15031. ROTTNER

1. **Lienhard[K] Rottner**[1] was reportedly a miller of Thonn in Ditzingen, Württemberg. The feudal fief of Ditzingen came into the possession of Württemberg in 1469.[2] Lienhard is believed to be the father of:

2. **Veltin[J] Rottner** (*Lienhard*[K]), said to have taken up residence in Gerlingen, Württemberg, in 1517. He appeared in muster lists of 1536 and 1540, and a tax list of 1542 × 1545. He was also a miller by trade, but achieved sufficient prominence to become known as *Richter* (judge) in 1570.[3] He was living 4 May 1572 in Gerlingen.[4] His only known wife was **Anna** ____, who was living in Gerlingen, 14 January 1563.[5] Gerlingen is thought to have passed from the overlordship of Tübingen to Württemberg by 1339.

Valentin[J] Rottner had four known children:

i. Barbara Rottner, b. ca. 1524, bur. Gerlingen 24 April 1594, aged about [*bei*] 70y,[6] m. before 17 June 1568 Hanns Gültlinger,[7] b. say 1530, bur. Gerlingen 10 Jan. 1594, aged above 60y.[8]

ii. Agnes Rottner, b. ca. 1527, bur. Gerlingen 7 May 1597,[9] m. (1) before 2 Dec. 1561 Bernhard Haut,[10] whose youngest child with her was bp. Gerlingen 17 Nov. 1573;[11] m. (2) Gerlingen 29 Feb. 1575 [*sic*] Jacob Widmaier, son of Jacob Widmaier;[12] as his widow m. (3) Gerlingen 3 June 1595 Veit Schofp,[13] b. ca. 1630, bur. Gerlingen 22 April 1611, "Octogenaris."[14]

iii. Leonhard Rottner, b. say 1530, bur. Gerlingen 21 Dec. 1595, aged above 60y,[15] m. (1) Gertraut ____, who was living in Gerlingen 7 Oct. 1571;[16] m. (2) Gerlingen 20 Feb. 1587 Margareta (Schmid)

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[1] All heads of families have surveys of their records in Renate Bauknecht, "Ortsfamilienbuch Gerlingen," *Genealogy.net* (https://ofb.genealogy.net/gerlingen&lang=de, Verein für Computergenealogie, last updated 24 Aug. 2026).

[2] Königlichen statistisch-topographischen Bureau, *Beschreibung des Oberamts Leonberg* (Stuttgart: J. B. Müller's Verlagshandlung, 1852), 110.

[3] All from Bauknecht, "Ortsfamilienbuch Gerlingen," citing for 1570 "Dorfbuch S. 13" (page 13 of the village record). Bauknecht calls him *Valentin,* and he might have appeared thus in official records, but the church records generally call him Veltin.

[4] As sponsor for the baptism of Anna Benslin, who was to marry his grandson (no. 3, i.): Evangelische Kirche Gerlingen, Dekanat Ditzingen, Kirchenbücher, Band 1, Taufregister 1560–1705 (hereafter Gerlingen KBer 1), 21 verso, no. 15, Evangelisches Archiv Baden und Württemberg, Stuttgart (EABW), *Archion* (https://www.archion.de/en, Stuttgart, Germany: Kirchenbuchportal GmbH, 2015–26). All parish records cited here are accessed via this website, as imaged from the holdings of the same archives.

[5] As sponsor for a child of Hans Seiffer and Margreta his wife: Gerlingen KB 1, 3 recto, right column, seventh entry.

[6] Evangelische Kirche Gerlingen, Kirchenbücher, Band 9, Totenregister 1590–1718 (hereafter Gerlingen KB 9), 7, nineteenth entry.

[7] Gerlingen KB 1, 12 verso, left column, third entry.

[8] Gerlingen KB 9, 7, eighth entry.

[9] Gerlingen KB 9, 14, twelfth entry.

[10] Gerlingen KB 1, 1 recto, left column, fourth entry (2 Dec. 1561), and 7 recto, left column, seventh entry (24 Sept. 1565), her father named in the latter.

[11] Gerlingen KB 1, 25 verso, left column, second entry.

[12] Evangelische Kirche Gerlingen, Kirchenbücher, Band 6, Eheregister 1568–1798 (hereafter Gerlingen KB 6), 323 verso, no. 83.

[13] Gerlingen KB 6, 333 verso, second entry.

[14] Gerlingen KB 9, 25, tenth entry.

[15] Gerlingen KB 9, 9, thirtieth entry.

[16] As sponsor for a child of Hans Schwitzer and Ursula his wife: Gerlingen KB 1, 19 verso, no. 45.

BENSLIN, dau. of Jerg Schmid of Münchingen, and widow of Jerg Benslin,[17] bur. Gerlingen 8 Jan. 1605, having m. (3) Gerlingen 19 Feb. 1599 Jacob Wagner of Höfingen, Württemberg.[18]

3. iv. MICHAEL[I] ROTTNER, b. ca. 1534, bur. 28 Sept. 1609, m. (1) KATARINA ____, (2) AGNES MERCK.

3. **Michael[I] Rottner** (*Veltin*[J], *Lienhard*[K]) was born in ca. 1534 and was buried 28 September 1609 in Gerlingen, aged 75 years.[19] His first wife, **Katarina** ____, was the mother of his first recorded child. She is not otherwise of record.[20] Within a few years he was married to **Agnes Merck**, daughter of Michael Merck of Magstadt. Her father's name was reported in the baptismal records of her first two children. He was apparently living as late as 28 September 1567.[21] Agnes was born about 1542 and buried 1 June 1617 in Gerlingen, aged 75 years. The burial record calls her *Müller Veltins Michels Wittib*—the widow of Michael, son of Veltin, the miller.[22]

Child of Michael[J] and Katarina (____) Rottner, baptized in Gerlingen, is:

i. MICHAEL ROTTNER, bp. 16 April 1562, sp. Jerg Ruff and Katarina, wife of Jerg Weber,[23] bur. Gerlingen 18 April 1620, aged 58y,[24] m. Gerlingen 8 June 1591 ANNA BENSLIN,[25] bp. Gerlingen 4 May 1572, dau. of Jerg and Engla/Agnes (Auberman) Benslin, sp. Veltin Rottnar and Katharina, wife of Michel Kautt,[26] bur. Gerlingen 11 Jan. 1633, aged 60y, having m. (2) Gerlingen 26 June 1621 Blasius Rüfflin.[27]

Children of Michael and Agnes (Merck) Rottner, baptized in Gerlingen, are:

ii. GEORG ROTTNER, bp. 14 April 1566, sp. Blasius Mochel and Barbara, wife of Jerg Schreitter,[28] bur. Gerlingen 11 Sept. 1635, aged 60y, unm.[]29

iii. KATARINA ROTTNER, bp. 28 Sept. 1567, sp. Wendel Reiger and Anna, wife of Jacob Gültlinger,[30] evidently d. unm. before 1584.

\+ iv. AGNES[H] ROTTNER, bp. 24 Feb. 1570, sp. Xannder Klingenstein and Barbara, wife of Balthas Meusch,[31] m. (1) Gerlingen 12 Nov. 1594 HANNS MAIER,[32] as his second wife, son of Peter Maier,[33] b. ca. 1561, bur. Gerlingen 22 Nov. 1611, aged 60y;[34] m. (2) Gerlingen 15 June 1613 HANNS FRITZ,[35] bp. Höfin-

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17 Gerlingen KB 6, 329 verso, no. 253. Her father is named in the baptism of her first known child, 1 Sept. 1567, Gerlingen KB 1, 10 verso, right column, fourth entry.

18 Gerlingen KB 9, 19, forty-sixth entry; Gerlingen KB 6, 336 verso, fifteenth entry.

19 Gerlingen KB 9, 22, twenty-fifth entry.

20 Bauknecht, "Ortsfamilienbuch Gerlingen," claims that she was *née* Katharina Kleinenmayer, but this is not documented by the baptismal record, Gerlingen KB 1, 1 verso, left column, eighth entry.

21 Gerlingen KB 1, 8 recto, right column, sixth entry, and 11 recto, left column, fourth entry. Bauknecht, "Ortsfamilienbuch Gerlingen," claims that her father was also known as Michael Kling of Magstadt, the father of Anna who married Hannß Schweitzer in Gerlingen in 1575 (Gerlingen KB 6, 323 verso, no. 88). On these grounds Bauknecht assigns the individual entry for Michael Rottner's second wife to an Agnes Kling. Unfortunately, this is not supported by the baptisms of Agnes's children. The records of the Lutheran parish of Magstadt begin in 1640.

22 Gerlingen KB 9, 34, third entry.

23 Gerlingen KB 1, 1 verso, left column, eighth entry.

24 Gerlingen KB 9, 36, sixth entry.

25 Gerlingen KB 6, 331 recto, left column, seventh entry.

26 Gerlingen KB 1, 5 recto, right column, second entry (Jerg's wife Engla Auberman), and 21 verso, no. 15 (mother as Agnes).

27 Gerlingen KB 9, 56, second entry; Gerlingen KB 6, 348 verso, right column, second entry.

28 Gerlingen KB 1, 8 recto, right column, sixth entry.

29 Gerlingen KB 9, 80, tenth entry.

30 Gerlingen KB 1, 11 recto, left column, fourth entry.

31 Gerlingen KB 1, 15 verso, no. 6

32 Gerlingen KB 6, 333 recto, fourth entry.

33 Based on his first marriage, Gerlingen KB 6, 326 verso, no. 174, and this wife's burial, Gerlingen KB 9, 3 recto, first entry.

34 Gerlingen KB 9, 27, seventh entry.

35 Gerlingen KB 6, 344 verso, right column, first entry.

gen, Württemberg, 22 Nov. 1559, son of Georg and Margretha (Pfetzler) Fritz,[36] bur. Gerlingen 3 Aug. 1627, aged 66y.[37]

v. JOHANNES ROTTNER, bp. 8 Aug. 1572, sp. Balthaß Meusch and Katherina, wife of old Michel Schwitzer.[38]

vi. ANNA ROTTNER, bp. 30 Mar. 1574, sp. Fabianus Schwitzer and Anna, wife of Bastion Löchlin,[39] d. y.

vii. MARTIN ROTTNER, bp. 6 Sept. 1575, sp. old Jacobus Schopff and Gertraudt Ritter, wife of the *Schultheiß* [appointed village mayor],[40] bur. Gerlingen 7 Mar. 1612, aged 36y,[41] m. Gerlingen 31 July 1599 URSULA KREUßLIN,[42] bp. Gerlingen 4 May 1573, dau. of Veit and Agnes (Schnaufer) Kreußlin, sp. Hannß Widmaier of Defingen and Anna, wife of Bastion Lochlin,[43] bur. Gerlingen 16 Dec. 1616, aged 45y, having m. (2) 20 Sept. 1612 Hans Appenzeller.[44]

viii. ANNA ROTTNER, bp. 1 Jan. 1578, sp. old Jacob Gülltlinger and Katharina, wife of Blaß Mochel,[45] m. Gerlingen 19 Aug. 1600 ANSHELM ANSEL, son of Marx Ansel of Hirschlanden.[46]

ix. BARBARA ROTTNER, bp. 16 Oct. 1579, sp. Hannß Schultt and Barbara, wife of Xander Klingenstein,[47] d. Gerlingen 18 Dec. 1638,[48] m. Gerlingen 26 Jan. 1610 BALTHASAR KÜHNLIN,[49] bp. Gerlingen 4 July 1585, son of Simon and Katharina (Meusch) Kühnlin, sp. Adam Siglin and Rosina, wife of Jacob Stolpp,[50] d. Leonberg, Württemberg, 31 Aug. 1638, bur. Gerlingen 1 Sept. 1638.[51]

x. MICHAEL ROTTNER, bp. 28 Sept. 1582, sp. Martin Schweitzer and Katharina, wife of Hanns Mochel,[52] bur. Gerlingen 11 Aug. 1635, aged 53y,[53] m. Gerlingen 8 Feb. 1614 CHRISTINA KROMER,[54] bp. Gerlingen 26 Sept. 1591, dau. of Hanns and Catharina (Scheibling) Kromer, sp. Hans Widmaier and Catharina, wife of Johann Scher,[55] d. Gerlingen 20, bur. 21 Sept. 1666 as widow of Hans Riegelin, aged 75y.[56]

xi. CATHARINA ROTTNER, bp. 27 Nov. 1584, sp. Veitt Meusch and Katharina, wife of Jerg Kreußlin,[57] bur. Gerlingen 8 June 1635, aged 40y [*sic*],[58] m. Gerlingen 9 May 1620 CONRAD KLING,[59] bp. Gerlingen 27 Dec. 1590, son of Hanns and Agnes (Bauer) (Meusch) Kling, sp. Jacob Glos called Stolp and Maria, wife of Basti Kersor, *Schultheiß*,[60] bur. Gerlingen 1 June 1635, aged 45y.[61]

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[36] Evangelische Kirche Höfingen, Dekanat Leonberg, Kirchenbücher, Band 1, Mischbuch, 1558–1818, unpaged, image 9 recto, third entry.

[37] Gerlingen KB 9, 48, fourteenth entry.

[38] Gerlingen KB 1, 22 recto, right column, first entry.

[39] Gerlingen KB 1, 26 recto, left column, sixth entry.

[40] Gerlingen KB 1, 27 verso, left column, third entry.

[41] Gerlingen KB 9, 29, tenth entry.

[42] Gerlingen KB 6, 337 recto, eighth entry.

[43] Gerlingen KB 1, 24 recto, left column, first entry (baptism); Gerlingen KB 6, 321 verso, no. 24 (parents' marriage).

[44] Gerlingen KB 9, 33, ninth entry; KB 6, 344 verso, left column, second entry.

[45] Gerlingen KB 1, 34 recto, right column, second entry.

[46] Gerlingen KB 6, 337 verso, thirteenth entry. The records of the Lutheran parish of Hirschlanden begin in 1644.

[47] Gerlingen KB 1, 38 recto, right column, first entry.

[48] Gerlingen KB 9, 99, eighteenth entry.

[49] Gerlingen KB 6, 342 recto, left column, fifth entry.

[50] Gerlingen KB 1, 54 recto, right column, fourth entry (baptism); Gerlingen KB 6, 326 verso, no. 184 (parents' marriage).

[51] Gerlingen KB 9, 97, twelfth entry.

[52] Gerlingen KB 1, 46 recto, right column, second entry.

[53] Gerlingen KB 9, 71, seventh entry.

[54] Gerlingen KB 1, 345 recto, right column, third entry.

[55] Gerlingen KB 1, 67 verso, fifteenth entry (baptism); Gerlingen KB 6, 324 recto, no. 103 (parents' marriage).

[56] Gerlingen KB 9, 123, no. 105. This entry is cross-referenced in her baptismal record.

[57] Gerlingen KB 1, 52 verso, right column, fourth entry.

[58] Gerlingen KB 9, 63, fourteenth entry.

[59] Gerlingen KB 5, 348 recto, right column, second entry.

[60] Gerlingen KB 1, 66 verso, eighth entry (baptism); Gerlingen KB 6, 324 recto, no. 97, and 329 verso, no. 255 (mother's marriages).

[61] Gerlingen KB 9, 63, eleventh entry.

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