

CHAPTER ONE

The Family of Jean SCHNEIDER and Maria SCHLACHTER

Jean SCHNEIDER

m. Marie SCHLACHTER

- Joseph SCHNEIDER

m. Marie-Elisabeth WENTZEL-GREINER

- Sylvestre SCHNEIDER

m. Marie-Eva BOUCHER

- Jean Michel SCHNEIDER, Sr.

m. Catherine BENJAMIN

- Jean Michel SCHNEIDER, Jr

m. Margaret GRIBLING

- Michael M. SCHNEIDER, III

m. Catherine MESSMER

- Michael Edward SCHNEIDER

m. Catherine A. BRUNN

- Urban Carl SCHNEIDER

m. Esther M. VOISARD

- Urban E. SCHNEIDER

m. Sylvia A. STEINKE

Children of Jean SCHNEIDER and Marie SCHLACHTER - Joseph SCHNEIDER

<u>Joseph SCHNEIDER</u> b.1705 Arzviller m.1/26/1734 Guntzviller d.aft.1774	<u>1. Anne-Marie SCHNEIDER</u> <u>2. Joseph SCHNEIDER</u> <u>3. Antoine SCHNEIDER</u> <u>4. Marie-Therese SCHNEIDER</u> <u>5. Jean-Michel SCHNEIDER</u> <u>6. Dominique SCHNEIDER</u> <u>7. Sylvestre SCHNEIDER</u>
<u>Marie-Elisabeth WENTZEL</u> b. 1710 ? d.aft.1774	<u>Marie Agathe GREINER</u> b. 1729 d1804
<u>pos.m1. Jean GREINER</u> b. 1688 Guntzviller m.~1730 d.1734	<u>Jean-Georges GREINER</u> b. 1735 m.Catherine BOUR b.~1729 Walscheid

The **SCHNEIDER** surname is from the German verb "schneiden," meaning to cut, and refers to a **tailor**, or one who made outer garments. Older immigration records may list one's occupation as a 'schneider'.

The **WENTZEL** surname is from the German personal name 'Wenze'.

GREINER is a south German nickname for a cantankerous or quarrelsome person, from Middle High German grīner 'squabbler', 'quarreler', an agent derivative of grīn 'loud cry', 'shout'.

Joseph SCHNEIDER was born around 1705 in Arzviller, Moselle, Lorraine, France. He was the oldest of two known children born to Jean SCHNEIDER and Marie SCHLACHTER.

Joseph SCHNEIDER and Marie-Elisabeth WENTZEL were married on January 26, 1734 in Guntzviller, Moselle, Lorraine, France.

Marie-Elisabeth WENTZEL was born about 1710, probably in Guntzviller, Moselle, Lorraine, France.

Joseph SCHNEIDER and Marie-Elisabeth (WENTZEL) SCHNEIDER had seven children from 1735 to 1745.

More information on this family is in Chapter Two:
"Joseph SCHNEIDER and Maria-Elisabeth WENTZEL".

Children of Jean SCHNEIDER and Marie SCHLACHTER - Marie Madeline SCHNEIDER

<u>Marie Madeline SCHNEIDER</u> b.4/28/1713 Arzviller

Marie Madeline SCHNEIDER was born on April 28, 1713 in Arzviller, Moselle, Lorraine, France. She was the second of two known children born to Jean SCHNEIDER and Marie SCHLACHTER.

No other records have yet been found concerning Marie Madeline SCHNEIDER.



The Lorraine Region of France

The Lorraine Region is located in the north-east corner of France. It's northern border includes both Germany and Luxembourg. To the east of Lorraine is the Region of Alsace. These two regions are often referred to together in French history, as the Alsace-Lorraine Region.

The Lorraine Region is the birth place of heavy industry, mining and steel works. Important river network, consisting of the Moselle, Marne Meuse and Meurthe. Lorraine also includes the western slopes of the Vosges mountains.

Lorraine consists of four Departments; Moselle, Vosges, Meuse, and Meurthe et Moselle.

The capital of the Lorraine Region is Metz, which is also the capital of the Department of Moselle.



The Department of Moselle, Lorraine, France

The river Moselle flows northwards through the city of Metz and then into Germany.

The area swapped hands throughout history as the wars passed, it switched Germany and France being, invaded, annexed and besieged.

Towns: Metz

Historical: (in French)

<http://www.archives57.com/frontSite?controller=ViewPage&id=archives>

Wines, vins: <http://www.vin-de-moselle.com/>

