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Online Resources

Genealogy Databases

Ancestry Library - Free at your library

FamilySearch - <https://www.familysearch.org/en/>

American Ancestors - <https://www.americanancestors.org/>

Newspapers

Newspapers.com by Ancestry - <https://www.newspapers.com/>

NewspaperArchive - <https://newspaperarchive.com/>

GenealogyBank - <https://www.genealogybank.com/>

Advantage Preservation - <https://directory.advantage-preservation.com/SiteDirectory>

Fulton Search - <https://fultonsearch.org/>

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

Check local repositories for local holdings!

Cemeteries

Findagrave: <https://www.findagrave.com/>

Billiongraves: <https://billiongraves.com/>

National Cemetery Administration: <https://gravelocator.cem.va.gov/ngl/index.jsp>

Check the Cemetery Office (is it owned by town, church, family?)

Follow Clues. Consult Experts. Have Fun.

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Practice the Research Process

An expert researcher is not passive in the pursuit of information! They seek, analyze, collect and correlate information to check credibility and find results. You can do this, too. Take the wheel by *practicing* a few simple steps:

- **Begin with self and work backwards**
- **Record what you know**
- **Create a research question/make a goal**
- **Research *how to research***
- **Devise a plan**
- **Utilize a research log or keep good notes**
- **Save documents**
- **Cite Sources**