

# ***Lineage of the Martinus Snyder Family***

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This Lineage only discusses  
Martinus children and identifies  
his grandchildren. For our  
direct line it discusses,  
Martinus, son Benjamin and  
grandson Jacob

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SHORT account of Martin Snyder, who was born at Hackenbergh, in Germany, in the month of June, 1698, and was brought up at the same place, and there married to a Woman by the name of Annah Deamute Backer, and she was born in the year 1703; and he had a son born to him by the name of Henry. They then immigrated to America, or what was then called the New World, and came to the State of New York, County of Ulster about the year 1723 and settled in the town of New Paltz and remained there some time; and they then moved into the town of Kingston, now Saugerties, in the neighborhood known to this day by the name of Churchland, and there they settled after the German manner in a small cluster of seven families near a small stream known to this day by the name of Mud Kill; and afterwards separated and settled on separate farms somewheres.

About this time his dwelling-house was burnt down. He then, or some time afterward, in the year 1750, built a house, the walls being stone, said house is still standing to this day. During this time and after he came to this country he had thirteen children born to him; first three daughters, next ten sons—14 in all,

namely: Henry, the first-born died when he was about the age of 22 years, where I will leave him and proceed with those who survived him, and also those who were born after his death, to-wit: Annah, Margarit, Catherine, Zechariah, Johannes, William, Jeremiah, Christian, Benjamin, Henry, Martin next, and last of all, in 1750, a pair of twin brothers—Abraham and Isaac. Said Martin died June 26, 1778, aged 80 years and was followed by his ten surviving sons to his grave. His wife survived him over 9 years and died September 10, 1787, aged about 84 years.

There were also 98 grand children born to the said Martin to-wit: 49 males and 49 females; and that out of 98 but four died in their minority, to-wit: a son and daughter of Johannes named Joseph and Leah: a daughter of William named Sarah, and a son of Abraham named Samuel. The remainder, 94, all came to years of maturity, leaving still the males and females of an equal number.

I will now proceed with each one of his children and their families separate.

Annah, married a widower, by occupation a farmer, named Johannes Hummel, who had four children by his former wife, and had also seven by his second wife, to-wit: 4 sons and 3 daughters, namely: Martin, Frederick, Peter, John, Anna, Maria and Catharine. His wife then died in childbirth in 1760. He survived her for several years. They lived and died in the neighborhood of Churchland.

Margaret married a farmer named Peter Hommel, and had three children by him, to-wit: one son and two daughters named Martin, Mary and Annah.

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Her husband then died. She afterward married again a farmer named Johannes Wolfen and had five children by him: three sons and two daughters, namely John, Peter, Abraham, Margaret and Christina. They lived in the town of Saugerties and she died at the age of 60 years. Her husband survived his wife several years.

Catherine married a farmer by the name of Jacobus Roosa and had six children by him, to-wit: four sons and two daughters, namely: James, Martin, Benjamin, Ebenezer, Margaret and Trineke, her husband being double her age when they married. She survived him several years. They lived in the town of Saugerties where she died at the age of 80 years or upwards.

Zechariah married to Margaret Fiero and had ten children born to him, to-wit: six sons and four daughters: named Zechariah, Abraham, Jonathan, Levi, Joel, David, Catharine, Christina, Margaret and Mary. He lived in the town of Saugerties; by occupation carpenter and farmer. He remained there for some years till, in the Revolutionary war, he left his native place and went to Nova Scotia. He remained there but a few years. He then went to the State of New Jersey and there he remained until he died at the age of about 88 years. His wife survived him a few years.

Johannes married to Helena Osterhoudt and had nine children born to him, to-wit: three sons and six daughters named William, Tobias, Joseph, Annah, Catharine, Alida, Sarah, Mary and Leah. He lived in the town of Saugerties; his occupation was farming, tanning and currying. He died July 24, 1809 aged 76

years, 9 months and 16 days. His wife survived him a few years.

William married to Mary Rightmyer and had nine children born to him, to wit: one son and eight daughters named Jeremiah, Annah, Sophia, Rebecca, Mary, Sarah, Rachel, Sarah, (2nd) and Elizabeth. His occupation was farming and carpentering. He lived in the town of Saugerties and died May 25th, 1823, aged 88 years, 3 months and 13 days. His wife survived him a few years and died January 3, 1829, aged 84 years, 5 months and 6 days.

Jeremiah married Catharine Holley and had seven children born to him, to-wit: four sons and three daughters, namely Elias, Solomon, Ephraim, Joshua, Catherine, Rachel and Elizabeth. His occupation was farming and carpentering. He lived in the town of Saugerties. In the year 1780 he with his oldest son Elias were taken prisoners by the Indians, his buildings burned down, he and his son carried captive into Canada, and remained in captivity two years and five months. They then deserted from the island Jesu, near Montreal, and went in an eastern direction through an unsettled country and as they fled they had but a poor chance to provide themselves with provisions for so long a journey, chiefly through a wilderness; so that they were twelve days without seeing any human being but their own party, being five in all. This took place in the Fall of the year, and after suffering from wet, cold and hunger for several days, and three days without anything to eat at all, they arrived at an inhabited country, where they soon revived and after that soon reached home. His family being

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scattered he got his family together, rebuilt on his old homestead, lived there until 1791 and then moved into Albany county, town of Rensselaerwyck. He survived his wife a few years and died June, 1828, aged 89 years and 10 months.

Christian married to Elizabeth Backer and had eight children born to him, to-wit: three sons and five daughters named Samuel, Andrew, Alexander, Debora, Christina, Caroline, Jane and Elizabeth. His occupation was carpenter and farmer. He lived in the town of Saugerties and died April 22, 1822, aged 82 years and one day. His wife survived him one year.

→ Benjamin married Annah Brink and had nine children born to him, to-wit: three sons and six daughters named Peter, Martin and Jacob, Annah, Mary, Rosina, Catherine, and Sarah and Rachel, twin sisters. He lived on a farm in the town of Saugerties, was a business man such as surveying lands, drawing deeds, wills, etc., held the office of Justice of the Peace and other public offices. A short time before his death he and his wife went to his daughter's home in Cayuga county. There his wife died June 30, 1831, aged 86 years and 8 months. He survived his wife three months and died Sept. 12, 1831, aged 89 years, 9 months and 18 days.

Henry married Maria Hommel and had two sons born to him, Elias and Levi. He was by occupation a farmer. He lived in the town of Saugerties until about the year 1825. He then went and lived with his son Levi in the county of Ontario and there died January 1, 1832, aged about 86 years and 6 months. His wife survived him a few years.



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Martin married Trineke Newkirk and had nine children born to him, to-wit: seven sons and two daughters named Joel, Moses, Jonah, Henry, Noah, Simon Peter, Martin, Anna and Sarah. His occupation was farming. He lived in the town of Saugerties. His wife died in 1816. He survived her and after some time he married to the widow Carn whose maiden name was Mary Overbagh, and lived with her until he died Feb. 2, 1831, aged 82 years, 11 months and 11 days. His wife survived him a few years.

Abraham married Maria Freligh and had nine children born to him, to-wit: six sons and three daughters named Peter, Martin, Paul, Elisha [presumably the writer of this sketch], Solomon, Samuel, Mary, Rebecca and Rachel. He was by occupation a farmer and carpenter. He lived in the town of Saugerties and died May 11, 1830, aged 79 years, 9 months and 2 days. His wife survived him until Feb. 11, 1838, aged 83 years, 3 months and 2 days.

Isaac married Susan Margaret Carn and had five children born to him, to-wit: two sons and three daughters named Peter, Zechariah, Nelly, Rachel and Leah. His occupation was farming. He lived on the old homestead of his father. Died January 26, 1829, aged 78 years, 5 months and 17 days. His wife survived him a few years. His son Zechariah is now [1854] the occupant of the old homestead at Churchland, of Martin Snyder.

The following table will show the birthday and likewise the day of their death of the fourteen children of Martin Snyder as far as it has come to my knowledge:

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NAME.	BORN.	DIED.	AGE.
Henry. . .	Aug. 10, 1723. . . . .		22 y.
Annah . . . . .	1760 . . . . .		60 about.
Margaret. . . . .			60 about.
Catharine . . . . .			80 about.
Zechariah . . . . .			88 about.
Johannes .	Oct. 8, 1732 .	July 24, 1809 ..	76 y, 9 m, 16 d.
William. . .	Feb. 12, 1735 .	May 25, 1823 ..	88 y, 3 m, 13 d.
Jeremiah .	Aug. 8, 1738 .	June, 1828. . .	89 y, 10 m.
Christian. .	Apr. 21, 1740 .	Apr. 22, 1822 ..	82 y, — 1 d.
→ Benjamin .	Nov. 24, 1742 .	Sept. 12, 1831 .	88 y, 9 m, 18 d.
Henry. . . . .		Jan. 1, 1832 . .	86 y, 6 m.
Martin . . .	Feb. 22, 1748 .	Feb. 2, 1831 . .	82 y, 11 m, 11 d.
Abraham .	Aug. 9, 1750 .	May 11, 1830 . .	79 y, 9 m, 2 d.
Isaac . . . .	Aug. 9, 1750 .	Jan. 26, 1829 .	78 y, 5 m, 17 d.

I have been acquainted with the children of Martin Snyder with the exception of three, namely: Henry the first born; Anna and Margaret. I have also been acquainted with 88 of the grand children and to the best of my knowledge and belief there are 34 of the grandchildren living to this day, to-wit: 19 males and 15 females, and the youngest of them is about 55 years old, and the oldest now living is over 92 years old. This is done by one of the surviving grand children who is now three score years and ten this 22 day of Sept. 1854.

I will now add to the foregoing pages that since the 22 of September, 1854, four of the then surviving grand children died to-wit: Joel, son of Martin, who died -----; Catherine, daughter of Johannes, died March 25, 1853, aged 91 years, 1 month and 14 days. Also her sister Annah died Aug. 14, 1855, aged 93 years, 4 months and 4 days. I think

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these are the only two who died come to the age of 90 years out of the 84 who are no more out of this family of Snyder. Jeremiah, son of William died April 4, 1855, aged \_\_\_\_\_.

There are now 30 of the surviving grand children, namely, a son and daughter of Zechariah; Abraham and Mary.

A daughter of Christian, Jane, born Aug. 21, 1780.

Two sons of Johannes, William, born Dec. 5, 1778; Tobias, born Oct. 2, 1781.

Three sons and three daughters of Benjamin: Anna, born Sept. 29, 1770; Peter, born Feb. 13, 1772; Martin, born Feb. 3, 1779; Sarah, born Nov. 16, 1781; Catharine, born Jan. 4, 1784; Jacob, born Mar. 4, 1788.

One son of Henry: Elias, born July —, 1775.

Five sons and one daughter of Martin; Annah, born Aug. 21, 1784; Moses, Jonah, Henry, Noah, Simon Peter.

Three sons and two daughters of Abraham: Peter, born Apr. 3, 1777; Elisha, born Nov. 21, 1783; Solomon, born Mar. 7, 1786; Mary, born May 17, 1788; Rachel, born Dec. 12, 1794.

Two sons and one daughter of Isaac: Rachel, Peter, Zachariah born Sept. 20, 1794.

Four daughters of William: Mary, Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth. Of these four the first three are above 70 years and Elizabeth is below that age.

SEPT. 12, 1855.



THE FOLLOWING certificate of character was brought by Martin Snyder when he emigrated to America:

“I certify that Martin Snyder from Kished: his wife and

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two children, from the government of Hackenberg, in the church district of Flounders felt wanted to go to America, and the Kickenberg enquired as to his standing in society : It was proven to be of good moral character, and he secured some assistance in his passage. The Prima Kerckberg granted him full power to go. Whereunto he has caused his seal to be affixed and signed in his own handwriting in

SWENENBERG, 26 March, 1726.

I, D. L. GRIEKHOLF."



# Pedigree of Martinus to DeWitt Clinton Snyder

