Chapter Six

The Family of

Michael M. Schneider
and
Catherine Messmer

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 Mathias Schneider
                    m. Catherine Messmer
                      - Michael Edward Schneider
                        m. Catherine A. Brunn
                          - Urban Carl Schneider
                            m. Esther M. Voisard
                              - Urban E. Schneider
                                m. Sylvia A. Steinke
Mathias Schneider was born April 7, 1846 in Niderviller, Moselle, Lorraine, France, the oldest of ten children of Jean Michel Schneider, Jr. and Margaret (Gribling) Schneider. He was just over a year old when his parents emigrated from France with his uncles, Sylvester and Nicholas Schneider, and his grandfather, Jean Michel Schneider, Sr.

Michael M. Schneider married Catherine Messmer on May 3, 1868 in Fryburg, Ohio. Michael M. Schneider farmed 100 acres in Pusheta township, until retiring. The 1880 Agriculture Schedule shows he had 5 horses, 2 milk cows, 5 cattle, 1 calf, and 17 pigs. He also hatched 80 chickens that spring, made 200 pounds of butter, and made 42 gallons of molasses from 1/4 acre of grain sorghum. He also reported 8 acres of oats, 15 acres of wheat, 3/4 acre of potatoes, 12 apple trees, and he made 32 chords of wood from his woodlands.

He possibly served as a member of the Auglaize County Fair Board, Infirmary Director, and Pusheta Twp. Trustee.

Catherine Messmer was born on October 31, 1848 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the youngest of five children born to Frederick and Eva Rosina (Mary?) (Gutmann) Messmer, both born in Germany. According to the History of Auglaize County, Messmer is one of the pioneer families of the area.

When Michael M. Schneider retired from farming, he and his wife moved to 405 Defiance Street, Wapakoneta.

Catherine (Messmer) Schneider died of double pneumonia on January 3, 1929 at their home, at the age of 80.

Michael Mathias Schneider died March 8, 1931 after a four week illness, at the same home, then owned by his son, Alphonse, at 405 Defiance Street. He was 85 years old, and is buried with his wife in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, in Wapakoneta.

Michael M. Schneider and Catherine (Messmer) Schneider had twelve children between 1868 and 1908.
Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine MESSMER:

A Double Wedding?

Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine MESSMER were married on May 3, 1868, in Fryburg, Ohio. This is the same day that Michael’s sister, Elizabeth SCHNEIDER, married George GERSTNER, and it was possibly a double wedding.

The spelling of Catherine’s name on the Marriage Record looks like “MEFSMER”, possibly an indication that they still retained a strong accent, or that the clerk was using the German letter “ß” to spell Meßmer, which could represent the sound of “s and z” (ſz) or “f and s” (ſs).

Today’s use of the German letter ß has changed somewhat from how it was used in the 1800’s, with some countries like Switzerland and Liechtenstein no longer using it at all.

from Catherine’s Obituary:

from Michael’s Obituary:

1880 Census - Pusheta Township, Auglaize County, Ohio

Michael M. and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER’s family in the 1880 Pusheta Township Census shows their first six children, along with George NULEN, listed here as “Adopted”, but probably a hired hand.
Joseph Wilhelm SCHNEIDER was born on October 14, 1868 in Fryburg, Ohio. He was the first of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

By 1900, Joseph Wilhelm SCHNEIDER lived in Dayton and worked as an upholsterer, then a polisher. According to the 1900 census, Joseph Wilhelm SCHNEIDER was married around 1895 to Theresa SHARP. Theresa was born September 22, 1872, the daughter of John and Albedy (SHARP) SHARP. The 1910 and 1920 Census list her birth place as New York, but her marriage license (m2) shows Ohio. In the census records of 1920 and 1930, the children have the last name ZOBRIEST. In the 1910 census they have the SCHNEIDER name. On Edwin’s draft registration (from 1942) he uses the last name of SCHNEIDER.

Joseph Wilhelm and Theresa (SHARP) SCHNEIDER had four children.

Joseph Wilhelm SCHNEIDER died October 20, 1902 in Dayton. He is buried in Calvary Cemetery, Kettering. I could not locate his grave when I visited the cemetery though. There are many graves in the section where he is buried that are unmarked. I did locate his son, Edwin, and Edwin’s wife, Vera.

After Joseph SCHNEIDER’s death, Theresa (SHARP) SCHNEIDER married Joseph ZOBRIEST. He was a widower with four children. Joseph ZOBRIEST and Theresa (SHARP-SCHNEIDER) ZOBRIEST had six more children before 1920. All of Theresa’s children have the last name ZOBRIEST in the 1920 Census, however, Edwin and Herbert both have the SCHNEIDER surname in later records. No further records have been found on daughters, Leona or Florentine.

Theresa (SHARP-SCHNEIDER) ZOBRIEST died February 28, 1970. Joseph and Theresa (SHARP-SCHNEIDER) ZOBRIEST are buried in Calvary Cemetery, Kettering, Sec.1, Lot 47, with other members of the ZOBRIEST family.

Joseph Wilhelm SCHNEIDER’s brothers, Alphonse and Gustave SCHNEIDER, were also living with Joseph and his family in 1900. They probably went to Dayton to find work, as many people did during that time period (see box at right).
Michael Edward SCHNEIDER was born on September 23, 1870, in Pusheta Township, Ohio. He was the second of twelve children born to Michael M. and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Michael Edward SCHNEIDER married Catherine A. BRUNN on October 23, 1894 in St. John’s Catholic Church in Fryburg, Ohio. Catherine A. BRUNN was born on January 6, 1875 in Sidney, Ohio. She was the second of nine children born to Francis and Catherine (WARMUTH) BRUNN.

Michael Edward SCHNEIDER died from a farm accident on September 14, 1935 in the hospital in Dayton, nine days before his 65th birthday. Catherine (BRUNN) SCHNEIDER died November 9, 1959 at the home of her son Daniel, near Wapakoneta, Ohio. She is buried with her husband in St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta.

See more on this family in the section: "Michael Edward SCHNEIDER and Catherine BRUNN".

Four Generations - (left to right):
Michael E. SCHNEIDER (born 1870);
Urban C. SCHNEIDER (born 1895);
Michael M. SCHNEIDER (born 1846 in France);
(front) Lucinda SCHNEIDER (born 1916)
Children of Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine MESSMER - Mary C. SCHNEIDER

“RUCK” is a Middle German nickname referring to someone with a peculiarity of the back. It could also derive from a German place-name meaning a southern field with a slight dome-shaped elevation.

Mary C. SCHNEIDER was born January 15, 1873, in Pusheta Township, Ohio, the third of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Mary C. SCHNEIDER married William Jacob RUCK on May 24, 1892 in Auglaize County, Ohio. William J. RUCK was born on October 13, 1868, the first child of George and Elizabeth (READER) RUCK. Like his father, he was a cabinet maker and carpenter. William and Mary (SCHNEIDER) RUCK lived at 205 South Wood Street, Wapakoneta. Their home valued at $1300 in 1930, and $1470 in 1940. After her husband’s death, Mary continued living there with her son, Richard RUCK. Mary’s highest level of education was the eighth grade.

William J. RUCK died on June 28, 1936 in Wapak, at the age of 67 years. William J. RUCK is buried in St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery.

Mary C. (SCHNEIDER) RUCK died November 1, 1955 in her home on South Wood Street, in Wapakoneta. She is buried in St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery with her husband.

William and Mary C. (SCHNEIDER) RUCK had seven children.

Deisel-Wemmer-Gilbert Cigar Corp. This is likely the cigar company that employed some Ruck’s. For more on its history, go here: http://www.bluffton.edu/courses/tlc/bushp/DWG2.html

“The Deisel-Wemmer-Gilbert Cigar Corporation, known as DWG Cigar Corp., began with Henry Deisel. He began hand-rolling cigars in his house in Lima in 1884...

Another location came in 1899 when, because of higher sales, Deisel-Wemmer contracted for a new building on N. Main St. ... Sales continued to improve and a new wing had to be added to the building in 1905. It was this increase of sales that led Deisel-Wemmer to branch out adding divisions in Wapakoneta, Delphos, Van Wert, and a number of other towns throughout western Ohio. At its peak D-W ran 17 plants and employed 4,000 people. ... In 1929 S.T. Gilbert of Gilbert Cigar Co. merged his plant with Deisel-Wemmer and took control of the company, which became known as the Deisel-Wemmer-Gilbert Cigar Co. or DWG for short. ... The workers of the Lima DWG plant formed RG Dun who bought 55% of the local production, which included the brand names RG Dun, San Felice, Emerson, and Odin. In 1968 RG Dun moved the plant back to the Main Street plant in Lima. In 1990 after 106 years of producing cigars the RG Dun cigar plant closed. ...
Alphons A. SCHNEIDER was born on December 11, 1874, in Pusheta Twp., the fourth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Alphons A. SCHNEIDER was living in Dayton, working as a carpenter, and living with his brother, Joseph and family, at the time of the 1900 Census.

Alphons A. SCHNEIDER married Frances Mary KUNKEL on November 18, 1903. She was born April 3, 1882 in Dayton, the daughter of John and Magdalena (ANORUSE) KUNKEL. They lived in Dayton, Ward 3, until selling their home after the Great Dayton Flood of March 21-26, 1913, when they moved to Wapakoneta. By 1918, Alphonse SCHNEIDER owned an automobile repair and painting shop at 5 Water Street (?), Wapakoneta (see right). They lived at 411 Hoopingardener St. in 1930, and in 1940 on a farm at RR#4 Defiance Street, Wapakoneta. Alphons completed the eighth grade as his highest level of education, and Frances completed the sixth grade.

Alphons A. SCHNEIDER died on October 23, 1962 at the home of his daughter Rita and William ROTH, in Wapakoneta, and is buried in St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery. Frances (KUNKEL) SCHNEIDER died December 15, 1963, and is buried with her husband.

Alphons and Frances (KUNKEL) SCHNEIDER had six children between 1904 and 1918.
Gustave Henry (Happy) SCHNEIDER was born on December 10, 1876, in Pusheta Twp., the fifth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER. Gustave H. (Happy) SCHNEIDER was working as a carpenter in Dayton, living with his brother Joseph and family, at the time of the 1900 Census.

Gustave H. (Happy) SCHNEIDER married Catherine HEMMERT on June 10, 1903 in Botkins, Ohio. Catherine HEMMERT was born August 10, 1877, the daughter of Aquillin and Elizabeth (SELLERS) HEMMERT (pg D12), of Botkins. Catherine HEMMERT was an aunt of Franklin J. HEMMERT, who married Lucinda SCHNEIDER (pg A2).

Gustave H. (Happy) and Catherine (HEMMERT) SCHNEIDER lived in Dinsmore Township, Shelby County when the 1910 census was taken. By 1918 they were living at 404 Bellefontaine Street, Wapakoneta. In 1920, they were living at 307 West Vine Street, Wapakoneta. (Strangely, daughter Madonna was not listed with them in that census.) In 1940, they lived at 125 1/2 Auglaize St., and when Gustave died in 1947 they were living at 202 1/2 East Mechanic Street. Both of them completed the eighth grade as their highest level of education.

Gustave H. (Happy) SCHNEIDER operated a grocery company, (later the East End Grocery), at 404 Bellefontaine Street, Wapakoneta. His son, Fred M. SCHNEIDER, later took over, calling it Fred’s Market.


Gustave H. (Happy) & Catherine (HEMMERT) SCHNEIDER had five children between 1904 and 1916.
Matilda SCHNEIDER was born on March 13, 1879 in Pusheta Twp., the sixth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine MESSMER. Matilda married George KOENIG on March 1, 1905, in Auglaize County.

George KOENIG was born on September 27, 1881, in Pusheta Twp., the son of John and Margaret (MILLER) KOENIG. George is a brother of Mike KOENIG, who married Matilda’s sister, Mary Ida SCHNEIDER. The 1940 Census shows that both George and Matilda completed the eighth grade as their highest level of education. It also listed the value of their farm, on U.S. 25 in Pusheta Township, at $800.

George KOENIG was a farmer in Pusheta Township. He died on May 15, 1961, in Lima, Ohio, and is buried in Immaculate Conception Catholic Cemetery, Botkins.

Matilda (SCHNEIDER) KOENIG died of a heart attack, on March 29, 1959, in Wapakoneta, and is buried with her husband in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church Cemetery, Botkins.

Matilda (SCHNEIDER) KOENIG and George KOENIG had four children between 1905 and 1915.
Robert Charles SCHNEIDER was born on February 10, 1881 in Fryburg, Ohio, the seventh of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Robert C. SCHNEIDER married Mary Elizabeth SCHMERGE on January 9, 1905 in Botkins, Ohio. In 1910 they were living in Dinsmore Township, and by 1920, they had moved to Sidney. The 1940 Census lists Mary Elizabeth SCHMERGE's highest grade completed as sixth grade, and Robert C. SCHNEIDER's as "C2" - two years of college.

Mary Elizabeth SCHMERGE was born on May 12, 1881 in Rhine, OH, the daughter of John Bernard SCHMERGE & Elizabeth Marie (SCHNIPPLE) SCHMERGE of RR#1, Botkins. Her sister, Susan, married Robert SCHNEIDER's brother, John Leander SCHNEIDER.

In the 1900 Pusheta Township Census, Robert SCHNEIDER was living with his parents and five younger siblings. His occupation was listed as "Teacher". In 1918, on his WWI Draft Registration Card, he was employed as a clerk at Taylor Hardware in Sidney, and living with his wife at 1016 N. Main Street, Sidney. In the 1920 Census, his occupation was a foreman in an aluminum factory. In 1940, he was a stock keeper for Wagner Mfg., and still living at 1016 N. Main Street, their home value in 1940's census was $4500. In 1942, Robert's WWII Draft Registration Card states that he was self employed at 119 East Dallas St., Sidney, and he was living at 121 East Dallas.

Mary Elizabeth (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER died of a liver infection, on June 15, 1953 in Sidney, Ohio, and is buried in Graceland Cemetery. Robert C. and Mary Elizabeth (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER were living at 121 East Dallas Street, Sidney when Mary died in 1953.

Robert C. SCHNEIDER died on August 29, 1967 in Toledo, Ohio, and is buried in Graceland Cemetery, Sidney, Ohio.

Robert C. and Mary Elizabeth (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER had four children.
John Leander SCHNEIDER was born on March 2, 1883, in Fryburg, Ohio, the eighth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

John Leander SCHNEIDER married Susan SCHMERGE on June 26, 1907 in _______. Susan SCHMERGE was born January 8, 1883 in Rhine, Ohio, the daughter of John Bernard and Elizabeth (SCHNIPPLE) SCHMERGE. Her sister, Mary Elizabeth SCHMERGE married Robert C. SCHNEIDER, Leander’s brother.

John Leander SCHNEIDER was a carpenter, and owned his own business in Sidney. By 1918, he was living with his wife and three children at 923 N. Main Avenue, Sidney, Ohio. He lived there for the rest of his life. In 1920 he was a metal worker for an auto body company. In the 1930 Census, he is identified as a lathe operator in a machine shop. In 1940, a woodworker; and in 1942, when he registered for the draft, he worked at the Sidney Grain & Machine Company.

John Leander SCHNEIDER’s WWI Draft Registration Card noted that he “cut two fingers off on right hand”. The highest level of education completed for both John Leander and Susan (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER was the sixth grade.

John Leander SCHNEIDER died of arteriolar nephrosclerosis, on November 6, 1952 in Sidney, Ohio, and is buried in Graceland Cemetery in Sidney, Ohio. Susan (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER died on December 17, 1957, and is buried with her husband in Graceland Cemetery.

John Leander and Susan (SCHMERGE) SCHNEIDER had three children between 1906 and 1913.
Mary Ida SCHNEIDER was born on May 18, 1885 in Pusheta Township, Ohio, the ninth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER. She was the twin sister of William Adolph SCHNEIDER.

Mary Ida SCHNEIDER married Michael A. KOENIG on October 27, 1915 in Botkins, Ohio. Michael A. KOENIG was the brother of George KOENIG, husband of Mary Ida’s sister, Matilda.

Michael A. KOENIG was born October 6, 1883 in Pusheta Township the son of John and Margaret (MILLER) KOENIG.

Michael A. KOENIG worked for the State Highway Department, and later the Provico Feed Company, in Botkins. In the 1920 Census, he is listed as a “laborer” “setting up implements”. In 1930, he is listed as a “laborer” doing “odd jobs”. In 1940, his occupation was listed as “painting”. The value of Michael and Ida’s home, on Walnut Street in Botkins, was listed at $1800 in the 1940 census, which also listed the highest grade of school completed for both Mike and Ida as the eighth grade.

Ida and Michael A. KOENIG lived on Roth Street (Roth Avenue in the 1920 Census) in Botkins at the time of Michael’s death. They were members of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church there.

Michael A. KOENIG died on his 51st wedding anniversary, October 27, 1966, in Joint Township Memorial Hospital in St. Mary’s, Ohio. Michael A. KOENIG is buried in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Botkins, Ohio.

Mary Ida (SCHNEIDER) KOENIG died on July 2, 1967, and is buried in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Botkins, OH.

Mary Ida (SCHNEIDER ) KOENIG and Michael A. KOENIG had two children.

"KOENIG" is from the Middle High German ‘König’, meaning ‘king’. It did not refer to a king, but was a nickname for a servant or one who worked for a king.
William Adolph SCHNEIDER was born on May 18, 1885 in Pusheta Township, Ohio, the tenth of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER. He was the twin brother of Mary Ida SCHNEIDER.

William Adolph SCHNEIDER was living at 405 Defiance Street with his parents in 1918, when he completed his Draft Registration Card for WWI. The Registration Card noted that he had "one short leg". At that time he worked for Troy Wagon Works.

William Adolph SCHNEIDER married Caroline Helen WEILHART after 1918 in ____. Caroline WEILHART was born November 29, 1886 in Dayton, Ohio, the daughter of Joseph and Helen WEILHART. Caroline WEILHART had four older siblings listed in the 1880 census for Dayton.

In the 1930 Census, William and Caroline SCHNEIDER owned a farm on Glynwood Pike in Moulton Township. The farm was valued at $1000.00. He also worked as a cigar roller at a cigar factory. As the clipping from the Minster Post (below) shows, William also raised sheep. In 1940, they lived at 902 North North Murray Street, Wapakoneta, and William worked at the Turner Toy Company. William completed the eighth grade as his highest level of education, and Caroline completed the sixth grade.

Caroline (WEILHART) SCHNEIDER died of coronary occlusion, on July 7, 1949 in Wapakoneta. William Adolph SCHNEIDER died on August 18, 1957 in ____, Ohio, and is buried with his wife in St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio.

William Adolph SCHNEIDER and Caroline Helen (WEILHART) SCHNEIDER did not have any children.
GLEAVES. The hostess served her guests a daintily appointed salad course.

HARSHBARGER, the second, Mrs. Dewey SCHNELL and the third, Mrs. Earl GLEAVES. The hostess served her guests a daintily appointed salad course.

This from the Lima News, November 2, 1930:

“Mrs. Albert F. SCHNEIDER opened her home on Silver street, to members of the F.E. Card club Monday evening. In the games of "500" three prizes were awarded. The first favor was presented Mrs. Joe HARSHBARGER, the second, Mrs. Dewey SCHNELL and the third, Mrs. Earl GLEAVES. The hostess served her guests a daintily appointed salad course.”

Albert Ferdinand SCHNEIDER was born on June 7, 1887 in Fryburg, Ohio, the eleventh of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Albert F. (Brownie) SCHNEIDER married on July 31, 1907, to Louise Elizabeth ZIEGENFELDER, in ________.

Louise Elizabeth ZIEGENFELDER was born on October 1, 1888 in Wapakoneta, a daughter of Casper and Mary (LEAR) ZIEGENFELDER.

Albert F. (Brownie) SCHNEIDER worked as a cigar maker in 1920, and manager of a grocery store in 1930. He served two terms as a Wapakoneta City Councilman in the 1930’s, and later was a Chain Store Manager in Wapakoneta and Delphos, Ohio, and opened the Kroger store in Delphos. After that, he worked at Schneider’s Market, in Wapakoneta. The highest grade completed for both Albert and Louise was eighth grade. In 1940, they rented a house at 403 Pearl Street, paying $10 per month for rent.

Albert F. (Brownie) SCHNEIDER died of a heart attack, on August 17, 1958 in Lima, Ohio, while visiting his wife in the hospital. They were living at 125 1/2 West Auglaize Street, Wapakoneta at the time. Albert F. (Brownie) SCHNEIDER is buried with his wife at St. Joseph’s Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Louise Elizabeth ZIEGENFELDER SCHNEIDER died November 12, 1965.

Albert F. (Brownie) and Louise Elizabeth (ZIEGENFELDER) SCHNEIDER had nine children, - all nine of them were daughters!
Emma Mary SCHNEIDER was born on November 3, 1889, in Pusheta Township, Ohio, the last of twelve children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

Emma Mary SCHNEIDER married Leo Alexander HEINL on October 14, 1908 in Wapakoneta, Ohio. Leo A. HEINL was born on June 19, 1887, the son of Casper J. HEINL and Catherine (BROWN) HEINL.

Emma Mary and Leo A. HEINL owned and operated Heinl Funeral Home in Wapakoneta. When Leo died in 1947, Emma Mary (SCHNEIDER) HEINL continued operating it as Heinl and Sons, until the death of her son.

Emma Mary and Leo A. HEINL resided at 401 Defiance Street, Wapakoneta in 1917, and later at 307 Defiance Street. In 1939, they moved their business to 13 South Blackhoof Street, and lived upstairs. It had a value of $10,000 in the 1940 Census. Leo & Emma both had eighth grade as their highest grade completed.

Leo A. HEINL died on November 16, 1947 in Wapakoneta, and is buried in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio. Emma Mary (SCHNEIDER) HEINL died on June 15, 1984 at Auglaize Acres, in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Wapakoneta, Ohio. Emma Mary SCHNEIDER married Leo Alexander HEINL on October 14, 1908 in Wapakoneta, Ohio, the last of two children born to Michael M. SCHNEIDER and Catherine (MESSMER) SCHNEIDER.

The 1930 Wapakoneta Census shows Emma's father with them.

The Long Folk Funeral Home, Wapakoneta Chapel, was also established before the turn of the century as the Heil and Yocum Furniture Store and Undertaking, at Wapakoneta, and one of the best known and most alert young business men of that city, was born at Wapakoneta, and has lived there all his life, with the exception of some years spent at Dayton, where he perfected himself in the technical details of practical cabinet making in the passenger car department of the car works in that city. Mr. Heinl was born on June 19, 1887, and is a son of Casper J. and Catherine (Brown) Heinl, the latter of whom also was born in Wapakoneta, a member of one of the pioneer families there.

Leo A. Heinl was reared at Wapakoneta, receiving his schooling in St. Joseph's parochial school, and early became trained to practical woodworking. As a young man he went to Dayton and for seven years was employed there as a car builder in the passenger car department of the car shops. Upon his return to Wapakoneta he became connected with the management of the furniture and undertaking establishment which his father had founded there, and upon his father's death, in 1920, he and his brother, Michael O. Heinl, assumed the interest of the deceased, and he thus has since been connected with the establishment with a proprietary interest. Mr. Heinl is a Democrat. Fraternally he is affiliated with the local council of the Knights of Columbus and with the St. Martin's Benevolent Society and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, while he and his wife are members of St. Joseph's Catholic church, and he is secretary of the St. Joseph's Cemetery Association. In 1910 Leo Heinl was united in marriage to Emma Schneider, daughter of M. M. Schneider, and to this union three children have been born..."
1. Louise (Ziegenfelder) Schneider
2. Albert F. (Brownie) Schneider
3. Edward Schneider son of Alphons
4. Catherine (Hemmert) Schneider
5. Frederick, son of Gus Schneider
6. Gustave Schneider
7. Agnes Schneider dau. of Robert
8. Ida (Schneider) Koenig
9. Hilda Schneider dau. of Gustave
10. Norma Schneider d. of Gustave
11. Luella Ruck
12. Thelma Ruck
13. William Schneider
14. Alma Schneider dau. of Mike
15. William Ruck
16. Mary (Schneider) Ruck
17. Lenora Ruck dau. of Mary
18. Urban C. Schneider son of Mike
19. Catherine (Messmer) Schneider
20. Florentine Schneider d. of Albert
21. Louise, daughter of Albert
22. Alvina Ruck dau. of Mary
23. Michael M. Schneider
24. Frank or Michael son of Mike*
25. Catherine (Brunn) Schneider
26. Michael E. Schneider
27. Margaret dau. of Mike Schneider
28. LeRoy Schneider s. of Gustave
29. Frances (Kunkle) Schneider
30. Marcella Schneider d. of Frances
31. Alphons Schenider
32. Bernard Schneider s. of Alphons
33. Richard Ruck son of Mary
34. Raymond son of Mike Schneider
35. George Koenig
36. Matilda (Schneider) Koenig
37. Walter Schneider son of Alphons
38. Mary (Schmerge) Schneider
39. Robert Schneider
40. Clarence son of Robert
41. Elmer Ruck son of Mary
42. Susan (Schmerge) Schneider
43. Loretta d. of Leander Schneider
44. Leander Schneider
45. Stella d. of Leander Schneider
46. Millard Koenig son of Matilda
47. Isidor Schneider s. of Mike
48. Leo Heinl
49. Emma (Schneider) Heinl
50. Mary Katherine Heinl
51. Edwin Ruck son of Mary

* Frank would have been 8 years old, Michael would have been 6 years old. Not sure which this is, the other was not in the photo.
None of Joseph Schneider’s children were in photo. (Joseph died in 1902.)
Matilda (Schneider) Koenig’s son, Jerome was not in the photo.
SCHNEIDER-MESSMER

GUERRE, Robert, Alphonse, William, Ida, Leander (lone)
Mary, Michael M., Catharine (Messmer), Michael E.,
Albert, Emma, Tillie