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Dick and Virginia Korns of Kettering Ohio were among the first relatives I corresponded with about Korns genealogy, and since I was a "newbie" at the time, they were a huge help and influence. Here are two letters that they sent to me in the early 1990's that describe some of the Ohio Korns families.

L. Dietle April 24, 2007

Dear Cousin:

How nice to get some genealogy mail from a new "cousin". It seems like most of our mail falls into the "Junk Mail" category. The next day after we got your letter I got a phone call from a Mr.

, also from Texas. I believe he had seem a querry I had put in the "Laurel Messenger" . (A Somerset Cty. Penna.

I am sending you a chart that shows where I fit into the Korns line. I have some pedigree charts & family group sheets, but this is a condensed diagram that puts it all on one sheet. I have marked in red, my direct line.

newsletter.) He also turned out to be a distant relative.

I am a descendant of John Korns Sr. by his first wife Rebecca Boucher. After she died he married Susan Kendall. I have corresponded with a lady in Boise Idaho, who is a descendant of Harriet, who would be a half sister to my G Grandad-David & Margaret Korns.

Chas. Korns, also a younger brother to your, Daniel was a veteran of the war of 1812. He is buried in same cemetery, near Millersburg, as John Korns Sr., John Korns Jr. David & Margaret Korns & five of their children, & grandson Otto.

My Dad has a sister, Geneva, who is still living in Mansfield. I have a cousin, Robt. Biggs living in Wooster, My Dads brother Clayton, died last year at 96!!, he lived in Ashland.

We have two sons living in Austin Tex. We were just there about 3 weeks ago for a Korns "Mini reunion". It was the first time in about 8 years that all of the clan, & grandkids were together.

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I have Xeroxed the chapter on Daniel Korns for you, from book written by C.B.Korns. I neglected to Xerox the page showing

Michael & Susan's tombstone. They are buried near Wellersburg Pa. (

and the tombstone is in German script.

I have corresponded with a Mrs. in Hayward Wi. 54843 who is a descendant of the Daniel Korns line.

Perhaps you have already corresponded with her.

I have not corresponded with too many of the brothers & sisters of John Korns Sr. I have a fair amount of info on Chas. Korns.

Chas. Korns & Catherine Uhl are both buried in the Monroe Lutheran cemetery near Millersburg, that I mentioned previously. There

oldest daughter, Susan Hay (& Simon Hay) are buried there also.

One other bit of trivia--Jean Harlow is a descendant of Mary Magdalene Korns & John Beal. In case you are not old enough to know who she is--She was the blond movie star who played in the Howard Hughs movie-"Hells Angels"

Barbara Korns, who married Chas Uhl, was one of the early settlers of Holmes county. The house they lived in is still standing & still in the Uhl family. It is pictured in the Korns book. My Dads cousin, Adda Uhl was living there at the time of her death in 1982. She was a wonderful person, very active in the Holmes county Historical Society, was a school teacher after her husband died. She was a big help to me in answering questions that I forgot to ask my Dad while he was living. Adda remembeed going to my great Grandads funeral when she was a girl of 12 yrs. Adda was a daughter of Lorenzo Korns.

Almost forgot to mention it -- I have a cousin in Bullard Tex. I have not seen her since I was a kid, altho I have talked to her on the phone a few times.

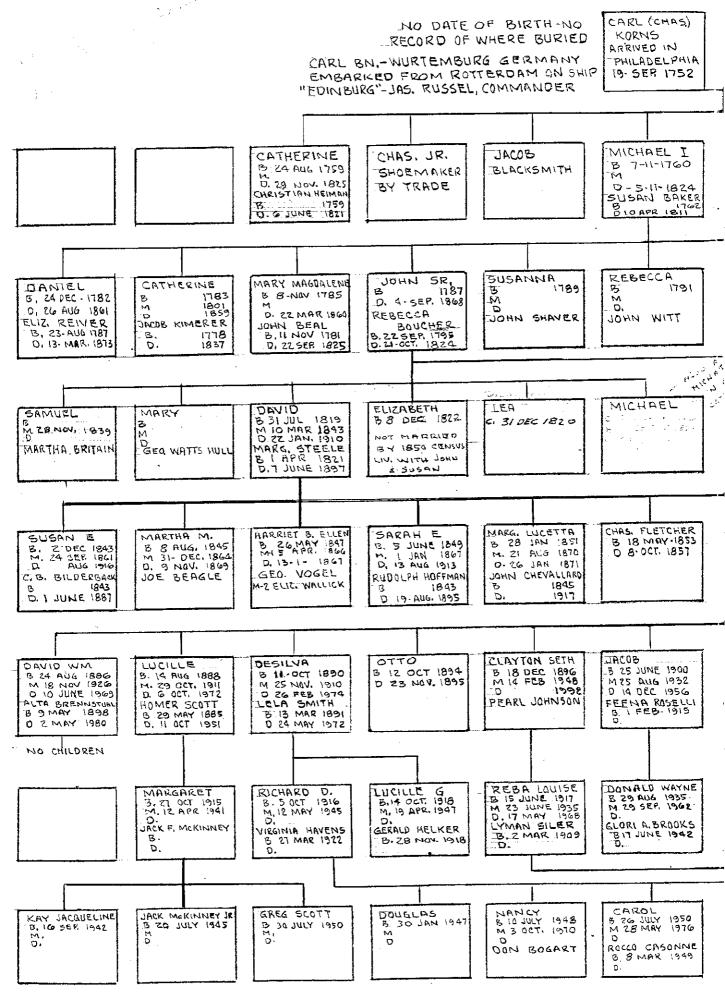
There are 6 Korns' in Austin Tex. has no children & has two boys.

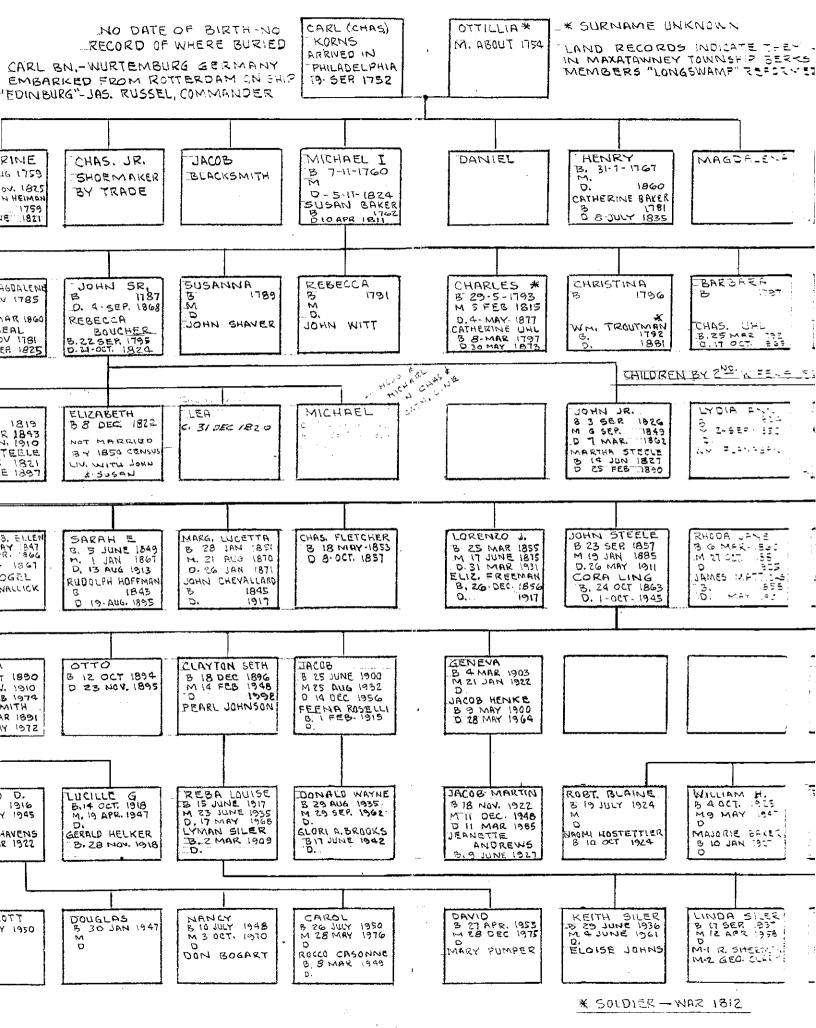
I have put a lot of trivia in this letter, which is of little help to your ancestor search, so had better sign off, its getting late.

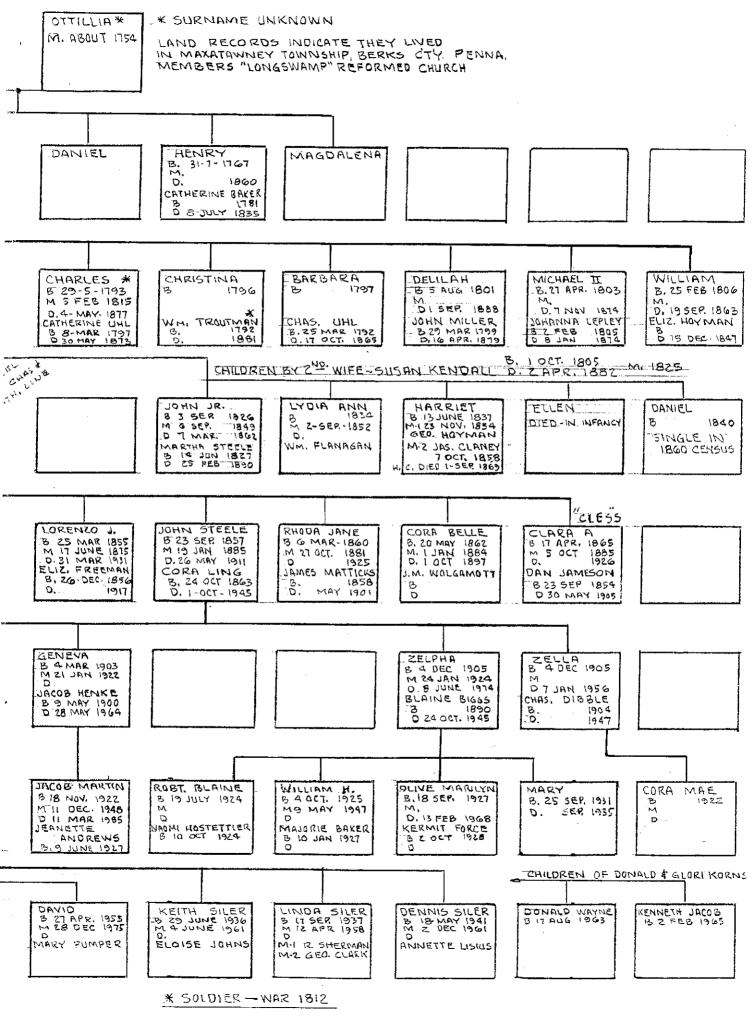
Thanks for contacting us--Please write if we can be ;of further help.

Sincerely: Wish & Virginia Korns

Dick & Virginia Korns







Mr. L. Dietle
Houston, Tex.

the "fancy" one outright

Dear Cousin:

Enjoyed reading your letter with history of your parents & grandparents. How lucky you were to have known your grandparents. I will get back to my grandparents later in this letter.

I am going to start out with myself, and then work back. A couple of things I noticed we have in common. Occupation-both of us were into drafting. I worked for the Dayton Scale Co. here in Dayton until 1940, then went to the Glen Martin Co. in Baltimore for a 1 year & a half, then moved to Columbus, Ohio & worked for Curtiss Wright till the war was over. I met my wife at Curtiss, (She worked on the board in front of me) After the war was over we moved back to Dayton. Since then I spent most of my time in the local Tool & Die shops as a tool Designer. I did spend about four years in Industrial Sales, but did not make any money doing that. From time I was 55 to 65 I taught Drafting in a vocational school. From 65 to 70 I taught Drafting & Desc. Geom. part time at the Univ. of Dayton. The last four years I have worked maybe 4 months

My Dad & Mother were both born in Holmes county, Ohio. Dad's first job was with the Ohio Brass Co. in Mansfield, Ohio. He later went to Akron to work for some of the tire companies there. I was born there. We moved to Dayton in 1920 when Dad went to work for the Dayton Tire & Rubber Co. The family has remained in Dayton since. My sister & her husband also live here in Dayton.

My Dads parents marriage was not a happy union. My grandad died

out of the year at a local Tool Design shop during peak periods.

before I was born, & I never saw much of my grandmother Korns. In the summer, when my Dad had vacation time, we always visited my grandparents on Moms side of the family. I have fond memories of my visits there. I sometimes wonder how my grandmother Korns survived. After her husband died, she had four more kids to raise. One of the more stupid things I did in my life, (And I made many of them) My grandad gave my Dad a Colt slide action 22 rifle when he

was a kid. Dad gave it to me & about 1943 I traded that gun for

checkering. I have wished a hundred times since then, that I would have kept the one that was handed down thru my grandad, & bought

just like it, except it had a deluxe stock on it with fancy

My great grandad, David Korns, was a carpenter by trade. He lived to be 91 & died of Brights disease. He built (or helped build) the church that used to be at the Monroe Lutheran cemetery in Holmes county. My Dads cousin claimed he always referred to the church as

"The meetin house". I have a photo of this church taken around

1920. He & his wife, had their share of grief. They lost three daughters who were married & died in childbirth. They raised surviving children of these daughters. David, his wife, five of his children, his grandson, Otto, his Dad, John Sr. his half brother, John Jr. (& his wife, Martha) are all buried in the Monroe Lutheran cemetery, near Millersburg, Ohio.

John Korns Sr. first wife (Rebecca Boucher) died in Pa. She is buried in the Glade cemetery in New Centerville Pa. He then married Susan Kendall, & moved to Holmes county with 5 kids. He and Susan had five more kids. I have corresponded with a descendant of this marriage. John Sr. had two younger brothers, Charles who married Catherine Uhl, & William who married Eliz. Hoyman who are buried at Monroe Lutheran cem. Charles was a veteran of the War of 1812. About ten years ago I attended a ceremony at the cemetery when they erected a bronze plaque at his gravestone, to commemorate his service in the war of 1812.

I have been to the Cook cemetery near Wellersburg Pa. where Michael & Susan are buried. There tombstone is written in German script, and is getting difficult to read. This cemetery is still being used, and a few years ago they were doing strip mining fairly close to cemetery.

Jacob Korns (second line) on the chart I sent you, is buried in the Berlin cemetery in Holmes county, Ohio. This is a small town just a few miles East of Millersburg, Ohio.

I have corresponded with a descendant of Jacob Korns who lives in Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

On line one of the chart I sent you, it indicates that Carl & Otilla were members of the "Longswamp" church in Berks county. I have visited this church & cemetery. The style of the tombstones looks very old, tho some are fairly legible. This church is still in use and is in pretty good state of repair.

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Some of things you mentioned in your letter, I found very interesting. Both of us were into drafting, both of us taught school for a while, & you have a brother-in-law that works at Carnegie Mellon. My oldest son went to Carnegie-Mellon & was a computer major!!!

I have a partial list of people buried at the Cook cemetery, but it does not include Gladys Bittner Korns. The list I have was probably made before she died. It does list John Wilson (died 1926) and his wife Mary (died 1931)

This about winds up what I can report on my direct line. I have enjoyed your correspondance, please keep in touch.

Sincerely: Wick Korns

Lannie Dietle, 71201,1775 Fri, Dec 20, 1996 12:24:00 PM Merry Xmas

Virginia H. Korns, 73160,3031

Lannie, Just thought I would send you a little teaser for Xmas. How's this for two more generations on the Korns family.

FROM:

TO:

DATE:

RE:

Johann Carl (Chas) Korns married 12 mar 1752 at Reformed Church Krefeld, Rheinland, Germany to Odelia Krausen from Bulheim. Ref:

Baptism 22 april 1725 - Reformed church Kriegsfeld Rheinland Germany. Parents-Micheal Korns/ Anna Elizabeth Huy. Ref: FHL 0193924-12 pg 5

Confirmation 1738 - ditto church Ref. FHL 01939241

-----Have 7 children listed of Michael and Anna (Huy) Korns.

This Micheals fathers name was Eberhart Korns

Anna Elizabeth Huy partents were Johann Wilhelm Huy b. abt 1665 married 3 Nov 1689 Kriegsfeld Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany to Anna Catherina, and they had 7 or 8 children.

Merry Xmas and hope it has warmed up for you all!. Its still cold here! Dick and virginia Korns