

Hans
Family
And
Friends
Photos
With Captions

by Helga von Schweinitz

Introduction

Hans-Ludwig von Schweinitz put several different albums together with photos of his family and friends. In letters and his autobiography, he mentioned several people. When I wrote his biography and historical biography, I added many more.

This compendium attempts to identify these people and when possible provide a photo. In January 1945, the family had to flee their estate in Silesia, Alt Raudten (to avoid the Red Russian Army) and many family heirlooms were left behind. The family was never able to return to the estate. These photos were the few that they did take with them on the flight, or from Hans-Ludwig intense search of albums from other family members that had left the estate at an earlier date. When possible, the photo closest to 1945 is used. For some family members and friends the only photo is a group photo from a wedding. These wedding photos are in the compendium “Hans photos pre 1945 Compendium”

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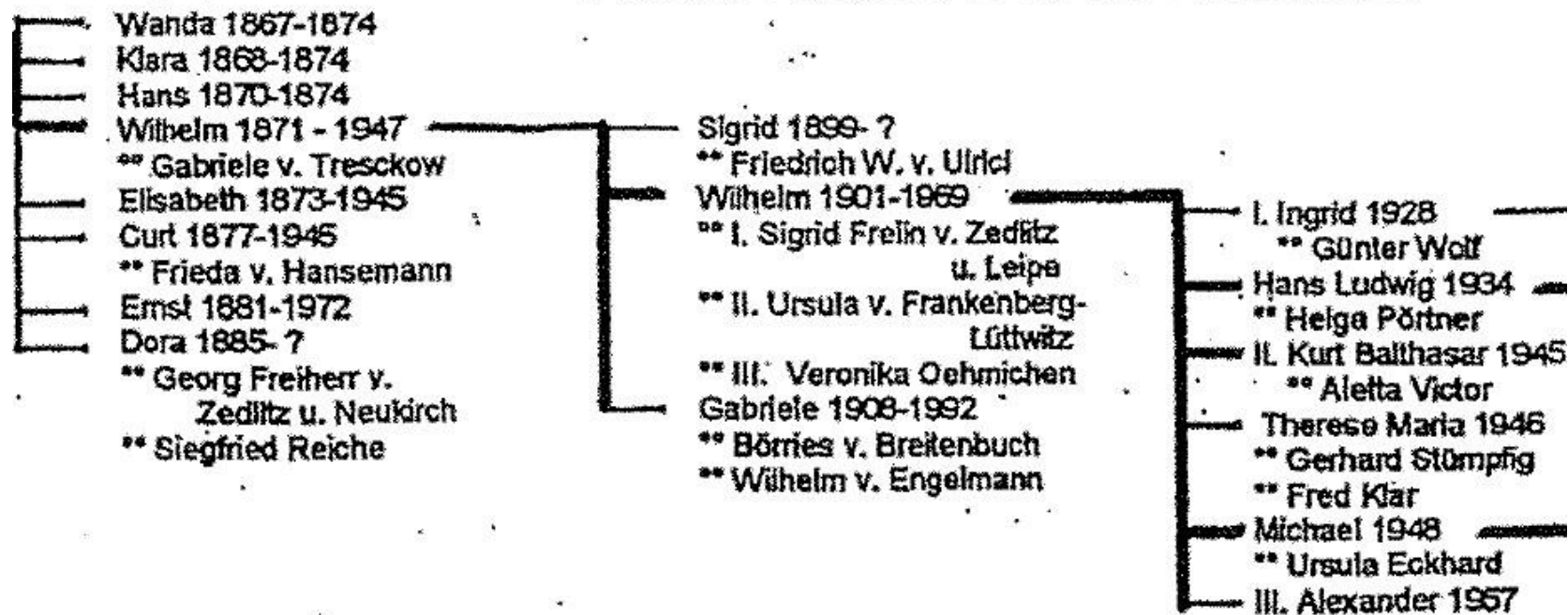
Von Schweinitz Family Tree

The Family at Alt Raudten belongs to the Klein Krichen-Alt Raudten branch of the Schweinitz family tree. The complete tree is part of its own compendium

In this compendium Vati is Wilhelm 1901-1969 and Mutti is his first wife, Sigrid.

Opa is Wilhelm 1871-1947 and Oma is his wife, Gabriele.

Klein Krichen : Alt-Raudten

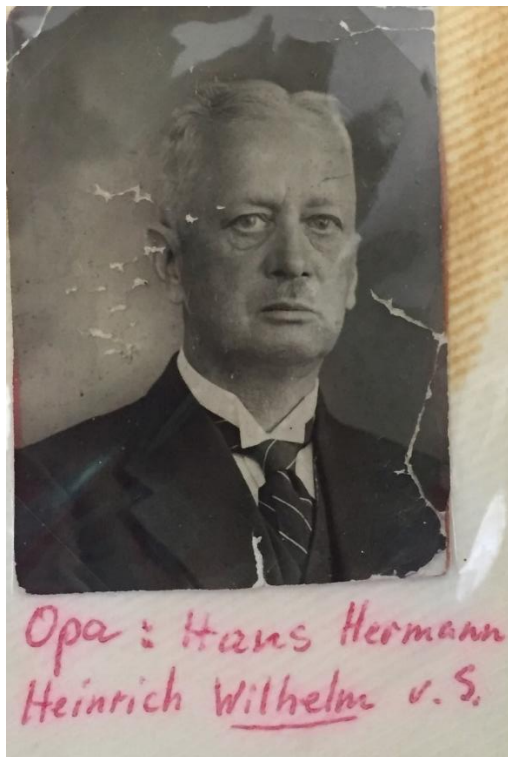


Members of the von Schweinitz family tree

These are family member from the Klein Krichen: Alt Raudten family tree branch starting from the left.

Opa Wilhelm

Hans Hermann Heinrich Wilhelm von Schweinitz Born 1871 Died 1947 [Father of Vati. Grandfather to Hans-Ludwig]. Married to Oma Gabi



Opa Wilhelm: Hans Hermann Heinrich Wilhelm vS

Oma Gabi

Gabriele Laura Theresa von Tresckow Born 1875 died 1962 [Mother of Vati. Grandmother to Hans-Ludwig]



Oma Gabi with hands on hips 1939-1941

Tante Elisabeth or Elizabeth

Elisabeth von Schweinitz Born 1873 Died 1945. Never married. [younger sister of Opa Hans Wilhelm]

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Onkel Curt or Kurt

Curt (Kurt) von Schweinitz born 1877 died 1945 [younger brother Opa Hans-Wilhelm]. Married to Tante Frieda



Tante Lotti and Onkel Kurtl

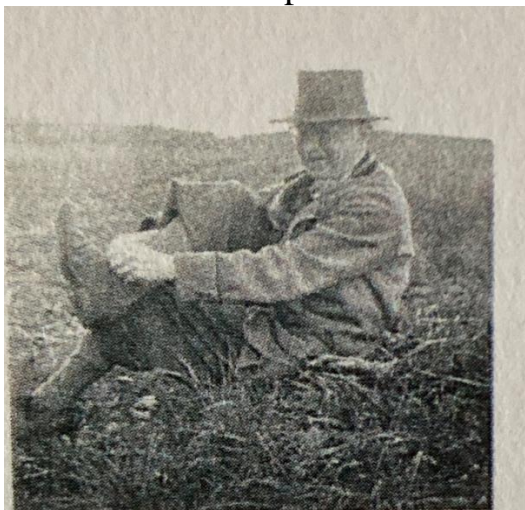
Tante Frieda

Frieda von Schweinitz nee von
Hansemann born xx died xx
[wife of Onkel Curt]

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Onkel Ernst

Ernst von Schweinitz born 1881 died
1972, never married [youngest
brother of Opa Hans-Wilhelm]



Onkel Ernst in Gentleman Country
outfit, sitting in field 1943/1944

Tante Dora

Dora neé von Schweinitz. Married
Hans-George Freiheer von
Zedlitz von Neukirch and later
married Siegfried, Reiche. Born
1885 died xx [youngest sister
of Opa Hans-Wilhelm]

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Onkel Hans-Georg

Hans-Georg Freiherr von Zedlitz und
von Neukirch born xx died xx
[first husband of Tante Dora]

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Onkel Siegfried

Siegfried Reiche born xx died xx
[second husband of Tante
Dora]

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Tante Ditta

Sigrid Militta neé von Schweinitz
Born 1899 died xx, married
Friedrich Wilhelm von Ulrici,
Onkel Ulrice. [older sister of
Vati]

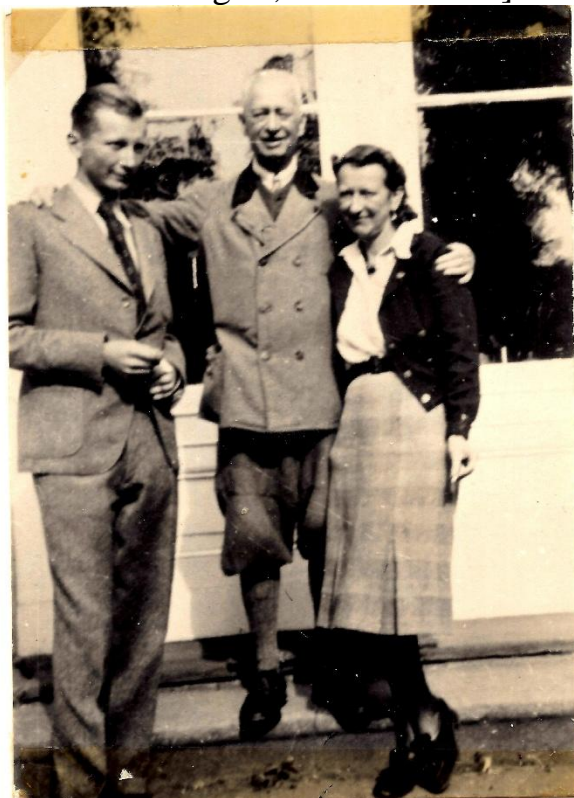


**Onkel Ulrici or Friedhelm
(sometimes Uli)**

Friedrich (or Friedhelm) Wilhelm von Ulrici Born xx fallen 9 September 1944 [son of Onkel Ulrici/Gerd].. Also call Friedhelm for combination of Friedrich Wilhelm. He was in the Germany Army and fell on 9 September 1942 or 1944. Oberst is a Colonel.

Onkel Ulrici (sometimes Gerd)

Friedrich Wilhelm von Ulrici Born xx died [husband of Vati's older sister Sigrid, or Tante Ditta]



Fredhelm, Onkel Ulrici, Tante Ditta



Friedhelm fell 9 September 1944 in Uniform

Vati or Wilhelm

Hans (sometimes Hans-Wilhelm):

Hans Wilhelm Herman Egon

Losso von Schweinitz Born

21Dec1901 Died

19Jan1969[Father of Hans-Ludwig]. Married Sigrid von

Zedlitz und Leipe on

7July1927. Then married

Ursula von Frankenberg-

Lüttwitz on 15Nov1944 and

later married Veronika

Oehmichen.



Alt-Raudten

Vati in Alt Raudten 1943/1944

Mutti or Muckchen or Mütterchen

Sigrid (Sigrid, Muckchen) Ingebor

von Schweinitz. Neé Freiin von

Zedlitz und von Leipe. Born

12Feb1902 died

3Sep1942[Mother of Hans-Ludwig]



Mutti portrait with arms crossed
This was Hans-Ludwig's favorite
photo of his Mutti.

Ulla

Ursula von Schweinitz. Neé von

Frankenberg-Lüttwitz. Born

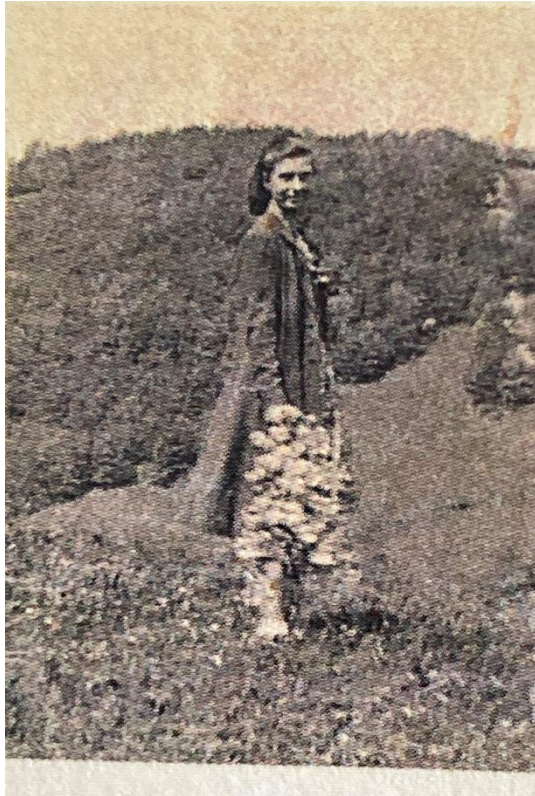
26Mar1924 Died xx [Former

Governess of Hans-Ludwig

then step-mother when she

married Vati.]. 2nd wife of

Vati, married 15Nov1944.



Ulla Stepmother in field

Vera

Veronika von Schweinitz. Neé Oehmichen. Born 10 Nov 1913 Died xx. Married Vati in 23 July 1955 and became Hans-Ludwig's 2nd step-mother

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Tante Biene

Gabriele Annie Sophie Helene von Schweinitz. Married Börries von Breitenbuch and later married Wilhelm von Engelmann. Born 1908 Died 1992. [youngest sister of Vati]

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Onkel Breitenbuch

Börries von Breitenbuch [First husband of Tante Gabi]

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Onkel Engelmann or Onkel Willy

Wilhelm von Engelmann born xx died xx [Second husband of Tante Gabi]. Sometimes called Englechen



Vati and Onkel Englechen (von Engelmann)

Ini or Inilein

Ingrid Sigrid von Schweinitz Born 3 April 1928 Died 2016. Married Günter Wolf. [older sister of Hans-Ludwig]



Ini sitting on terrace wall in late 1944

Günter

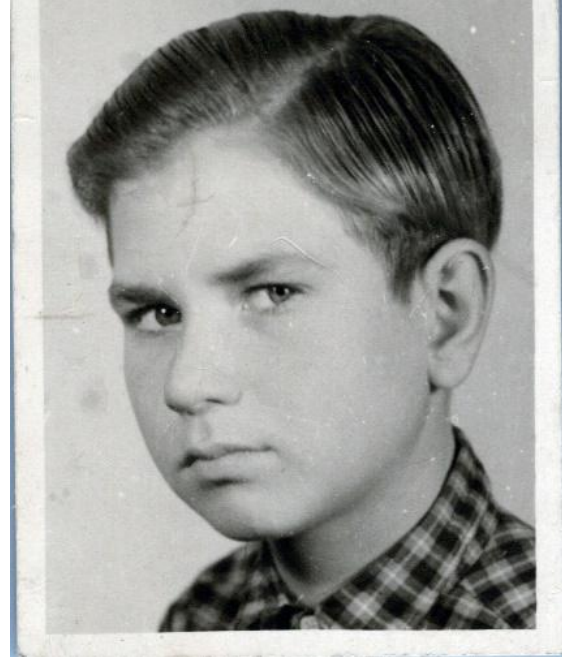
Günter Wolf born xx died xx.

Married Ini

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**Hans-Ludwig or Ludwig or Hanelü
or Hannelu**

Hans Ludwig von Schweinitz Born
26Oct1934 Died 26Aug2019.
Married Helga Pörtner on 1
Nov 1958



Hans-Ludwig portrait, about 8-10yrs
old

Helga

Helga von Schweinitz. Neé Pörtner.

Born 9 March 1937, Died 9

June 2019. Married Hans-

Ludwig 1 Nov 1958.



Hemmi

Kurt Balthasar von Schweinitz. Born 31 July 1945, Died xx. Son of Vati and Ulla



Ulla with Hemmi

Heizi or Heise

Therese Maria von Schweinitz. Born 1946, died xx



Michael or Misch

Michael von Schweinitz. Born 1948, died xx



Alex

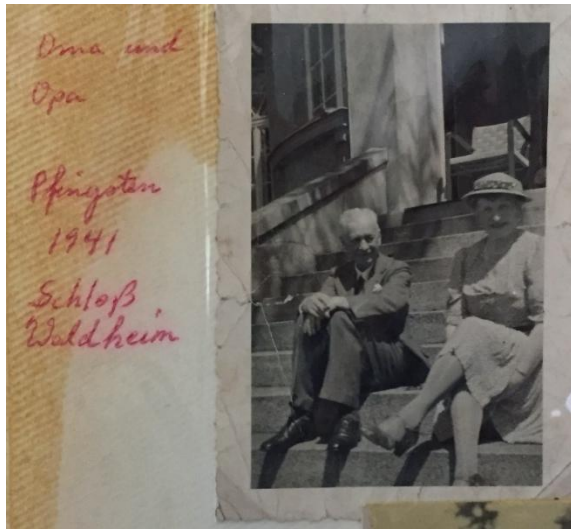
Alexander von Schweinitz. Born 16 Nov 1957, died xx. Son of Vati and Vera.

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Mutti's family tree

Großvati or Großvater

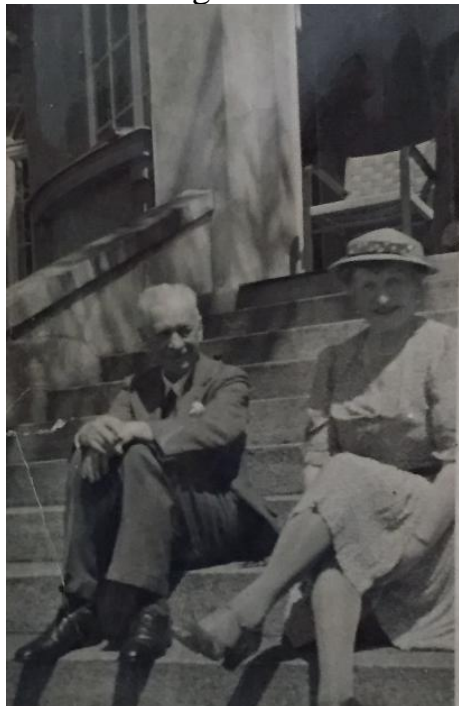
Franz Adolf Eduard Benjamin Freiherr von Zedlit und von Leipe: (born 21Apr1976, died 29/3/1944) husband of Großmutter Else, and Father of Mutti. Grandfather of Inni and Hans-Ludwig on mother's side.



Oma and Opa from Mutti's side [her parents]
Pfingsten 1941 Schloss Waldheim.

Großmutter

Baronin v. Zedlitz: Mother of Mutti:
Baroness Elsa Margarethe Freiin von
Zedlitz und von Leipe (née Böttcher,
born 21Apr1876 died1947 in
Eichich). Grandmother of Ina and
Hans-Ludwig on their mother's side.



Uncle Fritz and Paul

in Wiesbaden in Ast Castle: Probably
family members from von Zedlitz,
von Leipe, or Böttcher

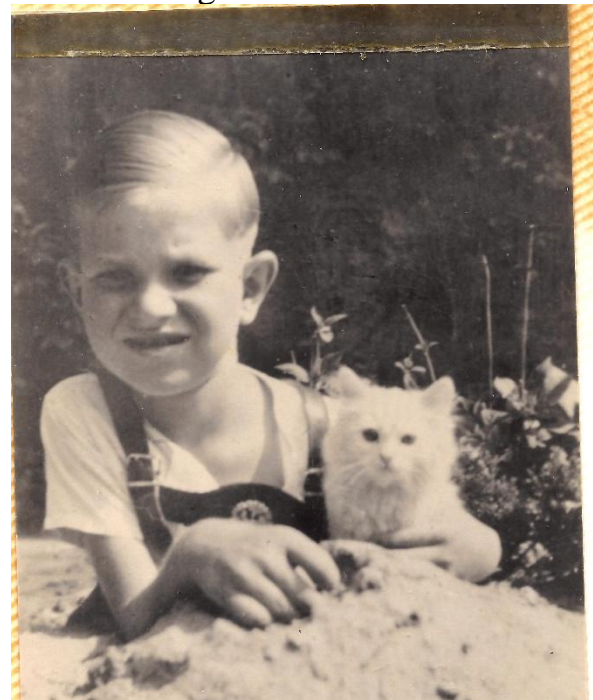
Aunt Lucie and Hemans

Probably family members from von
Zedlitz, von Leipe, or Böttcher

Others

Raindi

Cat in Alt Raudten belonging to
Hans-Ludwig



Hans-Ludwig [Hanelü] with his cat
Raindi 1938

Tante Lotte

Tante to Ulla. Mentioned in Ulla's
letter to Tante Lotte. Tante Lotte was
in Bergiesshübel, which is just 37KM
south of Dresden.



Tante Lotte and Onkel Kurtl
Engelmann

Cousin Anne

Anne von Tresckow [niece of Oma
Gabi]



Anne von Tresckow, Cousin

Cousin Pfiffer

Pfiffer von Schweinitz, from German
South African colony that was lost
[due to the Treaty of Versailles in
1919].



Ini, Pfiffer von

Ini, Pfiffer from South Africa, and Hans-Ludwig laying down.

Hildegard von Braichitichn



Victor von Schweinitz

Victor von Schweinitz was a distant uncle of Hans. While in the German

Wermach, Lt-Col Victor von Schweinitz was in developing, signing, and delivering the first instrument of surrender of German from 24 April 1945 to 2 May 1945



Major General Henning von Tresckow

General von Tresckow was also a close relative of Oma Gabriele (née von Tresckow). General von Tresckow was a high-ranking official in Hitler's Germany Army. Early on he had been an avid supporter of Hitler. He was one of the masterminds to the Manstein Plan for invading France. General von

Tresckow masterminded the 20 July 1944 assassination plot against Hitler “Valkyrie”. Hitler was only injured. On 21 July 1944, General von Tresckow committed suicide in order to protect other conspirators and his own family.



Adam von Trott zu Solz

Adam von Trott zu Solz is perhaps best known for his participation in the infamous Operation Valkyrie plot to assassinate Adolf Hitler in 1944.



Adam von Trott in the People's Court (15th August, 1944)

Names of other family members

Armin Gutscher
Biche
Biene
Bimlem
Dorothee Unruh
E deSchweinitz
Englischen
Esch
Esther
Freidhalen

Friends of von Schweinitz or von Zedlitz family

Mentioned in Großmutti's letter Kuhlmanns

Friends that travelled with Grossmutti in Jan 1945. Went to Frauenwald in Thuringen

Mr and Mrs Rexrodt

in Saalfeld. Husband Mr Rexrodt is owner of Hotel Anker-Gülden Haus in Saalfeld/Saale.

Anna and Leise

in Saalfeld: Probably acquaintances or distant family members from von Zedlitz, von Leipe, or Böttcher

Hilde Weppler

in Könitz: was apprentice in Alt Raudten

Mentioned in Letter to Tante Lotte

Esther

Dorothee Unruh

Bräflin Assenburg

Lived in village Meisdorf located in state Saxony-Anhalt Germany

Mr Rexrodt

owner of Hotel Anker-Gülden Gans in Sallfeld/Saale.

Armin Gutscher

friend of Hans-Wilhelm.

Wurmb

family in Lausnitz

Mentioned in Hans Biography

Lucjan Sobera

Worked on estate Alt Raudten as a driver. Took Mutti to train station to go to hospital in 1942.

Ria

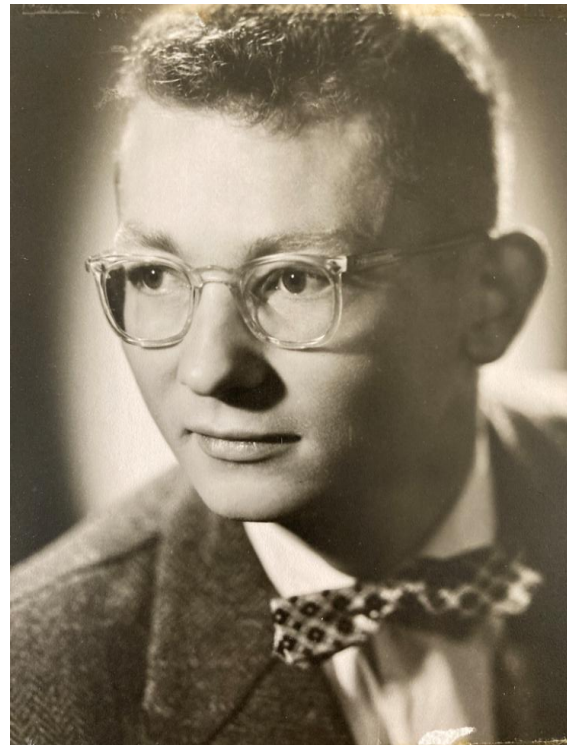
Nanny for Hemmi, Micheal, and Heise. Later a care taker for Vati.

Kurt Lohmann

Photographer in Wiesbaden where Hans-Ludwig did his apprenticeship.

Bye-Bye

Manfred Zanger. Refugee from East Germany. Friend of Hans-Ludwig in Wiesbaden until Hans-Ludwig's death in 2015.



Herr Hubachs

In Wiesbaden, Hans-Ludwig and Bye-Bye cleaned his bricks. Hans-Ludwig also rented a room in the house.



While working in Grünstadt, Hans rented a room at the house of Hobach's.
Frau Hobach, Dachs, Bye-Bye, Herr Hobach.

Ruth

Girlfriend of Hans-Ludwig in summer of 1944. Meet her in Italy



Mr Mathew Bastian

His sponsor to enter USA lived in Chicago Illinois

Mr and Mrs Schott

A German family with a boarding house in Chicago Illinois that took in Hans-Ludwig and treated him like family

Mr and Mrs Westkamp

Hans-Ludwig meet them in Chicago Illinois and became their chauffeur and general helper. Traveled to Florida and Hans-Ludwig also took care of their son.

Compendiums with additional information

Alt Raudten Thesis written by
Malgorzata Danczak
Book of Heritage items
Family Coat of Arms and Crest
Family Ring
German Surrender
Großmutti Letter
Hans Albums 1934-1977 and misc album
Hans Alt Raudten [history from pre 1934 to 2015]
Hans Autobiography
Hans Bio writing club
Hans Biography by Tina 1934-1958
Hans Documents 1934-2015
Hans photo pre 1945
Meine Liebe Lotte Letter

Polish book on Alt Raudten: Stara
Rudna book 2021 written by
Malgorzata Danczak
Schweinitz Family Tree [with family
history]
Victor and High Treason

The End