

**Cemeteries**

Find-a-grave: <https://findagrave.com/>

Billiongraves: Primarily tombstone pictures, some SSDI and military records. <https://billiongraves.com/>

USgenweb project, cemetery transcriptions and other resources (maintained by volunteers, varies by location): <http://www.usgenweb.org/>

Cyndi's List: cemeteries organized by state <http://www.cyndislist.com/cyndislistsearch/cemeteries>

Cemetery listings by state and county: <https://www.accessgenealogy.com/cemetery-records>

**Death Records, including SSDI and wills and probate**

Online death indexes, records, certificate indexes, death notices and registers, obituaries, wills and probate records, and cemetery burials. <http://www.deathindexes.com/>

Related familysearch wikis [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Social\\_Security\\_Death\\_Index\\_\(SSDI\)](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Social_Security_Death_Index_(SSDI))  
[https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Online\\_U.S.\\_Death\\_Indexes\\_%26\\_Records](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Online_U.S._Death_Indexes_%26_Records)

Vital records, probate records (by state): <http://www.learnwebskills.com/patriot/vitalrecords1.htm>

Many probate records can be found through the familysearch.org catalog (browsable, but not searchable); access by searching by county locations (except for some New England states which kept records at the town level): <https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog>

Cyndi's List death records, obituaries, and wills and probate records:

<https://www.cyndislist.com/death/>; <https://www.cyndislist.com/obituaries/>;  
<https://www.cyndislist.com/wills/>

Reclaim the Records, non-profit group securing records through FOI Act, digitizing, and making available for free <https://www.reclaimtherecords.org/record-type/death-records/>

SSDI free access: <http://www.ssd-search.com/> (through 28 Feb 2014)

**Obituaries/Newspapers**

Recent newspaper obituaries (2000 forward), a cooperative effort of major newspapers and funeral homes: <http://www.legacy.com/>

Funeral homes and local newspapers are good sources for recent obituaries; use google to search with name and place name.

Local, county or university libraries may have newspapers on microfilm and/or obituary/cemetery indices and/or may offer online images or obituary copies (free or fee). Worldwide library database for contact information: <https://librarytechnology.org/libraries/>

Obituaries by state: [http://www.theancestorhunt.com/obituaries.html#.W5-tz\\_knb4c](http://www.theancestorhunt.com/obituaries.html#.W5-tz_knb4c)

Newspapers online: [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United\\_States\\_Newspapers](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United_States_Newspapers)

Many states have historic newspaper sites (search with google), e.g., Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Missouri New York, Wyoming,

**Census Mortality Schedules (ancestry \$ and family search)**

US federal census, 1850-1885 <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/usmortality/>

US federal census Index (only), 1850-1880 (no images. Includes some states not included in above collection.) <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/mortalitycen/>

1850 US census mortality schedule <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/1420441>

Some states US federal mortality schedules indexed separately:

Illinois, 1850-1880: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2334599>

Iowa, 1850-1880: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2659389>

Massachusetts, 1870 and 1880: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2311325> (1870)  
<https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2315101> (1880)

Michigan, 1850-1880: <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/2632078>

New York, 1850-1880 <https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/nymortality/>

### **Miscellaneous**

US deaths and burials (familysearch historical records): [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United States Deaths and Burials \(FamilySearch Historical Records\)](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United_States_Deaths_and_Burials_(FamilySearch_Historical_Records))

Church records: [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United States Church Records](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United_States_Church_Records)

Family bibles: [https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United States Bible Records](https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/United_States_Bible_Records)

Family bibles online: <https://www.biblerecords.com/>

Finding ancestors in family bibles: <http://www.barbsnow.net/Bible.htm>

Some state archives have bibles online (search with google)

Family history in cemeteries: <https://www.thoughtco.com/tiptoeing-through-the-graveyard-1421758>

International Classification of Diseases: <http://www.wolfbane.com/icd/>

### **Military/veterans burial records**

American Battle Monuments Commission burial database: <https://www.abmc.gov/database-search>

NSSAR Patriot and grave index: <https://memberinfo.sar.org/patriotsearch/search.aspx>

Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System: <https://www.nps.gov/civilwar/soldiers-and-sailors-database.htm>

US Dept of Veterans' Affairs grave locator (since Civil War): <https://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/>

### **City Directories**

Heritagequest has an extensive collection of city directories; access online through your library website with library card number

Digital Public Library of America contains many free city directories: <https://dp.la/>

Internet Archive has some city directories, locate by town and year: <https://archive.org/> Site also has out-of-copyright county, regional and family history/biographical books

Online historical directories website: links to city directories by country, state and sometimes county.

Not all links are free. <https://sites.google.com/site/onlinehistorysite/>

Library of Congress: direct link to city directories search, but more specific searches easy to enter.

Filtering options on left. <https://www.loc.gov/search/?in=&q=city+directory&new=true>

Many historical and genealogical societies and libraries offer city, town or county directories in-house or on website; if not, they can often tell you where to find them.

Ancestry: \$, not free. Collection also viewable for free on HeritageQuest to which your library may offer online access for library card holders. <https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2469>

**Facebook:** <https://moonswings.files.wordpress.com/2020/05/genealogy-on-facebook-may-2020.pdf>

419-page file with 16,000+ links (updated May 2020) to English-speaking Facebook groups/pages related to genealogy and history, as well as links to Canadian and Australian genealogy FB groups.

### **Erie County, PA, Groups to Consider Joining**

Computer Users of Erie (CUE): <http://www.cuerie.com/>, Genealogy SIG meets first Tuesday of month

Erie Society for Genealogical Research (ESGR): <https://genealogyerie.org/> meets second Tuesday of the month