESS¹¹⁸ (son of Ernst Jacob KRESS and Anna Margaretha HART) was born on February 28, 1812 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹¹⁹. He married Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER (daughter of Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER and Eva Elisabetha MICHEL) on April 22, 1836 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²⁰.
- Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER¹²¹ (daughter of Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER and Eva Elisabetha MICHEL) was born on May 26, 1814 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²².

Notes for Johann Wilhelm KRESS:

The marriage record of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker, as well as baptism records for eight children, are found in the Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, Germany (FHL INTL Film 1618356).

A translation of a portion of the marriage record, written in Old German, follows: In the Christian year 1836, on the 22nd April . . . with approval of the groom's mother and the bride's elder (?), were married and legitimately related: Johann Wilhelm Kress, single son from legitimate marriage of deceased Ernst Jacob Kress, former local burgher and shoemaker here and of Anna Margaretha nee Hart, local burgher and shoemaker here recently moved in, 24 years, 1 month and 23 days old, and Anna Dorothea Völker, single daughter from legitimate marriage of local burgher and master smith Heinrich Völker and of Eva Elisabetha nee Michel, 21 years, 10 months and 26 days old. Witnesses were: Heinrich Völker, father of the bride, and Christian Wagner, local burgher from here, have signed the present protocol next to the bride's witness (?) and with the priest who performed the marriage Friedrich Wilhelm Müller, priest. [Signed] Anna Dorothea Völker, Johann Wilhelm Kress, Heinrich Völker, and Christian Wagner. (Translated by Jakub Smid for Susan McNelley in the spring of 2009)

Johann Wilhelm Kress followed in his father's footsteps in his choice of a trade. He is listed as a shoemaker on the baptism record of his daughter, Susanna. (Baptism record: Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3.)

Bruchenbrücken is a small community, surrounded by farmland, located six kilometers southeast of Friedberg, Germany. It is some 25 kilometers north of Frankfurt and on the east side of the rail line that runs between Friedberg and Frankfurt, Germany; a commuter train now makes regular stops at Bruchenbrücken. The Erasmus Alberus Lutheran Church, constructed in 1750, and a number of homes, which appear to date back to the nineteenth century, line the main street which also serves to connect Friedberg with Frankfurt. This was originally a farming community, judging from the barns and outbuildings which are also located near the main street. An old cemetery is found in the village; however, the Kress surname does not appear on any of the headstones. There are perhaps 200 homes in the community, the majority of them of more recent construction. There is one small restaurant in town, run by an Indian family and offering a selection of Indian, Italian and German dishes. Signs indicate that there are a couple of other home-based businesses in the village. Clearly, most residents work in the neighboring cities. (Source: Visit to Bruchenbrücken in May of 2009 by Terry and Susan McNelley. Unfortunately, the church was locked on the day of the visit. No one was around to provide additional information.)

There were other families with the Kress surname living in Bruchenbrücken and having children at the same time as Johann Wilhelm and Dorothea: Johann Jacob Kress and Ana Maria Klint, Johann Phillip Kress and Maria Kristina Kress, and George Frederick Kress and Susanna. (Source: Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, Germany; FHL INTL Film 1618356) To date, the relationship between the various Kress households cannot be determined; however it was a small community and it is likely that they were brothers or cousins.

At least three children of Johann Wilhelm and Anna Dorothea Kress immigrated to Louisville, Kentucky: Christian, Susanna, and Katherina. In the 1870 U.S. census for Louisville, there is also a Conrad Kress, age 42, a cigar maker, born in Hamburg, Germany; it is not known whether Conrad is related to this family.

Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER and Johann Wilhelm KRESS had the following children:

 Christian KRESS (son of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in June 1836 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²³⁻¹²⁴. He died on April 26, 1901 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹²⁵⁻¹²⁶. He married Mary KOHLHEPP about 1856 in New York¹²⁷. She was born about 1837 in New York¹²⁸⁻¹²⁹. He married Amelia KAHNT about 1886¹³⁰. She was born on May 20, 1840 in Pittsburgh, Allegheny Co. Pennsylvania¹³¹. She died on September 01, 1934 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹³².

Notes for Christian KRESS: Christian came to New York about 1855. He married Mary Kohlhepp in New York and Mary, their first child, was born there about 1857.

By 1860, Christian Kress and his young family had moved to Louisville, Kentucky. Christian and his wife Mary are listed there in the U.S. Census Record for that year. Christian is listed as age 24 and a bootmaker. His wife Mary is listed as age 20 and from New York.

In the 1870 U.S. census for Louisville, KY are Christian Kress, age 34, a shoemaker whose place of birth is listed as Bavaria. His wife Mary is listed as born in New

York and they had three children. Mary, age 13, was born in New York. (Where was she in the 1860 census?) Charles, age 9, and John, age 8, were born in Kentucky.

Christian and his family have not been found in the U.S. census of 1880. In the 1911 City Directory for Louisville, Kentucky, there are 11 individuals with the surname of Kress listed. Chas C. Kress is listed as a shoemaker. His residence is listed as 321 N. 19th. Also living at this address are Alice, August, Hattie B, and Louis M. (Source: 1911 City Directory for Louisville, Kentucky, p. 696; downloaded from distantcousin.com 2/27/2008)

Kohlhepp, the surname of Christian's wife Mary, comes from the death certificate of Charles Kress, a shoemaker who died in Louisville in 1924. His parents are listed as Christian Kress, born in Germany, and Mary Kohlhepp, born in New York. Charles' wife provided the information on the certificate.

After the death of his first wife, Christian married a widow named Amelia Kahnt. Christ died in 1901 and is buried with Amelia and her first husband in Eastern Cemetery in Louisville. (Source: Find A Grave website, Eastern Cemetery, Louisville, KY. Christian is listed as Christ Kress on the gravestone.)

Christian and Amelia Kress are found in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Christian and Amelia are listed as married for 14 years.

- ii. Jacob KRESS (son of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in 1839 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹³³.
- Maria Katharina KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in 1841 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹³³.
- iv. Margaretha KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in 1843 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²³.
- v. Susanna KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born on February 26, 1845 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany⁴⁸⁻⁵¹. She died on July 09, 1923 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁵². She married Jacob WEBER (son of Johann Nicklaus WEBER and Katharina RUTH) on March 07, 1877 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky⁴⁶⁻⁴⁷. He was born on January 08, 1848 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany⁴⁰⁻⁴⁴. He died on October 06, 1924 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁴⁵.
 - vi. Elizabeth KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in 1847 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²³.
 - vii. Dorothea KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER) was born in 1850¹²³.
 - viii. Katharina KRESS (daughter of Johann Wilhelm KRESS and Anna Dorothea

(Völker) WÖLKER) was born on May 24, 1857 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹³⁴. She died on March 21, 1937 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹³⁵⁻¹³⁶. She married George LAMBERTUS on May 02, 1876 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹³⁷. He was born on March 16, 1848 in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania¹³⁸⁻¹³⁹. He died on February 04, 1922 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky¹⁴⁰.

Notes for George LAMBERTUS:

George Lambertus, a shoemaker from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania married Katharina Kress, an immigrant from Germany, on May 2, 1876 in Louisville, KY. In the U.S. Census of 1900, it is noted that Katherina Kress immigrated to the U.S. in 1872. According to Diane Hoferkamp, a descendant of George and Katherine Lambertus, George worked for Christian Kress, Katherina's brother.

Katharina and George had eleven children, all born and raised in Louisville, Kentucky: Christ (1877), Anna (1878), John (1880), Minna (1882), Maggie (1884), Agnes (1887), Susie (1889), George (1891), William (1894), Adolph (1898), and Esther (1900). George Lambertus (32), along with Catherine (23), son Christie (2) and daughter Annie (1) are listed in the U.S. census of 1880 for Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky; George's occupation is listed as shoemaker. George Lambertus, Katie, and ten of the eleven children are listed in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Louisville. Anna, their oldest daughter, had married Fred Wirth about 1897 and is listed in the census under his name.

George died on February 24, 1922 and Katherine died on March 21, 1937. Both are buried in Cave Hill Cemetery in Louisville, Kentucky. "Kress" and "Volker" are listed as the parents on the death certificate of Katherine Kress Lambertus of Louisville.

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- 20. Samuel KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on February 18, 1771 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He died on January 18, 1826 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He married Catherine SMITH (daughter of Samuel SMITH) in 1799 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹.
- 21. **Catherine SMITH** (daughter of Samuel SMITH) was born on June 13, 1780¹⁴². She died on March 23, 1840 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹.

Notes for Samuel KUHN:

"Samuel Kuhn, second son of Peter and Catherine Appler Kuhn, was born in Lancaster County, PA, February 18, 1771. In August of that year, his parents moved to Franklin County, PA, where they purchased a farm near Greencastle, PA and not far from the Brown school house where Enoch Brown and ten children were murdered by Indians only seven years earlier. He grew to manhood and married Catherine Smith of the same community in 1799. He continued to live on the farm where they reared a family of twelve children [...] [After Samuel's death] his son David farmed the land until after the death of the mother, March 23, 1840. Catherine and Martha then living with their brother David each received \$100 for taking care of their mother. The farm remained in the Kuhn name until 1908, when it was sold to strangers by the last owner, Russell S. and John J.

Kuhn." (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst, p. 12.)

Catherine's father was Samuel Smith. Catherine had one brother, also named Samuel Smith, born February 19, 1789 and died March 10, 1870. He was married to Elizabeth Gilbert. Catherine's sister was Elizabeth who was born about 1792. Elizabeth, who had married John Garner, died September 12, 1866 at the age of 74 years and 9 months. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 12.)

In records of the German Evangelical Reformed Zion's Church in Greencastle, PA, church members in 1818 included Samuel Kuhn and Catherine Kuhn. Other Kuhns confirmed in this church, included John Kuhn, in 1819; Peter Kuhn, in 1821; Samuel Kuhn, in 1827; Catherine Kuhn, 1827; Elizabeth Kuhn, 1831; Martha Kuhn, 1832, and Juliana Kuhn, 1832. (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA, p. 117) After comparing with the "Peter Kuhn Family History and Records" book by Clara Venable, it is reasonable to assume that Samuel and Catherine were the son and daughter-in-law of Peter Kuhn and that John, Peter, Samuel, Catherine and Martha were their children. Elizabeth was Elizabeth Reymer Kuhn, wife of John Kuhn, and Juliana was Juliana Reymer Kuhn, wife of Samuel Kuhn.

Five children of Samuel and Catherine (Smith) Kuhn eventually moved to Ohio. The first to make the move was Sarah who left the family homestead with her husband John Shook and settled in what is now Toledo. Next came John and Samuel, who left with their families and their younger sister, Fannie, and settled in Plymouth, Richland County, OH. Jacob Kuhn, the youngest child, settled in Plymouth a few years later.

Catherine SMITH and Samuel KUHN had the following children:

i. Sarah KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on August 29, 1800 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She married John SHOOK. He was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania.

Notes for John SHOOK:

After their marriage, Sarah and John moved to Ohio, to the vicinity of Toledo. Nine children were born to the family: Ann, Catherine, Mary Polly, Joseph, Sarah, Samuel, John, Fannie and Martin. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 13.)

- 10. ii. John KUHN⁷⁵ (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on February 08, 1802 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁶. He died on March 04, 1865 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷. He married Elizabeth REYMER (daughter of Philip ROEMER and Elizabeth STOTLER) about 1825 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁸. She was born about 1806 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸⁰⁻⁸¹. She died on April 27, 1878 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷.
 - iii. Elizabeth KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on

March 20, 1804 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She died in 1804.

 Catherine KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on September 19, 1805 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She died on August 23, 1854.

Notes for Catherine KUHN:

Catherine had one child, a daughter named Sally Besore, born on December 11, 1827. Apparently, Catherine remained at home. After her parents died, she and her daughter continued to live on the family homestead with her brother David until her own death in 1854. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 44.)

In the U.S. Census of 1850 for Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania, Catherine and her daughter Sally Besore are listed in the household of her brother David, his wife, and family.

There is some discrepancy in dates of birth and death. According to the Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, Catherine was born on September 19, 1805 and died on August 23, 1854. According to her cemetery record, Catherine was born on September 9, 1805 and died on July 2, 1857. She was 51 years, 9 months, and 13 days old. She was buried in the Kuhn Farm Family Cemetery in Greencastle, Franklin County. The information on the cemetery record camed from the Kuhn Farm Family Cemetery Tombstone Transcription Project, Vol. 6, Pg. 7. dated August 19, 1972 and compiled by John F. Pflueger.

 v. Samuel KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on October 24, 1807 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He married Julia Ann REYMER on December 08, 1831 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He married Mary Janet HOFFMAN on January 20, 1881 in Shelby, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for Samuel KUHN:

Samuel Kuhn and Julia Ann Reymer had eleven children: Louisa Katherine (1832), Eleanor (1834), Philip Reymer (1836), Sarah (1838), Harry (1840), Peter (1842), Elijah (1845), George (1847), Delilah (1849), Samuel (1852), and Reymer (1855). All but the oldest child were born in Plymouth, Ohio. The oldest child was born in Franklin County, Pennsylvania before the family moved west to Ohio with other members of the extended family.

All of the information on the family of Samuel Kuhn and Julian Reymer comes from the following source: Venable, Clara M, Ed, *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 30-43.

Samuel Kuhn and his family also appear in the U.S. Census records of 1840-1880 in the town of Plymouth, Richland County, OH.

vi. Elizabeth KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on

December 12, 1809 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She died on June 09, 1840.

vii. George KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on February 27, 1812 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He died on July 28, 1875 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He married Catherine ZARGER on January 17, 1833.

Notes for George KUHN:

George Kuhn "was a successful farmer in that day. He lived much of his life where he was born." George and Catherine had eleven children: Elizabeth, Jesse, Adam, Samuel, Martha, Laban, Catherine, Julia, John Jacob, Annie Marie, and Russell S. (Source of information on this family: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 44.) George and his family also appear in the U.S. Census records of 1850-1870 for Antrim Township, Franklin Co, PA.

- viii. Martha KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on August 29, 1814 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She died on February 25, 1880.
- ix. Fanny KUHN (daughter of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on November 03, 1816 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. She died on May 10, 1882. She married William MCCREA in 1836 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for Fanny KUHN:

In 1833, at the age of seventeen, Fannie Kuhn moved to Ohio with her brothers, John and Samuel and their families. She lived with her brother John and his family for three years, until her marriage in 1836. Fanny and William McCrea had seven children. Samuel, the only one who had heirs, moved to California and raised his family in Grass Valley, Nevada County, CA. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 61.)

x. David KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on April 01, 1819 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He married Esther EBY on May 15, 1844.

Notes for David KUHN:

David, the tenth son of Samuel and Catherine Smith Kuhn, was born on the Kuhn Homestead in Antrim Township, Franklin Co, PA. He lived on the family farm until his mother died in 1840. Then he purchased a farm in nearby Greencastle, PA. There he and Esther raised their family of fourteen children: Jacob, Samuel, Leah Catherine, Rachel, John, Mary Elizabeth, Nancy J., David S., Ellen M., George W., Aaron A., Delia G., Effie, and Dessie B. Eleven of the children grew up, married, and had children of their own. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 63.)

xi. Peter KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on November 20, 1821 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He died on June 05,

1839.

xii. Jacob KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) was born on November 26, 1824 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania. He married Mary SHAFFER on November 20, 1851 in Jackson Township, Richland County, Ohio.

Notes for Jacob KUHN:

Jacob was the youngest child of Samuel and Catherine Smith Kuhn. His father died when Jacob was two. He then lived with his brother George until he was twenty-one. In 1845, Jacob Kuhn decided to move to Plymouth Township in Richland Co. Ohio where four of his siblings had already established homesteads. Jacob walked the whole distance, "averaging 35 miles a day." For three years he lived with his brother Samuel, farming some of the shares. In 1848, he returned to the family homestead in Pennsylvania, traveling by horseback. Jacob received about \$1,800 as his share of his father's estate. He sold his horse and, with his money tucked into his belt and boots, he made his way back to Ohio, again traveling on foot. In 1849, he bought forty acres of land near his brother Samuel's farm. In 1851, Jacob married Mary Shaffer. The couple had seven children: Mary Catherine, Martha Jane, George Ursinus, Jacob Milton, Samuel Francis Williard, William Nevin and Clara Melissa. Jacob died on August 15, 1854, after a lengthy illness of 18 months.

(Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 69.)

- 22. **Philip ROEMER** was born about 1756 in Germany¹⁴³. He died on May 26, 1831 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁴. He married **Elizabeth STOTLER** (daughter of Jacob (Stotler) STATLER and Nancy SITES) in December 1792 in Chambersburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁴.
- 23. Elizabeth STOTLER (daughter of Jacob (Stotler) STATLER and Nancy SITES) was born about 1778¹⁴⁵. She died on May 15, 1849 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁵.

Notes for Philip ROEMER:

The surname has been spelled variously as Roemer, Romer, Raymer, Remer, Reymer in public documents.

Philip Roemer enlisted in the Continental Army in the spring of 1777 and served until January 28, 1781. In his application for a pension, dated June 8, 1824, Philip Roemer stated that "he enlisted in the company commanded by Samuel Kearsley of the infantry, that with said company he joined the sixteenth regiment commanded by Colonel Hendricks in the line of the state of Virginia in the Virginia Continental Establishment. That he continued with the same regiment until the fall of that year when he joined with said company Colonel Maclean's [Malcom's] regiment of New York's Continental Troops, commanded chiefly by Lieutenant Colonel Aaron Burr- That afterward said company was commanded by Captain Jackson with which he was transferred to the eleventh regiment of the Pennsylvania line commanded by Colonel Adam Hubley and remained with Hubley's regiment until the 28th day of January 1781, when he was discharged from said service at Trenton in the State of New Jersey- that he was constantly in service from the spring of seventeen hundred and seventy seven til the 28th January 1781- That he was in the Battle of Brandywine - of

Monmouth - of Chemung with the Indians in Sullivan's campaign - was with the baggage at the Battle of Germantown." (Source: Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files. State of Pennsylvania. National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Downloaded from Fold3 on January 8, 2014.)

According to several records, Philip Roemer served as a musician in the war. Philip's occupation as a musician is noted on the Muster Roll of Captain Kearsley. He is listed as a musician playing the drums and fife on a card filed with Malcom's regiment. Finally, there appears this note in the history of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania: "Peter Reymer came from Germany when a boy in 1766. He joined the continental army as a fifer, and served through the revolutionary war, being a member of the unhappy band that wintered at Valley Forge. When peace came he settled at Greencastle, Franklin county, PA, where he died." (Source: History of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. Chicago, ILL: A Warner and Co., 1889. Vol 2, p. 564.) It is believed that the name Peter is in error, that it should be Philip.

In the Revolutionary War as well as in the Civil War, bands played on the field of combat. Field musicians played the fife, drums, bugles and coronets. In battles, these instruments were used to transmit commands to the troops. Drummers were used to inspire and rally the men. Sometimes they were required to lay their instruments aside to act as couriers, to transport the wounded, or to assist the field surgeons. Off the battlefield, the musicians provided soothing distraction for the war-weary soldiers. (Source: Hyslop, Steve. Eyewitness to the Civil War: The Complete History from Secession to Reconstruction. Ed Neil Kagan. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic, 2006. p. 320)

More about Philip Roemer is found under a biographical review of his grandson, Philip "Reymer" of Allegheny, PA: "His grandfather, Philip Reymer, first, went into the Revolutionary War when either nine or ten years old as a fifer, and served during the whole of the great struggle for independence. At Valley Forge, where he went one winter, he lost his coat. After the war he settled at Green Castle, Pa., and there married Mrs. Elizabeth Stotler, and reared quite a family of children, some of whom went to Ohio. His son Peter [. . .] became one of the earliest settlers of Pittsburg; and one of Peter's sisters also came here, Mrs. Bush, Of Plum township. (Source: Biographical Review containing life sketches of leading citizens of Pittsburg and Vicinity, Pennsylvania. Boston: Biographical Review Pub. Co. Vol XXIV.1897. p. 395-396.) Note: Stotler was Elizabeth's maiden name, not a married name as stated above.

Philip Roemer is also listed in Virginia Shannon Fendrick's "American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA." In addition to his war record as stated above, she notes that in his pension application executed June 8, 1824, he was living in Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA and stated he was aged "Sixty-one years and upwards." This article goes on to say that Philip married Elizabeth (maiden name not given) in December of 1792 and that he died on May 26, 1831. Philip Raymer is listed among Pennsylvania Pensioners on May 21, 1819, aged 76. Further on in this article, it states that Philip died in 1831, aged 75. (Note that the ages given in various records included in this article don't match.) Philip Raymer, along with Michael Tice, were County Commissioners in 1804. On November 9, 1838, Philip's wife Elizabeth applied for and was granted a widow's pension. She was still living in Antrim Twp., Franklin County, PA. In 1842 she stated she was sixty-nine years of age and in 1848, she stated she was seventy-three years of age, still a resident of Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA. Also according to this article, Philip Roemer stated in 1824, that he had five daughters and 2 sons living with him. The youngest child was six

years old and the others were 11, 15, 17, 22, 25, and 25. Their names were not given. This article notes that Elizabeth Raymer died on May 15, 1849 at the age of 71 years, 2 months, and 21 days. (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon.*American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 257; Virginia Fendrick cites War Pension Claim W. 3301 and PA Archives 3rd Series, Vol 23)

Philip and Elizabeth had a large family, including Peter and Nancy (who went to Pittsburg) and Elizabeth and Julian (who settled in Richland Co. Ohio). Other children were Maria, Magdalena, Martha, Eleanor, George, Susan, and Charlotte. On page 30 of Clara Venable's *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records,* it gives the history of John and Elizabeth (Reymer) Kuhn and Samuel and Julian (Reymer) Kuhn. At the bottom it notes "Their first destination was to Pittsburg or Allegheny City, where an uncle of their wives lived, Uncle Peter Reymer, and also a sister of their wives lived there. Her name was Mrs. Nancy Bush, and she lived nine miles east of Pittsburg." Judging from other pieces of information, it is more likely that Peter Reymer was a brother rather than an uncle and that Peter, Nancy, Elizabeth and Julian were children of Philip Reymer and Elizabeth Stotler. The *Biographical Review containing life sketches of leading citizens of Pittsburg and Vicinity, Pennsylvania.* (Boston: Biographical Review Pub. Co. Vol XXIV.1897. p. 395-396) lists Peter and "Mrs. Bush" of Pittsburg as children of Philip and Elizabeth (Stotler) Reymer. The names of the other children of Philip Roemer and Elizabeth Stotler come from church records, as noted in the next paragraph.

The German Evangelical Reformed Zion's Church, Greencastle, Pa records include the following confirmations and communicants: Philip Roemer (Raymer), 1818; Elizabeth Roemer (Raymer), 1818; Peter Roemer, conf, 1818; Maria Roemer, conf., 1819; Magdalena Roemer, 1819; Martha Roemer, 1821; Elizabeth Reomer, 1824; Eleanor Roemer, conf., 1827; George Roemer, conf., 1832; Susan Roemer, conf., 1832; Charlotte Roemer, 1850. (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 257

Philip Roemer is listed as a private on the Franklin County, PA Pension Roll of 1835. His service was described thus "Pennsylvania Continental Line." His pension began on September 27, 1825 and his annual allowance was \$96. There is a note on the register that he died on May 27, 1831. (Source: Franklin County Pension Roll of 1835, Vol II; downloaded from Ancestry.com in April 2010)

Philip's daughters Elizabeth and Julian married brothers John and Samuel Kuhn, also from Antrim Township, PA. A few years after marrying, these two families wanted to establish their own homesteads. Land was expensive in Pennsylvania, so in April of 1833 both families decided to move to Ohio, where eventually five Kuhn siblings would settle in Plymouth, Richland County. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 30-31.)

Philip Roemer is not listed in the Patriot Index of the Daughters of the American Revolution. This means that "no DAR member has established that ancester in our index when applying for membership." The volunteer who did the look-up "checked several spellings, as well as spouse name." (Source. National Society Daughters of the American Revolution. Information received 3/6/2008)

Philip Roemer is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1810, 1820, and 1830 for Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA. Only the head of household is listed on these census records. In 1810, there are 5 men and 6 women in Philip Roemer's household. In 1820, there were 12 people in his home. In 1830, there are 2 men and 5 women.

Elizabeth STOTLER and Philip ROEMER had the following child:

- i. Elizabeth REYMER⁷⁹ (daughter of Philip ROEMER and Elizabeth STOTLER) was born about 1806 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁸⁰⁻⁸¹. She died on April 27, 1878 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷. She married John KUHN (son of Samuel KUHN and Catherine SMITH) about 1825 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁸. He was born on February 08, 1802 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania⁷⁶. He died on March 04, 1865 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio⁷⁷.
- 24. Nikolaus WEBER was born about 1780 in Bayern, Germany¹⁴⁶. He married Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN.
- 25. Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN was born about 1790 in Bayern, Germany¹⁴⁷.

Notes for Nikolaus WEBER:

The marriage record of Johann Nikolaus Weber and Katharina Ruth which took place in Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria in 1846 provides the names of each of their parents. (Source: "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929" Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source Film Number: 193919. Bride and groom listed as Catharina Ruth and Johann Nikolaus Weber. Groom's parents listed as Nikolaus Weber and Elisabetha Catharina Riegelmann. Bride's parents listed as Conrad Ruth and Philippina Gruen.)

Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN and Nikolaus WEBER had the following children:

- i. Johann Nicklaus WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born in 1809 in Bayern, Germany⁹⁵⁻⁹⁶. He died in 1884 in Richland County, Ohio⁹⁷. He married Katharina RUTH (daughter of Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH and Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN) on August 22, 1846 in Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria⁹⁸. She was born on March 02, 1812 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁰⁻¹⁰². She died on February 13, 1891 in Richland County, Ohio¹⁰³.
 - ii. Johannes WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born in 1817¹⁴⁸. He married Marie Elisabethe WENDEL on December 07, 1840 in Rothselberg, Bayern, Germany¹⁴⁹. She was born in 1816¹⁵⁰.
 - iii. Johann Adam WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born in 1820¹⁵¹. He married Katharina MOLTER on December 17, 1850 in Rothselberg, Bayern, Germany¹⁵². She was born in 1824¹⁵³.
 - iv. Charlotte WEBER (daughter of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born in 1825. She married Jacob BIEDINGER on December 20, 1853 in Rothselberg, Bayern, Germany¹⁵⁴. He was born in 1825.
 - v. Philipp WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) was born on March 14, 1852 in Rothselberg, Bayern, Germany¹⁵⁵.

Notes for Philipp WEBER:

Philip's baptism lists Nikolaus Weber and Katharina Riegelmann as his parents. He

was born in Rothselberg, so the record definitely places him in this family. Katharina would have been about 57 years old when he was born, which is possible. However, it might have been a child of a daughter or other relative that Nikolaus and Katharina decided to raise as their own.

- 26. **Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH**¹⁵⁶ (son of Nicolaus RUTH) was born about 1780¹⁵⁷. He married **Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN** (daughter of Georg GRÜN and Maria KATHARINA) on March 26, 1799 in Neunkirchen (Ba Kusel), Bayern, Germany¹⁵⁸.
- 27. **Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN**¹⁵⁹ (daughter of Georg GRÜN and Maria KATHARINA) was born on March 27, 1784 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁶⁰⁻¹⁶¹.

Notes for Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH:

The marriage record of Johann Nikolaus Weber and Katharina Ruth which took place in Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria in 1846 provides the names of each of their parents. (Source: "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929" Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source Film Number: 193919. Bride and groom listed as Catharina Ruth and Johann Nikolaus Weber. Groom's parents listed as Nikolaus Weber and Elisabetha Catharina Riegelmann. Bride's parents listed as Conrad Ruth and Philippina Gruen.)

Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN and Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH had the following children:

- i. Katharina Elisabetha RUTH (daughter of Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH and Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN) was born on January 31, 1810 in Neunkirchen (Ba Kusel), Bayern, Germany¹⁶².
- 13. ii. Katharina RUTH⁹⁹ (daughter of Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH and Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN) was born on March 02, 1812 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁰⁰⁻¹⁰². She died on February 13, 1891 in Richland County, Ohio¹⁰³. She married Johann Nicklaus WEBER (son of Nikolaus WEBER and Elisabetha Katharina RIEGELMANN) on August 22, 1846 in Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria⁹⁸. He was born in 1809 in Bayern, Germany⁹⁵⁻⁹⁶. He died in 1884 in Richland County, Ohio⁹⁷.
- Ernst Jacob KRESS¹⁶³ was born about 1785 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹⁶⁴. He died before 1836 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹⁶⁵. He married Anna Margaretha HART.
- 29. Anna Margaretha HART¹⁶⁶ was born about 1785¹⁶⁷.

Notes for Ernst Jacob KRESS:

Ernst Jacob Kress was listed as deceased and as a shoemaker on the marriage certificate of his son Johann Wilhelm Kress to Anna Dorothea Wölker in 1836. (Source: Marriage record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5.) As of March, 2016, no marriage or birth records were found for Ernst Kress and his wife. The quality of the early records for the Evangelische Kirche in Bruchenbrücken is very poor.

Anna Margaretha HART and Ernst Jacob KRESS had the following child:

 14. i. Johann Wilhelm KRESS¹¹⁸ (son of Ernst Jacob KRESS and Anna Margaretha HART) was born on February 28, 1812 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹¹⁹. He married Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER (daughter of Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER and Eva Elisabetha MICHEL) on April 22, 1836 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²⁰. She was born on May 26, 1814 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²².

- 30. Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER¹⁶⁸ was born about 1785¹⁶⁹. He married Eva Elisabetha MICHEL.
- 31. Eva Elisabetha MICHEL¹⁷⁰ was born about 1785¹⁷¹.

Notes for Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER:

Heinrich is listed as a local burgher and master smith on the marriage record of his daughter Anna Dorothea in 1836.

Eva Elisabetha MICHEL and Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER had the following child:

 i. Anna Dorothea (Völker) WÖLKER¹²¹ (daughter of Heinrich (Völker) WÖLKER and Eva Elisabetha MICHEL) was born on May 26, 1814 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²². She married Johann Wilhelm KRESS (son of Ernst Jacob KRESS and Anna Margaretha HART) on April 22, 1836 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹²⁰. He was born on February 28, 1812 in Bruchenbrücken, Friedberg, Hessen, Germany¹¹⁹.

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- 40. **Peter KUHN** was born in 1748 in Württemberg, Germany¹⁷². He died in 1807 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷². He married **Catherine APPLER** in 1768 in Pennsylvania¹⁷².
- 41. **Catherine APPLER** was born on November 20, 1751 in Pennsylvania¹⁷³. She died in 1810 in Mercer County, Pennsylvania¹⁷².

Notes for Peter KUHN:

Little is known about the eighteenth-century German immigrant Peter Kuhn. Most of what we do know comes from Samuel Kuhn, grandson of Peter and Catherine (Appler) Kuhn and son of Samuel and Catherine Smith, who wrote the following brief sketch of Peter's life. The piece was found in Peter Kuhn's family bible which was handed down from generation to generation and was cited in the "The *History and Roster of the Peter Kuhn Family in the USA*," printed at Shelby, Ohio in 1932 on page 13. (An update to the original book was the *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*, edited by Clara M. Venable and published in 1953 in Harrisburg, PA.)

"Peter Kuhn, my grandfather, was born in Wurtemberg [Württemberg], Germany in 1748 and came to America in 1760. For a living, hired to a farmer in Lancaster County, PA, was a cooper by trade, and mostly followed teaming from Lancaster to Philadelphia. After being in America five or six years, he resolved to visit his native country in Germany and to receive a small fortune. He had a safe passage out but on his return, the Captain was to sail to London and already in sight of the lighthouse, their ship was overtaken in a storm and badly wrecked and damaged to the extent that it took twenty-four days to repair the wrecked ship and to get into the London port where they remained some days. From there they crossed the Atlantic to Philadelphia. ..."

Peter Kuhn arrived in Philadelphia on September 20, 1764 on the ship *Sarah*. The ship had sailed from Rotterdam and Portsmouth; it's captain was Francis Stanfell. (Source: According to Clara Venable, the immigration record was found in the library in Harrisburg, PA.)

"He again followed the old occupation for a few years, then married a lady by the name of Catherine Appler in 1768 and in 1771 he moved, with his little family to Franklin County PA,

arriving on August the 18, and followed farming to the end of his days in 1807, having raised a family of seven children, five boys and two girls, David, Samuel, John, Peter, George, Elizabeth and Catherine. Grandma, Catherine Kuhn, died in 1810 in Mercer County, PA. They both lived to a good old age and were highly respected for honesty, industry and Christianity." [It was noted in the bible that Peter Kuhn had 10 children, but three died in childhood.]

Also recorded from the library in Harrisburg, Pa., "On the list of foreigners who took the oath of allegiance, Peter Kuhn, arrived from Rotterdam and Portsmouth, September 20, 1764, on the ship Sarah, Cap't. Francis Stanfell."

Peter brought a bible to America as a part of his inheritance. The Bible was one of Martin Luther's first translations. It was translated in 1522 and was printed in 1534. The bible, bound with wood and covered with leather, measured ten inches wide, twenty inches long, and five inches thick. It was handed down to the eldest son in each family since coming to America. In 1953, it was the property of John Kuhn of Cleveland, Ohio and was stored for safekeeping in the vault of the First National Bank at Shelby, Ohio.

Peter's bible contains much genealogical information. On the lid of the old Bible it states, "This Bible belongs to my [...] Kuhn and was born, in [...] 41 the 11 November in the [...] in Alfinger County. [...] married Catherine Appler, in the 20th of November 1751 she was in this world born in Pennsylvania. [...] God was with us in peace and harmony to the end." The blank spaces are words that have been obliterated or torn off the page. The names and births of each child are noted in the bible. Several of the children died at a young age and there is a note which speaks of a great malady in the family. A part of the above is written in German and part in Enlish script. (Source: Venable, Clara M, Ed. *Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*.(Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 3, 8.)

Peter Coon is listed on the List of Taxables for Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA in 1786. (Source: *History of Franklin County, PA*. Warner, Beers and Co. 1887. Contributed to the U.S. GenWeb Archives. Downloaded 2/2008) According to a list of Land Warrantees for Franklin County, PA, Peter Kuhn had 62 acres of land surveyed on November 28, 1788. (Source: "Franklin County Pennsylvania Land Warrantees". *Pennsylvania Archives*. State Printer of PA. Third Series, Vol 25. 1898. Available online in the USGenWeb Archives for Franklin Co. PA)

The log cabin erected by Peter Kuhn on his homestead in Greencastle survived until 1952. At that time, it was declared unfit for restoration and was razed. A permanent granite marker, with a bronze plaque, was installed at the site of this original Kuhn family homestead and dedicated on August 3, 1952. The inscription read, 'In memory of Peter Kuhn who came to this country August 1771 and founded a homestead on this site before 1790. Erected August 3, 1952 by the Kuhn Family Association.' The memorial is located near Greencastle, PA, on Kuhn Road near Rabbit Road. (Note that the date of 1771 appears to refer to Peter's arrival in Greencastle, not his arrival in America.)

At the turn of the twenty-first century, the property has been extensively renovated and features a beautiful Bed and Breakfast Inn, named The Inn at Birches Garden. The Kuhn Family Plaque remains at the entrance to the property. Peter Kuhn has been memorialized in the naming of the road, on the plaque at the entrance to the property, and in the room at the Inn designated the "Peter Kuhn Room."

A Peter Kuhn (Coon) is listed in the Patriot Index of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). According to the established record, Peter was born in Wurtenberg, Germany in 1748, served as a private in the Revolution, and died in Pennsylvania before April 2, 1804. Catherine Appler, born November 20, 1751 in Lancaster Co PA, is listed as his spouse. Peter and Catherine were married in 1868 in Lancaster. Ten children of Peter and Catherine are listed. The History and Roster of the Peter Kuhn Family in the USA, printed in Shelby, OH in 1932 is given as the source. According to the application, Peter Kuhn (Coon) served under Capts. John Woods, James Poe, L Col Johnston in the Cumberland Co. PA Militia. The applicant quotes the PA Archives, Series 5, Vol 6, pp 92, 99, 576, and 583. (Source: DAR Application of Teresa Lynn Kuhn Gonzales in 1998, as a descendant of patriot Peter Kuhn (Coon), National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Information received 3/26/2008) According to Clara Venable, author of the*Peter Kuhn Family History and Records*, Peter's Revolutionary War record is noted in the*Pennslvania Archives*, Vol 1 Sixth Series, page 287.

Peter Koon is also listed in Virginia Fendrick's *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. However, it is apparent from a search of public records that there were two Peter Koon's (Kuhn, Koons, Coon) living in Franklin County at the same time and that, in this book, the author lumps the records of both men into one heading. Generally, "our" Kuhn ancestors spelled their name as "Kuhn." In this record it states that Peter served under Capts. John Wood and James Poe in 1780- 1782. Fendrick also cites the PA Archives, Series 5, Vol 6., the same pages as in the DAR record. (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA)

Catherine APPLER and Peter KUHN had the following children:

- i. David KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on January 10, 1770 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁴.
- 20. ii. Samuel KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on February 18, 1771 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He died on January 18, 1826 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He married Catherine SMITH (daughter of Samuel SMITH) in 1799 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. She was born on June 13, 1780¹⁴². She died on March 23, 1840 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹.
 - Cutter KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on September 26, 1772 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁵. He died in 1772.
 - Unnamed KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on May 31, 1774 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁶. He died in 1774.
 - v. John KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on August 18, 1778 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁷. He died on July 16, 1847 in St. Thomas, Pennsylvania. He married Elizabeth KUNKLE. He married Elizabeth GALLADEN. He married Margaret Coble BRAKE.
 - vi. Peter KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on February 04, 1781 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁸. He married Polly SHOUP. She died on March 18, 1840.
 - vii. Elizabeth KUHN (daughter of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on

October 18, 1783 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁷⁹. She married John CRILL.

- viii. George KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on June 30, 1786 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁸⁰. He died in 1811 in Mercer County, Pennsylvania.
- Catherine KUHN (daughter of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on April 04, 1789 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁸¹. She died on July 02, 1857. She married Nicolaus MOURER.
- X. Joseph KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) was born on June 13, 1792 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁸². He died in 1792.

42. Samuel SMITH. He died on March 12, 1827¹⁴¹.

Samuel SMITH had the following child:

- i. Catherine SMITH (daughter of Samuel SMITH) was born on June 13, 1780¹⁴². She died on March 23, 1840 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. She married Samuel KUHN (son of Peter KUHN and Catherine APPLER) in 1799 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He was born on February 18, 1771 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹. He died on January 18, 1826 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴¹.
- 46. **Jacob (Stotler) STATLER** was born about 1750¹⁸³. He died on March 12, 1790 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁸⁴⁻¹⁸⁵. He married **Nancy SITES** (daughter of Henry SITES and NANCY) about 1775¹⁸⁶.
- 47. Nancy SITES (daughter of Henry SITES and NANCY) was born about 1755¹⁸⁷.

Notes for Jacob (Stotler) STATLER:

Variations of the surname in public documents include Stotler and Statler. The original name might well have been spelled differently.

Nothing definitive is known about the origins of Jacob Stotler. His life story is pieced together from various public records and mention in historical publications as noted below. He appears in Antrim Township of Franklin County, Pennsylvania as early as 1770, when he applied for a land warrant. At least two brothers also settled in the area. Jacob, along with many of his neighbors, served as a patriot in the American Revolution. At some point during those years, he married Nancy, the daughter of his neighbor Henry Sites. The couple had seven children before Jacob died in 1790. By this time, Jacob had become a man of some means. He had land in Franklin County and, at the time of his death, owned some 300 acres in nearby Bedford County, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Statler left a will, dated February 19, 1790. In it, he states he is "Jacob Statler of the Township of Antrim and County of Franklin" and names his beloved wife, Nancy. He lists seven children: Emanuel, Henry, John, Jacob, Elizabeth, Martha, and Mary. He also "ordains my father in law Henry sights, and my brother samuel statler, executors of this my will". Rudy Statler was listed as one of the witnesses to the signing of the will. (In another source, noted below, Rudy Statler is identified as a brother of Jacob.) In the will, Jacob notes that he had a "plantation in Bedford County" containing 300 acres. (Source: Will Books, 1784-1905; Franklin County (Pennsylvania). Register of Wills; Probate Place: Franklin, Pennsylvania; Downloaded from Ancestry.com Record Collection: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993, Feb 2016) Jacob's will provides proof that his wife is Nancy Sites, daughter of Henry Sites. There are four Statler (Stotler) men listed in Virginia Shannon Fendrick's book *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. They were Jacob, Emanuel, John, and Samuel. Jacob Statler (Stotler) is identified as a lieutenant who served under Captains James Poe, John Woods, and Samuel Royers in 1777, 1778, 1780, 1781, and 1782. He was also listed as a Ranger on the Frontier. Emanuel Stotler was a private under Captains John Woods and James Poe, serving between 1772 and 1782. John Stotler was also a private under Captains James Poe and John Woods. Samuel Stotler served as a sargeant under Captains James Poe, John Jack and John Woods. It is noted in this source that Samuel is named a brother in the will of Jacob Stotler, which was probated in 1790. Fendrick also states that Emanuel and John were sons of Jacob Stotler and his wife Nancy; however, according to other sources, the children of Jacob Stotler who married Nancy Seitz were born in the late 1770s and later. It is likely that all of the Stotler men from Franklin County who served in the American Revolution were related, either as brothers or cousins. (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon.*American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 207; Virginia Fendrick cites PA Archives 5th Series, Vol 6 and 3rd Series, Vol 23.)

Jacob Stattler is listed in the Patriot Index of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. According to their records, Jacob was born circa 1751 and died circa Mar 12, 1790. His wife is listed as Nancy Sites. In the Revolution, this Jacob served in Pennsylvania with the rank of lieutenant. Neither Jacob, his widow, or his children received a pension. (Source: Patriot Look-up Service. The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Information received on 2/20/2008)

"Jacob Stotler of Franklin County applied for a warrant for 100 acres of land bounded by the land of Henry Sites formerly joining theirs on the north, by William Beatty on the South-East, by other land of said Stotler on the N.W. in Antrim Township Franklin County." This document was dated August 1, 1770. (Source: Pennsylvania, Land Warrants and Applications, 1733-1952, Franklin County, Image 402; downloaded from Ancestry.com on 2/6/2016)

According to another list of land warrantees for Franklin County, PA, Jacob Stotler had 100 acres of land surveyed on August 31, 1785. (This might well be the land mentioned in 1770.) (Source: "Franklin County Pennsylvania Land Warrantees". Pennsylvania Archives. State Printer of PA. Third Series, Vol 25. 1898. Available online in the USGenWeb Archives for Franklin Co. PA) Jacob Stotler is also listed on the List of Taxables for Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA in 1786. (Source: History of Franklin County, PA. Warner, Beers and Co. 1887. Contributed to the U.S. GenWeb Archives. Downloaded 2/2008)

A short biographical sketch of Jacob Stotler appears in *Excerpts from Annals of Old Wilkinsburg and Vicinity : The Village, 1788-1888.* According to the editors, Jacob Stotler, along with a Rudolph Stotler, were early settlers of Antrim Township in what was then Cumberland County but became Franklin County in 1784. Most of the Stotlers in Allegheny County are descendants of one of these families. "Jacob Stotler was a Lieutenant of Pennsylvania Associators and Militia during the Revolution. He had married and acquired considerable property before the Revolution and after the war decided to migrate westward to settle on the farm in Penn Township he had acquired in 1773. Death intervened, however, and before he could carry out his plans he was killed in an accident on his farm in Franklin County. His widow determined to go on and in 1789 brought her family of seven children to her husband's farm of about three hundred acres. This intrepid women died in 1809, living to see her children well settled and on the road to becoming influential citizens. One of her sons married his cousin, Catherine Stotler, a daughter of Rudolph and founded a long line. Her eldest son, Emanuel, purchased the homestead farm after the death of his mother and this property descended to his children and grandchildren, a considerable portion of it being still held intact by his descendants. The Stotler family has been an active part in public affairs locally. There have been road supervisors, township commissioners, school directors, justice of the peace and numerous records, evidence their activity in the development of their communities." (Source: Davison, Elizabeth M. and Ellen B. McKee, Editors "Excerpts from Annals of Old Wilkinsburg and Vicinity : The Village, 1788-1888". Compiled by the Group for Historical Research, Wilkinsburg, PA: The Group, 1940. Available online as part of the Historic Pittsburgh General Text Collection Historic Pittsburgh, hosted by the University of Pittsburgh's Digital Research Library. History of the Stotler Family: pp 114-120.) A note: The 300 acres listed in Penn Township, Allegheny County are likely the same 300 acres in Bedford County referred to in Jacob's will. Allegheny County was not formally created until 1788.

Ann Statler might not have left for her husband's plantation in Penn Township, Allegheny County as early as 1789. Ann Statler is listed in the US Census of 1790 for Franklin County, Pennsylvania, which was transcribed on March 30, 1791 and available online at various sites. According to the census, Ann was listed as the head of household of 4 "free white males under age 16" and 5 "free white females, including the head of household." Others listed as heads of household in this census for Franklin County were Rudy, John, Manuel [Emanuel], and Samuel Statler. It also appears that Jacob and Ann's daughter Elizabeth married Phillip Roemer and remained in Franklin County, rather than moving west with her mother and siblings.

Nancy SITES and Jacob (Stotler) STATLER had the following child:

- 23. i. Elizabeth STOTLER (daughter of Jacob (Stotler) STATLER and Nancy SITES) was born about 1778¹⁴⁵. She died on May 15, 1849 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁵. She married Philip ROEMER in December 1792 in Chambersburg, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁴. He was born about 1756 in Germany¹⁴³. He died on May 26, 1831 in Greencastle, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁴⁴.
- 52. Nicolaus RUTH¹⁸⁸ was born about 1760.

Nicolaus RUTH had the following child:

- i. Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH¹⁵⁶ (son of Nicolaus RUTH) was born about 1780¹⁵⁷. He married Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN (daughter of Georg GRÜN and Maria KATHARINA) on March 26, 1799 in Neunkirchen (Ba Kusel), Bayern, Germany¹⁵⁸. She was born on March 27, 1784 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁶⁰⁻¹⁶¹.
- 54. **Georg GRÜN**¹⁸⁹ was born about 1760 in Bayern, Germany¹⁹⁰. He married **Maria KATHARINA**.
- 55. **Maria KATHARINA** was born about 1760 in Bayern, Germany¹⁹¹.

Notes for Georg GRÜN:

Georg Grün is listed as the father of Katharina Philippina Grün on her marriage record to Johann Philipp Conrad Ruth. His estimated date of birth is based on the date of birth and marriage of daughter Katharina.

Katharina Philippina is listed as the daughter of Georg Grün and Maria Katharina (no surname given) on her baptism record. She was born in Kollweiler on March 27, 1784 and baptized in

Neunkirchen BA Kusel, Pfalz, Bayern on March 31, 1784. Baptism record to be found in FHL Film Number: 247642

Maria KATHARINA and Georg GRÜN had the following child:

 Katherina Philippina (Grün) GRUEN¹⁵⁹ (daughter of Georg GRÜN and Maria KATHARINA) was born on March 27, 1784 in Kollweiler Canton, Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany¹⁶⁰⁻¹⁶¹. She married Johann Philipp Conrad RUTH (son of Nicolaus RUTH) on March 26, 1799 in Neunkirchen (Ba Kusel), Bayern, Germany¹⁵⁸. He was born about 1780¹⁵⁷.

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- 94. **Henry SITES** was born about 1730¹⁹². He died about October 30, 1804 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁹³. He married **NANCY**.
- 95. NANCY. She died after 1804¹⁹⁴.

Notes for Henry SITES:

Variations of the surname in public documents include Sites and Sights. Henry stated his surname as Sites in his will. The original name might have been Henrich or Heinrich and Seitz or Sietz.

Henry Sites was an early settler of Antrim Township, Pennsylvania. This township was formed in 1741, in what was originally Cumberland County. In 1784, it became a part of Franklin County. By 1750, Henry had acquired 250 acres of land in the township, according to a document dated October 10, 1788, which required a survey of the aforementioned land and payment of interest commencing from March of 1750.(Source: Franklin County Archives, Public Documents, downloaded on Feb 16 2016)

Nothing is known about Henry Sites' origins prior to settling in Pennsylvania. It is assumed that he was German. Included in the inventory of his estate which was compiled following his death were five German books.

Henry Sites' will was signed on December 18, 1802, and presented to the Register of Wills for probate on October 30, 1804. In the will, Henry names his wife, Nancy, and 6 children: Henry, Jacob, Stophel, Nancy (Statler), Martha (Ankony), and Elizabeth (Rafter). Henry's will reads in part, "I will and allow to my well beloved wife Nancy twenty pounds yearly during her natural life together with one horse and saddle, worth twenty five pounds, specia, one good cow, two sheep, the use of my dwelling house and household furniture. During her natural life, likewise fifteen bushels of wheat, hundred weight of pork yearly likewise one half of the garden before my house. During her life, each of my sons to give and haul her two loads of firewood yearly, my son Jacob to keep her cow and Henry to keep her sheep the horse and saddle cow and sheep to be taken out of my personal estate the remainder of bequeathments to be provided by my sons Henry and Jacob each being of equal expense." (Source: Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA, Will Book B, Page 224; also available online as part of the collection of Pennsylvania Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993, Franklin Co. Estate Papers, No 670-748, downloaded from Ancestry.com on 2/16/2016).

A Henry Sites and a Stophel Sights (Sites) both served in the American Revolution. Henry and Stophel were undoubtedly the sons of Henry Sites, Sr. Henry. Jr. "served as a private under Capt. John Woods 1781-82. He was of Antrim Twp., and died intestate in 1814, leaving a widow Polly,

and issue seven: John; Henry; Jacob; Catherine; Emanuel; Polly and David a minor..." (Source: Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. *American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA*. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 196. Fendrick cites Penns Arch 5th Ser. Vol 6, pp. 104, 138)

Henry Sights, along with Stophel Sites, is listed on the List of Taxables for Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA in 1786. (Source: *History of Franklin County, PA*. Warner, Beers and Co. 1887. Contributed to the U.S. GenWeb Archives. Downloaded 2/2008) This reference might well be to the son Henry rather than to Henry Sites, Sr.

NANCY and Henry SITES had the following child:

Nancy SITES (daughter of Henry SITES and NANCY) was born about 1755¹⁸⁷. She married Jacob (Stotler) STATLER about 1775¹⁸⁶. He was born about 1750¹⁸³. He died on March 12, 1790 in Antrim Township, Franklin County, Pennsylvania¹⁸⁴⁻¹⁸⁵.

Sources

- 1 Marriage Record, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son. Date of birth also listed on Norma's application for a marriage license.
- 2 Family Notes, Norma Johnston McNelley died of a heart attack. Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.
- 3 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne, IN, pub. on May 27, 1981. The obituary states that Norma K. McNelley died on Sunday, May 24. Her occupation was listed as an employee of the Fort Wayne Community Schools Adult Education office and a former teacher. It notes that she was born in Indianapolis. Surviving are a son, Terry R. of Monterey, CA, a daughter, Suzanne Johnson of Tempe, AZ and two brothers, Gerald Johnston of Fort Wayne and Edward W. Johnston of Tustin, CA.
- 4 Death Certificate, recorded by the County Department of Public Health, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cause of death listed as massive myocardial infarction.
- 5 Family Notes, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.
- 6 Family Notes, Theodore Thomas McNelley died of a heart attack. Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.
- 7 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, published on Sunday, May 19, 1963. The obituary stated that Theodore T. McNelley died on Friday, May 17. It states that he was a native of Chicago, but had resided in Fort Wayne most of his life. His occupation was listed as manager of product quality control at International Harvester Co. He was a member of Trinity English Lutheran Chruch and Maumee Lodge 725 F. and A.M. Survivors include his wife, Norma, a son Terry R., a daughter Suzanne M. and a sister, Mrs Alta A Hutchinson.
- 8 Death Certificate, recorded by the County Department of Public Health, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cause of death listed as coronary occlusion.
- 9 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records. Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst., p. 29. Location of birth provided by grandson, Terry McNelley.
- 10 Miscellaneous Document, Date and place of burial is listed on the memorial card for Edward Reymer Johnston.
- 11 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette, Ft. Wayne Indiana obituary printed on Saturday 12/2/1950. Lists date of death as Friday, December 1, 1950. Surviving Edward are wife Anna, daughter Mrs. T.T. McNelley, sons Col Edward W. Johnston and Gerald R. Johnston and a sister, Mrs. Lottie Trego of Pavilion, Ohio.
- 12 Baptism Record, Baptism certificate for Anna Philippina Weber lists date and place of birth, as well as parents, Jacob Weber and Susanna Kress. Godparents listed as Peter and Philippina Schuck. Certificate in the possession of Terry R. McNelley.
- 13 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. Ohio. Month and year of birth given as January 1883. Place of birth: Ohio.
- 14 Death Certificate, recorded by the County Department of Public Health, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cause of death listed as arteriosclerotic heart disease with failure.
- 15 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1910 for Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana. Edward R Jr. is listed as two years old in this census, in the household of Edward R and Anna P Johnston. Birthplace is listed as Ohio.

- 16 Family Notes, Edward R Jr. died between the age of 2 and 5. The story passed down to Terry R. McNelley, grandson of Edward R and Anna P. Johnston, is that this son died as a young child. Presumably, Edward Reymer would have died before the birth of Edward Weber in 1913, but after 1910, because he is listed as age 2 on the census of 1910.
- 17 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Fort Wayne, IN, printed on April 3, 2008. States that Colonel Edward W. Johnston passed away Sunday, March 30, 2008.
- 18 Family Notes, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, nephew of Gerald Robert Johnston.
- 19 Family Notes, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, nephew of Gerald Robert Johnston.
- 20 Death Certificate, Indiana Death Certificates, 1899-2011. Accessed on Ancestry.com September 11, 2011.
- 21 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 and 1900 for Plymouth Twp, Richland Co, OH. Lists Edward Johnston (44) a farmer born in Ohio. The 1900 census lists Edward's age as 64, born in October of 1835. Place of birth: Ohio. His parents are listed as born in Ireland.
- 22 Family Notes, No record establishes the fact that Edward was born in Plymouth. However, Edward was born in 1835. Edward's father came to Plymouth in 1831, therefore, it is reasonable to assume that Edward was born on the farm in Plymouth.
- 23 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 28.
- 24 Marriage Record, Ohio Marriages 1803-1900; Jordan Dodd, Liahona Research Database, Record downloaded from Ancestry.com, April 2014.
- 25 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1880 for Plymouth Twp, Richland Co, OH. Lists Edward Johnston (44) a farmer born in Ohio. Also listed in the household is Hannah Johnston (41) born in Ohio. Her parents are listed as born in Pennsylvania.
- 26 Death Certificate, lists date of birth of Hannah (Kuhn) Johnston as April 13 (?), 1839. Place of birth listed as Plymouth Township, Richland Co. OH.
- 27 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 28. Note that this reference gives date of death as January 20, 1926.
- 28 Death Certificate, Hannah Johnston's death certificate lists date of death as January 21, 1926. Place of death is listed as Plymouth, Richland Co, OH. Under cause of death, it states "No definite cause".
- 29 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for Plymouth, Richland County, OH lists Albert E. as age 16 and living in the household of Edward and Hanna (Kuhn) Johnston.
- 30 Estimated date of death, Date of death listed as "after ..." is based on documents indicating date when individual was last known to be alive. U.S. Census Record of 1930, in this case.
- 31 Census Record, U.S. Census record of 1910 for Buffalo, Erie, NY. lists age and place of birth for Elbert, Jane, and their three children: Grace, Harold, and Elbert.
- 32 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1880 lists Minor K. as age 13 and living in the household of Edward and Hanna Johnston.
- 33 Death Record, Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com on 15 July 2015.
- 34 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1880 for Plymouth, Richland Co. OH lists Lottie's age as 7.
- 35 Birth Record, Ohio Births and Christenings Index 1800-1962. Accessed through Ancestry.com 15 July 2015. "Lettice B. Johnston" is listed as the daughter of Edward Johnston and Hannah Kuhn.
- 36 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com on 15 July 2015.
- 37 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1920 for Riverton, Wyoming lists Alonzo's age as 49.
- 38 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave Website, accessed on September 12, 2017. Lists both date of birth and date of death. Alonzo is buried at the Mountain View Cemetery.
- 39 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave Website, accessed on September 12, 2017. Lists both date of birth and date of death. Alonzo is buried at the Mountain View Cemetery.
- 40 Baptism Record, Name of parents listed on the baptism certificate for Anna Philippina Weber. Jacob is listed as born in Wolfstein, Rheinpfalz, Bayern, Germany.
- 41 Death Certificate, Jacob Weber's death certificate lists date of birth as January 8, 1848 and place of birth as "Germany".
- 42 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. Ohio. Month and year of birth given as January, 1848. Place of birth: Germany.
- 43 Miscellaneous Document, U.S. Passport application for Jacob Weber, dated May 14, 1914. In his application, Jacob states that he was born on January 8, 1848 at "Kollweiler, Canton Wolfstein, Rheinish Bayern".

- 44 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. Source film number 193919. Parents are listed as Johann Nicholas Weber and Katharina Ruth. Christening took place at the Evangelische Kirche, Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria.
- 45 Death Certificate, Jacob Weber's death certificate lists date and place of death. Cause of death listed as apoplexy.
- 46 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth, Richland Co. OH. In the U.S. Census of 1900, the couple is listed as married for 22 years, suggesting that they married in 1878.
- 47 Marriage Record, "Kentucky Marriages, 1785-1979". Jakob Weber and Sussanna Kress were married on March 7, 1877 at St. Stephen United Church of Christ, Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. No other information is given in this record.
- 48 Baptism Record, Name of parents listed on the baptism certificate for Anna Philippina Weber. On this certificate, Susanna Kress' place of birth is listed as Bruchenbrücken Kreis (District), Friedberg, Hessen, Germany.
- 49 Death Certificate, states Susanna (Kress) Weber was born on January 22, 1845 in "Germany." This birthdate is incorrect; see footnote on church records of her birth.
- 50 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland County, Ohio. Susanna is listed as born in Germany in February of 1845.
- 51 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Susanna is listed as the fifth child and third daughter of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker. Godmother was Susanna Krick. German record translated by Jakub Smid for Susan McNelley in the spring of 2009. Susanna was born on February 26, 1845, "in the morning between four and five o'clock".
- 52 Death Certificate, Gives date and location of death for Susanna (Kress) Weber.
- 53 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. Listed along with his parents. Age given as 1 year old. Place of birth: Indiana.
- 54 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. Ohio. Month and year of birth given as January, 1879.
- 55 Miscellaneous Document, World War I Draft Registration gives date of birth.
- 56 Family Notes, Date of death supplied by Norma Johnston McNelley, niece of Christian, in a telephone conversation on family history with Norma's son Terry McNelley on March 4, 1980.
- 57 Obituary Notice, Mansfield News Journal, dated November 5, 1963. States that Christian Weber, a resident of 89 Trux Street in Plymouth, died 'yesterday' in Shelby Memorial Hospital.
- 58 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. Ohio. Month and year of birth given as August 1881. Place of birth Indiana.
- 59 Family Notes, Date of death supplied by Norma Johnston McNelley, niece of Katherine, in a telephone conversation on family history with Norma's son Terry McNelley on March 4, 1980.
- 60 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Plymouth Township, Richland Co. Ohio. Month and year of birth given as November 1884. Place of birth Ohio.
- 61 Social Security Death Index, According to this index, Elizabeth Weber was born on November 19, 1884 in Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio.
- 62 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website. Elizabeth is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. Only the years of Elizabeth's birth and death are listed: 1884-1966.
- 63 Death Record, Ohio Deaths, 1908-1932, 1938-2007. Elizabeth Weber's place of death is listed as Shelby, Richland County, Ohio. According to Find A Grave website, she is buried in the family burial plot in Greenlawn Cemetery, in Plymouth, Ohio. Information accessed in December 2014.
- 64 Miscellaneous Document, The Atlas Map of Richland County, Ohio. By A.T. Andreas. Chicago, Ill., 1873, pp. 15; available online at Rootsweb, Richland County, Ohio, 2/2008. John Johnston is on a list of residents of Plymouth Twp. in 1873. Also listed is the fact that he was born in Cavan County, Ireland and came to Richland County in 1831.
- 65 Census Record, U.S. Census Records of 1870 and 1880 for Plymouth, Richland County, Ohio. These records give John's age as 62 and 72, respectively, indicating that he was born in 1807 or 1808.
- 66 Death Record, States that John Johnston was 79 years and 3 months when he died on July 29, 1886.
- 67 Death Record, Located at the Richland County Courthouse in Mansfield Ohio. States that John Johnston died on July 29, 1886 at the age of 79 years and 3 months. States that he was married and that his place of birth was Ireland. Occupation listed as farmer. Cause of death: "Bright's Disease." The record is also found in the "Ohio, Deaths and Burials, 1854-1997," index, downloaded from FamilySearch.org in April, 2014.

- 68 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for Plymouth Twp, Richland Co, OH. Lists Mary A. as the wife of John Johnston. She is listed as age 75. In another household in this same census is listed Edward Johnston (44) a farmer born in Ohio. His parents are listed as born in Ireland.
- 69 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website, Accessed through the Find A Grave Index, available through Ancestry.com and accessed December 17, 2014 Mary's age is listed as 88 at her death in 1888.
- 70 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website, Accessed through the Find A Grave Index, available through Ancestry.com and accessed December 17, 2014 Mary's age is listed as 88 at her death in 1888.
- 71 Census Record, Robert's year of birth is based on age given in the U.S. Census Records of 1850 and 1880 for Plymouth, Richland County, OH. Robert is also listed as age 30 in the Civil War Draft Registration Record, downloaded from Ancestry.com in November of 2014.
- 72 Marriage Record, Ohio Marriages 1803-1900 Online Database, available on Ancestry.com; accessed on July 27, 2015.
- 73 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1900 for Plymouth, Richland Co. OH lists Esther's month and year of birth as April 1841.
- 74 Death Record, Ohio Death Index 1908-1932. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 9/7/2014.
- 75 Death Certificate, John Kuhn of Pennsylvania is listed as Hannah Johnston's father on her death certificate.
- 76 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25.
- 77 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25-31.
- 78 Estimated date of marriage, Based on the birth date of oldest known child.
- 79 Death Certificate, Elizabeth Reamer, born in Pennsylvania, is listed as the mother of Hannah Johnston on the latter's death certificate.
- 80 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25. No birth date given. Source states that Elizabeth was "of Franklin County".
- 81 Cemetery Record, Date of birth based on cemetery record: Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Plymouth Township, Richland Co. OH. Records transcribed by Bragg and Armstrong in July, 2003 and placed online at Rootsweb, Richland Co Ohio, Downloaded 2/2008. Recorded: "Elizabeth Reymer Kuhn. Died March 27, 1879. Aged 72 y 9 mo, 29d; w/o John." Note that date of death is one year different from that recorded in the Kuhn Family History.
- 82 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25-29.). In the record of the family move from Pennsylvania to Ohio, it is stated that John and Elizabeth came with three children: Margaret, Elizabeth and Cyrus.
- 83 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1850 for Plymouth, Richland Co. OH lists 8 children of John and Elizabeth Kuhn and their ages. The ages on the census record do not always correspond to the date of birth listed in the Peter Kuhn Family History.
- 84 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25-29.
- 85 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1850 for Plymouth, Richland Co. OH lists 8 children of John and Elizabeth Kuhn and their ages and place of birth (state). The ages given in the census do not exactly correspond to the dates of birth listed in the Peter Kuhn Family History.
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- 94 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 25-29.
- 95 Death Certificate, Name of Jacob Weber's father is given on Jacob's death certificate. Nicklaus Weber is listed as born in "Germany." Anna Weber, daughter of Jacob, gave the date of Nicklaus' birth as 1809 to her grandson Terry McNelley for a school family history project in 1958.
- 96 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. Nickolas' age is listed as 58 in the 1880 census, putting his date of birth as c 1822. This date of birth is probably not accurate: it would have meant that he fathered his first child at the age of 14 and that he was nine years younger than his wife.
- 97 Family Notes, Anna Weber, daughter of Jacob, gave the date of Nicholas' death to her grandson Terry McNelley for a school family history project in 1958.
- 98 Marriage Record, "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929" Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source Film Number: 193919. Bride and groom listed as Catharina Ruth and Johann Nikolaus Weber. Groom's parents listed as Nikolaus Weber and Elisabetha Catharina Riegelmann. Bride's parents listed as Conrad Ruth and Philippina Gruen.
- 99 Death Record, On the death certificate of Jacob Weber, his mother's name is given as Charlotte Ruth. However, it was listed as Catherine Ruth on the family tree completed by Terry McNelley about 1958. In the latter circumstance, the information was supplied by Nicklaus and Catherine Weber's granddaughter, Anna Weber. Nicklaus' wife is also listed as Catherine in the 1880 census for New Albany, Indiana.
- 100 Death Certificate, Jacob Weber's mother is listed as Charlotte Ruth on Jacob Weber's death certificate. Her birthplace is listed as Germany. However, it was listed as Catherine Ruth on the family tree completed by Terry McNelley about 1958; this information was supplied by Nicklaus and Catherine's granddaughter, Anna Weber. Niclaus' wife is also listed as Catherine in the 1880 census for New Albany, Indiana.
- 101 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880. Catherine Weber's age is listed as 67 in the 1880 census, suggesting that she may have been born in 1813.
- 102 Baptism Record, "German Births and Baptisms 1558-1898". Online Database found at FamilySearch.org. Info downloaded 2/2/2011. Baptised at Neunkirchen (BA. Kusel), Bayern, Germany on March 8, 1812. Born in Kollweiler. Parents listed as Conrad Ruth and Philippina.
- 103 Obituary Notice, Richland Shield & Banner: 14 February 1891, Vol. LXXIII, No. 39] Published in the U.S. GenWeb Project, Richland County Online Obituaries and Death Notices Accessed on the Web 15 Dec 2014. Catherine Weber is referred to in the obituary as the mother-in-law of Philip Buhlman.
- 104 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. Parents are listed as Johann Nicholas Weber and Katharina Ruth. Christening took place at the Evangelische Kirche, Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria. Carl's birthplace is listed as Kollweiler, Pfalz, Bavaria.
- 105 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. Parents are listed as Johann Nicholas Weber and Katharina Ruth. Christening took place at the Evangelische Kirche, Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria.
- 106 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website. Accessed through Ancestry. com on December 18, 2014. The record states that Katherine died in Huron County, Ohio. She is buried in the family burial plot.with her husband and four children in the Mount Hope Cemetery in Shiloh, Richland County, Ohio.
- 107 Marriage Record, "Indiana, Select Marriages 1780-1992." Available on Ancestry.com and accessed on December 16, 2014.
- 108 Baptism Record, Evangelisch [Church], Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria. The German Record is online at FamilySearch.org. Downloaded in December of 2014. Parents are listed on Philip Buhlman's baptism record.
- 109 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. Parents are listed as Johann Nicholas Weber and Katharina Ruth. Christening took place at the Evangelische Kirche, Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria.
- 110 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for New Albany, Floyd County, Indiana. Charlotte's two young children are living on a farm with her parents, a brother and a sister and their families. As of 2014, no record of Charlotte's death has been found. However, her husband, Benedict Dupre, remarried a few years later.
- 111 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website. Benedict Dupre (1844-1923) is buried at Mansfield Cemetery, Mansfield, Richland County, OH.

- 112 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898", available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on January 29, 2011. Source film # 193919. Parents are listed as Johann Nicholas Weber and Katharina Ruth. Christening took place at the Evangelische Kirche, Jettenbach, Pfalz, Bavaria. Philippina's place of birth is listed as Kollweiler, Pfalz, Bavaria.
- 113 Death Record, "Ohio Deaths and Burials, 1854-1997" Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Death certificate downloaded on February 6, 2012. Spouse's name listed as Peter Schuck. Parents listed as Nickolaus Webber and Catherine Ruth. Phillippina was buried at Plymouth, OH.
- 114 Marriage Record, Kentucky Marriages 1785-1979, available on FamilySearch.org and downloaded on February 6, 2012. Peter Schuck and Philippine Weber were married on May 17, 1877 at St. Stephen United Church of Christ in Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. No other information is provided.
- 115 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1880 for Louisville, Jefferson County, KY.
- 116 Cemetery Record, Peter's date of birth is based on information on his gravestone. It states that he was 43 years and 8 days old when he died.
- 117 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website, Accessed through Ancestry.com on December 16, 2014. The family is buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Plymouth, Richland County, OH.
- 118 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Listed as the father in the baptism records of Susanna Kress and her siblings.
- 119 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5; 1836/2, p. 82. Listed as age 24 years, 1 month, and 23 days old on his marriage record.
- 120 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5; 1836/2, p. 82. German record translated by Jakub Smid for Susan McNelley in the spring of 2009.
- 121 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Listed as the mother in the baptism records of Susanna Kress and her siblings.
- 122 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5; 1836/2, p. 82. Listed as age 21 years, 10 months, and 26 days old on her marriage record.
- 123 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Listed as a child of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker in the baptism records in the Church Archives of Bruchenbrücken.
- 124 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Month and year of birth (June 1836) given. Place of birth listed as Germany.
- 125 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records 1852-1953. The name on this record is C. Kress. Gives the day, month, and year of death. Cause of death: strangulated hernia.
- 126 Cemetery Record, Find A Grave website, Eastern Cemetery, Louisville, Ky. Gives only the year of death: 1901. Buried with his second wife, Amelia.
- 127 Family Notes, The place and date of the marriage are based on the U.S. Census Record of 1870 for Louisville, KY. Mary Kress, Christian's wife, and Mary Kress, their daughter were listed as born in New York.
- 128 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1870 for Louisville, Jefferson, Kentucky. Mary's place of birth (New York) and age (33) are given. She is listed as the wife of Christian Kress, shoemaker.
- 129 Death Record, The death record of son Charles lists his parents as Christian Kress and Mary Kohlhepp.
- 130 Census Record, According to the U.S. Census of 1900 for Louisville, KY, Christian and Amelia had been married for 14 years.
- 131 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records, 1852-1953. Gives birth and death information.
- 132 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records, 1852-1953. Gives birth and death information.
- 133 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Listed as a child of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker in the baptism records in the Church Archives of Bruchenbrücken. Unable to determine month and day of birth in the German record.
- 134 Baptism Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 3. Listed as a child of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker in the baptism records in the Church Archives of Bruchenbrücken. German record translated by Jakub Smid for Susan McNelley in the spring of 2009.
- 135 Family Notes, Date and location of death provided by Diane Hoferkamp, descendant of George and Katharine Lambertus.
- 136 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records 1852-1953, accessed through Ancestry.com in December, 2014.
- 137 Family Notes, Date and place of marriage provided by George and Katharine's descendant, Diane Hoferkamp.

- 138 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Louisville, Jefferson, KY. Date of birth given as March 1848. Place of birth: Pennsylvania.
- 139 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records 1852-1953, Accessed through Ancestry.com on December 20, 2014. Gives date and place of birth, as well as date and place of death.
- 140 Death Record, Kentucky Death Records 1852-1953, Accessed through Ancestry.com on December 20, 2014. Gives date and place of birth, as well as date and place of death.
- 141 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 12.
- 142 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 12. This book states that Catherine Smith was born in 1870; this must be a typographical error, as she died in 1840. Judging from the date of marriage (1799), birth dates of her siblings and her children's births, the date was probably 1780.
- 143 Book, Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 257; Virginia Fendrick cites PA Archives 3rd Series, Vol 23. Different ages are given for Philip in different documents cited in this article. In 1824, he listed his age as "sixty-one and upwards." This article states he died in 1831 at the age of 75.
- 144 Book, Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 257. Virginia Fendrick cites PA Archives 3rd Series, Vol 23.
- 145 Book, Fendrick, Virginia Shannon. American Revolutionary Soldiers of Franklin County, PA. Chambersburg, PA: Franklin Co. Chapter of the DAR, pub., 1969. p. 257; Virginia Fendrick cites PA Archives 3rd Series, Vol 23. Article states that Elizabeth Raymer d. May 15, 1849, aged 71 yrs. 2 mos. 21 days.
- 146 Estimated date of birth, based on dates of birth of children.
- 147 Estimated date of birth, based on dates of birth of children.
- 148 Marriage Record.
- 149 Marriage Record, "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929" Available at FamilySearch.org. Downloaded on 2/2/2011. Source film # 597011. Parents of the groom are listed as Nicolaus Weber and Elizabeth Catharina Riegelmann. Parents of the bride are listed as Peter Wendel and Barbara Muller. Ages of bride and groom also provided.
- 150 Marriage Record.
- 151 Marriage Record.
- 152 Marriage Record, "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929" Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source film 597011. Parents of the groom are listed as Nikolaus Weber and Elisabetha Katharina Riegelmann. Parents of the bride are listed as Peter Molter and Margaretha Hebel. Ages of the bride and groom are listed.
- 153 Marriage Record.
- 154 Marriage Record, "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929." Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Parents of the bride are listed as Nikolaus Weber and Katharina Riegelmann. Age of bride and groom also given.
- 155 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898". Available at FamilySearch.org. Downloaded on 2/2/2011. Baptism record lists Nikolaus Weber and Elisabetha Katharina Riegelmann as the parents of Philipp.
- 156 Baptism Record, "German Births and Baptisms 1558-1898". Online Database found at FamilySearch.org. Info downloaded 2/2/2011. Listed as parent on Catherine Ruth's baptism record.
- 157 Marriage Record, Estimated date of birth based on date of marriage.
- 158 Marriage Record, "Germany Marriages, 1558-1929". Online database, Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source film number: 247642. Names given as Johann Philipp Conrad Ruth and Catharina Philippina Grun.
- 159 Baptism Record, "German Births and Baptisms 1558-1898". Online Database found at FamilySearch.org. Info downloaded 2/2/2011. Listed as parent on Catherine Ruth's baptism record.
- 160 Marriage Record, Estimated date of birth based on date of marriage.
- 161 Baptism Record, "Germany, Select Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898" Database accessed on Ancestry.com in January 2015. Katharina Philippina is listed as the daughter of Georg Grün and Maria Katharina (no surname given). She was born in Kollweiler on March 27, 1784 and baptized in Neunkirchen BA Kusel, Pfalz, Bayern on March 31, 1784. Baptism record to be found in FHL Film Number: 247642.

- 162 Baptism Record, "Germany Births and Baptisms, 1558-1898." Online database. Information downloaded from FamilySearch.org on 2/2/2011. Source Film Number 247642. Parents names are given as Conrad Ruth and Philippine Gruen.
- 163 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5. Listed as the father of Johann Wilhelm on the marriage certificate of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker in 1836.
- 164 Estimated date of birth, based on the marriage record of son Johann Wilhelm in 1836.
- 165 Marriage Record, Listed as deceased on the marriage certificate of his son Johann Wilhelm Kress to Anna Dorothea Wölker in 1836.
- 166 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5. Listed as the mother of Johann Wilhelm on the marriage certificate of Johann Wilhelm Kress and Anna Dorothea Wölker in 1836.
- 167 Estimated date of birth, based on the marriage record of son Johann Wilhelm in 1836.
- 168 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5; 1836/2, p. 82. Listed on the marriage record of his daughter Anna Dorothea to Johann Wilhelm Kress.
- 169 Estimated date of birth, based on the date of marriage of daughter Anna Dorothea (1836).
- 170 Marriage Record, Kirchenbuch, 1654-1876, Evangelische Kirche Bruchenbrücken, KR Friedberg, FHL INTL Film 1618356, Item 5; 1836/2, p. 82. Listed on the marriage record of her daughter Anna Dorothea to Johann Wilhelm Kress.
- 171 Estimated date of birth, based on the date of marriage of daughter Anna Dorothea (1836).
- 172 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p. 3.
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- 174 Book, Venable, Clara M, Ed, Peter Kuhn Family History and Records, (Harrisburg, PA, 1953; Second Printing 1985 by the Ohio Kuhn Asst.), p.4.
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- 183 Estimated date of birth, based on the dates of birth of the children of Jacob and Nancy (Sites) Statler and on the fact that he had purchased land by 1770.
- 184 Last Will and Testament, Will Books, 1784-1905; Franklin County (Pennsylvania). Register of Wills; Probate Place: Franklin, PA; Downloaded from Ancestry.com Record Collection: Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993, Feb 2016.
- 185 Research Report, DAR Application. According to this document submitted by descendant Helen Kuhn Jackson Black in 1947, Jacob died on his plantation "Friendship" in Antrim Township in Franklin Co. PA between 2/19 and 3/12/1790.
- 186 Miscellaneous Document, DAR application. Submitted by descendant Helen Kuhn Jackson Black in 1947. Jacob and Nancy's first child was born on October 31, 1777.
- 187 Estimated date of birth, based on estimated dates of birth for father, husband and children. These dates are based on public records (land grants, wills).

- 188 Marriage Record, Listed as the father on the marriage record of Johann Philipp Conrad Ruth and Catharina Philippina Grun. Estimated date of birth is based on the date of marriage of son Johann Philipp Conrad.
- 189 Marriage Record, Listed as the father on the marriage record of Johann Philipp Conrad Ruth and Catharina Philippina Grün. Estimated date of birth based on the date of marriage of daughter Catharina.
- 190 Estimated date of birth, based on the date of birth and marriage of daughter Katharina.
- 191 Estimated date of birth, based on the date of birth and marriage of daughter Katharina.
- 192 Estimated date of birth, Estimated date of birth is based on the fact that Henry Sites purchased land in Antrim Township in 1750. Place of birth is given as Germany, based on the fact that his inventory included a couple of books written in German. Germans began to settle in this part of Pennsylvania about the mid-1700s.
- 193 Last Will and Testament, Antrim Township, Franklin County, PA, Will Book B, Page 224; also available online as part of the collection of Pennsylvania Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993, Franklin Co. Estate Papers, No 670-748, downloaded from Ancestry.com on 2/16/2016). Henry Sites left a will, signed on December 18, 1802, and presented for probate to the Register of Wills on October 30, 1804.
- 194 Last Will and Testament, of Johann Heinrich Seitz, located in Franklin County, PA, Will Book B, Page 224, available online at Rootsweb, Franklin Co. Wills. Contributed by descendant Suzanne Bettac and downloaded 2/2008. Heinrich Seitz signed his will on December 18, 1802. In the will, Heinrich names his wife, Nancy, meaning that she was still living at the time he made his will.

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