FamilySearch Digital Library

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Class Preview

- Searches in the Digital Library
- Highlight ways books can contribute to your family tree
- Highlight technology that is part of the book experience
- When/how to use the FamilySearch Library Catalog to find digitized books
- Sneak peak of how AI is creating a new experience with family history books

What is the Digital Library?

The FamilySearch Digital Library comprises books owned and digitized by the FamilySearch Library, along with public domain books digitized by various libraries and genealogy societies across the United States and Canada. The project is now expanding to include international collections, with new materials being identified and scanned in countries such as Norway, the United Kingdom, Germany, and France. Currently, the collection boasts over 600,000 items in more than 100 languages. This unique collection not only provides essential names, dates, and places related to ancestors but also includes stories, pictures, and historical context.

Collection Content Overview

- Family Histories
- Local & County Histories
- Autobiographies & Biographies
- Family Bibles
- Genealogical Guides
- Genealogical periodicals
- Yearbooks

- Journals (>70 years)
- Maps & Gazetteers
- City Directories
- Indexes, Abstracts, and Transcriptions of Genealogical Records
- Society Newsletters

Helpful Links

[FamilySearch Digital Libraries (Books)](#)

[FamilySearch Library existing catalog on FamilySearch.org](#)

[FamilySearch Library home page](#)

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[Highlighted Contributors Collections to Search](#)

[FamilySearch Library Overview of the Digital Library](#)

[WorldCat](#)

[How to Have Your Books Digitized](#)

Other Digital Book Collections

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[Digital Public Library of America](#)