

Jost Cuntze



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Born: 1674 in Siegen, Siegen-Wittgenstein, Nordrhein-Westfalen, Germany

Married: Anna Catherine Reinschmidt

Died: 1731 in Stafford, Virginia

Parents: Johannes Cuntze & Elizabeth Schuster

[Joseph] "Jost" CUNTZE [COUNTS] Immigrated probably from Oberfishbach,[Banns], Nasau-Siegen, GERMANY to Germanna, Virginia, USA in 1714 and settled near present day Stephens City, Shenandoah County, Virginia.

Anna Catherine [Gertrud] REINSCHMIDT left GERMANY with husband, [Joseph] "Jost" CUNTZE (KOONTZ) [COUNTS] and three children for Germanna, Virginia, USA in 1714.

She died (probably) in childbirth of fourth child, Catherine, in England, or on board ship to Germanna, Virginia, or shortly after arrival in Germana, Virginia in 1714.



Beginning in 1714, several German immigrants arrived in Virginia to an area in current Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison and Rappahannock Counties in Virginia. The first group of settlers (called "***The First Germanna Colony***") left London in January, 1714 and arrived in April. This first group of 42 immigrants, from the Nassau-Siegen area of Germany, were miners, and were brought in to work in a proposed silver mine, which was partially owned by Lt. Gov. Alexander Spotswood of Virginia. They were German Reformed by religion. Although silver was never found in the mine that Lt. Gov. Spotswood was part-owner, the German miners did find iron ores in the seven years that they worked for him. ^[1] http://www.werelate.org/wiki/Germanna_Colony