

A BRIEF HISTORY
OF
THE EAST COAST WEISELS

THE FIRST FIVE GENERATIONS
FROM
[GEORGE] MICHAEL WEISEL, IMMIGRANT
TO
SAMUEL WEISEL. 5TH GENERATION

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OUR WEISEL FAMILY TREE
First Five Generations

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| I. [George] MICHAEL WEISEL | ca 1690 - 1770 |
| II. [George] MICHAEL WEISEL, [Sr.] | ca 1720 - 1796 |
| III. GEORGE LUDWIG WEISEL | 1773 - 1862 |
| IV. JOHN GEORGE WEISEL | 1799 - 1881 |
| V. SAMUEL W. WEISEL | 1828 - 1916 |

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INTRODUCTION

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A Brief History of the East Coast Weisels

Introduction

I start this story with a reference and a thank you to Bonnie D. Weisel, a faculty member of the University of Wisconsin and genealogist par excellence who has helped me with my research. Although her website on the Weisel families is no longer on the internet, she has done extensive genealogical research on her family which emigrated from Germany about 120 years after our East Coast Weisel family and settled in the Midwest. No relationship has been shown to exist between the two families.

Our family emigrated from Europe in the days after the reign of Louis XIV, King of France who died in 1715. His armies had swept like a scythe through the Rhineland during the War of the Palatine Succession and at the king's orders, had left scorched earth in their wake. It was hard for ordinary people to make a living in those days. The following excerpt from the Wexford Palatines website may give some indication of the magnitude of this event. [The War of the Palatine Succession has many names. It is most commonly known as The Nine Years War. It is also known as The War of the Grand Alliance or the War of the League of Augsburg. The first serious engagement of the war began when Louis XIV army crossed into the Rhineland in September 1688 laying siege to Philippsburg. After a month long siege Philippsburg fell in October. Following this, the army took many of the key cities in the Palatinate including Mannheim, Worms, Kaiserslautern, Heidelberg, and Mainz. France was now in control of all the Palatinate south of Mainz. This, however, would be as far as Louis XIV would go.

Louis XIV quick sweep through German cities had a galvanizing effect on the German Princes. Fearful of their own states they met in Magdeburg on 22nd October and agreed to mobilize the forces of Germany in a united army. This was an unexpected turn of events and one that Louis had not prepared for. Not willing to fight a protracted war on German soil, Louis decided to retreat. However, in his retreat he made a decision that would have absolutely devastating consequences for the Palatinate.

Louis XIV was worried that the mobilized German army would continue and invade France. To prevent this, Louis XIV implemented scorched earth policy as

the French made their way back to France. All the main cities and towns of the Palatinate were burned to the ground or destroyed. The German forces finally entered the Palatinate in 1689 laying siege to Mainz on the 22nd July. The siege ended on the 8th September when the French surrendered.] I want to take this opportunity to note that the [] insert is used to denote my comments or observations that are not in the original text. In this case it is the entire text of the online citation. <http://palatines.blogspot.com/2011/04/nine-years-war.html>

Original Settlement

The story of the East Coast Weisel family in North America began with the arrival in Philadelphia of George Michael Weisel and his family which consisted of his wife Susanna [Kiefer?] and either 6 or 7 children. They arrived in colonial Pennsylvania on 17 Oct, 1732 aboard the John and William, a pink (type of sailing ship) that had sailed from Rotterdam to Dover, England and thence from Europe to Philadelphia. (INTR_1) Colonial Pennsylvania was a proprietorship owned by the Penn family of England. It had been established in 1682 by the Quaker, William Penn who had received a grant of land in North America from King Charles II in settlement of debts owed by the king to Penn's father, an admiral in the British navy. William Penn was deceased by the end of July 1718 so our family's business was with his heirs. In 1743, George Michael Weisel purchased the land in Bedminster Township, Bucks County that became his plantation from the Penn heirs. (INTR_2) The deed was signed by Thomas Penn and John Penn. That year was eleven years after the family landed in Pennsylvania. It is likely that they came as redemptioners, that is they had signed a contract to work in return for someone paying their passage. Such contracts of indenture were usually for a period of seven years.

My comments from here on will follow the outline in the report "Ancestry and Descendants of Samuel Weisel (1828-1916) and Katharine Kober Weisel (1829-1914). Samuel was a great-great-grandson of the immigrant George Michael Weisel who was known by the name of Michael Weisel. We know his full name from the entry in the Tohickon Union Church records, page 133 in the bound copy of Church Records of the 17th and 18th Centuries: German Church Records – Volume I by F. Edward Wright where he is recorded as the witness or sponsor for

George Michael Heintz, son of Anthony Heintz and Apollonia Weisel Heintz. (INTR_3). The Tohickon Union Church was two congregations, one German Reformed and the other Lutheran which in the early days shared a building. Of the Weisel baptisms at Tohickon, about two thirds were in the Reformed congregation, one third in the Lutheran.

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Susanna Wysel
Barbara Wysel

Note: The above ship was the last arrival listed in 1732, the next entry is August 17, 1733

Alan Weisel

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1743 Weisel Land Purchase and 1757 Reassignment

Thomas Penn and John Penn Esquires true and absolute proprietaries and governors in chief of the province of Pennsylvania & counties of New Castle, Kent & Sussex on Delaware. To all to whom these presents shall come, Greetings. Whereas John Penn, Thomas Penn & Richard Penn Esquires late proprietaries of the said province by their Patent or Grant dated the Seventeenth Day of February 1743 did for the consideration therein mentioned give, grant, release & confirm unto Michael Wisel his heirs & assigns Two certain tracts of land. One of them situate in Bedminster Township Bucks County & Beginning at a small white oak marker thence by other land of Michael Wisel south west one hundred & fifty perches to a post, thence by vacant land north west one hundred & seventy two perches to a stone, thence by Michael Freilick north east seventy perches to a post, thence by James Kilpatrick's land the two xxx & distances next following north south east forty four perches to a stone, thence by John Woomans land south east one hundred & twenty eight perches to the place of beginning. Containing one hundred & thirty one acres and allowance of six percent for roads. And the other of them situate on a branch of Perkiomen Creek in the said County & beginning at a marked white oak sapling & extending thence by vacant land south west one hundred & fifty perches to a post thence by vacant land south east one hundred & seventy perches to a post thence by William Allen's land north east one hundred & fifty perches to a post thence by vacant land north west one hundred & seventy perches to the place of beginning, containing one hundred & fifty acres & allowance aforesaid. Together with the appurtenances to hold to him the said Michael Wisel his heirs & Assigns forever as by the said patent records at Philadelphia in Patent Book AA vol 13 page 369 more fully appears. And Whereas the said Michael Wisel did on the eighteenth day of February 1743 for the better securing the payment of the consideration in the said patent mentioned with the interest then thereon due, mortgage the said tracts of land unto the said proprietaries which said sum of money and the interest thereon due hath been since fully satisfied & discharged by the said Michael Wisel as appears by Lynford Gardners the then Receiver General's receipt endorsed on the said receipt mortgage and whereas the said Michael Wisel & Susanna his wife by their deed dated the tenth day of February 1757 did for the consideration therein mentioned grant & convey the said tracts of land with their appurtenances unto their son Jacob Wisel of Bedminster Township aforesaid Yeoman to hold to him his heirs & assigns forever. And Whereas the said Jacob Wisel hath now represented to us that the said Michael Wisel

was an alien born out of the Dominion & Allegiance of his Britannic Majesty at the time of our granting to him the said letters patent and that the said Jacob Wisel is a native of this province and hath therefore humbly besought us to release and confirm to him all the estate rights and title which hath, may or can accrue to us, our heirs and successors in or to the said two above described tracts of land by reason of the said Michael Wisel's being an alien as aforesaid and we being desirous on all occasions to show our willingness and reasonableness to encourage the cultivation and improvement of our said province and to favor the settlers thereof, have graciously condescended & agreed to release & relinquish such advantages as hath, can or may accrue to us, our heirs or successors thereby and fully to grant the said petitioner's request. Now therefore know ye that for and in consideration of the premium and of the sum of Five Shillings lawful money of our said province to our use paid by the said Jacob Wisel (the script whereof we hereby acknowledge) and of the yearly quit rents as before and herein reserved and capesfsied?, we have granted, released, remised, relinquished, quit claimed and confirm unto the said Jacob Wisel his heirs & assigns all the estate rights, titles, interest, property claim and demand whatever, both at law and in equity which hath, may or can accrue or appertain to us, our heirs or successors in or to the said two above described tracts of land by reason or means or on account of the said Michael Wisel's being an alien as aforesaid or anything relating thereto. To hold unto the said Jacob Wisel his heirs and assigns to and for the proper use and behoof of the said Jacob Wisel his heirs and Assigns forever under and subject and yielding and paying nevertheless unto us, our heirs and successors at or upon the first day of March in every year forever at our manor of Pennsbury in the said county one half penny sterling for every acre of the same or value thereof in coin current to such person or persons as shall from time to time be appointed to receive the same. Witness Richard Penn Esquire Lieutenant Governor or the said province who by virtue of certain powers and authorities to him for this purpose inlocalia granted by the said proprietaries hath hereunto set his hand and caused the Great Seal of the said province to be hereunto affixed at Philadelphia this seventeenth day of September in the year of our lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy two and in the twelfth year of the reign of King George the Third over Great Britain.

Recorded 6th Day

of February 1773

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Church Records of the 17th & 18th Centuries
German Church Records - Volume 1
F. Edward Wright

Birth and Baptisms - Tohickon Union Church (Reformed) Bucks County, Pennsylvania

- | Page # | Birth Information |
|--------|--|
| 134 | George Michael of Anthony Hens [Heintz] and Apollonia
b. Jul 20, 1746 bp Oct 20, 1746
Wit: George Michael Weissel |
| 134 | Catherine of Jacob Heintz and Magdalena
b. Jan 4, 1748 bp Jul 17, 1748
Wit: Michael Weissel and Catherine Angene |
| 134 | Jacob of Frederick Salade and Barbara
b. Jan 22, 1748 bp Jul 17, 1748
Wit: Jacob Weissel and Margaret Schist |
| 135 | John Jacob of Valentine Rohr and Barbara
bp. 1750
Wit. John Jacob Weissel |
| 136 | Frederick of Jacob Weissel and Margaret
bp. April 21, 1751
Wit. Blausis Beyer and Elizabeth |
| 137 | Maria Barbara of John Erhart Ros and wife
b. Oct 20, 1751
Wit: Frederick Salet and Maria Barbara |
| 137 | Magdalena of George Wildanger and Christina
bp Nov 3, 1751
Wit: Michael Weisel and Magdalena |
| 138 | Mary Elizabeth of Michael Weissel and Magdalena
bp. Oct 14, 1753
Wit: Rudolph Drach and wife |
| 141 | Anna Catherine of Jacob Weissel and Margaret
b. March 18. 1756 bp. June 6, 1756
Wit. Jacob Frey, Catherine Beyer |
| 143 | Maria Catherine of Michael Weissel and Magdalena
b. Dec. 3, 1755 bp. Apr. 19, 1756
Wit. John Keller amd Anna Maria |
| 149 | Hannah of Blalusis Beyer and Elizabeth
b. Dec. 20, 1756 bp. Apr. 22, 1758
Wit. Jacob Weisel and wife |

- 174 Maria Magdalena of Michael Weisel and Magdalena
b. Jun 23, 1776 bp. Aug 11, 1776
Wit: Jacob Berndt and Maria
- 175 Anna Magdalena of Michael Weisel and Catherine
b. Aug 21, 1779 bp. Sep 26, 1779
Wit: Michael Weisel and Anna Magdalena, grandparents
- 176 Elizabeth of Frederick Geres and wife
b. Mar. 24, 1782 bp. Jul 28, 1782
Wit: Michael Weisel and wife
- 178 Eva of Michael Weisel and wife
b. Dec. 22, 1783 bp. Mar. 28, 1784
Wit. Adam Drach and wife
- 180 John of George Weisel and wife
b. Mar. 2, 1785 bp. Feb. 28, 1786
Wit. Parents
- 180 Anna Maria of Peter Lang and Anna Maria
b. Apr. 20, 1788 bp. Sep. 28, 28, [1788]
Wit. George Weisel and Anna Maria
- 180 Susanna of Henry Weiser [Weisel] and Eva
b. Jun 30, 1788 bp. Bp. Jul. 27, [1788]
Wit. Philip Schellenberger and Susanna
- 181 Frederick of Valentine Geres and Charlotte
b. Jan. 14, 1789 bp. Jun. 7, 1789
Wit. Michael Weisel, Jr. And Catherine
- 181 Samuel of George Weisel and Elizabeth
b. Jun. 18, 1788 bp. Aug. 17, [1788]
Wit. Michael Weisel and Catherine
- 183 John George of Henry Weisel and Eva
b. Mar. 28, 1791 bp. Apr. 10, 1791
Wit. George Scheib and wife
- ? Samuel of Henry Eckel and Magdalena
b. Jan. 11, 1792 bp. Feb. 19, 1792
Wit: parents
- 184 Elizabeth of George Weisel and Elizabeth
b. Feb. 14, 1792 bp. Apr. 22, 1792
Wit. Parents
- 185 Daniel of Michael Weisel and Catherine
b. Jun. 9, 1792 bp. July 15, 1792
Wit. Parents
- 185 John of John Wiessel [Weissel] and Sarah
b. Apr. 4, 1793 bp. May 24, 1793
Wit. John Honig and wife
- 186 Joseph of Henry Weisel and Eva

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- b. Jul 10, 1793 bp. Ju.; 28, 1793
Wit. Parents
- 186 Catherine of George Weisel and Elizabeth
b. Aug. 13, 1793 bp. Oct. 16, [1793]
Wit. Catherine Weissel
- 188 Susanna of Michael Weisel and Maria
Jul. 24, 1795 bp. Oct. 4, 1795
Wit. Jacob Bissey and Susanna Worman
- 189 Margaret of George Weisel and Elizabeth
b. Jan. 16, 1796 bp. Mar. 29, [1796]
Wit. None listed
- 189 John Henry of Henry Weisel and Eva
b. Jan. 29, 1796 bp. Mar. 29 [1796]
Wit.?
- 190 Catherine of Michael Weisel and Maria
b. Feb. 22, 1797 bp. Jun. 3, 1797
Wit. Parents
- 191 Maria Magdalena of George Weissel, Jr. and Margaret
bp. Sep 3, 1797
Wit: Margaret Weissel
- 191 John George of George Weissel and Margaret
b. Nov 8, 1799 bp. Dec 15, 1799
Wit: George Scheib and Elizabeth
- ? Henry of Henry Eckel and Magdalena
b. Oct. 24, 1800 bp. Dec. 14, 1800
Wit: Henry Worman and Maria Herzel

Marriages - Tohickon Union Church (Reformed)

- 198 George Weisel to Elizabeth Hoenig Jan. 8, 1788
- 199 John Weisel and Sarah Honig Jun. 12, 1792
- 199 Michael Weisel and Maria Habach Aug. 10, 1794
- 199 George Weisel and Margaret Scheib Apr. 19, 1796
- 199 John Weisel and Margaret Schneider Sep. 29, 1796

Deaths and Burials - Tohickon Union Church (Reformed)

- 200 Child of Michael Weisel died Jul. 30, 1758
- 200 Child of Frederick Weisel died Jan. 26, 1758 buried Jan. 27
- 200 Jacob Weisel's child died Aug. 18, 1758 buried Aug. 20
- 204 David, son of Michael Weisel buried Aug. 7, 2 yr., 7 mos. [1792]

- 205 Elizabeth, daughter of George Weissel buried Jan. 24, 1 yr. 11 mos. [1794]
 205 Michael Weissel buried Jun. 24, 1796 age 76 years
 205 Jacob Weisel buried Apr. 29, 1797 age 72 years

Birth and Baptisms - Tohickon Union Church (Lutheran)

- 207 Anna Maria of Rudolf Drach and Maria Elizabeth
 b. Apr. 8, 1750 bp. May 24, 1750
 Wit. Conrad Kohl and Anna Maria
- 208 George Anthony of George Anthon Hons and Appolonia
 b. Jun. 3, 1753 bp. Oct. 3, 1753
 Wit: parents
- 211 Maria Margaret of Michael Weisel [and wife]
 b.? bp. Aug. 1, 1762
 Wit. Jacob Ahlem
- 213 Michael of Jacob Ahlem
 b. Oct. 27, 1760 bp. Nov.?
 Wit. Michael Weisel and Magdalena
- 215 Susanna of Henry Drach and wife
 b. Apr. 30, ? Bp. 2nd after Trinity
 Wit. George Ludwig Seipel and Susanna
- 219 John Henry of Michael Weisel and Catherine
 b. Jan 25, [1782] bp. Apr. 28, 1782
- 220 Hannah Magdalena of Adam Drach and Eva
 Dec. 16, 1783 bp. Apr. 28, 1782
 Wit. Henry Weisel and Hannah Egel
- 220 Susanna of John Luz and Magdalena
 b. Apr. 9, 1783 bp. Jun. 22, 1783
 Wit. Michael Weisel and Magdalena
- 226 Maria Magdalena of Philip Schellenberger and Susanna
 b. May 20, 1789 bp. Aug. 16, 1789
 Wit. Michael Weisel and Magdalena
- 226 David of Michael Weisel and Catherine
 b. Dec. 23, 1789 bp. Apr. 4, 1790
 Wit. Parents
- 227 John Joseph of Philip Stieber and Maria Elizabeth [Weisel]
 b. Jan. 4, 1790 bp. May 21, 1790
 Wit. Parents
- 230 Daniel of Philip Stieber and Maria Elizabeth [Weisel]
 b. Oct. 17, 1792 bp. May 12 1793
 Wit. Manes Jost and Elizabeth

SECTION B

FIRST GENERATION

NARRATIVE PAGES

B 1 – B 2

APPENDIX PAGES

FSTGEN 1 - FSTGEN 3

First Generation

The original Weisel family consisted of George Michael I, his wife, Susanna, and four boys and three girls with the oldest children being Frederick, Apollonia and Barbara. Along with their parents, these three were of adult age (most likely 16 and over) and took the oaths of Allegiance and Abjuration (FSTGEN_1) upon their arrival in Philadelphia. According to the Tohickon Church records, our ancestor, George Michael II died in 1796 at the age of 76 years (INTRO_3 ReDir page 205), making his birth year about 1720. He would have been a boy of twelve when he arrived in Philadelphia. His brother, Jacob, who was given the family plantation by his father's 1757 will, died in 1797 at the age of 72 years, making his birth year about 1725. He would have been a boy of seven when the family landed. George, the remaining male child is unaccounted for by age. He is listed in the church records as having died in 1802 but his age at death was not given so it is not possible to place him in a birth order by age. The will stipulates that Christina was the youngest daughter.

By way of background, the colonial authorities in Pennsylvania required all foreigners to take these oaths. The Glorious Revolution (1688-1689) had taken place in Britain during the course of which the Stuart king, James II went into exile in France. The last Stuart monarch, Queen Anne, died in 1714 without an heir and the Elector of Hanover, Germany became king of England as King George I of the House of Hanover. There had been a Jacobite uprising in Britain in 1715 where James' son (the Old Pretender) attempted to reclaim the throne for the Stuart line. This failed but another attempt was made in 1746 by Bonnie Prince Charlie (the Young Pretender) which also failed. The Weisel family emigrated from Europe in between these two political events. But as a result of the Jacobite uprisings, the colonial authorities were keen to prevent Jacobite sentiment from taking root in the colonies. While this precaution was the main reason for administering the Oaths of Allegiance and Abjuration (FSTGEN_2), it had the effect of giving us some additional information about the Weisel family.

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Alan Weisel

OATHS OF ALLEGIANCE AND ABJURATION

On September 14, 1727, Patrick Gordon, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Pennsylvania, called together the Provincial Council, and "acquainted the board, that he had called them together at this time to inform them that there is lately arrived from Holland, a ship with four hundred Palatines, as 'tis said, and that he has information they will be followed by a much greater Number, who design to settle in the back parts of this province; & as they transport themselves without any leave obtained from the Crown of Great Britain, and settle themselves upon the Proprietors untaken up Lands without any application to the Proprietor or his Commissioners of property, or to the Government in general, it would be highly necessary to concert proper measures for the peace and security of the province, which my be endangered by such numbers of Strangers daily poured in, who being ignorant of our Language & Laws, & settling in a body together, make as it were, a distinct people from his Majesties Subjects.

"The Board taking the same into their serious consideration, observe, that as these People pretended at first that they fly hither on the Score of their religious liberties, and come under the protection of His Majesty, it's requisite that in the first Place they should take the Oath of Allegiance, or some equivalent to it to His Majesty, and promise Fidelity to the Proprietor & obedience to our Established Constitution; And therefore, until some proper Remedy can be had from Home, to prevent the Importation of such numbers of Strangers int this or others of his Majesties Colonies.

" TIS ORDERED, that the Masters of the Vessells importing them shall be examined whether they have any leave granted them by the Court of Britain for the Importation of these Foreigners, and that a List shall be taken of the Names of all these People, their several Occupations, and the Places from whence they come, and shall be further examined touching their intentions in coming hither; And further, that a Writing be drawn up for them to sign declaring their Allegiance & Subjection to the King of Great Britain & Fidelity to the Proprietary of this Province, & that they will demean themselves peaceably towards all his Majesties Subjects, & strictly observe, and conform to the Laws of England and of the Government.

"At a Council held at the Courthouse of Philadelphia, September 21st, 1727. Present:

"The Honorable Patrick Gordon, Esq., Lieutenant Governor.

James Logan, William Fishbourn } Esq's.
Richard Hill

"A Paper being drawn up to be signed by those Palatines, who should come into this Province with an Intention to settle therein, pursuant to the order of this Board, was this day presented, read & approved, & is in these Words:

"We Subscribers, Natives and Late Inhabitants of the Palatinate upon the Rhine & Places adjacent, having transported ourselves and Families into this Province of Pennsylvania, a Colony subject to the Crown of Great Britain, in hopes and Expectation of finding a Retreat & peaceable Settlement therein, Do Solemnly promise & Engage, that We will be faithful & bear true allegiance to his present MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE SECOND, AND HIS Successors, Kings of Great Britain, and will be faithful to the Proprietor of this Province; And that we will demean ourselves peaceably to all His said Majesties Subjects, and strictly observe & conform to the Laws of England and of this Province, to the utmost of our Power and best of our understanding."

This declaration of allegiance is found at the head of all the papers, bearing the signatures of immigrants, marked B in the following pages. Beginning with August 19, 1729, the immigrants were required to sign two additional declarations, which were entered in a bound book. The latter in course of time became a series of bound books, to each of which these two declarations were prefixed. The signatures to these declarations are marked C in the following pages.

The two additional declarations, to which the immigrants affixed their signatures in the bound books, were as follows: "I A B do solemnly & sincerely promise & declare that I will be true & faithful to King George the Second and do solemnly sincerely and truly Profess Testify & Declare that I do from my Heart abhor, detest & renounce as impious & heretical that wicked Doctrine & Position that Princes Excommunicated or deprived by the Pope or any Authority of the See of Rome may be deposed or murdered by their Subjects or any other whatsoever. And I do declare that no Foreign Prince Person Prelate State or Potentate hat or ought to have any Power Jurisdiction Superiority Preeminence or Authority Ecclesiastical or Spiritual within the Realm of Great Britain or the Dominions thereunto belonging.

"I A B do solemnly sincerely and truly acknowledge profess testify & declare that King George the Second is lawful & rightful King of the Realm of Great Britain & of all others his Dominions & Countries thereunto belonging, And I do solemnly & sincerely declare that I do believe the Person pretending to be Prince of Wales during the Life of the late King James and since his Decease pretending to be & taking upon himself the Stile & Title of King of England by the Name of James the third, or of Scotland by the Name of James the Eighth or the Stile & Title of King of Great Britain hath not any Right or Title whatsoever to the Crown of the Realm of Great Britain, nor any other the Dominions thereunto belonging. And I do renounce & refuse any Allegiance or obedience to him & do solemnly promise that I will be true and faithful & bear true allegiance to King George the Second & to him will be faithful against all traitorous Conspiracies & attempts whatsoever which shall be made against his Person Crown & Dignity & I will do my best Endeavors to disclose & make known to King George the Second & his Successors all Treasons and traitorous Conspiracies which I shall Know to be made against him or any of them. And I will be true & faithful to the Succession of the Crown against him the said James & all other Persons whatsoever as the same is & stands settled by An Act Entitled An Act declaring the Rights & Liberties of the Subject & settling the Succession of the Crown to the late Queen Anne & the Heirs of her body being Protestants, and as the same by one other Act Entitled An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown & better securing the Rights & Liberties of the subject is & stands settled & entailed after the Decease of the said late Queen & for Default of Issue of the said late Queen, to the late Princess Sophia Electoress & Duchess Dowager of Hannover & the Heirs of here Body being Protestants; and all these things I do plainly & sincerely acknowledge promise & declare according to the plain & common Sense and understanding of the same Words, without any Equivocation mental Evasion or secret Reservation whatsoever. And I do make this Recognition Acknowledgment Renunciation & Promise heartily willingly & truly."

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The original translation is in City Hall, Philadelphia Book N: page 335

1757 Will of [George] Michael Weissel

I, Michael Weisel being at this time sick and weak but yet of sound understanding do hereby make my testament or last will in the words following: First it is my will that after my decease my heirs bury me in a Christian like manner and my soul I commend to the Lord God. Secondly, it is my will that all the movable goods wherewith God has blessed me shall be of my wife Susanna and she shall keep the same in her hands during her life and do therewith as she pleases and she shall have her living in the house where we now dwell agreeable to the contract made between myself and my son Jacob Wysel. Thirdly it is my will that all my children so as they are herein mentioned shall have their hereditary shares in manner following: first my son Jacob Weisel shall have my plantation and for the same he shall give to his brothers and sisters their hereditary shares, first to my eldest son 50 pounds in May Fair to wit, the 27th of May 1758 he shall give him 25 pounds and the 27th of May 1759 again 25 pounds which shall be his full hereditary share. Then to my second son Michael he shall give the 27th of May 1760 25 pounds and the 27th of May 1761 again 25 pounds which shall be his full hereditary share. Thirdly, to my eldest daughter Abolonia I do bequeath her hereditary portion as followeth to wit my son Jacob Weisel shall 1768 May 27th pay unto George Heintz the son of Andorry Heintz 25 pounds which shall be divided in equal parts among the children of Andorry Heintz and it is my will that my daughter Abolonia shall have in money one shilling sterling to be paid her by Jacob Weisel on the 27th of May 1769 which shall be her hereditary portion. Fourthly my son Jacob Weisel shall give to his brother George Weisel 50 pounds in two equal payments, the first payment to be made the 27th of May 1764 to wit 25 pounds and on the 27th of May 1765 again 25 pounds which shall be his hereditary share. Fifthly my daughter Barbara shall have 50 pounds in two equal payments 1766 the 27th of May she shall have 25 pounds and 1767 the 27th of May again 25 pounds which shall be her hereditary portion. Sixthly the child of my deceased daughter left behind her now living with her father George Wildanger, her name is Magdalena, shall instead of my youngest daughter deceased, have her hereditary portion of 50 pounds which money has been fully paid to George Wildanger and he, George Wildanger shall pay that 50 pounds to that child in two payments, on the 27th day of November 1770 he shall pay 25 pounds to that child and 1771 again 25 pounds which shall be the child's hereditary portion and it is my will that my son Michael Weisel shall be the guardian of the above named child and have in his keeping until she cometh to age the bonds belonging to that child and given for the use of the said child by her father George Wildanger which is my will wrote by me Michael Weisel and sealed and signed the 3rd of October in the year 1757.

Michael [seal]
Jacob x Wysel

Present witnesses --
Johanne Wurman John Keiffer

Louis Weiss of the city of Philadelphia, a scrivener, maketh oath that the foregoing is a true translation of an original writing in the German language purporting to be the last will and

testament of Michael Weisel deceased now remaining in the Register General Office at Philadelphia and that from the same original he the deponent has made and therewith compared the said translation as further saith not.

Sworn the 17th day of July 1770 before me

Benjamin Chew, Reg. Genl.

My Comments:

first named – named inheritor: Jacob
eldest son - not named: Frederick?
2nd son - named: Michael
eldest daughter - named: Abolonia
next son - named: George
next daughter - named: Barbara
next daughter - not named: Christina

SECTION C

SECOND GENERATION

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The Second Generation

All of the second generation, with the possible exception of Christina, were born in Europe and came with the family to British North America. The history of this generation should be viewed with the fact in mind that very little is known of Frederick, the eldest son. His name is mentioned only once in the Tohickon church records and that is connection with the death of his child in 1758. He apparently was not married in the church and none of his children were baptized at Tohickon. The number of his children is unknown. He did take the oath of citizenship and become a naturalized citizen using the Moravian sacrament of not swearing an oath. (SECGEN_1) The fact that he was a naturalized citizen using the Moravian sacrament suggests that he may have married a woman from a Moravian or Mennonite family.

The eldest daughter, Appolonia, married Anthony (Henz) Heintz and they had two sons who were baptized at Tohickon before the family left Pennsylvania and relocated to Baltimore, Maryland. Appolonia was essentially disinherited by her father and he left his grandchildren only a half share of his estate. The reason for this action is not known.

The second daughter, Maria Barbara, married Fredrick Sallade (Solliday), who was a descendant of a family that had emigrated from Switzerland. According to an account by William Davis titled "A Genealogical and Personal History of Bucks County, Pennsylvania", Frederick Solliday was a clockmaker. A number of their children were baptized at Tohickon.

The second son is Michael [designated by me as George Michael II] and he is our direct ancestor. He married Maria Magdalena [Trach?] and they had eight children of which seven (four boys and three girls) appear to have survived to become adults. The names of these children are shown on the Schedule titled

Children of George Michael II and Magdalena Weisel (SECGEN_2). There is confusion about George Michael II. There should not be however, if one considers the 1783 tax roll for Bedminster Township that is on file at the Spruance Library in Doylestown, PA (SECGEN_3). This tax roll lists Michael Sr. and Michael Jr. as landowners. Michael Sr. cannot be the immigrant, my supposition is that Michael Sr. is [George Michael II, b. abt. 1720 in Europe] while Michael Jr. is [George Michael III, b. 1750 in Pennsylvania]. This supposition is in accord with data in the Militia records of 1780-1781. The 1796 will of George Michael II [Michael Sr.] lists by name only the heirs to his property, i.e. Michael [George Michael III], Henry [John Henry] and George [George Ludwig] but not John (SECGEN_4)

Jacob Weisel was the designated heir to the plantation of immigrant George Michael I. One reason for this arrangement could have been that Jacob had also become a naturalized citizen and his father was anxious to protect the family landholding from usurpation as much as possible. Jacob's naturalization record is not as clear cut as that of Frederick since it is recorded twice with the surnames misspelled. However, it should be noted that he also took the oath using the Moravian sacrament which may mean that the Weisel family's indenture may have been held by a Mennonite which may have influenced the actions of both Frederick and Jacob. (SECGEN_5) He married Anna Margaret [Schist?] and they had seven children. Their names and birth information are shown in the schedule titled Biographical Information on Children of Jacob and Anna Margaret Weisel of Bedminster Township, Bucks, County, PA (SECGEN_6). Jacob and Margaret's children were peripatetic, three of their sons went to Maryland, although not all at the same time. Daniel went first, he is listed in the 1790 U.S. Census for Washington County, Maryland under the name of Daniel Wysel. In the early days, Daniel was a tanner of leather. From the Bucks County court records, we know that his brother, Jacob, was a shoemaker (cobbler). (SECGEN_7) It is believed that another brother, John (SECGEN_8), had the same occupation and that the two followed their brother, Daniel, to Maryland. For additional information about the Maryland Weisels, please see the piece titled History of the Maryland Weisels excerpted from the 1936 program of the Weisel Family Reunion. (SECGEN_9) The information is not attributed but is believed to have been written by Calvin Kephart. Two other sons, Frederick and George left Bucks County in the early

1800s and settled in Lycoming County, PA near present day Williamsport. Jacob died without a will, Letters of Administration for his estate mention only three of his sons, Frederick, George and Daniel who was living in Maryland. (SECGEN_10)

George Weisel married Anna Maria [Weirbach?] and relocated from Bedminster Township to Richland Township, Bucks County. They had a total of eight children, all of whom were baptized in the Tohickon church (SECGEN_11). This branch is a complicated family story which can be deduced from reading the statement Migration of the Weisel Family of Richland Township (SECGEN_12). Of the five boys, four of them migrated from Bucks County to Bedford County in south central Pennsylvania. The absence of three of the five sons is reflected in the 1798 will of George Weisel. (SECGEN_13). His wife had predeceased him and he divides his plantation between Joseph and Peter. Joseph, the fifth son, stayed in Bucks County but died young. His 1827 will leaves his estate to his wife, Catherine and their children. (SECGEN_14) Peter was still living in Bucks County at the time but later joined his brothers in Bedford County. George died in 1802 but unfortunately, the church records do not give his age at death. The history of this family is comingled with our own, the line of John Weisel, son of George Michael II and Magdalena who migrated from Bucks to Bedford County before 1800. The Bedford County tax roll for 1795 on file at the Bedford County Historical Society lists George Weisel and John Weisel as married men, with Jacob Weisel as a single man. This John Weisel cannot be John Weisel of Richland Township as he was not yet married. His marriage to Margaret Schneider in 1796 is listed in the Tohickon Church records (INTRO_3 ReDir page 199). Some additional notes giving some of the reasoning behind the above story are shown in History of the Weisel Family of Richland Township. (SECGEN_15)

Christina, the youngest child, married George Wildanger and had one child, a daughter named Magdalena (INTRO_3 ReDir page 137). Christina predeceased her father but George Michael I took special care of his granddaughter by giving her a full share of his estate and setting his son, Michael Weisel, as guardian with instructions that she was to receive her share when she became of age. Magdalena married after reaching adulthood.

SEGEN - 1

Naturalization Records

Pennsylvania Archives; Series II, Vol. 2, page 430

On the 10th and 12th days of April, 1762, at the said Supreme Court, the following persons [took the oath of citizenship]

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At the same court, the following persons, being Quakers or such who conscientiously refuse to take an oath:

Frederick Weisel, Bucks County

William Allen, Chief Justice

Commentary: Frederick Weisel appears to be our Frederick Weisel with correct spelling. It is believed that he married a Mennonite, Quaker or Moravian woman which would account for his affirming instead of swearing the oath.

The above commentary provided by H. Alan Weisel
July 12, 2007

SEGEN - 2

All Children born to [George] Michael, Sr. (II) and Magdalena Weisel

- xxx George Michael Weisel, Jr. (III) b. [Oct. 18, 1750 by calculation]
bp. April 16, 1751, aged 6 months Augustus Evangelical Lutheran Church,
Trappe, PA
Sp.: Jurg Michael Weisel [Sr.]
- 138 Maria Elizabeth of Michael Weissel and Magdalena [Married Philip Stieber]
bp. Oct 14, 1753
Wit: Rudolph Drach and wife
- 143 Maria Catherine of Michael Weissel and Magdalena
b. Dec. 3, 1755 bp. Apr. 19, 1756
Wit. John Keller and Anna Maria
- 150 Veronica of Michael and Magdalena
b. Mar 15, 1758 bp. Apr 23, 1758
Wit: William Chaffer (?) and wife
- 200 Child of Michael Weisel died Jul. 30, 1758 [Could be either Maria Catherine or
Veronica, but more likely the latter]
- xxx [John] Henry Weisel of Michael and Magdalena
b. ca 1760 [no church records for this birth - named in father's will]
- 211 Maria Margaret of Michael Weissel [Baptized in Lutheran congregation]
b. ? bp. Aug. 1, 1762
Wit: Jacob Alem
- 165 John of Michael Weisel and Magdalena [Moved to Bedford County after
1793,
b. Aug 28, 1767 bp. Nov 29, 1767 not named in father's will]
Wit: John Keller and wife
- 171 George Ludwig of Michael Weisel and Magdalena
b. Mar. 11, 1773 bp. Jun 20, 1773
Wit: George Ludwig Seipel and Catherine
- 174 Maria Magdalena of Michael Weisel and Magdalena
b. Jun 23, 1776 bp. Aug 11, 1776
Wit: Jacob Berndt and Maria

Prepared by H. Alan Weisel
April 13, 2006

Children of [George] Michael Weisel II, [Michael Sr.] and Magdalena

Based on Notes and Analysis of Tohickon Church Records, Wills, and
Tombstone Inscriptions

	Year	Page #
Jorg Michael	1750	(1)
Mary Elizabeth	1753	138
Maria Catherine	1755	143
Veronica	1758	150
Henry	1760	(2)
John	1767	165
George Ludwig	1773	171
Maria Magdalena	1776	174

Michael Weisel's will of 1796 divides his estate between his sons, Michael, Henry and George. The will unfortunately does not mention the name of his wife, his son, John Weisel or any of his daughters. Based on the Augustus Evangelical Lutheran Church records, Michael Weisel, Sr. and Magdalena are parents of four sons instead of just the two that my father's diagram shows. Jorg Michael [Jr.] was baptized in October of 1750 (1) in Trappe, PA.

The Tohickon records show a child of Michael Weisel having died in 1758. There is no record elsewhere of a John Weisel. It appears that the child could have been either Maria Catherine or Veronica but it could not have been John or any of the children born after 1758. Based on recent information, it could not have been Mary Elizabeth because she married Philip Steaver [Stiever] of Haycock Township and in 1807 she petitions the court to appoint her son, Peter Steever, and her brother, Henry, to administer her husband's estate. Steiver served as a militia soldier during the Revolutionary War.

The name Henry doesn't show up at all in the Tohickon Church baptismal records. Could the John Weisel b. 1767 in reality be John Henry Weisel? No, recent evidence exists that John Weisel b. 1767 removed to Bedford County prior to 1800 and died there in 1844. But there are three places where records of a Henry Weisel exist. First, the Pennsylvania Archives show a Hanry Weisel serving in Captain McHenry's company. Secondly, there are a number of baptisms for children of Henry Weisel and his wife, Eva in the church records. Finally, there is a Henry Weisel buried in the Tohickon Union Cemetery. The inscription on his tombstone reads 6 Apr, 1760 - 26 May, 1830 and has a Revolutionary War marker (2).

SECTION - 3

Tax Rolls of Bedminster Township
Source: Spruance Library

1783 Tax Roll	Land
William Wigton	
Michael Wisel Jr.	75
Michael Wisel Sr.	210
Michael Leizing?	
Jacob Wisel	150

1793 Tax Roll	
Ludwig Wildonger	
Bartle White	
Jacob Wisel	---
George Wisel	150
Michael Wisel	80
Michael Wisel Jr.	75
Henry Wisel	197
John Wineberry	
John Wisel	---

1796 Tax Roll	
Bartel White	
Jacob Wildonger	
George Wisel	

Michael Wisel
Michael Wisel Jr.
Henry Wisel
John Wineberry
My note [John Wisel not present]

1798 Tax Roll

Bartel White
Jacob Wildonger
George Wisel and Michael Weisel [Jr.]
Henry Wisel
John Wineberry

1800 Tax Roll

Jacob Wildonger
Henry Lee Estate
George Wisel 80
Henry Wisel 198
John Wineberry

1802 Tax Roll

Jacob Wildonger
George Wisel 80
Henry Wisel 200

SEEGEN - 4

1796 Will of [George] Michael Weisel II, a.k.a. Michael, Sr.

In the name of God Amen I Michael Weisel of he township of Bedminster & County of Bucks being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind & memory blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First I give and devise to my son George Weisel his heirs and assigns my plantation I now live on with part of a lot or tract of meadow ground containing ten acres adjoining to my sons Henry's plantation, the said lot to be divided by a straight line from the one side to the other and to cross the creek at a certain log that is over said creek, he, my son George, to have the under part that joins the great road, the other part I give and devise to my son Henry, his heirs and assigns and I do order that my two sons Henry and George shall have the land I have so given and devised to each of them at the sum of five pounds per acre. Also I give and devise to my two sons Michael Weisel and George Weisel their heirs and assigns a piece or tract of land I have adjoining Jacob Houbers land & Henry Silven's and containing about twenty five acres share and share alike in said land. Each of my said two sons Michael and George to pay the sum of five pounds for said tract & no more and as I have a small lot of land lying between my son Michael Weisel's plantation and my son Henry's plantation, it is my will and I do order that the same be & remain in common for the benefit of water for their cattle. Also it is my will and I do order that my widow shall be and remain on my place where I now live after my decease and to have the use of my house and all my household furniture during the term of her natural life and after her decease, that the same be sold to together with the remainder of my personal estate to the best advantage. And further it is my will and I do order for the support and maintenance of my widow that my son George his heirs and assigns shall give her yearly ten bushels of rye, four bushels of wheat, two bushels of Indian corn and one hundred weight of beef and one hundred weight of porke and shall also keep two coves for her use both summer and winter with his own cattle and shall also cut and haul home her firewood yearly and plow and sowe a quarter of an acre of flax ground and further I do order that my son George Weisel shall pay for the land and plantation which I have given and devised to him in manner following that to say the sum of fifty pounds part thereof at the end of one year after my decease and on fifty pounds per year until the whole is paid and also my son Henry Weisel shall pay the amount of his part of the meadow ground to him given as before mentioned in one year after my decease and also my son Michael and my son George shall pay the amount of the lot of wood land which I have given to them at the end of one year after my decease. And further it is my will and I do order that my sons Michael, Henry and George shall have equal shares with the rest of my children out of the money arising out of my real and personal estate and each of my children shall have equal share and share alike in the whole of my estate.

And lastly I do hereby constitute my son Michael Weisel and my son Henry Weisel executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety six.

Signed sealed published and declared by the named Michael Weisel to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names and witnesses in the presence of the testator.

Michael Weisel (his mark)

My notes: Michael Weisel [Sr.] is the son of the immigrant George Michael Weisel

SEGGER 5

Naturalization Records

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On April 11, 1749; at the same Supreme Court, the following persons [took the oath of citizenship]

At the same court, the following persons, being Quakers or such who conscientiously refuse to take an oath:

Jacob Wetzell, Bucks County

Commentary: This entry is believed to be Jacob Weisel since we know by the transfer of land from George Michael Weisel to Jacob that the son was a naturalized citizen at the time of the transfer in 1757. Jacob would have been 24 years of age. The County matches where Jacob would have been resident in 1749 and was about one year before his marriage to Anna Margaret [Shist?]. Their first child, a son, Frederick, was born in 1751. I thought I remembered this name being listed as Weisle but it is shown as noted above in this file. I haven't checked the Archives reference to see which is correct. One comes across various spellings for our family name in different places.

The reason for Jacob to affirm instead of swearing the oath is more problematic than is the case for Frederick. It is possible that the Weisel family indenture was bought by either a Quaker or Mennonite landowner and the Weisel family became imprinted with their indenture holder's philosophy toward oath taking. This seems plausible since neither George Michael or Frederick had any scruples about taking the Oaths of Allegiance [to King George II] and Abjuration when they arrived in Philadelphia in 1732..

Naturalization Records

Pennsylvania Archives; Series II, Vol. 2, page 359

On April 11, 12, 13, 1743, at the said Supreme Court, the following persons [took the oath of citizenship] continued below

At the same court, the following persons, being Quakers or such who conscientiously refuse to take an oath:

Jacob Wise, Philadelphia County

Commentary: This entry, the site of which could be either present day Philadelphia or Montgomery county, may be the least likely to represent Jacob Weisel. The site does not correlate with Jacob's probable place of residence in 1743 since his father, George Michael Weisel, purchased his plantation in Bedminster Township, Bucks County in February of 1743. But if the family were living in Philadelphia County in 1743, it is possible that Jacob took an oath of citizenship in that place and later decided to take the oath a second time in Bucks County before his marriage. If he did so, the above information would indicate he would have been a young man 18 years of age in 1743. This would have been unusual foresight on his part or perhaps parental influence to ensure that at least one member of the family was a naturalized citizen.

It is known from the deed transferring the land in February of 1757 from his father, George Michael, to Jacob that Jacob, by that time, was a "native" or naturalized citizen. Since this was more than a decade before his death, George Michael evidently believed that in order to protect his family's right to the property, it needed to be registered in the name of a person who was a citizen of Pennsylvania, hence the decision to give the land to Jacob with legally enforceable obligations which would protect the estate rights of his other children who received monetary compensation instead of property.

The above commentaries provided by H. Alan Weisel
July 12, 2007

SECGEN - 6

Biographical Information on Children of John Jacob and Anna Margaret Weisel
of Bedminster Township, Bucks County, PA

Children of Jacob and Margaret Weisel:

Frederick b. April 21, 1751 (1); d. ca. 1828 Lycoming County PA (2)

Jacob b. August 5, 1753 (3); d. Williamsport, MD Oct. 31, 1812 (3)

Anna Catherine b. March 18, 1756 (1) probably deceased (4)

John b. July 6, 1758 (1) probably died in Pennsylvania after living in
Maryland in
1810

George b. June 29, 1761 (1); d. ca. 1835 Lycoming County, PA (2)

Daniel b. April 19, 1765 (3); d. Williamsport, MD May 19, 1825 (3)

•Maria Elizabeth b. 1769, bp. October 1, 1769 (1)

Sources: (1) Tohickon Union Church records, Bedminster Township, Bucks County, PA
(2) Lycoming Gazette, Williamsport, PA
(3) Riverview Cemetery records, Williamsport, MD
(4) Jacob Weisel's child died Aug. 18, 1758 buried Aug. 20 [based on the year, this
could be either Anna Catherine or John but the term "child" usually refers to a
daughter, while a son was called a son]

Biographical Information on Children of Jacob and Margaret Weisel
of Bedminster Township, Bucks County, PA

Marriages - Tohickon Union Church (Reformed)

George Weisel and Elizabeth Hoenig January 8, 1788 Page 198

Birth and Baptisms - Tohickon Union Church (Reformed)

Children of Jacob Weisel:

Frederick b. April 21, 1751 (1); d. Lycoming County PA (2)
Jacob b. August 5, 1753 (3); d. Williamsport, MD Oct. 31, 1812 (3)
Anna Catherine b. March 18, 1756 (1) possibly deceased (1)
John b. July 6, 1758 (1)
George b. June 29, 1761 (1); d. Lycoming County, PA (2)
Daniel b. April 19, 1765 (3); d. Williamsport, MD May 19, 1825 (3)
Maria Elizabeth b. September, 1769 (1)

Sources: (1) Tohickon Church records
(2) Lycoming Gazette
(3) Riverview Cemetery records, Williamsport, MD

Page 200 Jacob Weisel's child died Aug. 18, 1758 buried Aug. 20

Commentary: This could be the son, John Weisel, but the phrasing indicates that it probably is a girl, which in this case would be Anna Catherine. In other such cases, when the child is a boy, the phrasing "son of" is used, for example: David, son of Michael Weisel buried Aug. 7, 2 yr., 7 mths. [1792]

Commentary: It is known that Jacob and Daniel went to Washington County Maryland and died there. It is believed from data in the 1810 US Census for Washington County, Maryland that John Weitzel [Weisel?] also went to Washington County with his brothers but he did not die and leave an estate in Washington County. Frederick and George both went to live in Lycoming County, Pennsylvania and it may be that John Weisel joined them in Pennsylvania after his brother Jacob died in 1812.

1810 Census Washington County, Williamsport, Maryland Roll 16

John Weitzel Page 473, line 7

Males
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 2
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0

SECTION - 7

Bucks County, PA
Miscellaneous Deed Dockets
Thomas G. Myers

page 11 Elizabeth Salliday, widow of Frederick Salliday, Jr., late of Bedminster Twp. acknowledges payment of estate by administrator Michael Weisel, Jr.

Reference: Book 1, page 258 April 14, 1786

page 11 Frederick Salliday, late of Bedminster Twp. Died intestate leaving four children: Immanuel, John, Catherine and Frederick, all minors, for whom Michael Weisel of Bedminster Twp. was appointed guardian. Immanuel [Emmanuel] Salliday, eldest son, now 21, acknowledges payment of estate by his guardian

Reference: Book 1, page 258 February 22, 1794

page 36 Jacob Weisel of Washington County, MD, shoemaker, gives power of attorney to Daniel Weisel of Washington County, tanner, to recover money from George Weisel, administrator of Jacob Weisel late of Bucks County.

Reference: Book 3, page 12 April 6, 1809

page 153 Michael G. Wisal of Ulysses, Tomkins County, NY gives power of attorney to friend William McIntire of Tincum Twp. to recover estate due from father Michael Wisel, late of Tincum Twp. which had been held by his wife, Mary, now deceased.

Reference: Book 6, page 127 October 15, 1830

page 154 William McIntire, of Tincum Twp., attorney for Michael G. Weisel, son of Michael Weisel, late of Tincum Twp., acknowledges payment of estate by executors Jacob Bissey and Nicholas Swartz.

Reference: Book 6, page 132 November 19, 1830

page 166 Joseph Weisel and wife Susanna (widow of Philip Fulmer) acknowledge payment by Jacob N. Fulmer and Conrad Harpel, Philip's administrators

Reference: Book 6, page 277 December 26, 1831

SECTION 8

1810 Census - Same as 1800. Name of household,; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1810 Census Washington County, Williamsport, Maryland Roll 16

Daniel Weisel Page 470, line 10

Males
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 1
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

1810 Census Washington County, Williamsport, Maryland Roll 16

Jacob Weisel Page 473, line 2

Males
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 0

1810 Census Washington County, Williamsport, Maryland Roll 16

John Weitzel Page 473, line 7

Males
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 2

16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 2

Commentary: The family described in this 1810 census was headed by a male over 45 years of age. John Weisel, son of Jacob and Margaret Weisel was born July 6, 1758 (1) which would make him 52 years of age in 1810. He could be our John Weisel. According to the Washington County Register of Wills, this person did not leave an estate in Washington County, Maryland.

SEGGEN - 9

The following is a transcript of part of the 1936 Weisel Reunion [not Descendants of Samuel and Catherine but the Weisel Association Reunion] which contained this history of the Maryland Weisel's. This information may have been prepared by Calvin Kephart.

History of the Maryland Weisels

Brief mention has been made at earlier reunions of the Maryland branch of the Weisel family of Bucks County. It is now fitting that some of the facts of this illustrious group should be made known.

Jacob Weisel, Sr., son of the colonial pioneers, born about 1726, married Anna Margaret _____ (surname not known) early in 1750 and they had the following children:

- (1) Frederick, born January 1, 1751, died unmarried? [Where did Jacob Weisel b. 1802 come from?] at Williamsport, PA on November 1, 1838;
- (2) Jacob, Jr., born August 5, 1753; more later
- (3) Anna Catherine, born March 18, 1756, died August 18, 1758;
- (4) John born July 6, 1758; no further data;
- (5) George, born January 29, 1761; married Elizabeth Hoenig (Haney) January 18, 1788, born March 18, 1760, died March 8, 1853; descendants around Williamsport, PA;
- (6) Henry (?); uncertainty as to this name
- (7) Daniel, born April 10, 1765; more later;
- (8) Maria Elizabeth, born July 9, 1769, died September 14, 1840, unmarried, at Williamsport, PA.

In our struggle for independence, Jacob, Sr. served as an ensign and First Lieutenant and Frederick as a private in the Bucks County militia and Jacob, Jr. served as a gunner in Captain Joseph Watkins' 1st Company, Artillery Battalion, of Philadelphia. [Thus far it has been confirmed only that Frederick Weisel and George Weisel b. 1761 served in the Bedminster Township unit of the Bucks County militia.] In 1786 the brothers Jacob, Jr. and Daniel migrated to the later-named Williamsport, MD, southwest of Hagerstown. Jacob, Jr. died unmarried on October 31, 1812 and was buried there. Daniel associated himself with a Mr. Humrichhouse in the merchandise business there and about 1790 married Margaret Startzman, born September 16, 1773, died July 28, 1817, daughter of Henry and Eve Startzman. Their house was one of the first to be erected on the banks of the Potomac River in that region.

[Item 304 in the Distribution of Estate Accounts for Washington County lists: Startzman, Eve and Henry: Adm. David 4/12/1828, Share held by George Householder for estate of Daniel Weisell, Martin, Henry, heirs of Margaret Weisel, Juliana Householder, Susannah Firey, David, Eve Kershner]

[The Washington County cemetery records for Riverview Cemetery list the following:

Weisel, Jacob b. 5 Aug. 1753; d. 31 Oct. 1812

Weisel, Margaret b. 16 Sep. 1773; d. 28 Jul 1817

Weisel, Daniel, Sr. b. in Bucks County, PA 19 Apr. 1765; d. 19 May 1825]

Their children were:

- (1) Jacob, born May 2, 1791
- (2) Elizabeth, born November 17, 1792
- (3) George, born January 29, 1795
- (4) Sarah, born 1797; married Skipworth Wilson; issue
- (5) Mary, born December 6, 1799; unmarried; died April 4, 1846
- (6) Daniel, Jr., born January 25, 1803; more below
- (7) Margaret, born October 11, 1807; married Jacob Roth (Rhode) Jr.; issue

- (8) Samuel, born May 16, 1810; more below
- (9) Susanna, born October 11, 1813; married Adam Shoop; issue

[There were no births of Weisel children in the records of the Reformed church in Williamsport, and only two births from church records of the Zion Lutheran church in Williamsport, MD:

p. 110: Sara of Daniel Weisel and wife Margaretha b. Feb. 25, 1797 bap. May 14, 1797, Witness: Juliana Startzman

p. 111: A. Maria of Daniel Weisel and wife Margaretha b. Dec. 6, 1799 bap. Mar. 16, 1800, Witness: Eva Startzman]

Riverview Cemetery records have the following information:

Weisel, Mary 3rd d/o Daniel and Margaret Weisel b. 6 Dec. 1799, d. 4 Apr. 1846

Shoop, A. d 26 Feb. 1873 age 65 yr, 8 mo, 22 da
Shoop, Susan w/o A. Shoop d. 23 Jan 1907 age 93 yr, 3 mo, 12 da

Rhode, Jacob Jr., b. 2 Jul 1804, d. 9 May 1875
Rhode, Margaret w/o Jacob Rhode b. 5 Oct. 1807, d. 8 Mar. 1870

Additional Weisel burials in this cemetery are:

Weisel, Dr. Samuel b. 10 May 1810, d. 26 Jan. 1872
Weisel, Susan M. w/o Dr. Samuel Weisel d. 26 Dec. 1898 age 89 yr.

Weisel, Samuel L. s/o Dr. Samuel and Susan M. Weisel d. 9 Jan. age 36 yr.

Weisel, Dr. Edmund T. 2nd s/o Dr. Samuel and Susan M. Weisel b. 12 Oct. 1840, d. 3 Mar. 1870

Weisel, Marion E. b. 28 Nov. 1844, d. 25 Feb. 1890

Daniel Weisel, Jr. was graduated from Princeton College in 1824 and immediately entered the office of Attorney Hoffman at Baltimore. While there he was graduated from the Baltimore Law School. In 1826 he was admitted to the Maryland Bar and the same year married Matilda, daughter of Amos and Sarah Teresa (Williams) Davis, the latter a niece of General Otho Holland Williams. [In "Marriages of Washington County, MD 1799-1830", compiled by Dale W. Morrow, records a marriage of Weisel (Weisel) Daniel/Matilda Davis 10/16/1827, Minister: Kellar] In 1830, with a Mr. Tice, he established the "Republican Banner", a Whig newspaper, at Williamsport. His editorials were so able and forcible as to attract widespread attention, including the publishers of the "National Intelligencer". In 1838 they moved to Hagerstown, where he gained a lucrative law practice. From 1847 to 1852 he was Associate Justice of the Judicial District comprising Frederick, Washington, and Allegheny Counties, when by a constitutional change the court was supplanted by the single judge system. In 1861 he was elected Judge of the 6th Judicial Circuit, comprising Washington and Allegheny Counties, and in 1864 he became a judge of the Court of Appeals of the state, going out of office with another constitutional change in the judicial system in 1867. He thereupon resumed private practice.

In 1868 he was Republican candidate for Congress in the 6th District, reducing the normal opposition majority from 2800 to 480. That year he was awarded the honorary degree of L.L.D. by his alma mater, Princeton College. In 1872 he was Delegate-at-large from Maryland to the National Republican Convention that nominated Grant and Wilson.

Judge Weisel was a founder of the Williamsport Bank and its president for many years. His benefactions were numerous and he was an ardent advocate of education. He participated in the promotion and

SECGEN - 1

1797 Administration Papers of Jacob Weisel

Registrar's Office, Bucks County

The heirs, Creditors, and other persons interested are desired to take notice that George Weisel, Administrator of Jacob Weisel, late of the township of Bedminster, deceased, has filed in this office the accounts of his Administration to the Estate of the said deceased, and that the same will be presented, for approbation and allowance, to an Orphan's Court, to be held at Newtown, in and for the said County of Bucks, on the thirtieth day of May next at 10 o'clock A.M.

Registrar

Know all men by these presents, that I Frederick Wisley of Bedminster Township, eldest son that is now in this state of Jacob Wisely, late of Pa, same place deceased, do by these presents renounce, release and quit claim to the Administration of the goods and chattel rights and credits whatsoever, which were of the said deceased, and desire that the same may be committed to my brother George Wisley, or to such persons as may be instituted thereto. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty third day of August, Anno Domini 1797.

We, the auditors appointed to adjust and settle the accounts of George Weisel, Administrator of the Estate of Jacob Weisel deceased do report that upon examination of the accounts we find a balance of seven hundred and thirty two pounds and one shilling and five pence in the hands of the administrator. We also find that Daniel Weisel, one of the heirs, had received from his father Jacob Weisel, on the second day of January 1793, the sum of seventy three pounds, eleven shillings and nine pence which we have considered as an advancement. Therefore he will not be entitled to receive a child's full share out of the above balance but only the sum of thirty five pounds, seventeen shillings, eight pence, the residue to be distributed among the other heirs of the said Jacob Weisel deceased, agreeably to the accounts for the distribution of Intestate Estates. Witness our hands this nineteenth day of November Anno Domini One thousand eight hundred and eight - 1808.

William Erwin
Ralph Stover
Geo. Burges

My notes: Children named in the Administration Papers:

Frederick, the eldest [living in Pennsylvania at time of settlement]
George [living in Pennsylvania at time of settlement]
Daniel [living in Maryland at time of settlement]

Notes on the 1797 Administration Papers of Jacob Weisel

Administration of the Estate of Jacob Weisel

(Handwritten)

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Witness Present

Michael Weissell

(Printed with names written in)

Register's Office, Bucks County April 20th, 1809

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Register

My notes: the witness, Michael Weissell was very likely Michael Weisel, Jr., a son of Michael Weisel, Sr. and nephew of Jacob Weisel. George Weisel is very likely he who later removed to Lycoming County.

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Pg Children of George and Anna Maria Weisel of Bedminster Township
And later of Richland Township

- None Jacob of George and Maria? May have been son of Jacob Weisel
b. Feb. 20, 1754 (Source - Revolutionary War Pension Files)
- 151 John [George?] of George Weisel and Maria
b. [Apr. 5, 1758 bp. Aug. 20, 1758
Wit. Parents
- 160 Catherine of George Weisel and Anna Maria
b. Sept. 5, 1760 bp. Nov. 9, 1760
Wit. Parents
- 164 John Peter of George Weisel and Maria
b. Aug. 10, 1766 bp. Nov. 16, 1766
Wit. John Peter Henrich and Anna Maria
- 166 John of George Weisel and Anna Maria
b. Sept. 9, [1768] bp. Oct. 30, 1768
Wit. Parents

George's father, George Michael died about 1770. When did George Weisel and family move to Richland Township and were other children born in and baptized there?

George Weisel's 1798 will names Peter, Joseph, Jacob, Mary and Sarah. It also indicates there are other, unnamed children.

- 180 John [Joseph?] of George Weisel and wife [Did George Weisel remarry? Or was this a different George Weisel?]
b. Mar. 2, 1785 bp. Feb. 28, 1786
Wit. Parents

SECGEN - 12

Migration of the Weisel Family of Richland Township to Bedford County

From Bucks County Orphans Court proceedings:

File #4997
October 29, 1838

Mary Weisel, Richland Township, Bucks County

No issue but siblings George Weisel (in Bedford County), Jacob (in Bedford County), Peter (in Bedford County), John (in Bedford County), Elizabeth (wife of Benjamin Stein of Philadelphia), Joseph (deceased, children Michael, John, Livina - wife of Dr. Charles Meredith, Joseph, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Henry, last four minors). Owned 64 acres.

Commentary: George Weisel died 1802.

From the History of Tohickon Union Church
By Rev. William John Hinke

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SEEGEN - 14

1827 Will of Joseph Weisel

I, Joseph Wisel of Richland Township, Bucks County, State of Pennsylvania, yeoman, being weak in body but of sound disposing mind and memory thanks be given to the Almighty for the same, do make and put in writing this my last will and testament in manner following:

First I order and direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be [illegible] paid.

Item: I give and bequeath all my wearing apparel unto my two sons John and Michael to be equally divided between them.

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Catherine, a feather bed bedstead and sufficient bedclothes for the winter season, case of drawers, table she brought with her and four chairs to be at her own disposal and also a milch cow and two hogs[?]

Item: It is my will that there shall be sufficient bread, corn and meat if there is sufficient on hand left for the use of my family for six months after my decease.

Item: It is my will and I order and direct my executors herein after named to sell at publick or private sale all my lands and [illegible] with the buildings and appurténances to the highest and best bidder and also all my personal estate which is not herein before [illegible] as soon as may be the most convenient time after my decease, hereby authorizing and empowering my executor hereinafter named to make and execute a good and lawful deed or title to the purchase of my plantation.

Item: It is my will that after all my just debts are paid that all the remainder of my estate shall be divided as follows:

Item: One third part thereof I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Catherine, during the time she remains my widow which said one third shall be put on interest and the interest paid unto her yearly during the time aforesaid.

Item: It is my will and I give and bequeath the remaining two thirds of my estate unto all my children to be equally divided between them share and share alike or their heirs.

Item: It is my will that after the decease or marriage of my beloved wife, the said one third herein before left for her use shall be equally divided between all my children or their heirs.

Item: Whereas my brother Peter has left me to collect his rents which said rent is locked up with his other papers in my possession which I direct shall not be taken account of in the inventory at my decease but given up to him when called for.

Lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Catherine, and my brother-in-law Henry Heller to be my executors of this my last will and testament. In witness thereof, I said Joseph Wisel, have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of April in the year of our Lord, One thousand Seven hundred and Twenty Seven.

History of the Weisel Family of Richland Township

This family had a penchant for baptizing their sons with the name "John". For confirmation, see the information below which is taken from Tohickon Church records and the inferences are believed to be correct as of December 12, 2005.

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Weisel, Mr. John, Sr., b. 1768 [date?] Bucks County d. 12/24/1864 at his residence in St. Clair

[He would have been 96 years of age, not impossible but questionable. But the data is supported by the following entry in the Tohickon Union church records.]

p. 166 John of George Weisel and Anna Maria
b. Sept. 9, [1768] bp. Oct. 30, 1768
Wit. Parents

However, there is another John Weisel viz:

p. 180 John of George Weisel and wife
b. Mar. 2, 1785 bp. Feb. 28, 1786
Wit. Parents

It seems more likely that this John Weisel is really John [Joseph] Weisel, the son of George Weisel and wife whose birth is the above record at the Tohickon Union church:

The 1827 will of a Joseph Weisel indicates provisions for minor children. In addition, the Bucks County Orphans Court records indicate that a will for Joseph Weisel was probated in 1828. [This would indicate an age of 43 years at time of death.]

It is possible that there is also a John Jacob scenario. Unfortunately there is no birth record of a Jacob Weisel at Tohickon but we know from the 1838 Bucks County Orphans Court will abstracts that in 1838, a Jacob Weisel was named along with siblings: George Weisel, John Weisel and Peter Weisel, all living in Bedford County. Joseph Weisel was deceased by this time as noted in the court records. He was the only one of the male children of George and Anna Maria Weisel who remained in Richland Township. Peter did not migrate with his brothers but eventually relocated to Bedford County and died there. Remaining in Richland Township was:

p. 180 John [Joseph] of George Weisel and wife
b. Mar. 2, 1785 bp. Feb. 28, 1786
Wit. Parents

[John] **Joseph Weisel** b. 1785 and Katy [Catherine] Heller were married August 15, 1809 (9)

Catherine Weisel, wife of Joseph
b. Nov. 22, 1789 d. Feb. 21, 1872 [age 83]

Elias of Joseph Weisel and Catherine [Heller?]
b. Oct. 7, 1809 bp. Apr. 22, 1810
Wit: John Ort and Sophia
[Elias, son of Joseph Weisel apparently did not survive to maturity]

SECTION D

THIRD GENERATION

NARRATIVE PAGES

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APPENDIX PAGES

THRGEN 1 - THRGEN 18

Third Generation

All members of third generation Weisels were born in North America. At this point, I am narrowing the scope of the family history to just our immediate ancestral line stemming from George Michael II and Magdalen. All of their eight children were born before 1776 and were British citizens prior to the Revolutionary War. (SECGEN_2 ReDir). The last child, Maria Magdalena, (b. 23 Jun., 1776 bp. 11 Aug., 1776) just made it before independence from Britain was declared. Their first born was Jurg [Jorg] Michael Weisel, designated by me as George Michael III, also known as Michael Jr. who was born in 1750 and baptized 16 April, 1751 in the Augustus Evangelical Lutheran Church, New Providence Township, Pennsylvania with his father, Jurg [Jorg] Michael [designated as George Michael II by me] as witness. (THRGEN_1). At that time, New Providence Township would have been part of Philadelphia County as Montgomery County where it now lies, was not set off until 1784. The reason for using the Augustus Lutheran Church for the baptism is unknown as the family attended the Tohickon Union Church. George Michael III was married twice, first to Catherine [Gere?] and they had several children before her death. In 1794, in the Tohickon Church, he married Maria Habach, a widow with a minor son, Henry Habach. (INTRO_3 ReDir Page 199). The records of the Bucks County court states that Michael was named guardian of Henry Habach (THRGEN_2). He and Maria had several children of their own. He removed from Bedminster Township to Tinicum Township, Bucks County by about 1800 (THRGEN_3). His 1818 will names his heirs but does not distinguish between the children of his first marriage with Catherine and those with his marriage of Maria (Mary). (THRGEN_4) This makes it difficult to sort out his descendants via the female lineage. We do know that one of his sons, Michael G. Weisel was living in New York State. (SECGEN_7 ReDir Page 153). George Michael III died 1818 in Tinicum Township, Bucks County and is buried along with his wife, Mary, in the Tinicum church cemetery. His grave was decorated with a Revolutionary War marker. (THRGEN_5)

Maria (Mary) Elizabeth Weisel was born in 1753 and was the second wife of Philip Stieber, a militia soldier and Revolutionary War veteran. They were married in April, 1774 in the Lutheran congregation at Keller's Church (THRGEN_6). Philip and Maria had children, Philip also had children from his first wife. Maria is the only one of the daughters about which anything is known with certainty. In 1807, Elizabeth Weisel petitioned the Bucks County court to have her son Peter Steever and her brother Henry Weisel act as administrators for estate of her late husband Philip Steever. (THRGEN_7).

Next was Maria Catherine born 1755, followed by Veronica born in 1758. The Tohickon records show a child [most likely a girl as a boy was usually designated as son] of Michael Weisel having died in 1758. It appears this child could have been either Maria Catherine or Veronica but it could not have been John or any of the children born after 1758. I was not able to find any marriage records for either of these women.

John Henry Weisel who went by the name of Henry does not have any record of his baptism at Tohickon. But the History of Tohickon Church lists a baptism where he and his wife were witnesses and gives his full name. (THRGEN_8). The information presented here is from his tombstone at Tohickon and from his death notice in the Bucks County Intelligencer records (THRGEN_9 and 10). The inscription reads that he was born 6 April, 1760 and he died 26 May, 1830. He has a Revolutionary War maker on his grave. This fact makes it an appropriate time to consider the Revolutionary war service of the Weisel family. The history of this service is contained in the Pennsylvania Archives which lists militia soldiers of Captain William McHenry's company in Bedminster Township, Bucks County (THRGEN_11). Frederick Wisel, Mikel Wisel Jr., Hanry Wisel and George Wisel are shown as part of the militia unit. The first and last (Frederick and George) are the sons of Jacob Weisel (Second Generation) while Mikel Jr. and Hanry are sons of George Michael II (Second Generation). Frederick and George left Bucks County to take up residence in Lycoming County about 1805. John Weisel, George and Elizabeth's son was baptized at Tohickon in 1805 as recorded in History of Tohickon Church by William John Hinke. The family moved shortly afterward as

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they are shown in the 1810 Census for Lycoming County. (THRGEN_12) Michael Jr. left Bedminster Township about the same time but he only went to Tinicum Township, still in Bucks County. (THRGEN_3 ReDir). Henry is only one who lived in Bedminster Township for his entire life. He married Eva (Eve) Shellenberger and they had several children. (THRGEN_8 ReDir). He died in 1830 without a will, the Letters of Administration document for his estate shows several of his children but I don't know if this list is complete. (THRGEN_13)

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The third son was John Weisel b. 1767 who was thought to be lost since he was not mentioned in his father's 1796 will. The reason for this became evident when his trail was found in Bedford County, as the will only mentioned the real estate heirs by name while the heirs to the personal property were grouped but not individually named. John married Sarah Honig [Hoenig?] at Tohickon in 1792. Sarah bore one son, John, b. 4 Apr., 1793 (INTRO_3 ReDir Page 185) before her death. John then married Anna Barbara before removing to Bedford County by 1795 where he joined his Richland Township cousins. He died 10 December, 1844 in Bedford at age 77 leaving an estate and a will. His wife, Barbara, died 14 November, 1857 in Bedford. His 1844 will in Bedford County lists his children.

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Our direct ancestor, George Ludwig Weisel was born 11 March, 1773 bp. 20 Jun, 1773 Wit: George Ludwig Seipel and Catherine. He was the fourth son and a boy during the Revolutionary War in which two of his elder brothers, Michael Jr and Henry were militia soldiers. After coming of age, he and Margaret Scheib were married at the Tohickon Reformed Church on 19 April, 1796. (THRGEN_14 Page 414). They had three children, Maria Magdalena, bp 3 Sep., 1797 with Margaret Weisel as witness, John George b. 8 Nov., 1799 bp. 15 Dec., 1799 with George and Elizabeth Scheib as witnesses and Michael, b. 18 Feb., 1802 bp. 25 Apr., [1802], there were no witnesses for the latter. The first two births are recorded at Tohickon Church Reformed (INTRO_3 Page 191), while the birth of Michael is recorded in History of Tohickon Church by William John Hinke.

For Maria Magdalena b. 1776, I found traces of a marriage in the Tohickon Church records but could not definitely identify the woman as our Maria Magdalena. As can be seen, our German speaking ancestors tended to use the same names from one generation to another, making it somewhat difficult to identify specific persons.

This review rounds out the third generation of our ancestral family. I have not included anything beyond the third generation for branches other than our own.

Migrations of the George Ludwig Weisel family started after George married Margaret Scheib on 19 Apr., 1796 at Tohickon. In 1800, they were living in Bedminster Township according to the 1800 U. S. Census (THRGEN_15) where he had inherited land according to the terms of his father's 1796 will. But by 1810, he had moved his family across the County line into Montgomery Township, Montgomery County. (THRGEN_16) This distance was not very far but it would have been a different governmental unit. In 1820 and in 1830, the family was still living in Montgomery County probably in a rental property as I was able to find no record of any land purchase.

By 1840, George and his family had moved back to Bucks County, New Britain Township. (THURGEN_17) By 1850, George and his wife Margaret Scheib Weisel were living in Warrington Township, Bucks County along with their son, John George and his family (THRGEN_18) This shifting back and forth across counties and townships was a surprise to me as I had thought the Weisels had always lived in Warrington Township.

TARGEN - 1

Records of Augustus Evangelical Lutheran Church
New Providence, Pennsylvania

Births

Page 50 - Primary Source

Weisel, Jurg Michael, s. Michael and Magdalena, bap. April 16, 1751, aged 6 months
(On the Tohecka)

Sp.: Jurg Michael Weisel [Sr.] [Commentary: This is the only place found thus far
where Michael Sr.'s full name is shown.]

Marriages:

February 10, 1761 Ludewig Weisel (widower) to Anna Maria Schmiedin (widow) nee
Heiser

[Could Ludewig be a son of Frederick Weisel, son of George Michael Weisel,
the immigrant?]

The Augustus Church: the congregation forming the Evangelical Lutheran Augustus
Church at Trappe, New Providence Township, Montgomery County, is one of the oldest
in Pennsylvania, dating back to the earliest years of the 18th century; for it was a part of
the identical congregation formed at the commencement of that age by Daniel Falkner
and his brother Justus, in the tract still known as "Falkner Swamp".

Secondary Source:

PENNSYLVANIA BIRTHS
Montgomery County
1682-1800
John T. Humphrey

Births:

Weisel, Jorg Michael ca Oct 1750 [Oct. 18, 1750 by calculation], Michael Magdalena
(6)

(6) - Records of the Augustus Evangelical Lutheran Church, Trappe, in
Upper Providence Township, PA

This appears to be Michael Jr., son of Michael Weisel, Sr. and Magdalena The family may have been living or visiting in Montgomery County at the time of his birth in 1750. This would account for his baptism not being recorded at the Tohickon Union Church.

The Montgomery County baptism and/or birth of Michael Weisel, Jr. does not, however, explain the lack of birth or baptismal information for his brother, Henry Weisel which is still undocumented.

TARGEN - 2

Orphans Court Records
1685-1852
Source: Spruance Library - Doylestown

File #762

Mar. 11, 1783

Frederick Solliday, Bedminster Twp.

Widow Elizabeth. Children Emanuel, John and Catherine, under 14

Michael Weisel appointed guardian

Sep. 8, 1783

Widow Elizabeth Child Frederick born after his father's decease, now age 3 mos.

Michael Weisel appointed guardian

Nov. 6, 1797

Son Frederick, over 14 petitions for guardian. His uncle Emanuel Solliday is appointed

File #1055

Nov. 3, 1794

Henry Happagh [Habach]

Widow Mary (now wife of Michael Weisel). Left one son, Henry, under 14. Step-father

Michael Weisel is appointed guardian

File# 2291

Nov. 30, 1820

John Heller, son of John and Catherine (Bartholomew) Heller, over 14. Previous guardian Jacob Stout is now deceased. Joseph Weisel [of Richland Twp.] appointed.

File #2446

May 27, 1816

Andrew Snyder, Richland Township

Widow Margaret and eleven children: Frederick, Elizabeth (wife of Stephen Nicely), Catherine (wife of Isaac Been), Andrew, Margaret (wife of John Weisel), Magdalena (wife of Jacob Been), Henry, George (fourth son), John, Mary and Susanna. Owned 95 acres.

File #2446 Henry Snider and George Snider

Henry Snider (Snyder) and George Snider appointed administrators for the estate of Andrew Snider, dec.

George Snyder appointed attorney by other heirs as noted, but not by Margaret, wife of John Weisel - she does not appear in the record except by mention as a daughter. [Living in Bedford?]
This John Weisel believed to be son of George Weisel of Richland Township.

File #2631
Jun. 1, 1818
Michael Weisel, Tincum Township
Children Tobias and Samuel over 14, petition for guardian. Isaac Worman is appointed

File #3746
Sep. 8, 1828
Joseph Weisel, Richland Township
Son Michael, over 14, petition for guardian. Adam Bartholomew is appointed.

Sep. 14, 1835
Widow Catherine. Son Joseph over 14, and Henry, under 14. Their guardian, David Walp is deceased. Henry Kemerer appointed guardian.

File #3922
Apr. 30, 1832 Robert McIntyre, Tincum Twp. Died Apr. 1828
Widow Rebecca and nine children: ... Catherine, wife of Michael G. Weisel, now living in New York woned 148 acres

File #4702
Apr. 27, 1836
Samuel Weisel, Tincum Township
Widow Sarah and children under 14: William, John, John, Mary Jane, Rebecca, and Samuel. John M. Purcell appointed guardian. John Purcell declines to act. Moses Ridge appointed.

File # 4997
Oct. 29, 1838
Mary Weisel, Richland Township
No issue, but siblings George (in Bedford County), Jacob (in Bedford County), Peter (in Bedford County), John (in Bedford County), Elizabeth (wife of Benjamin Stein of Philadelphia), Joseph (deceased): children Michael, John, Livina - wife of Dr. Charles Meredith, Joseph, Hannah, Elizabeth and Henry - last four minors). Owned 64 acres.

File #5481
Aug. 15, 1842
Henry Wisel/Weisel, Franconia Township, Montgomery County
No widow but children: Catherine, Sarah, Noah, Mary Ann, Henry and Elizabeth, last five minors.

File #13359
Sep. 14, 1885

THURGEN - 3

1800 Census - Name of household,; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1800 Census Tincum Township, Bucks County, Roll 36

George Weisel page 285, line 46

Males
0-10 - 1
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

Michael Weisel, page 458, line 47

Males
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 1
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

THIRGEN - 4

1818 Will of Michael Weissel Jr. Of Bucks County

In the name of God Amen. I, Michael Weissel of Tencum in the County of Bucks and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania being in a very weak state of body, but of sound mind, memory and understanding, for which I thank God, and considering that all flesh must die, have thought fit to establish this my last will and testament in manner following, that is, I commend my soul to God who gave it, and I desire my body to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my executors herein named -- and as touching my worldly estate wherewith this pleased God to bless me, my will is, that after payment of my funeral charges and just debts, my dear and loving wife Mary Weissel shall take the case of drawers that stand in the room where I now lay, one bed, four chairs which she shall chose, and such other of my household goods as she shall choose, to the amount of twenty dollars; likewise she shall take any cow she please out of my flock and two sheep, and after she has taken these things out, she shall have one third part of my movable estate and the yearly income or interest of five hundred pounds during her natural life, and at her decease it shall be divided as the other part of my estate, Catherine's bed and such other articles about the house as have been generally called hers, she is to keep and after the above mentioned articles are taken, my will is that as soon as my executors shall think it suitable and convenient, after my decease, that they shall sell all my estate both personal and real, and make a fair and equal division of the amount or proceeds thereof among all my children namely Elizabeth Smith, Magdalena Busy, Eve Shwartz, Michael Weissel, Daniel Weissel, Susanna Shwartz, Catherine Weissel, Tobias Weissel, and Samuel Weissel, each and every one of them to have share and share alike -- and lastly I do make and ordain my sons-in-law Jacob Busy of Tencum and Nicholas Shwartz of Plumstead executors of this my last will and testament, revoking, disannulling and disallowing and making void all other or former will and testament constituting ordaining and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal the twenty second day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and eighteen.

Michael Weissel (seal)

Signed Sealed published
pronounced and declared by
the said Michael Weissel as
his last will and testament
in presence of

John Lewis
Henry S. Stover

Bucks County

THURGEN - 5

Bucks County Tombstone Inscriptions
Tinicum Township
Lower Tinicum Cemetery - Fox Cemetery

Weissell, Michael	29 Apr. 1818	Age 67 yr., 7 mo., 11 days
Weisel, Mary	05 Feb. 1830	Age 60 yr., 11 mo., 20 days
Weisel, Samuel	13 Jul. 1834?	Age 32 yr. [Believed to be the son of Michael and Maria Weisel]
Weisel, Samuel M.	20 Mar. 1879	Age 45 yr., 3 mo., 28 days

Lower Tinicum Union Cemetery
Part A

Weisel, Tobias	03 Dec., 1799 - 31 Jan., 1861
Weisel, Anna [Fretz]	10 Aug. 1797 - 28 Sep. 1885

TARGEN - 6

Keller's Church (Lutheran) Records

Birth and Baptisms - Keller's Lutheran Church

52 Anna Magdalena of John Keller and wife Maria Margaret
b. June 12, 1768 bp. Aug 21, 1768
Spon. Michael Weissel and wife Anna Magdalena

Marriages - Keller's Lutheran Church

Philip Stieber [Stiever] and Maria Elizabeth Weisel married April 5, 1774 in the house of Michael Weisel, her father.

Jacob Byssi, of Tincum Township, widower, married Magdalena Weisel, daughter of Michael Weisel of Bedminster on February 25, 1798.

TARGET - 7

1807 Administration Papers for the Estate of Philip Steever

To all whom it may concern, I the subscriber Elizabeth Steever, widow and relict of Philip Steever late of the Township of Haycock in the County of Bucks deceased, do hereby certify that it is my wish and desire, that my son Peter Steever and my brother Henry Weisel be the administrators of the estate of my late husband deceased. Witness my hand on the 6th day of October A.D. 1807

Elizabeth Steever (Her mark)

Witnesses at signing

George Smith

Illegible - can't read

1807 Administration Papers for the Estate of Philip Steever

To the Register of Bucks County

I the subscriber, Michael Steever, son of Philip Steever, late of the Township of Haycock, County of Bucks deceased do hereby certify that it is my wish and desire that my younger brother Peter Steever and Henry Weisel, my unckel be made the Administrators of the Estate of my father Philip Steever deceased as aforesaid. Witness my hand of the 7 Day of October, A.D. 1807

Witnesses at signing

Philip Snellenberger

Wilford Steinconer?

THIRGEN - 8

[John] Henry Weisel of Bedminster Township

John Henry Weisel's full name can be found in the following baptismal reference in the book History of Tohickon Church:

John Henry of Philip Fluck and Susanna
b. Sep. 28, 1812 bp. Dec. 13, 1812
Wit: John Henry Weisel and Eva

Children of [John] Henry Weisel of Bedminster Township

Source: Samuel Weisel's notebook, however the information appears to have been taken from William W. H. Davis' A Genealogical and Personal History of Bucks County, Page 730

Henry married Eve Shellenberger. Children of this marriage were Susanna Fluck born 1789; George born March 28, 1790 married [March 31, 1812] Catherine Fluck; Joseph born July 10, 1793, purchased the family homestead; Henry born January 29, 1796 married Eliza Seiple and removed to Franconia, Montgomery County; Mary Eckel born 1802, married Henry Eckel of Bedminster; and Samuel born August 1, 1804 [married Catherine Solliday]. Joseph purchased the homestead at his father's death.

Tohickon Church Baptismal Records:

- 180 Susanna of Henry Weiser [Weisel] and Eva
b. Jun 30, 1788 bp. Bp. Jul. 27, [1788]
Wit. Philip Schellenberger and Susanna
- 183 John George of Henry Weisel and Eva
b. Mar. 28, 1791 bp. Apr. 10, 1791
Wit. George Scheib and wife
- 186 Joseph of Henry Weisel and Eva
b. Jul 10, 1793 bp. Ju.; 28, 1793
Wit. Parents
- 189 John Henry of Henry Weisel and Eva
b. Jan. 29, 1796 bp. Mar. 29 [1796]
Wit. None listed

Tohickon Church Marriages

Apr. 24, 1810 Philip Fluck and Susanna Weisel

TARGET - 9

BUCKS COUNTY TOMBSTONE INSCRIPTIONS
Published by the Bucks County Genealogical Society

Tohickon Union Cemetery

Row B-9

Weisel, Henry 70 yrs., 1 mo., 20 days
April 6, 1760 - May 25, 1830
Revolutionary War Marker

Weisel, Eve 85 yrs., 11 mo., 20 days
April 18, 1769 - April 8, 1855
Wife of Henry Weisel

Page K 14

George Weisel 73 yrs., 5 mo., 19 days [Son of Henry and Eve Weisel]
28 Mar. 1890 [1790] - 16 Sep. 1863

Weisel, Catherine [Fluck] 86 yrs., 5 mo., 28 days
12 May 1792 - 10 Nov. 1878
Wife of George Weisel

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Philip Stiver [Stieber?] [Husband of Maria Elizabeth Weisel]
[?] August 1807 in 70th year

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Maria [Magdalena] Mast
d. 3 April 1823 [age 47?]

No John Mast listed - remarried?

Deaths 1804-1834
 Bucks County Intelligencer Records
 at Spruance Library

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Weisel, Mary, Mrs. Of Tinicum	Age ca 60	5 Feb. 1830
Weisell, Henry, Sr. of Bedminster	age ca 70	26 May 1830
Weisel, Samuel, Tinicum Twp.	age ca 35	13 July 1834
Weisel, Mary, Mrs., Tinicum Twp.	age ca 60	5 Feb. 1830
Wisel, Mary, wife of Joseph Weisel of Bedminster	age 29	3 Mar. 1828
Loux, Magdalena, wife of C.S. Loux at the residence of her son-in-law H. Weisel		6 Dec. 1857

Deaths 1861-1885
 Bucks County Intelligencer Records
 at Spruance Library

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Weisel, Margaret, wife of George Sr., Warrington Twp. Interred in old Hilltown Church cemetery		27 May 1858
Weisel, Tobias, Cross Keys, Doylestown	age 68	31 Jan. 1864
Weisel, Mary Ann, dau. of George, Warrington	age 52 y, 7 m, 14 d	21 Feb. 1878
Weisel, Henry, Chalfont	age 62	3 Jun. 1885

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THREGEY - 11

Pennsylvania Archives Series 5, Vol. 5, page 373

A return of the company associaters and others in their classes in Bedminster Township,
Bucks County, 1780

Capten Wm. McHenry
Leften Nicklos Ceres
Insin Amanuel Ott

Class Four
Federick Wisel

Class Five
Mikel Wisel, Jr. •

Class Eight
Harry Wisel
George Wisel

Pennsylvania Archives Series 5, Vol. 5, page 378

A return of all the classes belonging to Capten Wm. McHenry Company in Bedminster
Township, Bucks County, June 12, 1781

Class 4
Frederick Wisel

Class 5
Michel Wisel •

Class 8
Harry Wisel
George Wisel •

TARGET - 12

1810 Census - Same as 1800. Name of household,; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1810 Census Loyalsock Township, Lycoming County, Roll 52, page 789
Enumerator - Alexander Scott - Dec. 20, 1810

George Weisel line 24

Males

0-10 - 3 [John, age 5; Joseph age 11] [Jacob, age 8?]
10-16 - 1 [William?]
16-26 - 1 [Samuel, age 22]
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 2 [George, father; Frederick]

Females

0-10 - 2
10-16 - 1 [Margaret, age 14]
16-26 - 2 [Elizabeth , age 18; Catherine, age 17]
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 1 [Elizabeth, mother]

Commentary: Frederick b. April 21, 1751 (1); d. Lycoming County PA (2), he would have been 59 years of age in 1810. George b. June 29, 1761 (1); d. Lycoming County, PA (2), he would have been 49 years of age I 1810. These two men would have been the two over 45 males in this census. The question remains, was Frederick married and secondly, is he the father of some of the children in this household? If so, he was a widower since there is only one over 45 female who should be George's wife, Elizabeth. George and Elizabeth had only three children who reached maturity and were named in his will. They were Catherine, Margaret and John. In this census, it looks very much as if there were two families living together but the identity of the second family, if there was one, is unknown..

THIRGEN - 13

1830 Administration Papers for [John] Henry Weisel

Letters of Administration for the Estate of Henry Weisel

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel, Frederick Lutz and Jacob Kramer, all of the County of Bucks, and commonwealth of Pennsylvania, are held and firmly bound unto the said commonwealth, in the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be paid to the commonwealth aforesaid: To which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, jointly and severally, for and in the whole, firmly by these presents, sealed with our Seals. Dated the Eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the above bounden Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel, Administrators of all and singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of Henry Weisel late of the township of Bedminster deceased, do make or cause to be made, a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the said decease, which have or shall come to hands, possession or knowledge of them, the said Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel Administrators as aforesaid, or unto the hands of any person or persons for them and the same so made do exhibit, or cause to be exhibited, into the Register's Office, in the County of Bucks, at or before the eighteenth day of July next ensuing: and the same Goods, Chattels and Credits, and all other the Goods, Chattels and Credits of said deceased, at the time of his death, which at any time after shall come to the hands of the said Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel, Administrators as aforesaid, or unto the hands of any other person or persons for them do well and truly administer according to law. And further do make or cause to be made a true and just account of their said administration at or before the 18th day of June 1831. And all the rest and residue of the said Goods, Chattels and Credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said Administrators account (the same being first examined and allowed by the Orphan's Court, of the County of Bucks) shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons respectively, as the said Orphan's Court by their decree of sentence, pursuant to the true intent and meaning of the several laws now in force in this commonwealth, shall limit and appoint. And if it shall hereafter appear that any last will and testament was made by the said deceased, and the executor or executors therein named, do exhibit the same into the Register's Office, making request to have it allowed and approved accordingly; and if then the above bounden Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel Administrators as aforesaid, being hereunto required, to render and deliver the said Letters of Administration (approbation of such Testament being first had and made in the said Register's Office) then this obligation to be void and of no effect, or else to remain in full force and virtue.

Joseph Weisel [seal]
Henry Eckel [seal]
Frederick Lutz [seal]
Jacob Kramer [seal]

We, Joseph Weisel and Henry Eckel do swear that we will well and truly administer all and singular the Goods, Chattels, Rights and Credits which were of Henry Weisel, late of the township of Bedminster in the County of Bucks, deceased and that we will render a just and true Inventory and conscionable appraisement thereof into this office, within one month; and that we will render a just account, calculation and reckoning of their whole administration within one year, or when thereunto legally required: and that we will diligently and faithfully regard, and well and truly comply with the provision of the act of the General Assembly of this commonwealth, entitled: "An Act relating to collateral inheritances," passed the seventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six.

Sworn and subscribed before me
the eighteenth day of June 1830
Andrew Heller, Regr

Joseph Weisel
Henry Eckel

The following are part of the inventory submitted by Joseph Weisel & Henry Eckel:

George Weisel to a mortgage
To cash against different persons in the san due bill

To cash rec'd by George Weisel towards his inheritance
To cash rec'd by Philip Fluck towards his inheritance
To cash rec'd by Joseph Weisel towards his inheritance
To cash rec'd by Henry Weisel towards his inheritance
To cash rec'd by Henry Eckel towards his inheritance
To cash rec'd by Samuel Weisel towards his inheritance

THREEN - 14

Weisel Marriages at Tohickon Church and other Reformed churches
1745-1869

Source: Donna Irish - German Marriages published by Genealogical Publishing Company

Tohickon Reformed Church

xxx	Scheib, Peter, Magdalena Danehower	15 May 1804
439	Ratzel, Samuel, Mary Weissel	23 Nov. 1851
419	Fluck, Philip, Susanna Weissel	24 April 1810
439	Samuel Weisel, Catherine Ann Cover	2 Nov. 1851
426	Weissel, Samuel, Catherine Soliday	24 May 1829
414	Weissel, Michael, Maria Habach	10 Aug. 1794
423	Weissel, Martin, Magdalena Delp	no date, prob. 1822
423	Eckel, Henry, Maria Weisel	17 Oct. 1820
429	Ruth, John, Magdalena Weissel	6 Sep. 1835
432	Laux, Samuel, Lydia Weissel	11 Oct. 1840
418	Weissel, Joseph, Caty Heller	15 Aug. 1809
436	Weisel, John, Christina Ziegler	26 Mar. 1848
414	Weissel, John, Margaret Schneider	29 Sep. 1796
413	Weissel, John, Sarah Honig	12 Jun. 1792
431	Godshalk, Michael, Hannah Weissel	25 Nov. 1838
420	Weissel, George, Catherine Fluck	31 Mar. 1812
413	Weissel, George, Elisabeth Hoenig	8 Jan. 1788
414	Weissel, George, Margaret Scheib	19 Apr. 1796
437	Weisel, Francis, Sarah Ann Harpel	25 Mar. 1849
438	Weisel, Cornelius, Elisabeth Detweiler	22 Mar. 1850

434	Leidy, Levi, Catherine Weissel	12 Oct. 1845
441	Weisel, Aaron, Maria C. Cover	17 Aug. 1854

John Philip Boehm b. Hochstadt, Hesse, taught school seven years at Worms. Came to America and organized a Reformed church at Falkner Swamp which was probably affiliated with the Holland (Dutch) Reformed Church. Also helped to found the Whitpain Reformed Church, also known as Boehm's Church, Blue Bell, Pennsylvania.

Whitpain Reformed Church

13	Weisel, Henry, Maria Loux	18 Nov. 1847
16	Weisel, George, Catherine Scheib	15 Sep. 1822
xx	Dannenhauer, George, Sarah Ann Berkenstock	10 Feb. 1842
22	Steever, John, Sarah Dannehauer	10 Mar. 1839

Falkner Swamp Lutheran Church

547	Weisel, Daniel, Susanna Seibert	30 Aug. 1818
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Keller's Church - Lutheran

	Byssi, Jacob, wid'r, Magdalena Weissel	25 Feb. 1798
	Stieber, Philip, Maria Elizabeth	5 Apr. 1774

THREEL 15

1800 Census - Name of household,; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1800 Census Bedminster Township, Bucks County, Roll 36

George Weisel page 227, line 11

Males

0-10 - 2
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

Females

0-10 - 0
10-16 - 1
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

There are two other George Weisel names listed for Bucks County in this census. One lived in Tinicum Township, the other in Richland Township. Neither fit the age ranges of George L. Weisel.

Marriage: Weissel, George, Margaret Scheib 19 Apr. 1796 Tohickon Reformed Church

It is believed that George L. Weisel and Margaret, his wife, had living with them their daughter Maria b. 1797 and their son, John George b. 1799. George L. Weisel would have been 27 years old, his wife Margaret 25 years. The extra persons listed may have been live-in hired help, one male for farm work and the other female for domestic help. The young people do not match the gender requirements. There should have been one male and one female in the 0-10 category rather than two males.

George L. Weisel - age 27
Margaret Scheib Weisel - age 25

Maria Magdalena Weisel - age 3
John George Weisel - age 1

MARGEN - 46

1810 Census - Same as 1800. Name of household; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1810 Census Montgomery County, Montgomery Township, Roll 52

George Weisel Page 1156, line 14

Males
0-10 - 2
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 2
over 45 - 0

Females
0-10 - 1
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

It is believed that George L. Weisel and Margaret, his wife, had living with them their daughter Mary b. 1797, their sons, John George b. 1799 and Michael b. 1802. George L. Weisel would have been 37 years old, his wife Margaret 35 years. There apparently was another older male who might have been a hired farm hand or a relative.

George L. Weisel - age 37
Margaret Scheib Weisel - age 35

Marrisa Magdalena Weisel - age 12
John George Weisel - age 11
Michael Weisel - age 8

1820 Census - Same as 1800 with additional columns for the number of free white males 16-18; number of persons not naturalized; number engaged in agriculture, commercial or manufacture; number of colored persons (sometimes in age categories); number of other persons except Indians. 1800 - Name of household; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1820 Census Montgomery County, Montgomery Township, Roll 100, page 231

George Weisel line 1

Males
16-26 - 2
over 45 - 1

Females
over 45 - 1

It is believed that George L. Weisel and Margaret, his wife, had living with them their son, John George. In addition, John George Weisel's brother, Michael, was part of the household. It would appear that their daughter, Maria, had married and left the household.

George L. Weisel - age 47
Margaret - age 45

John George Weisel - age 21

Michael Weisel - age 18

1830 Census - Name of head of household, number of free white males and females in age categories: 1-5, 5-10, 10-15, 15-20, 30-30, 30-40, 40-50, 50-60, 60-70, 70-80, 90-90, 90-100, over 100; number of slaves and free colored persons in age categories, categories for deaf, dumb, and blind persons and aliens; town or district and county of residence.

1830 Census Montgomery County, Montgomery Township, Roll 154

George Weisel page 362, line 3

Males
under 5 - 1
5-10 - 1
20-30 - 1
30-40 - 1
50-60 - 1

Females
under 5 - 1
20-30 - 1
50-60 - 1

It is believed that George L. Weisel and Margaret, his wife, had living with them their son, John George his wife Catherine, and their sons, Henry and Samuel. In addition, John George Weisel's brother, Michael, was part of the household.

Marriage: Weisel, George, Catherine Scheib 15 Sep. 1822 Whitpain Reformed Church

George L. Weisel - age 57
Margaret - age 55

John George Weisel - age 31
Catherine - age 20-30?
Henry Weisel - age 7
Mary Ann Weisel - age 5
Samuel Weisel - age 2

Michael Weisel - age 28

THREGEN 17

1840 Census Bucks County, New Britain Township, Roll 446

George Weisel page 18, line 16

Males

under 5 - 0
5-10 - 1
10-15 - 1
15-20 - 1
30-40 - 2
60-70 - 1

Females

10-15 - 1
30-40 - 1
60-70 - 1

It is believed that George L. Weisel and Margaret, his wife, had living with them their son, John George his wife Catherine, and their sons, Henry, Samuel and Aaron. In addition, John George Weisel's brother, Michael, was part of the household.

George L. Weisel - age 67
Margaret Scheib Weisel - age 65

John George Weisel - age 41
Catherine Scheib Weisel - age 30-40?
Henry Weisel - age 17
Mary Ann Weisel - age 15
Samuel Weisel - age 12
Aaron Weisel - age 9

Michael Weisel - age 38

7 HUGEN - 10

1850 Census Bucks County, Warrington Township Oct. 23, 1850 Roll 759, page 112

Line 1

Henry Weisel	27, male	Farmer	\$2,368	b. PA
Maria	31, female			b. PA
John George	½ male			b. PA
Isaac	14			
Magdalene Musington	12 female			b. Germany

Marriage: Weisel, Henry, Maria Loux 18 Nov. 1847 Whitpain Reformed Church

Line 6

George Weisel	78 male	Farmer	\$3,700	b. PA
Margaret	76 female			
George	48 male	Farmer		
Catherine	42 female			
Mary	22 female			
Samuel	20 male	Farmer		
Aaron	17 male	Farmer		
Michael	43 male	Farmer		

The census indicates that it is very likely the two farms were adjoining properties since one entry follows the other.

From the first entry, it seems likely that Henry, the oldest son, had married by this time and left his father's house. The second entry shows a three generation household, with George L., his son [John] George (he apparently had dropped the John), and their children. It also seems likely that the family could still speak the Pennsylvania German dialect since they had a German born servant girl in the household. It is uncertain whether Isaac is a hired hand of Maria's son from a previous marriage.

Also in the 1850 Bucks County Census, Roll 759, Page 099, Line 29

Tobias Weisel	49 male	Innkeeper	\$4,275	b. PA
Ann	50 female			b. PA
Lucinda	22 female			b. PA
Caroline	15 female			b. PA
Anthony F.	12 male			b. PA
Mary Smith	35 female			b. PA
Jacob Moller	25 male			b. Germany
Anthony Fretz	68 male	none		b. PA

1850 Bucks County Census Roll 759, page 157, Line 22, Milford Township

Michael Weisel	40 male	Shoemaker		b. PA
Maria Weisel	38 female			b. PA
Amanda	10 female			b. PA
Daniel	12 male			b. PA
Joseph	8 male			b. PA
Emaline	7 female			b. PA
William	5 male			b. PA
Charles	3 male			b. PA
Dianna	1 female			b. PA

Michael Weisel is thought to be the son of Joseph Weisel, son of George Weisel of Richland Twp.

SECTION E

FOURTH GENERATION

NARRATIVE PAGES E 1 – E 1

APPENDIX PAGES FORGEN 1 - FORGEN 4

Fourth Generation

Maria (Mary) Magdalena was the eldest child of George and Margaret Scheib Weisel. By 1820, she would have been 23 years old and according to the 1820 U.S. Census, it appears that she was now living with her husband, Henry Danehower, Jr. in Gwynedd Township, Montgomery County (FORGEN_1). Henry Danehower Jr. died in 1831. He predeceased his father Henry, Sr leaving his widow with two small children to raise by herself. The older one, George Dannenhauer (Danehower), married Sarah Ann Berkenstock at the Whitpain Reformed Church on 10 Feb., 1842 (THRGEN_14 ReDir Page xx). He and his wife lived in Gwynedd Township where they had one child, a girl named Clementine. (FORGEN_2) She married and there were descendants that were living in the early 1900s (FORGEN_3). The younger son, John Danehower, also married but did not fare as well economically. He had a number of occupations and lived in several locations but I was not able to trace his descendants. He left no record of an estate but that may just mean that he had insufficient assets to require either a will or letters of administration. (FORGEN_4)

John George Weisel, who used his middle name, George, married Catherine Scheib at the Whitpain Reformed Church in Montgomery County on 15 Sept., 1822. (THRGEN_14 ReDir Page 16) It is likely that Margaret and Catherine Scheib were related in some manner but I do not know the relationship. In the 1830 U.S. Census, George and Catherine were living in Montgomery Township, Montgomery County, in the same household as George L. and Margaret Weisel. George and Catherine Weisel had four children who survived to adulthood. They were Henry, b. 21 Sept. 1823 in Montgomery County, Mary Ann, b. 03 Oct., 1825 in Montgomery County, Samuel b. 12 Apr 1828 in Montgomery County and Aaron, b. 25 Feb. 1831, probably in Montgomery County although by the 1840 U.S. Census the extended family had removed to New Britain Township, Bucks County.

The third child, Michael Weisel, never married, he farmed and lived with his father for part of his life and then with his brother, George Weisel.

Danehower Family Records

1800 Census - Name of household; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1800 Census Gwynedd Township, Montgomery County, Roll 41, Page 703

Henry Danehower, line 131

Males

0-10 - 2
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 1
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

Females

0-10 - 4
10-16 - 2
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

1810 Census - Same as 1800. Name of household; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

1810 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 52, Page 1089

Henry Danehower, line 7

Males

0-10 - 1
10-16 - 2
16-26 - 1
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females

0-10 - 2
10-16 - 2
16-26 - 2
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

1820 Census - Same as 1800 with additional columns for the number of free white males 16-18; number of persons not naturalized; number engaged in agriculture, commercial or manufacture; number of colored persons (sometimes in age categories); number of other persons except Indians. 1800 - Name of household; number of free white males and females in age categories 0-10, 10-16, 16-26, 26-45, 45 and upwards; number of other free persons except Indians not taxed; number of slaves; town or district and county or residence.

FOLKSEN - 1

1820 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 100, page 201

Henry Danehower, line 13

Males
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 0
16-18 - 1
18-26 - 1
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 1

Females
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 2
16-26 - 0
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 100, page 201

Henry Danehower, Jr., line 14

Males
0-10 - 1
10-16 - 0
16-18 - 0
18-26 - 1
26-45 - 0
over 45 - 0

Females
0-10 - 0
10-16 - 0
16-26 - 1
26-45 - 1
over 45 - 0

It is believed that the latter is the household of Henry Jr. and Maria [Weisel] Danehower. Maria would have been 23 years of age, her husband about the same age or a few years older. At this time, there was one son in the household. It is believed that he is George Danehower, an infant less than one year in age. There apparently was an older woman in the house as well.

1830 Census - Name of head of household, number of free white males and females in age categories: 1-5, 5-10, 10-15, 15-20, 20-30, 30-40, 40-50, 50-60, 60-70, 70-80, 90-90, 90-100, over 100; number of slaves and free colored persons in age categories, categories for deaf, dumb, and blind persons and aliens; town or district and county of residence.

1830 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 154, Page 367

Henry S. Danehower, line 19

Males
under 5 - 0
5-10 - 0
10-15 - 1

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15-20 - 1
20-30 - 0
30-40 - 1
40-50 - 0
50-60 - 0

Females
under 5 - 0
5-10 - 1
10-15 - 0
15-20 - 0
20-30 - 0
30-40 - 1
40-50 - 1
50-60 - 0

It is believed that this is the household of Henry and Maria [Weisel] Danehower. Maria would have been 33 years of age, her husband about the same age. At this time, they apparently had one son and one daughter. Son John had apparently not yet been born, although according to the 1860 census, he would have been born ca 1830. The 15-20 year old male is believed to be a hired hand or a relative. There apparently was an older woman in the house as well.

1840 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township

Henry Danehower, Jr. died in 1831 but there is no sign of Henry Danehower, Sr. in the 1840 census. By the time of this census, George L. Weisel and his family had moved back to Bucks County, New Britain Township.

1850 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 799, page 83

Line 38

George Danehower	30 m w Farmer	\$5,000 RE	b. PA
Sarah A. Danehower	29 f w		b. PA
Clementine	5 f w		b. PA
Mary Danehower	52 f w		b. PA

George Danehower married Sarah Ann Berkenstock February 10, 1842: marriage recorded at Whitpain Reformed Church, also called Boehm's Church in Bluebell, PA

Commentary: It seem likely that Mary Danehower, having lost her husband, went to live with her son George, who was born about 1820 and would have appeared in the age 0-10 column in the 1820 census. George Danehower was married to Sarah [Ann Berkenstock] and they had one small child, Clementine, age 5.

1860 Census Montgomery County, Gwynedd Township, Roll 1145, page 123

Line 16

George Danehower	40 m w Roadmaster	\$8,000 RE \$500 PE	b. PA
Sarah A. Danehower	37 f w		b. PA
Clementine	16 f w		b. PA

1860 Census Montgomery County, Montgomery Township Roll 1143, page 366

Line 13

Mary Danehower	60 f w		\$100 PE	b. PA
John Danehower	30 m w	Laborer	\$1,200 RE	b. PA
Mary	4 f w			b. PA

It appears that Mary Danehower's second son, John, had lost his wife by 1860 and that his mother had gone to live with him in Montgomery Township to keep house and care for her granddaughter.

Samuel Weisel's family bible contains the following entry:

Mary Danehower nee Weisel died February 6, 1868 Aged 70 yrs, 5 mo, 11 days

Samuel's notebook may shed some additional light on this matter. It says: (Mary born 1798) [should be 1797] married Henry Dannenhower. They had two children - Sarah Berkenstock and Elizabeth never married. [This statement is questionable since the 1830 census gives evidence for only one daughter, unless there was another girl born between 1830 and the death of her husband, Henry, in 1831, not possible if a son, John, was born shortly before or after the death of his father. In fact, this whole statement is probably in error since it is contradicted by the above census records. The 1838 will of Henry Danehower, Sr., states that his son Henry (deceased) has two surviving children but it does not name them or indicate whether they are male or female. If John Danehower is a son of Henry Danehower, Jr. and Mary, it would appear that the daughter had died and that George and John are the two surviving children.]

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Grandchildren of George W. Danehower

All four named in court papers, filed December 1902, renouncing any claim to administration of the estate of George W. Danehower, deceased, of Upper Gwynedd Township, and expressing desire to have such letters of administration granted to James A. Hendricke of Green Lane, PA

Mrs. Lizzie D. Hendricke - Not listed with family in 1880 census, perhaps was already married and living in Green Lane, Montgomery County?

Mrs. Sallie D. Siegfried - age 14 in 1880 census

Mrs. Kate D. Bramble - age 11 in 1880

Mr. George W. D. Appel - age 3 in 1880

FORGED - 4

Estate of John Danehower

A search of the Montgomery County records for John Danehower, son of Henry and Maria Magdalena Danehower revealed no record of an estate for either him or Sarah, his wife.

A written request to Bucks County brought a similar response, that such an estate was not open in Bucks County. This would indicate that John Danehower, who moved around quite a bit in his early life, had removed and was not living in either Montgomery and Bucks County by the time of his death.

Alan Weisel December 17, 2005

A similar inquiry to the Bucks County Register of Wills elicited a like response, that there was no record of an estate for a Sarah Danehower in Bucks County.

Alan Weisel March 30, 2006.

SECTION F

FIFTH GENERATION

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APPENDIX PAGES FIVGEN 1 - FIVGEN 9

Fifth Generation

Henry Weisel was the eldest son of George and Catherine. He married Maria Loux (Laux) on 18 Nov. 1847 at the Whitpain Reformed Church. (THRGEN_14 ReDir Page 13) Henry and Maria had several children of whom three survived to adulthood. The 1860 U.S. Census lists them as Lydia, Henry O. (who went by the name of H. Oliver), and Michael Louis. (FIVGEN_1). The 1870 census record shows Henry C. which is either mistaken or my transcription error. By 1880, Henry had removed to New Britain Township and H. Oliver was living on the family farm in Warrington Township. Henry died 3 Jun., 1885, (THRGEN_10 ReDir) at the age of 62. The place of his interment is uncertain, he bought a plot at Hilltown but his wife and other family members are buried in Beulah Cemetery, New Britain Township, Bucks County. He died without a will, Letters of Administration were issued to settle his estate. (FIVGEN_2)

Mary Ann, b. 3 Oct., 1825 was the only daughter of George and Catherine Weisel. She did not marry and died 20 Feb., 1878, aged 52 years. (THRGEN_10 ReDir)

Samuel Weisel, the patriarch of our family, married Catherine Ann Cover (Kober) on 2 Nov. 1851 at the Tohickon Church. (THRGEN_14 Page 439) Samuel and Catherine had six children who survived to adulthood. Children were Franklin Pearce, b. 18 Jan., 1854, Amanda b. 10 Jul., 1855, Mary Ann, b. 24 Aug., 1857, Anna Catherine, b. 20 Sep., 1859, Henry Phares, b. 14 Oct., 1861, who used the name H. Phares and Sarah E. b. abt. 1864. The 1860 U.S. Census shows Samuel living with his parents and his brother, Henry as part of an extended family. By the time of the 1870 U.S. Census, there appeared to be three families (those of Henry, Aaron and Samuel) living side by side in three adjoining farms located along the Pickertown Road in Warrington Township. It appears that Samuel may have been living with his father George. In later years, first Henry, then Aaron moved to New Britain Township. In the 1900 U.S. Census, Samuel continued to reside at his farm with his wife Catherine Weisel. This was probably on the same

property as the home of his son-in-law, William Detweiler who had married Samuels' daughter, Mary Ann. William was first married to Sarah Weisel until her death in childbirth. He then married her sister, Mary Ann. By 1910, he and Catherine were residing with William and Mary Ann in the same household. (FIVGEN_3) This arrangement apparently continued until Katherine died in 1914 and finally Samuel's death in 1916. His 1912 will was handwritten and not witnessed but it was admitted for probate upon petition by the executors named in his will, Frank S. Reiff and William H. Detweiler. (FIVGEN_4) Both of these men were Samuel's son's-in-law. Samuel died on 26 Mar, 1916, he was 88 years of age. He is buried in the Pleasantville Evangelical & Reformed Church cemetery along with his wife, Catherine. Also buried in the same cemetery are his sons Franklin P. Weisel and H. Phares Weisel and their wives. (FIVGEN_5) The reverse side of this page shows the burial place of his grandson, Willis L. Weisel and his family members. Samuel was a well known resident of Warrington Township, a brief biography [annotated by me] describes his life. (FIVGEN_6) A transcription of family records from his bible, dated April 1, 1888 gives some additional information about family members. (FIVGEN_7) A history of the Weisel farms in Warrington township is shown in records of the Bucks County Historical Society Library (FIVGEN_8). Samuel of our line should not be confused with Samuel Weisel, a son of [John] Henry Weisel of Bedminster Township. His biography is shown here for comparison. (FIVGEN_9)

Aaron Weisel b. 25 Feb., 1831 was the youngest son of George and Catherine. He married Maria Cover (Kober) at Tohickon Church on 17 Aug, 1854. (THRGEN_10 ReDir page 441) I know Aaron's family only from the church records and the U.S. Census records. The 1860 U.S. Census lists Aaron and Maria as living in
Warrington Township,
along with two small children, Levi age 4 and George W. age 2. By 1870, Levi was apparently deceased and the family consisted of father, mother, George, age 11, John age 9 and Mary age 6. In 1880. George apparently was no longer living at home. There were just John, age 18 and Mary, age 16. I have nothing further on

this family.

This review finishes my brief history of the family of Samuel and Katherine Kober Weisel up through the fifth generation.

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1860 Census July 23, 1860 Bucks County, Warrington Township Roll 1083, page 797

George Weisel, Jr. 60 male Farmer \$1,600 \$800 b. PA
Catherine 57 female b. PA
Mary Ann 33 female b. PA

Michael 58 male Farmer \$1,300 b. PA

Henry Weisel 36 male Farmer \$6,000 \$300 b. PA
Maria 40 female b. PA
Lydia A. 8 female b. PA
Henry O.(liver) 5 male b. PA
Michael L. 3 male b. PA
William Fletcher 21 male Farm Laborer b. Ireland

Samuel Weisel 32 male Farmer \$8,200 \$350 b. PA
Catherine A. 30 female b. PA
Frank P. 6 male b. PA
Ann A. 4 female b. PA
Mary Ann 2 female b. PA
Catherine A. 1 female b. PA
Charles Miller 21 male Farm Laborer b. Baden, Germany
Sarah Swink 13 female
George L. Weisel 87 male Gentlemen \$200
Benjamin F. Ruschard 24 male Farmer \$250

Commentary: [Marriage - Samuel Weisel, Catherine Ann Cover 2 Nov. 1851 Tohickon Reformed Church]

page 797?

William Weisel 39 male Blacksmith \$800 \$200 b. PA
Rebecca 38 female b. PA
Susan 11 b. PA

page 801

Aaron Weisel 29 male Farmer \$5,000 \$200 b. PA
Maria 24 female b. PA
Levi 4 male b. PA
George W. 2 male b. PA

Commentary: [Marriage - Weisel, Aaron, Maria C. Cover 17 Aug. 1854 Tohickon Reformed Church]

1870 Census August 21, 1870 Bucks County, Warrington Township Roll 1314, page 809

Henry Weisel	46	male	white	Farmer	\$9,000	\$8,000	b. PA	•
Maria L.	37	female	white	Keeping house			b. PA	
Lydia A.	18	female	white				b. PA	
Henry C.	13	male	white				b. PA	
Michael	12	male	white				b. PA	
Christian Loux	79	male	white				b. PA	
Henry Haldeman	16	male	white	Farm Laborer			b. PA	
Aaron Weisel	40	male	white	Farmer	\$6,500	\$1,850	b. PA	
Maria	36	female	white	Keeping house			b. PA	
George	11	male	white				b. PA	
John	9	male	white				b. PA	
Mary	6	female	white				b. PA	
George Weisel	70	male	white	Farmer		\$800	b. PA	
Catherine	81	female	white	Keeping house			b. PA	
Michael	68	male	white		\$300		b. PA	
Mary Ann	46	female	white	At home			b. PA	•
Christian Keible	30	male	white				b. Prussia	
Samuel Weisel	41	male	white	Farmer	\$8,000	\$2,500	b. PA	
Catherine	40	female	white	Keeping house			b. PA	
Franklin	16	male	white				b. PA	
Amanda	15	female	white				b. PA	
Mary Ann	13	female	white				b. PA	
Catherine	10	female	white				b. PA	
Henry P.	8	male	white				b. PA	
Sarah	6	female	white				b. PA	
Charles Miller	28	male	white				b. Wurtenburg, Germany	
Next Entry								
Joseph Selner	56	male	white	Farmer				

1880 Census Bucks County Warrington Township Vol 18 ED 171 Sheet 20 Line 1

Samuel Weisel	51	male	white	
Catherine	50	female	white	
Amanda	24	female	white	
Mary Ann	22	female	white	
Sarah	16	female	white	
Robert	10	mos male	white	

Soundex Index does not list either Aaron or Henry Weisel; however they are present in the census.

1880 Census Bucks County, Warrington Township, Reel 1106, Page 197

Line 7

Weisel, George	white	male	80	Retired	b. PA
Weisel, Catherine	white	female	77	Keeping House	b. PA

Line 9

Weisel, Franklin	white	male	24	Farmer	b. PA
Weisel, Kate	white	female	24	Keeping House	b. PA
Weisel, Phares Henry	white	male	18	Brother	b. PA
Name illegible, not Weisel	18			Farm Worker	b. Pa
Weisel, Annie C.	white	female	20	Sister	b. PA

1880 Census Bucks County, Warrington Township, Reel 1106, Page 187

Line 4

Weisel, Oliver	white	male	23	Farmer	b. Pa
Weisel, Sarah	white	female	22	Keeping House	b. PA
Weisel, Florence	white	female	5/12		b. PA
Gerhart, George	white	male	22	Farm Laborer	b. PA
Oberholt, Hannah	white	female	19	Servant	b. PA

[H. Oliver Weisel is the son of Henry and Maria Weisel]

Line 10

Weisel, Aaron	white	male	49	Farmer	b. PA
Weisel, Maria C.	white	female	35	Keeping House	b. PA
Weisel, John M.	white	male	18	Son	b. PA
Weisel, Mary C.	white	female	16	Daughter	b. PA

1880 Census Bucks County, New Britain Township, Reel 1106, Page 434

Line 12

Weisel, Henry	white	male	58	Fire Insurance Sales	b. PA
Weisel, Maria L.	white	female	63	Keeping House	b. PA

1900 Census Bucks County Warrington Township Reel 1386 ED 43 Sheet 4 Line 27

Samuel Weisel head w m Apr. 1828 72 mar. 48 yrs b. PA Father b. PA Mother b. PA Farmer
Catherine wife w f Sep. 1829 70 mar. 48 yrs 6 children, 4 living b. PA Father b. Germany
Mother b. PA

Samuel & Catherine may have been living on the home place with widowed daughter-in-law Kate Stout Weisel as their listing follows hers. Kate married Frank Weisel, eldest son of Samuel and Catherine

1900 Census Bucks County Warrington Township Reel 1386 ED 43 Sheet 3 Line 3

William H. Detweiler	head w m	37	Jan 1863	mar. 14 yr	b. PA	Farmer
Mary A. Detweiler	Wife w f	42	Oct 1857	mar. 14 yr	b. PA	4 children, 3 living
Robert W. Weisel	Son w m	20	Aug 1879		b. PA	Telegraph operator
Katie W. Detweiler	daughter w f	13	Apr. 1887		b. PA	
Howard W. Detweiler	son w m	6			b. PA	
Horace Kephart	Nephew w m	15			b. PA	Farm Laborer
William Hagey	w m	23				Farm Laborer
Angeline K	w f	42				Servant

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1885 Letters of Administration for Henry Weisel of New Britain Township

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, County of Bucks ss.

Personally appeared before me, John F. Fishbenner, Register for the probate of wills and granting of Letters of Administration, in and for said County, M. Louis Weisel who being affirmed according to law, doth depose and say that Henry Weisel late of New Britain Township said County, deceased, died at this residence on or about the 3rd day of June A.D. 1885 at 8 ½ o'clock P.M. of said day, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 24th day of June A.D. 1885 M. Louis Weisel

John Fishbenner, Register

Renunciation:

To
John F. Fishbenner Esq.
Register of Wills of Bucks Co.

You will hereby please take notice that as the widow of Henry Weisel late of New Britain Tsp. And I hereby renounce my right to Letters of Administration on said estate and request that you grant Letters of Administration to my two sons H. Oliver and M. Louis Weisel

Maria L. Weisel

Witness:
Lydia Davison

State of Pennsylvania, County of Bucks ss.

Before me, John F. Fishbenner Esq.
Register of Wills and Granting Letters of Administration, in and for said County. Came H. Oliver Weisel and M. Louis Weisel, who being duly qualified, says that as Administrators of the estate of Henry Weisel late of New Britain Township deceased, you will well and truly administer the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said deceased according to law, and diligently and faithfully regard, and well and truly comply with the provisions of the law relating to collateral inheritances.

Affirmed and subscribed before me this 24th day of June A.D. 1885 M. Louis Weisel
H. Oliver Weisel

1885 Letters of Administration for the Estate of Henry Weisel

To John F. Fosbenner Esq.
Register of Wills of Bucks County

You will hereby please take notice that as the widow of Henry Weisel, late of New Britain Township died. I hereby renounce my right to letters of administration on said estate and request that you grant letters of administration to my two sons, H. Oliver Weisel and M. Louis Weisel

Maria L. Weisel

Witness: Lydia Davison

The said accountants charge themselves with proceeds - sale of real estate - viz:

No. 1 Farm 93 acres to Samuel Weisel	7,068.00
No. 2 House & Lot to Aaron M. Kratz	1,605.00
No. 3 Vacant Lot to Aaron M. Kratz	286.00
No. 4 Meadow to William M. Moyer	452.00
No. 5 Business stand to A.C. Cressman	300.00
	\$9,711.00

The said accountants crave the following credits:

By cash paid Noah S. Sheip Exc. Judg.	990.00
John L. Sheip Judg.	2,632.50
Leidy Sheip Judg.	220.00
Sophia Reeder Judg.	715.00
Lydia Davison Judg.	1,200.00
Accountants commission	300.00
I. M. Shellenberger Atty.	100.00
Balance in hands of accountants	
Real Estate Fund	3,553.50
	\$9,711.00

My notes: Henry Weisel is the older brother of Samuel Weisel

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1910 Census Bucks County, Warrington Township, Reel 1320 ED 57 Sheet 11 Line 21

William Detweiler head m 47 mar. 24 yrs, b. PA Farmer Father b. PA, Mother b. PA

Mary A[nn] wife f w 53 mar. 24 yrs, 3 children 2 living b. PA Father b. PA Mother b. PA

Catherine W. dau f w 23 s b. PA

Howard W. son m w 16 s b. PA

Samuel Weisel f/l m w 82 mar. 58 yrs b. PA Father b. PA Mother b. PA Farmer

Catherine Weisel m/l f w 80 mar. 58 yrs b. PA Father b. PA Mother b. PA

FIDGEN - 4

1912 Will of Samuel Weisel

This is my will

June 1st, 1912 H. P. Weisel, Frank S. Reiff and W.H. Detweiler to settle my estate after my decease, dispose of what property I possess and pay all debts if any legal claims may remain and my beloved wife to receive the income of two thousand dollars, say 5 percent and each of the heirs instead of paying my beloved wife their share in money, let each give their share a note at 5 percent half yearly in advanceso she can pay cash as she always advocated cash business, the interest to be paid to her in cash money. F.P. Weisel's share now deceased to be divided; 1/2 to his widow, the balance to be divided amongst his children share and share alike. Samuel Weisel, Jr. to receive my watch for name sake.

Signed

Samuel Weisel

[Handwritten, not witnessed]

Codicil to Will

1/2 of Frank's share deceased to go to Kate, his widow. Balance to his children share and share alike

Samuel Weisel

[Handwritten, not witnessed]

To Oscar O. Bean, Esq., Register of Wills of Bucks County, Pa.

Sir: We the undersigned, mentioned as executors of the will of Samuel Weisel, late of Township of Warrington, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, deceased, do hereby renounce our right to Letters of Testamentary upon the estate of said deceased, and request you appoint H. Phares Weisel, the remaining Executor mentioned in said will as Executor of said estate.

Witness our hands and seals this 5th day of June A.D., 1916

Signatures: Frank S. Reiff
Wm. H. Detweiler

Witnesses:
Amanda Reiff

William H. Fox
Uriah S. Detweiler
Howard W. Detweiler

FIVE - 5

Pleasantville Evangelical & Reformed Church Cemetery
now the United Church of Christ
Chalfont, PA 18914

The following persons are buried in the Pleasantville Church Cemetery: Location is off PA State Route 152 (Limeclin Pike) just past the intersection of County Line Road.

Samuel Weisel April 12, 1828 May 26, 1916 (legend on stone)

b. April 12, 1828 Montgomery County, PA d. May 26, 1916 Warrington, PA Age 88 years
Father - John George Weisel b. Bucks County, PA Mother - Catherine Scheib b. ?, PA

Catherine A. Weisel Sept. 15, 1829 Aug. 22, 1914 (Wife of Samuel Weisel)

Frank P. Weisel Jan. 18, 1854 May 3, 1895 (son of Samuel Weisel)

Kate S. Weisel Mar. 28, 1850 Dec. 16, 1941 (Wife of Frank P. Weisel)

H. Phares Weisel (son of Samuel Weisel)

Mary C. Weisel (Wife of H. Phares Weisel)

Harry W. Weisel 1880-1955 (son of Aaron Weisel?)

Mary G. Weisel 1883-1972

Harry W. Weisel, Jr. 1923-1987

Doylestown Cemetery
Doylestown, PA

The following persons are buried in Doylestown Cemetery: Location is East Court Street & East Street in Doylestown borough - Make 1st turn off East Court St. into cemetery

Harry S. Abbott September 15, 1870 July 25, 1947 (legend on stone)

b. September 15, 1870 Surry County, Virginia d. July 25, 1947 Warrington, PA Age 76 years
Father - Jacob E. Abbott b. Philadelphia, PA Mother - Margaret Gilbert b. Hatboro, PA

Mary C. Abbott

October 11, 1873 September 28, 1946 (legend on stone)

b. October 11, 1873 Warrington, PA d. September 28, 1946 Warrington, PA Age 72 years
Father - Eli Cadwallader b. Warrington, PA Mother - Sarah Knipe b. Unknown
m. Harry S. Abbott (Jr.) January 24, 1898

J. Gilbert Abbott 1907-1925 (legend on stone)

b. December 28, 1907 Warrington, PA
d. XXX xx, 1925 St. Lukes Hospital, Philadelphia, PA Age 18 years

Sara A. Munyan 1902-1975 (legend on stone)

b. 1902 Warrington, PA d. 1975 Abington, PA Age 73 years

Richard C. Munyan 1890-1965 (legend on stone)

b. 1890 Philadelphia, PA d. 1965 Abington, PA Age 75 years

Willis L. Weisel June 16, 1897 October 24, 1991 (legend on stone)

b. June 16, 1897 Warrington, PA d. October 24, 1991 Hatboro, PA Age 94 years
Father Henry Phares Weisel b. Warrington, Pa Mother Mary Clymer b. Unknown

Modesta A. Weisel September 22, 1900 April 4, 1982 (legend on stone)

b. September 22, 1900 Warrington, PA d. April 4, 1982 Lansdale, PA Age 81 years
Father Harry S. Abbott b. Virginia Mother Mary Cadwallader b. Warrington, PA
m. Willis L. Weisel November xx, 1927

Mary W. Austin December 23, 1937 May 11, 1991 (legend on stone)

b. December 23, 1937 Abington, PA d. May 11, 1991 Lansdale, PA Age 53 years
Father Willis L. Weisel b. Warrington, PA Mother Modesta Abbott b. Warrington, PA
m. David Austin 1956?

Ed Smith

Mary Haldeman Weisel (Clymer)

Birthdate: August 20, 1865
Birthplace: New Britain, Bucks, PA, USA, Warrington, Bucks, Pennsylvania, United States
Death: February 28, 1926 (60)
Pennsylvania, USA

Place of Burial: Chalfont Bucks County Pennsylvania, USA Plot: Row 9

Daughter of Valentine Kulp Clymer and Sarah Moyer Clymer
Wife of Henry Weisel

Immediate Family: Mother of Pearl Pearl Weisel; Willis Lloyd Weisel; Alma Clymer Weisel; Sara C McKinstry; Raymond Clymer Weisel and 4 others
Sister of Lydia Ann Haldeman Clymer; Sarah G Weisel; Elizabeth Haldeman Clymer; Catherine Haldeman Clymer; Mahlon Haldeman Clymer and 3 others

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Biography of Samuel Weisel

SAMUEL WEISEL, farmer and lumberman, P.O. Chalfont, is of German lineage, his great-great-grandfather [*George Michael Weisel*] having emigrated from Germany, when 12 years of age [*age of immigration is incorrect - George Michael Weisel, the immigrant was married and came to North America with either 6 or 7 children depending on whether Frederick was the eldest son named in the 1757 will*]. He [*George Michael*] settled in Bedminster township, where his son Michael was born [*incorrect - son Michael [Sr.] came with the family and in 1732 was about age 12 when they arrived in Philadelphia*] and lived until his death [*in 1796 at age 76*]. His son, George [*Ludwig*], was the grandfather of our subject. He was born in Bedminster, March 11, 1773, and removed to Montgomery County, where he bought a farm, where he lived until he came [*not as direct as this description implies*] to the farm now occupied by Samuel, on which he died, April 23, 1862 in his ninetieth year. On April 19, 1796, he was married to Margaret Scheib, who was born June 8, 1775 and died May 27, 1858 in her eighty-third year. Their children were Mary Magdalena, [*John*] George and Michael, all deceased. [*John*] George, the father of Samuel was born November 8, 1799, and died February 23, 1881, aged 82. He lived with his father until the latter's death, and in 1833 [*the family consisting of three generations*] removed from Montgomery County [*first to New Britain Township*] and then to the place now occupied by his descendants in this township, which he and his brother Michael owned in partnership. Later they dissolved, and George took the entire property, which he deeded to his son Samuel on the latter's marriage. On September 15, 1822 he was married to Catherine, daughter of John Scheib, of New Britain Township, where she was born, August 22, 1802. She is still living with her son, and is now in her eighty-sixth year. To this union four children were born: Henry, born September 21, 1823, and died June 3, 1884? [*1885*]; Mary Ann, born October 3, 1825, who died February 20, 1878; Aaron, born February 25, 1831, now living in New Britain Township; and Samuel born April 12, 1828. He was five years of age [*no, the family was still living in Montgomery County in the 1830 census*] when his parents came to this township, and since then has always lived on the same place. On his marriage he took possession of the farm, his parents removing to the new house they had built on the property where his father died, and where Samuel had also removed a few months previously. The farm then comprised sixty-four acres, but subsequent purchases by Mr. Samuel Weisel have increased it to two hundred and seventy-three acres, making him the largest landowner in the township. Seven years ago he gave up active management of the farm to his son, Franklin P., and has since attended to the saw-mill, which adjoins the place. On November 2, 1851, he was married to Catherine A., daughter of John M. Kober, who was born in New Britain Township, September 15, 1829. Their union was blessed with six children: Franklin P., A. Amanda, Mary A., Catherine Ann, Henry Phares, living; and Sallie E., deceased. Mr. Weisel has an interest in educational matters, and for sixteen years has been school director. He and his wife are members of St. Peter's Reformed church at Hilltown, of which he has been a deacon. He is an energetic citizen, whose well-directed labors have entitled him to the competence he is enjoying. In politics he is a Democrat.

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Annotations in brackets and italics are corrections and/or comments made by Alan Weisel based on his research of the Weisel family history

FUGEN - 7

Transcription of family records in Bible belonging to Samuel Weisel
Dated April 1st, 1888
Warrington Township, Bucks County
State of Pennsylvania

Marriages

George L. Weisel to Margaret Scheib April 19, 1796
John George Weisel to Catherine Scheib September 15, 1822

Births

George L. Weisel March 11, 1773
Margaret Weisel June 8, 1775
John George Weisel November 8, 1799
Catherine Scheib Weisel August 22, 1802
Henry Weisel September 21, 1823
Mary Ann Weisel October 3, 1825
Samuel Weisel April 12, 1828
Aaron Weisel February 25, 1831
Catherine Ann Kober Weisel September 15, 1829
(wife of Samuel Weisel)

Deaths

George L. Weisel April 23, 1862 Aged 89 yrs, 1 mo, 12 days
Margaret Scheib Weisel May 27, 1858 Aged 82 yrs, 11 mo, 19 days
Mary Danehower nee Weisel February 6, 1868 Aged 70 yrs, 5 mo, 11 days
Michael Weisel born February 18, 1802, died March 27, 1872 aged 70 yrs, 1 mo, 9 days
John George Weisel February 23, 1881 aged 81 yrs, 3 mo, 15 days
Mary Ann Weisel February 20, 1878 aged 52 yrs, 4 mo, 17 days
Catherine Scheib Weisel February 14, 1888 Aged 85 yrs, 5 mo, 22 days
Samuel Weisel May 26, 1916 aged 88 yrs, 1 mo 14 days
Catherine Ann Kober Weisel August 22, 1914 aged 85 yrs

Additional Information from Samuel Weisel's Notebook

Arron Weisel married Maria Kober Date?

Aaron Weisel died Sep 20, 1916

Maria Kober Weisel, wife of Aaron died Oct 27, 1919

Henry Weisel married Maria Loux Nov 18, 1847

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Weisel Farm History

In Colonial times there was situated a great plantation of 315 acres owned by a Welsh family named Reese. The lands of this plantation are now subdivided into the families of Adam Martin, Samuel Weisel, and Charles Haldeman and the Selner estate besides a portion belonging to the Larzelere farm. Previous to 1768, there was but one house where now there are eight.

In 1722, Joseph Kirkbridge, a land speculator of colonial times, sold 250 acres to Thomas Reese. In 1729, a contiguous tract of 65 acres was purchased from John Humphrey making 315 acres in all. In 1768 a son, David Reese, began to divide and sell the plantation. Robert Flack in 1768 bought 85 acres. This part was lately included in portions of farms of Henry and Aaron Weisel. In 1773, Reese sold the remainder of 237 1/4 acres to Henry Darrah. James Darrah, a son of Henry, came into possession of 170 acres in 1789 by purchase from his father's estate. This included the present farm of Samuel Weisel and the mill site while his brother, William acquired the Haldeman farm. In 1794 James Darrah moved to Warminster and sold the farm to Michael Moyer. He divided this 170 acres between his two sons, Michael and Abraham, the latter received 91 acres.

George L. Weisel bought of Michael Moyer in 1828. The Weisels are descendants of Geo. Michael Weisel, who emigrated in 1732 from Alsace [Questionable geographic comment]. Three sons [Actually four sons including George] came with him, Michael, Jacob and Frederick. They were redemptioners, or those who having no money to pay their passage, were sold into servitude for a time to pay that debt. Michael settled in Bedminister where he married Mary Trach in 1750 and bought land near Hagersville. His son, Henry served in the Revolutionary Army [Also his son, Michael Jr.] His son George [Ludwig] was born in that township in 1773 and only came to Warrington Township when an elderly man where he lived to be 89 when he died in 1862 and was buried in Hilltown Reformed Church Cemetery. He built a saw mill on his purchase. In 1831 he [George L.] moved to Montgomery County after conveying his lands to his sons, John George and Michael. [Conveyance statement probably not accurate] In 1840, John George became the owner of the whole. Flack conveyed in 1848 his land to John George Weisel. In 1849, Henry Weisel, brother of Samuel and Aaron Weisel became the owner.

(Above information from records at the Bucks County Historical Society Library - See 1876 Atlas of Bucks County). Three adjoining farms - Henry, Samuel & Aaron Weisel

My annotations [] are made with the benefit of hindsight.

H. Alan Weisel Sep. 14, 2018

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Samuel Weisel and Catherine Solliday Weisel

Samuel Weisel, youngest son of Henry and Eve, born August 4, 1804, was a lifelong resident of Bedminster and adjoining parts of Hilltown, and died in Hilltown, August 9, 1889. [Henry was the second son of Michael Weisel, Sr. and an older brother of our ancestor George Ludwig Weisel.] He married, May 24, 1829, Catherine Solliday, born June, 1807, daughter of Peter and Magdalena (Godshalk) Solliday, granddaughter of Jacob and Barbara (Loux) Solliday and great-granddaughter of [Maria] Barbara [Weisel] and Frederick Solliday, who came from Switzerland and settled in Bedminster about 1740. [Barbara Weisel is believed to be the daughter of immigrant [George] Michael Weisel who settled in Bedminster.]

Frederick Sallade (as the name was originally spelled) was a clock maker and armorer, and tradition relates that he rendered efficient service to his adopted country in the trying days of the Revolutionary War in the making and repairing of firearms for the use of patriot soldiers. He settled on a farm purchased of William Allen, near Deep Run Mennonite meeting house, and died there at an advanced age, June 24, 1804. He and his wife Barbara were members of the Tohickon Reformed church, and among the earliest records of baptisms there is that of their son, Jacob, born January 22, 1748.

Peter Solliday, father of Catherine Weisel, was the second son of Jacob and Barbara (Loux) Solliday, was born in Bedminster, Bucks County, September 24, 1783 and died there March 1859. He was also a clock maker, and followed that vocation all his life. He remained on the farm with his father, and in 1813 purchased the homestead and 150 acres which he conveyed to his son Peter G. Solliday in 1857. He married, October 6, 1805, Magdalena Godschalk, born April 1, 1785 died January 12, 1851 daughter of Michael Godschalk of Bedminster, and they had issue: Jacob, born April 15, 1806, married December 6, 1829 Maria Hartzel; Catherine, born June 1807, married May 24, 1829, Samuel Weisel; Barbara, and others.

The children of Samuel and Catherine (Solliday) Weisel are: Magdalena, born June 4, 1830, died young; Francis S., born October 27, 1832, Elevina, born December 17, 1835, wife of David H. Bean of Allentown; Caroline, born December 17, 1835, wife of Levi Shellenberger of Hagersville; Eve, wife of George Swartz, of Souderton; and Mary, wife of Samuel Rotzel of Perkasio.

Francis S. Weisel, now residing in Philadelphia, was the only son of Samuel and Catherine (Solliday) Weisel, and was born in Bedminster, three miles above Dublin, October 27, 1832. On March 30, 1868, his father conveyed to him the farm and hotel in Hilltown, known as the Green Tree Hotel, on the Swamp Road opposite the old Weisel homestead, and he was the proprietor of the hotel for five years. In 1873 he removed to Telford borough, where he owned and conducted a hotel and was the postmaster of Telford for ten years. He then removed to Doylestown and purchased the Railroad House, which he conducted for four years. In 1887 he removed to Philadelphia where he has since lived a quiet and retired life. He was a member of the Reformed church until his removal to Philadelphia, but for the past eighteen years has been a member of the Presbyterian church, he and his family being now members of North Broad Street Presbyterian Church. He married in 1866 Annie E. Bowers, born near Jamison, Warwick Township, Bucks County, August 28, 1847, daughter of Charles and Franey (Veronica) Delp Bowers.

Francis S. and Annie E. (Bowers) Weisel are the parents of two sons: Elmer P. and Oscar W. Weisel; and a daughter, Florence, who died in infancy.

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