



9/28/1864 - 1/11/1896

Georg Ludwig Schieferstein, son of Georg & Elisabeth Schieferstein, is buried in St. John Cemetery in Adams Co., Indiana. His name does not appear on the church records because he was not in the good graces of the "church fathers" who believed he committed suicide. His name was purged from the church records. Ludwig was walking home from Williams along the railroad track on the night on Jan. 11, 1896 when he was struck by the train and killed. Due to church's belief that his death was a suicide, the family was not allowed to hold his funeral in the church. His service was held in the church Narthex and his body placed in an unmarked grave in the cemetery. His grave is marked only with a concrete slab engraved with the words "Rest in Peace" written in German. The grave is just outside the main part of the cemetery beneath a tree.

I have the newspapers articles concerning his death as well as the Coroner's Report. There is nothing in either the news articles or the Coroner's Report that would indicate that he committed suicide.

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