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Local & Digital Resources for Genealogy Research

In order to help you researching your family history, we have compiled the following local & online resources to assist you in accessing information about your family.

Before beginning your genealogy research journey, make sure to document as much information about the person(s) you are researching: full names, date of birth/death, marriage date, place of birth/living, names of parents, siblings, spouses, children. When you begin your search, this information will allow you to confirm that you are following the correct path of the person you are researching, rather than a different person with the same name.

Library Resources

At any Suburban Library Cooperative library (any in Macomb County), you can access the **Library Edition of Ancestry.com**. If you need help navigating the Library Edition of Ancestry.com (which is only available when in the Library building or connected to Library WiFi), any librarian at the Adult Reference Desk can assist you on the public computers or on your own device.

The Michigan eLibrary (mel.org) offers access to a similar site called **MyHeritage Library Edition**, that you can access from anywhere in Michigan with an Internet connection.

You can access MeL & MyHeritage through our website, or you can use this link:
http://widgets.ebscohost.com/prod/customerspecific/mel/auth.php?database=myheritage

You will be prompted to sign in with your Michigan Driver's License/State ID Number, or your library card number.

Local Genealogical Resources

The **Genealogical Society of Flemish Americans**, located at 13th Mile & Kelly (Basement of American House II). Their main focus is Flemish (Belgian) ancestry, but they are all very kind and helpful people who have a vast amount of genealogical experience. They are a great resource for guidance on getting started with your ancestry research.
flemishlibrary.org (586) 777-2770 flemishLibrary@gmail.com

You can also try **Family Search** (run by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints). They have the largest collection of genealogical resources in the world.
https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Family_History_Center_Portal

Locally, Ferndale Area Public Library and Mount Clemens Public Library are **Family Search Affiliate Libraries.** They also have the Bloomfield Hills Michigan Family History Center.

Ferndale Area Public Library
222 E. Nine Mile, Ferndale, MI
248-546-2504
info@fadl.org

Mount Clemens Public Library (have volunteer researchers)
150 Cass Ave, Mt Clemens, MI 48043
586-469-6200, ext. 6
genealogy@mtclib.org

Bloomfield Hills Michigan Family History Center
37425 Woodward Ave, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304
248-647-5671
MI_BloomfieldHills@familyhistorymail.org

The **Macomb County Genealogy Group** works with the Mount Clemens Public Library to provide Genealogy Research Assistance. You can see their information here: http://mcgg-letstalkgenealogy.blogspot.com/p/research-help.html

They also have meetings to talk about genealogy. You can see their calendar here: http://mcgg-letstalkgenealogy.blogspot.com/p/mcgg-friday-meetings.html

Additional Online Resources

St. Clair Shores Public Library's website has a list of Genealogy Resources on their website here: https://www.scsmi.net/1179/Online-Resources (Click the Genealogy tab)

Mount Clemens Public Library's website also has a list of Genealogy Resources: https://www.mtclib.org/230/Genealogy-Resources

Macomb County Death Index (click Search Death Record for online search)
https://www.macombgov.org/departments/clerk-register-deeds/death-records

Find a Grave (Cemetery Search)
https://www.findagrave.com/

Family Tree Magazine (Free Resources)
https://familytreemagazine.com/free-genealogy-resources/

National Archives and Records Administration (Resources for Genealogists)
https://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy

Further Research: Searching Outside Macomb County

If, after using the above resources, you find that you are finding family connections outside of the local area or in another state, you should seek more localized resources in that area. Contact the local county offices for official documents and the local public library/archives for newspapers or other local records & resources.

If you have more limited technology skills or cannot travel to the area where you are seeking information, you can hire an experienced genealogical researcher to conduct research on your behalf. Depending on the depth of research needed and the time it takes to conduct, hourly rates can range $30-$200, and large genealogical projects (25-100 hours) can run $3,000-$12,000 and take months to complete.

Association of Professional Genealogists – Find a Genealogist Search
https://members.apgen.org/members/directory/search_APG.php?org_id=APG

Association of Professional Genealogists – How to Hire a Professional Genealogist
https://www.apgen.org/how_to_hire_a_professional_gen.php

Legacy Tree Genealogists
https://www.legacytree.com/

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https://www.legacytree.com/blog/how-to-hire-a-professional-genealogist

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Please note that the Roseville Public Library does not house any local obituaries. Please contact Mount Clemens Public Library for obituary searches.

The Roseville Archivist on staff is not a genealogist & cannot be hired for this purpose. Additionally, the Archivist has many other duties & projects relating to the Library and the Archives. As such, only basic online searches, taking a maximum of 1 hour, can be requested.

Please email rsvlibraryservice@roseville-mi.gov to request a small search. Provide all relevant information about the person you are searching for, including dates, locations, and relative names, so that the Archivist may be sure they are finding the correct records. The Archivist will reach out to provide you with what can be found.