Ancestry® Library Edition

Discovery the history of you...

Ancestry Library Edition, the largest online family history resource available, provides unprecedented access to family history via documents that record the lineage of individuals from the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, Europe, Australia, and more. Distributed exclusively by ProQuest and powered by Ancestry.com, it brings the world’s most popular consumer online family history resource to your library.

Answers await all your users—professional or hobbyist, expert or novice, genealogist or historian—from more than 20 billion available records. User-friendly search tools and comprehensive indexing make it easy to start discovering personal histories.

Coming Ashore: Ancestry Library Edition’s passenger list collection contains information about the arrival of more than 100 million passengers at more than 100 American ports. An estimated 85 percent of Americans will find at least one ancestor in these records. Lists also contain names of famous and historical figures such as Sigmund Freud, Bob Hope, Charlie Chaplin, the Von Trapp Family, and Albert Einstein.

Meet the family firsthand with billions of unique, full-text primary sources and enhanced images, including:

- Census records from the U.S. (1790-1950)
- Canadian Census (1851-1911)
- Census records from the U.K., Australia, and Germany.
- Birth, marriage, and death records for the U.S., Canada, and the U.K.
- Canadian Genealogy Index (1600s-1900s)
- U.S. military records (back to the 1600s)
- Canadian military collections
- Drouin Collection of French-Canadian and Quebec historical records (1621-1967)
- Immigration, emigration, passport, and naturalization records
- Jewish family history records
- U.S. and Canadian passenger lists (1865-1935)
- Directories and members lists from the U.S., Canada, and the U.K.
- Court, land, tax, and probate records

In addition to collections from the U.S., Canada, and the U.K., Ancestry Library Edition also features major collections from France, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Australia, and China.
See how they lived with additional collections that add context and background to individuals’ stories, such as:

- Biographies and histories, including American Genealogical-Biographical Index (AGBI) and WPA Slave Narratives
- Collections that bring together diverse materials on communities of people, such as Jewish Family History
- Photos and maps, ranging from postcards and panoramas to family photos and headstones

Record your history and find others on the same path. Ancestry Library Edition features helpful tools such as charts, summaries, calendars, message boards, and more. Beginners can use the tools and resources in the Learning Center to:

- Begin their family trees
- Get the most out of historical records
- Connect with other researchers
- Find answers to tough research questions
- And more

Building Nations: Personal narratives in Ancestry Library Edition help researchers discover individuals who not only raised families, but also deeply influenced the establishment, growth, and character of nations. Canadian heroine Laura Secord has such a story. She risked her life during the War of 1812 to warn the British of an impending sneak attack by American forces. Consequently, the British—aided heavily by native warriors—were victorious in the Battle of Beaver Dams. War heroes, politicians, suffragettes, and other fascinating people await discovery in Ancestry Library Edition.

Defending Freedom: Native American Ira Hayes was one of six men immortalized in the Pulitzer Prize-winning photograph of the U.S. flag raising on Iwo Jima. Today, he rests among generals in Arlington National Cemetery. Even though Native American genealogy can be hard to trace, researchers can use Ancestry Library Edition to learn more about this World War II hero’s family and daily life on the Gila River Reservation in Arizona. The Source, found in the Ancestry.com Family History Wiki, outlines a basic sequence for researching Native American family history and provides other helpful information contributed by experienced genealogists.

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