



## Researching Your Family History Online

Use these websites and digital collections to start your family history search. Visit <https://www.eapl.org/learn/genealogy> for links to the subscription resources listed below.

### Genealogy Databases

#### **Ancestry Library Edition**

(Library subscription - LS) Search census records, military records, public family trees and more.

#### **Fold3**

(LS) Specializes in military records; create memorials for service members with a free account.

#### **FamilySearch.org** - some records are available in the library only

(LS) Search 5.7 billion documents and 1.3 billion names with a free account.

#### **Heritage Quest**

(LS) Search census records, pension and bank records, family history books, and more.

#### **FindAGrave.com** - <https://www.findagrave.com/>

(Free resource – FR) Find information about cemeteries and the people buried there; create and edit memorials with a free account.

### Newspaper Archives

#### **Newspapers.com by Ancestry**

(LS) Historical newspapers from the 1700s onwards; includes U.S. and foreign newspapers.

#### **America's Newspapers**

(LS) Search local, state, and regional United States newspapers.

#### **Chronicling America** - <https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

(FR) Search digitized U.S. newspapers (1777-1963) and the U.S. Newspaper Directory (1690-present).

#### **Fulton History** - <https://www.fultonhistory.com/> and <https://fultonsearch.org/>

(FR) Search more than 47 million digitized newspaper pages on FultonSearch.org and postcards, yearbooks, videos, and more on FultonHistory.com.



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programs, and resources at  
[www.eapl.org](http://www.eapl.org).

**Google News Archive** - <https://news.google.com/newspapers>

(FR) Search newspapers from the 1700s onwards in 23 different languages.

**New York Times Research**

(LS) Full-text coverage from 1985 to the present.

**New York Times Online**

(LS) Create a free account to search the *Times* including the TimesMachine (1851-2002).

**Chicago Tribune Historical**

(LS) Search the *Tribune* from 1849 to 1945 including obituaries, political coverage, and more.

**Chicago Tribune**

(LS) Full-text coverage and images from 1985 to the present.

**Daily Herald**

(LS) Full-text coverage from 1997 to the present.

**Lake Zurich Courier**

(LS) Full-text coverage from 1995 to the present.

## Digital Collections

**Internet Archive** - <https://archive.org/>

(FR) Search millions of books, videos, audio, and more; download pre-1926 books.

**Hathi Trust Digital Library** - <https://www.hathitrust.org/>

(FR) Search 17 million books, periodicals, and more; download 39% of the collection items.

**Google Books** - <https://books.google.com/>

(FR) Search 40 million books and magazines; download books in the public domain.

**Digital Public Library of America** - <https://dp.la/guides/the-family-research-guide-to-dpla>

(FR) Search 44 million images, text, video, and audio from U.S. cultural institutions.

**Europeana** - <https://www.europeana.eu/en>

(FR) Search millions of books, music, artwork, and more from European cultural institutions.

**World Digital Library** - <https://www.wdl.org/en/>

(FR) Search more than 19,000 historically significant books, maps, manuscripts, and more.

**Sanborn Maps** - <https://www.loc.gov/collections/sanborn-maps/>

(FR) Detailed maps of U.S. towns and cities from the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

**Biblioboard Library of Illinois** - <https://illinois.biblioboard.com/>

(FR) Browse 150+ books from Arcadia Publishing and The History Press about Chicago and Illinois history, 30+ Illinois community history collections.