

Google for Genealogy

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Google Search Strategies

- Google is a frequently used tool for searching for ancestors, but has several limitations
 - Your results are only as good as the information provided
 - Google does not cluster information into useful chunks
 - Google limits your search results to North America
- Boolean operators can help you succeed
 - AND, OR, NOT
 - Google does not use the Boolean NOT as a limiter, you must use – for results.
 - Quotation Marks “ ” can narrow your results to a specific person or phrase.

"John Smith" -governor

Search filters: All, Images, Books, News, Videos, More, Settings, Tools

About 19,800,000 results (0.66 seconds)

www.britannica.com › ... › Nonfiction Authors A-K

John Smith | British explorer | Britannica

John Smith, English explorer and early leader of the Jamestown Colony, the first permanent English settlement in North America. Smith played an equally ...

People also ask

- How did John Smith die in real life?
- Who was John Smith married to?
- Why was John Smith important?
- Was John Smith Saved by Pocahontas?

Feedback

www.nps.gov › cajo › learn › historyculture › captain-j...

Captain John Smith - National Park Service

May 14, 2019 - Following guidance from the White House, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and state and local public health authorities, we are ...

docsouth.unc.edu › highlights › smith

John Smith: A Literary Pioneer

Many scholars trace the South's rich literary history back to one of America's earliest settlers, Captain John Smith. Though shrouded in legend and controversy, ...

www.historyisfun.org › 2014/06 › John-Smith-11-07-Bio

John Smith

Restless in England, John Smith joined the Virginia Company's expedition to Virginia. Three

Googling Your Family Tree:

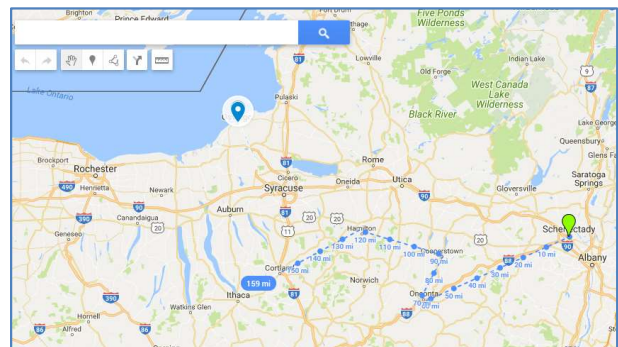
- Google does not sort results or search for alternate terms (e.g. headstone, grave marker, monument).
- Alternative search sites: www.yippy.com or www.bing.com
 - Clusters information into “clouds”
 - Includes a list of sources/sites to help save time
 - Offers access to maps, images and blogs just like Google

Google Books: <https://books.google.com/bkshp?hl=en&tab=ip>

- Google has partnered with universities and archives to digitize and provide access to millions of hard to find/out of print titles
- Book text fully searchable
- Log in with a user name and password to save items to your bookshelf for future reference

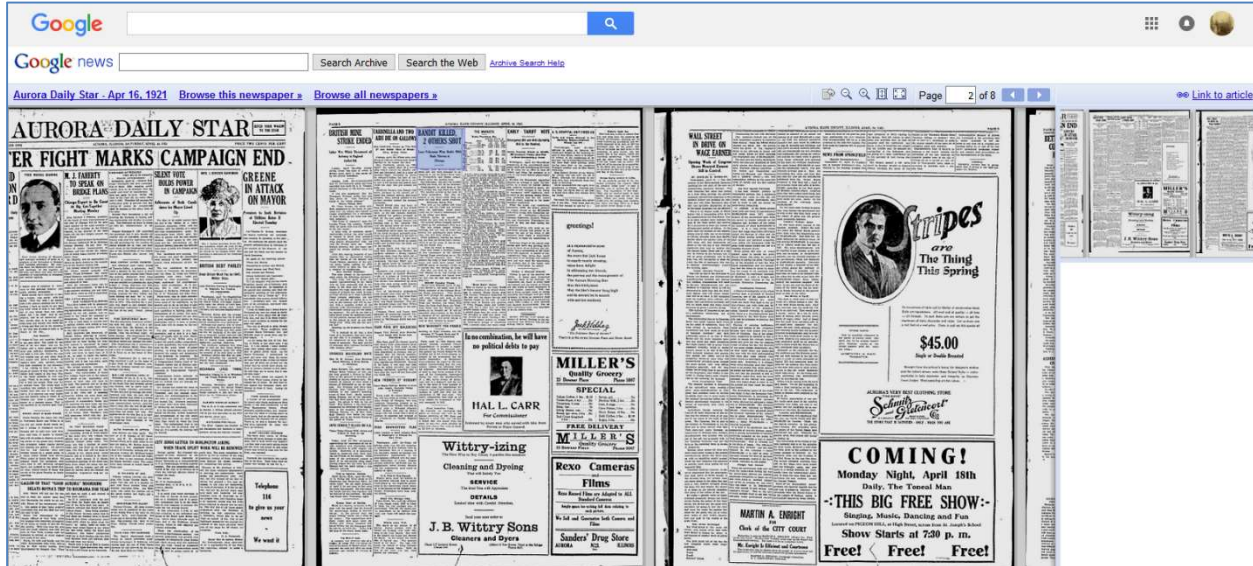
Google Maps: www.google.com/maps?hl=en&tab=il

- You can build your own interactive maps, plot your family history, and share it with others! www.google.com/maps/about/mymaps
- MapsGL interactive 3D imagery for buildings & landmarks
- Measure distances between points
- Google Street-View gives you an opportunity to ‘visit’ family sites around the globe!
- View street view maps back to 2008.



Google News: <http://news.google.com/newspapers>

- Global news in multiple languages
- Alphabetical by newspaper title
- Browsable only, no search capability
- Unprintable- need to do screen captures to save images



Google Photos: www.google.com/photos/about

- Upload crop and edit an unlimited number of photos* (exceptions apply to images over 16 megapixels- those count against your drive storage).
- Create albums and provide information (metadata) on each image (e.g. date, location, description).
- Tag the faces of friends and family
- Utilize face recognition software to hasten your uploads and identify unnamed family
- Google Photos categorizes your images by people, places and things

Google Images: www.google.com/imgph?hl=en&tab=wi&ogbl

- Click on upload an image, find your photo within your device then click on search by image.
- Google will search the web for a match and provide the link to any images it finds.

Google Print Resources:

- Bradley, Phil. Expert Internet Searching. Facet Publishing. London, 2017.
- Johnson, Luke. Google Apps. Flame Tree Publishing. London. 2017.
- Kilday, Bill. Never Lost Again. Harper Collins. New York. 2018.
- Redding, Anna Crowley. GOOGLE IT: A History of Google. Fiewel and Friends. New York. 2018.
- Smith, Helen. Google: The Genealogist's Friend. Global Heritage Press. 2016.