

HEINLEIN GENEALOGY**JAMES „JIM“ HEINLEIN (1879 TO 1953)****THE DESCENDANTS OF
JAMES “JIM” HEINLEIN****Introduction**

The goal for this session was to trace the descendants of James “Jim” Heinlein, who was born in 1879 in Germany, immigrated to the U.S. as a child and lived his life in Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. We determined that James was married twice, with both wives named Barbara. He had three children by his first wife, Barbara Winkler, and adopted or took in his wife’s illegitimate daughter, Elizabeth Winkler. James had no children by his second wife, Barbara Grossman

None of James Heinlein’s biological children had children of their own, with his two sons never marrying. Only his “adopted” daughter, Elizabeth, left issue, which we have outlined below.

Please see the accompanying research journal for detailed information on this family, as well as the ProGen tree we prepared for you previously. Phone numbers and addresses for some of the living descendants given in the research journal may or may not be current.

Research Summary**James “Jim” Heinlein, born 1879**

James “Jim” Heinlein was the son of Johann “John” Heinlein and Margarethe Wacker. The family appears in the records for the Lutheran Parish in Abtsgreuth, Neustadt, Bavaria, where “Johann” Heinlein was born on 6 April 1879 (Document 15).

In America, James consistently reported that he was from Nuremburg (Nürnberg), Germany, and that his birthdate was 7 April 1879. Abtsgreuth is about 60 kilometers northwest of Nuremburg and once in America, it was easier to give the name of a large city than a small town, so James likely said he was from Nuremburg for convenience.

The 2 May 1904 marriage of James Heinlein and Barbetta Winkler is the earliest record for James in America (Document 7). He and Barbetta both resided in Coraopolis, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania when they wed. Barbette’s given name varies in records between Babette, Barbette and Barbara. The 1910 census lists James, Barbara, and their two children, Elizabeth, age 8, and Adolph, who was 3 months old (Document 3). The family lived in Moon Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania. Barbara had given birth to two children, but only Adolph was still alive when the census was taken. The other child in the household, Elizabeth, was reportedly adopted. At the time, James was employed as a farmer on a truck farm. He reported that he immigrated in 1895. Babette’s parents, Paul and Lena Winkler and their family, were enumerated before James’s family, and the John and Bertha Heinlein family followed them on the census page.