

Louisa Theodora Willrich

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Notes for Louisa Theodora Willrich:

86 YEARS

Mrs. Louise Koehler, who lives with her daughter, Mrs. Elsie Mensing, celebrated the 86th anniversary of her natal day, Sunday. Nothing at elaboration, friends called to extend good wishes, and a light lunch was enjoyed. Of her children the following were present: Mrs. Anna Kirsch, Mrs. Elise Mensing, Mrs. Julius Gebhardt and Arthur Koehler and their family connections. From Schulenburg came Mrs. M. Koehler, daughter-in-law, and Mrs. Larry Cornelson, grand-daughter. The lateness of the offering decreases not the Journal's congratulations and hearty good wishes. May she continue to enjoy good health and have her family and friends to gather at the next anniversary. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, January 2, 1936]

Estimate December 31, 1943

93 Years

Born in Fayette County, and a continuous citizen, Mrs. Louise Koehler celebrated her 93rd birthday anniversary, Tuesday, Dec. 29. A visit with her on that beautiful morning, handing her a spray of poinsettias, found her cheerful and happy to be with her loved ones who are "ever watchful over her, care for her as though she were an infant," her statement. Mrs. Koehler is now going through the fourth war; civil war, when she was 14 years of age; Spanish-American war, World War I, and now, the real World War. Her recollections of the civil war were many, "no money, no coffee, no clothes to buy, had to weave all wearing material and sew by hand, make your own candles for light," and many other incidents, she related. With all this, when the Yankee soldiers, half starved, came through to their homes they were given the best, and when they left, they took what they needed to journey on. "Those were tight times," she said. Mrs. Koehler has one living sister, Mrs. – Gross of San Antonio, who is past 100 years of age; for the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Koehler Mrs. Gross wrote a beautiful poem in German, which was read to her on her birthday anniversary, Tuesday. Mrs. Koehler is quite alert, in full possession of her mental facilities; however, her vision is impaired and her hearing is somewhat defective. She enjoys the visits of friends and never fails to thank you for the least favor. Her family consists of four sons, Arthur of La Grange, George of West Point, A. M. of Schulenburg and F. W. Koehler of Houston; three daughters, Mesdames F. Mensing, A. Kirsch and J. Gebhardt of La Grange; 14 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Grandchildren – Egon Koehler, Tulsa, Okla.; Ruth Cornelson, Yorktown; Adi Kirsh, La Grange; Weldon Mensing, Wharton; Sgt. Arthur E. Koehler, Camp Gruber, Okla.; Lieut. Marvin L. Koehler, Camp Gruber, Okla.; Ivan E. Koehler, Mission; Mrs. Roy Gilliam, La Grange; Hilmar Koehler, yeoman 3/c, U.S. Navy, Houston; Agnes Louise Koehler, Houston; Mrs. Dale Davis, Elgin; Mrs. C. Hankamer, Aruba, N.W. Indies; Ted Gebhardt, Bay City; Katherina Gebhardt, La Grange. Great-Grandchildren – Larry Cornelson, Jr., Houston; Barbara and Billie Cornelson, Yorktown; Weldon Mensing, Jr., Wharton; Bonnie Merle Koehler, Mission; Violet Gilliam, La Grange; Bette and Roy Davis, Elgin. Visitors – Mr. and Mrs. George Koehler, West Point; Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Koehler and Agnes Louise, Houston; Mrs. Larry Cornelson and Billie, Yorktown; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Koehler, Schulenburg; Sgt. Arthur Koehler, Camp Gruber, Okla.; Lieut. Marvin L. Koehler, Camp Gruber, Okla.; Mrs. Otto Amberg and Mrs. Elsie Knigge, Houston; Ted Gebhardt, Bay City; Dr. and Mrs. Martin Hoch, Smithville; Mrs. Elsie Mensing, Mrs. Anna Kirsch, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler, Mrs. B. F. Harigel. Miss Otilie Harigel, Miss H. Rosenberg, La Grange; and Geo. Knigge, Jr., Houston. A family dinner had been arranged at the home of Mrs. Gebhardt, her youngest daughter, and with whom she makes her home. In ----- noon many of her friends ----- reminiscenced with her ---.

Mrs. Louise Koehler

Mrs. Louise Koehler, relict of the late Emil Koehler, died Tuesday, Nov. 7, aged 94 years, 10 months, and 8 days. Funeral services were held in the chapel of the Koenig Funeral Home, Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made in the new city cemetery, Koenig Funeral Home in charge. Mrs. Koehler, a daughter of George Willrich, immigrant from Germany, was born in the Bluff community, Fayette County, Dec. 29, 1849; she was united in marriage with Emil Koehler in 1871, living her entire life in and near to La Grange. Surviving are her four sons, Arthur of La Grange, Adolph of Schulenburg, George of West Point and Fritz Koehler of Houston; her daughters, Mrs. Elise Mensing, Mrs. Anna Kirsch and Mrs. Hedwig Gebhardt of La Grange, and one sister, Mrs. Anna Groos of San Antonio. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, November 9, 1944]

More About Louisa Theodora Willrich:

Burial: 08 Nov 1944, City Cemetery, LaGrange, Fayette Co., TX

Notes for Emil Koehler:

HIS WISH FULFILLED

Death Claimed An Old Fayette County Citizen Sunday Evening

As per his wish expressed to the writer some months since, that when his name should be called, he would not linger but drift peacefully into the last sleep, Emil Koehler died Sunday night at the family home in the northern part of La Grange. Death followed quickly after he had made known his illness - - within a few hours. As was his custom and habit, and in which he ever found a great deal of pleasure, Mr. Koehler, apparently and in the very best of spirits, and jovial as was his nature, left the house and looked to the feeding of his chickens. It was when he essayed to return into the house that he was stricken and had to be assisted. In spite of the fact that medical aid was secured, he soon began his last earthly sleep. Near the eleventh evening hour' he received his wish, he fell asleep and passed out of the knowledge of all things earthly. Mr. Koehler was man whom to know was to love and admire; he had long since passed the usual allotment of years granted to mortals, and maintained his ever friendly disposition, always ready to extend the greeting to his fellow man, and carrying with him an atmosphere of good cheer. We had all grown so accustomed him each morning and listen to his welcome voice, that now his absence will be noted by everybody. He was born in Halberstadt, Germany on the eighth day of April 1837, and grew to manhood in that country. In 1864 the deceased emigrated to America and landed in New York where he remained for one year and then came to Texas and located at Bluff, in this county, where he engaged in farming. In the year 1871, December 22, he was united in marriage with Miss Louise Willrich of the Bluff community, and to them were born eight children, all of whom, with the widow, survive. These children are: Arthur Koehler of LaGrange, Mannie Koehler of Schulenburg, F. W. Koehler of Houston, Mrs. J. Gebhardt of LaGrange, Mrs. Alex Moore of Elgin and George Koehler of La Grange. Eleven grandchildren will also miss good old grandpa. Tuesday afternoon the funeral was held from his late residence, and the remains were interred at the new cemetery, Rev. R. Heise conducting the ceremonies. May his rest be peaceful. [La Grange Journal, November 18, 1920]

More About Emil Koehler:

Burial: 16 Nov 1920, City Cemetery, LaGrange, Fayette Co., TX

Children of Louisa Willrich and Emil Koehler are:

- + 2 i. Arthur H.<sup>9</sup> Koehler, born 10 Dec 1872 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 31 Mar 1952 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX.
- + 3 ii. Elise Koehler, born 24 Feb 1874 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 09 Dec 1956 in Weimar, Colorado, TX.
- + 4 iii. Anna Koehler, born 09 May 1876 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 12 Feb 1971 in Weimar, Colorado, TX.
- + 5 iv. Adolf Manuel Koehler, born 23 Jan 1878 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 18 Oct 1947 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX.
- + 6 v. Hedwig Anna Koehler, born 13 Jan 1880 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 26 Nov 1971 in Houston, Harris, TX.
- + 7 vi. George Carl Koehler, born 07 Oct 1882 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 14 Oct 1952 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX.
- + 8 vii. Charlotte Koehler, born 25 May 1885 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 28 Dec 1936 in Elgin, Bastrop, TX.

- + 9       viii. Frederick William Koehler, born 22 Nov 1889 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 02 Jun 1947 in Houston, Harris, TX.

*Generation No. 2*

**2. Arthur H.<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Dec 1872 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 31 Mar 1952 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX. He married **Emilie Sladczyk** 01 Feb 1899 in Bluff, Fayette Co., TX, daughter of Victor Sladczyk and Rosalie Navrath. She was born 14 Sep 1876 in Cedar, Fayette, TX, and died 21 Aug 1956 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX.

Notes for Arthur H. Koehler:

Fire Destroys Garage and Two Cars

Early Saturday morning between the hours of one and two o'clock a passer-by near the Arthur Koehler residence, turned in the fire alarm. The Koehler garage was then being swept by flames. Most of the firemen were on hand as usual, but the fire had too great a start and Mr. Koehler's Studebaker coupe and the Chevrolet truck used by Vogt & Co., for deliveries, were totally destroyed. A quantity of feed stuff was also destroyed, and although the firemen put up a good fight, the building burned to the ground. The cause of the fire is not known, but it is thought that the flames started on the roof of the structure. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, April 16, 1931]

Card of Thanks

We wish to offer to the fire boys of La Grange our thanks for their prompt response to the fire siren's call last Saturday morning, when fire was destroying our garage and automotive vehicles. While our loss is keenly felt, we believe but for your timely arrival and willingness to help, the result would have been disastrous to our home. Again, our thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler

Fritz Vogt

[The La Grange Journal, Thursday, April 16, 1931]

Arthur H. Koehler, Businessman Here 38 Years, Succumbs

Arthur H. Koehler, 79, widely known retired La Grange businessman, passed away at the hospital here Monday after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the chapel of the Koenig Funeral Home with Rev. C. P. Owen of the First Presbyterian Church officiating, and interment was in the New City Cemetery. Mr. Koehler was born on the bluff on Dec. 10, 1872, son of the late Emil Koehler and his wife, nee Louise Willrich. He was united in marriage with Miss Emilie Sladczyk on Feb. 1, 1899. Mr. Koehler 38 years ago joined his brother-in-law, the late Fritz Vogt, in the livery stable business then known as Vogt & Co. They then went into the feed business and after Mr. Vogt's passing, Mr. Koehler became the sole owner. He sold the business about four years ago to John G. Freudenberg, and it now goes by the name of Johnny's Feed Store. He was also very active in civic and city work, and was vice president of the First National Bank of La Grange for a number of years. Surviving are his widow; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Egon Koehler of Tulsa, Okla.; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Kirsch, Mrs. Heda Gebhardt and Mrs. Elsa Mensing of La Grange; a brother, George Koehler of West Point; and a number of nieces and nephews. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, April 3, 1952]

More About Arthur H. Koehler:

Burial: 02 Apr 1952, City Cemetery, LaGrange, Fayette Co., TX

Notes for Emilie Sladczyk:

Mrs. Emilie Koehler Dies Here Tuesday

Mrs. Emilie Koehler of La Grange died at Fayette Memorial hospital here Tuesday at the age of 79. Funeral services were held at the Koenig Funeral Home Thursday morning with the Rev. Martin Thomas of the Presbyterian church officiating. Burial was in the La Grange City cemetery. Mrs. Koehler was born in the Cedar

community on September 14, 1876, daughter of V. C. and Roselie Navrath Sladczyk. On February 1, 1899 she was married at Bluff to Arthur H. Koehler, prominent in business here, who died in 1952. She is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Egon Koehler of Tulsa, Okla.; a sister, Mrs. Hugo Ehlers of La Grange; and a number of nieces and nephews. [The Fayette County Record, August 24, 1956]

More About Emilie Sladczyk:

Burial: 23 Aug 1956, City Cemetery, LaGrange, Fayette Co., TX

Child of Arthur Koehler and Emilie Sladczyk is:

- 10 i. Egon<sup>10</sup> Koehler, born 22 Nov 1900 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX; died 24 Jul 1948 in Tulsa, Tulsa Co., OK. He married Lillian Carlton 09 Sep 1926 in Bonham, Fannin, TX; born 14 Nov 1899 in Texas; died 29 Dec 1998 in Tulsa, Tulsa Co., OK.

Notes for Egon Koehler:

La Grange Boy Elected Member Ross Volunteers  
College Station, Texas, October 18.

Egon Koehler of La Grange has been elected a member of the Ross Volunteers, honorary military organization at the A. & M. College of Texas, the most famous military unit in the South. It is composed of the crack military men in the cadet corps who have in addition to distinguishing themselves for their military efficiency in the first two years or three years of attendance, also have made records of high scholarship and displayed virtues of gentlemanly conduct in their student associations. The company was organized during the administration of former Governor Sullivan Ross, the first president of the College named in his honor, and is now maintained in commemoration of his name. It is perpetuated by adding to its membership at the beginning of each school year a number of juniors and seniors who have the best records of military, moral and scholastic competency. Students are elected to membership upon recommendation of [an] old member, and one dissenting vote by a single member is sufficient for rejection of his name, and this vote may be cast secretly without the name of the voter disclosed. So to be a member of this organization a student of the College must be considered a gentleman and a scholar, and command the respect of his associates. For this reason students accept membership in the Ross Volunteers as the greatest recognition that can be paid them by the student body. The organization exhibits in a single unique military drill every spring at commencement time all the skill that practice in puzzling and perplex-drills throughout the year gives to them, and they foster one social affair each spring, which is a three day round of festivities climaxed each day with a big dance. These dances are known all over the state as the most elaborate events of the kind. For these dances girls from elite society circles of the nation are brought here as the guests of the College. One of the dances is given to the entire cadet corps and each cadet brings his best girl for this affair. On the occasion of the annual drill and the night of the "R. V. Hop" which is the name given the biggest dance of the "R. V. period," the Ross Volunteers wear the official dress of the company, which consists of snow white trousers, blouses, shoes and cap with gold cap insignia and gold shoulder straps. [La Grange Journal, Thursday, October 20, 1921]

Egon Koehler, 48, Dies in Oklahoma

Egon Koehler, 48, prominent Tulsa, Okla. Club man and president of the Power Machinery Co., died shortly after noon Saturday in a Tulsa hospital. He had suffered a heart attack July 20 on a train enroute to Tulsa from New York City. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler of La Grange. Born in La Grange, he graduated from high school here and from Texas A&M College. In 1922 he moved to Bartlesville, where he was employed by the Cities Service Oil Co. Eight years later he moved to Tulsa, serving as vice president of the Moorlane Co. until 1940. The Power Machinery Co. was then formed by Mr. Koehler. He was the sole owner. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church of La Grange. In September Mr. Koehler would have celebrated his 22nd year of marriage to Lillian Carleton Koehler. Funeral services were held Monday at 10 a.m. at Stanley's Funeral Home in Tulsa. Burial services were held at Bonham, Texas, Monday at 5 p.m. Attending the last rites from here were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler, Harry Vogt and Mrs. W. B. Loessin. The four were enroute to Tulsa Saturday, when they received the message of Mr. Koehler's passing in Denton. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, July 29, 1948]

More About Egon Koehler:

Burial: 26 Jul 1948, Bonham, Fannin, TX

Marriage Notes for Egon Koehler and Lillian Carlton:  
Koehler – Carlton Nuptials

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler left for Bonham Wednesday morning to be absent for several days. Their departure for that city was for the purpose of being in attendance upon the ceremony that will unite in marriage their only son, Egon Koehler and Miss Lillian Carlton, a former teacher in the La Grange Public Schools. The ceremony will take place Thursday, today, at one o'clock in the afternoon. Egon is now stationed in Bartlettville, Oklahoma, where he holds a lucrative position, and that city will be the future home of the young couple. The Journal congratulates them and wishes for them a happy, long and useful married life. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, September 9, 1926]

**3. Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 24 Feb 1874 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 09 Dec 1956 in Weimar, Colorado, TX. She married **Fritz Mensing** 24 Mar 1898 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, son of F. Mensing and Clara Helmcamp. He was born 10 Aug 1872 in Fayette Co., TX, and died 05 Oct 1911 in Fayette Co., TX.

Notes for Elise Koehler:

Mrs. Mensing Rites Set Here Tuesday

Mrs. Elise Mensing, 82, native and long-time resident of La Grange, passed away Sunday at the Youens hospital in Weimar. Funeral services will be held at the Koenig Funeral Home chapel here Tuesday at 10 a.m., with the Rev. W. M. Anderson of Schulenburg officiating. Burial will be in the La Grange City cemetery. Mrs. Mensing was born on the bluff on February 25, 1874, daughter of the late Emil and Louise Willrich Koehler. She was united in marriage with Fritz Mensing on March 25, 1898, her husband passing away October 6, 1911. Mrs. Mensing resided here for many years, and had lived at Schulenburg for the past two and a half years. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Gus Balzer of Schulenburg; one son, Weldon Mensing of Houston; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Kirsch and Mrs. Julia Gebhardt, both of La Grange; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. [The Fayette County Record, December 11, 1956]

More About Elise Koehler:

Burial: 11 Dec 1956, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette Co., TX

Notes for Fritz Mensing:

He Fell Asleep

Thursday afternoon, at his home 2 ½ miles south of La Grange surrounded by his loving wife, his mother, and several brothers, Fritz Mensing, conscious of the fact that his life's threads were about to be snapped in twain, turned from one to another, spoke cheerfully, and like an infant, fell into eternal sleep. With his last breath there passed to his reward a good, honest man, the son of an old and highly respected family, one in whom every one who knew him, reposed the utmost confidence. Fritz was born near his late home thirty-nine years ago on August 10, last. His early youth was spent on the farm where he remained until a few years after he had reached his majority, when he removed to La Grange and engaged in partnership with his brother, Hermann, in the mercantile business. Some thirteen years ago he was united in marriage with Miss Elise Koehler, the result of this union being a girl now 8 years of age, and an infant boy of fifteen months ----- the period in which he resided in this city, he was stricken with typhoid fever, lingering between life and death for several months. From the ravages of this fever he never entirely recovered. His vitality ebbed away gradually, until a brave fight ended in his demise. His widow, his two children, God be merciful to them. They will mourn the loss of a good and loving husband and father. His mother, for whom he had so pleadingly asked just one short hour before his departure, will miss her eldest son. None but those who have experienced the anguish such loss occasions can fully appreciate the loss the mother has sustained. We deeply sympathize with the bereaved relatives. Friday afternoon, the remains were brought to La Grange, and were interred at the new cemetery, where a large number of sympathizing friends had joined the relatives, to witness the last sad rites. May his rest be peaceful. [La Grange Journal, October 12, 1911]

More About Fritz Mensing:

Burial: 06 Oct 1911, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette Co., TX

Children of Elise Koehler and Fritz Mensing are:

- + 11           i. Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, born 10 Jan 1903 in Bluff, Fayette, TX; died 28 Jul 1995 in Weimar, Colorado, TX.
- + 12           ii. Weldon Fritz Mensing, born 19 Apr 1910 in Fayette Co., TX; died 06 Mar 1981 in Harris Co., TX.

**4. Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 09 May 1876 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 12 Feb 1971 in Weimar, Colorado, TX. She married **Adolf Kirsch**, son of Anton Kirsch and Johanna Schmidt. He was born 1878 in Texas, and died 1924.

Notes for Anna Koehler:

Kirsch Rites Held Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Ann Kirsch, 94, of La Grange were held Saturday, February 13, at 2:00 P.M. at the Koenig Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. A. E. Flathmann of La Grange officiating. Burial was in the La Grange City Cemetery. Mrs. Kirsch died Friday in the Youens Memorial Hospital in Weimar. She was born on May 9, 1876, at Bluff near La Grange, a daughter of Emil and Louisa Willrich Koehler. She was married to the late Adolph Kirsch and had resided in La Grange and Bluff community all her life. Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Julius (Hedwig) Gebhardt of Houston; and numerous nieces and nephews. [La Grange Journal, Monday, February 15, 1971]

More About Anna Koehler:

Burial: 13 Feb 1971, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette, TX

Child of Anna Koehler and Adolf Kirsch is:

- 13           i. Ardie<sup>10</sup> Kirsch, born 04 Sep 1901 in La Grange, Fayette Co., TX; died 29 Jun 1944 in La Grange, Fayette Co., TX.

Notes for Ardie Kirsch:

Ardie Kirsch

Death came to Ardie Kirsch, son of Mrs. Anna Kirsch of La Grange, Thursday. He was 42 years, 9 months, and 25 days old. Funeral services were held in the chapel of the Koenig Funeral Home, Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, Rev. R. Heise, Lutheran pastor officiating. Interment was made in the new city cemetery, Koenig Funeral Home in charge. Ardie Kirsch was born in La Grange, September 4, 1901 and had spent his entire life in this city. For a number of years, after he reached his majority, he was employed by the Gulf Corporation with T. H. Kroll, manager. His father preceded him in death about 20 years. His mother, nee Miss Anna Koehler, and relatives of either family survive.

Card of Thanks

Employing this method of reaching those who were interested in my son, Ardie Kirsch, during his illness and who sought to comfort me when death relieved him of his suffering, I extend thanks to Dr. L. D. Boelsch, the La Grange Hospital and nurses for their attentions and to Rev. R. Heise and friends for their words of consolation. To those who brought flowers and thus expressed their love and interest thanks are also offered at this time.

Mrs. Anna Kirsch [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, July 6, 1944]

More About Ardie Kirsch:

Burial: 30 Jun 1944, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette, TX

**5. Adolf Manuel<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 23 Jan 1878 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 18 Oct 1947 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX. He married **Emma Martha Lena Schulz** 24 Dec 1909 in Fayette County, TX, daughter of Emil Schultz and Sabin Sommers. She was born 09 Nov 1889 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, and died 21 Feb 1950 in Yorktown, De Witt, TX.

Notes for Adolf Manuel Koehler:

A. M. Koehler Buried Here Monday

Adolph M. Koehler, age 69 years, eight months and twenty-five days, passed away at the family residence here on Saturday, October 18, following an illness of about a year's duration. Mr. Koehler was born January 23, 1878, in the Bluff community of Fayette County, as the son of Emil Koehler and Louise Willrich Koehler. He was a life-long resident of Fayette County. On December 24, 1909, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma Schulz at La Grange and they have lived in Schulenburg since that time. Mr. Koehler was a painter and interior decorator by profession. "Monte" as he was affectionately called by friends and relatives alike, had during his life time done interior decorating work in almost every home in Schulenburg. He was a member of St. Paul's Church. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Emma Schulz Koehler, and three sons, Arthur Koehler of Beeville, Ivan Earl Koehler of Crockett, and Marvin Koehler of San Antonio. Surviving also are three sisters, Mrs. Elsie K. Mensing, Mrs. Ann K. Kirsch and Mrs. Hedwig K. Gebhardt, all of La Grange; two brothers, Arthur Koehler of La Grange and George Koehler of West Point. Funeral services were held on Monday, October 20 at 3:00 p.m. from the St. Paul's Lutheran Church, with the pastor, Rev. J. G. Mueller officiating. Interment was in the City Cemetery. Out of town people attending the funeral services of A. M. Koehler Monday were: Mr. and Mrs. George Koehler, West Point; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gillum, Mrs. Elsie Mensing, Mrs. Annie Kirsch, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler, Mr. and Mrs. Werner Lampe, Weldon Mensing, La Grange; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wied, Mrs. Paul Schulz, Miss Ida Schmidt, Nordheim; Miss Jewell Schulz, Misses Rosalie and Irene Brossmann, Houston; Clyde Schulz, College Station; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hingst, Lindenau; Mrs. And Mrs. H. A. Schulz, Mr. and Mrs. Hy. Buckest, Mrs. Theresa Scott, Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sommer, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Piehl, Woodsboro; Paul A. Schulz, Beeville; Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Mertz, Hallettsville; Mrs. Amanda Huffaker, San Antonio; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Groos, New Ulm; Mrs. Bertha Conner, San Antonio. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, October 24, 1947]

More About Adolf Manuel Koehler:

Burial: 20 Oct 1947, City Cemetery, Schulenburg, Fayette, TX

Notes for Emma Martha Lena Schulz:

Mrs. E. Koehler Passes Away

Mrs. Emma Martha Lena Schulz passed away in the Didear Rest Home in Yorktown on Tuesday, February 21, 1950, at the age of 60 years, 3 months and 13 days. Mrs. Koehler was born as the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Schulz in Schulenburg on November 9, 1889, and spent her entire lifetime here. She had been in ill health since June of this past year and had been in Yorktown only a short time. Being born and reared here, she was known to most all of the people of this area. She had many true and sincere friends who regret to learn of her death. She was a devout member of the church and took an active part in church work. It was in 1904 that she joined the Union Church in Schulenburg, which has now been changed to St. Paul's Church. Ever thoughtful of those about her, she lived a true Christian life. On December 24, 1909, she was united in marriage to A. M. (Monte) Koehler at La Grange. Mr. Koehler preceded her in death, having passed away on October 18, 1947.

Survivors include three sons, Arthur Koehler of Beeville; Ivan Koehler of Crockett; and Captain Marvin Koehler, who is stationed with the U. S. Occupational Forces in Stuttgart, Germany; her mother, Mrs. Sabina (Emil) Schulz, Sr., of Schulenburg; one sister, Mrs. Leafa Nierlich, of this city; six brothers, Emil, Otto, Herbert, and Charles of Schulenburg; Herman Schulz of Victoria; and Paul Schulz of Beeville; and two grandchildren. Her husband, her father, two sisters and one brother preceded her in death. The remains will lie in state at the Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home until 12:00 noon on Friday, then at St. Paul's Church from 12:30 o'clock until 2:00 o'clock, service time. Interment will be in the Schulenburg City Cemetery with Rev. John Mueller of the St. Paul's Church, in charge of the service. [Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, February 24, 1950]

More About Emma Martha Lena Schulz:

Burial: 24 Feb 1950, City Cemetery, Schulenburg, Fayette, TX

Marriage Notes for Adolf Koehler and Emma Schulz:

A Romantic Wedding

When Cupid's arrow rents the air, and penetrates the heart of the maiden, the inevitable result is the happy union of souls and hearts. Adolf Koehler, a handsome young man of Schulenburg, a hard working and energetic youngster, came over Christmas morning, and with him, his lady fair, who later became his bonnie bride. Adolf, who is known to everyone here as "Mannie," became imbued with the romantic spirit, called upon his sweetheart that night, and at two o'clock the next morning the two left for La Grange, reaching here at five o'clock. Squire Moss, deep in Slumberland ----- and trembling - not from fear but the chilly cold - stepped out to the edge of the walk fronting his home, and in a few words pronounced the words that made the pair happy. After this the home of the groom's parents in the neighborhood was visited and Christmas pleasantly spent with the latter. The bride was Miss Emma Schulz, one of Schulenburg's popular young ladies. The Journal congratulates the pair, and trusts that in the future to come, and with eyes blinded to the past, they will ever be as happy as now, that prosperity and joy be with them until the end of life's journey to another clime where there is thought to a happy union for all time. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, December 30, 1909]

Children of Adolf Koehler and Emma Schulz are:

- 14 i. Arthur Emanuel<sup>10</sup> Koehler, born 06 Jun 1911 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX; died 28 Jul 1969 in Dallas, Dallas, TX.
- + 15 ii. Ivan Earl Koehler, born 28 Oct 1914 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX; died 01 Apr 1983 in Dallas Co., TX.
- + 16 iii. Marvin Louis Koehler, born Private.

**6. Hedwig Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 13 Jan 1880 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 26 Nov 1971 in Houston, Harris, TX. She married **Julius Anton Emil Gebhardt** 24 Mar 1920 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, son of Theodor Gebhardt and Katharina Beuster. He was born 02 Jan 1875 in Schopfheim, Germany, and died 12 Dec 1938 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX.

Notes for Hedwig Anna Koehler:

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Powell and daughter of Bellaire and Theodore Gebhardt of SMU, Dallas, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Julius Gebhardt. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, December 29, 1949]

Mrs. Gebhardt, 91, succumbs Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Hedwig K. Gebhardt, 91, of Houston were held Saturday, November 27, at 10:00 A.M. at the Koenig Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Clarence Oestrich officiating. Burial was in the La Grange City Cemetery. Mrs. Gebhardt died Friday in the Sharpview Nursing Home in Houston. Born January 13, 1880, at Bluff, Texas, the daughter of Emil and Louisa Willrich Koehler, she was united in marriage with Julius Gebhardt in March of 1920 in La Grange. Her husband preceded her in death in 1938. She had resided most of her life in La Grange and the past four years in Houston. Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. J. Y. (Katherine) Powell of Houston; one son, Theodore E. Gebhardt of Dallas; and three grandchildren. [La Grange Journal, Monday, November 29, 1971]

More About Hedwig Anna Koehler:

Burial: 27 Nov 1971, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette, TX

Notes for Julius Anton Emil Gebhardt:

Julius Gebhardt Taken To Hospital

Julius Gebhardt, local cotton buyer, whose health has gradually failed during the past year, was taken to the La Grange Hospital by the Koenig Funeral Home ambulance, Wednesday morning. Mr. Gebhardt attended the St.

Paul Lutheran church celebration Sunday, but was forced to return early to his home on account of his weakened condition. [La Grange Journal, Thursday, September 22, 1938]

#### HOSPITAL NEWS -Present Patients

Julius Gebhardt, City. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, October 13, 1938]

#### Julius Gebhardt

Julius Gebhardt, aged 63 years, 11 months, and 10 days, died Monday, December 12; Mr. Gebhardt had been failing health for the past three months. Funeral services were held at the Koenig Funeral Home Chapel, at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, Rev. R. Heise officiating; interment was made in the new cemetery, Koenig Funeral Home in charge. Mr. Gebhardt, born in Germany, January 2, 1875, immigrated to America in 1900 and settled in New York, remaining in that city for several years. He came to La Grange in 1914, and became associated with a leading cotton exporting firm. He was a member of the Lutheran church and also a member of Bismark Lodge, No. 8, O.D.H.S. In the year 1920 he was united in marriage with Miss Hedwig Koehler at La Grange, and to them was born two children, Katherine and Theodore who, with the widow survive. He is also survived by two brothers, Theo. and Ernst Gebhardt in Germany. Mr. Gebhardt was a good citizen, ever encouraging high ideals, and was a close student of world news. His extensive travel, both in Germany and other foreign countries, and in the United States, enabled him to discuss such with ease, and his knowledge of the financial world made it possible for him to converse with force and intelligence on such matters. The survivors have the sincere sympathy of the entire community. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, December 15, 1938]

#### Deaths Reported

Died at La Grange, December 12, of lung abscess; Julius Gebhardt, aged 63 years, 11 months and 10 days. [La Grange Journal, Thursday, December 29, 1938]

#### More About Julius Anton Emil Gebhardt:

Burial: 14 Dec 1938, City Cemetery, La Grange, Fayette, TX

#### Marriage Notes for Hedwig Koehler and Julius Gebhardt:

##### Home Wedding

Wednesday afternoon of last week, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Koehler, Rev. R. Heise united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Miss Hedwig Koehler and Julius Gebhardt, the ceremony being witnessed by relatives and very close friends of the contracting parties. Mr. and Mrs. Gebhardt left for Galveston the same evening to spend the honeymoon. Both have a host of friends here who wish them all happiness and a long and useful married life. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, April 8, 1920]

#### Children of Hedwig Koehler and Julius Gebhardt are:

- + 17            i. Katharine Louise<sup>10</sup> Gebhardt, born Private.
- + 18            ii. Theodore Emil Gebhardt, Sr., born Private.

**7. George Carl<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 07 Oct 1882 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 14 Oct 1952 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX. He married **(1) Anna Maria Lueders** 12 Feb 1908 in Fayette County, TX, daughter of Paul Lueders and Emilie Merrem. She was born 09 Aug 1887 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, and died 08 Feb 1909 in Fayette County, Texas. He married **(2) Emma Young** Private. She was born Private.

#### Notes for George Carl Koehler:

Geo. C. Koehler, West Point Merchant Is Laid To Rest

George C. Koehler, well known West Point merchant, passed away at the local hospital on Tuesday of last week.

He was 70. Mr. Koehler, a Fayette County native, was a lifelong member of the Lutheran Church, having been confirmed by rev. R. Heise in 1915. He was a traveling salesman for about 20 years, representing Wm. D. Cleveland & Sons of Houston and the Alexander Grocery Co. of La Grange. He entered business at West Point 19 years ago, and continued it actively until his demise. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emma Young Koehler of West Point; a daughter by a previous marriage, Mrs. Roy Gilliam of La Grange, a granddaughter, Mrs. Robert Boyles of China Lake, Calif.; and three sisters, Mrs. Elise Mensing, Mrs. Hedwig Gebhardt and Mrs. Anna Kirsch, all of La Grange. Funeral services were held Thursday at 2:30 PM at the Koenig Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. H. T. Flachmeier officiating, and burial was in the New City Cemetery. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, October 23, 1952]

More About George Carl Koehler:

Burial: 16 Oct 1952, City Cemetery, LaGrange, Fayette Co., TX

Notes for Anna Maria Lueders:

Another Called Home.

The sad news was brought to town early Tuesday morning that Mrs. Geo. Koehler had died at the home of her parents the evening before, leaving a bright little baby girl and a heart-broken husband, parents and other relatives to mourn her departure. Mrs. Koehler, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueders, and during her entire lifetime up to within about one year of the present date, had been a strong and healthy person, never knowing the ill effects of sickness. Some months ago she became ill from dropsy, and during the intervening time she had received the best of medical attention, but to no avail. At all times she bore her affliction with great fortitude, cheerful and always the same jolly person that had made for her so many - - - She began to show signs for the worse, and instead of the puffed appearance that was hers for the past several months she became very poor, and partial paralysis followed the birth of her little babe. Monday night she passed away. The young husband who was born and reared a few miles from town has been in the employ of the Alexander Grocery Company since their residence here and the two seemed to be very happy. They had purchased the lots in the Southern part of the city from Mr. Lueders and erected thereon a neat little cottage, which due to the sudden change of health of the deceased they were unable to occupy. As the patient grew worse she was taken out to the home of her parents and there died as above stated. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon, and the remains were carried to William's Creek cemetery, and there interred. To the surviving relatives and the young husband we extend our sincerest sympathy. [La Grange Journal, February 11, 1909]

Return Thanks

We desire to express our sincerest thanks to all, both in the city and country for the deeds of kindness and interest manifested to our beloved daughter and wife Mrs. Geo. Koehler, in her prolonged illness, and at the time of her demise; for the floral offerings, the attendance upon the last sad duty, and their expressions of condolence. To Judge Willrich who officiated at the grave and the good friends, who sought to comfort us, our grateful thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueders

Geo. Koehler [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, February 25, 1909]

More About Anna Maria Lueders:

Burial: 10 Feb 1909, William's Creek Cemetery, Fayette Co., TX

Marriage Notes for George Koehler and Anna Lueders:

Marriage Licenses

George Koehler and Miss Anna Lueders

George Koehler, a young man in the employ of the Alexander Grocer Company and Miss Anna Lueders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lueders, residing a few miles from town, were married at the home of the latter Wednesday evening, Judge Willrich officiating. After the ceremony a wedding supper was partaken of, and congratulations and good wishes extended to the young couple. The Journal wishes them all sorts of good luck and happiness. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, February 20, 1908]

Child of George Koehler and Anna Lueders is:

- + 19 i. Georgerine Olivia<sup>10</sup> Koehler, born 08 Feb 1909 in Fayette County, Texas; died 11 Jan 1977 in Augusta, Richmond, GA.

**8. Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 25 May 1885 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 28 Dec 1936 in Elgin, Bastrop, TX. She married **Alex M. Moore** 04 Aug 1907 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, son of T. Moore and Diana Ward. He was born 08 Mar 1880 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, and died 30 Sep 1934 in Elgin, Bastrop, TX.

Notes for Charlotte Koehler:

Mrs. Alex Moore, visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Emil Koehler for the past two weeks, returned to Elgin Friday morning. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, January 13, 1921]

Mrs. A. M. Moore Succumbs After Short Illness  
(From The Elgin Courier)

Charlotte Koehler, daughter of Louise Willrich and Emil Koehler, was born at La Grange, Texas, May 25, 1885, where she grew to young womanhood and was married there on August 4, 1905, to Alex M. Moore. She made her home in Elgin for some 30 years and has been identified with all the worthwhile things affecting our city in civic, church, school and social circles. She was converted into the Lutheran church early in life, but after her marriage came into the Methodist church with her husband that they might worship together, and was a devout Christian character, a person quiet and retiring in her associations but whose true worth and rare traits were quickly recognized and appreciated by everyone who came in contact with her. She was kind, sympathetic, generous to a fault, and ever had a friendly greeting and pleasant word for those who passed her way. She was a devoted mother and grandmother; her whole life revolving about the lives of her two daughters, who afforded her untold joy and pride and the son-in-law, who had been a son to her in the true sense of the word. Her aim was to give them happiness and in so doing she knew peace and contentment in her lovely home. She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and was held in high esteem by the personnel of the local chapter, which she attended and had taken active part in for years, her late husband having been a member of that order and the Shrine body, in which he was likewise much interested. Her passing will take from the ranks of the Methodist Missionary Society a fine and loyal member, one who was always ready and eager to do her part and more in any capacity. To know Mrs. Moore was to admire her and her friendship were unlimited; everyone, old and young, was eager to call her friend. Any organization in need of an ally or assistant found a ready response from her. She was open to conviction and liberal in her consideration of the beliefs of others. After an illness of six days she succumbed to pneumonia following an attack of flu, at 4:40 o'clock Monday morning, December 28. She was thought by members of her family to be doing nicely but suddenly took a turn for the worse Monday night and all that loving hands and medical attention could do was to no avail. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning, December 29, at 10:00 o'clock from the First Methodist church, where she had worshipped so many years, with her pastor, the Rev. A. A. Carter giving a most touching and beautiful oration, paying high tribute to her memory. He was assisted by the Rev. G. M. McNeilly, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, who read the scripture and also eulogized her life of love, and service. The casket rested before an arrangement of handsome floral pieces on chancel rail, altar and other points forming a background. The choir sang "Asleep In Jesus" and "Haven of Rest." As the casket was taken from the church it moved through an aisle of Eastern Star members, each holding a beautiful floral offering. Pall bearers were L. P. Cherry, Frank J. Swartz, Ben Davis, Joe H. King, Louis Lundgren, Pat Pfeiffer, A. J. Rankin, and Bee Keel. At the Elgin cemetery, where interment was made, the Eastern Star had charge and under direction of Mrs. Daisy Smith, Worthy Matron, gave their impressive burial service. A large assembly of sorrowing relatives and friends were present for the last rites and the many lovely flowers sent from far and near as messengers of love and sympathy covered the mound of her final resting place and overflowed onto the lot. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Diana Davis, Elgin and Miss Margaret Moore, Tyler; one granddaughter, Bette Diane Davis and the son-in-law, Dale Davis; three sisters, Mrs. Anna Kirsch, Mrs. Elise Mensing and Mrs. Julia Gebhardt, all of La Grange; four brothers, Arthur Koehler, La Grange; George Koehler, West Point; Fritz Koehler, Houston, and Mannie Koehler, Schulenburg; and her mother, Mrs. Louise Koehler, La Grange. Among relatives and friends here from out-of-town for the funeral

were: Ade Kirsch, a nephew, Mrs. Arthur Koehler, Mr. Gebhardt and Mrs. Louise Koehler, of La Grange; Mrs. George Koehler, West Point; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sowell and son Horace, Jr., El Paso; Mrs. Will D. Nichols, Austin. [La Grange Journal, Thursday, January 7, 1937]

More About Charlotte Koehler:

Burial: 29 Dec 1936, Elgin Cemetery, Elgin, Bastrop, TX

Notes for Alex M. Moore:

Alex Moore, one of Elgin's cotton buyers, spent a few hours here the first of the week. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, November 20, 1902]

Alex M. Moore Dies at Elgin, Sunday

Local relatives were advised by telephone last Sunday, before dawn that Alex M. Moore, who was born and reared here in La Grange, was in a serious condition, with slight hopes held out for recovery. Alex died at 3:00 o'clock the same morning. Funeral was held at the Methodist church in Elgin at 5:00 p.m., with the pastor of the church and also the pastor of the Baptist church at Elgin officiating; and with both his Masonic brethren and veterans of the Spanish - American war veterans, in attendance. Both conducted funeral services. Many will remember the red-headed youth who lived in La Grange until he reached his majority; he was united in marriage with Miss Lottie Koehler, daughter of the late Emil and Mrs. Laura Koehler, August 4, 1907; and to them was born two daughters; both of whom, with the widow survive; one daughter, Mrs. Dale Davis and little daughter, only grandchild and Miss Marguerite Moore. Alex Moore was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ausken Moore, and a grandson of John E. Moore, early settler of La Grange, and for many years public weigher at the eastern end of the city. He was born March 8, 1880, and at the time of his death was 54 years, 6 months and 22 days old. Those attending the funeral Sunday from La Grange, are: Mr. and Mrs. Julius Gebhardt, Mrs. Louise Koehler, Mrs. F. Mensing and son, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Koehler, Mrs. Anna Kirsch, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Killoughand, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Koehler and daughter of West Point. Alex Moore was, in the truest sense of the word, a good citizen, and a kind husband, and father and neighbor. He was regarded in the highest terms by his fellow citizens at Elgin and here in La Grange where he was reared he leaves many friends. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the Moore family and other relatives. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, October 4, 1934]

More About Alex M. Moore:

Burial: 30 Sep 1934

Marriage Notes for Charlotte Koehler and Alex Moore:

Marriage Licenses

Alex M. Moore and Miss Lola Koehler [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, August 10, 1907]

Children of Charlotte Koehler and Alex Moore are:

- + 20            i. Diana Louise<sup>10</sup> Moore, born Private.
- + 21            ii. Margaret Koehler Moore, born Private.

**9. Frederick William<sup>9</sup> Koehler** (Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 22 Nov 1889 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 02 Jun 1947 in Houston, Harris, TX. He married **Irma Augusta Amberg** 26 Nov 1913 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, daughter of Otto Amberg and Agnes Prause. She was born 16 Jan 1893 in Breslau, Lavaca, TX, and died 26 Jul 1985 in Austin, Travis, TX.

Notes for Frederick William Koehler:

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Koehler of Houston came up Wednesday to be in attendance of the Gebhardt - Koehler nuptials. Mr. Koehler returned Wednesday, while Mrs. Koehler and the little son remained until after Easter. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, April 8, 1920]

Fritz W. Koehler, 58, of 1810 Haver, died 4 a.m. Monday in his home. Member of the United Commercial Travelers of America in the real estate loan business. Survivors: Widow Mrs. Irma Koehler, daughter Miss Agnes Louise Koehler, son, Hilmer Koehler all of Houston, brothers Arthur Koehler, La Grange, George Koehler, West Point, Adolph Koehler, Schulenburg, sisters Mrs. Elsie Mensing, Mrs. Ann Kirsch and Mrs. Heda Gebhardt all of La Grange, two grandchildren. Services 3 p.m. Tuesday in the chapel of the Hyde Park funeral home with the Rev. D. Baltzer officiating. Burial in Forest Park cemetery. Pallbearers D. C. Woodley, A. H. Crabb, J. E. House, Frank Shelden, George W. Fleet and Francis Phair. Hyde Park funeral home. [The Houston Post, Tuesday, June 3, 1947]

More About Frederick William Koehler:

Burial: 03 Jun 1947, Forest Park Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX

Notes for Irma Augusta Amberg:

Will Visit Fair

Mrs. O. L. Amberg left for Houston, Wednesday morning, where she will visit briefly with her three daughters, Mrs. F. W. Koehler and Misses Stella and Elviera Amberg. Next Saturday, in company with Misses Stella and Elviera, Mrs. Amberg will leave Houston for Chicago to attend the Century of Progress Fair, and visit for a week or ten days with her brother, Gus. Prause, formerly of La Grange. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, September 7, 1933]

Koehler, Irma, 92, of Houston died Friday. Services 11 a.m. Monday at Forest Park Lawndale in Houston. (Weed\_Corley). [Austin American-Statesman, Sunday, July 28, 1985]

More About Irma Augusta Amberg:

Burial: 29 Jul 1985, Forest Park Lawndale, Houston, Harris, TX

Marriage Notes for Frederick Koehler and Irma Amberg:

Happily United

Yesterday afternoon at five o'clock at the Jefferson Street Lutheran church in this city, Rev. R. Heise, pastor united in marriage F. W. Koehler, of Houston and Miss Irma Augusta Amberg, of this city. Long before the appointed hour friends and relatives of the contracting parties had gathered at the house of worship to witness the impressive ceremony. Prior to the arrival of the wedding party, Miss Edna Heilig sang "The Sweetest Story Ever Told," and Mrs. Lad V. Vanek, presiding at the organ, at the close of the song, played Mendelssohn's beautiful wedding march; the bride, leaning on the arm of her chosen companion slowly entered, preceded by the ushers, Messrs. Alfred Moellenberndt and Leon Bodungen. As the wedding couple were leaving Mrs. Vanek played the "Bridal Chorus" from Wagner, the sweet, soul-inspiring strains adding solemnity to the occasion. The interior of the church was handsomely decorated with ferns, pot-flowers and festooning. The scene, enhanced by the glow of the electrical light was enchanting. The bride's aunt, Mrs. C. W. Amberg supervised the transformation. The bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents where a wedding spread was partaken of, after which all repaired to the Katy passenger station where Mr. and Mrs. Koehler boarded the cars for Houston, their future home. In joining their legion of friends, we express the hope that the future of the happy young couple will ever be bright and that prosperity will be a constant companion. The bride-groom, youngest son of Emil Koehler and wife, is an example of that type of fine young men, whose energy and morality prompts good citizenship. He was born and reared near La Grange and only recently removed to Houston where he is now associated with the Schuhmacher Company. Miss Irma, second daughter of Otto Amberg and wife, possessing an admirable disposition of friendliness and a loving daughter, will make an excellent helpmate. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, November 27, 1913]

Children of Frederick Koehler and Irma Amberg are:

+ 22 i. Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup> Koehler, born 29 Jul 1916 in Houston, Harris, TX; died 22 Apr 1992 in Beaumont,

- Jefferson, TX.  
+ 23 ii. Agnes Louise Koehler, born Private.

*Generation No. 3*

**11. Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing** (Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 10 Jan 1903 in Bluff, Fayette, TX, and died 28 Jul 1995 in Weimar, Colorado, TX. She married **(1) Larry Cornelson** 10 Jul 1923 in Columbus, Colorado, TX, son of William Cornelson and Minna Cornelson. He was born 27 Feb 1893 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, and died 29 Dec 1945 in Hallettsville, Lavaca Co, TX. She married **(2) Gus A. Balzer** 27 Jun 1948 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, son of Ernest Balzer and Augusta Balzer. He was born 28 Feb 1901 in La Grange, Fayette, TX, and died 28 Nov 1982 in Sagerton, Haskell, TX.

Notes for Ruth Louise Mensing:  
Tour Eden Home at New Braunfels

On May 7, fourteen ladies and Rev. Walter Simpson of St. Paul's United Church of Christ toured and visited with the residents of Eden Home in New Braunfels. This home for senior citizens is supported by the churches of South Central Conference. Ladies making the trip were Mesdames Annie Brown, Gus Balzer, Arthur Winkelman, Robert Vogt, Isabel Getschmann, Elsie Schmidt, Annie Schulz, Viola Lorfing, Gene LaBrose, Leo Jahn, Beno Nierlich, Clara Steinmann, Fritz Prilop and Lloid Henderson. [Schulenburg Sticker, Thursday, May 14, 1970]

Ruth L. Balzer

Ruth L. Balzer, age 92 years, 6 months, 28 days, passed away Friday, July 28 at Colorado-Fayette Medical Center in Weimar after a one-week illness. She had resided at Regency Villas, 205 East Ave., Schulenburg. The funeral was held Sunday, July 30 at 4:30 p.m. at the St. Paul United Church of Christ, followed by burial in the Schulenburg City Cemetery. The Rev. Juanice Tomlinson officiated. Pallbearers were Brad Chromcak, Tom Chromcak and Robert Cornelson, all grandsons from Houston; Gary Cole, grandson from Austin; and Michael Jurica and Howard Wagner, both friends from Schulenburg. Named as honorary pallbearers were Ralph Balzer, Milton Kaase, Shelton Wagner, Mike Wagner, Oscar Strobel and Emil Barton. Born at Bluff on Jan. 10, 1903, she was the daughter of Fritz and Elise (Koehler) Mensing. She attended school in La Grange. Her marriage to Gus A. Balzer took place on June 28, 1948 in Schulenburg. A lifetime Fayette County resident, she lived in La Grange and Schulenburg. She was a housewife and member of St. Paul United Church of Christ. Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Barbara J. and E. J. Chromcak of Houston; two sons and one daughter-in-law, Larry Cornelson of San Antonio and Bill and Ruth Cornelson of Houston; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Her parents and husband preceded her in death. Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Thursday, August 3, 1995]

More About Ruth Louise Mensing:  
Burial: 30 Jul 1995, City Cemetery, Schulenburg, Fayette, TX

Notes for Larry Cornelson:  
Rites Held Monday For Larry Cornelson, 52

Funeral was held Monday at 3 p.m. at Schulenburg for Larry Cornelson, 52, who died Saturday after an illness of about seven days. Interment was in the City Cemetery at Schulenburg. Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Ruth Mensing and a native of La Grange; two sons, Larry Jr. in the Army and Billie of Schulenburg; a daughter, Barbara Jean of Schulenburg; two brothers, Fenton (Red) of El Campo and William (Bill) of Schulenburg; and two sisters. A number of La Grange friends attended the last rites Monday. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, January 3, 1946]

Sad Death of Larry Cornelson, Sr.

One of the saddest duties of the average newspaper man is to record the death of a close friend, and in recording the death of Larry Cornelson, Sr., we feel our inability to express our sentiments and tell of the manifold virtues of this truly good man. Larry had been somewhat ailing for about ten days, but had been able to be up and down, however, on last Saturday afternoon, he suffered a heart attack and was immediately rushed to the Hallettsville Hospital where every effort was made to revive him but all to no avail, and at 10:30 Saturday night December 29 the Angel of Death called and his spirit passed quietly on. Knowing him for many years, we were at all times attracted toward him, and we regarded him as one of the truest and best friends we ever possessed. A man every inch of him, true as steel to his friends, without a semblance of deceit about him, displaying the same cheerful temperament under any and all circumstances. His cheerful disposition always looking on the bright side of life, no matter how discouraging the circumstances, was truly remarkable and always marked him as a man of most even temperament. Larry was born in Schulenburg on February 27, 1893, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cornelson, where he grew to manhood and at the time of his death had attained the age of 52 years, ten months and two days. He was known throughout the state as a first class musician, and at one time formed his own orchestra. He was a first class radio man and for some time has operated a Radio Repair Shop here in Schulenburg. On July 9, 1923, he was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Mensing of La Grange, and to this union three children were born, two sons, Larry Jr., and Billy, and one daughter, Barbara Jean. Larry, Jr., has been serving in the Army of Occupation in Germany since V-E Day, however, at the time of death of his father was on the high seas, enroute home, having sailed on the Queen Mary for New York last Friday. Funeral services were held from the Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home Monday afternoon, with interment in the Schulenburg City Cemetery. Rev. Bahnsen, Lutheran minister, was in charge of the services. Surviving are his grief stricken widow, Mrs. Ruth Mensing Cornelson, two sons, Larry, Jr., in the army, and Billy, and one daughter, Barbara Jean, at home, two brothers, William Cornelson of Schulenburg, and Fenton "Red" Cornelson of El Campo; two sisters, Mrs. Emmie Herder and Mrs. Katie Bowen of Sugar Land, besides many other relatives. The large gathering of friends from far and near that assembled to join in the last sad tributes to his memory and the vast wealth of beautiful floral offerings gave evidence of the esteem in which he was held. Our heart is saddened over the death of our friend, yet we bow in humble submission to the will of the Father, knowing that we will in time understand why Larry was taken from us at a time when life held out for him so many hopes and aspirations. God be merciful to the bereaved ones left behind, is our sincere prayer. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, January 4, 1946]

More About Larry Cornelson:

Burial: 31 Dec 1945, City Cemetery, Schulenburg, Fayette, TX

Marriage Notes for Ruth Mensing and Larry Cornelson:

Cornelson – Mensing

Larry Cornelson, the possessor of many friends in La Grange, and a member of the Cornelson Happy Six band of Schulenburg, and Miss Ruth Mensing, daughter of Mrs. F. Mensing of La Grange were united in marriage at Columbus Tuesday afternoon. From Columbus the happy young couple continued their journey to Houston and Galveston for a brief honeymoon. These young people stole a march on their friends; Miss Ruth left La Grange on Tuesday morning for Glidden, and was there joined by Larry, and in the auto taken to Columbus, where the happy event was celebrated. Upon their return journey, they will stop at Rosenberg and be joined by the Cornelson Band and after filling the appointment to play in that city, will return to Schulenburg, their future home. The congratulations of a host of friends here and at Schulenburg are extended. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, July 12, 1923]

Cornelson – Mensing

A big surprise to their many friends both here and at La Grange was the wedding of Mr. Larry Cornelson of this city and Miss Ruth Mensing of La Grange. They stole a march on their friends and were united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Columbus Monday. They spent several days honeymooning in Houston. Wednesday night the couple joined the balance of the Happy Six at Rosenberg where they were filling a date, then returned to Schulenburg where they will make their future home. While the young lady is unknown to us, we have enough confidence in Larry's ability to know that he picked one of the fairest and best young ladies of the County. Larry is to well known throughout this section of the State to need introduction from us. He is a good, clean, honest and upright young man. The Sticker extends congratulations and wishes them a most pleasant and prosperous voyage

upon the matrimonial sea. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, July 13, 1923]

Notes for Gus A. Balzer:  
Gus Balzer Rites Dec. 1

Funeral services for Gus A. Balzer will be held at 2:00 p.m. at the St. Paul United Church of Christ. The body will lie in state at the church on Wednesday, Dec. 1 from 1:15 p.m. until service time. Interment will be in the Schulenburg City Cemetery and Rev. Ernest Melchert will officiate at the last rites. Pallbearers will be Erwin Otten, Ralph Balzer, Douglas Cornelson, Tom Chromcak, Brad Chromcak and Robert Cornelson. Those who will serve as honorary pallbearers will be Shelton Wagner, Ray Newbern, Wallace Vornsand, Oscar Strobel, Dr. Norman DeRuiter, Jerry Bucek, Barney Vornsand, Rudy Smrkovsky, Erwin Blaschke, Lawrence Grasshoff and Emil Barton. Mr. Balzer, who resided at 205 Paulus St. in Schulenburg, died unexpectedly in Sagerton on Sunday, Nov. 28. He reached the age of 81 years, 9 months, and 0 days. He was born on Feb. 28, 1901 in La Grange to the late Ernest and Augusta Balzer. He and Ruth Cornelson were married on June 27, 1948 in Schulenburg. Mr. Balzer was a member of the St. Paul United Church of Christ and the Hermann Sons. He was retired at the time of his death. Surviving him are his wife; a daughter, Barbara Chromcak of Houston; two sons, Larry Cornelson of Sagerton and Bill Cornelson of Houston; and seven grandchildren. Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Thursday, December 2, 1982]

More About Gus A. Balzer:  
Burial: 01 Dec 1982, City Cemetery, Schulenburg, Fayette, TX

Marriage Notes for Ruth Mensing and Gus Balzer:  
Mrs. Ruth Cornelson Weds Gus Balzer

Mrs. Ruth Cornelson and Gus Balzer were united in marriage on Sunday, June 27, at 4:30 p.m. in the St. Paul's Parsonage with Rev. John Mueller performing the ceremony. Mrs. Cornelson wore an afternoon frock of aquamarine crepe, with palomino accessories. Her corsage was of pruvian lilies. Miss Barbara Cornelson and Edwin Stavinoha were witnesses. Following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Balzer left for west Texas where they will remain for several weeks. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, July 2, 1948]

Children of Ruth Mensing and Larry Cornelson are:

- + 24        i. Larry<sup>11</sup> Cornelson, Jr., born 24 May 1925 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX; died 15 Jan 2003 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX.
- + 25        ii. Barbara Jean Cornelson, born 05 Dec 1927 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX; died 09 Mar 1998 in Houston, Harris, TX.
- + 26        iii. William Fritz Cornelson, born Private.

**12. Weldon Fritz<sup>10</sup> Mensing** (Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 19 Apr 1910 in Fayette Co., TX, and died 06 Mar 1981 in Harris Co., TX. He married **Helen Alma Sanders** 02 Mar 1940 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX. She was born 23 Aug 1917 in Brenham, Washington, TX, and died 13 Dec 1997 in Houston, Harris, TX.

Notes for Helen Alma Sanders:  
HELEN ALMA MENSING

HELEN ALMA MENSING , 80, born August 23, 1917, in Brenham, Texas, died December 13, 1997, in Houston, Texas. Survivors include half brother, R.H. Sanders, Jr., niece Barbara Chromcak and several other relatives. Visitation will be held 5-7 p.m. Sunday, December 14, 1997, Woodlawn Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held 4 p.m. Monday, December 15, 1997, Woodlawn Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Ray Holt, officiating. Interment Woodlawn Garden of Memories. [The Houston Chronicle, Tuesday, December 16, 1997]

More About Helen Alma Sanders:

Burial: 15 Dec 1997, Woodlawn Garden of Memories Cemetery, Houston, Harris Co., TX

Marriage Notes for Weldon Mensing and Helen Sanders:

Mensing - Sanders

Saturday evening, at the home of Rev. R. Heise, Weldon Mensing and Miss Helen Sanders, both of La Grange were united in marriage. Rev. Heise spoke the words of marriage and witnesses to sign the marriage contract are Frank Pratka and Miss Irene Helble. Both are favorites among the younger set of La Grange and enter upon their marriage journey with the good wishes of everyone. They will reside in this city. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, March 7, 1940]

Child of Weldon Mensing and Helen Sanders is:

+ 27 i. Weldon Fritz<sup>11</sup> Mensing, Jr., born 27 Aug 1941 in Travis Co., TX; died 08 Jun 1969 in Travis Co., TX.

**15. Ivan Earl<sup>10</sup> Koehler** (Adolf Manuel<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 28 Oct 1914 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, and died 01 Apr 1983 in Dallas Co., TX. He married **Mabel Lee Herm**. She was born 08 Dec 1921 in Texas, and died 04 Jan 1979 in Gregg Co., TX.

Child of Ivan Koehler and Mabel Herm is:

28 i. Bonnie Merle<sup>11</sup> Koehler, born Private. She married (1) Vernon Lackey, Jr. Private; born Private. She married (2) Don W. Pearce Private; born Private.

**16. Marvin Louis<sup>10</sup> Koehler** (Adolf Manuel<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Mary Catherine Bailey** Private. She was born 27 Aug 1920 in Greenville, Hunt, TX, and died 13 Aug 1968 in Lubbock, Lubbock Co, TX.

Children of Marvin Koehler and Mary Bailey are:

+ 29 i. Mary Ann<sup>11</sup> Koehler, born Private.  
30 ii. Robert Joseph Koehler, born Private.  
31 iii. Michael Thomas Koehler, born Private.  
32 iv. Gregory Louis Koehler, born Private.  
+ 33 v. Teresa Jeanne Koehler, born Private.  
34 vi. James Douglas Koehler, born Private. He married Dheilina Ann Scanlan Private; born Private.  
35 vii. Barbara Kathleen Koehler, born Private.

**17. Katharine Louise<sup>10</sup> Gebhardt** (Hedwig Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married (1) **Nathan Henderson Greenwood** Private, son of Alex Greenwood and Adelheid Greenwood. He was born 21 Apr 1922 in Seguin, Guadalupe, TX, and died 05 Jul 1943 in over Sicily. She married (2) **Joseph Yancey Powell, Jr.** Private, son of Joseph Powell and Alice Stewart. He was born 06 Jul 1920 in Houston, Harris, TX, and died 12 Nov 2004 in Houston, Harris, TX.

Notes for Nathan Henderson Greenwood:

Lieut. Greenwood Is Reported As Missing

Mrs. Nathan A. Greenwood (nee Miss Katarina Gebhardt of La Grange) was advised by telegram by the War Department Tuesday morning, briefly: "Lieut. Nathan A. Greenwood, pilot flyer, missing in action, July 5, over Sicily." No further news up to the hour of going to press this, Wednesday afternoon. Lieut. Greenwood and Miss Katarina were united in marriage April 2 of this year; he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Greenwood of Seguin;

the two met in that city while attending the Seguin Lutheran College. Mrs. Greenwood left for Seguin Tuesday afternoon to be with the parents of her husband. The news, unwelcome to all connections, has cast a gloom over the city. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, August 5, 1943]

#### Further News About Lt. Greenwood Awaited

Up to Tuesday of this week the Journal has had no further news about Lieut. Greenwood, husband of the former Katharina Gebhardt of La Grange, and about whom mention was made in the last issue. The telegram that Mrs. Greenwood had received from the War Department merely stated that Lieut. Greenwood "was missing in action." Lieut. Greenwood has been "somewhere in the combat zone on the Italian front for a month. From the Seguin Bulletin the Journal secured the photo illustration and the following lines of mention:  
Lieut. Nat Greenwood

"Lieut. Greenwood piloted a B-25 bomber and has been somewhere in the combat zone on the Italian front, where the Americans and Allies are really doing a good job of it for the past week. "Nat is a graduate of the Seguin High School, and attended Texas Lutheran College before going into the American Air Forces. He graduated from Ellington Field near Houston in February, 1943. He was stationed at several fields before being sent across. On April 2 he was married to Miss Katharina Gebhardt of La Grange. His parents last heard from him on July 1 and he wrote he was very busy. "The official telegram stated that he was missing in action on the Italian front over Sicily and that further details would follow as soon as word was had. The entire town joins Mr. and Mrs. Greenwood in sympathy in their distress and in the sincere hope that word will soon reach them that he has been located and is well and safe." [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, August 12, 1943]

#### Notes for Joseph Yancey Powell, Jr.:

Joseph Yancey Powell Jr. Joseph Yancey Powell, Jr., 84, died peacefully surrounded by his wife and daughters on November 12, 2004. Joe was born on July 6, 1920 to Alice Stewart and Joseph Y. Powell. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Katharine Gebhardt Powell, two daughters Julia Powell and Alice Powell Clarke, Alice's husband George Clarke, two grandchildren Maggie Clarke and Joe Clarke, and numerous cousins and close friends. Joe was a native Houstonian. He graduated from San Jacinto High School in 1938. He attended Schreiner Institute in Kerrville, Texas and afterwards The University of Texas in Austin, where he was a Phi Gamma Delta pledge. He was a contributing student writer of the Handbook of Texas, Vol. I. and a second generation member of the Texas State Historical Association. Joe was among the last of the Greatest Generation, serving in the Military Police of General Patton's Third Army. He had a long and successful career in purchasing, retiring as Vice President of Purchasing of Kirby Building Systems. He was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Houston. Joe's many passions included his family and friends, fishing, sailing, traveling, cooking, football, music of all types, and observing God's creation. He was a founding member of the Surf Oaks Trout Society, dedicated to camaraderie, fishing tales, and the enjoyment of spirits. The family wishes to thank Joe's physicians and the staff of the Cardiac Care Unit at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital for their compassion and expert care. Visitation will be Monday, November 15, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Geo. H. Lewis & Sons, 1010 Bering Dr. Following private graveside services at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery a Memorial Service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 16, 2004 in the chapel at First Presbyterian Church of Houston, 5300 Main Street. Memorials may be sent to First Presbyterian Church, 5300 Main Street, Houston, Texas 77004 or The Texas State Historical Association, The University of Texas at Austin, 1 University Station D0109, Austin, Texas 78712. [Houston Chronicle, Houston, Texas. Published in the Houston Chronicle from 11/14/2004 - 11/15/2004.]

#### Joseph Yancey Powell, Jr., 1938

Joseph died November 12, 2004 surrounded by his wife and daughters. Joseph was born July 6, 1920 to Alice Stewart and Joseph Y. Powell. His wife of 57 years, Katherine Gebhardt Powell, two daughters Julia Powell and Alice Powell Clarke; two grandchildren Maggie Clarke and Joe Clarke, and numerous cousins and close friends survive him. Visitation and memorial service was held November 16, 2004 at first Presbyterian Church of Houston. [The Campus Cub, The Alumni Association of San Jacinto Senior High School, 1926-1970, Houston, Texas, June 2005]

More About Joseph Yancey Powell, Jr.:

Burial: 16 Nov 2004, Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery, Houston, Harris, TX

Children of Katharine Gebhardt and Joseph Powell are:

- 36 i. Julia Katharine<sup>11</sup> Powell, born Private.
- + 37 ii. Alice Stewart Powell, born Private.

**18. Theodore Emil<sup>10</sup> Gebhardt, Sr.** (Hedwig Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Catherine Diener Sittler** Private, daughter of George David Sittler, Jr.. She was born Private.

Child of Theodore Gebhardt and Catherine Sittler is:

- + 38 i. Theodore Emil<sup>11</sup> Gebhardt, Jr., born Private.

**19. Georgerine Olivia<sup>10</sup> Koehler** (George Carl<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 08 Feb 1909 in Fayette County, Texas, and died 11 Jan 1977 in Augusta, Richmond, GA. She married **Roy Gilliam** 18 Sep 1927 in LaGrange, Fayette, TX, son of Richard Gilliam and Pauline Vibrach. He was born 22 Nov 1907 in Muldoon, Fayette, TX, and died 30 Nov 1989 in Gillespie Co., TX.

More About Georgerine Olivia Koehler:

Burial: 20 Feb 1997, Fredericksburg, Gillespie, TX

More About Roy Gilliam:

Burial: Abt. 02 Dec 1989, Fredericksburg, Gillespie, TX

Marriage Notes for Georgerine Koehler and Roy Gilliam:

Married Sunday At The Methodist Church

Immediately after the morning service at the Travis street Methodist church last Sunday, Rev. Paul W. Evans, in the presence of Mrs. Albert Witt and Miss Grace Lueders, united in marriage Roy, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gilliam of Route No. 6 and Miss Georgerine, daughter of George Koehler. Our sincerest good wishes are offered to the young couple who begin their married life with high hopes and willingness to do. They will remain at the home of their relatives for a short while, after which, unless their plans are changed they will go to Waco. [The La Grange Journal, Thursday, September 22, 1927]

Child of Georgerine Koehler and Roy Gilliam is:

- + 39 i. Violet Anne<sup>11</sup> Gilliam, born Private.

**20. Diana Louise<sup>10</sup> Moore** (Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Roy Dale Davis** Private, son of Oscar Davis and Francis Rankin. He was born 10 May 1911, and died 26 Jan 1992 in Travis Co., TX.

Notes for Roy Dale Davis:

Davis, Dale, 80, of Dripping Springs died Sunday. Services 2 p.m. Tuesday, First Baptist Church of Dripping Springs. (Harrell) [Austin American-Statesman, Monday, January 27, 1992]

Dale Davis

Dale Davis, age 80, resident of Dripping Springs area since 1980, and former resident of Austin, died Sunday, January 26, 1992. Mr. Davis was a deacon of Dripping Springs First Baptist Church and a former member of Allandale Baptist Church in Austin. He was a general contractor for 25 years in Corpus Christi before moving to

Austin in 1966. He was a masonry contractor in Austin until 1978 when he retired to the Hill Country near Dripping Springs. Survivors include his wife, Diana Moore Davis; daughter and son-in-law, Bette and Knox Williams, all of Austin; son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Roy Dale and Cheryl Davis, Jr. of San Clemente, California; two granddaughters, Robin Davis and Tara Boyle and husband John, both of Bedford; brother, Dean Davis, and brother and sister-in-law, Ben and Lillian Davis, all of Elgin; sister and brother-in-law, Stella and George Brown of Waco; sisters-in-law, Selma Davis, Jewel Davis and Nell Davis, all of Elgin, and Margaret Hankamer of Austin; and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held 2:00 PM, Tuesday, January 28, 1992, at Dripping Springs First Baptist Church with Reverend David McNary and Reverend Curtis Ray officiating. Interment in Phillips Cemetery. Those desiring to do so make memorial contributions to the First Baptist Church Dripping Springs or Hill Country Senior Citizens Center. Arrangements by Harrell Funeral Chapel in Dripping Springs. 858-5666. [Austin American-Statesman, Tuesday, January 28, 1992]

More About Roy Dale Davis:

Burial: 28 Jan 1992, Phillips Cemetery, Dripping Springs, Hays Co., Texas

Children of Diana Moore and Roy Davis are:

- 40 i. Bette Diane<sup>11</sup> Davis, born Private. She married Knox Williams III Private; born Private.
- + 41 ii. Roy Dale Davis, Jr., born Private.

**21. Margaret Koehler<sup>10</sup> Moore** (Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Clarence Jackson Hankamer** Private. He was born 23 Aug 1915, and died 05 Feb 1973 in Travis Co., TX.

Notes for Clarence Jackson Hankamer:

Clarence J. Hankamer

Clarence J. Hankamer, 57, 8703 Azelea Trail, drowned Monday near Mansfield Dam. He was a resident of Austin 11 years and a Methodist. Hankamer was a retired electric salesman and had been associated with R.T.E. of Arlington. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Margaret Hankamer, Austin; two sons, Michael Hankamer, Las Cruces, N.M., and Steven Hankamer, Austin; a daughter, Mrs. Catherine Jarl, Austin; one grandson, Derek Hankamer, Las Cruces, N.M., and two sisters, Mrs. John Winn and Mrs. Thelma Child, both of Greenville, S.C. Funeral is pending at Weed-Corley Funeral Home. [The Austin Statesman, Tuesday, February 6, 1973]

Children of Margaret Moore and Clarence Hankamer are:

- + 42 i. James Michael<sup>11</sup> Hankamer, born Private.
- + 43 ii. Catherine Janice Hankamer, born Private.
- 44 iii. John Stephen Hankamer, born Private.

**22. Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup> Koehler** (Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 29 Jul 1916 in Houston, Harris, TX, and died 22 Apr 1992 in Beaumont, Jefferson, TX. He married **Mildred Elinor Houser** 27 Dec 1941 in Houston, Harris, TX. She was born 31 Jul 1922 in Houston, Harris Co, TX, and died 24 Feb 2004 in Texas.

Notes for Hilmar Frederick Koehler:

Koehler

H. F. "Fred" Koehler, 75, of Beaumont, died April 22, 1992. Graveside rites were held Friday, April 24, 1992, at Forest Lawn Memorial Park. A native of Houston, he has resided in Beaumont for the past 32 years. He was retired from Magg-- Mortgage Co., where he served as partner until retirement. He is survived by his wife, Mildred Koehler; sons, Paul F. Koehler and Wayne Koehler; sister Agnes Wilkinson; aunt, Elvera Fleet and four grandchildren, Kelley, Kent, Tasha and Tonya. Services under direction of: Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 4955

Pine Street, Beaumont, Texas (409) 892-5912. [About April 26, 1992, Beaumont, Texas]

More About Hilmar Frederick Koehler:

Burial: 24 Apr 1992, Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Beaumont, Jefferson, TX

Children of Hilmar Koehler and Mildred Houser are:

- + 45 i. Paul Frederick<sup>11</sup> Koehler, born Private.
- + 46 ii. Wayne Howard Koehler, born Private.
- 47 iii. Dale William Koehler, born 01 Aug 1948 in Houston, Harris, TX; died 01 Mar 1985 in Houston, Harris, TX.

**23. Agnes Louise<sup>10</sup> Koehler** (Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **(1) William Jefferson Beckham** Private. He was born 18 Jan 1925 in Doniphan, Ripley, MO, and died 05 Jun 1966 in Amarillo, Potter, TX. She married **(2) Ronald Barnes Wilkinson** Private, son of James Wilkinson and Lessie Pledge. He was born 10 Feb 1933 in San Angelo, Tom Green, TX, and died 07 Jan 2004 in Austin, Travis Co., TX.

Notes for Ronald Barnes Wilkinson:

Ronald Barnes Wilkinson

Ronald Barnes Wilkinson, age 70, a 40 year resident of Austin, passed away Wednesday, January 7, 2004. He was born February 10, 1933, in San Angelo, Texas, to Lessie and James Wilkinson. He was a longtime member of the United Church of Christ. He was a plumber for 54 years, a member of Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 286 for 40 years, as well as a member of the German-Texan Heritage Society. He is survived by his wife, Agnes Koehler Wilkinson of Austin; daughters, Kathy of Ketchum, Idaho, Gail and husband James, and Lynn of Austin; sons, Mark and wife, JoAnn of Sonora, Texas; and Barnes and wife, Julie of Austin; grandsons, Blaine of Round Rock, Kyle of Scotsdale, Arizona, Blake of Cortez, Colorado, and Eric of Austin. Family and friends will gather Sunday, January 11, 2004 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the family home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice Austin's Christopher House, 4107 Spicewood Springs Road, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78759. [Austin American-Statesman, January 8, 2004]

Children of Agnes Koehler and William Beckham are:

- 48 i. Gail Fleet<sup>11</sup> Wilkinson, born Private. She married James Stewart Schloemer Private; born Private.
- + 49 ii. Lynn Suzanne Wilkinson, born Private.

Children of Agnes Koehler and Ronald Wilkinson are:

- 50 i. Mark Blaine<sup>11</sup> Wilkinson, born Private. He married JoAnn Wilkinson Private; born Private.
- 51 ii. Ronald Barnes Wilkinson, Jr., born Private. He married Julia McIntyre Dunlop Private; born Private.

#### *Generation No. 4*

**24. Larry<sup>11</sup> Cornelson, Jr.** (Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 24 May 1925 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, and died 15 Jan 2003 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX. He married **Betty Louise Balzer** 22 Dec 1949 in Sagerton, Haskell, TX, daughter of August Balzer and Bettie Balzer. She was born 13 Jun 1927 in Sagerton, Haskell, TX, and died 10 Aug 1982 in Abilene, Taylor Co., TX.

Notes for Larry Cornelson, Jr.:

Larry Cornelson Jr.

Larry Cornelson Jr., who resided at 7326 Corian Park in San Antonio, died on Wednesday, Jan. 15 in

Schulenburg at age 77 years, 7 months, 22 days. The funeral was held in Haskell on Monday, Jan. 20 at 10 a.m., followed by interment there. Born in Schulenburg on May 24, 1925, he was the son of Larry Cornelson Sr. and Ruth Cornelson Balzer and step-son of Gus Balzer. He attended Schulenburg High School. On Dec. 22, 1949, he married Betty Balzer in Sagerton. Retired from the military at the time of his death, Mr. Cornelson served with the 82nd Airborne division and U.S. Air Force Security Service. He was a member of the Methodist Church. He is survived by a daughter, Kathryn Sue Cornelson of Lewisville; a son, Douglas Wayne Cornelson of Hana, Maui, Hawaii; and a brother, Bill Cornelson of Wimberley. Preceding him in death were his parents, step-father and wife; and a sister, Barbara Chromcak. Holden-McCauley Funeral Home of Haskell was in charge of arrangements. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Thursday, January 23, 2003]

More About Larry Cornelson, Jr.:

Burial: 20 Jan 2003, Haskell, Haskell, TX

Notes for Betty Louise Balzer:

Funeral Services for Mrs. Betty Cornelson Held in Sagerton

Mrs. Betty Cornelson, age 55, wife of Larry Cornelson of Sagerton, died on Tuesday, Aug. 10 about noon at Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene. Services were held on Thursday, Aug. 12 at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Sagerton, under the direction of Holden-McCauley Funeral Home in Haskell. Officiating were Rev. Hestand, pastor; and Rev. Tommy Sparks of Faith Lutheran Church. Burial was at Willow Cemetery in Haskell. Pallbearers were Fred Kupatt, Leland Nauret, Leon Stegemoeller, Roland Stegemoeller, Delbert LeFevre and Marvin Stegemoeller. Honorary pallbearers were Bill Cornelson, E. J. Chromcak, Edward J. Neinast, Glenn Quade, Alvin Ulmer, Arthur Knipling, Harvey Stegemoeller, Reece Clark, Dr. L. G. Hardwick, Dr. J. S. Walke, Dr. Pedro Paez, Fred Jones and Don Neal. Among the relatives attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Gus Balzer of Schulenburg, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chromcak of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Cornelson of Houston, Mrs. Leroy McBride of Schulenburg and Erwin Stavinoaha of Schulenburg. She was born on June 13, 1927 in Sagerton where she was reared and graduated from high school. She married Larry Cornelson of Schulenburg on Dec. 22, 1949 in Sagerton. Due to his career in the Air Force, they lived in a number of areas including Lewisville where she was assistant vice president of City National Bank. They returned to Sagerton in November of 1980. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Kathryn Cornelson of Lewisville; a son, Douglas Cornelson of Lewisville; and her mother, Mrs. Bette Balzer of Sagerton. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Thursday, August 26, 1982]

More About Betty Louise Balzer:

Burial: 12 Aug 1982, Willow Cemetery, Haskell, Haskell, TX

Marriage Notes for Larry Cornelson and Betty Balzer:

Cornelson-Balzer Rites Solemnized Thursday, Dec 22

Betty Balzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Balzer of Sagerton, became the bride of Staff Sgt. Larry Cornelson, son of Mrs. Gus Balzer and the late Larry Cornelson of Schulenburg, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Sagerton on Thursday evening, December 22, at 6:30 p.m. Rev. M. C. Hoermann, pastor, performed the double ring ceremony. Candles were lighted by Marvin and Leon Stegemoeller, cousins of the bride, while Albert Russell of Stamford, organist, played a background of wedding music. He also played the traditional wedding marches. The wedding party entered the church down a candle-lighted aisle with the candles with a base of flowers, attached to the pew ends. Candles in ornate candelabra, blossoming potted plants and greenery forming the background at the altar. Miss Barbara Cornelson of this city, sister of the groom, served as the bride's attendant. She wore a blue formal, fashioned on lines similar to the bride's gown. Her flowers were white carnations. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore the wedding gown of her cousin, Mrs. Leroy McBride. The dress had a fitted bodice, yoke of lace, long fitted sleeves and a tiny peplum ornamented with lace flowers and a full skirt extending into a train. She wore a full-length veil attached to a head dress of seed pearls. For something old she wore her mother's engagement ring. She carried a shower bouquet of gardenias. Little Linda LeFevre, cousin of the bride, was flower girl, and James Lehmann was ring bearer. Harvey and Kenneth Stegemoeller served as ushers. Billy Cornelson, brother of the groom, was best man. Following the wedding, a

reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Mrs. Dick Boeder cut the three-tiered wedding cake, and Mrs. Elmer Boedeker served punch. The couple left after the reception for Houston, the bride wearing for traveling a blue gabardine suit with winter pink blouse, gloves and hat and navy shoes and bag. Her corsage was of gardenias. The bride graduated from Sagerton High School in 1944 and from Texas Lutheran College in Sequin where she was a member of the choir. She taught school for two years at Michigan City, Ind., and has been employed at Austin since that time. Staff Sgt. Cornelson graduated from the local high school in 1942 and attended Rice University for two years. He has been in the Air Force for five years and is now stationed at Ellington Field. They will make their home in Houston. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Balzer, Miss Barbara Cornelson, Billy Cornelson and E. J. Chromcak, Jr., were in attendance at the wedding. [The Schulenburg Sticker, Friday, January 6, 1950]

Children of Larry Cornelson and Betty Balzer are:

- 52        i. Kathryn Sue<sup>12</sup> Cornelson, born Private. She married George R. Hatridge Private; born Private.
- 53        ii. Douglas Wayne Cornelson, born Private.

**25. Barbara Jean<sup>11</sup> Cornelson** (Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 05 Dec 1927 in Schulenburg, Fayette, TX, and died 09 Mar 1998 in Houston, Harris, TX. She married **Emil Joe Chromcak, Jr.** Private, son of Emil Joe Chromcak. He was born Private.

More About Barbara Jean Cornelson:

Burial: 11 Mar 1998, Forest Park Westheimer, Houston, Harris, TX

Children of Barbara Cornelson and Emil Chromcak are:

- + 54        i. Thomas Craig<sup>12</sup> Chromcak, born Private.
- 55        ii. Bradley John Chromcak, born 25 Sep 1955 in Houston, Harris County, TX; died 15 Mar 1999 in Houston, Harris, TX.

**26. William Fritz<sup>11</sup> Cornelson** (Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Lillian Ruth Nash** Private, daughter of William Nash and Lillian Bussey. She was born 27 Apr 1932 in Simpsonville, Matagorda, TX, and died 31 Dec 2004 in Austin, Travis, TX.

Notes for Lillian Ruth Nash:

Houston Chronicle

January 2, 2005

LILLIAN RUTH NASH CORNELSON of Wimberley, Texas passed away in Austin on December 31, 2004. A native Texan, Ruth was born the tenth of twelve children to Lillian C. Bussey and William N. Nash. She was preceded in death by her parents, four brothers and one sister. Ruth is survived by her loving husband, Bill Cornelson, daughters, Janet Ruth (Gary) Cole, Nancy Jane (Nick) Textor and son, Wm. Robert (Laura) Cornelson. She also leaves two cherished grandchildren, Lillian M. Cole and William F. Cornelson, II. Surviving siblings include Barbara Flynn, Sarah Tomlin, and Mary Wynn of Tyler, Sylvia Herro of Corpus Christi, Coleen Dorfman of Dallas, and Oliver Nash of Abilene. Ruth was very active and involved in many civic and community organizations. During her many years in Houston she served two terms as president of Women of Ascension Episcopal Church and was a founding member of the Ascension Episcopal Day School Board. Ruth was a lifetime member of the Houston Rodeo Assn. Before moving to Wimberley, Ruth and Bill lived for a few years in Rockport, where she leaves many good friends. In Wimberley, Ruth was most proud of her involvement in the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) - Jacob's Well Chapter, where she served as Chaplain. Ruth was cremated at her request and interment will be at a later date in Austin. A Memorial Service is planned for Thursday, January 6, 2005 at Chapel in the Hills, 14601 Ranch Road 12 in Wimberley, Texas at 2:00 p.m. Reverend Emeritus Sidney Gervais will perform services. Those who prefer may make contributions in Ruth's honor to, U.T. M.D. Anderson Cancer Center or to Hospice Austin's Christopher House, 4107 Spicewood Springs Rd, Ste 100, Austin, Texas 78759. Her family wishes to express their appreciation for all the prayers, meals, and

many acts of kindness shown Ruth and her family during her illness. Arrangements under the care of Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Funeral Home, 6300 W. William Cannon Dr., Austin, Texas, 78749, (512)892-1172.

Children of William Cornelson and Lillian Nash are:

- + 56 i. Janet Ruth<sup>12</sup> Cornelson, born Private.
- 57 ii. Nancy Jane Cornelson, born Private. She married Nicholas Textor Private; born Private.
- + 58 iii. William Robert Cornelson, born Private.

**27. Weldon Fritz<sup>11</sup> Mensing, Jr.** (Weldon Fritz<sup>10</sup>, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born 27 Aug 1941 in Travis Co., TX, and died 08 Jun 1969 in Travis Co., TX. He married **Margaret Fay Ham** Private, daughter of A. Ham and Mildred Quest. She was born Private.

Child of Weldon Mensing and Margaret Ham is:

- 59 i. Mark Michael<sup>12</sup> Mensing, born 14 Sep 1964 in Harris Co., TX; died 08 Jun 1969 in Travis Co., TX.

**29. Mary Ann<sup>11</sup> Koehler** (Marvin Louis<sup>10</sup>, Adolf Manuel<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Juan de la Cerda** Private. He was born Private.

Children of Mary Koehler and Juan de la Cerda are:

- 60 i. Roberto Luis<sup>12</sup> de la Cerda, born Private.
- 61 ii. Juan Christian de la Cerda, born Private.
- 62 iii. Alejandro de la Cerda, born Private.

**33. Teresa Jeanne<sup>11</sup> Koehler** (Marvin Louis<sup>10</sup>, Adolf Manuel<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Kevin Lee Whitten** Private, son of Harley Whitten and Dorothy Hensley. He was born Private.

Children of Teresa Koehler and Kevin Whitten are:

- 63 i. Kristine Michele<sup>12</sup> Whitten, born Private.
- 64 ii. Michelle Whitten, born Private.

**37. Alice Stewart<sup>11</sup> Powell** (Katharine Louise<sup>10</sup> Gebhardt, Hedwig Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **George Arthur Clarke III** Private, son of George Clarke and Margaret Skelly. He was born Private.

Children of Alice Powell and George Clarke are:

- 65 i. Margaret Katherine<sup>12</sup> Clarke, born Private.
- 66 ii. Joseph Robert Clarke, born Private.

**38. Theodore Emil<sup>11</sup> Gebhardt, Jr.** (Theodore Emil<sup>10</sup>, Hedwig Anna<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Carla Rae Riffe** Private, daughter of Donald Riffe and Joyce Riffe. She was born Private.

Child of Theodore Gebhardt and Carla Riffe is:

- 67 i. Theodore Emil<sup>12</sup> Gebhardt III, born Private.

**39. Violet Anne<sup>11</sup> Gilliam** (Georgerine Olivia<sup>10</sup> Koehler, George Carl<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Robert Dawson Boyls** Private, son of Nunn Boyls and Tula Tucker. He was born 08 Sep

1924 in Coleman, Coleman Co., TX, and died 07 Sep 1998 in Augusta, Richmond Co., GA.

Children of Violet Gilliam and Robert Boyls are:

- + 68        i. Beverly Gaye<sup>12</sup> Boyls, born Private.
- 69        ii. Robert Gilliam Boyls, born Private.
- 70        iii. Richard Lee Boyls, born Private.

**41. Roy Dale<sup>11</sup> Davis, Jr.** (Diana Louise<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **(1) Robbie Lee Wood** Private, daughter of George Wood. She was born Private. He married **(2) Cheryl Clark Kendrick** Private. She was born Private.

Children of Roy Davis and Robbie Wood are:

- + 71        i. Robin Diane<sup>12</sup> Davis, born Private.
- + 72        ii. Charlotte Tara Davis, born Private.

**42. James Michael<sup>11</sup> Hankamer** (Margaret Koehler<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Virginia Lea Smith** Private. She was born Private.

Children of James Hankamer and Virginia Smith are:

- + 73        i. Derek<sup>12</sup> Hankamer, born Private.
- 74        ii. Courtney Lea Hankamer, born Private.

**43. Catherine Janice<sup>11</sup> Hankamer** (Margaret Koehler<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Alan Wayne Jarl** Private, son of Duval Jarl and Marjorie Swenson. He was born Private.

Children of Catherine Hankamer and Alan Jarl are:

- 75        i. Jennifer Catherine<sup>12</sup> Jarl, born Private.
- 76        ii. Jeffrey Alan Jarl, born Private.

**45. Paul Frederick<sup>11</sup> Koehler** (Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup>, Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Carol Ann Johnson** Private, daughter of D. Johnson and Rosa Tribble. She was born Private.

Children of Paul Koehler and Carol Johnson are:

- 77        i. Tasha Kay<sup>12</sup> Koehler, born Private. She married Martin Lynn Byerly, Jr. Private; born Private.
- + 78        ii. Tonya Rose Koehler, born Private.

**46. Wayne Howard<sup>11</sup> Koehler** (Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup>, Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Judith Louise Kent** Private. She was born Private.

Children of Wayne Koehler and Judith Kent are:

- 79        i. Kelley Kathrine<sup>12</sup> Koehler, born Private. She married Mark Wayne Allen Private; born Private.
- + 80        ii. Kent Keith Koehler, born Private.

**49. Lynn Suzanne<sup>11</sup> Wilkinson** (Agnes Louise<sup>10</sup> Koehler, Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Federico Guillermo Daza y Skidanenko** Private. He was born Private.

Child of Lynn Wilkinson and Federico Daza y Skidanenko is:

- 81 i. Federico Guillermo<sup>12</sup> Daza y Skidanenko II, born Private.

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**54. Thomas Craig<sup>12</sup> Chromcak** (Barbara Jean<sup>11</sup> Cornelson, Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **(1) Cheryl L. Chessher** Private. She was born Private. He married **(2) Brenda Kay Moyer** Private, daughter of William Moyer and Beulah Matheny. She was born Private. He married **(3) Jeanne Carol Oliver** Private, daughter of Alton Oliver and Noraetta Moore. She was born Private.

Children of Thomas Chromcak and Jeanne Oliver are:

- 82 i. Thomas Jordan<sup>13</sup> Chromcak, born Private.  
83 ii. Chase Andrew Chromcak, born Private.  
84 iii. Kaylie Jeanne Chromcak, born Private.

**56. Janet Ruth<sup>12</sup> Cornelson** (William Fritz<sup>11</sup>, Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **James Gary Cole** Private. He was born Private.

Child of Janet Cornelson and James Cole is:

- 85 i. Lillian Mae<sup>13</sup> Cole, born Private.

**58. William Robert<sup>12</sup> Cornelson** (William Fritz<sup>11</sup>, Ruth Louise<sup>10</sup> Mensing, Elise<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Laura A. Dominguez** Private. She was born Private.

Child of William Cornelson and Laura Dominguez is:

- 86 i. William F.<sup>13</sup> Cornelson II, born Private.

**68. Beverly Gaye<sup>12</sup> Boyls** (Violet Anne<sup>11</sup> Gilliam, Georgetine Olivia<sup>10</sup> Koehler, George Carl<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **George Gehrig O'Connell** Private, son of Eugene O'Connell and Francis Herron. He was born Private.

Children of Beverly Boyls and George O'Connell are:

- 87 i. Thomas George<sup>13</sup> O'Connell, born Private.  
88 ii. Steven Gehrig O'Connell, born Private.

**71. Robin Diane<sup>12</sup> Davis** (Roy Dale<sup>11</sup>, Diana Louise<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Michael Kipling McRae** Private, son of Charles McCrae and Lawanda Morris. He was born Private.

Child of Robin Davis and Michael McRae is:

- 89 i. Haylee Rachelle<sup>13</sup> McRae, born Private.

**72. Charlotte Tara<sup>12</sup> Davis** (Roy Dale<sup>11</sup>, Diana Louise<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **John Ray Boyle** Private, son of John Boyle and Evelyn Dellis. He

was born Private.

Child of Charlotte Davis and John Boyle is:

- 90 i. Brennon Dale<sup>13</sup> Boyle, born Private.

**73. Derek<sup>12</sup> Hankamer** (James Michael<sup>11</sup>, Margaret Koehler<sup>10</sup> Moore, Charlotte<sup>9</sup> Koehler, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Laura Nicole Givens** Private. She was born Private.

Child of Derek Hankamer and Laura Givens is:

- 91 i. Anna Noelle<sup>13</sup> Hankamer, born Private.

**78. Tonya Rose<sup>12</sup> Koehler** (Paul Frederick<sup>11</sup>, Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup>, Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. She married **Steven Benjamin Fox** Private, son of Steven Fox and Loretta Cunningham. He was born Private.

Child of Tonya Koehler and Steven Fox is:

- 92 i. Baylie Ann<sup>13</sup> Fox, born Private.

**80. Kent Keith<sup>12</sup> Koehler** (Wayne Howard<sup>11</sup>, Hilmar Frederick<sup>10</sup>, Frederick William<sup>9</sup>, Louisa Theodora<sup>8</sup> Willrich, Georg Carl<sup>7</sup>, Wilhelm Christian<sup>6</sup>, Johann August<sup>5</sup>, Johann Ernst<sup>4</sup>, Johann Christian<sup>3</sup>, Nicolaus<sup>2</sup>, Christianus<sup>1</sup>) was born Private. He married **Jennifer Leigh Mercer** Private, daughter of Alvin Mercer and Charlene McGhee. She was born Private.

Children of Kent Koehler and Jennifer Mercer are:

- 93 i. Kameron Dillon<sup>13</sup> Koehler, born Private.  
94 ii. Brice Aden Koehler, born Private.

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