



# Enders Family History



**Jeremiah Benjamin & Martha Ann Enders**



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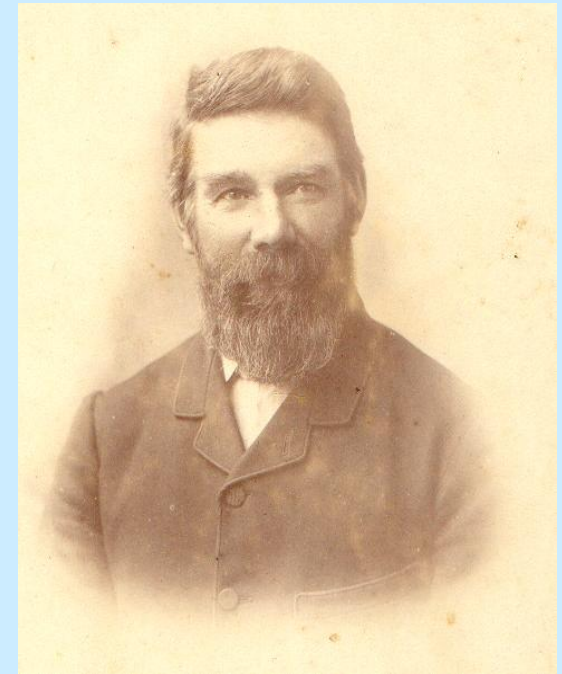
### **Our German Origins**

- Johann Philip Enders, known as PHILIP CHRISTIAN ENDERS, was born July 22, 1740 in Breunigweiler, District of Rockenhausen, Palatinate, Nassau, Germany. He was the son of John Conrad Enders and Maria Catherine Geissel, and one of a large family. After completing his education he entered the military service of his sovereign, Wilhelm Heinrich, Prince of Nassau, and participated in numerous battles of the Seven Years War. For distinctive service and soldierly qualities he was promoted to a Captaincy in the elite Royal Household Guard, a commission he resigned on February 20, 1764. On May 13 1764 he married Anna Apolonia Degen, born 12/1/1746 in Sippersfeld.



# **Enders Family History To Australia**

- **Jeremiah Benjamin Enders was born in Williamsville Erie Co New York in the USA on the 15<sup>th</sup> of July 1828. No details or records of Jeremiah's life in Erie Co are known at this stage.**
- **Sometime between 1848 & 1850 Jeremiah went West to the Californian Gold Rush.**
- **After a year or so on the Californian Gold Fields, Jeremiah sailed for Australia as the word has reached the USA of large gold strikes in Australia. This would have been some time around 1851 and he arrived in 1852.**
- **His brother Norman also came to Australia, however we are not sure if it was with J.B or later in 1854.**



**Jeremiah. B. Enders**



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- **Jeremiah arrived in Sydney Australia in 1852 and first went to the Bathurst goldfields in central New South Wales, then to Victoria at the McIvor gold fields(Heathcote area) and finally to Fryers Creek gold field( this area is now known as Castlemaine and is in central Victoria).**
- **Jeremiah was a storekeeper here, according to the occupation listed on his wedding certificate dated 1855, which most likely a provided a more constant & greater income than prospecting. Something he probably learnt from the Californian Gold Rush.**



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- **On November 5<sup>th</sup> 1855 Jeremiah married Martha Ann Comrie, who was born in 1827 in Gargunnock, Stirlingshire, Scotland.**
- **Martha arrived on the ship “Catherine Glen” in August of 1853 into the port of Melbourne. They were married at the Church of England Parsonage in Kyneton some 21 miles from Fryers Creek, Kyneton being where Martha had settled with her sister and brothers who all arrived in Australia with her.**
- **Jeremiah and Martha lived at Fryers Creek for approximately a year after their marriage before moving to Kyneton.**



**Wedding Photo taken 1855**





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## **Australia**

**Jeremiah and Martha raised 8 children.**

**Alexander born 1851 in Scotland to  
Martha Comrie. Taking the Enders name  
following Martha's marriage to J.B**

**Franklin Philip b 1856 at Fryers Creek.**

**Martha Ann b 1858 in Kyneton**

**Mary Louisa b 1859 in Trentham**

**William Henry Harrisson b 1861**

**Annie Waller Eddington b 1864**

**Sarah Elizabeth b 1865**

**Jeremiah Benjamin Jnr b 1869**





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**Alexander & Frank**  
taken approx 1865



**Martha Comrie Enders**  
with child approx 1865



**William H H Enders**  
early 1870's



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**Martha Enders – later  
Watson**



**Mary L Enders – Later  
Fergusson**



**Annie E Enders**





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**Jeremiah B Enders Jnr**



**Sarah E Enders**

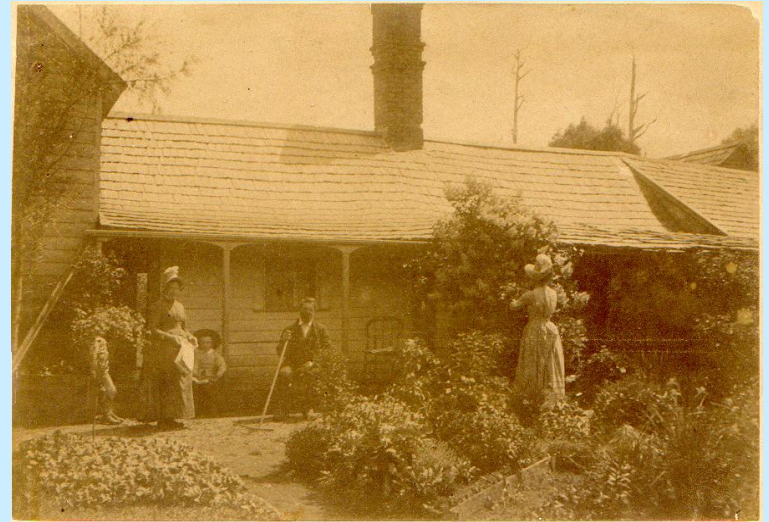


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- The home that Jeremiah built for his family was called “Musk Dell” and was situated just above the Saw Mill that he operated on the banks of the Coliban River outside Trentham.
- The Mill was called the “Union Steam Saw Mills” and we believe that it operated from 1855 until the 1880’s.
- Beside the Mill was the bridge known as Enders Bridge.
- The home was more often referred to as ‘The Mill’ than “Musk Dell” by family members.



**Musk Dell**





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**A photo taken of the rear view of the home  
“Musk Dell” approx 1904.**





## **Enders Family History Australia**



**A photo taken showing the old American style barn in front of the remains of one of the Saw Mill buildings. The chimney for the steam mill can be seen next to the large pile of sawdust at the left of the photo.**





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**This photo shows J.B Enders (Yankee Tom) taken at the Enders Farm around 1906.**



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**This photo taken in the mid 1890's shows J B & Martha Enders with some of their children and grandchildren. L-R Unknown boy, Ben Enders Jnr, J.B Enders, Walter Watson, Annie Enders, Jessie Watson, unknown man, Martha Enders seated, Mildred Watson, Possibly Martha Watson(nee Enders) and Sarah Enders.**





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**In 1908 J.B & Martha's first grandchild was married. Millicent Almeda Enders was the daughter of Franklin P Enders and his wife Mary Jane Dawson. This photo shows many of the Enders and Dawson family members. Millie Enders married Thomas W Brown.**



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**Thank you for taking the time  
to view this presentation.**

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