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The Genealogy Resource Center's mission is to provide crucial access to genealogy research resources and offer educational opportunities for customers.

The Genealogy Resource Center's Collection and services help support that mission.

The professional staff remains up-to-date with the latest technology trends and consistently expands their knowledge of new research techniques and new means of connecting with genealogical audiences by attending workshops, webinars, conferences and lectures.

Book a Librarian appointments are available for customers who need help getting started on their genealogical journey or need help breaking through a particularly difficult roadblock.

Visit the Genealogy Resource Center and discover the vast collection of resources and services that are available to family genealogists!

# **Getting Started With**

# **American Ancestors**





https://www.americanancestors.org/

#### What is American Ancestors?

The American Ancestors database is an online subscription based genealogical research platform created and maintained by the New England Historic Genealogical Society (NEHGS), the oldest genealogical society in the United States. The American Ancestors database specializes in New England and early American records.

#### What can I find on American Ancestors?

- Databases and records
- Published genealogies and journals
- Learning and research tools
- Special collections like:
  - Mayflower descendant databases
  - Jewish heritage collection
  - African American and Native American research resources
  - Early New England families and royal ancestry

#### **How do I search in American Ancestors?**

- Use the "Search All Databases" tool from the homepage.
- Filter by collection (vital records, church, town, military).
- Advanced search allows specific parameters by date or location.

## **Search tips**

- Use full names and timeframes to narrow down Puritan or colonial lines.
- Browse curated databases like Massachusetts Vital Records 1841-1910
- Explore "The Great Migration Project" for early settlers.

### **Key features**

- Vast collection of records over the U.S., Canada and Europe, with more than 1.4 billion records covering New England alone.
- Records include:
  - Census records
  - Church and cemetery records
  - Vital records (birth, marriage, death)
  - Military records
  - Probate and court records
  - Vital records (birth, marriage, death)
- Published genealogies and town histories.
- Great Migration Project, which houses authoritative works on the early immigrants to New England, especially from 1620 to 1640.
- Exclusive access to genealogical materials related to Mayflower families and their descendants.
- Emphasis on documented and scholarly genealogy, often with transcriptions and citations.

#### How to access this resource:

This resource can only be access from the computers in the Genealogy Resource Center at Hardesty Regional Library.

#### **Common issues**

- Some premium features may be inaccessble without a personal account.
- American Ancestors is not ideal for non-New England ancestors.