

Common symbols and abbreviations used in *Ortsippenbücher* and other German genealogical sources

- * Date of birth
- ≈ Baptism
- ∞ Marriage
- ∞ I First marriage. Other Roman numerals following the symbol (which are sometimes in parenthesis) indicate successive marriages: ∞ II, ∞ III, etc.
- o/o Divorced (*geschieden*)
- o–o Unmarried couple
- + Death date
- Date of burial
- # Date of burial
- *+ Died on day of birth
- +* Stillborn
- o Confirmation
- acath. Non–Catholic (*acatholicus*)
- erw. Mentioned (*erwähnt*)
- ev. / evg. / evang. Protestant
- gef. Fallen person (*Gefallen*), indicates someone killed in battle
- isr. Jewish (*Israelisch*)
- jüd. Jewish (*jüdisch*)
- ledig Single, unmarried
- luth Lutheran
- N.N. Name unknown (*nomen necio*)
- rk, kath. Roman Catholic
- so. Son (*Sohn*)
- s.v. / s.d. Son of (*Sohn von / des*)
- to. Daughter (*Tochter*)
- t.v. / t.d. Daughter of (*Tochter von / des*)
- Wwe. Widow
- Wwer. Widower