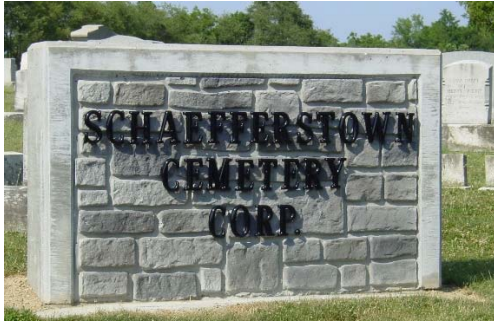
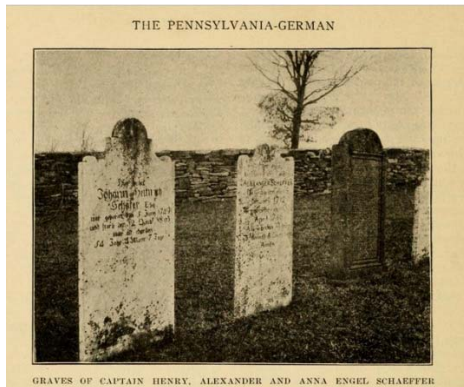


## Lebanon County, PA

Ancestors are listed first in each cemetery. Some photos are from findagrave, some are ours.



### Schaefferstown Cemetery, Schaefferstown, PA



### Great-great-great-grandparents of Ruth. Parents of Anna Maria Schaeffer Schaeffer, Alexander (1712-1786) and Engle, Eva Anna Angelica (1708-1772)



Anna Engel Schaeffer, wife of Alexander Schaeffer who established the town of Heidelberg (now Schaefferstown), was the mother of seven children, John, Sabina, Margaret, Anna Maria, Catharine, Henry and Anna Eva Schaeffer. Inscription:

"Hier in dieser Gruffte Rues ruhet unter diesem Stein durch Christi Blut von Sunden rein Anna Engel Scheferin gestorben und ruhet hierin den 22ten November 1772; ihres Alters 64; geboren 1708" (Found in "The Early History of Schaefferstown, PA" dated 1898 by Brendle.)

Translation from two different sites on the internet: "Here in these Gruffte Rues rest under this stone by Christi blood of sins purely Anna angel Scheferin died and rest herein the 22ten November 1772; their age 64; born 1708."

**Schaeffer, Alexander (1712-1786)** married to Engle, Eva Anna Angelica (1708-1772)  
Info from findagrave: Alexander, son of Hans Henry and Anna Margaretha (Mayer) Schaeffer, immigrated to Philadelphia from Baden, Germany, in 1738. By the time of his death in 1786 he had laid out the town he named Heidelberg (now Schaefferstown), in Lancaster Co., PA, built the King George Hotel (the present day Franklin House), and created the first gravitational water conveyance system by underground pipes in all the British colonies. In about 1738 he married Anna Engel and together they had 7 children. He was of the German Reformed faith and was a guiding force in establishing that church in Heidelberg.

info from The Meyer Family Tree compiled by John D. Meyer, Tyrone, PA, October 1937

Alexander Schaeffer came from Germany in 1740 and settled at Mulbach and was a neighbor of the Meyer family.

From Wikipedia: Schaefferstown is one of the oldest towns in Lebanon County, being at least a century older than the county itself. It is the main town in Heidelberg Township. Although the exact date of the first settlers is unknown, it is certain that they settled here before 1725. Those first settlers were German Jews. Many of them were skilled craftsmen and traders. They disappeared, however, when non-Jewish German settlers started moving into the area. The old burial ground was situated about a fourth mile south of Tower Hill and almost a hundred yards east of South Market Street in Schaefferstown. The Jewish settlement was known as the Lebanon Trading Post.

Schaefferstown held a Bicentennial in 1963.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the CDP has a total area of 2.7 square miles (7.0 km<sup>2</sup>), all of it land.

It is home to Fountain Park, which is the oldest Chartered Waterworks still in operation in the United States.

#### Fountain Park

The water company in Schaefferstown has the oldest gravitational conveyance system by underground pipes in the United States. The water system was constructed sometime between 1744 and 1750 by the founder of the town, Alexander Schaeffer. The water system, which is located in the area now known as Fountain Park, is still used by the townspeople for potable household water. When the original system was laid out, it ran to two wooden troughs on the Square, which is now the intersection of Main St. and Market St. One trough was since replaced by Matilda Zimmerman in memory of Mary Rex Zimmerman, her mother and great granddaughter of Alexander Schaeffer. This trough is now located on the south face of the historic bank located within the Square.

#### Schaefferstown Water Company

<http://www.hmdb.org/marker.asp?marker=29306>

One of North America's oldest documented public water systems. Alexander Schaeffer built a hotel on the square in 1744, and construction of the water system began here shortly after. On July 16, 1763, he and his wife Anna Engle deeded this land - today Fountain Park - for the use of the inhabitants of Market Street. The present company was chartered in 1845 as successor to The Fountain Company of Heidelberg.

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Other Schaefferstown relatives in our database.



**Schaeffer, Johann Heinrich Henry** (1749-1803) born in Schaefferstown.

Capt Johann Heinrich "Henry" Schaeffer

Henry, the son of Alexander Schaeffer and Anna (Engel) Schaeffer, was married (first) to Anna Eva Schweitzer and (second) to Margaret Hoffman. He had 6 children with Eva and a son with Margaret. Besides being a Justice of the Peace for many years, he operated a distillery and manufactured flooring and roofing tiles. Henry organized a company of militia to fight in the American Revolution. He was of the German Reformed faith and was involved in the church at Schaefferstown.

**Schweitzer, Anna Eva (1753-1790)** first wife of Johannes Schaeffer (no pic of stone)

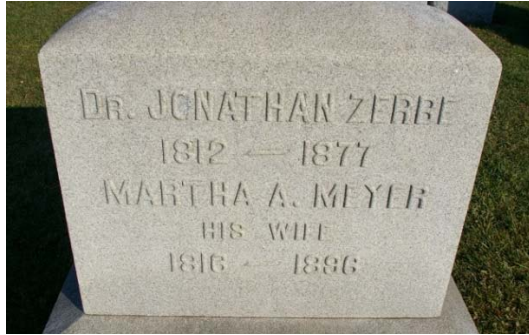
Anna Eva Sweitzer married Capt. Henry Schaeffer on March 9, 1773, in Lancaster Co., PA. She was the mother of six children: Catharine Bomberger (wife of John), Elizabeth Rex (wife of Abraham), Anna Oberlin (wife of John), John Schaeffer (husband of Esther Weiss), Susanna Goshert (wife of Dietrich) and Anna Schaeffer.

**Hoffman, Margaret (1764-1851)** second wife of Johann Heinrich Henry Schaeffer. No pic of stone.

Margaret Hoffman was the second wife of Capt. Henry Schaeffer and the mother of two sons named Henry. The first lived less than a year. They lived their married life in Schaefferstown, Lebanon Co., PA

14 May 1851: On the 30th ult., in Schaefferstown; Margaret Schaeffer, aged 86 years, 4 months and 19 days, the widow of John Henry Schaeffer, deceased. [Lebanon Courier]

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### Zerbe, Jonathan (1812-1877)

### and Meyer, Martha (1816-1896) Martha Anna

Meyer Zerbe born in Schaefferstown, dau of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Catharine Krum.

27 Jan 1896: Mrs. Martha, widow of the late Dr. Jonathan Zerbe, who for many years enjoyed a large practice at Schaefferstown, having died in April, 1877, passed peacefully away during Sunday night at the residence of her son, Dr. B. Frank Zerbe, at Schaefferstown, of general debility, due to old age. Deceased was a member of the Reformed church and will be interred in the Reformed church cemetery at Schaefferstown. She was aged about 82 years and leaves to mourn her death four children, as follows: C. M. Zerbe, Esq., this city; Drs. Thos. and B. Frank Zerbe, and Mrs. Jonathan Hickernell, all of Schaefferstown. [Lebanon Semi-Weekly News]

January 1896: Consigned to the tomb. The funeral of Mrs. Mary Zerbe, relict of the late Dr. Jonathon Zerbe, of Schaefferstown, was held at 1:30 o'clock from her late residence. Services were conducted in the Reformed Church in Schaefferstown by the Rev. Bachman, and interment was made in the church cemetery. [Lebanon Courier]

Dr. Jonathan Zerbe was not a native of the town; but, for upwards of forty years he resided in town and practiced his profession. During that time he enjoyed a very extensive and lucrative practice. He ranked very high as a skillful surgeon and successful practitioner. He was intensely devoted to the cause of education, and was public-spirited. He was always prompt to identify himself with every movement or project that promised to promote the welfare of the community. He won the absolute confidence of his fellow citizens by his steadfast loyalty to their interests. He died in 1877, deeply mourned by all who knew him. [History of Schaefferstown]

Jonathan Zerbe was born July 31, 1812, in Tulpehocken, Berks Co., Pa. He was the son of a farmer in moderate circumstances, and his early education was such as the schools of the vicinity afforded. He learned the trade of a shoemaker, but at the end of his apprenticeship he went to Virginia, where he attended school and gained a fair knowledge of the English language, which at that time was but little used in the section of the county where he was born. In 1837 he went to Schaefferstown, and entered the

office of Dr. John Shertzer as a student of medicine. Before the completion of his studies Dr. Shertzer emigrated to Ohio, leaving his practice to his student. He attended two courses of lectures, one at Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, the other at the University of Maryland, Baltimore, after which he started out fairly in the practice of his profession at Schaefferstown. In 1846 he entered the mercantile business, with Cyrus M. Krall as partner, and continued in the business until 1854. In 1870 he was elected a representative from Lebanon County to the General Assembly of the State, and served during the session of 1871. He died after a brief illness at Schaefferstown, on the 3d of April, 1877. Dr. Zerbe took a warm interest in public affairs. During the war of the Rebellion he was a zealous supporter of the government, and gave freely of his means to aid in raising and equipping troops. In his adopted home he was a promoter of all measures and enterprises that tended to the public welfare. The cause of education had in him an ardent advocate. He was one of the original incorporators and a trustee of the Schaefferstown Academy, which in its day was one of the best institutions of learning in the State; and he also later in life served as a director of the common schools of Heidelberg township. In his profession, which he practiced for almost forty years, he attained the reputation of being a safe and successful practitioner. Dr. Zerbe married, in 1840, Martha A. Myer, and they had five children. Of the sons, Charles M. is a lawyer, and Thomas T. and B. Frank, physicians, practicing at Schaefferstown."History of Schaefferstown: Dr. Jonathan Zerbe was not a native of the town; but, for upwards of forty years he resided in town and practiced his profession. During that time he enjoyed a very extensive and lucrative practice. He ranked very high as a skillful surgeon and successful practitioner. He was intensely devoted to the cause of education, and was public-spirited. He was always prompt to identify himself with every movement or project that promised to promote the welfare of the community. He won the absolute confidence of his fellow citizens by his steadfast loyalty to their interests. He died in 1877, deeply mourned by all who knew him. [Biographical Annals of Lebanon County]

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**Meyer, Henry (1850-1886)** son of Henry Meyer and Sarah Miller also in this cemetery.



**And Dissinger, Clarissa (1846-1891)**



**Miller, Sarah (1819-1907)** buried as Moyer  
Married to Meyer, Henry (1815-1881) He is buried in Millbach



**Meyer, Thomas (1862-1952)** son of Henry Meyer and Sarah Miller also in this cemetery  
And **Strickler, Cecilia (1862-1942)**

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**Meyer, Ida Christina (1856-1899)** dau of Henry Meyer and Sarah Miller also in this cemetery. Married name Achey, Married to John Achey – no cemetery info.

**Meyer, Christopher (1761-1822)** Born in Schaefferstown married to Krum, Catharine (no info - no cemetery) married to Eckert, Margaret (no info - no cemetery) Named Moyer, not Meyer in findagrave. No photo. Genealogy of the Meyer Family (page 31) states that this Christopher Meyer of Schaefferstown, Lebanon County, PA should not be confused with the Christopher Meyer of Campbellstown, Lebanon County, PA.



Died, near Schaefferstown, Lebanon Co., Pa., Apr 30th, 1867, at his old residence, MICHAEL MOYER, aged 83 years, 11 months, and 20 days. He was blessed with but two daughters, and left but one, 11 grand-children, and 14 great-grand-children, to mourn his loss. The other one of his daughters, named Elizabeth, was married to David Zug, and died 10 years and 10 months previous to him. She was the mother of the writer, and was a most zealous member of the (your) Church. Her funeral service was performed by C. Bomberger and J. Rinehold, from Rev. 7 : 17.

On the 3d of May his remains were conveyed to Schaefferstown, to their final resting-place, beside his dear Consort, who died prior to him 15 years, 1 month, and 21 days. She was in her 70th year when she died. His funeral discourse was preached by Thomas Linebach, from Psalms 90 : 10.

He was no member of your Church, but was a member of the Reformed Church for many years.

"Companion" please copy.

MICHAEL ZUG.

Buried as Moyer **Meyer, Michael (1783-1867)** son of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Margaret Eckert born Lebanon County.

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And **Kratzer, Maria (1782-1852)** "On the 9th of March, near Schaefferstown, Maria, born a Kratzer, and wife of Michael Moyer, at an age of about 70 years." (Published in Der Lebanon Demokrat, Lebanon, PA., Mar. 12, 1852)



**Meyer, John (1789-1864)** son of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Margaret Eckert born in Schaefferstown. Named Moyer, not Meyer.

Married to **Wolfensperger, Catharine (1793-1845)** - no photo



**Krall, John (1799-1852)**

Married to **Meyer, Mary (1804-1832)** dau of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Margaret Eckert. No photo on findagrave of Mary's stone.

And married to **Meyer, Sarah (1813-1855)** dau of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Catharine Krum. No photo on findagrave of Sarah's stone.



**Meyer, Elizabeth (1796-1864)** dau of Christopher Meyer (this cemetery) and Margaret Eckert. Married to Schaeffer, Henry - no info - no cemetery. Buried as Moyer, married name Schaeffer.