



Dollhopf

600 Years in the Baking

Direct Line of Dollhopf Ancestors

Following is the direct line of Dollhopf ancestors beginning with our oldest known Dollhopf, Hans Tolhopff (~1400-~1454). It spans 600 years and 17 generations, concluding with the sons and daughters of Edward Dollhopf (1889-1982) and Susanna Born (1886-1956). The list includes birth and death dates, occupations, wives, children, and miscellaneous notes for each generation. In earlier years the wife's surname, and in some instances the given name as well, were not recorded.

If you count from the youngest generation of our family living today – the great-great-grandchildren of Edward Dollhopf – there are a total of 20 known generations. There are three known ancestors at the 20th generation. In addition to Hans Tolhopff, there is Hans Böhner (~1448 –1521) and Hans Schmidt (1469-1511), both of whom were from neighboring villages, both of whom were 15th great-grandparents. We do not have knowledge of direct ancestors older than these three. We have ancestors by marriage that date from the year 1000 CE (Common Era), more about them in a later post.

15th great-grandparents _____

Hans Dollhopf [different spellings*: Tolhopff]

Hans is our earliest known confirmed Dollhopf ancestor.

occupation: farmer, miller (not confirmed)

birth-death: bet 1400/1415 – aft 1454, *age:* ~50

wife: unknown

children:

1. Dietrich (alias Übelein) (bet 1435/1445 - bet 1497/1511)
2. Hans (?-bef 1475)
3. Gerhaws (female) (?-?)

notes: Hans was not born in Mistelbach, best guess is Weidenberg or Bayreuth. He acquired a fields and a meadow in Mistelbach around 1433.

14th great-grandparents _____

Dietrich (alias Übelein) Dollhopf [Tolhopff, Tolhopf]

occupation: miller, owner of *Dorfmühle* (*dorf* = village; *mühle* = mill)

birth-death: bet 1435-1445 - bet 1499-1511 (~60)

Margarethe NN

birth-death: ? - bef 1511

children:

1. Cuntz (alias Ubellein) (bet 1465-1474 - bet 1523-1526, ~50)
2. Kunigunda (f)

notes: Dietrich acquired the village mill in 1499. He also inherited his father's house in Bayreuth. The mill remained in the family for 150 years until 1649.

Abbreviations

~ = approximately

abt = about

aft = after

aka = also known as

bef = before

bet = between

f = female

m = male

NN = no name (unknown)

*Different Spellings

Following each name in brackets are the various spellings of Dollhopf found in the records for that individual. The spellings come from church (baptism, marriage, burial, etc.) and civil records (land ownership, transfers, inheritance, disputes, etc.). Given that many if not most of our ancestors were illiterate, the spelling would have been determined by the church or civil official recording the event or transaction. You will note that in some instances an individual had his name spelled in numerous ways.

13th great-grandparents _____**Cuntz¹ (alias Übellein) Dollhopf [Tolhopf]***occupation:* miller, owner of Dorfmühle*birth-death:* bet 1465/1474 – bet 1523/1526, ~50**Margarthe Eck***birth-death:* ? - aft Jan 1534*children:*

1. Cuntz (bet 1498/1506 – aft 1570, ~70)
2. NN (?-?)²
3. Lorenz (bet 1497/1505 – ?)
4. NN (?-?)

notes: Cuntz inherited mill.*12th great-grandparents* _____**Cuntz Dollhopf [Dolhopff, Tholhopff, Tolhopff]***occupation:* miller, church warden, owner of Dorfmühle*birth-death:* bet 1498/1506 – aft 1570, ~70**wife unknown***children:*

1. Georg “der Ältere” (the older) (abt 1539 – 06 Nov 1600, ~61)
2. Cuntz (bet 1545/1550 – 07 Sep 1581, ~31)
3. Georg “der Mitte” (the middle) (bet 1540/1550 – ?)
4. Georg “der Jünge” (the younger) Übele (04 Jun 1556 – 15 Aug 1623, 67)

notes: Cuntz inherited mill. His youngest son Georg “der Jünge” in turn inherited the mill, probably because his other sons Georg “der Ältere” and Cuntz had died prematurely. Georg “der Mitte” moved to Bayreuth. It was not the custom in this area for the oldest child to necessarily inherit the father’s estate. If the man died first, the estate would go to the wife, and then be equally distributed among all heirs.

11th great-grandparents _____**Cuntz Dollhopf [Tolhopff]***occupation:* miller*birth-death:* bet 1540/1550 – 07 Sep 1581, ~31**Margaretha Gross***birth-death:* ? – 16 Aug 1598*children:*

1. Elizabeth (14 Dec 1572 – ?)
2. Johann (20 Mar 1574 – 25 Mar 1574, 5 days)
3. Margaretha (10 Dec 1575 – ?)
4. Cuntz (07 Mar 1578 – 07 Mar 1578, 1 day)

¹ Cuntz is pronounced “koontz.” Cuntz is a nickname for Conrad. For English speakers, Cuntz is an unfortunate part of speech called a “false friend.” In linguistics a false friend is a word in a different language that looks or sounds similar to a word in English but differs significantly in meaning.

² Church records indicate a child was born, but no name or dates given. Probably a stillbirth.

5. Stephan (10 Jul 1579 – ?)
6. Cuntz (11 Aug 1581 – 1635, 53)

notes: Cuntz died four weeks after birth of his sixth child. Margaretha remarried Hans Vogel. For the next three generations the children used the name Vogel.

10th great-grandparents _____

Cuntz (aka Conrad) Dollhopf [Tholhopff, Tolhopff]

occupation: farmer, tailor, church warden

birth-death: 11 Aug 1581 – 1635, 53

Maria Sporrer

birth-death: abt 1565 – 20 Apr 1634, 69

child:

1. Cuntz (27 Jul 1607 – 30 Dec 1683, 76)

notes: Cuntz donated a significant sum of money to decorate the Mistelbach church ceiling – 20 florins, or the equivalent of more than a year's wages. In 1635 he was killed in his barn putting out a fire. In 1634 the plague raged in Mistelbach; 56 victims were recorded in the church books. There is then a gap in the records until 1638. Those that died in 1635, 1636 and 1637 were not recorded. The absence of a death record for Cuntz in the records from 1638 indicates that he died in the years that records are missing. We know of his death from civil records. His wife Maria Sporrer was previously married to Johannes Holl with whom she had five children.

9th great-grandparents _____

Cuntz (aka Conrad) Dollhopf [Dolhopff, Tolhopff, Tollhopff, Tohlhopff, Tholhopff, Dollhopf, Dollhopff, Dohlhopff, Thollhopf]

occupation: tailor, church treasurer, mayor

birth-death: 27 Jul 1607 – 30 Dec 1683 (76)

wife 1: unknown

birth-death: ? – abt 1636

children:

1. Hanss *der Ältere* (the older) (09 Mar 1629 – 16 Mar 1710, 81)
2. Ursula (22 Dec 1631 – 05 Dec 1639, 8)

wife 2: Margaretha NN

birth-death: 1614 – 26 Nov 1662, 48

children:

3. Georg (23 Feb 1639 – 22 Jul 1640, 16 months)
4. Anna (09 May 1643 – 24 Dec 1676, 33)

wife 3: Margaretha Zimmerman

birth-death: 1607 – 17 Sep 1671, 64

wife 4: Barbara NN

birth-death: 1630 – 03 Jul 1682, 52

notes: On 30 January 1684, his estate was distributed among his two heirs – 1) his son Hanss *der Ältere*, and 2) his granddaughter Magdalena Hacker, daughter of his late daughter Anna. The estate included 6 pieces of land, worth

200 guilders, 60 guilders receivables (owed by his son Hanss and grandson Hanss), and 20 guilders cash. The costs of his funeral had to be deducted (8.15 guilders). Wife #3 Margarethe Zimmerman had been previously married twice, first to Hanss Beyerlein, and then to Lorenz Nützel. She did not have any children. Wife #4 Barbara had also been previously married twice, to Gangolff Glöser and Friedrich Wolff. It is not known if she had children. This was the time of the Thirty Years War when more than half of the population were killed in war or died from the plague. There were many multiple marriages.

8th great-grandparents _____

Hanss *der Ältere* (“the older”) Dollhopf [Dolhoph, Dolhopff, Tholhopff, Thollhopf]

occupation: journeyman tailor,³ farmer

birth-death: 09 Mar 1629 – 16 Mar 1710, 81

wife 1 Dorothea Neukam

birth-death: 01 Dec 1620 – 01 Feb 1687, 66

children:

1. Hans *der Jünge* (the younger) (29 May 1656 – Jun 1705, 49)
2. Stephan (06 Sep 1661 – 19 Dec 1733, 72)

wife 2 Barbara Richter

birth-death: Jan 1642 – 16 Feb 1703, 61

wife 3 Margaretha NN

birth-death: 1662 – ?

notes: Hanss was described by the Pastor as an “honorable and industrious man.” He must have been industrious because he purchased a significant amount of land. Wife 2 Barbara Richter had been previously married to Hans Hagen. Wife #3 Margaretha Hess had been previously married to NN Hess. Hanss and his father Cuntz were the only two men in the known 15 Dollhopf generations who were married more than once.

7th great-grandparents _____

Hans *der Jünge* (“the younger”) Dollhopf [Tholhopff, Dollhopf, Thollhopf]

occupation: tailor, farmer

birth-death: 29 May 1656 – Jun 1705, 49

Margarethe Wedel

birth-death: 07 Feb 1652 – 30 Jun 1705, 53

children:

1. Elisabetha (12 Oct 1679 – 28 Dec 1748, 69)
2. Ursula (30 Sep 1681 – 23 Dec 1732, 51)
3. Barbara (25 Feb 1683 – ?)
4. Anna (13 Jan 1685 – 16 Jul 1745, 60)
5. Margaretha (31 Oct 1687 – 11 Feb 1759, 71)
6. Conrad (25 Nov 1693 – 17 Sep 1759, 65)

notes: Hans was also known as “Hans Thollhopf the younger Vogel.”

³ “Journeyman” was an apprentice, or “assistant” day-laborer, as opposed to a master tailor. I assume he was a journeyman at the time this entry was recorded, and that he eventually became a master.

6th great-grandparents _____

Conrad Dollhopf [Thollhopf, Tholhopf, Dollhopff, Tholhopff, Thollhopff]

occupation: master tailor, farmer, church warden

birth-death: 25 Nov 1693 – 17 Sep 1759, 65

Anna Nützel

birth-death: 13 Nov 1692 – 04 Mar 1749, 56

children:

1. Johann (13 Jul 1718 – 01 Jun 1771, 52)
2. Barbara (22 Sep 1720 – 11 Jan 1757, 36)
3. Magdalena (14 Aug 1723 – ?)

notes: Conrad died after he had “suffered from a painful sickness of the stomach for seven days.”

5th great-grandparents _____

Johann Dollhopf [Thollhopff, Tholhopff, Dollhopf]

occupation: farmer

birth-death: 13 Jul 1718 – 01 Jun 1771, 52

Kunigunde Seuffert

birth-death: 26 Oct 1722 – 09 Sep 1798, 75

children:

1. Catharina (29 Mar 1751 – 07 Apr 1751, 9 days)
2. Johann (23 May 1752 – 03 May 1828, 75)
3. Stephan (19 Jun 1755 – 15 Jan 1817, 61)
4. Johann (07 May 1758 – 10 Sep 1762, 4)
5. Albrecht (05 Dec 1761 – 09 Nov 1795, 33)

notes: Johann inherited fields and meadows from his father in the total size of about 6 acres, which was judicially approved on May 18, 1760.

4th great-grandparents _____

Johann Dollhopf [Thollhopff, Tollhopff, Dollhopff, Thollhopf, Tholhopf, Dolhopf]

occupation: farmer

birth-death: 23 May 1752 – 03 May 1828, 75

Anna Catherina Hagen

birth-death: 07 Jan 1754 - 19 Feb 1823, 69

children:

1. Stephan (26 Dec 1774 – 29 Nov 1846, 71)
2. Kunigunda (22 Apr 1777 – 18 Sep 1803, 26)
3. Johann (05 May 1780 – 15 Aug 1784, 4)
4. Johann (05 Jun 1784 – 26 Jul 1784, 27 days)
5. Johann (05 Dec 1789 – 11 Feb 1867, 81)
6. Eberhard (21 Jan 1789 – 22 Nov 1843, 54)

notes: Johann was the first Dollhopf to live in house #19. Johann acquired this farm from his wife's family in 1784. He was officially confirmed as the owner on February 4, 1799. In 1808 he transferred the farm to his son Eberhardt. He died from “old age weakness.”

3rd great-grandparents _____**Eberhardt Dollhopf [Dolhopf, Dollhopf, Dohlhopf]***occupation:* farmer, mayor*birth-death:* 21 Jan 1789 – 22 Nov 1843, 54**Margaretha Graisinger***birth-death:* 18 Mar 1802 – 13 Apr 1863, 61*children:*

1. Catharina Margaretha (07 Jul 1824 – 26 Feb 1881, 56)
2. Margaretha (28 Oct 1825 – 18 Feb 1883, 57)
3. Conrad (26 May 1827 – 01 Feb 1832, 4)
4. Barbara (10 Aug 1828 – 05 Feb 1858, 30)
5. Johann (22 May 1830 – 06 Feb 1858, 28)
6. Johann (29 Sep 1832 – 10 Feb 1851, 18)
7. Anna Catharina (26 Oct 1834 – 28 Feb 1835, 14 months)
8. Barbara (08 Feb 1837 – 23 Feb 1840, 2)
9. Pankrätius (08 May 1839 – 12 Feb 1841, 20 months)
10. Conrad (07 Apr 1742 – 18 Feb 1843, 13 months)

notes: Eberhardt rebuilt house #19 in 1823 after the Great Fire of Mistelbach in 1822. The early 1800s in Mistelbach was a time of famine, poverty, and disease. Only five of his ten children listed above lived to adulthood. At the time of his death his farm was about 30 acres. He died from nervous pneumonia.

2nd great-grandparents _____**Johann Dollhopf***occupation:* farmer*birth-death:* 22 May 1830 – 06 Dec 1858, 28**Margarethe Bär***birth-death:* 25 Jan 1829 – 02 Apr 1891, 62*children:*

1. Johann (24 May 1852 – 28 Mar 1934, 81)
2. Johann (25 May 1853 – 19 Jan 1854, 7 months)
3. Sophia (09 Nov 1854 – 21 Jul 1902, 47)
4. Johann Konrad (29 Oct 1856 – 02 Apr 1891, 90)

notes: Johann did not marry Margarethe until after the birth of fourth child. Children were christened as Bär, but then took name of father after the marriage. He died at age 28 of pulmonary consumption (tuberculosis), lasting for 5 months. Margarethe Bär then married Johann Hacker and had 7 more children. Hacker had been previously married to Anna Barbara Kufner and had 5 children. Hacker and Margarethe had a combined 16 children.

Great-grandparents on next page.

great-grandparents

Johann (Bär) "John" Dollhopf

occupation: cooper (barrel maker), furniture maker

birth-death: 24 May 1852 – 28 Mar 1934, 81

Elizabeth "Lizzie" Bender

birth-death: 20 Mar 1857 – 31 Aug 1951, 94

children:

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. Johann Heinrich (12 Aug 1877 – 08 Dec 1935, 58) | 7. Albert (10 Aug 1891 – 28 Sep 1957, 66) |
| 2. William Frederick (17 Jul 1879 – 22 Jan 1919, 39) | 8. Emma (04 Oct 1893 – 08 Jan 1894, 3 months) |
| 3. Johanna Elizabeth (22 Dec 1881–08 Nov 1963, 81) | 9. Elanora Edna (16 Apr 1895 – 26 Dec 1982, 87) |
| 4. John Nicholas (28 Jan 1884 – 16 Sep 1915, 31) | 10. Louis Frederico (16 Dec 1897 – 27 Dec 1897, 11 days) |
| 5. George (06 Nov 1886 – 11 Jan 1927, 40) | 11. Flora Helena (12 Apr 1901 – 15 Apr 1996, 95) |
| 6. Edward (18 Mar 1889 – 26 Jul 1982, 93) | 12. Ralph Louis (12 Apr 1901 – 12 Apr 1901, 1 day) |

notes: John emigrated to America 23 Oct 1871. Settled on Spring Hill, Pittsburgh, PA.



Dollhopf Family c. 1910? *I do not know if a picture exists of the John and Elizabeth Dollhopf family. This picture, found in family records, is of a large gathering with children at a location known as "Haslage's," thought to be a picnic area on Haselage Avenue on Spring Hill. John Dollhopf is circled. It would seem likely that at least a few of his 10 children would appear in this photo. I would guess the picture is c. 1910 when John was 58 years old.*

Grandparents _____

Edward Dollhopf

occupation: blacksmith, loading dock worker and salesman for Burrell Technical Supply Co.

birth-death: 18 Mar 1889 – 26 Jul 1982, 93

Susanna Born

birth-death: 26 Dec 1886 – 05 Jun 1956, 69

children:

1. Edward John (28 Aug 1914 – 11 Sep 1980, 66)
2. Ruth Emma (12 Sep 1917 – 06 Oct 2006, 89)
3. Lois Anna (07 Dec 1920 – 08 Sep 2003, 82)
4. Roland Wilbur (03 Aug 1928 – 28 May 2017, 88)
5. LaVerne Elsie (04 Jul 1931)

notes: Edward was also known as “Eddie” and “Dolly.” Lived in West View, PA.



Dollhopf Family c. 1936

From left to right: Lois Anna (Harris), LaVerne Elsie (Pennell), Ruth Emma (Pearce), Edward John, Susanna Born Dollhopf, Roland Wilbur, Edward Dollhopf.