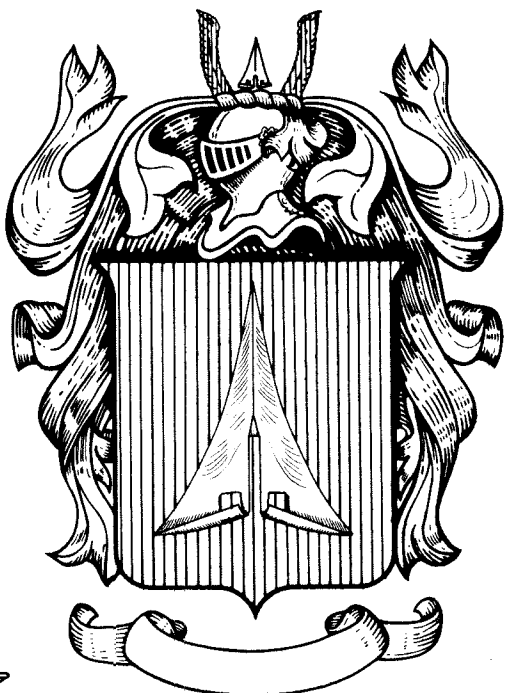


Coat of Arms

Historiography



Riehle

The Riehle Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Riehle Coat of Arms design can be found in Rietstap Armorial General. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"De gueules a un soc de charrue d'argent mis en pal la pointe en haut."

When translated the Arms description is:

"Red; a silver plow blade placed vertically, the point upwards."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

"Le soc de charrue entre deux proboscides de gueules."

A translation of the Crest description is:

"The plow blade between two red elephant trunks."

Family mottos are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times.

A Motto was not recorded with the Riehle Coat of Arms.

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name and personal characteristics. The surname Riehle appears to be locational in origin, and is believed to be associated with the Germans, meaning, "one who lived by a marsh." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations. The most prominent variations of Riehle are Riehl, Ruhle, Ruhl and Riedel.

Census records available disclose the fact there are approximately 350 heads of households in the United States with the old and distinguished Riehle name. The United States Census Bureau estimates there are approximately 3.2 persons per household in America today which yields an approximate total of 1120 people in the United States carrying the Riehle name. Although the figure seems relatively low, it does not signify the many important contributions that individuals bearing the Riehle name have made to history.

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