



GENEALOGY RESOURCES

LOCAL RESOURCES

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- 1. Orange County Regional History Center & The Brechner Research Center** –
<http://www.thehistorycenter.org/collections/research-center/>
Did you know you can search much of our collection online?
- 2. Central Florida Genealogical Society** – <https://cfgs.org/>
CFGs is INCREDIBLE. They have over 100 meetings per year on a wide range of topics, including special interest groups for Ireland, Germany, and more. This group isn't just for people whose genealogy is "local"; it is for anybody doing genealogy anywhere. During quarantine you can check out their website, and we recommend following them on Facebook. Their president, Elaine Hatfield Powell, regularly posts a ton of great links and resources, especially now during quarantine!
- 3. West Oaks Branch Library & Genealogy Center of Orange County Library System** –
<http://libguides.ocls.info/genealogy> and <http://westoaks.ocls.info/>
This library branch has thousands of great resources, for when you can visit. Browse their blog and resources online for a lot of great stuff. Quarantine bonus – the Orange County Library System is offering free online access to Ancestry.com Library Edition. All you need is a library card now through April 30! <https://login.ezproxy.ocls.info/login>

History AT HOME

ORANGE COUNTY REGIONAL
**HISTORY
CENTER**

DOWNTOWN ORLANDO

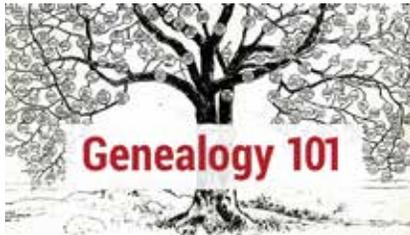
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ONLINE

1. **FamilySearch.org** – Make a free account at this site, and you can search millions of records and begin your own electronic family tree.
2. **Ancestry.com** – This is a great site with millions of resources and really amazing family tree features, but it is \$\$\$\$. Family Search is a good place to start while you feel out your love of genealogy! But as we mentioned above, if you have an OCLS library card, you can use the Library Edition from home for free! After April 30, you can still go to any library branch and use this edition anytime you want – it is a fantastic deal!
3. **Newspapers.com** – A sister site to Ancestry, it also has a pretty steep paywall. Before you think about using, make sure it has the papers from the locations your family members come from.
4. **Cyndislist.com** – A free website and a treasure trove of resources.
5. **Google** – Don't rule out a good Google search of your family names and dates.
6. **Local Genealogical Societies** – Wherever your family members are from, see if that town, county, or state has a genealogical society. Often, these small groups of passionate volunteers have built and transcribed great databases of information you could only otherwise get your hands on if you were traveling.



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OTHER AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETIES

1. **Jewish Genealogical Society of Greater Orlando** – <https://jgsgo.org/>
2. **Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society Central Florida Chapter**
– <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~flcfaahg/>
3. **Cuban Genealogy Club of Miami** – <https://cubangenclub.org/>
4. **The Indian River Genealogical Society (Vero Beach)** – <https://irgs.org/>
5. **Kinseekers of Lake County (Leesburg)** – <https://kinseekers.org/>
6. **Pastfinders of South Lake County (Clermont)** – <https://pastfindersslc.org/>
7. **Volusia County Genealogical Society** –
<https://www.volusiacountygenealogicalsociety.com/>
8. **Brevard Genealogical Society** – <https://www.facebook.com/flbgs/>
9. **The Genealogical Society of South Brevard** – <https://gssb.net/>
10. **Genealogical Society of North Brevard** – <http://nbbd.com/npr/gsnb/>
11. **Imperial Polk Genealogical Society** – <https://www.ipgs.org/>

Ancestral Chart

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the same person as No. _____

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