

Conrad BIEBER/BEVERTZ/BEAVER (about 1738-1784)

Basic information about the **Conrad BEVERTZ** who should have been shown as the son of Johannes I is compared below with the Beaver book information about another Conrad Beaver.

	CONRAD "A" son of Johannes I	CONRAD "B" son of unknown (but incorrectly listed as son of Johannes I in IMB-515)
Birth	About 1738, probably in Germany, to Johannes I and Annadelia/Mary Anna Ottilia/Odilia UNKNOWN. (Conrad was "about 16" when father's will was presented in 1754.)	Unknown
Marriage	14 Aug 1763 to Anna Margaret ECKENROTH, daughter of Johannes Wilhelm ECKENROTH and Anna Margaret (?) in Philip Schmid's house, Macungie, Lehigh Co., PA. Presumably a Catholic wedding. (Conrad's mother was Catholic at time of her marriage to Jacob GRENOBLE.)	Unknown date, to Maria Magdalena KNISELY, daughter of Hans KNISELY and Mary ?, probably in Lancaster Co. PA. (Listed as married in Mary's father's will, 1757, Lancaster Co. PA) (Possibly Mennonite marriage as her parents were Mennonite.)
Death	Will dated 22 April 1784; Conrad apparently died shortly thereafter. (Widow remarried 8 May 1785 to Michael HARTMAN.)	Died intestate; unknown death date between 1771 and 1783 probably in Virginia. (Widow remarried, date unknown, to Henry MAUCK.)
Children	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mary Magdalen BEVERTZ, 2. Henry BEVERTZ 3. John George BEVERTZ 4. Margaret BEVERTZ 5. Christopher BEVERTZ, m Susanna Elizabeth BEYER 6. Anna Margaret BEVERTZ 7. Catharine Margaret BEVERTZ 8. John BEVERTZ/BEAVER 9. Christian BEAVER (twin to #8), m. Mary Magdalen UNKNOWN 10. John BEAVER, m. Barbara GRETT <p>All were christened or baptized in and around Sharp Mountain, Albany Township, Berks Co. PA.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. John BEAVER, m1 Barbara UNKNOWN; m2 Catherine LEAR 2. Abraham BEAVER, m. Barbara KAUFFMAN 3. Michael BEAVER, m1 Susan MAUCK; m2 Mary/Molly MAUCK 4. Christian BEAVER, m. Catharine MAUCK 5. Conrad Jr. BEAVER, m. Mary SESANA 6. Barbara BEAVER, m. Jacob KOONTZ 7. David BEAVER, m1 Frances CORBIN; m2 Rebecca CLEM 8. Mary BEAVER, m. Abraham MAUCK 9. Anna BEAVER, m. William MORELAND/MORLAND. <p>No birth or christening information found.</p>
Property & Residence	Rockland Twp., Philadelphia Co. (Now Berks), 1746.	On Lancaster Co, PA, Tax List, 1758. In Frederick Co. VA, 1771 (which became Shenandoah Co.) but there is no

	Greenwich Twp., Berks Co. PA, tax assessments, 1755, 1767, 1768, 1779, 1784.	proof that he lived on the 400-acre property he purchased there in 1771.
Siblings	<p>From father's first marriage:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Anna Catherine, married John Adam STAUB 4 April 1743 Berks Co. PA 2. John (no further record) 3. Sarah, married Martin REISEL 16 Dec 1744 Berks Co. PA 4. Mary (no further record) <p>From father's second marriage:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Elizabeth Margaret, b. about 1736 (named in step-father's 1762 will, Berks Co. PA) 2. (Mary) Magdalena, m Christian HENRICH Jr. 20 Sept 1767, Northampton Co. PA.. (HENRICH was a witness to Jacob GRENOBLE's 1762 will.) 3. Henry, m. Sally/Sarah STOY 	No known information
Military Service	Maxetani and Allemangel Independent Guard, 3 April 1756-11 May 1756. Rev. War service as Pvt. in Capt. Smith's Company of Berks Co. Militia	No military service record known.
Sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stobie research. • Kirkpatrick research. • <u>Goshenhoppen Registers, 1741-1819.</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knisely deeds and files at Lancaster (Pa.) Historical Society. • <u>History and Genealogy of the Bieber, Beaver, Biever, Beeber Family, Rev. I.M. Beaver, 1939.</u> • <u>jlpatrick@juno.com</u>

Conrad BEAVER: b. ?-d. bef 1783

With the discovery of a totally different Conrad Beaver as Johannes's son, the question still remains: when and where was the Conrad born who married Mary KNEISLEY? Who were his parents? Is there any information to support a relationship between this Conrad and the Berks & Lehigh County Beavers?

A Conrad BEAVER was listed the husband of Mary KNEISLEY/KNEISSLEY at the time of her father's death in 1757. And he appears on the tax lists in Lancaster Co., PA, in 1758. Conrad BEAVER acquired Fairfax Grant property in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia in 1771 (he purchased it from John and Magdalena LEMMON who had purchased from Edward HUMSTON} and was listed then as living in Frederick Co., VA. His death date and burial place are unknown, but Conrad/Cunrod was listed as deceased (having died intestate) in a 1783 property transaction involving his sons John, Abraham, and Michael.

Birth, marriage and death dates for Conrad and Mary have not been found, which may be due to the fact that Mary's family were Mennonites who did not keep church records. Most of Mary's siblings moved from Pennsylvania to Virginia. Most of Conrad and Mary's children moved to Ohio in the early 1800s.

Patterson has recently collected information to indicate that a family named BIBER lived in Lancaster Co. PA around 1740-50. A Conrad BIBER was listed in Trinity Lutheran Church Records, Lancaster PA, in November 1748 as "recently arrived in this country" and could possibly be the person who married Mary KNEISLEY.

Descendants of Conrad & Mary are listed (largely accurately) in I.M. Beaver's Chapter 7, pages 515 and 526-530, and have been extended to the present by many researchers.

To date, there is no further evidence of a relationship to Valentine BIEBER as claimed by Rev. Beaver on page 515.

Despite these discrepancies in Rev. Beaver's information, it should be recognized that he provided a valuable framework for genealogists who have already worked for several decades to extend its reach and improve on its details.