Jacob Minerd (1740-1814)

Jacob and Maria (Nein) Minerd Sr., were our pioneer ancestors who settled in Fayette/Somerset Counties, PA......To give you a sense of what the Minerds produced, they had 12 children, of whom eight are identified.At last count, those eight children had at least 87 grandchildren, 469 great-grandchildren and 1,344 great-great grandchildren, for a total of 1,912 lives, virtually all born before the year 1900...... Today, their descendants and spouses number an estimated 50,000 or more, and are scattered all over the world......Jacob was the son of German-Americans Friedrich and Eva (Weber) Meinert, who migrated from Albany, NY to Oley Township, Berks County, PA in about 1730...... Maria's parents were Casper and Barbara Neün, who were German immigrants who settled in Oley.