

# Genealogy Research Websites

## FamilySearch

[FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org) - click the question mark in the top horizontal menu of the page to get a list of help topics in the Learning Center. Also don't forget to check out the FamilySearch Community where you can get help with specific questions. There are groups you can join to help you with specific location questions/images.

Familysearch.org blog – Find FamilySearch News here first - Great instruction on the basics

<https://www.familysearch.org/blog/en/>

Familysearch.org Wiki – location and topic help

[https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main\\_Page](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page)

**The Family History Guide** – training on the 4 worldwide websites, FamilySearch, Ancestry, MyHeritage, FindMyPast. A treasure trove of learning and direct links for specific country research, also State websites and state records archives – vitals, land, tax links. Over 200 family activities to share with others of all ages.

<https://www.thefhguide.com/>

**BYU Family History Labs** – Fun family games like Relative Finder, Tree Sweeper, Geneopardy, Wheel of Fortune, etc.

<https://fhtl.byu.edu/#/>

**Cyndi's lists.org** - a genealogy index to internet

<http://www.cyndislist.com/>

**Usgenweb** – a free state by state index of records

<http://www.usgenweb.org/>

**Riverton Family History Center newsletters** – sign up for short tips

[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Riverton\\_FamilySearch\\_Library](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Riverton_FamilySearch_Library)

**BYU Ancestors Immigration Project** – immigrants not found anywhere else

<http://immigrants.byu.edu/search/simple>

### **Free Newspapers**

Chronicling America

<https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

Google Newspapers

<https://news.google.com/newspapers>

Digital Public Library of America – DPLA – great source to find newspaper articles and pictures

<https://dp.la/>

### **Google Books**

<https://books.google.com/> use 1750..1850 for example to find the dates (2 dots with no spaces) and

also put a “first and last name” in quotes and add a state to search. You

can also put a husband’s “first

name” AROUND(3)”last name” to search for names. This might give you the names of a husband and wife.

**Findagrave.com** – search by surnames for other family members in the cemetery or county etc.

<http://www.findagrave.com/>

**WorldCat.org** - world largest library card catalog to help you find copies of books and microfilms

<https://www.worldcat.org/>

**Library of Congress** - Loc.gov and loc.gov/coll/nucmc - National catalog of manuscript collections

<https://www.loc.gov/>

How to find photos on Loc.gov – this tutorial will point you in the right direction to find photos

<https://www.familytreemagazine.com/premium/library-of-congress-photo-search-tutorial/>

**Archives.gov** - National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) Washington DC and Philadelphia and other branches. Parts are online. Immigrant and military information.

<https://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy>

**Finding Archives near your research location -**

<https://researchworks.oclc.org/archivegrid/>

**Access Genealogy** – Native American, Southern States, Military

<https://www.accessgenealogy.com/>

**Finding Manuscripts near your research location -**

<https://www.loc.gov/coll/nucmc/>

**Finding diaries and letters from Women -**

<https://alexanderstreet.com/products/north-american-womens-letters-and-diaries>

**Dead Fred.com – lost photos** – add yours or search for your family

<http://www.deadfred.com/>

**Name Translations** – find the American version or the old country version of names

<http://www.behindthename.com/names/translate>

<http://surnames.behindthename.com/>

**Traditional Nicknames in Old Documents - Mary/Polly, Martha/Molly**

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/>

Traditional\_Nicknames\_in\_Old\_Documents\_-\_A\_Wiki\_List

**Stevemorse.org** – a website to help you search other websites like Castle Garden and Ellis Island in one step. Census Enumeration Districts, Port Records etc.

<http://www.stevemorse.org/>

**DavidRumsey.com** – maps

<http://www.davidrumsey.com/>

**Professional Society Website**

NGSgenealogy.org – professional society website - free resources

<https://www.ngsgenealogy.org/free-resources/>

**Bloggers of Note:**

Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

Genealogy's Star

Olive Tree Genealogy

the Legal Genealogist

<https://www.legalgenealogist.com/blog/>

Lisa Louise Cooke Gems

<https://lisalouisecooke.com/2017/08/ancestry-subscription-expire/>