

## Descendants of Frederike Rose Bender

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**Frederike Rose Bender**, daughter of **Georg Friedrich "Friedrich" Bender** and **Carolina Friederika "Friederika" Beutelstein**, was born on Jan 30, 1859 in Eschelbach, Baden, Germany, died on Oct 17, 1924 in Prince's Bay, Richmond, New York, USA, and was buried on Oct 19, 1924 in Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York, USA. The cause of her death was liver cancer.



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- Immigration: Nov 4, 1872, Manhattan, New York, New York, USA.

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- Residence: 1899-1910.  
1899-1905 - 107 E 53rd St, Manhattan, NY  
1910 - 335 E 69th St, Manhattan, New York, NY  
? - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, NY

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- Occupation: 1905.  
1905 - janitor

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- Number of children: 1910.  
1910 - 2 born, 2 living

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Frederike married **Johann Carl Bittorf**, son of **Caspar Bittorf** and **Maria Kerchnor**, on Aug 8, 1880 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA. Johann was born Cal Apr 5, 1855 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA, died on Jan 13, 1899 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA, and was buried on Jan 15, 1899 in Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York, USA. The cause of his death was suicide, gunshot wound to the temple. They had four children: **Frederick, John, William Edward "Edward,"** and **Arthur Charles**.

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- Residence: 1899.  
1899 - 107 E 53rd St, Manhattan, NY

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- Occupation: 1899.  
1899 - painter

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- Obituary: New York Sun, Jan 14, 1899, Manhattan, New York, New York, USA.  
Dead When Warrant Received

John Bittorf, a painter, of 107 East Fifty-third street, fell from a scaffold a year ago and injured his head. Afterward he acted queerly and threatened to kill his wife and three children. His wife took four different revolvers away from him. Yesterday, he again threatened to kill her and she went to the Yorkville Court and asked Magistrate Flemmer for a warrant for his arrest. The warrant was issued and Policeman Van Delit of the court squad went to the house with the woman. They found Bittorf lying on the bed dead, with a bullet wound in his temple.

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**Frederick Bittorf** was born on Oct 2, 1881 in Long Island City, Queens, New York, USA, died in Jun 1888 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA, and was buried on Jun 25, 1888 in Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York, USA.

**John Bittorf** was born in 1883, died on Jul 6, 1884, and was buried on Jul 8, 1884 in Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York, USA.

**William Edward "Edward" Bittorf** was born on May 28, 1885 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA, died on Feb 7, 1917 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga, Ohio, USA, and was buried on Feb 13, 1917 in Lutheran All Faiths Cemetery, Middle Village, Queens, New York, USA. The cause of his death was lobar pneumonia, emphysema.

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- Residence: 1905-1913.  
1905 - 107 E 53rd St, Manhattan, NY  
1910 - 335 E 69th St, Manhattan, NY  
1913 - Rockaway Beach, Queens, NY

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- Occupation: 1905-1910.  
1905-1910 - plumber
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- Newspaper clippings: Auto Hits Two; One Hit On Its Return, Jan 11, 1913, Rockaway Beach, Queens, New York, USA.  
Auto Hits Two; One Hit On Its Return  
Several Witnesses Get Number of Car, Which Held Two Men

An automobile, described as a dark blue five passenger touring car while running toward Arverne last night struck Jacob Kaufman, a butcher, of 26 North Chase avenue, Rockaway Beach and Edward Bittorf, 26 years old, a painter, also of Rockaway Beach.

Bittorf was knocked unconscious. Kaufman, though badly hurt, saw the automobile hurray away and then, he says, saw it return.

Bittorf was still lying unconscious in the road and the machine, he declares struck him a second time. The man had a broken left leg when found. Kaufman says it was this leg which the machine ran over on its second trip.

Both men were taken to the Rockaway Beach Hospital. Bittorf's condition is described as critical.

Arthur H Frankel of Rockaway Beach was driving an automobile just behind the machine on its down trip. He got the number as manufacturer's number 8235 and three young boys on the street got the same number as the car went by them. The witnesses said there was one man in the automobile besides the chauffer.

The automobile license number 8235 belongs to William H Dixon, a member of the Stock Exchange, who lives at 29 West Forty-ninth street. At that address last night Mr Dixon's father said that the broker was out of town until Monday. Mr Dixon added that he did not know why his son should have a manufacturer's number on his car if he did have such a number.

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**Arthur Charles Bittorf** was born on Jun 6, 1888, died on Mar 4, 1936 in , Richmond, New York, USA, and was buried in Ocean View Cemetery, Oakwood, Richmond, New York, USA.

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- Occupation: 1910-1930.  
1910 - billing clerk, gas company  
1913 - plumber  
1917 - telephone installer  
1920 - sign maker, own business (census taker error?)  
1930 - telephone installer
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- Residence: 1910-1930.  
1905 - 107 E 53rd St, Manhattan, NY  
1910 - 335 E 69th St, Manhattan, New York, New York  
1913 - 1040 Second Ave, Manhattan, NY  
1917 - 309 Brighton, Tottenville, Richmond, New York  
1920 - 369 Tyrell St, Tottenville, Richmond, New York (St name may not be Tyrell)  
1930 - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, New York
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Arthur married **Dorothy Fischer**, daughter of **George Charles Fischer** and **Mathilda Eichler**, on May 8, 1913 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA. Dorothy was born about 1893 in Mount Tremper, Ulster, New York, USA and died on May 2, 1957 in Orangetown Township, Rockland, New York, USA. They had two children: **Dorothy Mabel** and **Edith**.

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- Residence: 1900-1940.  
1900 - 332 E 52nd St, Manhattan, NY  
1910-1913 - 325 E 69th St, Manhattan, NY  
1920 - 369 Tyrell (?) St, Tottenville, Richmond, New York  
1930-1940 - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, New York
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- Occupation: 1910.
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1910 - addressing, publishing company

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**Dorothy Mabel Bittorf** was born on Jul 1, 1917 in Tottenville, Richmond, New York, USA, died on May 22, 1999 in Middlesex, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA, and was buried on May 26, 1999 in Clover Leaf Memorial Park, Woodbridge, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA.

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- Residence: 1920-1999.  
1920 - 369 Tyrell St, Tottenvill, Richmond, New York (St name may not be Tyrell)  
1930-1940 - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, New York  
1947-1999 - 38 W Park Ave, Avenel, Middlesex, NJ
  - Occupation: 1938-1941.  
1940 - typist, insurance company  
  
1938 - typist, the Home Insurance Company  
1941(?) - Eastern Airlines as a "Rosie the Riveter" making the Wildcat fighter plane - Linden, NJ
  - Obituary: Star-Ledger, May 24, 1999, Newark, Essex, New Jersey, USA.  
Dorothy M. Russell, high school secretary  
A funeral service for Mrs. Dorothy M. Russell, 81, of the Avenel section of Woodbridge Township will be held at a time to be announced on Wednesday in the Costello-Koyen Funeral Home, 399 Avenel St., Avenel.  
Entombment will take place at Cloverleaf Memorial Park, Woodbridge.  
Mrs. Russell died Saturday in Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy.  
She was a secretary for the Woodbridge Township Board of Education in the guidance department at John F. Kennedy High School, Iselin, for 14 years before retiring in 1978.  
Mrs. Russell was a member of the Avenel Golden Circle Senior Citizens Club and a former member of the Eastern Star, Americus Chapter 37, Woodbridge.  
Born in Tottenville, N.Y., she settled in Avenel 52 years ago.  
Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Gail R. Fisher and Joan D.; a son, Paul W. Jr., and seven grandchildren.  
Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, Route 1, North Brunswick, N.J.  
Star-Ledger, The (Newark, NJ)
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Dorothy married **Paul William Russell**, son of **Francis Andrew "Frank" Russell** and **Edith H Schnibbe**, on Jul 23, 1938 in Tottenville, Richmond, New York, USA. Paul was born on Mar 11, 1915 in Westwood, Bergen, New Jersey, USA and died on Oct 25, 1992 in Middlesex, Middlesex, New Jersey, USA. They had three children: **Gail Edith, Joan Doris, and Paul William**.

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- Disproven Birth: Mar 11, 1915, Manhattan, New York, New York, USA.
  - Occupation: 1937-1980.  
1937-1942 - stenographer, National Lead Co, research laboratory office staff, Perth Amboy, NJ  
1942-1944 - Eastern Airlines  
1944-1946 - US Navy, Yeoman aboard Aircraft Carrier USS Antietam  
1946-1980 - Warehouse Supervisor and later Regional Director - National Lead Co. (later NL Industries) Perth Amboy, NJ
  - Residence: 1940-1993.  
1940 - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, New York  
1947-1993 - 38 W Park Ave, Avenel, Middlesex, NJ
  - Military Service: 1944-1946.
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1944-1946 Y2c, US Navy

April 25, 1944 - Induction Date and reported for active duty in the US Navy. Served aboard the USS Antietam CV-36 Aircraft Carrier ... Company 1324 ... Rank: Y2c(T) (Yeoman Second Class).

June 12, 1946 - Received his Honorable Discharge from the Navy

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**Edith Bittorf** was born on Feb 28, 1920 in Staten Island, Richmond, New York, USA and died on Jan 6, 2008 in Staten Island, Richmond, New York, USA.

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- Residence: 1930-2008.  
1930-2008 - 151 Lee Ave, Tottenville, Richmond, New York
  - Occupation: 1940.  
1940 - typist, insurance company (Home Insurance Company)
  - Obituary: Staten Island Advance, Jan 10, 2008, Staten Island, Richmond, New York, USA.  
Tottenville resident was active in community  
Edith Sweetman, 87, who lived in the same house in Tottenville her entire life, died Sunday in Staten Island University Hospital, Ocean Breeze.  
As a child, the former Edith Bittorf and her sister, Doris, loved visiting her family's summer home in Mount Tremper, N.Y. and Esopus Creek upstate. She spoke of it often, and enjoyed returning to the area later in life.  
A 1938 graduate of Tottenville High School, Mrs. Sweetman worked for Home Insurance Co., Brooklyn, and later at National Lead's titanium division in Sayreville, N.J., and in Manhattan.  
While her children were in school, she was actively involved as president of the PS 1 PTA, and a board member of the Tottenville High School PTA. After her children were grown, she returned to work in 1969 at the Arthur Kill Rehabilitation Center, which later became the Arthur Kill Correctional Facility. She retired in 1983 as executive secretary to the superintendent.  
"She was an extremely honest and generous person," said her daughter, Jill Berger. "She lived her life as she was taught by her mother: To be kind to animals and those less fortunate than you."  
Mrs. Sweetman's children fondly recalled her adoption of stray cats and rescue of a baby bird that had fallen from its nest. She was a member of the Humane Society and the ASPCA, and enjoyed feeding the wildlife in and around her yard.  
Mrs. Sweetman spoke fondly of her friends and neighbors, as they did of her, and her friendly phone calls will be missed, her family said.  
Mrs. Sweetman particularly enjoyed spending time with her children; grandchildren Stephen and Kaitlyn Berger; nieces and nephews, and daughter- and son-in-law, Eva Sweetman and Stephen Berger.  
She was an original charter member of the former Tottenville Yacht Club, which was destroyed by fire in 1964. She also was a charter member of the South Shore Swim Club.  
Mrs. Sweetman was a member of the Tottenville AARP chapter, the Mount Loretto Friendship Club and worshiped at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Tottenville.  
Her husband of 49 years, Jack, died in 1997.  
In addition to her daughter, Jill, and her grandchildren, surviving are her two sons, Jack R. and Robert.  
Arrangements, including cremation, were handled by the Bedell-Pizzo Funeral Home, Tottenville
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Edith married **Jack Sweetman**, son of **Robert Sweetman** and **Eva**, on Sep 13, 1947.  
Jack was born on Dec 29, 1920 in , Richmond, New York, USA and died on May 11, 1997 in , Richmond, New York, USA. They had three children: **Jill**, **Jack Richard**, and **Robert**.

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- Residence: 1940.  
1940 - 317 Burkart Ave, Staten Island, Richmond, NY
  - Occupation: 1940.
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1940 - mail clerk, newspaper

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- Military Service: US Navy, 1942-1946.
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