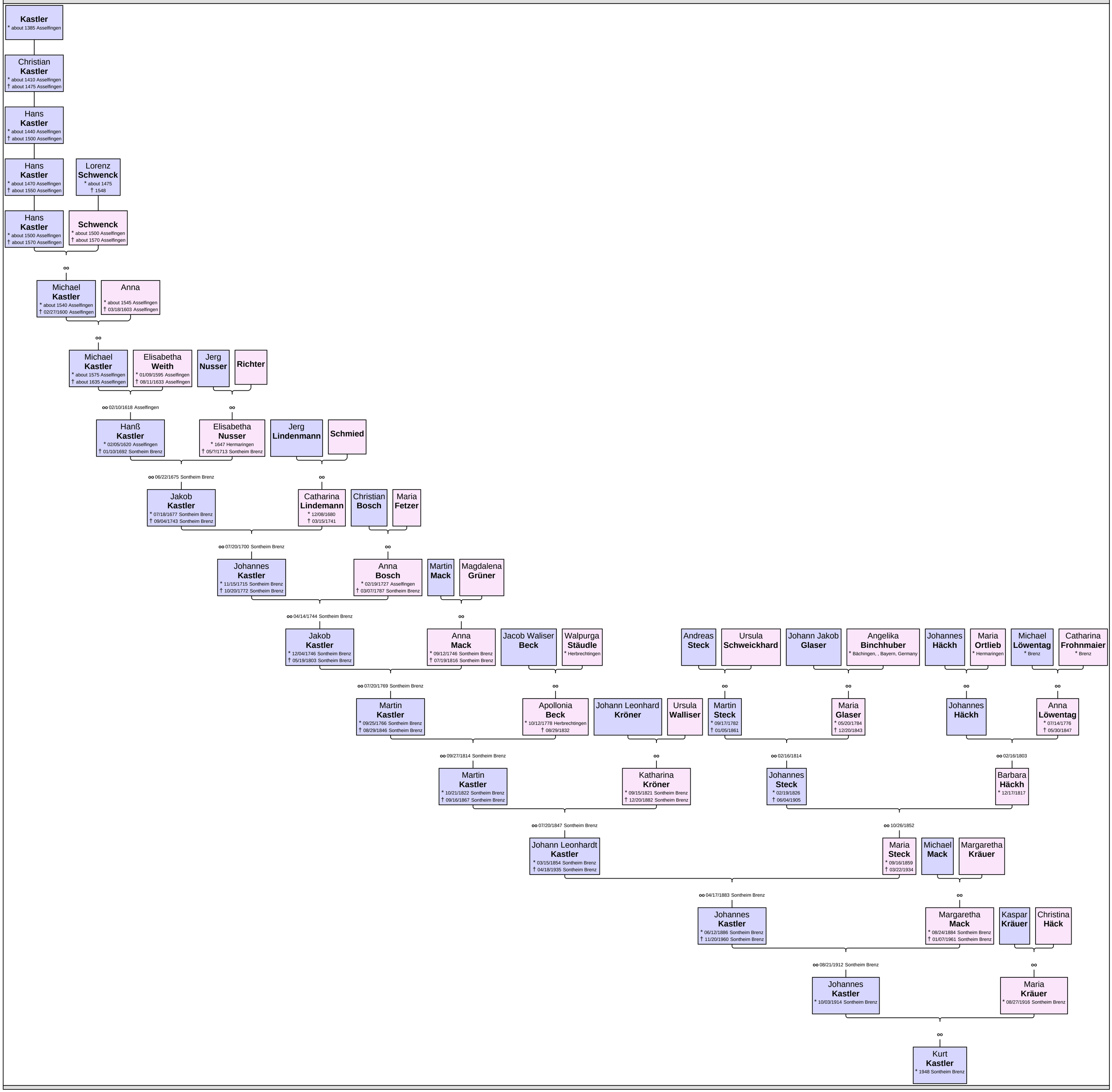Ancestors of Kurt Kastler