

History of our Zerby Family



Zerby Crest of arms dating to 1500's

I am updating the ancestry of my grandfather, Percy B Zerby. I began researching my grandparents 30 years ago. I even created a website, aldorrfamily.com to enable me to share the information with other members of the family. My main reference was a chapter in Dr. Vallentine's Vallentine Family History 1980 plus whatever I could find in the internet which was not much at the time. I even exchanged several emails with Dr. Vallentine which I appreciated his patience with a beginning genealogist since it was all new to me. After 30 years I am going back and updating what I had done before. I was very pleased and surprised that one of the leading genealogists, Dr. Vallentine, had written a book on the Zerbe's, Martin Zerbe of Tulpenhocken : and his Zerbe descendants. At the age of 83 I am really leaning on his work very heavily.

Percy Zerby, our grandfather, is a direct descendant of Martin, the first Zerbe who came to America.

Other resources that I used include:

Familysearch.com by the Latter-Day Saints

Finding the ancestral home of a Palatine forefather: The case of Martin Zerbe by Henry Z. Jones, Jr.

*"Mills along the Tulpehocken" XXVIII, November 1999 #1
Ancestry.com and other Internet sites*

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Ancestors of Percy Brandom Zerby

First Generation

1. Percy Brandon ZERBY, son of **John Horace ZERBY** and **Nancy Hannah BRANDOM**, was born on 2 Feb 1886 in Carrollton, Carroll, Missouri, United States,¹ was christened in 1886 in Carroll, Missouri, United States, died in Mar 1963 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, United States,² at age 77, and was buried in 1963 in Memorial Park Cemetery, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, United States.²

Percy B. Zerby was a loving and gentle person with a gift for words. He did not go to college but he loved to read and always had a collection of books. His parents moved to Supply sometime after 1900. The 1910 census records for Supply show Percy was married to Lulla May and was the assistant cashier of the Supply bank. Lulla and Percy divorced and he married Ora Million who owned the bank.



A young Percy B
Zerby

In 1911 Percy's future father-in-law, Burrell Million, bought the bank. In 1917 he married Ora Million, Burrell's daughter and their only child, Maxyne Cecilia Zerby Dorr, was born in 1919. Percy eventually became vice president of the bank and was also the treasurer of the town of Supply. The family lived in the largest home in Supply and was very much involved in society life. They would have dances in the ballroom on the second floor of their home. The bank moved to Woodward in 1929 in an attempt to survive the depression. In 1930 the bank failed and merged with the Bank of Woodward. At one time he was the president of the State Banking Association. The depression had a devastating effect on Percy which he never recovered from. Around 1938 when his daughter entered college, he started working as a clerk in the Oklahoma Highway Department in Perry, OK. Ora and Maxyne moved to Stillwater so Maxyne could attend Oklahoma A&M. He would sleep on a cot in a closet at the Highway Department during the week and go to Stillwater on the weekends. He remained a clerk until he retired 25 years later. He walked

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1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org> : accessed 29 Jun 2024), entry for Percy Brandon Zerby, person ID LR9B-6W9.
 2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Percy Brandon Zerby, person ID LR9B-6W9.

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to and from the Highway Department every day. He never drove a car.

He loved his garden and was a great grandfather. His grandchildren called him "Nini" and Ora, "Mimi." He loved to work in his vegetable garden while Mimi would work with her flowers. The last few years of his life he and Ora moved to Oklahoma City to be close to Maxyne and Sam.

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The following is a transcript I found among my Grandfather's papers. I have not been able to find any additional pages'

Started July 27, 1951

This is a History of My Life written by me in the 65 years of my existence. Written for the information of my sons and my grandsons, my daughter, their wives and husband.

It is written without any intention at literary excellence, but as a single recording of one who I hope has had the affection of those who I love and respect so dearly.

I am the eldest of a family of eight - 5 boys and 3 girls, listed as their births came:

Percy Brandom Zerby (myself), Martin Leander, Harry Lewis, Ross Morris, Sarah Elizabeth, Thomas Edward (died in infancy, the only one that is deceased at this date), Ella Allen, Emily Adeline.

My first remembrance of the stern realities of life and as I look back now from the experience of years is the poverty of the house I lived in and the privations of Father and Mother. I am told that I was 3 months old when with my mother we joined my father in Comanche County, Kansas where he had staked a claim.

My very first recollection is the box trap which my father made to catch what we called snow birds. He sprinkled some small grain on the ground and then propped up the box on a stick to which he had attached a string long enough to

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reach the door of our sod shanty. When the little birds gathered in large numbers under the box and were busily eating the grain he jerked the string and usually one drop was enough to catch a sufficient number to make an ample snow bird pie which served as our meat for the meals - breakfast, dinner and supper. Even there our poverty as I look back on it was delightfully forgotten by me in the ample satisfaction of a filled stomach.

I recall that fathers would be gone for several days at a time and I would with my mother go out over the prairie and gather Buffalo chips, the name they gave from the dropping of the cattle dung, and this we used for fuel. At last Father would return and he would have a great load of logs which he had gathered in the Oklahoma strip. And by the way this was on the Indian Reservation and near the town of Supply, Oklahoma to which we many years after moved and lived near, the history of which will come later.

While in Kansas Martin and Lewis were born. Finally the rigors and the poverty entailed in this frontier were too stringent for a young wife and 3 small children so we packed our scanty belongings into a covered wagon and made the trip overland to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Even there in vigor and location gave promise for the great city that now is the capitol of the State of Oklahoma. Here was born Ross Morris. I remember but very little of our stay there.

(Here get the date we left Oklahoma City? And the reason for leaving?)

However we again took to the covered wagon and we traveled back to Wakenda, Missouri. My father worked for an uncle of mine, Uncle Ed Brandom. He was the owner of considerable land and had a large two story house, large farms, a grist mill where he ground corn for his cattle and hogs, mules and horses aplenty. He was a large stock man and kept a large number of steers on full feed all the time we lived there. He was a very resourceful man. He owned a hardware store and flour mill in Wakenda, Missouri which was just a mile north of his ranch.

I go into detail here for the reason that here in this location I received the deep impression of the vicissitudes of life. The generosity and the cruel injustice of human conception in relation to one another even among your relations. Here was an uncle, the brother of my mother, in these days a man of

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wealth, a religious man. A Deacon in the Baptist Church, Superintendent of the Wakenda Baptist Church. A man of influence and as I recall him a gentle man. But with a mental complex about money that I never understood, as evidenced from a period years after. I had made a trip back to Missouri and bought our house in Supply from the party who owned it and who lived in Missouri. On my way back home I came through Carrollton, Missouri and Uncle Ed was living there with his only daughter. He drove me down to the old house which he still owned and in which his youngest son was now operating. As we passed the old Cary Graveyard where his first wife's people and in which she was buried, and also his oldest daughter Sadie. The weeds covered the cemetery ground and I remarked at the wretched conditions. When he answered with these words, "Tut-tut, it is shameful. You know I give them 50 cents a year to keep it in condition," I almost fell out of the car. But I conceived in my mind then that the man had a mental complex about money. Evidently sacred to him. No conception of the value in relation to relief of suffering humanity. No conception of his disgusting miserly hoarding.

This diversion in my life story is made to give you a possible reason for the scenes and events that I now will make.

Noted events in his life were:

- He had a residence in 1940 in Ward 2, Stillwater, Stillwater City, Payne, Oklahoma, United States.³
- Draft Registration: Between 1917 and 1918, Woodward, Oklahoma, United States.³
- He resided at Perry, OK in 1938 in Stillwater, OK.
- Draft Registration: 1942, Perry, Noble, Oklahoma, United States.³
- He had a residence in 1900 in Combs Township, Carroll, Missouri, United States.³
- He had a residence in 1910 in Supply, Woodward, Oklahoma, United States.³
- He had a residence in 1935 in Lone Wolf, Kiowa, Oklahoma.³

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Percy Brandon Zerby, person ID LR9B-6W9.

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- He had a residence in 1910 in Supply, Woodward, Oklahoma, United States.⁴
- He has conflicting burial information of 1963 in Memorial Park Cemetery, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, United States.⁴

Percy married **Ora Cecilia MILLION**, daughter of **Emma Catherine KELL**, on 18 Jun 1917 in Enid City, Garfield, Oklahoma, United States.⁵ Ora was born on 18 Jul 1876 in Shelbina, MO. Williamstown??. died on 27 Mar 1968 in Oklahoma City, OK, at age 91, and was buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Oklahoma City, OK.



Ora Million attended a Catholic college at a Catholic convent in Quincy, Illinois. She was originally married to Dr. Arthur Perry. She had two sons, Don and Sam, and a daughter, Thelma, who died the same year that she was born. Dr. Perry was practicing medicine in Missouri when her father Burrell Million, Sr. convinced him to move to Apache; there was no doctor in Apache at the time. Dr. Perry died in 1911 while helping to fight an epidemic in western Oklahoma.

In 1916 Ora married Percy B. Zerby who was working in her father's bank. She actively worked in the bank until 1931 when the bank failed. After the bank failed the family moved to Lone Wolf. When Maxyne, her daughter, went to school at Oklahoma A&M she moved to Stillwater and Percy took a job with the highway department in Perry. After Maxyne married she then moved to Perry. She remained in Perry until her later years when she moved to Oklahoma City to be near her daughter. While in Perry she enjoyed her flower gardens and the

4. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Percy Brandon Zerby, person ID LR9B-6W9.

5. Garfield County, OK, *Marriage Record* (7407 is stamped on document Shows they both resided in Supply, but were married in Enid.), 7407 is stamped on the document.

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visits of her grandchildren.

Ora's grandfather and aunt, Samuel and Alice Kell, took part in the Oklahoma land rush in 1904 and received an homestead of 160 acres near Bison, OK.

The child from this marriage was:

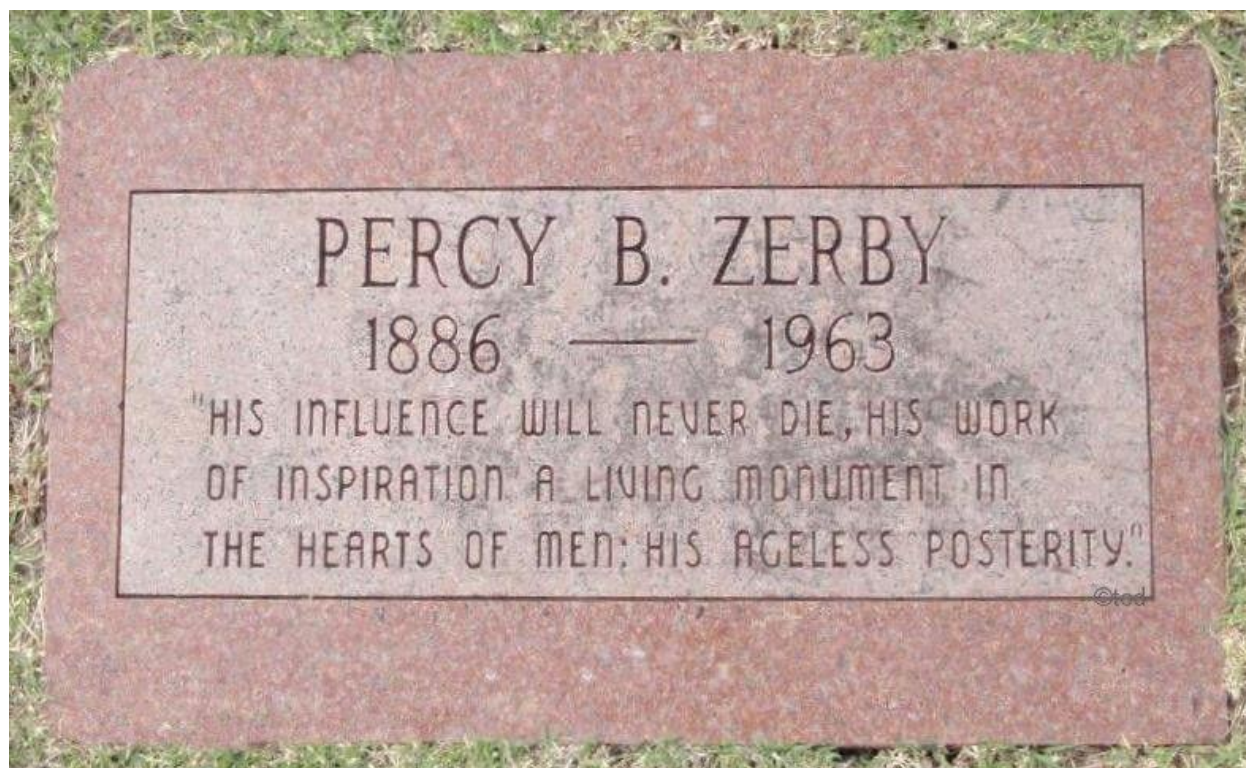
- i. **Maxyne Cecilia ZERBY**⁶ was born on 11 Jun 1919 in Supply, OK,⁷ died on 30 Sep 2007 in Stillwater, OK, at age 88, and was buried on 6 Oct 2007 in Memorial Park, Oklahoma City, OK.

6. State of Oklahoma, birth certificate; General Register Office, Southport.

7. State of Oklahoma, birth certificate 1919, 77250 registration district, 77150 sub-district.

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 1049	1. NAME (Print) Percy Bandom Zerby	ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 708 Holly St. Perry Noble Oklahoma (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)		
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]		
3. MAILING ADDRESS Same (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)		
4. TELEPHONE Yes	5. AGE IN YEARS 56	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Standish Missouri (Town or county) (State)
(Exchange) 131	DATE OF BIRTH Feb. 2 1886 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	(State or country)
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS Sam Perry 714 Louis Stillwater Oklahoma		
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS State Highway Department Division 4 Perry Noble Okla.		
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS		
(Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)		
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.		
D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42)	(over)	16-21630-2 Percy Bandom Zerby (Registrant's signature)



MARRIAGE RECORD

7407

Application for Marriage License

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

GARFIELD COUNTY

I, Percy B. Zerby of Woodward County, State of Oklahoma, aged 31 years, and legally competent to make and take an oath, do solemnly swear that I am acquainted with Mr. Percy B. Zerby and Mrs. Ora C. Perry who are parties for the marriage of whom a LICENSE is hereby applied for. The said parties, and each of them, are of sound contracting mind and unmarried and not disqualified or incapable under the law of entering into the marriage relation. That said parties are not of the relationship prohibited by law and may lawfully contract and be joined in marriage.

I further do solemnly swear that the following schedule, containing the names of the aforesaid parties, their age, their color, place of birth and residence is correct in every particular, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, to-wit:

NAMES OF PARTIES	AGE	COLOR	PLACE OF BIRTH	RESIDENCE
<u>Percy B. Zerby</u> Groom	<u>31</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Missouri</u>	<u>Supply, Okla.</u>
<u>Ora C. Perry</u> Bride	<u>36</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Missouri</u>	<u>Supply, Okla.</u>

Subscribed and Sworn to before me

June 18 1917

Applicant.

Court Clerk.

Deputy Court Clerk.

I, the undersigned, _____ of _____ named in the above application, as under marriageable age, do hereby give my consent to _____ marriage to _____, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 191 _____

Parent or Guardian

7407

MARRIAGE LICENSE

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

GARFIELD COUNTY

ss.

IN THE COUNTY COURT

To Any Person Authorized to Perform the Marriage Ceremony, Greetings:

You are hereby authorized to join in marriage, Mr. Percy B. Zerby and Mrs. Ora C. Perry of the County aforesaid, whose ages, residence, etc., are as follows:

NAMES OF PARTIES	AGE	COLOR	PLACE OF BIRTH	RESIDENCE
<u>Percy B. Zerby</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>White</u>	<u>Missouri</u>	<u>Supply, Okla.</u>
<u>Ora C. Perry</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>"</u>

And of this License you will make due return to my office within thirty days from this date.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at my office in

Enid, in said County, this 18 day

[SEAL]

of June A. D. 191 7

Court Clerk.

Deputy Court Clerk.

Certificate of Marriage

STATE OF OKLAHOMA,

GARFIELD, COUNTY

ss.

I, Andrew Potter M. S., _____, of Enid

Name of Official Minister

Official or Clerical Designation

Name of Court or Congregation.

Name of Place Where Located

in Garfield County, State of Oklahoma, do hereby certify that I joined in marriage the persons named in and authorized by this License to be married, on the 18 day of June A. D. 191 7, at

Enid in Garfield County, Oklahoma, in the presence of J. S. Rice
of Corbett, Okla. and Miss Vesta Etchison of Okarche, Okla.
J. S. Rice
Vesta Etchison } Witnesses Andrew Potter
Enid Okla.

MOTHER

ORA C. PERRY ZERBY

FAMILY OF MILLION

1876 — 1968



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Second Generation

2. John Horace ZERBY, son of **Lewis E. ZERBY** and **Martha**, was born on 10 Dec 1862 in Concord, Morgan, Illinois, United States,^{1,2} died on 21 Dec 1954 in Coldwater, Comanche, Kansas, United States,² at age 92, and was buried in Coldwater, Comanche, Kansas, United States of America.²



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John H. Zerby was raised in Springfield, IL and moved to Carrollton, MO, where in 1882 he met and married Nancy Brandom.

John Horace "Harry" Zerby moved from Carroll Co., Mo., to Comanche Co., Kan., about 1883, and from there about 1890 to Oklahoma City, where he lived only a short time before moving back to Carroll Co., where his last four children were born. When residing with his family in Combs Twp., Harry was listed as a farmer in the 1900 Census of Carroll Co., Mo. (A217).

They spent a number of years in Supply, OK in the early 1900's. Their son, Percy, was working for the bank in 1910 and another son, Ross, was married in Supply in 1913. The 1920 Census shows John residing in Cimarron, Major County, OK. Around 1925 John and Nancy moved to Coldwater, Kansas to live with their son, Martin L. Zerby. Two years later Nancy passed away. John died at the age of 92 in his son's home.³

1. 1870 census of Concord Twp., Morgan County, IL.

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for John Harry Zerby, person ID KHLQ-VCZ.

3. (Coldwater Newspaper No. 24 and 1154. the date and name of newspaper have been removed.), Coldwater Newspaper, No. 24 and 1154.

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Noted events in his life were:

- He had a residence in 1920 in Junction Ward 1, Geary, Kansas, United States.²

John married **Nancy Hannah BRANDOM** on 21 Dec 1882 in Carroll, Missouri, United States. Nancy was born on 24 Nov 1857 in Carol County, MO (Carrollton), died on 1 Feb 1927 in Commanhe, KS, at age 69, and was buried in Crown Hill Cemetaery, Coldwater, KS.

Children from this marriage were:

- 1 i. **Percy Brandon ZERBY** (born on 2 Feb 1886 in Carrollton, Carroll, Missouri, United States - died in Mar 1963 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, United States)
- ii. **Martin Leander ZERBY** was born on 3 May 1888 in Coldwater, KS and died on 2 Jan 1961 in Coldwater, KS, at age 72.
- iii. **Louis (Lewis) H. ZERBY** was born on 4 Apr 1888 in Avila, Comanche Co., KS and died in 1955 in Oklahoma City, OK, at age 67.
- iv. **Ross Morris ZERBY** was born on 5 Dec 1890 in Oklahoma City, OK and died on 1 Jun 1973 in Manhattan, Riley Co., KS, at age 82.
- v. **Sara Elizabeth ZERBY** was born on 15 Feb 1893 in Wakenda, MO and died on 28 Oct 1966, at age 73.
- vi. **Thomas Edwin ZERBY** was born on 25 Apr 1895 in Wakenda, MO and died in 1895 in Wakenda, MO.
- vii. **Ella A. ZERBY** was born on 28 Feb 1887 in Wakenda, MO and died on 11 Dec 1985 in Manhattan, Riley Co., KS, at age 98.
- viii. **Emily Adaline ZERBY** was born on 5 Nov 1900 in Staudish, MO and died on 4 Aug 1993, at age 92.

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Noted events in her life were:

- Fact 1: School Teacher All Her Life In Kansas.

3. Nancy Hannah BRANDOM was born on 24 Nov 1857 in Carol County, MO (Carrolton), died on 1 Feb 1927 in Commanhe, KS, at age 69, and was buried in Crown Hill Cemetaery, Coldwater, KS.

Nancy married **John Horace ZERBY** on 21 Dec 1882 in Carroll, Missouri, United States. John was born on 10 Dec 1862 in Concord, Morgan, Illinois, United States,^{4,5} died on 21 Dec 1954 in Coldwater, Comanche, Kansas, United States,⁵ at age 92, and was buried in Coldwater, Comanche, Kansas, United States of America.⁵

4. 1870 census of Concord Twp., Morgan County, Il.

5. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for John Harry Zerby, person ID KHLQ-VCZ.

John H Zerby and Nancy Hannah Brandom Marriage License - 1882

Mo. 313

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

STATE OF MISSOURI, COUNTY OF CARROLL.

This license authorizes any Judge, Justice of the Peace, licensed or ordained Preacher of the Gospel, or any other person authorized under the Laws of this State, to SOLEMNIZE Marriage between John H. Zerby of Morgan County of Illinois, who is under the age of twenty-one years, and Nancy H. Brandom of Carroll County, of Missouri and State of Missouri who is over the age of eighteen years.

Elizabeth Zerby the mother of the said John H. Zerby by having given her written consent to said Marriage.

WITNESS my hand as Recorder, with the seal of office hereto affixed, at my office in Carrollton, the 21st day of Decr. 1882

E. Drake Recorder.

By J. E. Drake Deputy.

NOTE.—If the man is under twenty-one or the woman under eighteen, add the following: The father, giving his name, (or Mother or Guardian as the case may be) of the said A. B. or C. D. as the case may require, has given his or her assent to the said Marriage.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss. COUNTY OF CARROLL. THIS TO CERTIFY, that the undersigned, P. M. Barlow Minister of the Gospel, did, at Carrollton in said County, on the 21st day of Decr. A. D. 1882 unite in Marriage the above named persons.

Filed for Record, this 21st day of Decr. 1882, at 4 o'clock 20 minutes P. M.

By J. E. Drake Deputy. Recorder.



OBITUARY

Mrs. J. H. Zerby, nee Nancy H. Brandom, was born in Carroll county, Missouri, November 24, 1857, and died February 1, 1927, at Lanard, Kan., following an illness of four years. She was married to John Harry Zerby in 1882 and to this union eight children were born, seven of whom, with her husband, survive her and were with her during her last illness: Percy B. Zerby, Supply; Martin L. Zerby, Coldwater, Kan.; Nancy L. Zerby, Manhattan, Kan.; Ross M. Zerby, Junction City, Kan.; Mrs. J. R. Wasson, Woodward; Lna A. Zerby, Junction City, Kan.; Emily A. Zerby, Dwight, Kan. Interment was made at Coldwater, Kan., Thursday afternoon, following services at 3 o'clock.

Land Patent for land in Commence, Kansas - 1890

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The United States of America.

Osage River Lands
CERTIFICATE
No. *6477* } To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas, *John H. Gerby of Comanche County Kansas*

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at *Larned Kansas*, whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said *John H. Gerby*

according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," and the acts supplemental thereto, for *the South east quarter of Section twenty five in Township thirty three South of Range eighteen West of the Sixth Principal Meridian in Kansas containing one hundred and sixty acres*

according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said *John H. Gerby*

Now know ye, That the United States of America, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *John H. Gerby*

and to *his* heirs, the said tract above described: To HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatsoever nature, thereunto belonging, unto the said *John H. Gerby* and to *his* heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof, I *Benjamin Harrison*
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the *twenty ninth* day of *September* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *ninety*, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and *fifteenth*

By THE PRESIDENT: *Benjamin Harrison*
By *M. M. Keen* Secretary.
M. Townsend Recorder of the General Land Office.

L. S.

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John H Zerby was one of the founders of the Supply Baptist Church

Oklahoma State Charters.

SPECIAL TO THE NEWS.

Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 24.—State charters issued as follows:

The Red Star Lumber Company of Edmond, with \$10,000 capital. Incorporators, G. B. Farrar, E. L. Sheldon, J. L. Robison, I. W. Rodkeys.

Abe Levy & Co. of Oklahoma City; capital \$15,000. Incorporators, S. F. Cole, W. S. Cussings, Abe and Marx Levy.

Oklahoma Cigar Company of Blackwell; capital \$10,000. Incorporators, S. G. Sparks, S. A. Sparks, A. Sparks and S. M. Thayer.

McAlester Stove Manufacturing Company of McAlester; capital \$3,000. Incorporators, D. J. O'Grubbs, J. E. Hurley, E. C. White, J. P. Burnette, D. W. Hopkins.

Lyons Lumber Company of Marble City; capital \$10,000. Incorporators, J. F. Bretz, R. C. Pigman and C. Hazlett.

First Baptist Church of Supply; capital \$3,000. Incorporators, John H. Zerby, Charles C. Devore, Andrew Keltner.

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Third Generation

4. Lewis E. ZERBY, son of **John ZERBE** and **Rachel KYISHER**, was born on 19 Aug 1836 in Allenville, Mifflin Co., PA and died on 18 Jul 1868, at age 31.

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Lewis E. (possibly Lewis Elias [E8]) was listed as a laborer when recording in his parents' household in the 1850 Census of Morgan Co., residing in Concord (A154). Prior to 1870 Lewis died and his widow Elizabeth married (2) Adam H. Zerbe (1346), his younger half brother; his three children by Elizabeth resided in Concord Twp. with Elizabeth and Adam H. Zerbe's household when recorded in the 1870 Census of Morgan Co. (A195a).

John Zerbe, father, was appointed administrator of Lewis E. Zerbe's estate on 4 Nov 1864 (B43, #2278), with John F. Zerby witnessing, the widow Elizabeth having relinquished her right to administer. Since Lewis E.'s brother William H. had been in partnership with him in farming and nursery production and had preceded him in death by only one month, both estates were administered as a combined estate. The application for administration of Lewis E.'s estate documented he had left a widow and two children Lorenzo L. and Horace G.; the birth of his daughter Clara did not occur until several months following his death.

Lewis H. left in his estate personal property of about \$2000, consisting principally of his undivided half of the combined partnership with his brother William M. Additionally, the partnership real estate consisted of a house and lot in Sec 30 (Twp. IS Range 11) in Morgan Co. plus tracts of 120 a., 79 a., 20 a., and 36 a., in the Concord vicinity. Equal distributions of \$44.97 were made on IS June 1368 to John Zerby, Rachel Zerby (parents) and [Jacob?] Zerby, John F. Zerby, Ella Zerbe, Eliza J. Brennan, Adam H. Zerby, and Jarred Zerby (siblings); it appears probable that these distributions were made from William M.'s part of the combine estate. (Alll, A164, A195a, B43, C39, C40, C10S, D8, D24, D27, D23)

Lewis married **Martha**.

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The child from this marriage was:

- 2 i. **John Horace ZERBY** (born on 10 Dec 1862 in Concord, Morgan, Illinois, United States - died on 21 Dec 1954 in Coldwater, Comanche, Kansas, United States)

5. Martha.

Martha married **Lewis E. ZERBY**. Lewis was born on 19 Aug 1836 in Allenville, Mifflin Co., PA and died on 18 Jul 1868, at age 31.

Lewis' Marriage Record (3rd from bottom on left)

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Lewis' Marriage Record (3rd from bottom on left)

License	Date of License	Name of Man	Name of Woman
4405	April 24 1868	William D. Turner -	Dice Kinney -
4406	4 May 7	William Lamb -	Anna Martha Davis
4407	" 9	John Percraft -	Sarah Ann Hadley
4408	" 10	George Tappan -	Martha Jane Minors
4409	" 11	Leino Ucker -	Mary Smith -
4400	" 12	Daniel I. Caspell -	Mary L. Sharpe
4411	" 19	George Menwick -	Catharine Ryan
4412	" 21	Malchior Kelfenstein -	Barbara Weibler
4413	" 23	Jordan Duncan (Co) -	Mrs. Martha Lewis
4414	" 24	William Sawyer -	Elvira Smith -
4415	" 25	William Buchanan -	Almida Walth
4414 x	" 26	George Brinkhurst -	Cornelia Stan
4415	" 31	Philip Coffman -	Sabrella Port
4416	June 5	Thomas Doolin -	Julia Manders
4417	" 12	John C. Tappan -	Mary Ann Pea
4418	" 13	Samuel Taylor -	Eliza Jane Mc
4419	" 19	Charles S. Ives -	Perfor W. Satter
4420	" 21	Daniel Timmons -	Rachel Coffman
4421	" 22	Alexander Kelly -	Mary Louisa Ham
4422	" 25	E. I. Alford -	Fanny Belletine
4423	" 26	James S. Ray -	Julia Caspell
4424	July 3	William James Wilson -	Catharine M. Wilk
4257	" 6	James Keefe -	Margaret Devere
426	" 7	John C. Webster -	Lerrany Drake
427	" 11	Charles Clinis -	Elizabeth Claitor
4428	" 16	Charles Hoffman -	Arminia Rietz -
4429	" 17	John W. Cheney -	Eleonora Holihan
4430	" 18	Just S. Shouff -	Martha Marshall
4431	" 19	Joseph Davis -	Louisa Blalock
4432	" 21	Leino E. Zier -	Elizabeth Dooly
4433	" 30	William McDevay -	Anna E. Roff
4434	" 31	Herion Smith -	Julia Bailey

By Whom Married	Where	Date of Marriage
Rufus Patels	MS	26 April
R. W. Allen	MS	9 May
Joel Goodrich	MS	11 May
Stephen Sutton	SP	17 May
William S. Ruffel	MS	13 May
A. W. Jackson (colored)		23 May
J. P. Johnston	V.D.M.	25 "
Stephen Sutton	SP	25 "
A. S. McKeay	MS	25 "
W. W. Hapley	MS	31 "
J. Hansen	MS	6 June
Charles Bunch	(colored)	15 June
J. H. Morrison	MS	13 June
Charles S. Satter	MS	19 June
Charles Timmons	SP	24 June
Charles Packard		24 June
Charles C. Marshall	MS	25 June
W. S. Ruffel	MS	26 June
J. McLaugherty	SP	8 July
W. W. Hapley	MS	11 July
Joel Goodrich	MS	16 July
J. H. Moon	MS	18 July
Arthur Cloud	MS	18 July
J. P. Johnston	V.D.M.	22 July
J. H. Morrison	MS (R.S.C.)	30 July
W. S. Goodrich	MS	31 July

Lewis Zerby's Civil War Draft Registration

Class I comprises all persons subject to the military draft between the ages of twenty and thirty-five years, and all unmarried persons subject to the military draft above the age of thirty-five years and under the age of forty-five. Class II comprises all other persons subject to the military draft.

SCHEDULE I—CONSOLIDATED LIST of all persons of Class I, subject to the military draft in the 10th Congressional District, consisting of the Counties of *Madison* and *Stark* State of *Illinois*, enumerated during the month of *June*, 1863, under direction of *Capt. H. M. Day*, Provost Marshal.

RESIDENCE	NAME	DESCRIPTION				PLACE OF BIRTH (Giving Locality, Township, or County)	PREVIOUS MILITARY SERVICE	REMARKS
		AGE in 1863	DATE OF ENLISTMENT	PROFESSION, OCCUPATION, OR TRADE	MARRIED OR UNMARRIED			
<i>Madison County</i>	<i>Herrmann, John</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>Oct 1861</i>	<i>Farmer</i>	<i>Madison, Ohio</i>			1
<i>"</i>	<i>Herrmann, John L.</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			2
<i>Stark County</i>	<i>York, George</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Carpenter</i>	<i>Madison, Pennsylvania</i>	<i>1st Regt.</i>	<i>Disch.</i>	3
<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			4
<i>Morgan County</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			5
<i>Concord, Penna.</i>	<i>York, Louis E.</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Farmer</i>	<i>Madison, Pennsylvania</i>			6
<i>"</i>	<i>York, William</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Madison, "</i>			7
<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			8
<i>Stark County</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			9
<i>Prime, Penna.</i>	<i>Yetter, Henry</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>Germany</i>			10
<i>"</i>	<i>Yetter, Henry</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>"</i>			11
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To Colonel JAMES B. FRY,
Provost Marshal General E. B.

STATION: Headquarters 10th Cong. Dist. of *Illinois*
Date: *July 1st 1863.*

H. M. Day Provost Marshal.



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Fourth Generation

8. John ZERBE, son of **Jacob ZERBE** and **Elizabeth HAMEN OR HAMM**, was born on 25 Oct 1808 in Probably in Buffalo Valley, Union, PA, died in Mar 1887 in Whitehall, Greene County, IL, at age 78, and was buried in Concord Cemetery, Morgon, Ill.

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John lived for twenty years or more in Allensville, Mifflin County, PA, where he was engaged in wool manufacturing. (Vallentine)

He then migrated to near Corcord, Morgan County, Illinois with his family of eight children sometime around 1852. Later one of his sons went further west. (1962 letter from Yance A. Zerby to Paul Zerby)

1880 Census for Morgan County, IL shows that John was a retired merchant and was living with a nephew, George W. Rentschler. George was the son of John's sister, Catherine.

Noted events in his life were:

- He appeared on the census.¹

John married **Rachel KYISHER**. Rachel was born in 1808 in PA, died in 1868 in Concord, Morgan Co., IL, at age 60, and was buried in Concord Cemetery.

Children from this marriage were:

- 4 i. **Lewis E. ZERBY** (born on 19 Aug 1836 in Allenville, Mifflin Co., PA - died on 18 Jul 1868)
- ii. **Adam H. ZERBY** was born in 1845 in Allenville, Mifflin Co., PA.
- iii. **Jared ZERBY** was born on 15 Oct 1847 in Allenville, Mifflin Co., PA and died on 25 Dec 1935, at age 88.

John next married **Rachel KRISHER**² on 6 Mar 1871 in Morgan, Illinois, United States. Rachel was born in 1808 of Allensville, Mifflin, Pennsylvania, United States,² died in 1868 in Concord, Morgan, Illinois, United States,² at age 60, and was buried in Concord Cemetery, Morgan, Illinois, United States.²

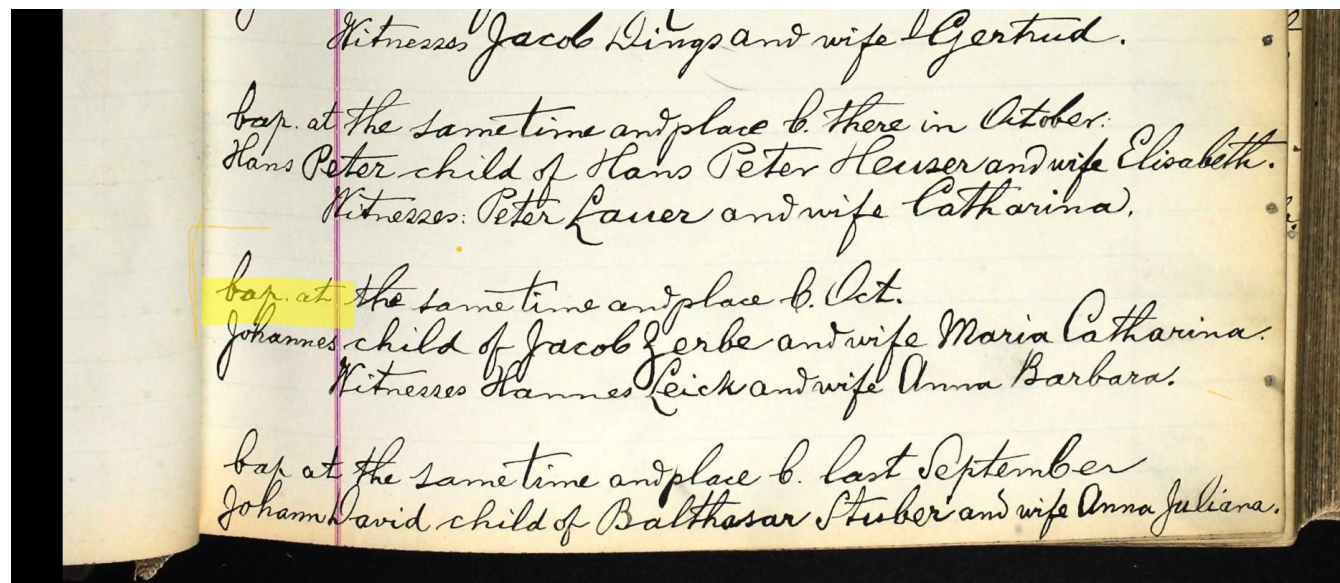
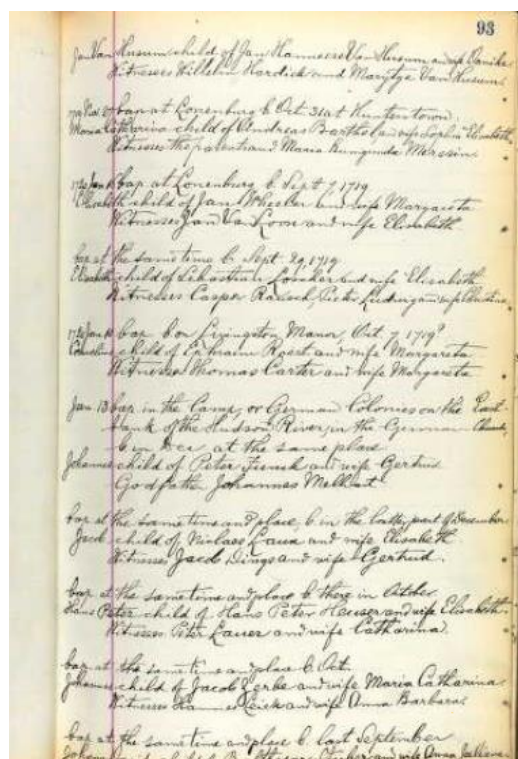
1. 1880 Morgan, IL census record.

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9. Rachel KYISHER was born in 1808 in PA, died in 1868 in Concord, Morgan Co., IL, at age 60, and was buried in Concord Cemetery.

Rachel married **John ZERBE**. John was born on 25 Oct 1808 in Probably in Buffalo Valley, Union, PA, died in Mar 1887 in Whitehall, Greene County, IL, at age 78, and was buried in Concord Cemetery, Morgon, Ill.

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Lewis E. Zerbe, person ID KCZP-CS5.



Christening Record for Johannes

U.S., Dutch Reformed Church Records in Selected States, 1639-1989



John Zerby Grave

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Fifth Generation

16. Jacob ZERBE, son of **Christian ZERBE** and **Maria Christina STRAUSS**, was born on 7 Feb 1782 in Rehrersburg, Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, United States, was christened on 17 Mar 1782 in ., and died in Jun 1841 in Washington Twp., Snyder, PA, at age 59.

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Following the birth of his first child Catherine in Berks Co., PA in 1805, Jacob's residence is unknown until 1809, when his second marriage occurred in Buffalo Valley, Union Co., PA. In 1820 he appears in the census of White Deer Twp., Union Co., PA. He next appears in the records of the Lutheran Church at Beaver Springs (then Adamsburg), Snyder Co., on 17 April 1824, when he communed and his daughter Catherine attended catechetical class.

Jacob received patent to land in West Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA on 10 January 1829. On 15 May 1830 Jacob Zerby of Beaver Twp., Union Co., PA, miller, and wife Elizabeth sold 31 acres from his patent to Rudolph Vonneida of West Buffalo Twp. And later in 1830 and again in 1840 he was enumerated as a resident of Beaver Twp. However, his death occurred in June 1841 while he was a resident of Washington Twp., Snyder (then Union) Co., PA.

Letters of administration on the estate of Jacob Zerby, late of Washington Twp., deceased, were issued on 28 June 1841 to Jacob Smith and William Rushong. In his petition to the Union Co. Orphans Court (Dockets 3:552) on 14 September 1841, William Rushong, administrator, stated that Jacob died "about 3 months since" leaving a widow Eve and children John, Jonathan, Catherine (wife of George Rengler), Elizabeth, and G. Washington, the latter two being minor children. Rushong petitioned to sell the 81 acres in Washington Twp. of which Jacob died seized and located adjoining lands of John Mayer, Daniel Zerby, and others. Permission was granted and the land was sold to Peter Bolig on 22 February 1842.

The widow Eve Zerby on 1 December 1842 petitioned that a guardian be appointed for George Washington and Elizabeth, the two minor children of Jacob Zerby, deceased; and the court appointed Solomon Engel. On 22 May 1848 William Rushong, administrator of Jacob, reported to the court a balance of \$609.19 in his account. And on 14 February 1853, George W. Zerby, a minor

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now 14 y4ears old and upwards, petitioned that Elijah Koch (an older half brother) be appointed his guardian, and the court so granted.

Attempts to prove the maiden surname of Jacob's first wife Elizabeth have been unsuccessful so far. That she was a local girl of Tulpehocken or Bethel Twp., Berks, PA seems probable. The only clue so far is that the sponsor at the baptism of her daughter Catherine in 1805 was Barbara Hamm or Hamen, but a follow up on this clue has revealed nothing positive so far. Palatine immigrants with surnames of Hamen and Hamm were in Hudson Valley settlements in New York in 1710-1712.

Vallentine Family History (A21-A23, A30, A33, A50, A54, A55, C9, C14, C23-C25, B39, B50, D60, E23, E25, E27, E69)

Jacob married **Elizabeth HAMEN OR HAMM** about 1803. Elizabeth was born in 1786 and died in 1808 in Union County, PA, at age 22.

Children from this marriage were:

- 8 i. **John ZERBE** (born on 25 Oct 1808 in Probably in Buffalo Valley, Union, PA - died in Mar 1887 in Whitehall, Greene County, IL)
- ii. **Catherine ZERBY** was born on 21 Oct 1805 and died on 5 May 1891, at age 85.
- iii. **Jonathan ZERBY** was born about 1807 in PA and died after 1841.

17. Elizabeth HAMEN OR HAMM was born in 1786 and died in 1808 in Union County, PA, at age 22.

It is believed that she died at the birth of her son, John.

Elizabeth married **Jacob ZERBE** about 1803. Jacob was born on 7 Feb 1782 in Rehrersburg, Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, United States, was christened on 17 Mar 1782 in ., and died in Jun 1841 in Washington Twp., Snyder, PA, at age 59.

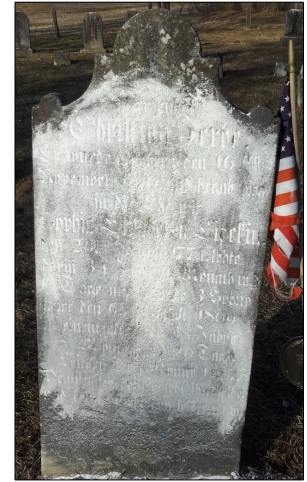
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Sixth Generation

32. Christian ZERBE, son of **John ZERBE** and **Caterina STUPP**, was born on 25 Dec 1750 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 3 Feb 1751 in Christ Lutheran Church near Stouchsburg, Berks, PA, died in 1817-1818 in Union County, PA, at age 67, and was buried in Union, Pennsylvania, United States.¹

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Christian appears in the Bethel Twp. tax lists from 1774 through 1790. He was a head of household in the 1790 Census of Bethel Twp., Berks, PA. On 15 March 1785 Christian bought his grandfather John Jacob Zerbe's farm from the heirs of his father, said farm comprised of 84-acre and 100-acre tracts. He and his wife of Bethel Twp. sold the farm to Conrad Christ on 18 April 1800. But they had then moved to White Deer Twp., Union Co., PA in time to be enumerated there in the 1800 Census.



Christian grave

As trustees of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Kelly Twp., Union Co., PA, Christian Zerbe and George Reininger on 13 August 1802 received 7 acres for school, church, and cemetery purposes from Jacob Lutz, executor of Phillip Stahl, and John Stahl of Phillip. On 4 November 1815 the same two men deeded half interest in the Lutheran Church (i.e. St. Peter's) to the Presbyterian congregation (i.e. St. John's German Reformed), thereby enabling joint legal use by both congregations. Although both congregations now have separate church buildings, at that time they shared a union church building. It seems almost certain that Christian and wife Christina were buried in the old cemetery there.

On 20 April 1801 Christian Zerbe of White Deer Twp. bought 157 acres in White Deer Twp. from Richard Sherrer and wife Hannah. This was apparently his home for a few years. Christian and wife Ann sold this land to Peter Haas; they received a mortgage back from the grantee on 3 May 1810. Christian married (2) Mrs. Anna Sauser in Union Co. on 16 May 1809. Christian Serbe was enumerated with his wife and a girl aged 10-16 years in the 1810

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Christian Zerbe, person ID LCMW-MNJ.

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Census of West Buffalo Twp., Union Co., PA, where they had apparently removed shortly before. Although he was now at least five miles from St. Peter's Church located in northern Kelly Twp. near the White Deer Twp. line, Christian apparently continued on as an officer therein until his death.

Christian Zerbe of West Buffalo Twp. made his will on 25 April 1817 and it was probated after his death on 20 November 1818 (Union Co., PA Wills, A:103). He named his 11 living children including Jacob, gave to his youngest son Samuel the land bought of John Piper, provided for his wife Elizabeth, and appointed his friend George Englehart Sr. to be his executor. About 1824 the executor petitioned the Union Co. Orphans Court (Records 2:198) that Christian had died seized of two contiguous tracts of land in West Buffalo Twp. totaling 155 acres of land adjoining lands of David Homiler, Christian Derr, and Nicholas Egbert. The estate stood indebted to John Ringeler, Jacob Stahl, Abraham Painter, Peter Weidner, John Ray, and Daniel Ringeler, and permission was granted to the executor to sell the land to pay off the debts. Christian reportedly died leaving a step-daughter named Sarah Young.

From Vallentine Family History (A1, A19, A20, A145, B3, B21, B29, B39, B49, C2, C9, C21, C23, C24, C80, D58, E8, E30, E66, E67)

Noted events in his life were:

- He had a residence in Tulpehocken.²
- will dated 25 April 1817: will probated 20 November 1818 in Union Co., Pa., <unknown>.²

Christian married **Maria Christina STRAUSS** on 3 Jun 1773. Maria was born on 20 Feb 1749 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 5 Mar 1749 in Christ Lutheran Church near Stouchsburg, Berks, PA, and died 11-16 Nov 1805 in Union County, PA, at age 56.

Children from this marriage were:

- John George ZERBE** was born on 20 Mar 1774, was christened on 8 Apr 1774, died on 24 May 1853, at age 79, and was buried in Mifflinburg Cemetary, Union, PA.
- John ZERBE** was born on 15 Feb 1776, was christened on 17 Mar

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Christian Zerbe, person ID LCMW-MNJ.

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- 1776, and died after 1820.
- iii. **Mary Catherine ZERBE** was born on 16 Jan 1778, was christened on 8 Mar 1778, and died after 1817.
 - iv. **Susanna ZERBE** was born on 31 Jan 1780, was christened on 18 Apr 1780, and died after 1817.
 - 16 v. **Jacob ZERBE** (born on 7 Feb 1782 in Rehrersburg, Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, United States - died in Jun 1841 in Washington Twp., Snyder, PA)
 - vi. **Maria Christina ZERBE** was born on 8 Oct 1783, was christened on 31 Dec 1783, and died after 1817.
 - vii. **Henry ZERBE** was born on 10 Nov 1785, was christened on 11 Dec 1785, and died In Infancy.
 - viii. **Mary Salome ZERBE** was born on 29 Oct 1787, was christened on 25 Dec 1787, and died after 26 Jun 1867 in Probably at Royalton, Cuyahoga, OH.
 - ix. **Elizabeth ZERBE** was born on 25 May 1789, was christened on 22 Nov 1789, and died after 1817.
 - x. **Henry ZERBE** was born on 25 May 1789 and died prior to 8 Nov 1844 in Kellt Twp., Union, PA, at age 55.

33. Maria Christina STRAUSS was born on 20 Feb 1749 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 5 Mar 1749 in Christ Lutheran Church near Stouchsburg, Berks, PA, and died 11-16 Nov 1805 in Union County, PA, at age 56.

Maria married **Christian ZERBE** on 3 Jun 1773. Christian was born on 25 Dec 1750 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 3 Feb 1751 in Christ Lutheran Church near Stouchsburg, Berks, PA, died in 1817-1818 in Union County, PA, at age 67, and was buried in Union, Pennsylvania, United States.³

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Christian Zerby, person ID LCMW-MNJ.

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Seventh Generation

64. John ZERBE, son of **Jacob ZERBE** and **Maria Catharina WINTER**, was born in Oct 1719 in East Camp, Columbia, NY, was christened on 13 Jan 1720 in NYC Lutheran Church, and died Prior to 8 Nov 1776 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, at age 56.

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John's birth and baptismal dates are recorded in the registers of the Lutheran Church in New York City, probably the home church of the minister who baptized him. When married by the famous Rev. John Casper Stover in 1744, he entered their names as John Zerwe and Catarina Stup. It seems certain that it was this John Zerb who was an original signer in 1743 on the rolls of Christ Lutheran Church. The only other man by this name of appropriate age was John's uncle, John the Miller (i.e. John Japhet son of Martin). However, the latter seems unlikely since John the Miller had previously joined the Moravian movement, and Christ Lutheran Church had been formed primarily as a result of the Moravians having taken over the old Rieth's or Zion's Lutheran Church.

John Zerbe is entered on the tax rolls for Tulpehocken Twp. for 1754, 1758, 1760 and 1765 and probably is the Hans Zerben on the tax roll for 1770. It does not appear that John owned land for several years after his marriage and until he eventually bought the two tracts of land comprising his father's farm in Bethel Twp. From his brothers Michael and Valentine Zerbe, John bought 84 acres on 14 November 1768 and 100 acres on 16 November 1768. After John's death his heirs on 15 March 1785 sold these two tracts to his son Christian Zerbe (The Ancestor). It is probable that this farm was north of Rehrersburg and just across Little Swatara Creek in Bethel Twp.

Letters of administration on the estate of John Zerbe, the younger (i.e. younger than his uncle John the Miller), late of Tulpehocken Twp., deceased, were issued to the widow Catherine on 8 November 1776. This suggests that John may never have moved onto his father's farm in Bethel Twp. after he bought it. Petitions to the Berks Co. Orphans Courts (Dockets 2:251, 255) dated 12 and 13 November 1778 show that John died intestate leaving a widow Catherine and dying seized of both real and personal property. His daughter Margaret, a minor over 14 years, chose Jacob Strauss as her guardian. The court appointed Daniel Schneyder and Jacob Strauss guardians of Barbara, John and Daniel, all orphans

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of John under 14 years.

Catherine apparently moved to the farm in Bethel Twp. after the death of her husband as she is recorded in the tax lists there in 1780, 1784 and 1785. In the year 1784 she was assessed for 50 acres in Bethel Twp., this presumably being her own dower assignment out of her husband's estate. It is probable that she was the Widow Zerbe residing in Bethel Twp. when the census was taken in 1790; the two females in the family were probably Catherine and her daughter Barbara.

From Vallentine Family History (A1, B3, B38, B39, B43, B47, B48, C2, C16, C18, C21, E30)

John married **Caterina STUPP** on 4 Jun 1744 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA. Caterina was born about 1723.

Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Maria ZERBE** was born on 8 Apr 1745 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 14 Apr 1745, and died Prior to 1776, probably in, at age 31.
- ii. **Johannes ZERBE** was born on 23 Mar 1748 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, was christened on 3 Apr 1748 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, and died Prior to 1776, at age 28.
- 32 iii. **Christian ZERBE** (born on 25 Dec 1750 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA - died in 1817-1818 in Union County, PA)
- iv. **Anna Elizabeth ZERBE** was born on 15 Oct 1753 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and was christened on 21 Oct 1753.
- v. **Anna Christina ZERBE** was born on 10 Feb 1756 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and was christened on 7 Mar 1756.
- vi. **Maria Margaretha ZERBE** was born on 6 May 1761 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and was christened on 26 May 1761.
- vii. **Barbara ZERBE** was born about 1764 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA.
- viii. **John ZERBE** was born about 1766.
- ix. **Daniel ZERBE** was born about 1768 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA.

65. Caterina STUPP was born about 1723.

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Caterina married **John ZERBE** on 4 Jun 1744 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA. John was born in Oct 1719 in East Camp, Columbia, NY, was christened on 13 Jan 1720 in NYC Lutheran Church, and died Prior to 8 Nov 1776 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA, at age 56.

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Eighth Generation

128. Jacob ZERBE, son of **Johan "Martin" ZERBE** and **Anna Elizabetha JUNGEL**, was born in 1698 in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hesse, Germany, was christened on 4 Dec 1698 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), died on 1 Mar 1782 in Bethel Twp., Berks County, PA, at age 84, and was buried in Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, PA.



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Johan Jacob (often shortened to Jacob) resided in the German camps on the east side of the Hudson River in Columbia Co. at Annsburg and possibly also at Queensbury. He took an oath of allegiance to the British Crown at Albany on 17 Jan 1715/1716. After moving to the Tulpehocken region of Berks Co., Pa., sometime after 1725, it appears he first settled east of his father, Martin, on Mill Creek. Drawings of land surveys show that the second tract west from the mouth of Mill Creek at its confluence with Tulpehocken Creek had been surveyed for him. However, since no deeds have been found for this tract, it is probable that Jacob sold his survey before a deed or patent was ever issued to him. A Jacob Zerbe Sr. in 1758 and a Jacob Servey in 1765 appear on the taxlists of Tulpehocken Twp., but this probably refers to his apparent son Jacob Jr. who married Anna Elizabeth Spiess. Jacob Sr. was an original signer of Christ Lutheran Church.

By 1752 John Jacob moved with his family to Bethel Twp., Berks Co., where he has been found on the 1752, 1753, and 1754, and 1760 taxlists. On 2 Jan 1753 Jacob Zerbe bought an 84 acre tract in Bethel Twp. from John Heberling and wife Barbara, but on 13 Mar 1764 he and his second wife Susannah of Bethel Twp., Berks Co., sold the land to their sons Michael and Valentine. Jacob bought another 100 a. of land on 6 Feb 1764 from John Heberling and sold the same tract on 16 Feb 1768 to sons Michael and Valentine. However, both tracts were later sold by Michael and Valentine to their older brother John Zerbe (THE ANCESTOR). Jacob Zerbe (Sr.) of Bethel Twp. made his will on 15 Aug 1776 but it was not probated until 19 Mar 1782, a short time after his death (Berks Co., Pa., Wills, A:40). He left 1/3 of the estate to his wife Susanna and the remainder to his living children, but his eldest son John was to receive only 1 shilling, having presumably already received his share. Leonard Zerbe and

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Andrew Rigall witnessed the will. On 19 Mar 1782 letters testamentary on the estate of Jacob Zerbe, late of Bethel Twp., deceased, weaver, were issued to Nickolus Gauckler as sole executor; and Andreas Riegel and Leonhart Zerbe again witnessed. (B3, B38, B43, B48, B41, B47, C2, C16, C18, C21, C22, E30, E53, E56, E60, E61, E65)

The Palatine Families of New York, Hank Jones, p 1137:

Johann Jacob Zerbe was confirmed 23 March 1712 at at Queensburg (West Camp Lutheran Chbk). Johan Jacob Server was naturalized 17 Jan 1715/16 (Albany Nats). Jacob Zerben and his wife Maria Catharina were listed next to Martin Zerber (and two names from Heinrich Winter) at Wormsdorff ca. 1716/17 (Simmendinger Register). Jacob Server was a Palatine Debtor in 1722 (Livingston Debt Lists). He was on the Tulpehocken Church lists of 1743. The will of Jacob Zerbe of Bethel was dated 13 Aug 1776 and probated 19 March 1782 (Berks Co. Will Bk A, p 40). Johann Jacob married Maria Catharina (probably Winter - HJ).

There are references in the Kocherthal records of the West Camp church showing children of a Johann Jacob Zerbe and wife Maria Catharina. Dr. J.F. Vallentine in his family history book showed the wife as Maria Catharina Winter. I wrote him as to the source of the name Winter (there was a Maria Catharina Winter in the West Camp). He replied that there is no record of their marriage and it was a guess on his part. Presumably one of Johann Martin's four sons to come over from Germany on Bulman's ship.

Jacob Zerben and his wife Maria Catharina were listed next to Martin Zerber at Wormsdorff ca. 1716/17. Jacob Server was a Palatine Debtor in 1722. He was on the Tulpehocken Church list of 1743. The will of Jacob Zerbe of Bethel was dated 13 Aug 1776 and probated 19 March 1782 (Berks Co. Will Bk. A, p. 40). His will was written August 13, 1776 and probated March 19, 1782.

According to Dr. Vallentine (122(101)), Jacob lived "in the German camps on the east side of the Hudson River" and "took an oath of allegiance to the British Crown at Albany on 17 Jan 1715/1716." After 1725, he moved to Tulpehocken and apparently settled near his father on Mill Creek. According to the tax lists, by 1752 he had moved to Bethel Township.

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Confirmation 1: April 23, 1712, Queensburg NY339,340

Confirmation 2: March 23, 1712, Queensbury, NY341

Naturalization: January 17, 1716, Mayor's Court, Albany Co NY342,343,344

Will: written Aug 15, 1776, proved Mar 19, 1782345,346,347

Jacob married **Maria Catharina WINTER** 11716 in East Camp, Columbia, NY.
Maria was born in 1695 in Germany.

Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Anna Kunigunda ZERBE** was born on 11 Jan 1718 in East Camp, Columbia, NY and was christened on 20 Jan 1718.
- 64 ii. **John ZERBE** (born in Oct 1719 in East Camp, Columbia, NY - died Prior to 8 Nov 1776 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA)
- iii. **Peter ZERBE** was born in Jul 1721 in East Camp, Columbia, NY.
- iv. **Elizabeth ZERBE** was born about 1723.
- v. **Maria Barbara ZERBE** was born on 20 Nov 1725 in East Camp, Columbia, NY and died in Augusta County, VA.
- vi. **Catherine ZERBE** was born about 1727 in East Camp, Columbia, NY.

Jacob next married **Susanna** about 1735. Susanna died after 1790.

Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Jacob ZERBE** was born about 1735 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and died after 30 Apr 1813.
- ii. **Anna Christina ZERBE** was born on 25 Dec 1736 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA.
- iii. **John Michael ZERBE** was born on 20 Apr 1738 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and died after 30 Apr 1813.
- iv. **John Valentine ZERBE** was born on 24 Jun 1741 in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA and died in Tulpehocken Twp., Berks, PA.

Jacob next married someone.

His child was:

- i. **Johannes ZERBE**¹ was born in Oct 1719 in East Camp, Columbia, New York, British America,¹ was christened on 13 Jan 1720 in East Camp, Columbia, New York, United States,¹ died on 8 Nov 1776 in Tulpehocken, Berks County, Pennsylvania, USA,¹ at age 57, and was

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Christian Zerbe, person ID LCMW-MNJ.

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buried before 8 Nov 1776.¹

129. Maria Catharina WINTER was born in 1695 in Germany.

Maria married **Jacob ZERBE** 11716 in East Camp, Columbia, NY. Jacob was born in 1698 in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hesse, Germany, was christened on 4 Dec 1698 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), died on 1 Mar 1782 in Bethel Twp., Berks County, PA, at age 84, and was buried in Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church Cemetery Elizabethtown, Lancaster County, PA.

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Ninth Generation

256. Johan "Martin" ZERBE, son of **Johann Martin ZERBE I** and **Anna Elizabetha ELBERT**, was born on 17 Dec 1671 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), was christened on 17 Dec 1671 in Luthern Church, Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), died on 22 Apr 1739 in Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America,¹ at age 67, and was buried in 1739 in North Heidelberg, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America.¹

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In the late 1600's armies occupied parts of Palatinate Germany including the French and Saxon and Bavarian Armies. In addition, there was an extremely where virtually all commerce ceased and animals and humans froze. Queen Ann of England was sympathetic to what was happening to the Palatinates and told them she would send them to America. In return, they would help make naval stores for the Biriths Fleet and help fight the Indians. They sent advertisements to Germany and offered to pay them a bounty. About 15,000 Palatinates agreed to the offer and sold their homes and possessions in preparation for the journey to England.

Included in the Palatinates were Martin Zerbe, his wife and four sons all under 11. After floating down the Rhine River to Rotterdam, the family sailed for England in June 1709. The trip was made on Capt. Robbert Bulman's ship in the 4th party of Palatinates. Philip Zerbe, Martin's brother, also made the trip, although his parents did not.

Martin Zerbst, Lutheran, husbandman and vinedresser, age 34, and his family appeared on a list of Palatine refugees at St. Catherine's, Deftford, and London.

On Chtirtmas Eve of 1709 Martin sailed with his family on one of 11 ships provided by the British Crown to the province of New York. It is presumed that Martin's brother Johan Philip came to America on the same ship. They arrived in New York on June 13.1710 in poor health and were housed on Nutten Island.

Martin settled in Livingston Manor, New York, at East Camp, also known as Annsburg and Wormsdorff. In Livingston Manor, each settler got lots of 40 feet

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Johann Martin Zerbe, person ID LT32-4TR.

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in the front and 50 feet deep. From 1710 to 1712 Martin appeared on Gov. Hunter's subsistence list, getting £91 in food and supplies. Martin, as Marte Server, was naturalized a British subject at the town hall at Albany, New York, on 17 January 1715/16. The last entry appears in February 1722, when the family moved to Tulpehocken Township in Berks County, Pa.

In the early 18th century, the Queen Anne's war broke out in the colonies, called the "War of the Spanish Succession". The settlers, including Martin Zerbe and his brother Philip, both of Annsburg, were required to serve, and on July 11, 1711 they marched to Canada. The men were enlisted from the village of Annsburg, New York and were in Captain Hartman Windecker's Company.

After their return from the Queen Anne's War, the governor took their weapons fearing a revolt. The settlers had trouble with Governor Hunter and left Livingston's Manor, moving to Schoharie, New York. Here, they had problems with the Dutch, who defrauded them of their land. The Governor of Pennsylvania heard about their problems, and wanting to populate Pennsylvania, invited them to move to there. In all, 33 families led by friendly Indians came to Tulpehocken Township, which was then located in Chester County, Pa.

After the war, the settlers had trouble with Governor Hunter who by now was broke and in debt and could not fulfill the contract with the settlers. The settlers from seven villages left Livingston's Manor and moved to Schoharie, New York. Here, they had problems with the Dutch who defrauded them of their land. They also faced problems from Governor Hunter's men. The Governor of Pennsylvania heard about their problems and wanting to populate Pennsylvania, invited them to move to Pennsylvania. In all 33 families led by friendly Indians came to Tulpehocken Township which was then located in Chester County, Pa. Tulpehocken Township is bounded by the Blue or Kittany mountains on the north and Reading on the South where the Tulpehocken Creek unites with the Schuylkill River. In 1724, Zerbe was one of fifteen who signed a petition asking the Pennsylvania Government for titles to their land. Martin appears on the Tulpehocken Tax lists of 10-11 Jan 1726 and 2-4 January 1727.

Fell's Manor, where he settled, was in Chester County, Pa. Today, it is at Host's Post Office in Berks County. Martin had no deed to the property because deeds were not issued until after 1730 due to Indian difficulties. His son Johan Peter eventually received a deed. Fell's Manor is two miles from Myerstown,

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Lebanon County beginning at Tulpehocken Creek at Rieth's Church in Strouhsburg and extending in a straight line, three miles in length to Host's Post Office. Martin Sharva's Run or Muhglbach (Mill Creek) is the name of the branch of the Tulpehocken Creek that empties in that stream near what is now Krick's Mill Post Office or Cross Key's Hotel.

Martin was survived by his wife Anna Elisabetha and four of his sons who were Johan Jacob (1698), George Peter (1702), Johan Japhet (1705) (the second of that name), and Johann Philipp (1708). The four sons along with the surviving daughters accompanied their parents to Tulpehocken or came shortly afterwards. All married— the eldest Johan Jacob before migrating from New York State— raised families, and maintained close Tulpehocken ties.

At one time, there were three Zerbe grist and saw mills within a one-mile radius of each other. Krick's Mill was operated by Lorentz Zerbe. Lorentz and Martin were the same people. It was operated before 1735 and then taken over by his son John and great grandson John Zerbe. the elder John became known as John thr Miller. It is located 2 ½ miles north of Charming Forge. SOURCE: "Mills along the Tulpehocken" XXVIII, November 1999 #1

Noted events in his life were:

- LifeSketch: from FIND A GRAVE
Johan Martin Zerbe
BIRTH17 Dec 1671
Kettenbach, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany
DEATH 22 Apr 1739 (aged 67)
Host, Berks County, Pennsylvania, USA
BURIAL Burial Details Unknown
MEMORIAL ID 220164603 · View Source
MEMORIAL
PHOTOS 0, <unknown>.²
- He worked as a husbandman and vinedresser in 1709.²

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Johann Martin Zerbe, person ID LT32-4TR.

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- Note: Possibly listed as a Palatine Head of Family on Governor Hunter's Ration Lists as Martin Zerbe, Abt 1714, New York, British Colonial America.³

Johan married **Anna Elizabetha JUNGEL** on 11 Feb 1697 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany). Anna was born about 1674 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany) and died on 22 Jul 1750 in Berks County, PA, about age 76.

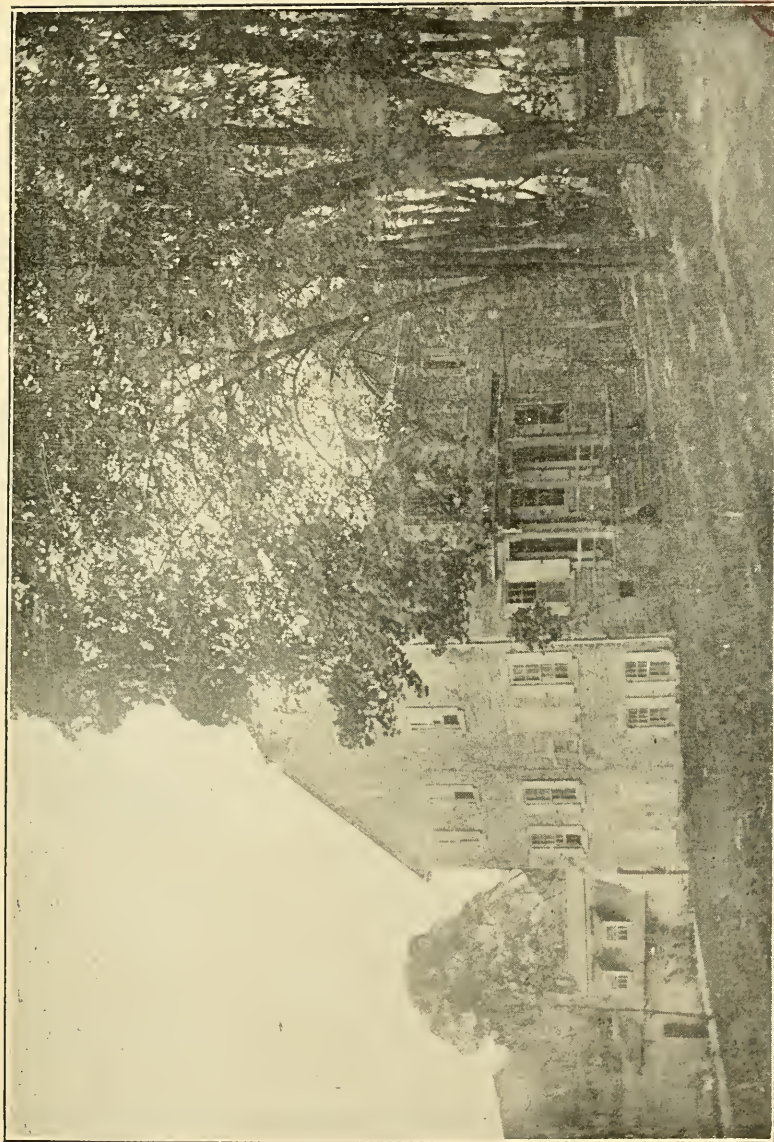
Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Johann Henrich ZERBE** was christened on 12 Oct 1697.
- 128 ii. **Jacob ZERBE** (born in 1698 in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hesse, Germany - died on 1 Mar 1782 in Bethel Twp., Berks County, PA)
- iii. **George Peter ZERBE** was christened on 22 Jan 1702 and died in 1780-1782 in Jefferson Twp., Berks, PA, at age 78.
- iv. **Johann Japhet ZERBE** was christened on 1 Feb 1704 and was buried on 22 Feb 1704 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany).
- v. **Johann Japhet ZERBE** was christened on 24 Jun 1705, died 1796 or earlier in Bernville, Berks, PA, at age 91, and was buried in N. Heidelberg Moravian Cem., Berks, PA.
- vi. **Johann Phillip ZERBE** was christened on 12 Feb 1708 and died in 1790 in Pinegrove Twp, Berks (now Schuylkill) Co, PA, at age 82.
- vii. **Elizabeth Marie ZERBE** was born in 1712 and died about 1749, about age 37.
- viii. **Maria Margaretta ZERBE** was born on 3 Feb 1715 and died about 1787, about age 72.
- ix. **Barbara ZERBE** was born in 1720.

257. Anna Elizabetha JUNGEL was born about 1674 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany) and died on 22 Jul 1750 in Berks County, PA, about age 76.

Anna married **Johan "Martin" ZERBE** on 11 Feb 1697 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany). Johan was born on 17 Dec 1671 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), was christened on 17 Dec 1671 in Luthern Church, Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), died on 22 Apr 1739 in Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America,³ at age 67, and was buried in 1739 in North Heidelberg, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America.³

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Johann Martin Zerbe, person ID LT32-4TR.



FRONT VIEW OF HOMESTEAD ON SITE OF MARTIN ZERBE'S LAND, SETTLED UPON IN 1723.



MARTIN ZERBE OF TULPEHOCKEN

AND HIS ZERBE DESCENDANTS

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Tenth Generation

512. Johann Martin ZERBE I, son of **George Zerbe (French-Sevier) Zarva ZARVA**¹ and **Juliana Ursula VON BADEN-DURLACH**,¹ was born on 21 Sep 1699 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,¹ died in Mar 1694 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,¹ at age -246, and was buried on 8 Mar 1694 in Kettenbach Cemetery, Hausen über Aar, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany.¹

He settled in France and came from Paris where some of his children were born, to Alsace, near Stras-burg, where it is supposed that his brother George and his father George lived, the Seviars and Serviers, as the name was spelled in France, being numerous in Alsace and Lorraine.

In the late 1600's armies occupied parts of Palatinate Germany including the French and Saxon and Bavarian Armies. In addition, there was an extremely severe winter where virtually all commerce ceased and animals and humans froze. Queen Ann of England was sympathetic to what was happening to the Palatinates and told them she would send them to America. In return, they would help make naval stores for the British Fleet and help fight the Indians. They sent advertisements to Germany and offered to pay them a bounty. About 15,000 Palatinates agreed to the offer and sold their homes and possessions in preparation for the journey to England.

The family probably floated down the Rhine River to Rotterdam, where they sailed for England in June 1709. The trip was made on Capt. Robbert Bulman's ship in the 4th party of Palatinates.

Martin's son, Martin Zerbst, Lutheran, husbandman and vinedresser, age 34, and his family appeared on a list of Palatine refugees at St. Catherine's, Deptford, and London. The elder Martin did not make the trip to America with his sons. He and his wife, Anna Elizabetha, remained in Kettenbach until their deaths.

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

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Noted events in his life were:

- LifeSketch: <https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/156214781/martin-zerbe>

Martin Zerbe

BIRTH1640

Kettenbach, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany

DEATH Mar 1694 (aged 53–54)

Kettenbach, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany

BURIAL

Kettenbach Cemetery

Hausen über A, <unknown>.²

Johann married **Anna Elizabetha ELBERT** in 1665. Anna was born about 1644 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), was christened in Kettenbach Lutheran Church, and was buried on 8 Jan 1703 in Kettenbach Cemetery.

Children from this marriage were:

- 256 i. **Johan "Martin" ZERBE** (born on 17 Dec 1671 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany) - died on 22 Apr 1739 in Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America)
- ii. **George Jacob ZERBE** was christened on 16 May 1766.
- iii. **Johann Peter ZERBE** was christened on 27 Sep 1674.
- iv. **Johann Georg ZERBE** was christened on 21 Oct 1677.
- v. **Maria Margretha ZERBE** was christened on 23 May 1680.
- vi. **Johann Phillip ZERBE** was christened on 20 Aug 1682 and died about 1722 in Tappan, Rockland, NY, about age 40.
- vii. **Anna Margaretha ZERBE** was born on 5 Apr 1685.

Johann next married **Anna Elizabetha ELBERT**² in 1659 in Kettenbach, Bavaria, Bayern, Germany.² Anna was born about 1644 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,² died on 8 Jan 1703 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,² about age 59, and was buried on 8 Jan 1703 in Hausen ueber Aar, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany.²

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

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Children from this marriage were:

- i. **George Jacob ZERBE**³ was born on 16 May 1666 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen³ and was christened on 16 May 1666 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen.³
- ii. **Anna Maria ZERBE**³ was born about 1668 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany.³
- iii. **Maria Margretha ZERBE**³ was born about 1668 in , Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia,³ was christened on 21 Oct 1677 in , Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia,³ and died in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany.³
- iv. **Johann Peter ZERBE**³ was born in 1674 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany³ and was christened on 27 Sep 1674 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen.³
- v. **Johann Georg ZERBE**³ was born in 1677 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,³ was christened on 21 Oct 1677 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,³ and died after 1693 of Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany.³
- vi. **Johann Martin ZERBE**³ was born on 17 Dec 1671 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,³ was christened on 17 Dec 1671 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen, Germany,³ died on 22 Apr 1739 in Tulpehocken Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America,³ at age 67, and was buried in 1739 in North Heidelberg, Berks, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America.³
- vii. **Johann Phillip ZERBE**³ was born on 20 Aug 1682 in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany,³ was christened on 20 Aug 1682 in Untertaunuskreis, Hesse-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,³ and died about 1722 in Broadbay, Lincoln, Maine, United States,³ about age 40.
- viii. **Maria Margaretha ZERBE**³ was born on 5 Apr 1685 in Minster, Passau, Bayern, Germany,³ was christened on 5 Apr 1685 in Untertaunuskreis, Hesse-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,³ and died in 1705 in Kettenbach, Neumarkt in der Oberpfalz, Bayern, Germany,³ at age 20.
- ix. **Lorentz ZERBE**³ was born in 1687 in Strasbourg, Bas-Rhin, Alsace, France³ and died in 1744 in Tulpehocken, Berks, Pennsylvania, USA,³ at age 57.

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

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513. Anna Elizabetha ELBERT was born about 1644 in Kettenbach, Nassau, Hessen (Germany), was christened in Kettenbach Lutheran Church, and was buried on 8 Jan 1703 in Kettenbach Cemetery.

Anna married **Johann Martin ZERBE I** in 1665. Johann was born on 21 Sep 1639 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,⁴ died in Mar 1694 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany,⁴ at age -246, and was buried on 8 Mar 1694 in Kettenbach Cemetery, Hausen über Aar, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hessen, Germany.⁴

4. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

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11th Generation

1024. George Zerbe (French-Sevier) Zarva ZARVA,¹ son of **Christian ZARVA**² and **Eleanor CHARLOTTE**, was born in 1599 in Nordwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany^{1,2} and died in 1664 in Mecklenburg, Nordwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany,¹ at age 65.

Source: Ella Zerbey Elliott's Blue Book of Schuylkill County, 1916 (published prior to 1923, no copyright)

George2 Zarva, Zerbi, (Christian) had three sons, George, Wilhelm and John Phillip. Wilhelm, is said, "to have settled in Spain, where he married the daughter of Count De Luna, of Toledo, 'the city of swords', and where he took the family name. Marquis de Aspiroz, was a colonel of artillery in the Spanish army, 1875. His wife was the daughter of Count de Valle, Director General of Artillery. Marquis de Aspiroz claimed direct descent from Wilhelm Zerbi, of Mecklenburg."

Noted events in his life were:

- LifeSketch: This purported continuation of the ancestry of the Tulpehocken, Pa., Zerbe line is undocumented if not mythical and has been detached as unacceptable. Said Zerbe line has been traced back to Martin Zerbe (b. 1640) of Kettenbach and presently dead ends at, <unknown>.²
- He died in 1641 in Mecklenberg, Germany.²

George married **Juliana Ursula VON BADEN-DURLACH**¹ in 1630 in Macklenberg, Germany.² Juliana was born in 1599 in Strasbourg, Bas-Rhin, Alsace, France¹ and died in 1641 in Mechlenberg, Germany,¹ at age 42.

The child from this marriage was:

- 512 i. **Johann Martin ZERBE I** (born on 21 Sep 1639 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany - died in Mar 1694 in Kettenbach, Hessen-Nassau, Prussia, Germany)

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for George Zarva, person ID LJ5N-JNG.

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1025. Juliana Ursula VON BADEN-DURLACH³ was born in 1599 in Strasbourg, Bas-Rhin, Alsace, France³ and died in 1641 in Mechlenberg, Germany,³ at age 42.

Juliana married **George Zerbe (French-Sevier) Zarva ZARVA**³ in 1630 in Macklenberg, Germany.⁴ George was born in 1599 in Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany^{3,4} and died in 1664 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany,³ at age 65.

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

4. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for George Zarva, person ID LJ5N-JNG.

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12th Generation

2048. Christian ZARVA,¹ son of **Johannes ZERBE** and **Maria Christina STRAUSS**, was born in 1578 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany¹ and died in 1643 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany,¹ at age 65.

Christian Zarva settled in Mecklenburg, a territory of North Germany, between the Baltic, Prussian Dominions, West Hanover and Luebeck, before it was divided into the Grand Duchies of Schwerin and Strelitz.

Christian married **Maria Christina STRAUSS**.¹ Maria was born in 1578 in Germany¹ and died in 1643 in Germany,¹ at age 65.

The child from this marriage was:

- 1024i. **George Zerbe (French-Sevier) Zarva ZARVA**² (born in 1599 in Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany - died in 1664 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany)

Christian next married **Eleanor CHARLOTTE**. Eleanor was born in 1580 in Germany and died in 1643 in Germany, at age 63.

The child from this marriage was:

- 1024i. **George Zerbe (French-Sevier) Zarva ZARVA**² (born in 1599 in Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany - died in 1664 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany)

2049. Eleanor CHARLOTTE was born in 1580 in Germany and died in 1643 in Germany, at age 63.

Eleanor married **Christian ZARVA**.¹ Christian was born in 1578 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany¹ and died in 1643 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany,¹ at age 65.

1. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for George Zarva, person ID LJ5N-JNG.

2. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Martin Zerbe, person ID G9SJ-VPN.

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13th Generation

4096. Johannes ZERBE, son of **HannsB FRENCH**³ and **Maria FRENCH**, was born in 1555 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany and died after 1593 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany.

Johannes married **Maria Christina STRAUSS** about 1578 in Evangelisch, Pfeffelbach, Rheinland, Prussia. Maria was born on 9 Oct 1561 in Evangelisch, Endersbach, Neckarkreis, Wuerttemberg and died on 8 Jan 1703 in Evangelisch, Endersbach, Neckarkreis, Wuerttemberg, at age 141.

Children from this marriage were:

- 2048i. **Christian ZARVA**⁴ (born in 1578 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany - died in 1643 in Mecklenburg, Northwestmecklenburg, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany)
- ii. **Johannes Jacob ZERBE** was born on 3 Dec 1698 in Kettenbach, Aarbergen, Rheingau-Taunus-Kreis, Hesse, Germany and died on 1 Mar in Bethel Township, Berks, Pennsylvania, United States.

4097. Maria Christina STRAUSS was born on 9 Oct 1561 in Evangelisch, Endersbach, Neckarkreis, Wuerttemberg and died on 8 Jan 1703 in Evangelisch, Endersbach, Neckarkreis, Wuerttemberg, at age 141.

Maria married **Johannes ZERBE** about 1578 in Evangelisch, Pfeffelbach, Rheinland, Prussia. Johannes was born in 1555 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany and died after 1593 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany.

3. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for Johannes Zerbe, person ID GNHP-QF6.

4. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, "FamilySearch Family Tree," database entry for George Zarva, person ID LJ5N-JNG.

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14th Generation

8192. **HannsB FRENCH.**¹

End of research on Familysearch.org (LDS)

HannsB married **Anna Barbara.**¹ Anna was born on 30 Nov 1529 in Dudenhofen, Offenbach, Hessen, A.¹

HannsB next married **Maria FRENCH.**

The child from this marriage was:

4096i. **Johannes ZERBE** (born in 1555 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany - died after 1593 in Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany)

8193. **Maria FRENCH.**

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