

# LEELANAU COUNTY GUIDE

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## ARCHIVES OF MICHIGAN



Leelanau County was originally laid off in 1840 but was later officially organized in 1863. The county coordinates are Ranges 11 West through 15 West (11W-15W) and Townships 28 North through 32 North (28N-32N). Adjacent counties include Grand Traverse (southeast) and Benzie (southwest). Lake Michigan is on the west border of Leelanau County.

Original records from Leelanau County are available at the Archives of Michigan. The list below is organized by record type; each record type lists specific records, the years of coverage and the record group (RG) number assigned to that collection. More detailed lists of these collection can be found in finding aids at the archives.

### BUSINESS RECORDS

- **Incorporations**, from **1880 to 1972** – RG 2011-62

### CEMETERY RECORDS

- **Leelanau County files**, from **1968 to 1976** – RG 83-53

### MILITARY RECORDS

- **Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) post records**, from **1876 to 1945** – RG 63-19
  - *Leelanau County GAR posts: Post 168 (Maple City), Post 399 (Northport)*

*See also Guide No. 4: War Records, Guide No. 7: Post-War Records, Guide No. 4 c: Spanish American War, and Guide No. 4 d: World War I*

### OCCUPATIONAL RECORDS

- **Nurse and justice registrations**, from **1879 to 1897** – RG 86-16

- **Physician, surgeon, dentist, and veterinarian registrations, from 1883 to 1950** – RG 86-16
- **Real estate brokers & salesmen registrations, from 1936 to 1943** – RG 86-16

## PRISON RECORDS

*See also Guide No. 3: Correctional Facilities Records*

## SCHOOL RECORDS

- **Family census cards, from 1906 to 1960** – RG 83-69
- **Gradebooks, Elmwood District #4, from 1924 to 1927** – RG 82-73

## TAX RECORDS

- **Tax assessment rolls, from 1859 to 1900** – RG 84-56
- **Tax assessment rolls (Manitou County), from 1891 to 1893** – RG 84-56

## VITAL RECORDS

*See Guide No. 19: Vital Records*

## VOTER RECORDS

- **Election register (Cleveland Township), from 1859 to 1882, from 1906 and from 1912** – RG 87-74
- **Party enrollment record, from 1906 to 1912** – RG 86-16

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