



## Research May 2017 in Idar-Oberstein for Weiss 1890

What did we know?

Our client's grandfather Ernst Georg was born in Idar-Oberstein in 1871.

He as well as his forefathers was a goldsmith. In 1906 Ernst Georg and his wife Pauline emigrated to Australia.

Our clients were taking a river-cruise and while the cruise stopped in Ruedesheim, they wanted to do the tour to Idar-Oberstein area which is only a distance of 80 km.

What did we find?

We had a very efficient help from Mrs. Krieger from the local archive in Idar-Oberstein.

When we visited the archive Mrs. Krieger could provide a lot of information to complete the Weiss family tree.

All documents were originals and our clients could take some sealed copies back home.

What was surprising for them that the birth and wedding certificate of their ancestors in the early 19th were in French as Germany in these times were under the Napoleon government.

What else?

After visiting the archive I took our dear clients on a walk through the town Idar-Oberstein.

Unfortunately we could not trace the house back, but at least the street which had changed the name in the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Later we went to a historical mill where our clients were shown how in former times the workers would grind their precious stones: Laying flat on a chair, working under current water from the mill.

Here is our dear client's feedback to their ancestry-tour:

*"I can't thank you enough for all that you have done and given to me in finding out so much information for me. Thank you so much. I was wondering if the spelling of GOERG had been changed as a lot of people have told us GEORG, so that answered one of my questions.*

*Thank you also for the extra information that you have sent through.*

*We really enjoyed our time with you, and when leaving you, felt that we now have a special connection. Thank you once again. I would love to keep in touch with you and hope that you wouldn't mind an email occasionally. "*



