Christian Deeds (aka Diez and/or Dietz) was born in Affaltrach, Weinsberg District, Wuerttemberg, Germany. He emigrated to the U.S. in 1933, settling in Preble County, Ohio. Christian married Christina Moots (Muz and/or Mus) on March 20, 1842 in Washington Township, Preble County, Ohio. It was in 1856 that the family moved to Greene Township, Jay County, Indiana near the village of Blaine.

Christian and Christina were the parents of nine children: John Andrew Deeds (b. 01/04/1843 in Ohio, d. 09/23/1903 in an accident at the Crisler Gravel Pit; Mary Ann Deeds, b. 09/07/1844 in Ohio, m. John Carpenter Stephen on 10/31/1861, d. 05/30/1926; Jacob Frederick Deeds, b. 07/19/1846 in Ohio; Sarah Elizabeth Deeds, b. 01/17/1849 in Darke Co., Ohio, m. Joshua Phillips on 01/04/1874, d. 08/29/1926 in Stromsburg, Polk Co., Nebraska; Joseph Henry Deeds, b. 09/06/1852 d. 09/08/1858; Brook Samuel Deeds, b. 07/14/1854, d. 09/12/1857 in Jay Co.; Louis C. Deeds, b. 09/11/1855, d. 09/02/1858 in Jay Co.; William Edward Deeds, b. 07/12/1858 in Jay Co., m. Martha Jane Phillips, 11/20/1886 in Culbertson, Nebraska; Julia Christina Deeds, b. 03/03/1861 in Jay Co., m. Adam Ziegler 08/1881 in Jay Co., d. 01/18/1937; Jennie Deeds, b. 1863; Catherine Deeds, b. 1866.

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