



Introduction to Genealogy at the National Archives

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Claire Kluskens will discuss basic genealogical research techniques using Federal records at the National Archives, including census, immigration, and military service and pension records.



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Getting Started on Your Research

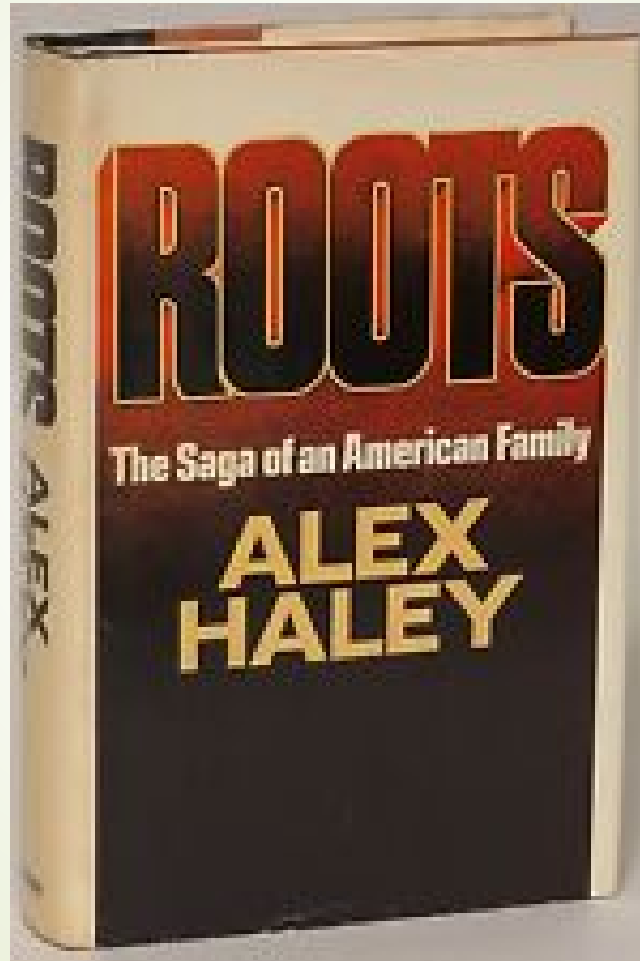
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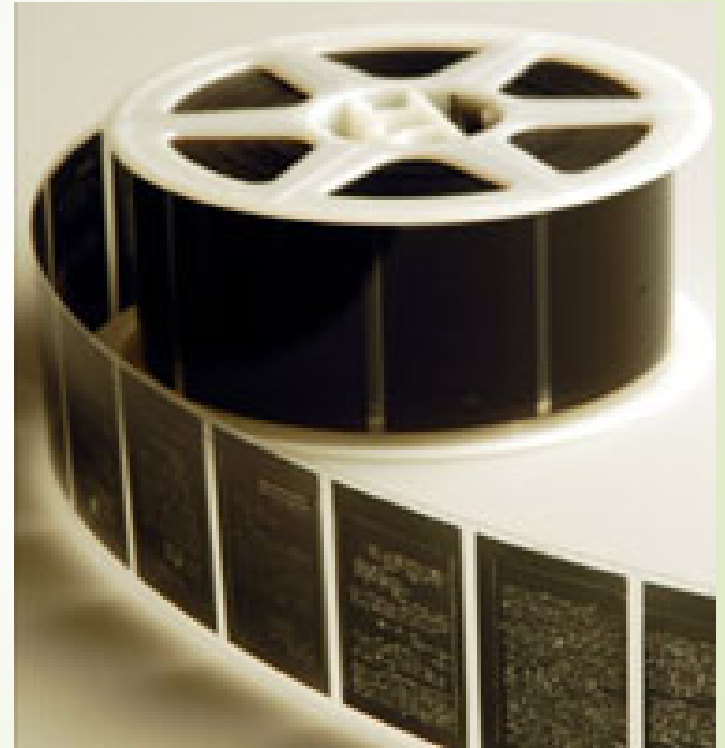
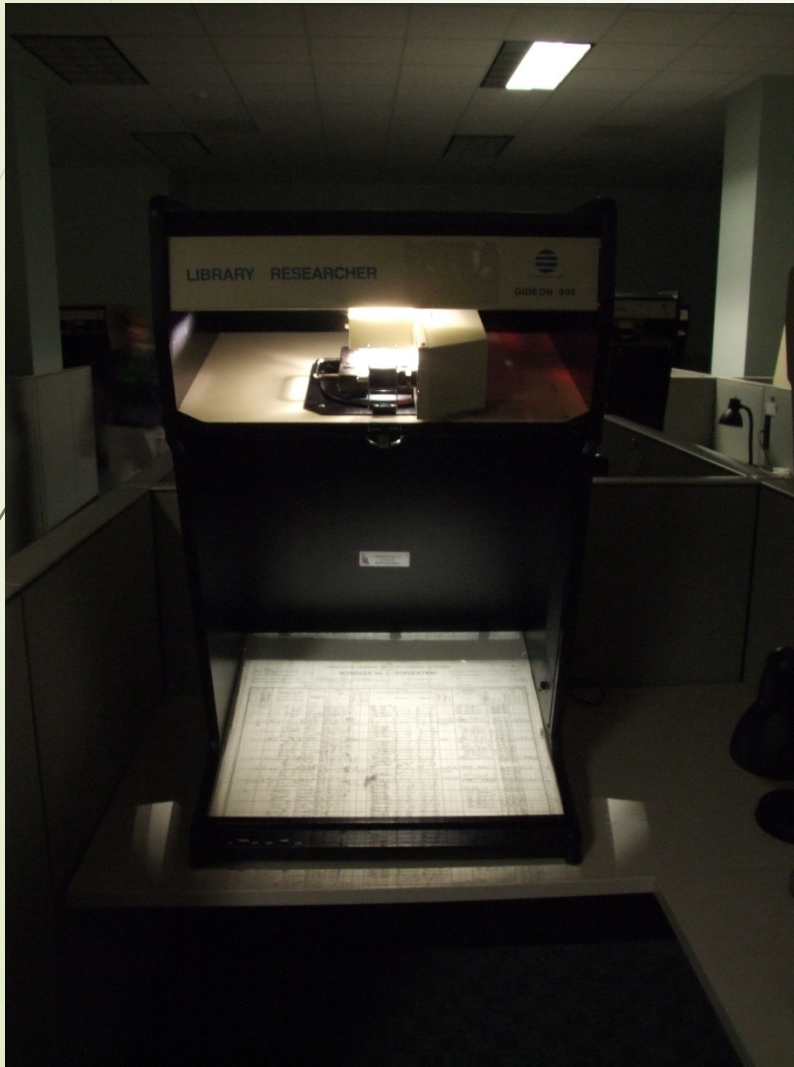
A Look Back to the 1970s



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A Look Back to the 1970s



A Look Back to 1990–2000



Email address!

World Wide Web!




Today.... Plethora of websites

- 
- Ancestry.com
 - FamilySearch.org
 - Fold3.com
 - GenealogyBank.com
 - HeritageQuest.com
 - Newspapers.com
 - PUBLIC LIBRARY WEBSITES
 - STATE ARCHIVES WEBSITES
 - NATIONAL ARCHIVES WEBSITES



Successful Research Requires

- Careful logical reasoning and analysis
- Understanding
 - the records
 - the purpose of the records
 - the context in which the records were created
- “A reasonably exhaustive search for all relevant records”



And yet....

- Billions of records that are NOT online
 - Federal Government
 - State Government
 - Local Government
 - Private Organizations
- The KEY to solving brick wall problems may be in records that are not online



Suggestions for Success

- ▶ Think outside the box

- ▶ Beyond Census and Vital Records
- ▶ Beyond "Online"

- ▶ Cite Your Sources Fully

- ▶ "1900 census" is not useful
- ▶ "John A. Adams household, Harrison Twp., Knox Co., Indiana, E.D. 1, Sheet 1A, Family 1, 1900 Census" tells you exactly where the information came from



Suggestions for Success

- ▶ **Research Collateral Lines**
 - ▶ Records about other family members may have the information you need
 - ▶ Help you work around brick walls



Suggestions for Success

- ▶ Never Ignore Friends, Neighbors, and Associations (FANs)
 - ▶ People migrated *with* their FANs to new locations
 - ▶ People migrated to new locations *because* FANs were already there
 - ▶ FANs may be relatives

Suggestions for Success

- ▶ Do a literature search
 - ▶ Genealogical Publications
 - ▶ National Societies
 - ▶ State Genealogical Societies
 - ▶ Local Genealogical Societies

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Suggestions for Success

- Do a literature search
 - State Historical Society Publications
 - Specialized historical publications
 - InternetArchive.com
 - Hathitrust.com
 - Google Books



TIMELINE



December 1905 - January 1906 A Publication of the Ohio Historical Society Four Dollars

Suggestions for Success

- Understand the Geography
 - Lots of maps online at various websites
 - Catalog.archives.gov
 - 1940 and 1950 Census Enumeration District Maps
 - Other Maps





Suggestions for Success

► Keep a Research Log

- (1) What you looked at and found something in
- (2) What you looked at and didn't find something in
- **Why?**
 - Don't repeat yourself
 - Negative evidence is as useful (although more frustrating) as positive evidence
 - Keep yourself focused



Suggestions for Success

► Keep a Research Log

► Success

- Found 1848 declaration of intent for Mark Spinbottle in Barnacle Co., Massachusetts, Naturalization Records, Vol. 1, p. 20
- Found Mark Spinbottle family in 1850 census, Lobster Point, Barnacle Co., Massachusetts, p. 5

► Failures

- Did not find Mark Spinbottle in passenger lists of vessels arriving at Boston, 1820-1891 on __ (website)
- Did not find Mark Spinbottle in 1860 census in Barnacle Co., Massachusetts, on __ (website)

Suggestions for Success

► Make a Timeline – here's a basic one

- 1838 – born
- 1840 – father enumerated in census at ____ (location)
- 1850 – enumerated in father's family in census at ____
- 1859 – married [name]; marriage record in ____ County
- 1860 – enumerated as head of household in census at ____
- 1863 – enlisted in Civil War in 1st Ohio Infantry
- 1865 – discharged from service
- 1870 – enumerated in census at ____
- 1880 – enumerated in census at ____
- 1881 – wife dies, buried at ____
- 1900 – enumerated in census at ____
- 1907 – died; death record in ____ County



Suggestions for Success

ONLINE

- Use Google and other online search engines at least annually
- Use the National Archives Catalog at catalog.archives.gov at least annually – more than 40 million catalog entries and growing



Suggestions for Success

OFFLINE

- Step away from the computer
- Go to your public library – use its resources
- Go to research facilities with actual records and microfilm copies of records
- Go to the places your ancestors lived
 - Go to the local libraries
 - Go to the local genealogical and historical societies
 - See where they lived; where they are buried

Read and Learn More History

- Geography – boundary and name changes
- Economics
- Politics
- Social factors
- Religion
- Weather
- and other forces shaped our ancestors lives.



Tornado, Scottsbluff, Nebraska, 1955. NAID 283875



Begin with Yourself

- **First, Get Organized, Get Your Tools**
 - Box or Binder
 - Full-sized paper or notebooks
 - Pencils, pens, pencil sharpener, stapler.
 - Four- or five-generation ancestor chart
 - Family group sheets
 - Genealogy computer program? or word processing program

Begin with Yourself

Fill out your
ancestor
chart



Ancestral Chart

Chart No. _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Cont. On Chart _____

Born
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Married
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Died
Place

Name of Spouse _____

Begin with Yourself

- ➔ Fill out a family group sheet for each ancestor and each ancestor's siblings.



Family Group Sheet

Husband			Occupation(s)	
	Date	Place	Immigration	
Born			Naturalization	
Christened			Military Service	
Died			Cause of Death	
Buried			Date of Will	
Married				
Father			Other Marriages	
Mother				

Wife (maiden name)			Occupation(s)	
	Date	Place	Immigration	
Born			Naturalization	
Christened			Military Service	
Died			Cause of Death	
Buried			Date of Will	
Father			Other Marriages	
Mother				

Other Information/Records (ie. Census, Passports, etc...)	



Begin with Yourself

Organize any "old family papers" you may have:

Certificates of birth, marriage, death.

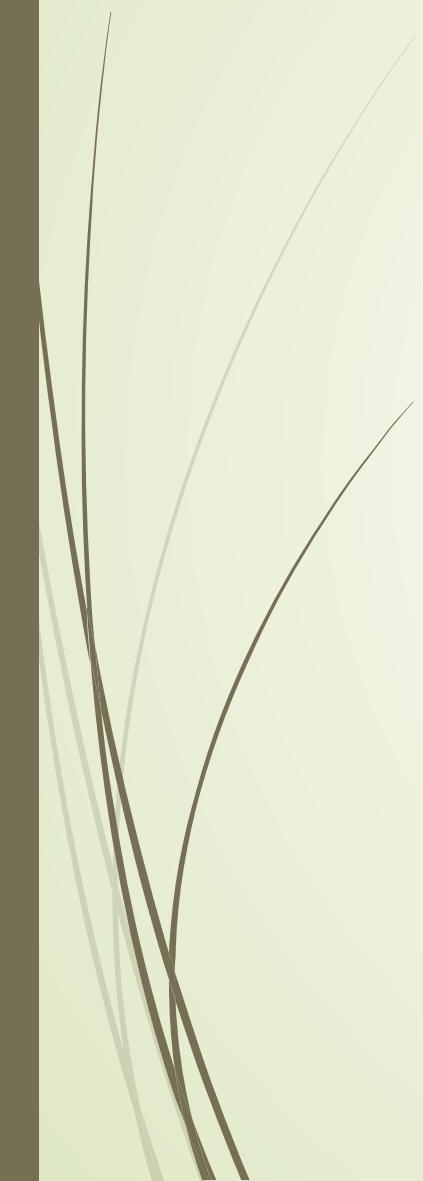
Newspaper death notices.

Military papers, Social Security Cards,

Photographs, everything....



Interview Your Relatives

- Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins....
 - They may know names, dates, places, family stories.
 - They may have “old family records” pertinent to your ancestors.
 - Stories, family traditions, “life in the olden days”
- 



Starting points

➤ **Collect basic facts**

- Names of ancestors, their siblings, other relatives
- Dates of birth, marriage, death, divorce
- Places of birth, marriage, death, divorce
- Occupation
- Military service
- Other biographical details



Linking it all Together

Name plus some additional fact that links him or her to a specific geographic location or event on a specific date.

AND the source of that information.

Name by itself is not enough.



Why Knowing the Source is Important...

Fred T. Brown

Death certificate Died 1921

Gravestone Died 1922



Why Knowing the Source is Important...

Sarah M. Presley Hayford

Death record..... Died 2 Apr. 1902

Newspaper..... Died 3 Apr. 1902



Join Genealogical Societies

- National Genealogical Society
- Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society
- State genealogical societies: the state in which you live, and the states in which your ancestors lived
- County genealogical societies: county in which you live and counties in which your ancestors lived
- Historical societies



Why Join Genealogical Societies?

- **Publications**

- Articles useful to you


- Vehicle for *you* to publish in

- **Information about the area**

- History, records, research facilities, more

- **Networking**

- **Education - conferences, classes, etc.**



Publish or Your Research Perishes!

➤ Publications by
Genealogical
Societies:

County

State

National

➤ Self-publish.

Write up your family
story – do it well.

Make sure copies of
your “book” are with
other family members,
libraries where your
family lived, libraries
with “national”
collections



Learn How to Do Genealogy Right

- Borrow books from your public library on how to do genealogy, relevant aspects of history, and so forth
- Take genealogy classes
- Follow the research standards recommended by the National Genealogical Society



Do Research in Real Records

- Federal
- State
- County
- Libraries: books, microfilmed records, more!
- Other: cemeteries, churches, funeral homes, private organizations



Federal Records (NARA)

- Census: 1790–1940
- Military Service Records, Pension Records, Unit Records, World War I and II Draft Registration Cards
- Immigration Records: 1820–1950s, entry at sea or land border ports of arrival
- Naturalization Records
- Many other possibilities



Doing Research in Archival Records: The “misspelled name”

- The name may not be spelled as you expect to find it.
 - The “ear” test:
 - What did the census taker (or other record keeper think was said?
 - Probably didn’t ask how it was spelled.



The misspelled name

- Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his daughter's household in 1910, was enumerated in the census as....



The misspelled name

Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his
daughter's household in 1910, was enumerated as....

Martin Rechtel



The misspelled name

Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his
daughter's household in 1910, was enumerated as... Martin
Rechtel

...or was he?

A case for studying the record thoroughly to make your own
independent judgment

The misspelled name

Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his daughter's household in 1910,
was enumerated as....

Indexed as

Martin Rechtel
Martine Rechter
Martin Richtel
Martin Richtel

Census Bureau's soundex
Ancestry.com
HeritageQuest.com
FamilySearch.org

The misspelled name

Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his daughter's household in 1910, was enumerated as....



Unenhanced online image

The misspelled name

Martin Prechtel, age 85, living in his daughter's household in 1910, was enumerated as....



Gamma correction – to dark



The misspelled name

PRECHTEL ... as

Brechtel, Bregkel, Brickel,

Prichtel, Prechtel....



The misspelled name

Westurn Western, Weston

Hayford Hefford, Hafford, Heyford

Siml Symel, Chimel




The misspelled name

1810 census, Rutland Co., Vermont

William McCullar as


William McAlley

*Took me 30 years to find him ... using
evidence from other records.*



Census, 1790–1940

- ▶ Start with 1940 and work backwards
- ▶ Find everyone in the entire extended family in every census
 - ▶ To get a complete picture of the family
 - ▶ Work yourself around brick walls
- ▶ Indexes (computer or in book form) have mistakes.




Census, 1790–1930

- ▶ What do you do when you “can’t” find the person using an index?
 - ▶ Try spelling the name a different way
 - ▶ Use “brute force” -- If you know where the person lived, read the microfilm for that town/township/village/district, etc., page by page, line by line.




Census, 1790–1930

- Census is arranged geographically
 - By state
 - Then by county
 - Then by local jurisdiction




Census, 1790–1940

- 1870–1940: Every person listed by name
 - Name
 - Age & gender
 - Race
 - Marital Status
 - Occupation
 - Birthplace
 - 1880-1930: birthplace of parents
 - & more




Census, 1790–1940

- 1850–1860: Every free person listed by name
 - Name
 - Age & gender
 - Race
 - Marital status
 - Occupation
 - Birthplace



Census, 1790–1940

- ▶ 1850–1860 Slave Schedules
 - ▶ Name of slave owner
 - ▶ List of slaves by age and gender: few names



Census, 1790–1940

- ▶ 1790–1840: Name of head of household
 - ▶ All household members listed by gender and age categories: no names
 - ▶ Slave would be part of master's household

Sample Census Search for an African-American Family in Autauga Co., Alabama





Sample Search: "Jese" Washington Family - 1930

- 1930: Live in Washington, Autauga County, Alabama. T626, Roll 1, E.D. 1-3. (Indexed on "Ancestry.com" as Jess).
- Jese, 63
- Ella, 58
- Harry, 17
- Dotty, 16
- Betty, 15
- Arch, 14
- Quince, 13
- plus Albert Walter, grandson, 14

1930 Census Image

T626, Roll 1

State Alabama

County Antauga

Township or other division of county Hatchers Creek - 2

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930

POPULATION SCHEDULE

Enumeration District No. 1-3

Supervisor's District No. 7

Enumerated by me on April 19, 1930 Leonard Hadenworth

Incorporated place _____ Ward of city _____ Block No. _____

Unincorporated place _____ Institution _____

PLACE OF ANCE				NAME	RELATION	HOME DATA				PERSONAL DESCRIPTION				EDUCATION	PLACE OF BIRTH			MOTHER TONGUE (OR NATIVE LANGUAGE) OF FOREIGN BORN			CITIZENSHIP, ETC.				OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY				EMPLOYMENT		VETERANS		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32		
of each person whose place of abode on April 1, 1930, was in this family				Relationship of this person to the head of the family	Married within year	Born in this country	Color or race	Age at last birthday	Sex	Marital condition	Acad. Ave.	Attended school within year	Literate	Place of birth of each person enumerated and of his or her parents. If born in the United States, give State or Territory. If of foreign birth, give country in which birthplace is now situated. (See Instructions.) Distinguish Canada-French from Canada-English, and Irish Free State from Northern Ireland	PERSON	FATHER	MOTHER	Language spoken in home before coming to the United States	In U.S.	Country	Naturalized	Citizen	Occupation	Industry	Code	Whether actually at work on April 1, 1930, or in the last year or working 60 days	Whether a veteran of U.S. military or naval service	Date of discharge	Grade or rank				
1	2	3	4																														
				Washington Ora	son					20	M	19	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
235244				Washington Joe	Head R					40	M	20	60	17	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama															
				Ellen	Wife					37	F	18	50	19	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama															
				Nancy	son					21	M	12	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Dolly	daughter					14	F	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Betty	daughter					7	F	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Orin	son					11	M	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Quincy	daughter					7	F	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Walter Albert	son					11	M	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
224243				Washington William	Head R					30	M	20	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
235244				Davis Myra L.	Head W					30	F	20	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				Brad	son					10	M	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																
				R. L.	son					10	M	10	5	70	Alabama	Alabama	Alabama																

Sample Search: Joe Washington Family –1920

1920: Washington, Autauga County, Alabama. T625, Roll 1, E.D. 3:

- Joe, 45
- Ella, 40
- Ida, 24
- Anna, 16
- Eddie, 15
- Foster, 14
- Lula, 12
- William, 10
- *Harry, 9*
- *Dollie, 8*
- *Bomista* [?], 6
- *Archie, 5*
- *Quincy, 3*
- *Albert, 4, "step son"*

➤ Notice: Parents are 45 & 40 instead of expected 53 & 48

1920 Census Image

[illegible]

Sample Search: Joe Washington Family –1910

Washington, Autauga County, Alabama. T624, Roll 1, E.D. 3:

- Joe, 36
- Ella, 35
- *Ida L.*, 13
- Clarence, 12
- *Anna*, 9
- *Eddie*, 7
- *Foster*, 5
- *Lula*, 3
- *William*, 2
- *Harrie*, 9/12

Note: Parents are 36 & 35 instead of the "expected" 35 & 30

[illegible]



Sample Search: Joe Washington Family – 1900

Washington, Autauga County, Alabama. T623, Roll 1, E.D. 3:

- Joe, Sept. 1869 (30)
- Ella, Jan. 1878 (22)
- *Clarence, July 1898 (2)*
- *Idalee, July 1897 (3)*
- George, Sept. 1899 (8/12)

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State Wa
County Andamga

SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.

Supervisor's District No. 2 Sheet No. 15
Enumeration District No. 6

Township or other division of county Greene & Washington

Name of Institution.

Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division

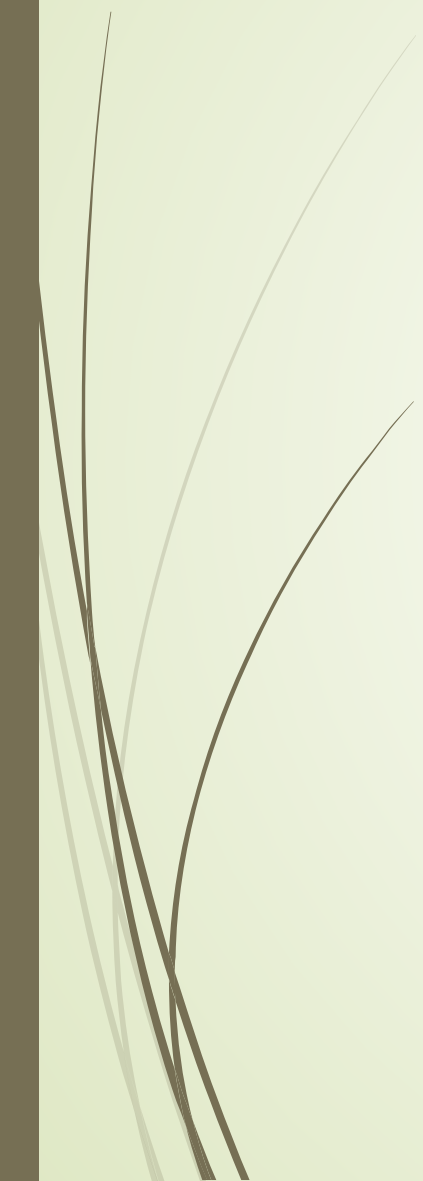
Ward of city.

Enumerated by me on the 15th day of June, 1900, Jas Virgil Smith, Enumerator.

[illegible]




Sample Search: Joe Washington Family –1890

- Sorry. Almost no census. Most destroyed due to 1921 fire in Commerce Department Building.
 - Very little remains.
- 



Sample Search: Joe Washington Family – 1880

- ▶ With the information I had, I tried online indexes, but did not find him. He must be on the census somewhere. Strategies:
 - ▶ Use the Alabama soundex (microfilm index)
 - ▶ Search Autauga County line by line.
 - ▶ May be in a different county.
 - ▶ Have to use other records to find parents & origins, or siblings....



Sample Search: Joe Washington – now back to 1880

➤ Issues:

- He should be a son in someone's household.
- Age range is variable based on later censuses:
- 1880: Age ? – somewhere between 5 and 13
- 1900: Age 30 (Sept. 1869)
- 1910: Age 36 (1874)
- 1920: Age 45 (1875)
- 1930: Age 63 (1867)



Joe Washington's wife

- ▶ Autauga County Marriage Records
- ▶ Vol. 9, Page 408
- ▶ Joe Washington to Ella Livingston (1895)
- ▶ Be sure to get copy of original record; may have more information than what is online.

Joe Washington's wife

Autauga County, Alabama Index To Marriage Records

Compiled By: Larry W. Nobles

Additional information may be acquired from:

Autauga Genealogical Society
Post Office Box 668
Prattville, Alabama 36067-0668

Autauga County Heritage Association
Post Office Box 178
Prattville, Alabama 36067-0178

Search Results:

Entries matching "washington"

If no names are listed below here, then none were found.

NAME	SPOUSE	DATE	BK	PAGE
WASHINGTON, ARON	TATUM, SALLIE	15 DEC 1875	7	71
WASHINGTON, CALLIE	CREWS, WILLIE	29 DEC 1892	9	240
WASHINGTON, CUBIT	WRIGHT, HATTIE	29 JAN 1891	9	130
WASHINGTON, DUMAS	GOLDEN, ELLA	28 FEB 1878	7	216
WASHINGTON, ELIZA	OBANNON, CARSON	21 OCT 1874	7	7
WASHINGTON, ERIUS	HUNTER, ARINA	24 JUL 1879	7	292
WASHINGTON, GABRIEL	BROWN, CAROLINE	12 FEB 1880	7	339
WASHINGTON, GEO.	DUBOSE, HATTIE	3 MAY 1890	9	84
WASHINGTON, GEORGE	PORTER, COMFORT	27 JUN 1872	6	481
WASHINGTON, JACOB	DRAKE, MARY ANN	23 OCT 1880	7	368
WASHINGTON, JACOB	DRAKE, MARY ANN	23 OCT 1880	7	368
WASHINGTON, JAMES	FRAZER, ALABAMA	16 JUL 1896	10	73
WASHINGTON, JOE	LIVINGSTON, ELLA	14 FEB 1895	9	408
WASHINGTON, JOSEPH	DEJARNETTE, MATILDA	13 DEC 1868	11	10
WASHINGTON, LONALLA	GOLSMITH, CHARLIE	10 JUN 1895	9	417
WASHINGTON, LUENAN	QUALES, JOHN	23 MAR 1871	6	483
WASHINGTON, MARIAH	GROVES, EUGENE	29 JUL 1897	10	182
WASHINGTON, SELLA	TAYLOR, TONY	19 MAY 1883	8	56
WASHINGTON, WILLIE	JOHNSON, ADA	28 JAN 1891	9	129

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Search Results:

Entries matching "livingston"

If no names are listed below here, then none were found.

NAME	SPOUSE	DATE	BK	PAGE
LIVINGSTON, ABRAHAM	PYRON, MARTHA J.	12 MAY 1845	1	306
LIVINGSTON, AMANDA	HALL, BOLLING	7 JAN 1897	10	148
LIVINGSTON, AMY	DANIEL, JOSEPH	22 OCT 1891	9	162
LIVINGSTON, ARTHUR	DAVIS, HATTIE	12 DEC 1896	10	132
LIVINGSTON, CLARA	EDWARDS, SAM'L	26 DEC 1890	9	119
LIVINGSTON, CORA	MONTGOMERY, MASON	8 MAR 1894	9	331
LIVINGSTON, ELI	STREATY, MOLISSY	22 JUN 1872	6	493
LIVINGSTON, ELIZABETH	BURT, ROBERT	22 JAN 1885	8	151
LIVINGSTON, ELIZABETH A.	HADNOT, WILLIAM W.	7 OCT 1837	1	201
LIVINGSTON, ELLA	WASHINGTON, JOE	14 FEB 1895	9	408
LIVINGSTON, IDA	CLEMENTS, JOHN	25 OCT 1897	10	202
LIVINGSTON, JOHN	RYLAND, SUSAN	20 APR 1837	1	169
LIVINGSTON, MARY K.	BOOTH, CHARLES M.	25 JAN 1859	4	309
LIVINGSTON, MELISSA	MYEARS, ISHAM	22 NOV 1885	8	183
LIVINGSTON, RICHARD	COOK, AMANDA (MRS)	16 DEC 1882	8	19
LIVINGSTON, WILLIAM	DERAMUS, ANN	19 MAR 1833	3	380
LIVINGSTON, WILLIAM	SHANNON, NANCY	2 MAY 1841	1	198



Ella Livingston's family – 1880

- Issues: We're working with little information. Likely in Autauga County.
- Ella's age range is variable based on later censuses:
 - 1880: Age ? – between 2 and 8 years old.
 - 1900: Age 33 (1878)
 - 1910: Age 35 (1875)
 - 1920: Age 40 (1880)
 - 1930: Age 58 (1872)

Ella Livingston's family – 1880

Prattville, Autauga County, Alabama, T9, Roll 1, E.D. 2. Likely match:

- Hill Livingston, age 45
 - Mary, 30
 - Melissa, 16
 - George, 12
 - Archie, 12
 - Clara, 11
 - Hilliard, 7
 - **Ella, 6**
 - Edgar, 3
 - Hattie, 6 months
- "Hill" is likely short for Hilliard.

1880 Census Image

44	142	146	Amangatah	Blk 45	1	Farmer	1	ala	S. Co	ala
45			Ming	B 7 30	Wife	1	1	ala	—	ala
46			Mulisa	B 7 11	Dangulu	1	1	ala	ala	ala
47			George	B 7 12	Son	1	1	ala	ala	ala
48			Archie	B 7 12	Son	1	1	ala	ala	ala
49			Clara	B 7 11	Dangulu	1	1	ala	ala	ala
50			Fullard	B 7 7	Son	1	1	ala	ala	ala

NOTE D.—In making entries in columns 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 to 23, an affirmative entry only will be used—thus /, except in the case of divorced persons, column 11, when the letter "D" is to be used.

NOTE E.—Question No. 22 will only be asked in cases where an affirmative answer has been given either to question 10 or to question 21.

NOTE F.—Question No. 24 will only be asked in cases where a girl's occupation has been reported in column 11.

NOTE G.—In column 7 an abbreviation in the name of the month may be used, as Jan., Apr., Dec.

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Supervisor's Dist. No. 4
Enumeration Dist. No. 2

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1880, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in W. Prattville Beat, in the County of Chautauque, State of Alabama, enumerated by me on the 11 day of June, 1880.

T9, Roll 1

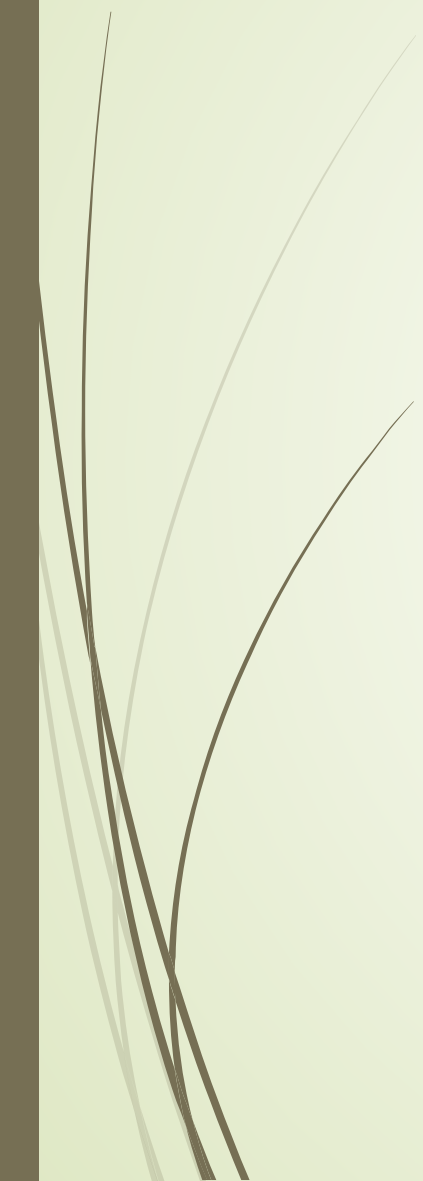
Thos. W. Smith,

Enumerator.

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Ella Livingston's family – 1870

- ▶ Likely match: "Hilliard Livingston", age 33, found in Beat 5, Post office Prattville, Autauga County, Alabama.
 - ▶ Where's his wife and children?
- 

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Ella Livingston's family – 1870

Beat No. 5, Autauga County, Alabama, M593, Roll 1.

- ▶ Alexander, Mary, age 30
- ▶ Alexander, Malissa, 6
- ▶ Alexander, George, 3
- ▶ Alexander, Arch, 3
- ▶ Alexander, "Clarence," 9/12 (Sept. 1869)
- ▶ Livingston, Hilliard, age 33



Military Service Records and Military Pension Records, ca. 1775-ca. 1906

- Revolutionary War
 - War of 1812
 - Civil War
 - Miscellaneous wars
 - Indian Wars
 - Spanish-American War
 - Philippine Insurrection
- 



Military Service Records

- Indexed by War, then by name
- Provides basic facts & possibly more
 - Name
 - Age
 - Location of enlistment & how long
 - Unit(s) in which served & rank(s)
 - Basic information about his service

Military Service Records

McCullar William
15 Massachusetts Regiment.
(Revolutionary War.)

Private *Private*

CARD NUMBERS.

1	<i>3559</i>	26
2	<i>6182</i>	27
3	<i>6246</i>	28
4	<i>6345</i>	29
5	<i>6371</i>	30
6	<i>6431</i>	31
7	<i>9369</i>	32
8	<i>716</i>	33
9	<i>9179</i>	34
10		35
11		36
12		37
13		38
14		39
15		40
16		41
17		42
18		43
19		44
20		45
21		46
22		47
23		48
24		49
25		50

Number of personal papers herein *0*

Book Mark: *PP 436780*

See also

Mc **15** **Mass.**
 (Col. Timothy Bigelow.)

Wm McCullar

for { Captain Daniel Barns' Co. in the
 Batt'n of Massachusetts Bay Forces
 commanded by Timothy Bigelow,
 Esqr.
(Revolutionary War)

Appears on

Company Muster Roll
 of the organization named above for the month
 of *March*, 17 *78*.
 Roll dated *Valley Forge*
April 4, 17 *78*.

Appointed _____, 17 ____

Commissioned _____, 17 ____

Enlisted _____, 17 ____

Term of enlistment *3 yrs*

Time since last muster or enlistment _____

Alterations since last muster _____

Casualties _____

Remarks *Sick in*
camp

Howes

(543) Copyist.

Military Service Record

Original Record copied to Record Card

Master Roll of Capt Daniel Barnes Comp^y in the Battalion of Massachusetts Bay Forces in the Service of the United States Commanded By Timothy Bigelow Esq^r Taken For the Month of March 1778

Commissioned or Appointed
Jan^y 1st 1777 Daniel Barnes Capt on Furlough
Jan^y 1st 1777 Moses Roberts Lieut on Furlough
Jan^y 1st 1777 John Pratt Esq^r Lieut on Furlough

No	Sergeants	War	Years	Remarks	No	Corporals	War	Years	Remarks	No	When Engaged	Drum & Fife	War	Years	Remarks
1	Silas Towner		1		1	Jedediah Rogers		1	absent with Leave	1		Lovebel Eager			
2	Henry Marble		1		2	Jam ^s Andrews		1	in Camp						
3	Abraham Brigham		1	on Duty	3	Joseph Wood		1	on Command						
4	John Trimm		1	in Camp	4	Joseph Gould		1							
No	Privates	War	Years	Remarks	No	Privates	War	Years	Remarks	No		Privates	War	Years	Remarks
1	Samuel Jones		1		18	James Parker		1		32		Jedediah Bowker	1		on Command
2	Edward Johnson		1		19	Stephen Hudson		1		36		James Martin	1		"
3	Timothy Johnson		1		20	Joseph Addams		1		37		Charles Hudson	1		"
4	Jonah Johnson		1		21	Jam ^s Starnes		1		38		Benjamin Brou	1		"
5	John Barnard		1		22	Reuben Wyman		1		39		Isaac Smith	1		on Com ^d Albany
6	John Bice		1		23	Elijah Foster		1	on Guard	40		Levi Fletcher	1		"
7	John M ^r Cullar		1	on Duty	24	Robert Baile		1		41		Hoses Williams	1		"
8	Stephen Phelps		1		25	Thos ^s Twichell		1	on Guard	42		Thos ^s Ridgway	1		on Command
9	Leonard Eager		1		26	Jam ^s Willard		1		43		James Cushman	1		on Furlough
10	John Decker		1	on Duty	27	Peter Maynard		1		44		Daniel Bruce	1		in Camp
11	Levi Dunton		1		28	Eliza Rice		1		45		Jam ^s Gates	1		"
12	James Gampbell		1		29	Thos ^s Keys		1		46		Wm ^m Cullar	1		"
13	James Fay		1		30	Jonah Newton		1		47		Solomon Stor	1		"
14	William Evans		1		31	Jam ^s Rice		1	on Com ^d Comm ^d	48		Isaac Newmon	1		"
15	David Fay		1		32	Benjamin Ford		1	"	49		Jonathan Carr	1		"
16	David Hardy		1		33	Joseph Marble		1	"	50		John Whitney	1		"
17	James M ^r Cullar		1		34	Wm ^m Carruth		1	"	51		Willard Hall	1		not found

Valley Forge April 4th 1778 then Mustered Capt Barnes Comp^y as specified in the above Roll



Military Pension Records, ca. 1775-ca. 1916

- Indexed
 - Revolutionary War
 - War of 1812
 - "Old Wars"
 - Civil War & later
- More details about service, family members (widow and dependent children), medical condition



World War I and II Draft Registration Cards

- ▶ World War I: All men age 18-45 (whether or not they served)
 - ▶ Three different types of cards (information content varies)
 - ▶ Name, date & place of birth, occupation & employer, next of kin & their address, physical description
- ▶ World War II (whether or not they served)
 - ▶ 1st- 3rd Registrations – beginning to go online on Fold3.com
 - ▶ 4th Registration (“old men”), age 45 & up

World War I Draft Registration Card

Form 1 **98 REGISTRATION CARD** No. **98**

1 Name in full **Thomas A. Jones** Age, in yrs. **28**
(Given name) (Family name)

2 Home address **412 E. Long St. Phila.**
(No.) (Street) (City) (State)

3 Date of birth **November 7 1888**
(Month) (Day) (Year)

4 Are you: (1) a natural-born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention (specify which)? **Natural-born citizen**

5 Where were you born? **Cincinnati Ohio U.S.**
(Town) (State) (Nation)

6 If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject? **24-**

7 What is your present trade, occupation, or office? **Chief Engineer, Lake freighter**

8 By whom employed? **Pittsburgh Steamship Co.**
Where employed? **1 time, Pennsylvania**

9 Have you a father, mother, wife, child under 12, or a sister or brother under 12, solely dependent on you for support (specify which)? **Wife & one child**

10 Married or single (which)? **Married** Race (specify which)? **White**

11 What military service have you had? Rank **None** branch _____
years _____ Nation or State _____

12 Do you claim exemption from draft (specify grounds)? _____

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

Thos A. Jones
(Signature of registrant)

If person is of foreign descent, fill in this column

902 REGISTRAR'S REPORT **34-2-3 A**

1 Tall, medium, or short (specify which)? **Tall** Slender, medium, or stout (which)? **Slender**

2 Color of eyes? **Brown** Color of hair? **Dark** Bald? **No**

3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, foot, or both eyes, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? **No**

I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Augustus K. Koster
(Signature of registrar)
Precinct _____
City or County **East St. Louis**
State **Illinois** **7/21/17**
(Date of registration)

World War II Draft Registration Card – 1942

The Fourth Registration, often referred to as the "old man's registration," was conducted on 27 April 1942 and registered men who born on or between 28 April 1877 and 16 February 1897 - men who were between 45 and 64 years old - who were not already in the military.

REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 2519	1. NAME (Print) THOMAS ABEL IVES (First) (Middle) (Last)	ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) 16518 EDGECLIFF AVE CLEVELAND CUYAHOGA OHIO (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)		
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]		
3. MAILING ADDRESS SAME (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)		
4. TELEPHONE OR 2642	5. AGE IN YEARS 53 DATE OF BIRTH Nov. 7 1888 (Mo.) (Day) (Yr.)	6. PLACE OF BIRTH ASHTABULA OHIO (Town or county) (State or country)
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS MRS EYA IVES 16518 EDGECLIFF AVE CLEVELAND OHIO		
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS PITTSBURG STEAMSHIP CO 1600 ROCKEFELLER BLDG. CLEVELAND CUYAHOGA OHIO (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)		
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE.		
D. S. S. Form I (Revised 4-1-42)	(over)	16-21630-2 Thomas Abel Ives (Registrant's signature)

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT					
RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION		
	5' 11"	206			
	EYES	HAIR			
	Blue	Blonde	Sallow		
	Gray	Red	Light		
	Hazel	Brown	Ruddy		
	Brown	Black	Dark		
	Black	Gray	Freckled		
		Bald	Light brown		
			Dark brown		
			Black		

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification.....

NONE

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

George M. Kachles
(Signature of registrar)
Registar for Local Board 37 Cleveland Ohio
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration April 26, 1942

LOCAL BOARD No. 3/
FOR CUYAHOGA COUNTY
15149 LORAIN AVENUE
CLEVELAND, OH
(STAMP OF LOCAL BOARD)

(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)



Immigration Records

- Ship Passenger Arrival Records, 1820–1957
- Land Border (Canada): 1895–1950s
- Land Border (Mexico): 1903–1950s

Immigration Records

Ship Passenger Arrival Records, 1820-1957

National Archives Microfilm Publication M255, Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, Maryland, 1820-1891, Roll 22, vessel Inca, arrived 14 July 1873, Johann Symel family

Entered by HENRICKS KOPF & CO. *H.K.C.*

Baltimore District of *New York* Port of *New York*

I, *Ch. Wendehorst* Master of the *Inca* do solemnly, sincerely and truly that the following List or Manifest described by me, and now delivered by me to the Collector of the Customs for the Collection District of New-York, is a full and perfect list of all the passengers taken on board of the said *Ship* from *Germany* from which port said *Ship* has now arrived; and that on said list is truly designated the age, the sex and the occupation of each of said passengers, the port of the vessel occupied by each, during the passage, the country to which each belongs, and also the country of which it is intended by each to become an inhabitant, and that said List or Manifest truly sets forth the number of said passengers who have died on said voyage, and the names and ages of those who died.

Sworn to, this *14* day of *July* 1873, Before me, *Ch. Wendehorst* List or Manifest of ALL THE PASSENGERS taken on board the *Inca* is Master, from *Germany* birthen *67* tons, whereof *1*

NAME	AGE	SEX	OCCUPATION	The country to which they were born	The country to which they intend to become inhabitants	Died on the voyage	Part of the vessel occupied by each passenger during the voyage
<i>Katharina Wendehorst</i>	<i>34</i>	<i>2 male</i>	<i>Merchant</i>	<i>Prussia</i>	<i>Prussia</i>		<i>First Cabin</i>
<i>Katharina Tacke</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>3 female</i>	<i>servant</i>	<i>Germany</i>			
<i>Antonius Zengerling</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>8 male</i>	<i>Shoemaker</i>				
<i>Katharina</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Merchant</i>				
<i>Katharina</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>6 female</i>	<i>servant</i>				
<i>Katharina Kasperusky</i>	<i>26</i>	<i>4 male</i>	<i>labourer</i>				
<i>Katharina Kasperusky</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>11 female</i>	<i>servant</i>				
<i>Katharina</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>10</i>					
<i>Katharina Chack</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>3 male</i>	<i>Slaves</i>				
<i>Katharina</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>6 female</i>					
<i>Katharina</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>10</i>					
<i>Katharina Fischer</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>5 male</i>	<i>labourer</i>				
<i>Katharina Link</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>4 female</i>					
<i>"</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>1</i>					

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Immigration Records

Ship Passenger Arrival Records, 1820-1957

National Archives Microfilm Publication TB44, Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Baltimore, Maryland, 1891-1909, Roll 31, vessel Cassel, arrived 20 Aug. 1902, Franz Polak, line 13

Norddeutscher Lloyd, Bremen, Steamship Company. LIST OR MANIFEST OF ALIEN IMMIGRANTS FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION.

Required by the regulations of the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, under Act of Congress approved March 3, 1893, to be delivered to the Commissioner of Immigration by the Commanding officer of any vessel having such passengers on board upon arrival at a port in the United States.

M. S.S. Cassel sailing from *Bremen*, *Aug 1902* Arriving at Port of *Baltimore*, *Aug 20*

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
No. on List.	NAME IN FULL.	Age Yrs. Mos.	Sex.	Married or Single.	Calling or Occupation.	Able to Read Write.	Nationality.	Last Residence.	Seaport for landing in the United States.	Final destination in the United States. (State, City or Town).	Whether having a ticket in own hand, if so, state class.	By whom was passage paid.	Whether in possession of money, if so, whether more than \$20 and how much if \$20 or less.	Whether ever before in the United States, and if so, when and where.	Whether going to join a relative, and if so, what relative, their name and address.	Ever in Prison or Alms-house or supported by charity, if yes, state which.	Whether a Polygamist.	Whether under Contract, express or implied, to labor in the United States.	Condition of Health. Mental and Physical.	Deformed or Crippled. Nature and Cause.	No. on List.	
1	Vija Koksic	23	m	und	harmerger	ger	Austria	Frankfurt	Baltimore	Leino. to 45	self	\$ 75	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	1	
2	Simon Petrovic	40	"	"	"	ger	"	Prizine	"	Baltimore	741	"	6 75	"	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	2	
3	Andrzej Tysk	41	"	"	"	ger	"	Stenonish	"	Polish Ill. Ill.	"	120 4	2 years	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	3	
4	Robertson Kym	32	"	"	"	ger	"	Liberalville	"	Chicago Ill. Ill.	"	21 10	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	4	
5	Abp. Andrej	25	"	"	"	ger	"	Polonia	"	Chicago	"	20 20	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	5	
6	Wasy. nice Margec	23	"	"	"	ger	"	Bosnia	"	Frank. Ill. Ill.	"	14 5	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	6	
7	Andrzej Grzymala	20	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	12 25	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	7	
8	Stasch. Mewchner	34	"	"	"	ger	"	Polonia	"	Chicago Ill. Ill.	"	4 10	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	8	
9	Regina Trabel	28	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	100 20	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	9	
10	Anna	4	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	10
11	Carl Schneider	4	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	11
12	Jan Karsky	25	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	20 75	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	12	
13	Frank. Polak	24	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	4 25	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	13	
14	Engel. Luber	24	"	"	"	ger	"	"	"	"	"	10 0	no	no	Frank. J. Hadaly	no	no	no	good	no	14	

Immigration Records

- Land Border (Canada): 1895–1950s
- Land Border (Mexico): 1903–1950s

Form 621 (STATISTICAL)

Name Zapata, Obvester Manifest No. 5757

Conf. cond. m Occupation clerk Age 30 Sex M

Write y Illit. exempt --- Race MEX Read y

Last res. N Laredo Tam Mex Class im-a-str

Future res. Laredo Tex Passage paid by self

Going to join --- Money \$10

ADMITTED at LAREDO TEXAS Date DEC 24 1925

Med. Cert. --- S. I. No. ---

Height 5-8 Complexion dk Hair bk Eyes br

Marks ---

Place of birth Nadadores Coah Mex Nationality MEX

Accompanied by ---

U. S. Department of Labor
Immigration Service

15-2108 DETACHMENT PREVIOUS EDITION



Naturalization Records

- The process of becoming a citizen
- Two steps:
 - Declare Intent to become a citizen (2 yrs.)
 - Petition for naturalization (3 yrs.)



Other Federal Records

- What relationship did your relatives have with the Federal Government?
 - Postmaster
 - Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen & Abandoned Lands
 - Freedman's Savings & Trust (Freedman's Bank)
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs (Cherokee freedmen)
 - Southern Claims Commission
 - & more



State Records



Vital Records

Birth and death records kept at the state level, since the early 1900s, with copy at the county level.



County Records

- Vital records: birth, marriage, death, divorce
- Land records: deeds, mortgages, taxes
- Court records: naturalization, probate, litigation, criminal justice
- Voter registration
- Other



Libraries



- Microfilmed original records
- Newspapers (microfilmed) for death notices, obituaries, news stories, etc.
- Books for compiled records, histories, genealogies, and more



Keep Researching



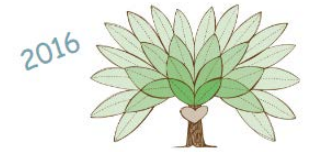
- There's always more to learn about your family.
- Stay organized!
- Keep writing your family's history as you go along! (Don't wait for "someday")
- Remember that names are not always spelled how you expect to find them.
- Different records may give conflicting information.
- "Google" often

Thank You!

- National Archives (NARA)
[archives.gov](https://www.archives.gov)
- NARA genealogy
[archives.gov/genealogy/topics](https://www.archives.gov/genealogy/topics)
- NARA Catalog of Records
catalog.archives.gov



Mennonite Farm, Haskell, Kansas. April 1941.
NAID 522088. catalog.archives.gov



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