

Johann Adam Sundheimer, 1806

Background: Sundheimers are in Ransweiler, Pfalz, Bayern Germany since at least 1620. They live elsewhere, too, but the Sundheimers in Tuscarawas, Holmes, and Coshocton counties, Ohio, United States starting around 1840-50 are from Ransweiler. Nearby villages include Bisterschied, Meisenheim, Waldgrehweiler, and several others, but the church in Ransweiler is where most of them are christened and married, so I use Ransweiler generically for the area. Other family names intermarrying in the area in the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and early 19th centuries include Scheu, Conrad, Lahm, Bernhard, Mueller, and Bayer, among others.

Johann Adam Sundheimer was born 30 Dec 1805 in Ransweiler to Johannes Sundheimer and Maria Catharina Pitz.

Catherine Bernhard was born 27 Sep 1809 in Ransweiler to Erasmus Bernard and Caroline Elisabetha Huff.

Adam and Catherine were married July 15, 1832 in Ransweiler and had emigrated to Ohio by 1860. I can find no evidence of children in either Germany or the United States. This couple appears together, without children, in three successive censuses (1860-1880) in Clay Township, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, United States. There is another Adam Sundheimer listed as being born in 1806 in the 1880 census with Bina and two daughters, but that is a different one.

Two Adam Sundheimers with wives Catherine die in Ohio in 1891, one in February and one in April. I don't know which one this is.