

Genealogy and the Internet

Great sites to check for your family information

www.mytrees.com or www.kindredkonnections.com

Most of what you will find on these web sites is supplied by users to mytrees.com, as stated on the web site “The concept of DATABASES FREELY GIVEN will be FREELY SHARED”. There is a fee to access detailed data, but that fee maybe generated with sweat equity by submitting you own GEDCOM. If you pay the fee, the subscription prices are:

\$7 for ten days,\$15 for one month,\$35 for one quarter or \$100 for one year.

Cyndi’s List at www.cyndislist.com This is the largest most comprehensive list of links to genealogical related links in the world. The best part of this web site is FREE.

International Genealogical Index (IGI) at www.familysearch.org . This site was created by Church of Jesus Christ of Later-day Saints or LDS. This site is also FREE. If you need to see a microfilm or microfiche they may be ordered at the LDS church in Leesburg and viewed there.

Rootsweb at www.rootsweb.com. This is another large collection of free indexes. The information here has NOT been verified, however you can use it as a starting point for you own research and verification.

Ancestry.com at www.ancestry.com. This is a paid site. They are currently selling monthly memberships at 29.95 US only or 39.95 for the world. If you choose an annual world the fee is 347.40 a year. These prices have gone up, but is you use Family Tree Maker 2006 you almost need to pay these prices to get copies of the indexed data.

Heritage Quest at www.heritagequestonline.com. This site may only be accessed at your library. If you had a membership in a society that had access, that access is going away as soon as the subscription expires. From what I can tell as of this writing only Marion County Library and Sumter County has remote access. The Lake County Library has access, but you need to be there in person to view the data.

Here is a list of other Florida libraries that will allow access with a library card..

- Alachua County Library District <http://www.acld.lib.fl.us>
- Boca Raton Public Library <http://www.bocalibrary.org>
- Brevard County Library System <http://www.brev.org>
- Fort Walton Beach Library - site invites "all residents of Fort Walton Beach & Okaloosa County to join our city library."
<http://www.fwb.org/content.php?page=50>
- Hillsborough County Public Library Cooperative <http://www.hcplc.org>
- Indian River County Main Library <http://indian-river.lib.fl.us>
- Marion County Public Library
http://www.marioncountyfl.org/Library/LI_home.htm
- Martin County Library System <http://www.library.martin.fl.us>
- Miami/Dade Public Library <http://www.mdpls.org>
- Nassau County Public Library System - To obtain a library card without charge you must be a permanent resident of the state of Florida. Apply in person. <http://sirsi.nassau.lib.fl.us>
- Polk County Library Cooperative <http://www.pclc.lib.fl.us>
- St. Petersburg Public Library System <http://st-petersburg-library.org>
- Suwannee River Regional Library (Suwannee, Hamilton & Madison Counties) <http://www.neflin.org/srri/>
- Tampa Bay Library Consortium <http://www.tbtc.org/about/coop.shtml>
- Taylor County Public Library <http://www.tcfl-libinfo.com/library.htm>
- Winter Park Public Library <http://www.wpppl.org>

If you are researching in the UK www.freebmd.org.uk may be what you need if you are looking for births, marriages and deaths for England & Wales from 1837 to 1919. This site is a work in progress. The price is FREE.

Scotland has another good site. www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk This is a fee site on a pay per view. The charges vary and may be seen at <http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/content/help/index.aspx?r=554&409> These charges may be paid with a credit card. Caution though. When charging in a non dollar denominated currency, the credit card company may charge you a fee in addition.

For New England genealogy the New England Historic Genealogical Society at www.newenglandancestors.org may be the place to check out. To research all of their data bases has a cost of \$75.00 per year. However, some of their information is free such as the SSDI.

For many of us the newsletter that is produced by Richard Eastman is a way to keep up with what is happening in the field of genealogy. The plus addition is fee based and has some extra articles that may be of interest. I subscribe to the Plus Edition and pay through Pay-Pal at 19.95 per year..

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For those of us that are not able to go to the LDS in Salt Lake City there is an alternative in Indiana, It is the Allan County Library. You can see what is offered there at <http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/>. After getting to the home page click on Genealogy on the left hand side.