

JOHANN PHILLIP KOLB b. 08 Sep 1734 - d. Abt. 1839

Born in Struebelmuehle, Jagst, Wuerttemberg, Germany on 08 Sep 1734. (no record other than Internet sources). It is known from family records that he preferred to be called **Phillip**, possibly to avoid confusion with his second son, Johann (John).

FROM RESEARCHER BARBARA KROL:

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1st known child, Michael Culp, b. 1755 in PA; m. Magdalena (Roth) Rhodes bef. 1784 in PA; d. 1828 in Columbiana, OH. There is a good bit of information on Michael and ties to York Co., PA for additional research. Consider the following:

An article in the Elkhart County, IN newspaper dated 8 Sep 1909 states: "Michael Culp, who was born in Pennsylvania in 1755....He was a friend of General George Washington and an engineer, being engaged in building forts during the Revolutionary War".

Page 416 of an article titled, "Youngstown and The Mahoning Valley" states that in 1804 Michael Culp (son of Phillip) went to Fayette Co., PA and from there to Beaver, PA in 1815 (then Bever Township), to East Lewistown, Mahoning Co., OH".

He is listed in 1779, 1780, 1781, 1782 and 1783 tax records in York Co., PA.

He is in the tax records for 1784 & 1787 in Rockingham Co., VA (1784 - 3 whites and 1 dwelling).

He is in the 1787 VA Census with five horses and two cattle.

He is in the 1788 tax list with four horses.

He is in the 1790 VA Census with three 'whites, one dwelling, and no out buildings.

He is in the 1792 tax list with five horses, five in 1798, two in 1800, and four in 1801.

He and Magdaleana deeded Rockingham County land to Jacob Wisecar on 15 February 1803.

He bought land on 21 Mar 1803 in German Township, Fayette Co., PA. He was living on this land by 1804 and still there for the 1810 census. He was living in Columbia Co., PA for the 1815 census and resided in Springfield Township, Columbiana Co., OH from 1820 until his death in 1828.

Michael and Magdalena are both buried at Midway Mennonite Church in Mahoning County, Ohio.

From the above, it can be determined that Michael left York Co., PA for Rockingham Co. VA in 1783 or 1784. Johann Phillip may have migrated to Rockingham Co., VA at the same time, may have established residence there earlier, or joined them later. For that matter, the only evidence I have found that Johann Phillip was ever in Rockingham Co., VA., is a note from Dorothy Beede Berry of Columbiana, Ohio: "Philipp Kolb of Rockingham Co., VA was the father of Michael Kolb/Culp (1753-1828). Note: Other sources have Michael born in 1755 in Pennsylvania."

It is my belief that Johann Phillip Kolb stayed in PA with other offspring (most likely York Co.).

2nd known child, John Culp, b. bef. 1762; m. Anna Marie Garringer abt. 1784 in Rockingham Co., VA; d. 1829 in Dawson's, Beringer Ground Co., VA. Apparently, very little research has been done on John. Consider the following:

John Culp was listed in the Virginia Census for Rockingham Co., VA, in 1787 (age 25 at least). John and his brother Henry were listed in the Rockingham County Minutes Book (part 2, 1786 - 1788, page 682) on 22 Jan 1787 along with David Branam as indebted to the Governor of Virginia (20lbs. - John ; 10 lbs. - Henry). He was listed on the 1788 tax list with two horses, but not included on future tax lists. It is possible that John moved across the county line into Augusta County, as there was a John Culp in the Augusta County Court Extracts 1745 - 1800. This John was listed under "Insolvents and Delinquents". John did sell Rockingham Co., VA land to David Bush in June 1799.

3rd known child, Henry Culp, b. 28 Feb 1762 in PA; m. Dorothea abt. 1780 in PA; d. aft. 1835 in Rushcreek Township, Fairfield Co., OH (see separate info sheet for details on this Henry).

All three sons appeared on the 1787 Rockingham Co., VA Census (Personal Property Tax List). Michael and Henry were assigned to Militia Company 15, and John was assigned to Militia Company 17. This date is three years before the Funks arrived in Rockingham Co., VA.

It is purely speculation on my part, at this point, to say that Johann Phillip Kolb is the father of Michael, John, and Henry. However, several researchers are diligently putting pieces of this same puzzle together. Listed below is some of the information that has been gathered thus far (some information is repeated:

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Two years previously, Anton Roth (Rhodes) arrived on the same ship and took the oath on October 4, 1752. His daughter, Magdalena Rhodes married Michael Kolb/Culp (Johann's son) in Pennsylvania before 1784. Anton was known to have been from Wurttemberger, Germany.

In a hand written note from Fred Daniel Culp: "Michael's father - Philip d. 105 yrs."