

Building Your Genealogical Skills

Research 2: How to Research

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Course Overview

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Part 2 - Researching

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R2: How to Research

R3: Organizing for Family Historians

Part 3 - Analyzing

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Module Roadmap

How Research



Researching Online



What's Next?

General Principles

- Consult multiple sources; don't settle for one document
- Track your work
- Seek original documents when feasible
- Understand the records

Don't head straight for the database search box

- Read the database descriptions
 - Places covered
 - Time periods covered
 - Completeness of records
- Make liberal use of a site's catalog (if it has one)
- Consult the wikis or help

Search Terms as Art

- Think first:
 - Location
 - Event (birth, marriage or death)
 - Time period (century, decade)
- Think second:
 - Name – use quotes to force the search for the entire name
 - Occupation (e.g. “soldier,” “minister”)
 - One word modifiers

When Searching a Database

- “Less is More” when searching
- Look at the records before and after your target
- Seek the original; don’t trust the transcription (or indexing)
- Don’t expect to find everything for free

Use Wildcards

- Symbols used to replace or represent one or more characters
- ? = 1 character
- * = 1 or more characters
- Ex. To search for "Lawthers", you can use some of the following variations:
 - L*w*s
 - L*w*r*
 - L?wthers

American Ancestors

The screenshot shows the homepage of AmericanAncestors.org. At the top left is the logo for AmericanAncestors.org by the New England Historic Genealogical Society. To the right of the logo is the tagline "A National Center for Family History, Heritage & Culture". Further right are links for "Bookstore", "About Us", and "MY ACCOUNT". Below the logo is a navigation bar with "Search", "Events", "Membership", and "Give". To the right of this bar are links for "Publications", "Expert Help", "Tools", "Signature Projects", and "Centers & Initiatives". The main content area features a large "Go to Search" button with a red arrow pointing to it. Below this button are several links: "What content sources can I search?", "A to Z list of all databases", "External databases", "Library Catalog", "Digital Library & Archive", and "Jewish Heritage Center". To the right of these links are two featured sections: "Search 1.4 Billion Names" with a "LEARN MORE" button, and "New! Search Content by Topic" with a "LEARN MORE" button. Below these sections is a horizontal carousel of images, including a close-up of a document, a painting of a person in a field, and a portrait of a woman. At the bottom right of the carousel is a "View All News" button. The footer of the page contains the text "Searching the Databases".

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The main search area is titled "Search All Databases" and contains several input fields and options:

- Name:** Includes checkboxes for "Exact Search" and "Soundex", and a "SEARCH" button. Input fields are provided for "First/Middle/[Maiden] names" and "Last Name".
- Years:** Includes "From" and "To" input fields, and a "Record Type" dropdown menu currently set to "-All-".
- Location:** Includes checkboxes for "Exact Location" and a "Keywords" input field. An example location "e.g. Boston, Massachusetts" is shown in the input field.
- Database Type:** Includes radio buttons for "All databases" (selected), "Favorites", "Free", and "With images".
- Category:** A dropdown menu currently set to "-All-".
- Database:** A dropdown menu currently set to "-All-".
- Family Members (Father/Mother/Spouse):** Includes a dropdown menu set to "Any", and input fields for "First and Middle Names" and "Last Name". A link "+ Add family members +" is also present.

On the right side of the page, there are sections for "Saved Searches" (with a dropdown menu), "Saved Records" (with a "SEARCH" button), "Comment or Question" (with a "Write a comment" input field), and "Search by Category" (with a list of categories including "Atlases, Maps and Reference Materials", "Census, Tax and Voter Lists", "Court, Land and Probate Records", "Genealogies, Biographies, Heraldry, and Local Histories", "Immigration Records", "Journals and Periodicals", "Military Records", "Vital Records (incl. Bible, Cemetery, Church and SSDI)", and "Great Migration Study Project").

At the bottom of the search area, there are "SEARCH" and "Reset Search" buttons.

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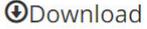
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Q	☆	American Canadian Genealogical Society: Index of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1840-2000
Q	☆	American Genealogist, The
Q	☆	Argentina: Baptisms, 1645-1930
Q	☆	Arlington (West Cambridge), MA: Civil War Tax List, 1863
Q	☆	Atkinson, NH: Marriages Performed by Rev. Stephen Peabody, 1789-1814
Q	☆	Attleboro, MA: Church Records of Old Town Church, Attleboro First Church, 1740-1856
Q	☆	Attleboro, MA: Church Records of the Second Congregational Church, 1748-1851
Q	☆	Augusta, ME: Vital Records, 1730-1892
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KEY TO THE NAMES OF PERSONS
OCCURRING
In the Early Dutch Records of Albany and Vicinity

PREFACE.

The student who searches the early Dutch records meets with many difficulties, none of which are more vexatious than their personal names. The majority of the First Settlers ordinarily used no surnames, some evidently had some. In those cases individuals were often distinguished by personal peculiarities, trades, &c., which, though sufficient for the time, give little or no aid to one tracing the pedigree of a family. It is only after great familiarity with the early writings and a careful noting of the use of surnames as they are sometimes subscribed to wills, conveyances, and other important papers that any connection can be established between a first settler and his later descendants.

But while many individuals had no surnames whatever apparently, a few families had two or more. Marcellus Jansz Van Bommel was farmer of the burger and tapeter's excise of liquors in Beverwyck many years. Some of his children took *Marcellus* as their surname, others *Van Jereen*; without a knowledge of this fact it would be quite impossible for his descendants to trace back their pedigree to him. A similar case occurred in the Albany branch of the Bratts. In the passage over from Holland one child was born at sea in a storm and he was named Storm Van Drave, which epithet he and his descendants have since used as a surname.

It was not uncommon for the same individual to have two or more surnames and to use them indifferently. Jan Barentse Wemp (Wempe) was sometimes called *Poest*; he had a mill on the Poosten-kill which perhaps derived its name from him rather than from the Dutch word *poosten*. After his death in 1603 his widow Martie Myndertse married Sweer Teunis. He had two surnames, Van Velsen and Van Westbroeck. Jan Fort of Niskayuna had the following surnames: Jan La Fort, Jan Vandervert and Jan Libbertse.

The change in the spelling and pronunciation of names is likewise a source of considerable embarrassment. Who would recognize the ancient *Du Tysen* (pronounced *Du Tros*) in the modern *Trux*, or *Bessilia* in *Bovis*, or *Borris* in *Barroway*, or finally the familiar name of *Jones* in such laughable dignities as *TJans*, *TJans*, and *Shawna*.

The system of nomenclature in common use among the early Dutch settlers consisted in prefixing the child's to the father's Christian name, terminating in *se* or *sen*; in baptism but one name was usually given; the patronymic was used by custom in all cases, and in the absence of a surname was sometimes adopted as such. Thus the children of Rutger Jacobsen (Van Schoenderwoert or Van Woert) were respectively *Margaret Rutgers*, *Engel Rutgers*, and *Harman Rutgers*, and *Rutgers* was subsequently assumed as the family name. The two sons of the First Settler Wynant Gerritse (Vander Poel) were *Melgert Wynantse* and *Gerrit Wynantse*. The First Settler, Harman Tommae Hen (Van Amerdonk) had a son named *Thomas Harmanse* and a daughter *Wynke Harmanse*. The First Settlers Philip and David Schuyler, were more commonly called *Philip and David Pieterse*, being sons of Pieter Schuyler.

Occasionally two patronymics were used, as *Samuel Arentse Samuelse Bratt*; i. e., *Samuel Bratt* the son of *Arent*, who was the son of *Samuel*.

The use of surnames gradually increased among the Dutch from the time the Province was occupied by the English in 1664, and after the first quarter of the following century few names were written without the addition of a family name.

The following list is intended to serve as a key to such surnames as are occasionally or almost constantly omitted in the ancient Dutch records of Albany and Schenectady. It is as nearly full as the compiler, after a somewhat careful reading of those documents, can make it. The names of persons without surnames, or if having them were not entered in those records, will not of course be found here; unfortunately these are somewhat numerous. Another embarrassment in the identification of persons arises from the fact, that some bear the same Christian name. When such cases occur in the following list, the dates annexed will sometimes aid in solving the difficulty. Thus the surname of *Jacob Abrahamse*, found in documents dating 1668-69, was *Vanberg* since *Kuyper*; in those of date 1706, it was *Van Doesen*. But where there is little or no difference in the dates this help fails, and all is left to conjecture.

J. P.

Schenectady, Oct. 16, 1870.

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Find the birth, death, marriage, census records, and other genealogy resources for your ancestor by selecting the region and country below.

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Poland Genealogy

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Europe → Vermont, United States Genealogy

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United States → Vermont

Country Guide to Vermont ancestry, family history, and genealogy birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, family history, and military records.

Vermont Wiki Topics

Poland, off Vermont Ir

Vermont is a state in the Northeastern United States and is the only New England state to not border the Atlantic Ocean.

US Migration Canals

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Most Significant United States Canals Used by Settlers

Champlain Canal · Erie Canal · Schuylkill Canal · Union Canal · Ohio and Erie Canal · Louisville and Portland Canal · Beaver and Erie Canal · Pennsylvania Canal (Main Line) · Delaware and Raritan Canal · Chesapeake and Ohio Canal · Wabash and Erie Canal · Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal · Miami and Erie Canal · Illinois and Michigan Canal

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Historic Background
Transportation canals were built to help settlers flood into New York City to the length of the Ohio River.

Understanding the transportation canals and railroads to look for

List of Significant

Some of the most significant

Great Valley Road

United States → Migration → Migration Trails and Roads → Great Valley Road

The Great Valley Road, also called in various parts the "Great Wagon Road," "Great Warriors Path," "Valley Pike," "Carolina Road," or "Trading Path," was the most important Colonial American route for settlers of the mountainous back country of the southern British colonies. It went from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania over to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia forking into the Tennessee Valley and Knoxville. The other fork went more south into the Piedmont Region of North Carolina, and then to its terminus on the Savannah River at Augusta, Georgia. From Philadelphia to Augusta was 735 miles (1183 km). Several other important early pathways merged with, or split off from the Great Valley Road.^[1]

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- 2 Route
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Historical Background

The American Indians developed a network of eastern trade and warrior trails stretching from the Great Lakes to the Gulf Coast. One of these trails, the Great Warrior Path from New York to the Carolinas, also served as the western boundary of British settlement until 1744. In that year a new treaty gave control of the east side of the trail to European colonists in Virginia. This opened the way for the trail to evolve into one of the most important roads for settlers in Colonial America.^[2] By 1765 the road was cleared for use by horse drawn wagons.^[3]

After 1744, the Great Valley Road was most heavily used by Ulster-Irish immigrants called Scots-Irish in America to spread through most of Appalachia bringing their Presbyterian religion.^[3] Pennsylvania Germans also used the trail to spread into the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. The Moravians of Pennsylvania followed the road to settle the Wachovia region of North Carolina starting in 1753. The first settlements of Virginians in Tennessee were associated with the end of the trail in that region in the 1760s.

In 1746 the Pioneer Road first crossed the Blue Ridge Mountains from Alexandria to Winchester, Virginia, where it fed into the Great Valley Road.^[4] The Wilderness Road opened in 1775 into central Kentucky, and branched off the Great Valley Road in southwest Virginia at Bristol (Sapling Grove).^[5] Starting in the late 1770s explorers and pioneers at Staunton, Virginia started using the Kanawha Trail which followed the New River/Kanawha River into West Virginia.^[6] From the terminus of the Great Valley Road at Knoxville, Avery's Trace to Nashville opened in 1786, and the Georgia Road to Athens opened in 1805.

Route

(Northeast to Southwest)^[7]

- Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania (often called the Philadelphia Wagon Road through Pennsylvania)
- Lancaster, Lancaster, Pennsylvania
- Gettysburg, Adams, Pennsylvania
- Hagerstown, Washington, Maryland (crosses Cumberland Road)
- Winchester, Frederick, Virginia (Pioneer Road from Alexandria joined here)
- Staunton, Augusta, Virginia (start of Kanawha Trail to West Virginia)
- Roanoke, Roanoke, Virginia (trail forks toward Knoxville and Augusta)

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The Great Valley Road went from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Roanoke, Virginia. There it split with one fork going to Knoxville, Tennessee, and the other to Augusta, Georgia.

Wiki Page



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Last Names

Place

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Search the catalog of genealogical materials (including books, online materials, microfilm, microfiche, and publications) made available by FamilySearch online and in libraries and centers worldwide.

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Search by:
Place | Surnames | Titles | Author | Subjects | Keywords

Place

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Search for:
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Availability

Any
 Online
 Family History Center

Search Reset

Other Catalogs to Consider:

OCLC WorldCat

WorldCat is the world's largest network of library content and services. WorldCat libraries are dedicated to providing access to their resources on the web, where most people start their search for information.

ArchiveGrid

ArchiveGrid is a collection

Using the Family Search Catalog

Refine your search

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Search Results for FamilySearch Catalog

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Notes

Part of Minot in 1842; incorporated as city in 1869; annexed town of Danville in 1867.

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- ▶ [United States, Maine, Androscoggin, Auburn - Naturalization and citizenship \(1 \)](#)
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Print List

Town of Auburn, formerly Danville, Maine at FamilySearch

▼ **United States, Maine, Androscoggin, Auburn - Town records (1)**

[Account book of Treasurers of Auburn \(then Pejepscot and Danville\) from 1802-1858](#) [Add](#)

Author: Danville (Maine). Town Treasurer; Pejepscot (Maine). Town Treasurer

▼ **United States, Maine, Androscoggin, Auburn - Vital records (4)**

[Old Danville journal](#) [Add](#)

[Pejepscot, Maine, vital records](#) [Add](#)



[Records of births, marriages, and deaths, ca. 1751-1867 \(Auburn, Maine\)](#) [Add](#)

Author: Danville (Maine). Town Clerk

[Vital records, 1838-1896 \(Auburn, Maine\)](#) [Add](#)

Author: Auburn (Maine). Town Clerk

▶ **United States, Maine, Androscoggin, Auburn - Vital records - Indexes (2)**

Clicking on a Heading

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PRINT Catalog Print List (0)

Records of births, marriages, and deaths, ca. 1751-1867 (Auburn, Maine)

Add to Print List

Authors: Danville (Maine). Town Clerk (Main Author)
 Format: Manuscript/Manuscript on Film
 Language: English
 Publication: Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1956
 Physical: on 2 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.

Notes

Microreproduction of original records in the city hall, Auburn, Maine.

Before 1818 Danville was known as Pejeboscot. Danville became part of the city of Auburn in 1867.

Indexes are found within some volumes.

[View this catalog record in WorldCat for other possible copy locations](#)

Subjects

Locality Subjects

[United States, Maine, Androscoggin, Auburn - Vital records](#)



Film/Digital Notes

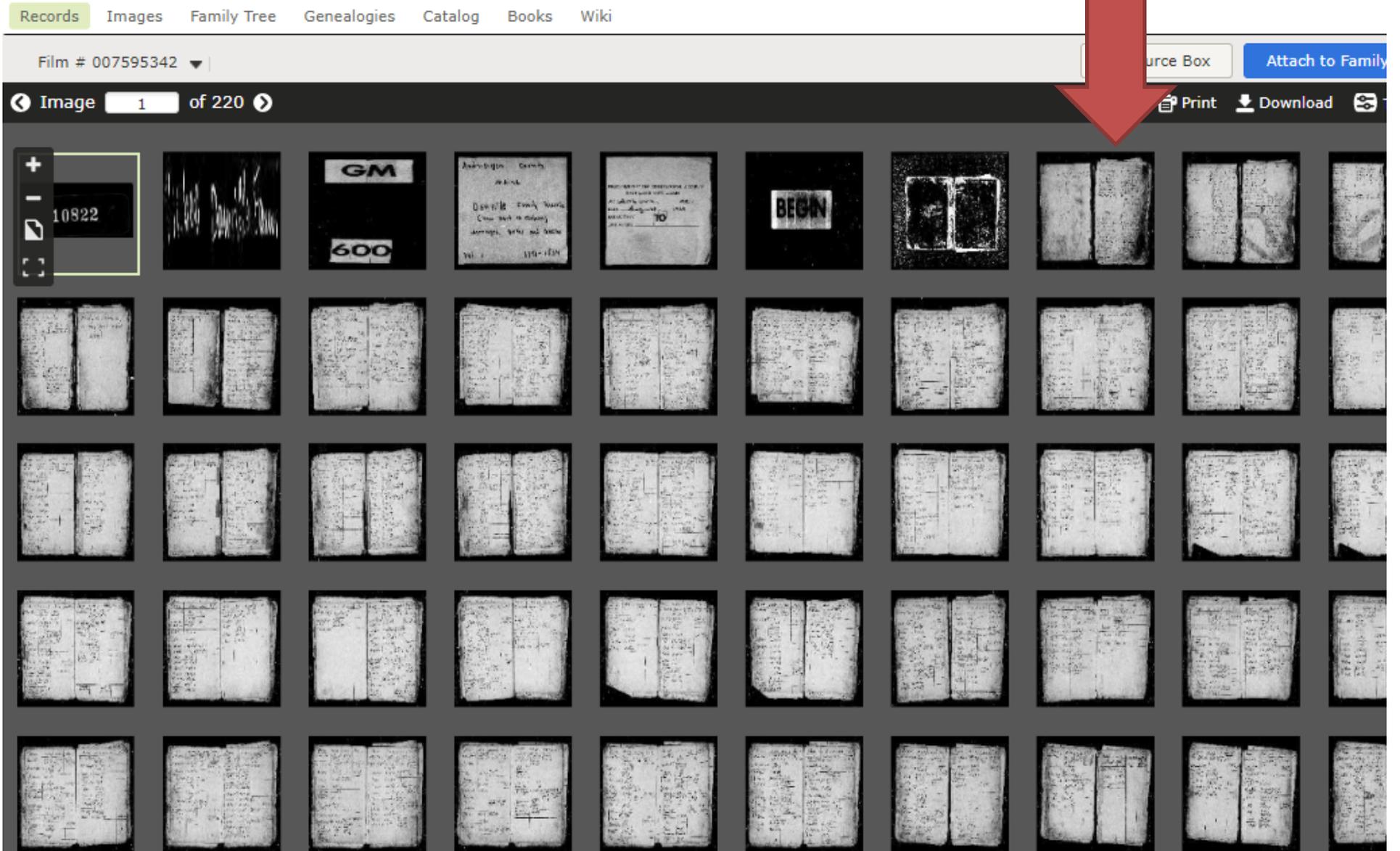
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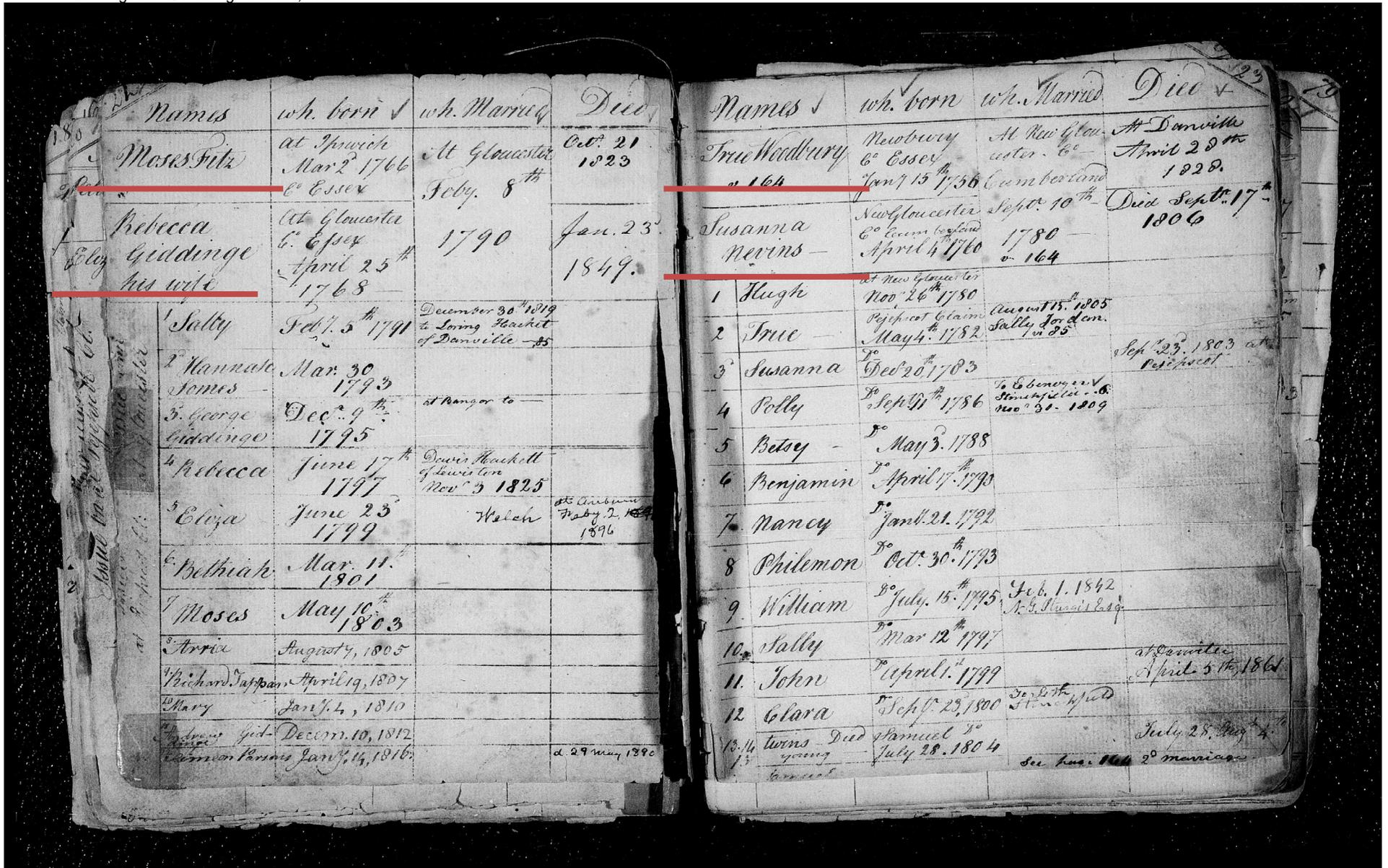
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Clicking the Camera



Clicking on an Image

FamilySearch Database Searching

Tip

Spelling DOES NOT
count – Sound does

Unique Family Search Features

- Alternative names
- Search with relationship
- Search by more than one collection
- Export results to Excel

Search Historical Records

Records create a paper trail for your ancestors and can lead you to important details about their life. Enter a name, and we'll look for it in birth certificates, marriage registrations, census records, and other official documents.

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Walter

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Mazdzer

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Death Other Residence

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Walter Arthur Major Principal New Hampshire Deaths and Burials, 1784-1949	Birth 1872 Death 19 October 1946 Hinsdale, Cheshire, New Hampshire, United States Father Marcellus Major Mother Delphine Domony Spouse Melvina Depathie
Walter L Major Principal United States Social Security Death Index	Birth 26 October 1931 Death 15 July 2000 Hillsborough, New Hampshire, United States

Advanced Search

Add Ancestor Information

Name + Alternate Name + Sex

First Names
Walter

Last Names
Mazdzer

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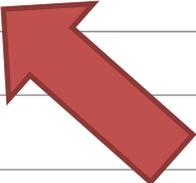
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+ Death

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Results Page – Name, Birth, Residence



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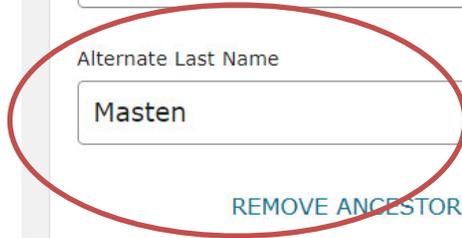
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First Names

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Add Life Event



Alternate Name

The screenshot shows a web interface for genealogical research. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Records (highlighted), Images, Family Tree, Genealogies, Catalog, Books, and Wiki. A red arrow points to the 'Collection' filter button in the 'Filter Results (15,089)' section. Below the filters, there are two columns: 'Name' and 'Events and Relationships'. The first entry is for 'Walter Arthur Major', with details on his birth (1872), death (19 October 1946), and relationships (Father: Marcellus Major, Mother: Delphine Domony, Spouse: Melvina Depathie). The second entry is for 'Walter A Major', with details on his birth (1872) and a census record (1930). On the right side, there is an 'Advanced Search' panel with 'Add Ancestor Information' fields for Alternate First Name, Alternate Last Name (containing 'Masten'), First Names (containing 'Walter'), and Last Names (containing 'Mazdzer'). There are also buttons for 'REMOVE ANCESTOR'S NAME' and 'Add Life Event'.

Alternative Name Results Page



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<p>Walter A Major Principal United States Census, 1930</p>	<p>Birth 1872 New York, United States</p> <p>Census 1930 Hinsdale, Cheshire, New Hampshire, United States</p>

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Name	Events and Relationships
Waclaw or Walter Mozdzer or Masten Principal New Hampshire County Naturalization Records, 1771-2001	Birth 5 May 1893 Lichacze, Jarosław, Podkarpackie, Poland Immigration 28 November 1930 Nashua, Hillsborough, New Hampshire, United States Spouse Antonina Mozdzer
Alice Mastine Spouse New Hampshire, United States Naturalization Records, 1906-1993	Birth 1895 Spouse Wallace Mastine

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PETITION FOR CITIZENSHIP

No. 4485

To the Honorable the Superior Court of New Hampshire at Nashua

The petition of Waclaw Mozdzer, hereby filed, respectfully shows:

(1) My place of residence is 35 Gilman St. Nashua, N. H. (2) My occupation is laborer

(3) I was born in Lichacze, Poland on May 5, 1893 My race is Polish

(4) I declared my intention to become a citizen of the United States on May 25, 1928 in the Superior Court of New Hampshire at Nashua

(5) I am married. The name of my wife or husband is Antonina Mozdzer we were married on July 6, 1919 at Nashua, New Hampshire he was born at Lichacze, Poland on October 15, 1898; entered the United States at New York, N. Y. on May 29, 1914 for permanent residence therein, and now resides at Nashua, New Hampshire I have 2 children, and the name, date, and place of birth, and place of residence of each of said children are as follows: John born Sept. 28, 1921; Edward born Dec. 8, 1927; both born and reside at Nashua, N.H.

(6) My last foreign residence was Lichacze, Poland I emigrated to the United States of America from Libau, Latvia My lawful entry for permanent residence in the United States was at New York, N. Y. under the name of Waclaw Mosher on November 13, 1912, on the vessel Russia as shown by the certificate of my arrival attached hereto.

(7) I am not a disbeliever in or opposed to organized government or a member of or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in or opposed to organized government. I am not a polygamist nor a believer in the practice of polygamy. I am attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the United States. It is my intention to become a citizen of the United States and to renounce absolutely and forever all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, potentate, state, or sovereignty, and particularly to The Republic of Poland

of whom (which) at this time I am a subject (or citizen), and it is my intention to reside permanently in the United States. (8) I am able to speak the English language.

(9) I have resided continuously in the United States of America for the term of five years at least immediately preceding the date of this petition, to wit, since November 13, 1912 and in the County of Hillsborough this State, continuously next preceding the date of this petition, since May 19, 1919, being a residence within said county of at least six months next preceding the date of this petition.

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