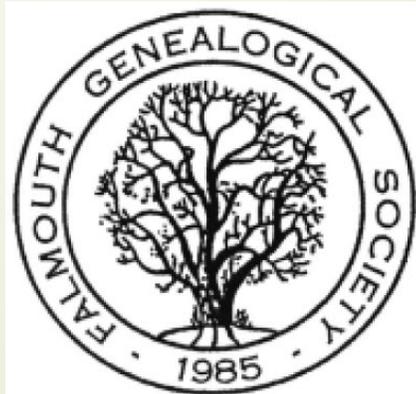


Let's Do Genealogy!

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<https://falgen.org>



Why are you interested? What are you expecting?

- To learn about your origins.
- To solve a family mystery.
- To join a lineage society like DAR/SAR/
Mayflower Society.
- To explore your health related history and DNA.
- To share family history with others.
- What is your interest/expectation?



Genealogy: may be the greatest crowd-sourced enterprise ever!

- Millions of people are collecting, organizing and interpreting information that connects to others. You can be a contributor!
- More than 30 million people have taken an at-home DNA test for genetic genealogy
- Several attempts in-process to build “world” family trees.
- Browse graveyards and relatives from home.



Definition of Genealogy from Board for Certification of Genealogists

Genealogy is the study of families in genetic, social, and historical context. Within that framework, it is the study of the people who compose a family and the relationships among them. At the individual level, it is biography, because we must reconstruct each individual life in order to separate each person's identity from that of others bearing the same name. Beyond this, many researchers also find that genealogy is a study of communities because kinship networks have long been the threads that create the fabric of each community's social life, politics, and economy.



How do I get started?

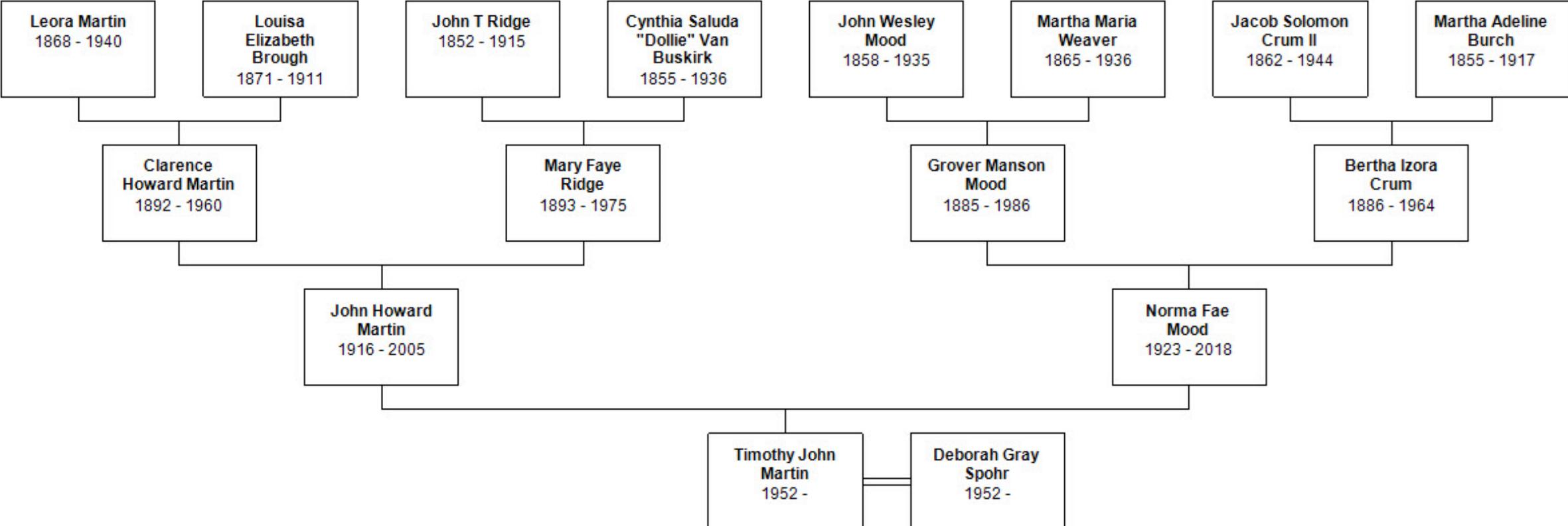
- It generally begins with YOU!
- Gather any family records you have.
- Keep records citing sources – positive & negative results.
- Talk with other family members.
- Find books your library has on genealogy.
- Find those old photo albums and family letters.
- Connect with your local genealogical society.



Getting Organized

- Basic forms: [pedigree chart](#), [family group sheet](#).
- Start building a family ancestral tree.
 - If you find an existing tree: prove it!
 - Start your own tree: build it and prove it!
- Start your tree on the web or your home computer:
 - Ancestry.com syncs with Family Tree Maker (FTM).
 - \$\$, more records, more users, DNA support.
 - Familysearch.org syncs with FTM2019 and RootsMagic.
 - Free, world tree, great wiki, more books, raw images.

Four Generation Pedigree Chart for Timothy Martin



Husband Parents



Leora Martin

1868 - 1940



**Louisa Elizabeth
Brough**

1871 - 1911

Wife Parents



John T Ridge

1852 - 1915



**Cynthia S " Van
Buskirk**

1855 - 1936

Husband



42 ANCESTRY HINTS



Clarence Howard Martin

BIRTH: 10 Mar 1892 in Monroe, Indiana

DEATH: 29 Apr 1960 in Bean Blossom, Monroe, Indiana, USA

Profile

Search

Edit

Focus

Wife



32 ANCESTRY HINTS



Mary Faye Ridge

BIRTH: 17 Jan 1893 in Gosport, Indiana, USA

DEATH: 26 May 1975 in Bloomington, Monroe, Indiana, USA

Profile

Search

Edit

Relationship Events

Marriage

21 Mar 1915 in Monroe, Indiana

Children

+ Add a child



John Howard Martin

Son

BIRTH 30 Jun 1916 in Bean Blossom, Monroe Co, Indiana, USA

DEATH 04 Oct 2005 in Hospitality House, Monroe County, Illinois, USA

4 Hints



Ralph Lowell Martin

Son

BIRTH 15 Mar 1919 in Bean Blossom, Monroe, Indiana, USA

DEATH 30 Dec 2005 in Corpus Christi, Nueces, Texas

7 Hints



Example records for genealogy:

- Vital Records – birth, marriage, death
 - Census Records US 1790-1950
 - Immigration, naturalization, passport, ship manifest...
 - Cemetery Records
 - Land and Property Records
 - Probate Records other Court Records
 - Church Records
 - Military Records
 - Newspapers
 - What others can you think of?
- 



Where are these records located?

- In a variety of formal repositories.
 - In homes of family and relatives.
 - Governmental offices, libraries, archives, cemeteries, etc.
 - Websites.
 - Close to home: Falmouth Public Library has Ancestry Library Edition free at the library and has access to many otherwise closed records from the Family History Library in Salt Lake City.
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Every U.S. Federal Census has been different.

	Birthplace?	Citizenship?		Birthplace?	Citizenship?		
1790	No	No		Yes, but 25% sample only	No		
1800							
1810		Yes					
1820							
1830	No	No	1960	Yes, but 20% sample only	Yes, but 5% sample only		
1840	No	No	1970				
1850	Yes, but free inhabitants only	No	1980		Yes, but 1/6 sample only	Yes, but 1/6 sample only	
1860			1990				
1870	Yes	Yes, but asked only of men 21 or older	2000	Yes, but 1/6 sample only; also asked in first annual ACS	Yes, but 1/6 sample only; also asked in first annual ACS		
1880		No	2010		No, but asked in annual ACS (~3% sample)	No, but asked in annual ACS (~3% sample)	
1890		Yes	Yes	2020		No, but to be asked in annual ACS (~3% sample)	Yes, also to be asked in annual ACS (~3% sample)
1900							
1910	Yes	Yes					
1920							
1930							
1940							
1950							

Source: Center for Immigration Studies (<http://cis.org>)

Samuel L Clemens & family 1850 U.S. Census Hannibal, Missouri

SCHEDULE I.—Free Inhabitants in The City of Hannibal **in the County of** Marion **State of** Missouri **enumerated by me, on the** 17th **day of** October **1850.** William Pearson **Ass't Marshal.**

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Dwelling-houses numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	PLACE OF BIRTH. Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
			Age.	Sex.	Color, { White, black, or mulatto.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
31	679 709	Jane Clemens	46	F.				Ky.				
32		Orion "	25	Ch		Printer ✓		Gen.				
33		Parnoka A. "	23	F.				So.				
34		Samuel L. "	14	Ch				Mo.		1		This is master train
35		Henry "	12	Ch				So.		1		
36	680 710	John W. Stabler	40	Ch		Saddler ✓	1200	Mo.				
37		Catherine J. "	25	F.				Ky.				

Samuel Clemens & mother in 1860 U.S. Census St. Louis, MO

SCHEDULE 1.—Free Inhabitants in South Ward of City of St. Louis **in the County of** St. Louis **of** Missouri **enumerated by me, on the** 5th **day of** July **1860.** John H. Blaine **Asst M**
Post Office St. Louis Mo

Dwelling-houses— numbered in the order of visitation.	Families numbered in the order of visitation.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	VALUE OF ESTATE OWNED.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 yrs of age who cannot read & write.	Whether dumb, blind, idiotic, paup, convict.
			Age.	Sex	White, black, or mulatto		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
380	514	W A Moffat	45	m		com merchant			Ky				
		Wm	40	f					Mo				
		Mrs Clemens	60	f					Ky				
		Saml	26	m									
		Mary	22	f		Servant			Germany				
381	525	Geo Bentley	46	m		Book Keeper	5000	3000	Va				
381	515	Matilda	30	f					La				



Samuel L Clemens with wife Olivia in 1870 U.S. Census, Buffalo NY

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Inquiries numbered 7, 16, and 17 are not to be asked in respect to infants. Inquiries numbered 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, and 20 are to be answered (if at all) merely by an affirmative mark, as /.

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in 10th Ward Buffalo, in the County of Errie, State of N York, enumerated by me on the 28th day of June, 1870.

Post Office: Buffalo N.Y. Chas. S. Felge, Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION.			7	VALUE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED.		10	PARENTAGE.		13	14	15	EDUCATION.		18	CONSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS.	
			4	5	6		8	9		11	12				16	17		19	20
8	1132	1104	Clemens, S. L.	30	M	H	proprietor daily paper	10000		N York								/	
9			Olivia	24	F	W	Neighborhood	14000	8000	N York									
0			McFay, Patrick	26	M	H	coachman			Ireland	/	/							
1			Brown, Margaret	23	F	W	dom servant			N York	/	/							
2			White, Ellen	27	F	W	dom servant			Ireland	/	/							
3	1133	1105	Loch, John	62	M	H	builder	35000	10000	England	/	/						/	
4			Bussard	62	F	W	Neighborhood			England	/	/							



Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1879, and ends May 31, 1880.

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED. 117

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 22 and 23 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Hartford, in the County of Hartford, State of Conn enumerated by me on the 14th day of June, 1880.

Luther W. Burk

Enumerator.

In Cities	Name of Street	House Number	Dwelling houses numbered in order of visitation.	Families numbered in order of visitation.	Personal Description.			Civil Condition.	Occupation.	Health.	Education.			Nativity.											
					Color—White, W.; Black, B.; Mulatto, Mu.; Chinese, C.; Indian, I.	Sex—Male, M.; Female, F.	Age at last birthday prior to June 1, 1880. If under 1 year, give months in fractions, thus: $\frac{1}{2}$.				Single, /; Married, /; Widowed, /; Divorced, D.	Profession, Occupation or Trade of each person, male or female.	Blind, /; Deaf and Dumb, /; Idiotic, /; Insane, /; Maimed, Crippled, Bedridden, or otherwise disabled, /	Place of Birth of this person, naming State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the FATHER of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.	Place of Birth of the MOTHER of this person, naming the State or Territory of United States, or the Country, if of foreign birth.									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	7-332-302	High Street			1																				
							Wife		130 East Street														Massachusetts	Mass	Mass.
							Anna W	F	40	Wife		keeping house											Connecticut	Conn	Conn.
							Grace H.	W	F	16	Daughter	attends school											Connecticut	Conn	Conn.
							Archie W	W	F	11	Daughter	attends school											Connecticut	Conn	Conn.
							Carolan Catherine	W	F	45	Servant	Domestic Servant											Ireland	Ireland	Ireland
							Gorman Catherine	W	F	23	Servant	Domestic Servant											Ireland	Ireland	Ireland
							Pendergraft Dennis	W	M	24	Servant	Domestic Servant											Ireland	Ireland	Ireland
	95-333-503						Clemens Samuel L.	W	M	44		Author											Missouri	Virginia	Kentucky
							Otivia L	W	F	34	Wife	keeping house.											New York	New York	New York
							Susan O	W	F	8	Daughter												New York	Missouri	New York
							Clara L	W	F	5	Daughter												New York	Missouri	New York
							Hay Rosina	W	F	28	Servant	Domestic Servant											Germany	Germany	Germany

WASHINGTON



Samuel Clemens in 1910 U.S. Census, alone in Hartford CT

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR—BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
THIRTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910—POPULATION

DIVISION OF COUNTY Reading Lower NAME OF INCORPORATED PLACE _____

OF INSTITUTION _____ ENUMERATED BY ME ON THE 22 DAY OF April 1910.

NAME of each person whose place of abode on April 15, 1910, was in this family. Enter surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. Include every person living on April 15, 1910. Omit children born since April 15, 1910.	RELATION. Relationship of this person to the head of the family.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.									NATIVITY.			CITIZENSHIP.		Whether able to speak English; or, if not, give language spoken.	Trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by this person, as spinner, salesman, laborer, etc.	General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which this person works, as cotton mill, dry goods store, farm, etc.	Whether an employer, employee, or working on own account.
		Sex.	Color or race.	Age at last birthday.	Whether single, married, widowed, or divorced.	Number of years of present marriage.	Number of how many children.	Place of birth of this Person.	Place of birth of Father of this person.	Place of birth of Mother of this person.	Year of immigration into the United States.	Whether naturalized or alien.							
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
Samuel Clemens	Head	M	W	44	S				Connecticut	Connecticut	Connecticut			English	Writer	Magazine	Da		
Leah Clemens	Wife	F	W	46	M	16			Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		
Charles Clemens	Son	M	W	16	S				Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		
John Clemens	Son	M	W	14	S				Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		
William Clemens	Son	M	W	12	S				Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		
Elizabeth Clemens	Daughter	F	W	7	S				Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		
William Clemens	Son	M	W	5	S				Massachusetts	Massachusetts	Massachusetts			English	None		Da		



Samuel Clemens' father John M & family in 1840 U.S. Census

(No. 4.)

SCHEDULE of the whole number of persons within the

Names of County, City, Ward, Town, Township, Parish, Precinct, Electoral, or District.	FREE WHITE PERSONS, INCLUDING HEADS OF FAMILIES.																			
	MALES													FEMALES						
	Under 5	5 under 10	10 under 15	15 under 20	20 under 30	30 under 40	40 under 50	50 under 60	60 under 70	70 under 80	80 under 90	90 under 100	100 and upwards.	Under 5	5 under 10	10 under 15	15 under 20	20 under 30	30 under 40	40 under 50
William Turner	2	1			2													2		
John M. Clemens	2	1	1				1									1			1	



Children

-  **John Marshall Clemens**
1798-1847 (m. 1823)
-  **Orion Clemens**
1825-1897
-  **Pamela Ann Clemens Moffett**
1827-1904
-  **Pleasant Hannibal Clemens**
1828-1829
-  **Benjamin Clemens**
1831-1842
- Spouse**
-  **Margaret Lampton Clemens**
1830-1839
-  **Mark Twain**
1835-1910
-  **Jane Lampton Clemens**
1803-1890 (m. 1823)
-  **Henry Clemens**
1838-1858

City Directories and Gazetteers are wonderful resources:

for 1902:

GEER'S HARTFORD CITY DIRECTORY.

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CLARKE L. WALTER, asst. sec'y Conn. Fire Ins.
Co. 51 Prospect, h. 191 Far. *See p. 516.*
" Martin J. trimmer, 1, b. 51 Laurel.
" Moses K. clerk, 372 Asylum, h. 82 Madison.
" Philip S. student, Trinity, 28 Jarvis hall.
" Rienzi A. (*E. W. C. & Son,*) h. 521 Pros-
pect av.

Clemens Anita, operator, b. 33 Ward.
" John J. clerk 581 Capitol, h. 173 Zion.
" Samuel L. author. (Mark Twain) removed to
Tarrytown, New York. ←
" Thomas, b. 173 Zion.
" Wilbur F. machinist, h.u. 275 Park.
Clement Belle A. nurse, b. 54 Fairmount.

Samuel Clemens in example ship manifest

District of New York.—Port of New York.

I, *J. Cook* Master of the *U.S.S. Gallia* do solemnly, sincerely, and truly swear that the following List or Manifest subscribed by me, and now delivered by me to the Collector of the Customs of the Collection District of New York, is a full and perfect List of all the Passengers taken on board of the said *U.S.S. Gallia* at *London* from which Port said *U.S.S. Gallia* has now arrived; and that on the said List is truly designated the age, the sex, and the occupation of each of the said Passengers, the part of the vessel occupied by each during the passage, the country to which each belongs, and also the country of which it is intended by each to become an inhabitant; and that said List or Manifest truly sets forth the number of said Passengers who have died on said voyage, and the names and ages of those who have died.

Sworn to this *3rd* *Sept* 18 *79* before me *J. M. [Signature]* *U.S. Gallia* So help me, God.

List or Manifest of all the Passengers taken on board the *U.S.S. Gallia* whereof *J. Cook* is Master, from *London* *U.S.S. Gallia* *3081* $\frac{85}{100}$ tons.

NAME	AGE		SEX	OCCUPATION	The Country to which they severally belong	The Country of which they intend to become Inhabitants, Died on the Voyage	Part of the Vessel occupied by each Passenger during the Voyage
	Years	Months					
<i>James L. Morgan</i>	<i>57</i>		<i>male</i>	<i>Merchant</i>	<i>U.S. America</i>	<i>U.S. America</i>	<i>Cabin</i>
<i>Agnes L. Morgan</i>	<i>55</i>		<i>female</i>	<i>Spinster</i>			
<i>Louise Barton</i>	<i>110</i>			<i>Servant</i>	<i>Switzerland</i>		
<i>Margaret Wright</i>	<i>26</i>			<i>Wife</i>	<i>U.S. America</i>		
<i>Elizabeth Wright</i>	<i>1</i>			<i>Child</i>			
<i>Margaret Cook</i>	<i>30</i>			<i>Servant</i>		<i>20</i>	
<i>Samuel L. Clemens</i>	<i>43</i>		<i>male</i>	<i>Author</i>		<i>31</i>	



No. 26660

Issued May 7/91

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, }
COUNTY OF HARTFORD. }^{88.}

wife 3 child + servant

I, Samuel L. Clemens, A NATIVE AND LOYAL CITIZEN

OF THE UNITED STATES, do hereby apply to the Department of State at Washington for a passport for myself and wife, and my minor children as follows:

born at Colura NY on the Nov day of 1845 and
Suzie age 19. Clara age 17. Jean age 10.
Servant age 30.

In support of the above application, I do solemnly swear that I was born at

Florida, in the State of Missouri, on, or about the 30 day of Nov, 1835; that my father ~~is~~ ^{was} a Native citizen of

the United States; that I am domiciled in the United States, my permanent residence being at Hartford, in the State of Conn.,

where I follow the occupation of Author; that I am about to go abroad temporarily; and that I intend to return to the United States within two years

with the purpose of residing and performing the duties of citizenship therein.

Samuel Clemens:
a later
passport
application

(top half)

Samuel
Clemens:
a later
passport
application

(bottom half)



OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

Further, I do solemnly swear that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; and that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion: SO HELP ME GOD.

Sworn to before me this 5th day Sh Clemens
of May, 1891
Olever F. King.
Notary Public.

DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT.

Age: 55 years. Mouth: Medium
Stature: 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches, Eng. Chin: Round
Forehead: High Hair: Grey
Eyes: Grey Complexion: Light
Nose: Ordinary Face: Round

IDENTIFICATION.

Hartford, Conn., May 5, 1891

I hereby certify that I know the above-named Sam'l Clemens personally, and know him to be a native-born citizen of the United States, and that the facts stated in his affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. C. Prescott
Hartford, Conn.

[ADDRESS OF WITNESS.]

What are some useful websites?

- FamilySearch.org : Free records and very helpful wiki
- Ancestry.com : most extensive online collection \$
- AmericanAncestors.org : (NEHGS) best New England collection \$
- FindMyPast.com : best for British Isles records \$
- Cyndislist.com : lists thousands of websites, and sources.
- Findagrave.com : cemetery records
- Fold3.com : Military records \$
- Google: search engine, maps, translation
- Much more information on websites next week!



I found some information. What do I do?

- Enter the information onto your charts, web accounts, or into your computer-based program.
- Always record the source of the information.
 - Some sources are better than others.
 - Analyze the information.
- Goal of the process is to prove relationships based on best evidence available.
- Mine the more prevalent gold from recent generations.



Where did my ancestors come from?

- Always helpful to determine the hometown of the immigrant ancestor.
- Use familysearch.org wiki for your country of interest.
- Connect with an ethnic research group.
- Ancestry.com has basic immigration databases.
- Falmouth Public Library has books related to research in certain countries.

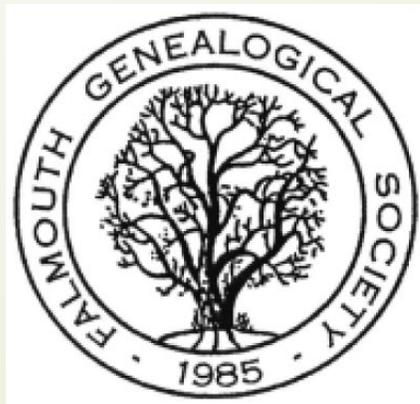


What can a DNA test do?

- FIRST : Are you willing to receive a surprise/shock?
- Estimate your geographic origins. Ethnicity Estimate
- Show cousin matches – but how do they relate?
- Interpretation using an accurate tree is needed.
- Ask earlier generations and cousins with known relationship to take a test.
- Particular detailed tests can provide a paternity or maternity “fingerprint”: Y-DNA, mtDNA.

Conclusion

- Get HELP any Tuesday 2-4pm at the Falmouth Public Library.
- FGS monthly talks are FREE! (2nd Saturday of month)
- Join the effort – it helps others!
- We have THREE in-depth sessions each coming Thursday 7PM
- NERGC – Springfield Mass – May 3-6, 2023 <https://nergc.org/>



<https://falgen.org>

Resources -> Links