



**LUC Family Genealogy and Descendants**  
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**Descendants of ? Luc**  
**Generation No. 1**

1. ? 1 Luc was born Abt. 1585 in La Creuse, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He **married unknown**.

Child of ? Luc and unknown is:

+ 2 i. **Dominique2 Luc**, born 1610 in La Creuse, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died April 25, 1678 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

**Generation No. 2**

2. **Dominique2 Luc** (?1) was born 1610 in La Creuse, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died April 25, 1678 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He married **Michele Lauernet**.

Child of Dominique Luc and Michele Lauernet is:

+ 3 i. **John Claude3 Luc**, born March 11, 1656/57 in Dambenoît, Haute-Saône, France; died Unknown.

**Generation No. 3**

3. **John Claude3 Luc** (Dominique2, ?1) was born March 11, 1656/57 in Dambenoît, Haute-Saône, France, and died Unknown. He married **Claudine Andre**.

Children of John Luc and Claudine Andre are:

4 i. **Augustine4 Luc**.  
5 ii. **Francoise Luc**.  
6 iii. **Jean Baptiste Luc**.  
7 iv. **Peteronille Luc**.  
8 v. **Claude Francis Luc**, born December 15, 1685 in France; died Unknown in • Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He married unknown.  
+ 9 vi. **Charles Luc**, born May 03, 1690 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died April 02, 1767 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

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9. **Charles<sup>4</sup> Luc** (John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born May 03, 1690 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died April 02, 1767 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He married **Madeleine Besançon**, daughter of **Etienne Besancon and Jeanne Menetrey**. She was born October 28, 1686 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died November 14, 1771 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

Children of Charles Luc and Madeleine Besançon are:

10 i. Jeanne Marie<sup>5</sup> Luc, born February 28, 1719/20 in France; died Unknown. She married unknown.

11 ii. Nicolle Luc, born August 02, 1721 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. She married unknown.

12 iii. Servaise Luc, born March 30, 1723 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died Unknown.

+ 13 iv. **Alexis Luc**, born March 12, 1725/26 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died May 10, 1800 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

#### Generation No. 5

13. **Alexis<sup>5</sup> Luc** (Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born March 12, 1725/26 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died May 10, 1800 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He married **Marqueriet Jamey** July 06, 1764 in France. She was born October 05, 1739 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died December 15, 1810 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

Child of Alexis Luc and Marqueriet Jamey is:

+ 14 i. **Etienne<sup>6</sup> Luc**, born January 22, 1779 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died Aft. 1852 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

#### Generation No. 6

14. **Etienne<sup>6</sup> Luc** (Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born January 22, 1779 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died Aft. 1852 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. He married **Colette Boissenet**. She was born February 13, 1776 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died February 02, 1852 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.

Child of Etienne Luc and Colette Boissenet is:

+ 15 i. **Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup> Luc**, born January 22, 1799 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died Aft. 1854 in Allen County, IN..

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***President's Message ... Barbara Gorney***

Hello everyone and welcome to social distancing and facemasks. I hope all are healthy and adjusting to a new way of living. If it keeps me safe, I will certainly abide by the rules. The Allen County Library just announced July 6th as the opening day! Yea!

Recently I received two queries about Besancon. Ron from Kendallville was interested in the Gremaux family. His uncle Walter had donated some Gremaux history. Ron was also interested in our photo collection. Since the Allen County library's closing and there is no volunteering, I have not talked to Curt Witcher (head of the genealogy department) who has part of the pictures. All the photos have been digitalized and will eventually be on the ACPL website. The notebooks that have more information about the pictures have not been taken to the library yet. Curt wants all the information that we have. In the meantime I copied a family history of the Gremauxs from one of the early Chronicles, copied some of the pages of marriages after 1900 and a map of France which I mailed to Ron.

The other query was from a lady in Kansas who was interested in why settlers moved west to Kansas. What was the incentive to pick up and move their families to Kansas? I referred her to a chapter in the book Peopling Indiana: The Ethnic Experience. The chapter was written by our member Professor Ralph Violette. He was very detailed in the chapter with the early settling of Indiana. He lists a few of the early priests that were instrumental in recruiting other priests from France. From Indiana Bishop Simon Brute made a two year sojourn to France. He was the head of the Diocese of Vincennes. Historians explain the emigration from eastern France as due to political, demographic and economic factors.

Why my great-great uncle left Besancon, Indiana for Kansas we do not know.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy summer.

Barbara

*President Besancon Historical Society*

**Due to Covid-19, there is NO scheduled meeting of BHS**

## Generation No. 7

15. **Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup> Luc** (Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born January 22, 1799 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died Aft. 1854 in Allen County, IN.. He married **Anna Marie Clare** January 22, 1824 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France. She was born 1799 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died 1870 in Allen County, IN..

Children of Eugene Luc and Anna Clare are:

- + 16 i. **Francoise<sup>8</sup> Luc**, born 1826 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died August 05, 1904 in Allen County, IN..
- 17 ii. **Anna Seraphine Luc**, born 1827 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.
- + 18 iii. **Joseph P. Luc**, born March 1832 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died November 30, 1900 in Ft. Wayne.
- 19 iv. **Clarice Luc**, born 1834 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died March 17, 1836 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.
- + 20 v. **Elise Marie Luc**, born June 16, 1838 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died 1915 in Sacramento, CA.
- 21 vi. **Ann Rose Lina Luc**, born March 12, 1841 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died May 20, 1841 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France.
- + 22 vii. **Felicia Luc**, born March 30, 1842 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France; died September 09, 1918 in Besancon, IN..
- + 23 viii. **Naomi Sara Luc**, born Abt. 1844 in France; died July 13, 1917 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

## Generation No. 8

16. **Francoise<sup>8</sup> Luc** (Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born 1826 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died August 05, 1904 in Allen County, IN.. She married **Francis Jamey** October 31, 1857 in Allen County, IN.. He was born 1817, and died February 16, 1876.

Children of Francoise Luc and Francis Jamey are:

- 24 i. **Emil<sup>9</sup> Jamey**.
- 25 ii. **Fred Jamey**, died November 1910.
- 26 iii. **May J. Jamey**, born Abt. 1859; died December 1910 in St. Joseph's hospital, Ft. Wayne, IN..
- + 27 iv. **Louise G. Jamey**, born March 1864 in Allen County, IN.; died August 1939 in Allen County, IN..

18. **Joseph P.<sup>8</sup> Luc** (Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born March 1832 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died November 30, 1900 in Ft. Wayne. He married **Mary B. Joffres** May 16, 1871 in Allen County, IN.. She was born November 1835 in OH., and died June 04, 1915 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

Child of Joseph Luc and Mary Joffres is:

- + 28 i. **Adaline "Lena"<sup>9</sup> Luc**, born August 25, 1876 in Monroeville, IN.; died July 31, 1957 in Ft. Wayne IN.



20. **Elise Marie<sup>8</sup> Luc** (Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born June 16, 1838 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died 1915 in Sacramento, CA. She married **John Baptiste Gauthier** Abt. 1858 in possibly Missouri. He was born 1808 in France or Canada, and died 1895 in perhaps Dallas County, TX.

Children of Elise Luc and John Gauthier are:

- + 29 i. **Mary Alice<sup>9</sup> Gauthier**, born February 14, 1859 in St. Joseph, Missouri; died November 06, 1924 in Hammond, Indiana.
- 30 ii. **Alexander J. Gauthier**, born 1862 in Allen County, IN.; died 1939 in Colusa, CA.. He married Mary A. Hochstrat September 20, 1892 in Colusa, CA.; born 1866 in Missouri; died 1959 in California.
- + 31 iii. **Louisa F. Gauthier**, born 1866 in IN.; died July 1945 in Alameda, CA..
- + 32 iv. **Eugenie F. Gauthier**, born August 26, 1868 in Besancon, Allen County, IN.; died March 28, 1943 in Dallas, TX.
- 33 v. **Maria Elizabeth Gauthier**, born December 10, 1871 in Besancon, IN..
- 34 vi. **Victoria Anna Gauthier**, born July 01, 1873 in Besancon, IN.; died Aft. 1880 in Allen County, IN..
- 35 vii. **Jean Baptiste Paula Gauthier**, born December 13, 1875 in Besancon, IN.; died December 13, 1875 in Besancon, IN..
- 36 viii. **Maria A. Gauthier**, born October 01, 1878 in Besancon, IN..

22. **Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc** (Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born March 30, 1842 in Pomoy, Haute-Saône, Franche-Comté, France, and died September 09, 1918 in Besancon, IN.. She married **August Roussey** September 11, 1862 in St. Louis church, **son of Pierre Roussey and Marie Narbet**. He was born May 13, 1833 in France, and died May 19, 1912 in Besancon, IN..

Children of Felicia Luc and August Roussey are:

- 37 i. **Victor Joseph<sup>9</sup> Roussey**, born October 30, 1863 in Besancon, IN.; died September 15, 1877 in Besancon, IN..
- + 38 ii. **Louis Edward Roussey**, born April 30, 1865 in Jefferson Twp., IN.; died April 17, 1937 in Besancon, IN..
- + 39 iii. **Mary Jane Roussey**, born October 03, 1866 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; died January 27, 1951 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 40 iv. **Alexander Roussey**, born 1868 in Besancon; died September 15, 1877 in Besancon.
- + 41 v. **Ellen Roussey**, born 1868 in Allen County, IN; died October 17, 1950 in Ft. Wayne, IN.
- + 42 vi. **Louise Mary Roussey**, born January 07, 1870 in Kefferson twp, Allen, IN; died February 05, 1950 in Wayne, Allen, IN..
- 43 vii. **Emil V. Roussey**, born July 1871 in Jefferson Twp. Indiana; died February 17, 1948 in Besancon, IN..
- 44 viii. **Victor Emil Roussey**, born July 14, 1871; died 1877.
- + 45 ix. **William Eugene Roussey**, born March 27, 1873 in Jefferson Township, IN.; died September 26, 1952 in Jefferson Township, IN..

- 46 x. Francis Augustus Roussey, born March 08, 1876 in Jefferson Twp., Allen County, IN..
- 47 xi. Amelia Roussey, born April 1879. She married Frank Griffith November 25, 1903 in Cathedral in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 48 xii. Infant Roussey, born June 23, 1881; died June 23, 1881.
- + 49 xiii. Laura Elman Felecia Roussey, born December 19, 1887 in Besancon, IN.; died November 20, 1971 in Ft. Wayne, IN.

23. **Naomi Sara<sup>8</sup> Luc** (Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born Abt. 1844 in France, and died July 13, 1917 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. She married **Francis Pevert** August 06, 1864, son of **Nicolas Pievert and Marguerite**. He was born May 13, 1837 in France, and died January 27, 1914 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

Children of Naomi Luc and Francis Pevert are:

- 50 i. Felix<sup>9</sup> Pevert, born 1867 in Arcola, IN.; died 1947 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 51 ii. Joseph Louis Pevert, born 1870 in Arcola, IN.; died 1942 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 52 iii. Alfred Pevert, born May 03, 1877 in Arcola, IN.; died March 06, 1955 in FT. Wayne, IN.
- 53 iv. Eugenia Pevert, born September 1880 in Arcola, In.; died August 1881 in Arcola, IN..
- + 54 v. **Louise Janette Pevert**, born 1866 in France; died 1944 in IN.

#### Generation No. 9

27. **Louise G.<sup>9</sup> Jamey** (Francoise<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born March 1864 in Allen County, IN., and died August 1939 in Allen County, IN.. She married **Francis Peter Bercot** April 27, 1882 in Allen County, IN., son of **Claude Bercot and Jennie Corneille**. He was born May 18, 1853 in IN., and died August 08, 1933.

Children of Louise Jamey and Francis Bercot are:

- 55 i. Grace<sup>10</sup> Bercot, born 1883.
- 56 ii. Edith Bercot, born 1884.
- 57 iii. Dorothy Bercot, born 1888.
- 58 iv. Edward Bercot, born 1890.
- 59 v. Mary Bercot, born 1894.
- 60 vi. Emil Bercot, born 1897.
- 61 vii. Alma Bercot, born 1900.
- 62 viii. Veara Bercot, born 1902.
- 63 ix. Evelyn Bercot, born 1908.

28. **Adaline "Lena"<sup>9</sup> Luc** (Joseph P.<sup>8</sup>, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born August 25, 1876 in Monroeville, IN., and died July 31, 1957 in Ft. Wayne IN. She married **Henry George Horstmann, Jr.** June 29, 1897 in Cathedral in Ft. Wayne, IN., son of **Henry Horstmann and Mary Hanken**. He was born July 25, 1875 in IN., and died 1944 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

Children of Adaline Luc and Henry Horstmann are:

- 64 i. George F.10 Horstmann, born August 23, 1897 in Allen County, IN.; died December 1968 in IN..
- 65 ii. Rose C. Horstmann, born February 05, 1899 in Allen County, IN.; died January 28, 1973 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. She married James Howard Stewart June 1922 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; born 1898 in St. Wayne, IN.; died 1952 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 66 iii. unknown Horstman, born July 19, 1900 in Allen County, IN..
- 67 iv. Bernard A. Horstmann, born Abt. 1902 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; died March 1904 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 68 v. Horstmann, born September 02, 1903 in Allen County, IN..
- 69 vi. Genevieve Horstmann, born Abt. October 1904 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; died January 04, 1905 in 1304 Lilly St., Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 70 vii. Edward J. Horstmann, born February 26, 1905 in IN.; died March 10, 1984 in IN.. He married (1) Marcella E. Sheets; born December 1908 in OH; died May 04, 1992 in Allen County, IN.. He married (2) Helen A. Abt. 1925 in perhaps OH?; born July 24, 1909 in OH; died September 19, 1992.
- 71 viii. Leona Horstmann, born December 05, 1906 in IN.; died January 27, 1994 in Orange, CA.. She married Hugh Keifer.
- 72 ix. Beatrice Horstmann, born February 27, 1909 in Allen County, Ft. Wayne, IN.; died July 17, 1985 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 73 x. Clarence Horstmann, born February 02, 1911 in IN.; died 1970 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. He married Opal Colbert October 26, 1936 in Michigan; born 1911; died 1965 in Ft. Wayne, IN..
- 74 xi. Raymond G. Horstmann, born September 04, 1917 in IN.; died August 25, 2002 in IN..

29. **Mary Alice<sup>9</sup> Gauthier** (Elise Marie<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born February 14, 1859 in St. Joseph, Missouri, and died November 06, 1924 in Hammond, Indiana. She married (1) **Julian Roy (Reuille)** October 12, 1876 in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, son of **Joseph Reuille and Mary Aulon**. He was born December 29, 1846 in France, and died November 15, 1888 in Indiana. She married (2) **Francis N. Lauyer, Jr.** September 24, 1889 in St. Rose of Lima Church, Monroeville, In., son of **Frank Lauyer and Rosey Roe**. He was born 1859 in New York, and died August 03, 1925 in East Chicago, Indiana.

Children of Mary Gauthier and Julian Roy (Reuille) are:

- 75 i. Mary Alice<sup>10</sup> Roy, born 1878 in IN; died March 07, 1878 in IN.
- 76 ii. Joseph Edward Roy, born 1879 in Allen County, Indiana; died 1945 in Michigan City, Indiana. He married Mary Elizabeth Freang October 01, 1901 in Decatur, Indiana; born April 28, 1880 in Decatur, IN.; died May 06, 1939 in Lake County, Indiana.
- 77 iii. **Clara Roy**, born December 01, 1881 in Besancon, IN.; died January 12, 1956 in Hammond, IN.. She married Francis Miriam Farrell October 04, 1898 in St. Aloysius Church, Yoder, In.; born January 23, 1878 in Sheldon (Yoder) IN.; died November 21, 1934 in Flint, MI..
- 78 iv. Marie Louise Roy, born May 29, 1884 in Besancon, Indiana; died November 13, 1888 in Besancon, Indiana.
- 79 v. William Julian Roy, born March 02, 1887 in Monroeville, IN.; died October 22, 1962 in North Judson, Indiana. He married (1) Nora Cecelia Carlan; January 11, 1910 Lake CO., IN; born June 27, 1888 in Ashland, KY; died May 01, 1966 in North Judson, IN



Child of Mary Gauthier and Francis Lauyer is:

80 i. **Frank (Hap) Louis<sup>10</sup> Lauyer**, born June 01, 1894 in Monroeville, IN.; died June 20, 1956 in Hammond, Indiana. He married **Ruth Ann Woodin** July 07, 1920 in All Saints Rectory, Hammond, Indiana; born June 06, 1896 in Hammond, Indiana; died May 30, 1971 in Hammond, Indiana.

31. **Louisa F.<sup>9</sup> Gauthier** (Elise Marie<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born 1866 in IN., and died July 1945 in Alameda, CA.. She married (1) **Frank D. Schmucker** September 26, 1889 in Ennis, TX, son of **Sebastian Schmucker and Margaret Joly**. He was born November 1858 in Allen County, IN., 1930 census says Birthplace Iowa, and died 1930 in ElCajon, San Diego, CA..

Child of Louisa Gauthier and Frank Schmucker is:

81 i. **Henrietta<sup>10</sup> Schmucker**, born 1896 in Dallas, TX; died 1960 in Los Angeles, CA..

32. **Eugenie F.<sup>9</sup> Gauthier** (Elise Marie<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born August 26, 1868 in Besancon, Allen County, IN., and died March 28, 1943 in Dallas, TX. She married **Oscar Jefferon Jones** December 26, 1889 in Ellis, TX, son of **Robert Jones and Mary Rogers**. He was born June 24, 1867 in Bonham, Fannin, TX, and died September 16, 1952 in Dallas, TX..

Children of Eugenie Gauthier and Oscar Jones are:

82 i. **Oscar Alexander<sup>10</sup> Jones**, born 1890 in TX.; died January 07, 1980 in Dallas, TX.. He married Nina H. Harris January 25, 1913 in Texas; born in Texas.

83 ii. **Vincent Emile Jones**, born 1893; died 1975. He married Cora Lee Hopper November 22, 1893; born 1893 in Arkansas; died 1964 in Dallas, TX.

84 iii. **Leo J. Jones**, born 1897 in Sherman, TX.; died May 21, 1975 in San Antonio, TX. He married Ann Marie (Annie) Leonard January 12, 1920 in Jackson, MO.; born 1898 in Arkansas; died 1984 in Little Rock, Arkansas.

38. **Louis Edward<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born April 30, 1865 in Jefferson Twp., IN., and died April 17, 1937 in Besancon, IN.. He married **Lydia Delphine Maldeney** October 12, 1897 in ST. Louis church, daughter of **Edward Maldeney and Mariae Fevrier**. She was born September 08, 1876 in France, and died September 10, 1955.

Children of Louis Roussey and Lydia Maldeney are:

85 i. **August Louis<sup>10</sup> Roussey**, born August 10, 1898 in IN.; died May 01, 1976 in Ann Arbor, MI.. He married Gladys Carson.

86 ii. **William Edward Roussey**, born February 14, 1900 in Jackson Twp., Allen County, IN.. He married Mallie Martin; born March 11, 1908; died May 1985.

87 iii. **Ernest Henry Roussey**, born April 27, 1902 in Jackson Twp., Allen County, IN.; died June 16, 1990. He married (1) Julia Mitchell. He married (2) Kathern Hogen.



88 iv. Theodore Thomas Roussey, born August 11, 1904 in Jackson Twp. Allen County, IN.; died October 22, 1992 in Mishawaka, IN.. He married (1) Ethel Wishim; born Abt. 1905. He married (2) Laura Bell Fisher.

89 v. Esther G. Roussey, born August 06, 1908 in IN; died June 04, 1980 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. She married Leo Houser.

90 vi. Paul Lester Roussey, born January 25, 1911 in Tipton, IN.; died July 27, 1952 in Spaulding, OH..

91 vii. Mary Katheryn Roussey, born October 17, 1913. She married Donald Swaim.

92 viii. Josephine Roussey, born March 08, 1915 in Jackson Twp., Allen County, IN.. She married Russell Aker.

93 ix. John Louis Roussey, born February 18, 1917 in Jackson Twp., Allen County, IN.; died October 01, 1984 in Ft. Wayne, IN. He married Mildred Maxine Pearl Lydy; born 1920 in Ossian, IN; died April 30, 2019 in TN..

94 x. Raymond Abraham Roussey, born February 04, 1920 in Jackson Twp., Allen County, IN.; died March 24, 1998. He married Katherine Chase.

39. **Mary Jane<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?1) was born October 03, 1866 in Ft. Wayne, IN., and died January 27, 1951 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. She married **Frank Xavier Didier** June 26, 1888 in St. Louis Besancon, son of **Thidii Didier and Philomena Vaugier**. He was born 1862 in Paulding, OHN, and died March 25, 1940 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

Children of Mary Roussey and Frank Didier are:

95 i. Arthur C.<sup>10</sup> Didier, born April 18, 1880 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; died July 22, 1962 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. He married Eleanore Woenker; born November 06, 1895 in IN; died August 01, 1986 in In.

96 ii. **Clem A. Didier**, born 1890 in Allen County, IN.; died 1985 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. He married Edith Miller; born 1896; died 1988 in Ft. Wayne. IN.

97 iii. William Andrew Didier, born 1893 in Allen County, IN.; died 1988 in Allen County, IN.. He married Loretta Julia Lordier June 06, 1916 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; born 1889 in IN; died 1982 in IN.

98 iv. Louis John Didier, born January 10, 1898 in Ft. Wayne, IN.; died January 25, 1974. He married Mary K. Eckert.

41. **Ellen<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?1) was born 1868 in Allen County, IN, and died October 17, 1950 in Ft. Wayne, IN. She married **Joseph Harkenrider** October 06, 1892 in Cathedral in Ft. Wayne, IN., son of **Joseph Harkenrider and Marg England**. He was born 1869, and died November 28, 1931.

Child of Ellen Roussey and Joseph Harkenrider is:

99 i. Merlin<sup>10</sup> Harkenrider, born 1902 in IN; died 1963 in In. He married Edna; born Abt. 1904 in Wisconsin.

42. **Louise Mary<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?1) was born January 07, 1870 in Kefferson twp, Allen, IN, and died February 05, 1950 in Wayne, Allen, IN.. She married (1) **Jack Snyder**. She

married (2) **John McKerring** August 24, 1897 in Cathedral in Ft. Wayne, son of **John McKerring and Mariae Lehan**. She married (3) **John Wolf** July 1906 in Cathedral in Ft. Wayne, IN..

Child of Louise Roussey and John McKerring is:

100 i. Loretta<sup>10</sup> McKerring.

Child of Louise Roussey and John Wolf is:

101 i. Howard<sup>10</sup> Wolf.

45. **William Eugene<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born March 27, 1873 in Jefferson Township, IN., and died September 26, 1952 in Jefferson Township, IN.. He married **Ella Clare Lothamer** October 21, 1902 in St. Louis church, daughter of **Theodore Lothamer and Mary Huth**. She was born October 12, 1878 in Jeff. Township, IN., and died April 23, 1958 in Jeff. Township, IN..

Children of William Roussey and Ella Lothamer are:

102 i. Merlin C.<sup>10</sup> Roussey, born July 02, 1903 in Jeff. Twp. IN.; died 1946 in Jeff. Twp., IN..

103 ii. Lucille Lillian Roussey, born July 14, 1905 in Besancon, IN.; died December 11, 1916 in Jackson Twp..

104 iii. Adrian Roussey, born November 26, 1906 in Besancon, IN.; died May 16, 1991 in Besancon, IN.. He married Lucille B. Voirol September 29, 1931 in St. Louis Besancon; born February 11, 1910 in Besancon, IN.; died February 23, 1989.

105 iv. Esther Gertrude Roussey, born August 06, 1908 in Jackson twp., Allen, IN.. She married Leo Houser February 03, 1931 in St. Louis, Besancon; born in Ft. Wayne, IN..

106 v. Bernard J. Roussey, born November 28, 1910 in IN; died April 08, 1985 in IN. He married Charlotte Clay; born February 22, 1914 in Monroeville, IN.; died September 19, 1980 in Ft. Wayne, IN..

107 vi. Henrietta Roussey, born 1917 in Besancon, IN.; died May 1950. She married Marvin Miller June 08, 1940 in St. Louis Besancon IN.; born 1916 in New Haven, IN.; died 1967.

49. **Laura Elman Felecia<sup>9</sup> Roussey** (Felicia<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born December 19, 1887 in Besancon, IN., and died November 20, 1971 in Ft. Wayne, IN. She married **Charles E. Miller** June 23, 1914 in St. Louis Besancon, son of **William Miller and Elizabeth Barret**. He was born in Detroit, MI., at time of marriage.

Child of Laura Roussey and Charles Miller is:

108 i. Laurene<sup>10</sup> Miller. She married Richard Golden.

54. **Louise Janette<sup>9</sup> Pevert** (Naomi Sara<sup>8</sup> Luc, Eugene (Nicholas)<sup>7</sup>, Etienne<sup>6</sup>, Alexis<sup>5</sup>, Charles<sup>4</sup>, John Claude<sup>3</sup>, Dominique<sup>2</sup>, ?<sup>1</sup>) was born 1866 in France, and died 1944 in IN. She married **Emiel Quickery** January 20, 1890 in Ft. Wayne, IN.. He was born 1847 in France, and died 1931 in Roanoke, Huntington, IN..

Child of Louise Pevert and Emiel Quickery is:

109 i. Ruth10 Quickery, born 1900 in IN; died 1920 in near Roanoke, Huntington, IN.. She married Frank J. Baptiste.



Franche-Comte Traditional Costume

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading 'Nicolas Luc' in a cursive script.

Nicolas Luc Signature-1838 Pg.2 & 4 #15



Marriage Portrait  
August Roussey & Felicia Luc  
Pg. 5, #22



Marriage Portrait  
Frank Lauyer & Mary Alice Gauthier  
Pg. 7, #29



*Facebook of Yester year. . . . .*

**BESANCON NEWS**

Journal Gazette June 27, 1914, Pg. 7

BESANCON, Ind., June 2?—Wednesday morning at the St. Louis Catholic church occurred a very pretty wedding when **Miss Lucy Jacquay**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. August Jacquay**, became the bride of **Mr. Clarence Roy**, son of **Mr. and Mrs. Louis Roy**. The **Rev. Louen** officiated. The bride looked very pretty in her gown of crepe de meteor, gracefully trimmed with lace. The bride wore a wreath and veil and carried a white prayer book with a beautiful marker. The bride's attendants were her sisters, the **Misses Pearle and Emma Jacquay**, who were attired in white with white hats and they carried pick and white carnations. The groom's attendants were **Mr. Francis Roy**, brother of the groom and **Mr. Bernard Snider**, cousin of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Roy left immediately for a northern trip. On their return they will be at home to their many friends at Edgerton, where the groom has a home furnished for his bride. The best wishes of their many friends go with them.

**Miss Florence Snider** left Wednesday for a week's visit in Chicago.

**Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ternet and Mr. Art Ternet** were in Monroeville Monday evening.

**Mr. Cyril Reuille and Mrs. Pauline Lomont** were callers at the **Joseph Boitet** home Wednesday.

**Mrs. Henry Gerardot and son and Miss Julia Dodane and neice** called on **Mr. and Mrs. Emile Ternet** Wednesday.

**Mrs. Julian Gerardot** spent Wednesday with **Mrs. John Ternet**.

**Mr. Clarence Lomont** motored to New Haven Wednesday evening.

**Mr. John Boitet** was in Tillman's Wednesday.

**Mr. Clarence and William Ternet** were New Haven visitors Tuesday evening.

**Mr. Edward Lomont** was in New Haven Saturday afternoon on business.

**Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Ternet and Miss Charlotte Lomont** spent Wednesday evening with **Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Boitet and family**.

**Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Ternet** are riding around in a new ford machine.

**Mr. Charles Martin and John Boitet** motored to New Haven Wednesday afternoon.

**Mr. Arthur and Cletus Ternet** were Monroeville callers Tuesday evening.

**Mrs. Louis Reuille** spent Wednesday with her mother, **Mrs. Mary Holmes**.

**Mrs. Joseph Boitet and son Leo** called on **Mrs. Michael Orthaimer and Mrs. Robert Harper** Tuesday.

**Miss Edna Mourey** is spending the week at the **Alphonse Lomont** home.

*Editor's note: please excuse any misspellings, that's the way the newspaper printed it.*

***Friends of Besancon.....***

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:**

**Richard Rosswurm** 1491 Fieldcrest Ct. Cincinnati, OH 45231-1969

**Roberta S. Dobill –Lifetime member** P.O. Box 115, Hinsdale, IL 60522-0115  
(GGG Grandpa Henry Jacquay)

**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING FOR DENATIONS TO BHS:**

**Joan Johnson, Darrel Dodane, Michael Biesiada, Richard Rosswurm,  
John and Roseann Schreiber.**

**Rev. Ben Muhenkamp**, pastor of St. Louis Besancon for the past 5 years has been reassigned to St. Anthony parish in South Bend, IN. The Besancon Historical Society wishes Rev. Ben all the best.

Due to Covid-19, there is NO scheduled meeting of BHS at this time.

**Thank you to Mr. James D. Summers** (Luc, Lauyer, Monnier) for the Luc Family history & pictures taken from his Ancestrey.com site. Many years of research and trips to France are shown in this most extensive site.

MISSION OF  
THE BESANCON HISTORICAL  
SOCIETY

ARTICLE 11 - SECTION 2

The mission of the Besancon Historical Society of East Allen County, IN is to preserve, interpret and foster a deeper understanding of the history, heritage, and other culture of the rural community known as Besancon, Indiana, generally located in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and which has as its central focus Saint Louis Catholic Church.

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## The Influenza Pandemic of 1918-1919

Written by Mary Jane Novosel

<b>Covid 19 (so far)</b>	<b>DEATHS</b>	<b>Spanish Flu/La Grippe</b>
480,000	Worldwide	Est. 20-50- Million
124,000	U.S.A.	Est. 500,000-675,000

In 1918 as WWI was coming to a close, the U.S. had joined the fight in 1917, the Pandemic that struck in early 1918 would kill far more people than "The Great War". More than half of all servicemen died of this flu and other diseases than from battles. Starting in military training camps in March and April 1918, it spread around the globe as humans traveled due to War and trade routes. It is believed to have first arrived in the U.S. through Boston ports in September 1918 receiving shipments of war and supplies. Through the fall and winter the virus devastated both sides fighting the war as well as civilians worldwide.

This influenza was most virulent with a mortality rate of 2.5% compared to previous pandemics of less than .1%. The death rate was the worst for people ages 15-40 years old, instead of the usual elderly and young children. The name "Spanish Flu" came from early and large mortalities in Spain allegedly killing 8 million people in May 1918 (BMJ 7/13/1918) <sup>1</sup> Though the origins of this flu variant are not precisely known, it's thought to have been the result of a rare genetic shift of the flu virus originating in China. Recently the virus has been genetically studied from the tissue of a dead soldier. Many individuals contracting this influenza would die rapidly within 24-48 hours with a viscous type of pneumonia. The physicians were helpless at the time against such virulent disease. A serious shortage of doctors and nurses occurred due to serving in the war and dying from this flu themselves. Third and fourth year medical students were released from school to be nurses as well as a call for volunteers.

How did the city of Fort Wayne deal with this influenza pandemic? After appearing in the fall 1918, the Board of Public Health along with Dr. Eric Crull, Ft. Wayne's health commissioner, authorized and promoted various practices to prevent the spread of this flu:

Doctors to wear masks(gauze at the time) and to seize building suitable for emergency use as a hospital. Sick employees of businesses and factories were encouraged to stay home. Shoppers in stores were urged to "keep moving and not congregate" <sup>2</sup>, public meetings were canceled. By mid-December public funerals were banned, libraries closed, Christmas public celebrations were also banned. Homes of the sick "were placed under quarantine." <sup>2</sup>

As a result of the above measures by the local government and cooperation of the people, Ft. Wayne, Allen County had a low number of deaths. By mid-December, 5,000 cases were reported in the city. Although no exact total number of deaths were determined, only 47 flu related deaths were reported the last half of December.

The science and medical fields during this time of WWI gained more importance because of "the new germ theory and the development of antiseptic surgery" <sup>1</sup> which together saved lives on the battlefield and reduce deaths caused by disease. These fields in the near future would design vaccines and antibiotics to help in prevention and treatment of influenza, viruses, & tuberculosis.

The Journal of the American Medical Association noted in its final edition of 1918: "The 1918 has gone: a year momentous as the termination of the most cruel war in the annals of the human race; a year which marked the end at least for a time, of man's destruction of man; unfortunately a year in which developed a most fatal infectious disease causing the death of hundreds of thousands of human beings. Medical science for four & one-half years devoted itself to putting men on the firing line and keeping them there. Now it must turn with its whole might to combating the greatest enemy of all-infectious disease." (12/28/1918) <sup>1</sup>

Footnotes: 1-Stanford.edu/uda/ by Molly Billings, June 1997 modified RDS February, 2005

2- History of Ft. Wayne & Allen Co., IN Vol. I 1700-2005, MT Publishing Co. INC.Evansville, IN Page 86



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## IS IT POISON?

Journal Gazette June 30, 1885

**Louis Sordelet, a Jefferson Township Farmer, Dies Under Suspicious Circumstances-Coroner**

**Dinnen Investigates.**

Last week announcement was made of the death of Louis Sordelet, a well-known Jefferson township farmer, after a short illness. Nothing strange was thought of the matter at the time, and after keeping the body two days it was deposited in the Besancon cemetery, in this county. No sooner had the clouds rolled down on Sordelet's coffin that strange rumors about foul play became rife. Saturday night complaint was made to Coroner Dinnen, who yesterday visited the late residence of the deceased and began an investigation. Mrs. Sordelet was not at home, and after listening to the stories of several members of the family, Dr. Dinnen decided to postpone the exhumation of the remains until after an examination of the widow, who it was promised would come to town immediately upon her return home. In the meantime a close watch is kept upon the grave of Sordelet.

It appears that the dead man had not lived very happily with his family, and this, coupled with other suspicious circumstances, led the neighbors to place the matter in the hands of the officers of the law.

## Francis L. Boley

Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette June 18, 1911

**Francis L. Boley**, 77 years of age, one of the earliest pioneer French settlers of Allen county, died at 9 o'clock Saturday

evening at his late home, 1629 Hillside avenue.

Mr. Boley was born Feb. 17, 1834. At the age of twelve years he came to this county and settled on a farm in St. Joseph's township, which place was his home until a few years ago, when he retired and moved to Fort Wayne. He is survived by his aged wife, three sons and one daughter, Frank, of Grabill; John and Lewis, of Fort Wayne, and Miss Josephine, who resides at home. There is one brother, Marshall Boley, in Salt Lake City, Utah, and three sisters; Mrs. Augustine Bobey and Miss Lucile Boley, of Academie, and Mrs. Adeline Schrantz, of Fort Wayne. There are also seven grandchildren.

Mr. Boley owned one of the boats on the old canal. He was occupied in those early days in transporting logs and lumber. He hauled the first material for the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in this city. Mr. Boley was a devout Catholic, and was a member of St. Vincent's church at Academie until he came to this city. After coming here he was a regular attendant at the Cathedral. During the world's exposition at Paris Mr. Boley visited his native country and relatives. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

## BACON

Fort Wayne News June 13, 1914

**John Bacon**, who went west in 1861, died on June 6<sup>th</sup> at Baker City, Ore., after a short illness due to paralysis. Samuel Bacon, his only surviving brother, lives at New Haven. Several children survive him, all of whom live in Oregon.

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