

# LUTHER C. FURST

Birth: 1840 ~ Death: 1916

Spouse: Lydia Jane Kieffer Furst (1843 - 1928)

Children:

Richard Gardner Furst (1871 - 1900)

Jennie Furst (1875 - 1876)

Luther Calvin Furst (1881 - 1945)

Henry Stephen Furst (1884 - 1922)

Miriam Barbara Furst (1887 - 1928)

Inscription:

Co. D. 10th PA Reg. Inf.

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Mackeyville

Clinton County

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## Family History:

Luther C. Furst married Lydia Jane (Kieffer) Furst, He was a merchant, a farmer, and manufacturer, serving for three and a half years in the United States Signal Corps during the Civil War, holding the rank of sergeant. Lydia Jane (Kieffer) Furst, his wife, was a descendant of Johann Balthassar Spangler, of Weyler in the Palitinate of the Rhine, who came to Pennsylvania in 1732 and settled in York county.

John Spangler, son of Johann B. Spangler, was born June 29, 1747, died October 11, 1796. He was a member of the Committee of Safety, 1775, and of the Committee on Revolutionary Correspondence; member of the Second Company, Third Battalion, York County Militia, War of the Revolution, and was county commissioner, 1790-93. He married Margaret Beard, daughter of Michael Beard, and they were the parents of Sarah, Rebecca, John, Martin, Maria M., and Julianna.

Martin Spangler, son of John and Margaret (Beard) Spangler, was born in 1782, died June 6, 1863. He married, April 17, 1810, Lydia Gardner, who died in 1847, leaving among other children a daughter, Eleanor.

Eleanor Spangler, daughter of Martin and Lydia (Gardner) Spangler, married Ephraim Kieffer, and they were the parents of six children, including a daughter, Lydia J.

Lydia J. Kieffer, daughter of Ephraim and Eleanor (Spangler) Kieffer, was born December 29, 1843, married Luther C. Furst, and they were the parents of nine children: Eleanor, John K., Dr. Robert G., Guy H., Jennie, Edgar, Luther C, Jr., Henry Stephen, of further mention; and Miriam.

Henry Stephen Furst, son of Luther C. and Lydia Jane (Kieffer) Furst, was born at Cedar Springs, Clinton county, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1884. After completing public school study he entered Central State Normal School at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, and took a Pennsylvania College preparatory course. He then matriculated at Bucknell University, whence he was graduated A. B., class of 1908. After graduation he began the study of law under the preceptorship of Hipple & Hipple, of Lock Haven, and in 1914 was admitted to the Clinton county bar. He at once began practice at that bar and is associated with McCormick & Hipple, attorneys of Lock Haven and Williamsport, Pennsylvania. In politics Mr. Furst is a Republican, and in religious faith is a Presbyterian. He is a member of the Masonic order, the Rotary Club, and the Barner Gap Hunting Club.

Mr. Furst married, October 25, 1916, at Woolrich, Pennsylvania, Ruth Elizabeth Rich, daughter of William Fleming and Clara B. Rich. Mr. and Mrs. Furst are the parents of a son, Henry Stephen (2), born January 19, 1918, at Lock Haven.

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