

The Kilians in Germany

ca. 1560 to 1732



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The First Clue

Andreas Kilian's Marriage Record in 1722

In Jussu Kilian von ³³ Artzney und Maand
Lena figerin von Stimberg sind wegen
gehörlicher fornication nach dem
stetigen capitel worden. H. J. G. 1722



Andreas' Marriage Record Transcript and Translation

Andreas Kilian von Artzbach und Magdalena Fischerin von Steinbach sind wegen getriebener Fornication nach dem Ausschreiben copuliert worden d. 6. Mai [1722].

Andreas Kilian from Artzbach [Arzbach] and Magdalena Fischer from Steinbach because of the act of fornication after the announcement were married on the 6th of May [1722].



The Building Where Andreas Married



The Clues in the Marriage Record

- Feuchtwangen: The nearest town with a jail
- 72 Steinbachs in Germany
- 6 Steinbachs in Bavaria
- 3 Steinbachs near Feuchtwangen
- 4 Arzbachs in Germany
- Steinbach an der Holzecke and Arzbach only about a half mile apart



Saint Gallus Church in Erzberg

9 miles from Feuchtwangen



Steinbach an der
Holzecke



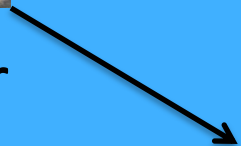
0.62 miles
asphalt road



Arzbach



0.62 miles asphalt road



0.8 miles
field path



Erzberg



Saint Gallus Church in Erzberg

As seen from Steinbach an der Holzecke



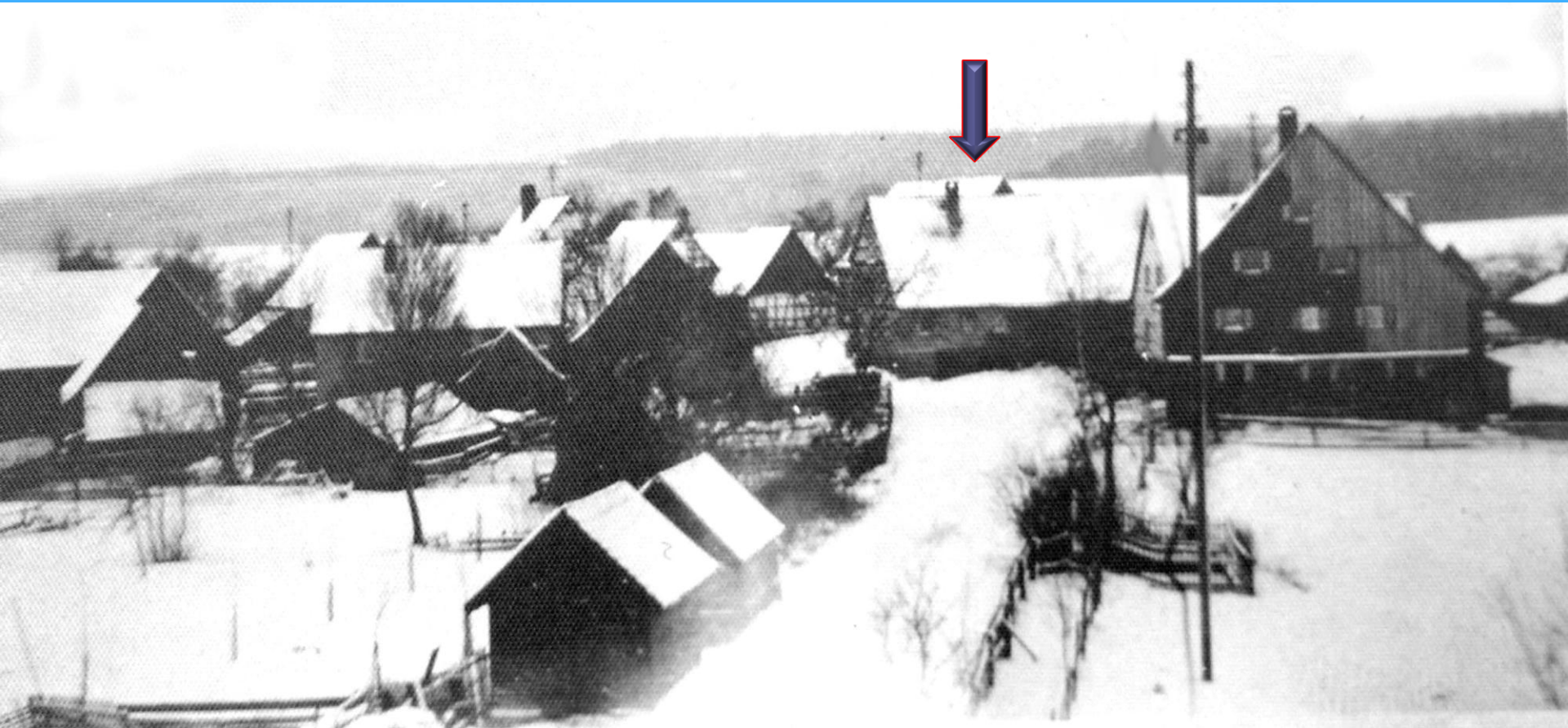
Saint Gallus Church Book

37 Records Found

- Andreas baptismal record, 1702
- His 3 children's baptismal records, 1724, 1726 and 1729
- His father's 2 marriage records and burial records of his father and 2 wives.
- Baptismal records of 3 siblings and 8 half-siblings
- Burial records of a half-uncle and 2 half-aunts
- Baptismal records of 14 half-first- cousins



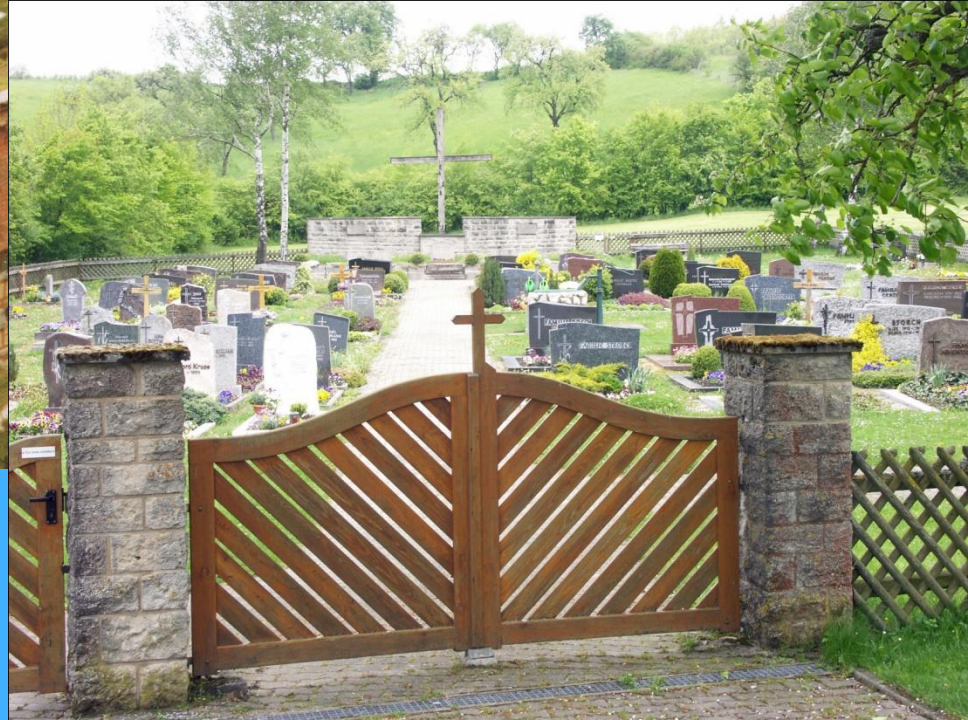
Weberhaus (Weaver House) In Steinbach



Saint Gallus Church Cemetery



Saint Gallus old cemetery
where Andreas' parents
were buried.
This is now a lawn.



Saint Gallus new cemetery
on the edge of the village

Where was Andreas' Father Born ?

Schambach

Schambach

or

Schainbach

Schainbach



Saint Jakobus Church in Schainbach



Saint Jakobus Church in Schainbach kept records after 1684

Saint Lambertus Church in Hengstfeld, kept records until 1670

2.5 miles

2.5 miles



Saint Veit Church in Wallhausen kept records from 1671 to 1683



Schainbach Records

Children of Georg Kilian and Apollonia

12 Children baptised in Hengstfeld, including
Andreas' father, also named Andreas

4 Marriage records in Wallhausen, including
Andreas' father and Anna Busch, copied
from the Saint Gallus Church book in Erzberg

None of these 16 records gave Apollonia's maiden
name.



Some of the Churches



Hengstfeld, Saint Lambertus Church before 1899



Hengstfeld baptismal font



Erzberg Saint Gallus Altar



Schainbach Saint Jakobus Altar



Saints:
Katharina
Nikolas
Sebastian

Kleinansbach Saint Nikolas Altar

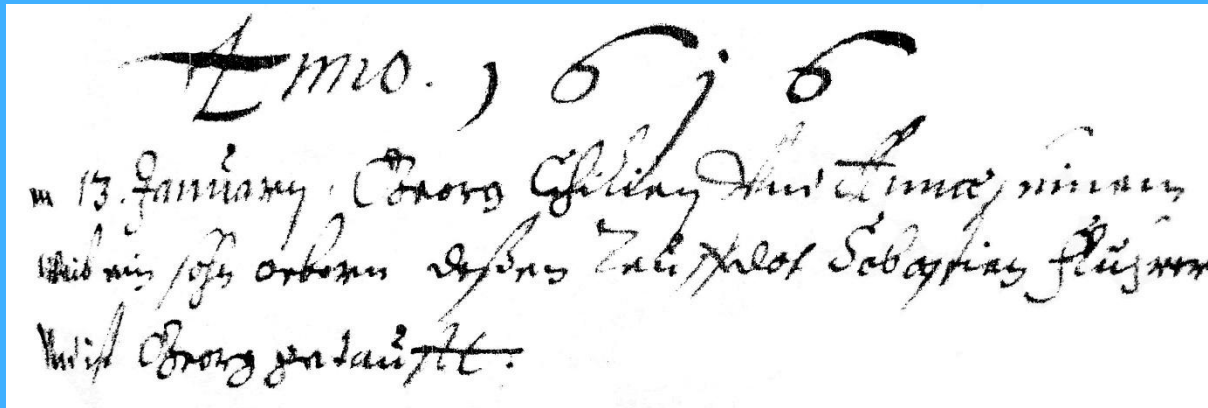


Saint Gallus Church in Erzberg

Frankish Wehrkirche built before 1330, choir 1544
renovations 1580, 1652, 1722, 1859. 1930, 1992



Andreas' Grandfather, Georg's Baptismal Record Found in Limbach



Anno. 1616
am 13. Januarij. Georg Chilian und Annae seiner
Weib ein Sohn geboren dessen Tauffdot Sebastian Fluhrer
und ist Georg getaufft.

*Anno 1616 Den 13. Januari, Georg Chilian und
Annae seinem Weib ein Sohn geboren, dessen
Taufdot Sebastian Fluhrer und ist Georg getaufft.*



The year 1616 the 13th of January a son was born to Georg Chilian [Kilian] and his wife Annae [Anna] and baptized Georg. The godfather was Sebastian Fluhrer.



2 Marriages of Georg Kilian

Georg Kilian, Georg Kilian of your farm in Schainbach
and Ursula, daughter of your farm in Triensbach
married on the 3rd day after Epiphany, i. e. 3rd
after the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, on the 20th of February.

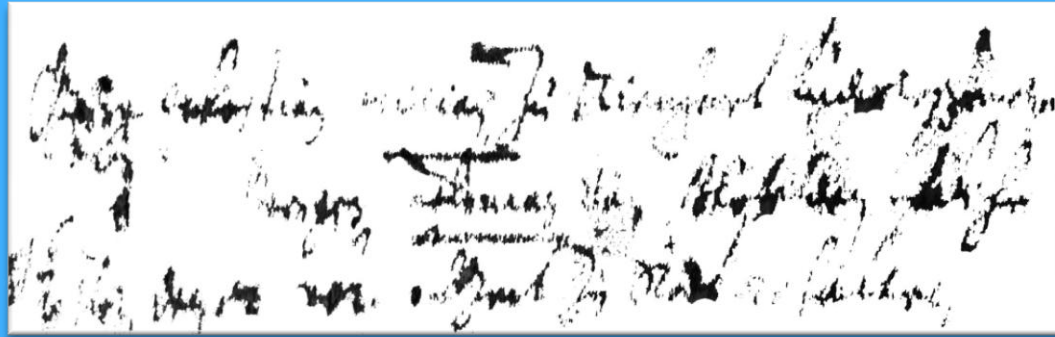
Ursula Raysigs,
in Triensbach
1642, 5 children

Georg Kilian, son of your farm in Schainbach
and Apollonia, daughter of your farm in Triensbach
married on the 20th day after the feast of
St. Thomas the Apostle, on the 20th of February.

Apollonia Burckard,
in Triensbach 1649,
12 children
including Andreas'
father

- ☑ The first record says Georg Kilian was a farmer in Schainbach and the son of the late Georg Kilian. The second says he was a widower living in Lobenhausen.

Marriage of Andreas' Great-Grandfather Georg Kilian and Anna Weldmann, 1611



Dom 1. Post Epiphan.[ias] Georg, Sebastian Khilian zu Kienhart [Kühnhard] hinterlaßener Sohn, Anna Weldmann von Blofelden [Blaufelden] eheliche Tochter den 12. Febr.[1611] Hochzeit zu Rodt [Rot am See] gehalten.

One week after Epiphany Georg, surviving son of the deceased Sebastian Khilian [Kilian] and Anna legitimate daughter of Georg Weldmann resident in Blaufelden were married in Rot am See on the 12th of February [1611].



Epiphany is the 6th of January, 1st manifestation of Christ.

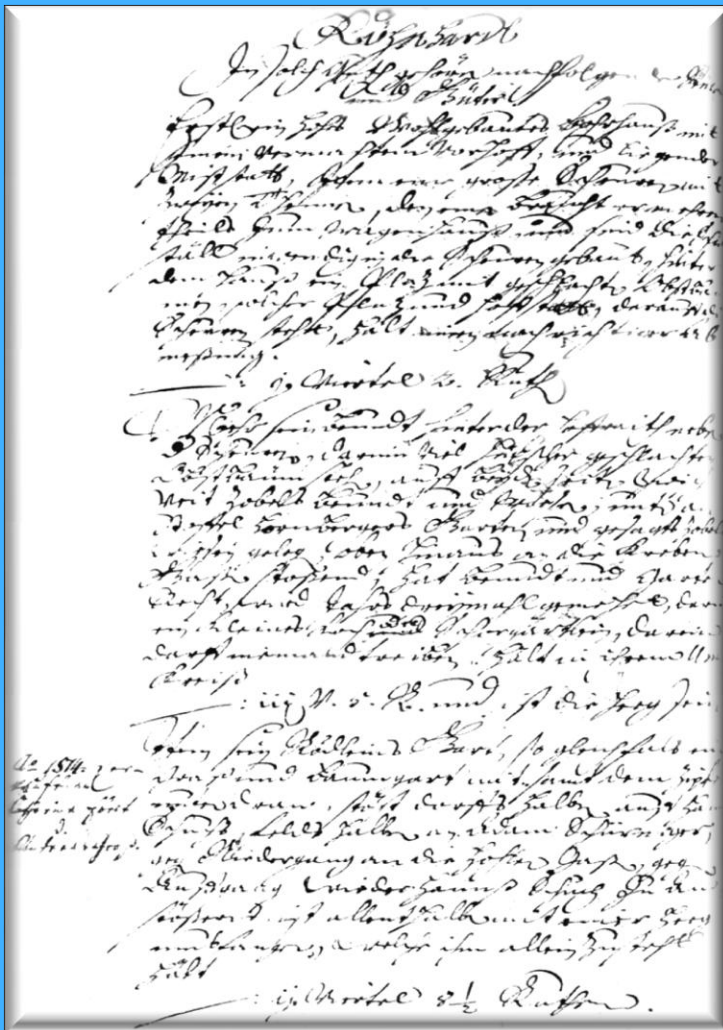
Barons of Wollmershausen

Land Records, 1612

These records describe the farms of:

1. Sebastian Kilian in Kühnhard
2. Martin Kilian in Kühnhard
3. Georg Kilian in Limbach
4. Endris Kilian in Limbach
5. Andreas Kilian in Limbach
6. Hannß Kilian in Limbach

And what they had to pay the barons in money, services and goods.



When was Andreas' Great-Great-Grandfather Sebastian Kilian Born?

The 1612 record describing Sebastian's farm says:

"... Martin Kilian had the farm years ago and before him his ancestor [Se]bastian Kilian." After Martin Michael Kupffer had the farm in 1612, but it is not known how long he had it.

By 1612 there were 2 holders of the farm after Sebastian. Each may have held it for a life time. We can only estimate his latest possible birth date as 1560 from what we know about his sons, but it was probably many years earlier.



Earlier Barons of Wollmershausen Land Records

- The earliest Wollmershausen record in the archives is 1612
- Earlier records are private property of the family.
- They are held in Amlishagen Castle.
- They are not open to the public.



What are the Chances of Finding More?

30-Years War: The Most Destructive War Europe had Seen

In the 30-Years-War (1618 to 1648) Catholics and Protestants burned one another's churches, towns and crops. Württemberg lost over 70% of its population. King Gustavus II Adolphus of Sweden was the most destructive. In Germany he destroyed:

- 2,000 castles,
- 18,000 villages
- 1,500 towns .



Most German church books began anew after 1650.

Where the Direct Line Kilians Lived

4: Schainbach

Georg Jr 1651- 1665
Andreas Sr. 1652-1677

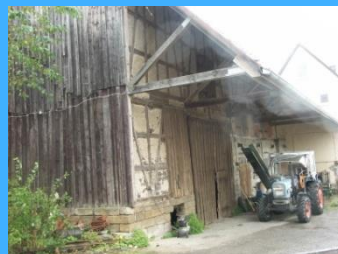


1: Kühnhard

Sebastian ca.
1560- bef. 1612

0.7 mile

8 miles



2: Limbach

Georg Sr bef. 1612 – bef.
1642
Georg Jr 1616 – ca. 1642

8 miles

8.9 miles

3: Lobenhausen

Georg Jr. 1642- 1650

5: Steinbach an der Holzecke

Andreas Sr. 1677-1736
Andreas jr. 1702-1732
Leonhard 1724 - ?
Anna Margaretha 1726- ?
Johann 1729 - ?



Andreas' Father's Half-siblings

Georg Kilian and Ursula Raysigs had a son named Georg.

A marginal note in Georg's baptismal record said he died on the 8th of August 1723 in Steinbach.

This proves the Georg Kilian buried in the Saint Gallus Cemetery on the 10th of August 1723 is the same person and he was Andreas' father's half-brother.

- 🗨️ His descendants are still living in Schainbach where Andreas Kilian's father was born.

Andreas' Half-uncle and Half-first Cousins

..... 1 Sebastian Kilian ♂ b: before 1560, d: before the 12th of February 1611

∞ unknown ♀

..... 2 Georg Kilian ♂ b: before 1580 in Kühnhard, Baden-Württemberg

∞ Anna Weldmann ♀ m: the 12th of February 1611 in Limbach, Baden-Württemberg

..... 3 Georg Kilian ♂ b: 1616 in Limbach, Baden-Württemberg

∞ Ursula Raysigs ♀ (1st wife of Georg Kilian, born 1616) b: the 7th of April 1619

..... 4 **Georg Kilian** ♂ b: 1647 in Triensbach, Baden-Württemberg,

∞ Barbara ♀ (1st wife of Georg Kilian, born 1647) b: before 1654



..... 5 Johann Jacob Lorenz Kilian ♂ b: 1684 in Steinbach an der Holzecke, Bavaria

∞ Maria Margaretha Klenck ♀

..... 6 **Johann Leonhard Kilian** ♂ b: the 21st of May 1711 (twin)

∞ Lucia Rosina Wäckler ♀ m: before the 20th of October 1739

Our German Kilian Cousins in Schainbach, Mittelfranken



Maria and Walter Kilian



Markus and
Matheo
Kilian



Dagmar
Kilian



Our Cousin Walter Kilian, Born in Schainbach the 1st of November 1940

The earliest ancestor Walter Kilian knew was:

Johann Georg Kilian, born 2 March 1808 in Kleinansbach

Family Register in Kleinansbach

Kleinansbach

Geburts- tag, Monat und Jahr.	Vater.	Populations- Tag, Monat und Jahr.	Mutter.	Geburts- tag, Monat und Jahr.
1767.	Johann Georg Kilian Klein. 2. Nov. 1809	1795.	Anna Maria	6. Juni 1774
20. Mai 1782.	Johann Caspar Rösler, Klein. A. P. cum familia 2. Aug. 1811	2. Aug. 1811		
Vater.	Johann Ulrich Kilian, Klein in Wör- nitz	Michael Ströbel, Klein in Arzbach	Vater.	
Mutter.	Christina	Maria Margaretha	Mutter.	
II. Vater	Jeromias Rösler, Klein in Taubertropfenfeld			
II. Mutter	Ursula Maria v. Stollin.			

Nr. der Kinder.	Namen.	Geburt.	Confirmation oder Erste Communion.	Verheirathung.	Tod.
I. 1.	Eva Maria	15. Febr. 1796.	1809.		
2.	Anna Catharina	20. Juni 1798.	1810.		
3.	Georg Leonhard	19. Juni 1800.			
4.	Cath. Barb. F.	2. Febr. 1803.			20. Aug. 1804
5.	Cath. Barb. F.	1. Nov. 1805.			12. Febr. 1806
6.	Joh. Georg	2. März 1808.			
II. 1.	Joh. Leonhard	7. Nov. 1810.			
2.	Anna Barbara	22. Mai 1812.			20. Febr. 1813
3.	Joh. Leonhard	17. März 1816.			

- 1- Johann Michael farmer in Wörnitz
- 2- Johann Georg born in Arzbach
- 3- Johann Georg born in 1808 in Kleinansbach

The family left Kleinansbach after 1808, destination not mentioned



Saint Gallus Church Book Records

- 1..Johann Leonhard Kilian**, Hausgenosse in Bastenau, before 1745 Halbbauer in Arzbach
∞ Lucia Rosina Wäckler, married before the 20th of October 1739
-2 Johann Michael Kilian, baptized the 9th of January 1742, Halbbauer in Bastenau
∞ Anna Christina Claus, married the 21st of February 1763
-3 Johann Georg Kilian, baptized the 24th of January 1767, Bastenau
∞ Anna Maria Ströbel, married the 7th of October 1795
-**4 Johann Georg Kilian, born the 2nd of March 1808 in Kleinansbach**
∞ Margaretha Barbara Schüler, the 9th of February 1841



Wallhausen Family Register of Johann Georg Kilian

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Kinder:					
Nr.	Name.	Geboort.	Eheverbindung		Tob.
		Ort, Tag und Jahr.	Ort, Tag u. Jahr.	Name und Stand des Ehegatten.	
1.	Mary Schaubert	22. Aug. 1801	Schneibach 21. Aug. 1801	Hof-Jacob Graf Köhler Schneibach	Schneibach 23. Aug. 1843
2.	Kaufmann Johann	14. Aug. 1803			
3.	Kaufmann Lorenz	18. Febr. 1805	Schneibach 19. Febr. 1805	Maria v. Pöckel	16. Aug. 1847
4.	Kaufmann Paul	10. Aug. 1807			6. Febr. 1848
5.	Leopold	11. April 1808			13. Febr. 1859
6.	Mary Kasper	16. Febr. 1809			10. April 1857
7.	Kasper Kasper	30. Aug. 1812			21. Febr. 1854
8.	Mary Kasper	22. April 1813			4. April 1862
9.	Kasper Kasper	19. Febr. 1818			23. Febr. 1846
	geb. als Mary Schaubert				
10.	Kasper Schaubert	21. Aug. 1820			18. April 1866
	geb. als Kaufmann				
11.	Kaufmann Lorenz	21. Febr. 1825			
12.	Kaufmann Lorenz	21. April 1826			

Named the children and grandchildren of Johann Georg Kilian born in Kleinansbach in 1808, resident in Schainbach



Wallhausen Family Register of Johann Georg Karl Kilian Born 1884

Kinder:		Geburtsort		Todesort	
Nr.	Name	Geburts- Ort, Tag und Jahr	Geburts- Ort, Tag und Jahr	Todes- Ort, Tag und Jahr	Todes- Ort, Tag und Jahr
1	Anna Maria	18. Sept. 1890	Schneidh. 1890	18. Sept. 1890	Schneidh. 1890
2	Pauline Luise	14. Jan. 1911	Schneidh. 1911	14. Jan. 1911	Schneidh. 1911
3	Paul.	18. Sept. 1890	Schneidh. 1890	18. Sept. 1890	Schneidh. 1890
4	Anna Maria	11. Jan. 1915	Schneidh. 1915	11. Jan. 1915	Schneidh. 1915
5	Luise	6. Sept. 1920	Schneidh. 1920	6. Sept. 1920	Schneidh. 1920
6	Karl	18. Sept. 1884	Schneidh. 1884	18. Sept. 1884	Schneidh. 1884
<p>Wanderung von Nr. 5 Frau Kilian 1. Wanderung von Nr. 5 Frau Kilian 2. Wanderung von Nr. 5 Frau Kilian</p>					
<p>Wanderung von Nr. 4 Frau Maria Kilian: 1. Wanderung von Nr. 4 Frau Maria Kilian 2. Wanderung von Nr. 4 Frau Maria Kilian</p>					

The Wallhausen family register of Johann Georg Karl Kilian named his children and grandchildren including Walter's father Karl



Walter Kilian's Genealogy

Proof of Relation to N.C. Killians by DNA

- 1..Johann Leonhard Kilian, b. the 21st of May 1711, after 1739 Hausgenosse in Bastenau, before 1745 Halbbauer in Arzbach
 - ∞ Lucia Rosina Wäckler, m. before the 20th of October 1739
-2 Johann Michael Kilian, baptized the 9th of January 1742, Halbbauer in Bastenau
 - ∞ Maria Barbara Wallinger, m. before the 30th of August 1743
-3 Johann Georg Kilian, baptized the 24th of January 1767, Bastenau
 - ∞ Anna Maria Ströbel, m. the 7th of October 1795
-4 Johann Georg Kilian, b. the 2nd of March 1808 in Kleinansbach
 - ∞ Margaretha Barbara Schüler, m. the 9th of February 1841
-5 Leonhard Friedrich Kilian, b. the 28th of January 1845 in Schainbach
 - ∞ Maria Protzer, m. the 18th of July 1841
-6 Johann Georg Karl Kilian, b. the 14th of February 1884, in Schainbach
 - ∞ Maria König, m. the 1st of July 1909
-7 Karl Kilian, baptized the 28th of April 1912 in Schainbach
 - ∞ Rosa Sofie Meissner, m. the 8th of September 1938
-8 **Walter Kilian, b. the 1st of November 1940, in Schainbach, ∞ Maria**
-9 Markus Kilian, b. the 16th of June 1975 in Schainbach, ∞ Dagmar
- 10 Matheo Kilian, b. the 17th of May 2010 in Schainbach



Johann Georg Karl Kilian

Kanonier Kilian, Württemberger Field Artillery,
49th Regiments, 1st Batallion in 1909



King Wilhelm II of
Württemberg



Emperor Wilhelm II,
and King of Prussia

Wedding of Walter Kilian's Grandparents Johann Georg Karl and Maria König 1890



House on Schainbacher Hauptstraße
built in 1775



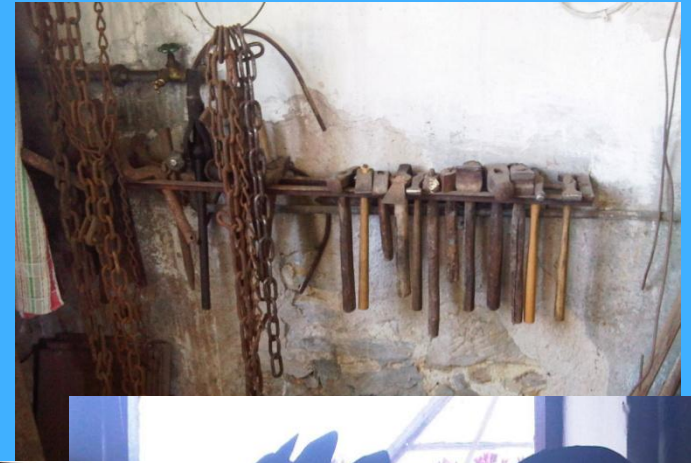
Walter's Grandfather's House and Blacksmith Shop



Built in 1775



Blacksmith Shop of Walter Kilian's Father and Grandfather



Proof the Steinbach Andreas and the North Carolina Andreas are the Same Person

1. Documentary proof of each generation in Walter's family back to Andreas' grandfather.
2. DNA test proved North Carolina Killians share a common ancestor with Walter Kilian, with 99.54% certainty in the 11th generation



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