

Vital Records Web Sites



Michigan Locality Indexes

Barry County

- internal.barrycounty.org/clerkweb/
- Death index starts in 1867; marriage index in 1839.

Branch County

- www.co.branch.mi.us/deathsearch.taf
- Death index.

Cheboygan County

- cheboygancountymi.org/toc.html#vital
- Death index, 1867 to 1933; marriage index, 1869 to 1925.

Clinton County

- www.clinton-county.org/clerk/vital_dr.asp
- Death index, 1934 to present.
- www.clinton-county.org/clerk/vital_mr.asp
- Marriage index, 1927 to present.

Delta County

- www.grandmastree.com/society/
- Indexes to births, 1867 to 1915; divorces, 1883 to 1949; marriages, 1862 to 1927; probates, 1873 to 1975.

Genesee County

- www.co.genesee.mi.us/vitalrec/
- Death index begins in 1930; marriage index in 1963.
- www.rootsweb.com/~mifgs/rbindex/rbindex.html
- Death index, 1867 to 1930.
- www.rootsweb.com/~mifgs/marriages/index.html
- Marriage index, 1867 to 1934.

Grand Traverse County

- www.tcnet.org/gtcounty/
- Indexes to deaths and marriages.

Ingham County

- eweb.ingham.org/eagleclerk/web/
- Death index, 1986 to present; marriage index, 1991 to present;
- Must register to use this site; registration is free.

Isabella County

- www.mifamilyhistory.org/isabella/cenvital.html
- Transcriptions of births, 1867 to 1904; deaths, 1867 to 1924; marriages, 1857 to 1892, 1912, 1913, 1917, 1925.

Kent County

- genweb.wmgs.org/AboutKentCountyMarriages.html
- Marriage index, 1849 to 1929.

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Livingston County

- www.memoriallibrary.com/MI/Livingston/Death/
- Death index, 1867 to 1948.

Macomb County

- 64.9.117.153/Death.do
- Death index, 1960 to present; some pre-1960 deaths.

Manistee County

- www.rootsweb.com/~mimanist/ManDeathIndex.html
- Death index, 1869 to 1973.

Muskegon County

- www.co.muskegon.mi.us/clerk/websearch.cfm
- Death index, 1867 to 1965. Incomplete.

Ottawa County

- www.rootsweb.com/~miottawa/deaths/ottawa/index.html
- Transcriptions of deaths, 1867 to 1901.

Saginaw County

- www.saginawcounty.com/clerk/search/index.html
- Death and marriage indexes, 1995 to present.

Saint Clair County

- www.rootsweb.com/~mistcla2/
- Death index, 1868 to 1974; transcriptions of marriage ledger books, 1838 to 1898.

Saint Joseph County

- members.tripod.com/~tfred/death.html
- Death index, 1867 to 1929; 1997; 1998.

Schoolcraft County

- www.rootsweb.com/~mischool/death1.htm
- Death index, 1870 to 1899.

Trenton (Wayne County)

- www.trentonhistoricalsociety.org/databases.html
- Death index, 1908 to 2005.

Tuscola County

- www.usgennet.org/usa/mi/county/tuscola/deaths/deathsindex.htm
- Abstracts of death records, 1867 to 1903.

Washtenaw County

- secure.ewashtenaw.org/ecommerce/vitalrecord/vrHome.do
- Death index, 1959 to present; marriage index, 1963 to present.

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Statewide Indexes

Arizona Genealogy Birth and Death Certificates

- genealogy.az.gov/
- Birth certificates, 1855 to 1932.
- Death certificates, 1844 to 1957.

GENDIS

- www.mdch.state.mi.us/pha/osr/gendisx/search2.htm
- Michigan Genealogical Death Indexing System: Contains information from 81,540 Michigan death records from 1867 to 1882. Incomplete.

Georgia Death Certificates

- content.sos.state.ga.us/cdm4/gadeaths.php
- Death certificates, 1919 to 1927, with a number of certificates from 1914 to 1918.

Illinois State Archives Records

- www.library.sos.state.il.us/departments/archives/databases.html
- Death indexes, pre-1916 and 1916 to 1950; marriage index, 1763 to 1900.

Kentucky Vital Statistics Indexes

- www.kygenweb.net/vitals/index.html
- Abstracts for births, 1911 to 1912; deaths, 1911 to 2000; marriages, 1973 to 2000.

Maine State Archives: Deaths

- portalx.bisoex.state.me.us/pls/archives_mhsf/archdev.death_archive.search_form
- Index for 1960 to 1996.

Maine State Archives: Marriages

- portalx.bisoex.state.me.us/pls/archives_mhsf/archdev.marriage_archive.search_form
- Index for 1892 to 1996. There is a gap from 1967 to 1976.

Massachusetts Vital Records Search

- www.sec.state.ma.us/vitalrecordssearch/VitalRecordsSearch.aspx
- Birth and death indexes, 1841 to 1915.

Minnesota Historical Society Vital Records Index

- www.mnhs.org/genealogy/
- Birth index, 1900-1934; death index, 1904 to 2001.

Missouri Death Certificates

- www.sos.mo.gov/archives/resources/deathcertificates/
- Death certificates, 1910 to 1957.

New Jersey Index to Marriage Records, 1666 to 1799

- www.njarchives.org/links/marriagedb.html

New Jersey Index to Marriage Records, 1848 to 1867

- www.njarchives.org/links/marriagedb1867.html

New York City Death Index

- www.italiangen.org/NYCDEATH.STM
- Manhattan, 1891 to 1897; Brooklyn, 1895 to 1897; all boroughs, 1898 to 1948.

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New York City Grooms Index

- www.italiengen.org/NYCMarriage.stm
- Kings County, 1864 to 1907; Manhattan, 1866 to 1907; New York City, 1908 to 1936.

New York City Brides Index

- www.italiengen.org/NYCBrides.stm
- Bronx County, 1899 to 1937; Kings County, 1871 to 1910, 1931 to 1937; Manhattan, 1866 to 1937; Richmond County, 1898 to 1937. Queens County, 1905 to 1937.

Ohio Online Death Certificate Index

- www.ohiohistory.org/dindex/
- 1913 to 1944.

South Dakota Birth Records Index

- www.state.sd.us/applications/PH14Over100BirthRec/index.asp
- Births more than 100 years old.

Utah Death Certificates

- www.historyresearch.utah.gov/indexes/index.html
- 1905 to 1956.
- Use "Search All Indexes" search box.

Virginia Death Records Index

- ajax.lva.lib.va.us/F/?func=file&file_name=find-b-clas29&local_base=clas29
- 1853 to 1896 for 15 cities and counties.

Washington State Digital Archives

- www.digitalarchives.wa.gov/
- Birth, death and marriage information for some counties.

West Virginia Vital Research Records

- www.wvculture.org/vrr/va_select.aspx
- Death certificates, 1917 to 1957; births, marriages and additional deaths available for some counties in some years.

Western States Marriage Records Index

- abish.byui.edu/specialCollections/westernStates/Search.cfm
- Some counties in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming. Date coverage varies by county.

Wisconsin Pre-1907 Vital Records

- www.wisconsinhistory.org/vitalrecords/
- Birth, death and marriage indexes.

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International Sources

Genlias: Netherlands

- www.genlias.nl/en/page0.jsp
- Birth, marriage and death indexes from the Civil Register, primarily starting in 1811; some information to 1600s.

Ontario Vital Statistics Project Death Index

- www.rootsweb.com/~onvsr/deaths.htm
- Volunteer project in progress.

Ancestry Library Edition

Available at the Library of Michigan

Social Security Death Index (SSDI)

- People with Social Security numbers whose deaths have been reported to the Social Security Administration.
- A few deaths as far back as 1937 are included, but most deaths are after 1962.

Other Vital Records

- Browse full list by following the link on the homepage to Birth, Marriage & Death Records (SSDI).
 - It's helpful to look at this alphabetical list for state, county and town names.

Family Tree Legends

www.familytreelegends.com

Free databases

- California Births, 1905-1995
- California Deaths, 1940-1997
- Illinois Marriages, 1763-1900
- Kentucky Deaths, 1911-1992
- Social Security Death Index
- Texas Births, 1926-1995
- Texas Deaths, 1964-1998
- Texas Marriages

New England Historic Genealogical Society

Vital records at state and town level back to 1600s. Available at the Library of Michigan.

Web Sites Listing Vital Records Sources

Cyndi's List

- Births & Baptisms: www.cyndislist.com/births.htm
- Death Records: www.cyndislist.com/deaths.htm
- Marriages: www.cyndislist.com/marriage.htm

Online Searchable Death Indexes & Records

- www.deathindexes.com

Family Tree Magazine

www.familytreemagazine.com/forms/research/vitalrecords.pdf

- This PDF features a table showing when each state began registering vital records.

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Library of Michigan

Vital Records on Microfilm

The following Michigan vital records and indexes are available on microfilm:

Births	Index 1867-1915		
Deaths	Index 1867-1914	Returns 1867-1897	Certificates 1897-1920
Divorces	Index 1897-1969	Returns 1897-1922	
Marriages	Index 1867-1921; 1950-1969	Returns 1867-1925	

ANSWER Online Catalog

To find the Library's holdings for vital records in other states or individual counties, please search ANSWER, the Library's online catalog.

- Access ANSWER at www.answercat.org.
- Do a keyword search for the county and state, and type of record. For example:
 - suffolk county n.y. and death
 - wayne county mich and birth

Print Resources at the Library of Michigan

Crume, Rick. Plugging into Your Past: How to Find Real Family History Records Online. Cincinnati: Betterway Books, 2004.

- **Genealogy CS 49 .C78 2004**
- Worthwhile Web sites, including many free vital records sites.

Kemp, Thomas J. International Vital Records Handbook. 4th ed. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2000.

- **Genealogy CS 42.7 .K46 2000**
- Includes application forms, costs and mailing addresses for vital records offices in the United States and countries worldwide.
- Lists Web sites and phone numbers.
 - Use to verify address, cost information.

Questions? Contact the Library of Michigan

- Ask at either reference desk.
- Call (517) 373-1300.
- E-mail librarian@michigan.gov.
- www.michigan.gov/askalibrarian
- www.michigan.gov/familyhistory