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Fond du Lac's West Scott Street Neighborhood and Connections

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- *ID:* I26770
- *Name:* Adolph G. (Antonius Gustavus) Bechaud
- *Sex:* M
- *Birth:* 30 MAY 1840 in Dirmstein, "Germany".
- *Note:* [Baptism record:] 30 May 1840, father Joannis Petri Bechaud, mother Josephinae Tillmann. [US Census 1880:] Age 40 (implies about 1840), born Germany, parents Germany. [Obit #2:] 31 May 1840; Dirmstein, Germany (in 2007, Dirmstein is a municipality in the district of Bad Dürkheim, in Rhineland-Palatinate, in western Germany). [familytreemaker.genealogy.com - E.M. Martin:] Adolph George [sic?], 31 May 1840.
- *Baptism:* 7 JUN 1840 Dirmstein, Pfalz, Bayern ("Germany")
- *Note:* [www.familysearch.org has IGI record:] Antonius Gustavus Bechaud [Latinized spelling of names], date, Katholisch; Dirmstein, Pfalz, Bayern.
- *Immigration:* 1853 Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
- *Note:* [Obit #5:] Says "when thirteen years of age came to the United States with his parents. The family settled in Fond du Lac county in 1853 and Mr. Bechaud had resided in this vicinity practically ever since."
- *Residence:* JUN 1880 Tn. Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
- *Note:* [US Census 1880:] Adolph Bechand [sic], with wife Elisabeth, daughters Louise, Josephine, son August, daughter Rosa, and 5 "other" people who are not related (a servant and 4 brewers).
- *Residence:* 5 MAR 1919 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
- *Note:* [Obit #2:] 457 W. Eleventh St.
- *Death:* 5 MAR 1919 in Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
- *Note:* [M. Petrie has Obit #1 in Fond du Lac (WI) Daily Commonwealth, Wed 5 Mar 1919 p1:] Capt. Adolph G. Bechaud (May 31, 1840 - Mar 5 1919) age 79, died "at his residence this morning". [M. Petrie has Obit #2 in Fond du Lac (WI) Daily Commonwealth, Wed 5 Mar 1919 p1 (same reference as obit #1; text for #1 is photo caption separate

from text of #2?):] Died 4:30 AM at family residence. Survived by wife; children ? Mrs. F.W. Orth, Mrs. H.T. Schmidt, August Bechaud, Mrs. John P. Kalt, Adolph Bechaud, Jr., Mrs W.W. Petrie; 6 grandchildren - Adolph V. Orth, Charlotte Venne, Robert Bechaud, Ross Petrie, Marcia Petrie, Audrey [sic] Bechaud; 2 brothers ? J.B. Bechaud of Fond du Lac, Armand Bechaud of Chehalis, WA. [familytreemaker.genealogy.com - E.M. Martin:] 9 [sic] Mar 1918.

- *Death:*

- *Note:* [M. Perie has Obit #5 in Fond du Lac (WI) Daily Reporter, Wed 5 Mar 1919 p1:] Survived by wife; 4 daughters - Mrs. F.W. Orth, Mrs. A.H.T. Schmidt, Mrs. P. Kalt, Mrs. W.W. Petrie, all of Fond du Lac; 2 sons - August Bechaud and Adolph Bechaud, Jr.; 6 grandchildren ? Adolph Orth, Charlotte Venne, Robert Bechaud, Ross Petrie, Marcia Petrie, Audre [sic] Bechaud; 2 brothers ? J.B. Bechaud of Fond du Lac, Armand [sic] Bechaud of Washington, D.C. [sic, should be State of Washington, USA]. [M. Petrie has Obit #6 in Oshkosh (WI) Northwestern, Thu 6 Mar 1919]

- *Burial:* 7 MAR 1919 Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA

- *Note:* [M. Petrie has Obit #3 in Fond du Lac (WI) Daily Commonwealth, Thu 6 Mar 1919 p5:] Funeral 2 PM "tomorrow" at the residence, Rev. Henry William Fischer of the First Presbyterian Church officiating; burial in Rienzi Cemetery. "Out of regard to the deceased the Commercial National Bank, of which Mr. Bechaud was vice president, will be closed at 1 p.m. tomorrow. The Citizens' State Bank will be closed for the day at 2 p.m. for the same reason."

- *Burial:*

- *Note:* [M. Petrie has Obit #4 in Fond du Lac (WI) Commonwealth, Fri 7 Mar 1919:] The floral offering was large and beautiful while the attendance of neighbors, friends and business associates bore testimony to the high esteem in which the deceased was held. Officers and employes of the Commercial National Bank and the Citizens State Bank attended in a body. Mayor J. F. Hohensee and members of the city council attended the funeral in a body while members of the Elks Lodge acted as bearers.

- *Burial:* Rienzi Cm., Tn. Empire, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA

- *Note:* [M. Petrie has Obit #7 in Fond du Lac (WI) Daily Reporter, Fri 7 Mar 1919:] Interment in the Bechaud family lot at Rienzi cemetery. Short services conducted at the grave by the Elk's Lodge. [FdLCS Rienzi Cm. inscriptions book 1976-1981:] Sec 11 - Chapel, South Wall, Row C; "Bechaud, Adolph G. 1840-1919".

- *Occupation:* [U.S. Census 1880:] Brewer. [Obit #2:] "Capitalist, Manufacturer".

- *Occupation:* [Obit #5:] One of the founders of the Bechaud Brewing company, vice-president and director of the Commercial National bank.

- *MEMB:* [Obit #1:] Edwin A. Brown Post No. 130 G.A.R. [Obit #5:] Fond du Lac lodge N. 57 B.P. O. E. (i.e., the Elks Club).

- *Cause:* [Obit #2:] "His illness has been of about four weeks' duration, though for some months past there has been a noticeable lack of that interest and activity which has always been characteristic of him."

- *Cause:* [Obit #5:] Died "after a long illness"; "after a lingering illness. Mr. Bechaud was taken seriously ill about four weeks ago and since then has been confined to his bed. His condition gradually grew worse until this morning, when the end came peacefully."
- *Note:*

[M. Petrie:] The children "Gustave Louis" and "Alfred" that shown for this man might be the same person.

[Obit #2:] After the Civil war, he "became associated with Paul Hauser who conducted one of the pioneer breweries of the county on the ledge east of the city. Here Mr. Bechaud learned the fundamentals of the business which was later to become his life work. In 1871 he joined his brothers in the organization of the Bechaud Brewing company, taking the office of president which he has continuously held. ... Mr. Bechaud was a man of keen business judgment, an indefatigable worker, one who stood unflinchingly by the accepted honorable principles of business dealing. His energy interest and desire that everything should be attended to in a business like way was characteristic of him. He was one of the moving spirits in the organization of the Commercial National bank, and his counsel was often sought and always relied upon in matters requiring decision that would be unerring. In business and social circles he will be missed by a wide circle of friends."

[Obit #5:] "After the war Captain Bechaud returned to Fond du Lac county and for sometime was employed at the Hauser Brewery at Taycheedah. When the Hauser Brewery burned, Mr. Bechaud came to this city and was one of the founders of the Bechaud Brewing company. The present brewery on West Eleventh was built in 1872 and has been in operation since that time under the direction of Captain Bechaud and his brothers. He served as president of the brewing company for many years."

- *Military:*

[Obit #2:] Volunteered 29 Oct 1861 and served in Civil War in Company B of 13th Illinois Cavalry; dischard 1864. At the age of 23 he was advanced from rank of sergeant to that of first lieutenant. He was commissioned as such January 6, 1863. On Oct. 19, 1863, he was advanced to the rank of captain taking command of Company B. [Obit #5:] He commanded the Thirteenth company and did scouting work under Generals Davis, Carr and Steele in the states of Missouri, Mississippi, Arkansas and Louisiana. Mustered out of service 31 Dec 1864. [Cm. inscription:] "Civil War Vet. Co B 13 Ill. Cav."

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HintsAncestry Hints for **Adolph G. (Antonius Gustavus) Bechaud**

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Father: [Jean Pierre \(Johannes Petri, John P.\) Bechaud](#) b: 15 OCT 1811

Mother: [Josephine M. Tillmann](#) b: 7 MAY 1816 in Bayern, "Germany"

Marriage 1 [Elisabeth \(Elizabeth\) Kraemer \(Kramer\)](#) b: 20 FEB 1851 in Tn. Calumet, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA

- *Married:* ABT 1870 in Tn. Taycheedah, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
- *Note:* [Husband's obit #2:] 6 Jun 1870, to Miss Elizabeth Kraemer. [Husband's obit #5:] 16 Jun 1870, "in Taycheedah", to Miss Elisabeth Kraemer. [M. Petrie has Sheboygan Co. (WI) marriage record, v5 p51-908:] 11 Aug 1871; Greenbush, WI; by Justice A.M. Barnum.

Children

1. † [Louise M. Bechaud](#) b: 3 DEC 1871 in Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
2. † [Josephine Marie Bechaud](#) b: 2 FEB 1874 in Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
3. † [August Rudolph Bechaud](#) b: 8 APR 1876 in Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
4. † [Rosa J. 'Rosie' Bechaud](#) b: ABT 1877 in WI, USA
5. † [Frank Bechaud](#) b: 2 JUN 1881 in Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
6. † [Alfred Bechaud](#) b: 7 OCT 1883 in Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
7. † [Gustave Louis Bechaud](#) b: 7 OCT 1883
8. † [Charlotte Bertha 'Lottie' Bechaud](#) b: 29 NOV 1886 in Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
9. † [Adolph Baptiste Bechaud](#) b: 11 MAY 1889 in Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA
10. † [Elizabeth 'Babe' Bechaud](#) b: 30 JUL 1891 in Fond du Lac Co., WI, USA

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