

Introduction to Researching Your Family History
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- Start with yourself
- Interview your relatives
- Check the census records
- Search for death record information
- Put the information on Family Group Sheet or in genealogy software
- Keep track of your sources
- Keep it organized

Recommended Internet Sites

Heritage Quest (access from local public library web page)
Find a Grave (www.findagrave.com)
Family Search.org (www.familysearch.org)

Recommended Genealogy Software

Family Tree Maker – www.familytreemaker.com
Roots Magic – www.rootsmagic.com
Family Tree Builder – www.myheritage.com/family-tree-builder

Recommended Books

Burroughs, Tony. Black Roots: A Beginner's Guide to Tracing the African American Family Tree. New York, NY: Fireside Division of Simon & Schuster, 2001.

Crandall, Ralph. Shaking Your Family Tree: A Basic Guide to Tracing Your Family's Genealogy. Emmaus, PA: Rodale Press, 1986.

FAMILY GROUP SHEET

Father:		Other Spouses: <input type="checkbox"/>
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Married:	Place:	
Father:		Mother:
Mother:		Other Spouses: <input type="checkbox"/>
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Married:	Place:	
Father:		Mother:
Children:		
1. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
2. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried::	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
3. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
4. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	

FAMILY GROUP SHEET (cont.)

5. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
6. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
7. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	
8. Name		Sex:
Born:	Place:	
Died:	Place:	
Buried:	Place:	
Spouse:		
Married:	Place:	

Notes:

PEDIGREE CHART

			<div>Great Grandfather</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>When Married / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
		<div>Paternal Grandfather</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Married</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>	<div>Great Grandmother</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
	<div>Father</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Married</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>		<div>Great Grandfather</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>When Married / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
		<div>Paternal Grandmother</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>	<div>Great Grandmother</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
<div>You</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Married</div> <div>Where</div>			<div>Great Grandfather</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>When Married / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
		<div>Maternal Grandfather</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Married</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>	<div>Great Grandmother</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
	<div>Mother</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>		<div>Great Grandfather</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>When Married / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		
		<div>Maternal Grandmother</div> <div>Born</div> <div>Where</div> <div>Died</div> <div>Where</div>	<div>Great Grandmother</div> <div>Born / Where</div> <div>Died / Where</div>		