

Genealogy Source Checklist

Family Name _____

Search performed by: _____

Place a ✓ next to each source as you search.

Family Records

- _____ Family Bibles
- _____ Scrapbooks/Photographs
- _____ Journals/Diaries
- _____ Heirlooms
- _____ Letters/Correspondence
- _____ Oral Stories/Traditions
- _____ School/Education Records
- _____ Organization Memberships
- _____ Insurance Records
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Public Sources

- Vital Statistics*
- _____ Births
- _____ Deaths
- _____ Marriages
- _____ Banns
- _____ Bonds/Applications
- _____ License
- _____ Contracts
- _____ Divorces
- _____ Adoptions
- _____ _____

- US Federal Census Records*
- _____ 1790 _____ 1860
- _____ 1800 _____ 1870
- _____ 1810 _____ 1880
- _____ 1820 _____ 1900
- _____ 1830 _____ 1910
- _____ 1840 _____ 1920
- _____ 1850 _____ 1930
- _____ Mortality Schedules
- _____ Veterans Schedules
- _____ _____

- Tax Records*
- _____ Poll Tax
- _____ Real Estate Tax
- _____ Personal Property Tax
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Land Records

- _____ Grantee Index
- _____ Grantor Index
- _____ Deeds
- _____ Mortgages / Promissory Notes
- _____ Surveys/Plats
- _____ _____

Estate/Probate Records

- _____ Indexes
- _____ Wills
- _____ Administration/Executor
- _____ Estate Inventories
- _____ Newspaper Notices
- _____ Bonds
- _____ Settlements
- _____ Guardianships
- _____ _____

Cemetery Records

- _____ Tombstones
- _____ Monuments
- _____ Memorials
- _____ Cemetery Plats
- _____ Perpetual Care
- _____ Church Records
- _____ Property Owner Records
- _____ _____

Immigration Records

- _____ Passenger Lists
- _____ Passports
- _____ Alien Registration Cards
- _____ Naturalization Records
- _____ Citizenship papers
- _____ _____

Military Records

- _____ Draft Cards
- _____ Enlistment Records
- _____ Service Files
- _____ Muster Rolls
- _____ Discharges
- _____ Pensions
- _____ _____

Private Sources

- Organization/Institutional Records*
- _____ Genealogical Societies
- _____ Historical Societies
- _____ Libraries
- _____ _____

Newspapers

- _____ Births
- _____ Deaths / Obituaries
- _____ Marriages / Anniversaries
- _____ Local News
- _____ Legal Notices
- _____ Probates
- _____ Auctions
- _____ Court Claims
- _____ _____

Church Records

- _____ Birth
- _____ Christening
- _____ Baptism
- _____ Confirmation
- _____ Death / Burial
- _____ Marriages / Banns
- _____ Divorce / Annulment
- _____ Ordination
- _____ Membership List / Directories
- _____ Church Histories
- _____ _____

Miscellaneous

- _____ Voter Registration
- _____ Business License / Application
- _____ Trade Organization Membership
- _____ City Directories
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____