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Also Known As: "Roheut of France", "Rothaut",
"Rothilde De Bourges"

Birthdate: circa 871

Birthplace: Metz, Moselle, Alsace-Champagne-Ardenne-Lorraine, France

Death: March 22, 927 (52-60)
Chelles, Seine-et-Marne, Île-de-France, France

Immediate Family: Daughter of [Charles II "the Bald"](#),
[Western Emperor](#) and [Richilde of the Ardennes](#)
Wife of [Comte Rainaud](#)
Mother of [Hugues, count of Maine](#); [Herlouin II, count of Ponthieu](#) and [Judith du Maine](#)
Sister of [Drogo](#); [Pippin](#); [NN](#) and [Charles](#)
Half sister of [Renaud De Bar sur Seine](#); [Adela De Auxerre](#); [Rothilde De Bourges](#); [Judith, countess of Flanders](#); [Carloman Le Pieux](#) and [9 others](#)

Occupation: Countess of Bourges & of Maine,
Princess of France

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PLEASE NOTE: Rothilde (Roheut, etc) is NOT the same daughter as Rotrude. Many people are trying to merge the two. However, they had different lives and they had different mothers.

Charles the Bald, with wife Ermentrude:

Rotrud (852–912), a nun, Abbess of Saint-Radegunde Charles the Bald, with wife Richilde:

Rothild (871–929), married firstly with Hugues, Count of Bourges and secondly with Roger, Count of Maine -----

Stewart Baldwin of The Henry Project has this to say about Rothilde (aka Roheut, Reheut, Rotheut, etc.)

from <http://sbaldw.home.mindspring.com/hproject/prov/rothi000.htm>

Rothilde

Wife of Roger, count of Maine.

Abbess of Chelles

Rothilde appears in a document of king Charles the Simple dated 31 October 900, in which she is called the mother of count Hughes (evidently of of Maine), consanguineus of Charles ["... adeuntes nostrae dignitatis excellentiam dulcissima genitrix nostra Adeleidis et dilectus comes Hugo consanguineus ... in comitatu quoque Coenomannico Nunniagum villam, quam dedit Hugo comes et mater sua Rodhildis sancto Ebrulfo, in vicaria Gaviacense cum omnibus apendiciis." Werner (1958), 281-2, n. 128, citing Lauer, *Recueil des actes de Charles le Simple*, 75ff. (#35), which is not easily available to me; see also Werner (1967), 423]. In 922, the abbey of Chelles was taken from her and given to Hagano, favorite of her nephew Charles the Simple ["... Quo cum eisdem super Axonam in pagum Laudunensem profecto propter praedictum Haganonem, cui rex abbatiam Rothildis, amitae suae, socrus autem Hugonis, dederat, nomine Calam, Karolus cum Heriberto et Haganone clam Laudunum egressus, ob Haganonis amorem, hujus causa timoris trans Mosam profectus est." Flodoard, *Annales*, s.a. 922, 8 (see below)]. The standard outline of her family depends on the identification of the Rodhildis of 900, mother of a consanguineus of Charles the Simple, with the Rothildis of 922, amita of Charles. Although this identity is not directly documented, it is highly probable. See Werner's detailed discussion of Rothilde [Werner (1967), 422-8 (Excurs I)].

Date of birth: Unknown.

Place of birth: Unknown.

Date of death: Not long before 929.

Flodoard refers to her as recently deceased in the first entry of his annals for 929 ["Heribertus et Hugo comites contra Bosonem, Rodulfi regis fratrem, profiscuntur, propter quidam Rothildis alodes nuper defunctae, quos a Bosone pervasos repetebat Hugo, gener ipsius Rothildis." Flodoard, *Annales*, s.a. 929, 44]. Some sources [e.g., the original version of this page; Auguste Longnon, in the preface to *Obit. Sens*, 1 (pt. 1): xx-xxi; Werner (1967), 428] have erroneously assigned her a death date of 22 March based on several necrologies, but those entries refer to another Rothilde, daughter of Charlemagne, and not to the present Rothilde. [This error was pointed out by Peter Stewart.]

Place of death: Unknown.

Father: Charles the Bald, d. 877, king of the Western Franks, Emperor.

As indicated above, Rothilde is called an amita of Charles the Simple by Flodoard. Since the name Rothilde is known among the Carolingians, the usual interpretation of the word amita as "paternal aunt" is probably correct.

Mother: Richilde, living 910, daughter of count Bivin.

Her mother is not explicitly identified, but chronology would seem to make her more likely as a daughter of Richilde. [see Werner (1967), 422-8 (Excurs I)]

Spouse: Roger, d. before 31 October 900, count of Maine.

For the documentation of Rothilde's son Hugues as a son of count Roger of Maine, see the page of Hugues I.

Children:

MALE Hugues I, d. after 26 March 931, count of Maine.

[Latouche (1910), 16, n. 1; Werner (1967), 422-8 (Excurs I)]

FEMALE NN, m. Hugues le Grand, duke of France.

As indicated above, Flodoard refers to Rothilde as socrus of Hugues, and to Hugues as gener of Rothilde.

Commentary

Falsely attributed husband: Hugues, count of Bourges.

Conjectured daughter (unproven): Richilde, m. Thibaud, viscount of Tours (parents of Thibaud le Tricheur, count of Blois).

Based on the fact that Thibaud le Tricheur, count of Blois, had a mother named Richilde and a brother named Richard, Depoin assumed that Richilde was of the same family as Charles the Bald's second wife, the empress Richilde, who had a brother named Richard [Depoin (1908), 587-592]. He conjectured that the younger Richilde was a granddaughter of the empress Richilde, and that the intervening generation was the present Rothilde. At that time, Depoin was unaware that the Hugues of the 900 document was a count of Maine, son of Roger, and he conjectured that Hugues was son of another Hugues, count of Bourges. Although this conjectured husband of Rothilde can now be dismissed, it does not affect the onomastic argument which would make the younger Richilde a possible relative of the empress Richilde, so it remains possible (but still unproven) that the younger Richilde was a daughter of Roger and Rothilde. This connection has recently been accepted by Keats-Rohan [Keats-Rohan (1997), 194 (with a vague citation to Depoin); Keats-Rohan (2000), 65].

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871

⁸⁷¹ [Birth of Rothilde](#)
Metz, Moselle, Alsace-Champagne-Ardenne-Lorraine, France

890 ⁸⁹⁰ [Birth of Hugues, count of Maine](#)
Age 19 **Pays de la Loire, France**

897 ⁸⁹⁷ [Birth of Herlouin II, count of Ponthieu](#)
Age 26 **Abbeville, Somme, Picardy, France**

900 ⁹⁰⁰ [Birth of Judith du Maine](#)
Age 29

927 ^{March 22, 927} [Death of Rothilde](#)
Age 56 **Chelles, Seine-et-Marne, Île-de-France, France**

???? [Rothilde worked as Abbess](#)

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