

Preparing for the Salt Lake City Research Tour

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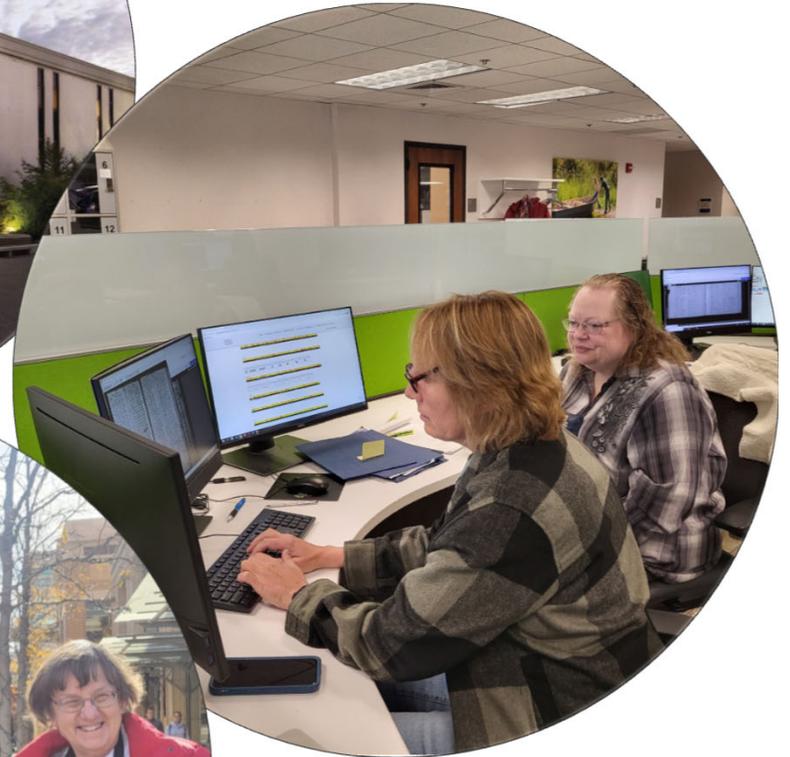
OVERVIEW

- **Presentation** (40 mins.)
 - Goals of the program
 - Getting to Salt Lake City
 - Program overview
 - Research preparation
 - Next steps
- **Q&A** (15 mins.)

Goals and Overview



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Tour includes

For researchers and guests:

- Hotel (room and tax)
- One lunch, two dinners

For researchers only:

- Lectures
- Orientations
- Consultations

Transportation,
hotel, & parking

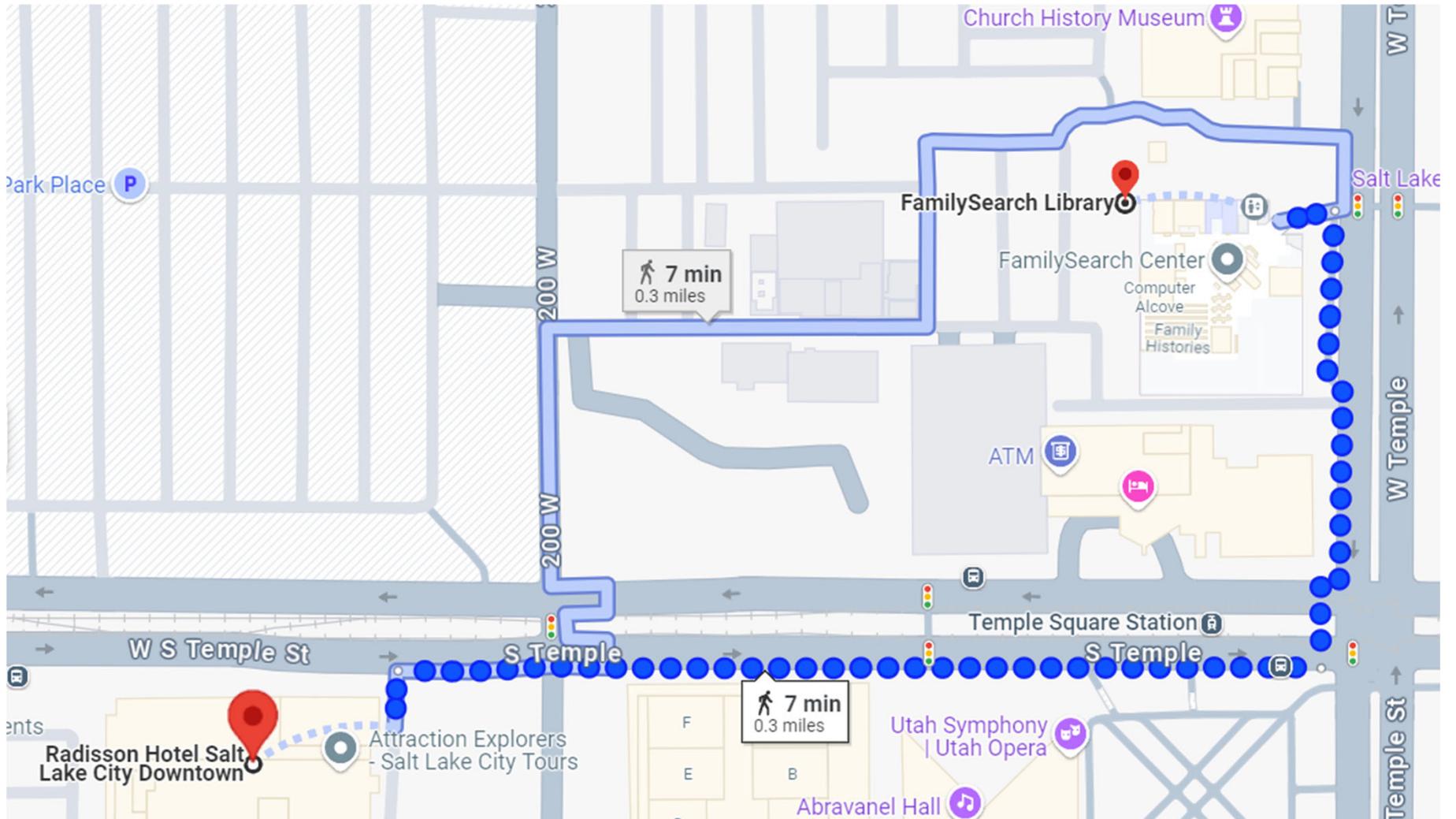
Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown

215 S Temple
Salt Lake City, UT

385-354-5457







Dining

Group Meals

- Opening Dinner
- Mid-Week Luncheon
- Closing Dinner

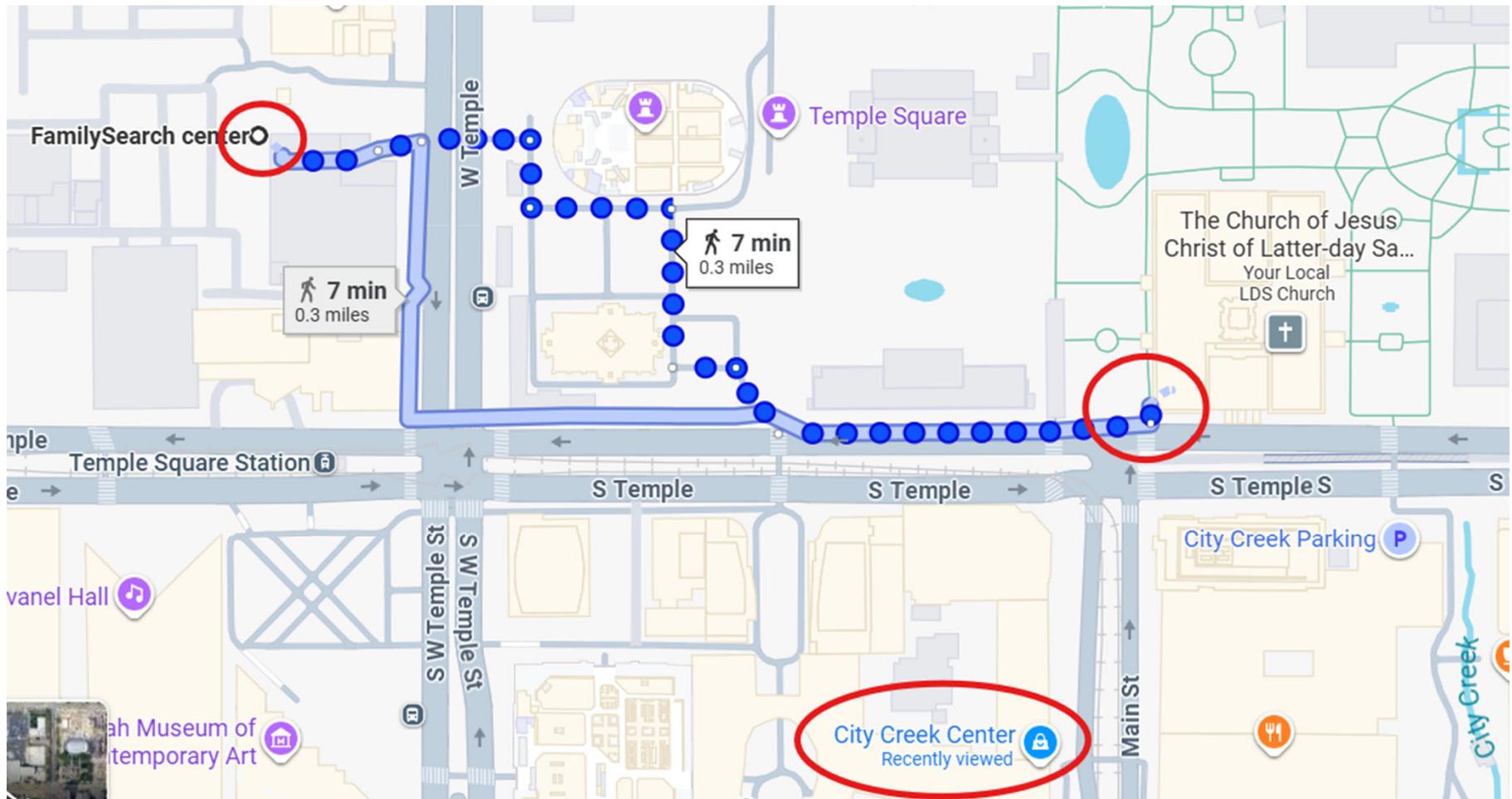
Dining Options – in Hotel

- On-site Copper Canyon Restaurant
 - (10% off breakfast menu for our group)
- Snacks and beverages for sale in lobby
- Delivery available

Dining Options – Nearby

- The Garden Restaurant
- City Creek Food Court
 - Kneader’s Bakery
 - Café Rio
 - Vitality Bowls
 - Subway
 - Cheesecake Factory
 - <https://shopcitycreekcenter.com/dining>
- Crown burgers
- Starbucks
- Blue Iguana
- Brio Italian Grill
- And more!

Getting to The Garden Restaurant and City Creek:

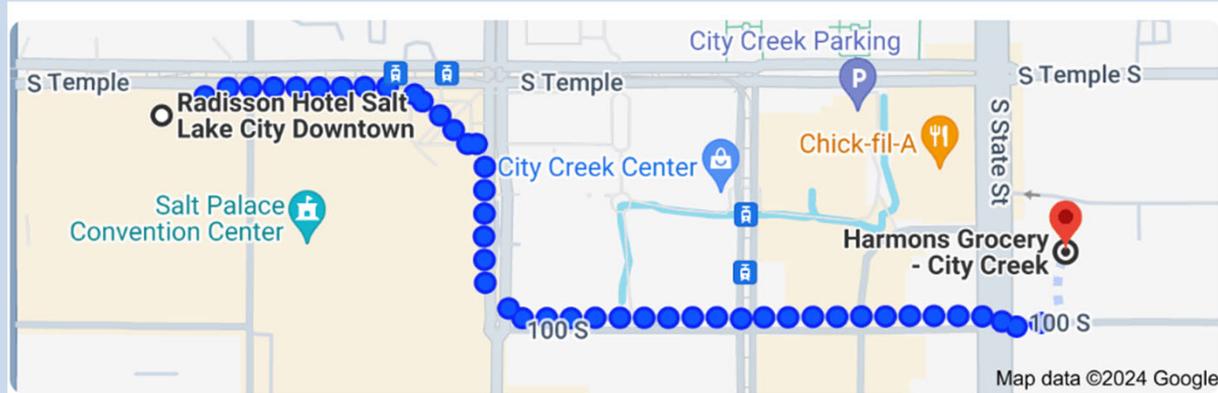


FamilySearch Library Snack Room

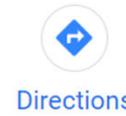
- Vending machines with soda (including coke and diet coke!), snacks, hot pockets, yogurt, cheese and crackers, etc.
- Microwaves
- Tables and Chairs



Harmon's Grocery – City Creek



15 min (0.7 mi) via 100 S



Tip

Consider ordering ahead on the restaurant websites to avoid lines! (For places like Kneader's Bakery, Café Rio, etc.)

Tip

For delivery, consider
downloading an app
like Uber Eats,
DoorDash, or Grubhub

What to Bring

What to bring to SLC:

- Moisturizer
- Lip balm
- Remember to hydrate!!!
- Check the weather and bring layers

Schedule

Sunday, November 9

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after 3:00 p.m.

Check-in at Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown

4:00–4:30 p.m.

Introductions and *Your Guide to the Week*, Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown

4:30–5:00 p.m.

Helpful Hints for First-Time Attendees

6:00–8:00 p.m.

Welcome Dinner, Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown

Monday, November 10

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9:00–9:45 a.m.	Orientation to FamilySearch Library
10:00–11:00 a.m.	Catalog Tutorials and Tours of the FamilySearch Library
11:00 pm–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
6:00 p.m.	FamilySearch Library closes



Tuesday, November 11

Tuesday, November 11	
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
11:00 am–12:00 p.m.	Lecture from American Ancestors staff genealogist
8:00 p.m.	FamilySearch Library closes

Wednesday, November 12

Wednesday, November 12	
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
11:00 am–12:00 p.m.	Lecture from American Ancestors staff genealogist
12:00–2:00 p.m.	Group Lunch, Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown
8:00 p.m.	FamilySearch Library closes

Thursday, November 13

Thursday, November 13	
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Lecture from American Ancestors staff genealogist
8:00 p.m.	FamilySearch Library closes

Friday, November 14

Friday, November 14	
9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Lecture from American Ancestors staff genealogist
6:00 p.m.	FamilySearch Library closes

Saturday, November 15

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9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.**	Personal research and consultations with American Ancestors staff genealogists, FamilySearch Library
6:00–8:00 p.m.	Closing Dinner, Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown

Sunday, November 16

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before 11:00 a.m.	Check out of the Radisson Salt Lake City Downtown
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Consultations

Consultations

- One pre-tour consultation
- Two on-site consultations, pre-scheduled
- 30 minutes each
- Participant Form 1 due October 20
- Participant Form 2 due November 1



Consultation Prep

- Bring family trees and copies of relevant documents (vital records, etc.)
- Be ready to list sources you have already checked
- Be prepared to work on a different branch when something turns up

Participant Form Part 1
Due October 20

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[Pre-Tour Zoom Presentation](#)

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Welcome!



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Navigate the resources of the world's largest genealogy library with help from American Ancestors. Our experts have more than 40 years' experience guiding researchers of all levels through the vast resources of the FamilySearch Library. Benefit from our special orientations and tutorials, one-on-one consultations, informative lectures, and more!

Program Includes

- Seven-night hotel stay at the Radisson Hotel Salt Lake City Downtown
- Tour and orientation to collections of the FamilySearch Library

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2025 Salt Lake City Research Tour - Participant Form 1

Please submit the form below by October 20, 2025.

*** 1. First name**

*** 2. Last Name**

*** 3. Preferred Email Address**

*** 4. Preferred Phone Number**



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Consultation #1 (VIRTUAL Pre-Tour Consultation)

Please fill out the following information for your first half-hour consultation, which will take place virtually ahead of the tour. Please be as detailed as possible.

*** 14. Name of individual to be discussed:**

*** 15. Pertinent information available about individual.**

Include vital information (birth, death, marriage dates and places), residential location, spouse and children names and vital information, etc.)

*** 16. Specific question(s) or goals for consultations:**

*** 17. Briefly cite sources already reviewed:**

Participant Form Part 2
Due November 1

Fellow Participants



FamilySearch Library: Preparing Your Research



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FamilySearch Library

- Microfilms
- Books
- Databases
- Maps



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What will you discover about your ancestors?

Search billions of ancestor profiles, photographs, and historical documents at once—absolutely FREE.

Enter your ancestor information:

Not sure who to search for? Try a grandparent or great-grandparent.

First Names



Last Names*



Place Lived

Birth Year

SEARCH



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Understanding Catalog Entries

Births, marriages, deaths, 1843-1927; indexes, 1843-1981

[Add to Print List](#)

Authors:	Moultrie County (Illinois). County Clerk (Main Author) Illinois. County Court (Moultrie County) (Repository)
Format:	Manuscript/Manuscript on Film
Language:	English
Publication:	Salt Lake City, Utah : Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah, 1980, 1987
Physical:	on 13 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.
References:	(Digital Collection) Illinois, county marriages, 1810-1934

Notes

An index for Illinois, County Marriages is available online, [click here](#).

Microfilm of original records at the Moultrie County courthouse in Sullivan, Illinois.

Correction: The back of each birth certificate is filmed 1st, not vice versa as stated on film. Also, when the back of a birth certificate indicates a book and page number it will be found in the birth register. When a book and page is not on the back of a certificate, it is probably not in the register.

Dates for births are birth dates, not return dates, which, in many instances, are decades later.

*The index to deaths, shown in the inventory below, repeats many letters of the alphabet under which surnames are found. The order is as follows: A-D, B-K, E-F, H, J-R, L-M, P, R-W, Y-Z, S-T, W.

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

Subjects

Locality Subjects

[United States, Illinois, Moultrie - Vital records](#)

Film/Digital Notes

Film Number or Image Group Number (DGS)

Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	Image Group Number (DGS)	Format
Index to births ca. 1877-1956, 1960s, 1980(2) Birth registers Book 1 (to p. 135) Dec. 1877-1883	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1311780	8307527	 
Book 1 (cont.), 1883-1887 Book 2, 1859(1 noted), 1872-1915	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1311781	7730336	 
Birth certificates, 1859-Apr. 1881	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1293654	4000379	 
Births, Apr. 1881-Mar. 1885	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1293655	4018917	 
Births, Mar. 1885-Oct. 1888	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1293656	4018916	 
Births, Oct. 1888-Dec. 1891	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1293657	4018915	 
Births, Sept. 1893-1900	Granite Mountain Record Vault	United States & Canada Film	1301711	4018914	 
Index to marriage, ca. 1843-1981 bks. A, C-F, 97 [Note: Index to bk. A, above, appears to be unique from the names found in the index to the same bk. A below-- check both indexes.] Index, male & female, bks. A & B	FamilySearch Library	United States & Canada B1 Floor Film	1312673	7616208	



Abbreviations in the FamilySearch Catalog



- Records
- Guided Research
- Research Resources
- Wiki Policies

Centers/Libraries

- FamilySearch Library
- FamilySearch Centers
- FS Affiliate Libraries

Give Feedback

- Submit Wiki Content
- Report a Problem

Edit the Wiki

- Upload File/Image
- Personal Sandbox
- Contributor Updates
- Wiki Projects
- Wiki University
- Manual of Style

Tools

- What links here
- Related changes
- Special pages
- Printable version
- Permanent link

Locations [edit | edit source]

Abbreviation Location

- FS Library [FamilySearch Library](#) (35 N. West Temple Street, Salt Lake City, Utah)
- JSMB Joseph Smith Memorial Building (Salt Lake City, Utah)
- VAULT Granite Mountain Records Vault (Utah). Vault films and fiche can be ordered at the [FamilySearch Library](#).

Collections [edit | edit source]

Abbreviation Collection

- ARC Automated Resource Center (no longer used, see CD-ROM below)
- BRITISH British (FamilySearch Library, B2)
- ES Extra Surveillance
- FAM HIST Family History (FamilySearch Library, Main Floor)
- FHD Family History Department
- INTL International (FamilySearch Library, B1)
- RESTRICT Restricted (FamilySearch Library, Access Services Window)
- SPECIAL Special Collections (FamilySearch Library, books: B1 access services window; films: B2 Special Collections room)
- TEMPLE Temple Services
- US/CAN United States and Canada (FamilySearch Library, 2nd Floor and 3rd Floor)



Indexed
&
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Images
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from
home



Image
avail-
ability
limited



Full-text
AI
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Only
on
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film

Understanding Catalog Icons

Searching the Catalog

- Records
- Full Text
- Images
- Family Tree
- Genealogies
- Catalog
- Books
- Research Wiki
- Cemeteries
- Newspapers



Build

Continue building your tree
Build your family tree, and find new ancestors as you add what you know.

BUILD YOUR TREE

- Recent**
People recently visited
- John
1734-1827 • M5DH-JJV **Public Person**
 - Elizabeth La Tourette
1736-Deceased • M5DH-JJV **Public Person**
 - Paul La Tourette I
1738-1827 • 2X9Y-BYC **Public Person**
- [SHOW ALL](#)

Search for an Ancestor

First Names

Last Names

Required

Possible Location

Estimated Birth Year

SEARCH

Make Discoveries

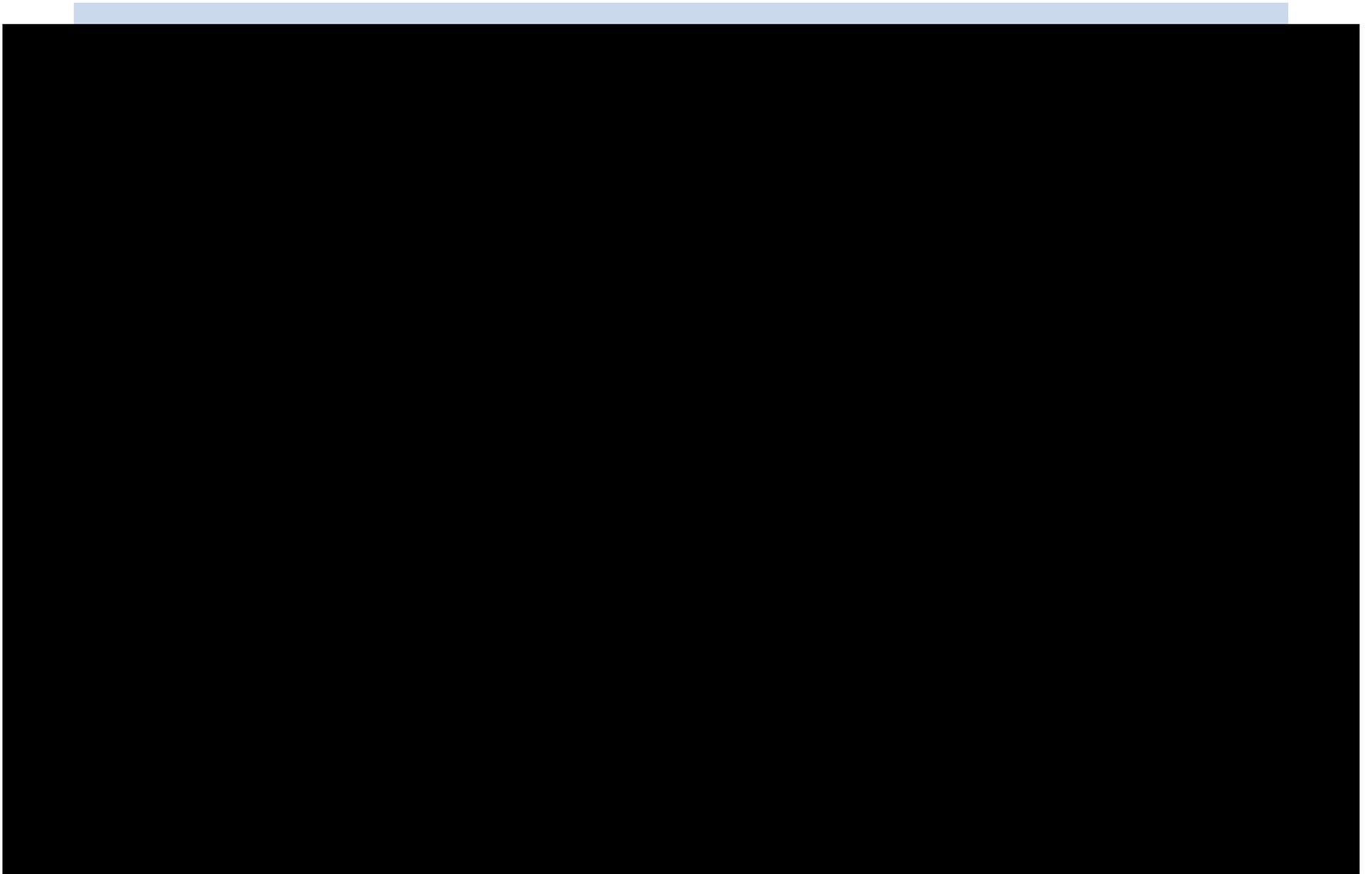
We found a record that may include information about your relative.

Feedback

https://www.familysearch.org/en/search/

Search Menu

Video Demonstration



Changes at the FamilySearch Library

Changes to the Library Floors

- British Isles books & microfilm were on Floor B2
- International books & microfilm were on Floor B1
- **NOW:**
 - Floor B1: Any items *still* only on microfilm (all countries including U.S./Canada)
 - Floor B2: International Books (all countries other than U.S./Canada – which are on 3rd Floor)

Change to Vault Orders

“Due to the rapidly diminishing supply of microfilm, the ability to request copies of microfilms from the Granite Mountain Record Vault to be viewed in the FamilySearch Library will no longer be available after Saturday, July 15, 2023. We are currently working on alternate methods of access for microfilmed records that cannot be released to the public online.”

- FamilySearch

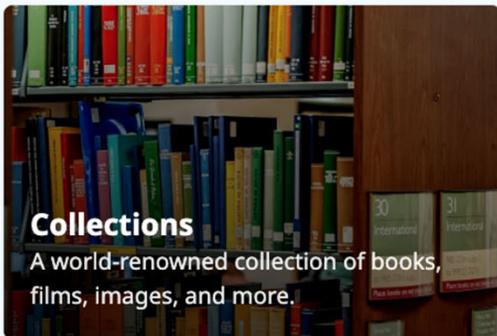


Welcome to the FamilySearch Library

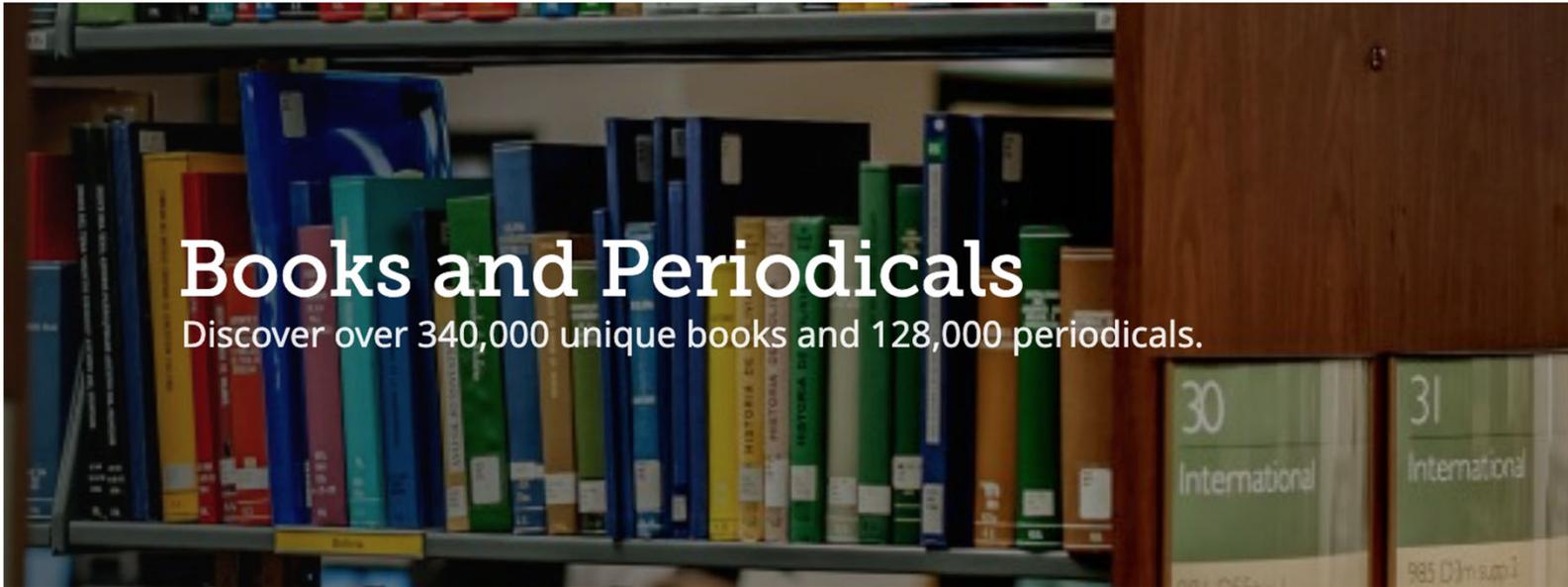
A global network of experts, volunteers, documents, and resources that can help you discover your family

VISIT THE LIBRARY

Library Services



<https://www.familysearch.org/en/library/>



Books and Periodicals

Discover over 340,000 unique books and 128,000 periodicals.

Explore our Collections

United States and Canada books are located on the 3rd floor. International books are located on the B2 floor of the library.



**Search for
Library Books**

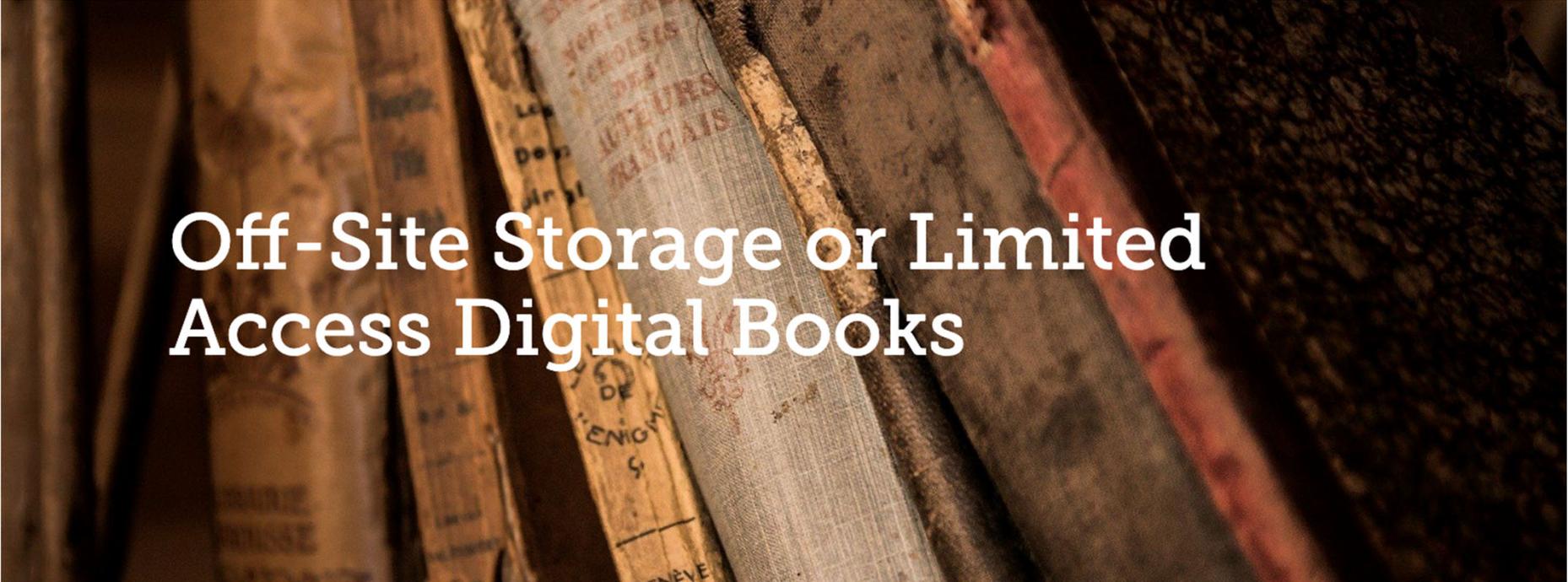


**Access Digital
Books**



**Limited
Access Books**

www.familysearch.org/en/library/books-and-periodicals



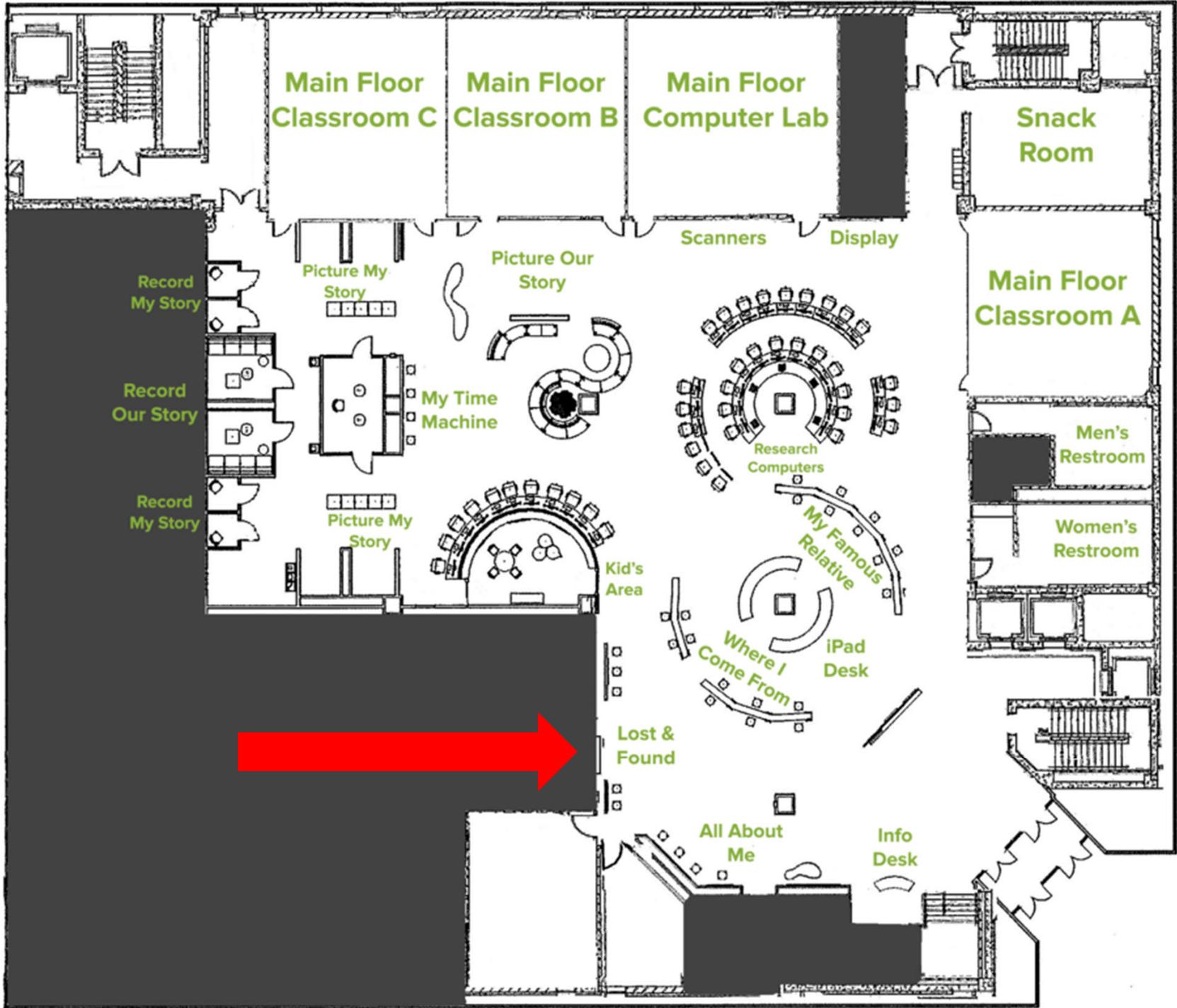
Off-Site Storage or Limited Access Digital Books

Location	Collection/Shelf	Availability
Family History Library	Family History Off-site Storage	Off-site Storage
Family History Library		Off-site Storage

Off-site storage or limited access

All off-site storage or limited access books are available for viewing while inside the FamilySearch Library. No need to order in advance. Visit the Guest Services window on the main floor to receive temporary digital access for viewing off-site books on-demand.

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/library/off-site-books>



FamilySearch Library

- Access to digitized images not available at home
- Computers with microfilm scanners
- Book scanners
- Digitize negatives, etc. in Memory Lane



Memory Lane: Family Memories Preservation Center

Use our self-serve equipment to digitize your tapes, photos, slides, books, film, and other media.

Join us on the second floor of the library during regular hours. Walk-ins are welcome, but having a reservation helps ensure equipment is available for you. Don't forget to bring a thumb drive or external hard drive to store your digitized media

Preparing for Your Visit

To learn more about the specific types of equipment available and tips for your visit, click on the images below. By preparing for your visit to Memory Lane, you will maximize your time and preserve more family memories during your digitizing session.

What items can be scanned?

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Frequently Asked Questions

Is a reservation required?



How do I cancel my reservation?



Where can I park?



How can I get help if I have a scanning question?



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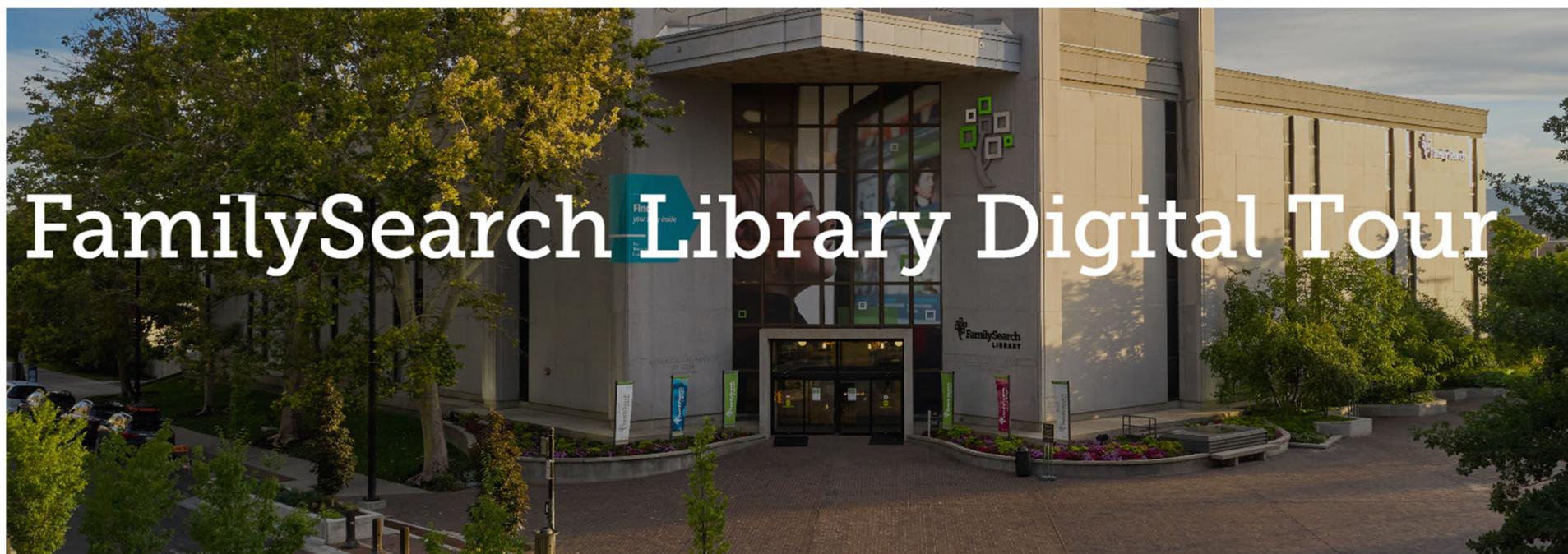
Keep in mind

- What you are digitizing
- Scanners save to the computers attached
- Files need to be moved to thumb drives
- Name files so you know what it is





Tip
Attend Library
Orientation Monday
morning



Experience the library through one of the buttons below

INTRO TO VR TECH

FULL VIDEO TOUR

FULL PHOTO TOUR

*Linked on our Salt Lake City Research Tour landing page under the
“Repository” heading

<https://www.familysearch.org/en/library/digital-tour>

Things to know

- Self-service copiers are available
- No charge for copies
- LIMIT – 25 paper copies a day
- Microfilm reader/scanners – **bring USB**
- Scanner printers

What to bring to the library:

- Any materials, bags, etc.
- Lock for your laptop
- Computers, tablets (WiFi available)
- Digital Cameras
- DO NOT LEAVE YOUR BELONGINGS UNATTENDED
- Small lockers are provided
- USB
- Bottle of water

Next Steps

- 1- Visit the tour webpage
- 2- Send in participant forms!
- 3- Use the online catalog
- 4- Make your research to-do lists
- 5- Pack layers, moisturizer, and lip balm!

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A large audience of people is seated in a conference room, viewed from behind. The room has a dark blue overlay. The audience is facing a stage area with a screen and speakers. The text "QUESTIONS?" is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font in the center of the image.

QUESTIONS?

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