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ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

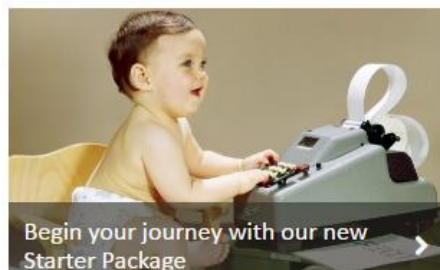
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

Millions of New Catholic Records

Up to 100 million new records online for the first time, only on Findmypast

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- Fastest growing repository
- Millions of new records every week
- Find My Past Fridays



Recent Additions

- New Norfolk records, Royal Navy Allotments, Victoria births and British Newspapers
- Australian Electoral, early immigration records to North America & Barbados and passenger lists from Britain to Africa.
- *Victoria Petty Sessions, Queensland passengers lists, Irish newspapers and new additions to the Periodical Source Index*

Free Records

The screenshot shows the Findmypast website interface. The browser's address bar displays the URL <https://www.findmypast.com/free>. The website's navigation bar includes the Findmypast logo, a home icon, and links for Family tree, Search, Free Records, My records, Blog, and Help. A 'My Account' link with a user profile icon is also present. The main content area features a large banner image of a steamship sailing past the Statue of Liberty. Overlaid on this image is the text 'What records are free to view?' followed by a paragraph explaining that over 830 million records are available for free access. A 'Search now' button is positioned below the text. At the bottom of the page, there are two smaller images: one of a historical document titled 'Free Inhabitants in' and another of a man holding a baby.

Free Ancestry Records - X

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What records are free to view?

To help you make a start with your family history research, we've made a selection of our key records free to access, meaning you can explore them at no cost, whenever you like. With over 830 million records included in our FREE collection, there's never been a better time to start building your family tree with Findmypast.

Search now

Free Inhabitants in *St. John's*
enumerated by me, on the *2nd*

DESCRIPTION. Professional

one of every Person whose usual place of abode on the 1st day of Jan. 1850 was in the City of New York.

1850

Free for All to Search

- **US Censuses**

Census records are the best resource to use when beginning to build your family tree, and Findmypast is the only place online that you can get FREE access to full US census records (1790-1940)

Free for All to Search

- **US & Canada: Public Records of Birth, Marriage and Death**

Birth, marriage and death (BMD) records form the foundations of your family history research and provide a great basis to build your family tree.

Discover dates and places of when and where your ancestors were born, married and died. Notable inclusions in our free BMD collections are Texas divorce records, New Jersey death records and British Columbia birth records.

Free for All to Search

- **Irish Catholic Parish Registers**

If you're one of the 40 million Americans with Irish heritage, there's a very good chance you'll find your ancestors in our 10 million Catholic Parish Registers.


Published online in partnership with the National Library of Ireland, the collection contains birth, marriage, burial and confirmation records from more than 1,000 parishes, covering 98% of the Catholic population in Ireland.


Free for All to Use


- **Build your own family tree**


Our free, feature-filled family tree builder gives you everything you need to create an amazing family tree and store all of your discoveries safely online. Attach records, images and even voice recordings, preserving your research for future generations.


Search All Records


 **Search all records**
Any record at your fingertips


 **Birth, marriage & death**
(parish registers)


 **Churches & religion**


 **Education & work**


 **Institutes & organizations**


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Newspaper Research

US & World newspapers

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Search

Choose from our collections

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Narrow your search results

By Country

United States

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By Date


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US & World newspapers





Some interesting tales in here to be sure. I unearthed articles about my family I never expected to find.

Judy S, San Clemente, CA

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Help searching US & World newspapers

About the US & World newspaper collection

Why newspapers?

Show hidden icons

About the US & World Newspaper Collections

- Our US & World newspaper collections provide access to nearly 120 million pages from newspapers published in all 50 states, Washington, D.C., Panama, and the Virgin Islands. Titles include a variety of local papers, as well as national publications, including the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post*.
- Global historical newspapers from China, Denmark, France, Germany, Jamaica, and South Africa are also searchable within the collection

Filter by Publication

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `search.findmypast.com/search/us-and-world-newspapers`. A modal titled "Filter by Publication" is open, displaying a search interface for newspaper publications. The modal includes a search bar at the top right labeled "Search filters". Below the search bar is a row of letter filters: All, A, B (highlighted), C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, and 0-9. The main area of the modal contains a list of publications, each with a radio button for selection. The publications are arranged in three columns. The first column lists: Boone Svenska Harold, Boonville Enquirer, Boonville Republican, Boonville Standard, Boonville Warrick Democrat, Boonville Weekly Enquirer, and Boothill News. The second column lists: Boston Daily Globe, Boston Evening Globe, Boston Globe, Boston Post, Boston Post Gazette, Boston Sunday Post, and Boswell Times. The third column lists: Bowling Green Clay County Advocate, Bowling Green Clay County Citizen, Bowling Green Clay County Democrat, Bowling Green Clay County Review, Bowling Green Clay County Weekly Herald, Bowling Green Democratic Archives, and Bowling Green Review. At the bottom right of the modal are two buttons: "Cancel" and "Apply filters". The background of the browser window shows a sidebar with filters for "By Country" (United States), "By State", "By Publication", and "By Date" (January), along with an "Update" button. The footer of the browser window contains links: "Find your family history", "Using the site", "About Findmypast", "Work with us", and "Connect with us".

US & World newspapers

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Filter by Publication

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- ☐ Boonville Enquirer
- ☐ Boonville Republican
- ☐ Boonville Standard
- ☐ Boonville Warrick Democrat
- ☐ Boonville Weekly Enquirer
- ☐ Boothill News
- ☐ Boston Daily Globe
- ☐ Boston Evening Globe
- ☐ Boston Globe
- ☐ Boston Post
- ☐ Boston Post Gazette
- ☐ Boston Sunday Post
- ☐ Boswell Times
- ☐ Bowling Green Clay County Advocate
- ☐ Bowling Green Clay County Citizen
- ☐ Bowling Green Clay County Democrat
- ☐ Bowling Green Clay County Review
- ☐ Bowling Green Clay County Weekly Herald
- ☐ Bowling Green Democratic Archives
- ☐ Bowling Green Review

Cancel Apply filters

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Military Service & Conflict

- Findmypast has over 60 million military and conflict records, which contain reliable, accurate, and revealing information about your ancestor's service history in conflicts that often impacted millions around the world. The records cover both world wars as well as a range of other national and international conflicts dating from 1760 to the 20th century.

Military Record Search

Military Service & Conflict

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First name(s) Last name

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WHERE

COUNTRY

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SUBCATEGORY

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RECORD SET

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OPTIONAL KEYWORDS

REGIMENT

Institutes & Organizations

- Discover the black sheep in your family tree with these fascinating legal, criminal and institutional records. If your ancestor crossed the law, were incarcerated in prison, spent time in workhouses or had government dealings, here is the best place to find them. The crime records often include details of the victims as well as the criminals, and occasionally police photographs of your wayward relatives.

Education & Work

- Discover more about your ancestors' professions and studies in a variety of education, apprenticeship and work records dating as far back as the 1500s. Educational and professional records can be an invaluable source of information about when (and where) your relatives went to college, and how they made the family fortune.

Churches & Religion

- Religious and church records can be useful sources of information, not only if you're looking for your ancestors of a specific religious denomination, but when searching for your ecclesiastical ancestors too. Church directories, as well as communicant and confirmation rolls are commonly found in this category, and these may help you to decide where to seek further information.

Immigration & Travel

- Moving around the world was just as common in the time of your ancestors as it is today. Between 1836 and 1914 millions of Europeans migrated to the United States in search of jobs and a better life. Trace the whereabouts of your emigrant ancestors in our migration records and passenger lists.

Directories & Social History

- Postal and telephone directories, family histories and almanacs are fantastic resources that paint a picture of what life was like in the cities, towns, and villages your ancestors lived in at any given point in time. Some of the records provide information on specific trades and professions, while others reveal the titles and land holdings of your wealthier ancestors.

Census, Land & Substitutes

- Censuses are taken by governments to establish the numbers and characteristics of a population. Census and land records allow you to trace your ancestors through each generation of a family tree. You may be able to follow where a relative lived through each decade, or discover when they moved house or started a new job, and how their family evolved through births, deaths, and marriages. Furthermore, your ancestors' households will often reveal the names of their siblings, which would be difficult to trace using the birth indexes alone.

Birth, Marriage & Death (Parish Registers)


- Baptism, banns, marriage, and burial records are the building blocks for every family tree. Our extensive resources will help you to learn more about the most important events in your ancestors' lives. Prior to civil registration, parish registers kept a record of these events, and these can provide details of the significant milestones in your relatives' lives.

Vital Records Search

Birth, Marriage & Death | X

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First name(s)

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World


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- [England & Wales births 1837 – 2006](#)
- [Australia, Births & Baptisms, 1792 – 1981](#)

U.S. Veteran's Gravesites


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U.S. Veteran's Gravesites

Did your ancestor serve in the U.S. Civil War, World War I, or the Vietnam War? Search for your ancestors who served in the United States Military, or who were related to those who served, in this comprehensive collection of Veteran Gravesites dating back to the Revolutionary War.


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All fields are optional 

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Birth year

Give or take
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Death year

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CONFLICT

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STATE

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Delete records

<input type="checkbox"/> Record Summary	Cost (Credits)	Last View	First View	Notes	Tags	Certainty Rating	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reno Evening Gazette, Published: May 17, 1971	5	January 22, 2017	January 22, 2017	Reno Evening Gazette...		☆	
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The Catholic Heritage Archive

THE CATHOLIC HERITAGE ARCHIVE



Welcome back Richard

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Search Your Parish Records

- The Catholic Church has long protected the privacy of its records. Their registers memorialise sacraments like baptism and marriage which are important religious events in a person's life. As a consequence every Priest in every Parish has a canonical duty to preserve these registers and keep them safe. To make matters more difficult, the registers are generally written in Latin, so even when you can get to see them they are difficult to understand.
- Findmypast has launched a ground breaking initiative to digitize the historic records of the Catholic Church. Last year we published the Irish records, and this year we commence publishing all the historic sacramental registers for England, Scotland and the USA. It's a big task, make no mistake! There are over 30 million records just for the Archdioceses of Philadelphia, New York and Baltimore, our first three US Dioceses. There even more for all of Britain. There are hundreds of millions of records for the USA alone.

CHA Has Been Launched

- The sorts of records you are likely to find include:
 - Baptisms
 - Marriages
 - Deaths & Burials
 - Census and more
- We are commencing this project with the Registers for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in the USA and the Archdioceses of Birmingham and Westminster in England. The Philadelphia records start back in 1757, while those for Westminster and Birmingham in 1657.

The 1939 Register

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1939 Register

Find out what your ancestors were doing on the eve of WW2 by searching the 1939 Register, available to search online only on Findmypast. Discover exactly what they did for a living, maps of where they lived and even who their neighbours were. Or click on the address tab to search for your own address, or an address you know, to see who was living there in September 1939. Then you can put it all in context. Read newspaper articles and see photographs from the era.

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Person Address

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BIRTH YEAR Give or take

BIRTHDAY

PLACE KEYWORDS

SEX [Browse Sex](#)

MARITAL STATUS [Browse Marital status](#)

What is the 1939 Register?

- At the outbreak of World War II, the government urgently needed to know everything it could about the civil population of England and Wales. This information would be key in the issuing of identity cards and ration books as well as organising conscription and, after the war, creating the N.H.S.
- To gather this information, they took a National Register. On September 29th, 1939, the personal details - including names, dates of birth, occupations, marital statuses - of 41 million individuals were recorded.
- This release is the result of over a year's work carried out by a team of hundreds who - in association with The National Archives - have conserved, scanned, transcribed and digitised over 1.2 million pages from 7,000 volumes, comprising the most significant record release of the decade, and one of the most important documents in modern British history. To put the scale of the work into context, were you to stack the books on top of each other, they would be 227m high, over double the height of St Paul's Cathedral.

Why is the 1939 Register so significant?

- The 1939 Register is one of the most important documents of modern British history. It captures a world on the eve of war, and is a great resource for anyone wanting to find out about their family at the start of World War II.
- In addition, owing to the fact that the War destroyed the 1931 census and prevented the 1941 census ever being taken, the 1939 Register is the only surviving record of the population of England and Wales between 1921 and 1951. The 1921 Census will not be available for a number of years, so the 1939 Register provides a unique opportunity to expand genealogical research and is a great resource for family, social and local historians.

Webinars

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Getting Started with Hinting

As you build your family tree, Hints can help you discover new ancestors and find out more about those you already have on your tree. Watch our introductory video to learn more.

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Family Tree Online

The screenshot shows the findmypast.com website interface. The browser's address bar displays the URL `tree.findmypast.com/#!/trees`. The website's navigation bar includes the findmypast logo, a 'Family tree' dropdown menu, a search bar, and links for 'Free Records', 'My records', 'Blog', and 'Help'. The user is logged in as 'Richard', with a 'My Account' link and a profile icon.

The 'Family tree' dropdown menu is open, showing the following options:

- Reed Family Tree
- View all trees
- Create a tree
- Import a tree


On the main page, there are two buttons: 'Import a tree' and 'Create a tree'. Below these is a table listing family trees:

Created	Updated ^	Owner	
29 Aug 2016	29 Aug 2016	Richard Reid	  

The footer of the page contains the URL: `www.findmypast.com/family-tree?_ga=1.36746464.1795668963.1486577278`.

Import Your Own Work

Import a tree

 [Create a tree](#)

GEDCOM
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No file chosen

What's a GEDCOM?

Please note we cannot upload any media files referenced in your GEDCOM.
We accept files up to 140MB and containing a maximum of 120,000 people.
If you wish to load a larger file please email support@findmypast.com.

or Cancel

Family Tree Hints

- Hints are potential matches in our records to the people on your tree and you will see a link to a hint by an orange circle containing a number which appears next to a person's name on your family tree.
- When you click on the orange number icon, you will be taken to see any Hints that have been suggested for that person. Alternatively, you can click on the orange My Hints tab towards the top right of your Family Tree screen.
- Hints are based on a number of factors, including names, date and place of births, marriages and deaths.

Searching & Sharing Trees

- Your tree can be shared with other registered users of Findmypast. You can do this when looking at your own tree and by sharing the URL in the address bar of your browser. It can only be viewed by another Findmypast user who is signed into their account.
- Your family tree has privacy controls that you can use to prevent it being shared or made public for other people to see this content if you wish. To ensure the content remains private, go to the “Tree settings” option in your Family Tree and un-tick the “Public tree” box

Adding Photos to Your Tree

- You can upload a photo to an individual person's profile on your tree by first clicking on their name and then the 'profile' link.
- From here, you click on the 'media' link and then 'add media'.
- Finally, you choose which file / photo you would like to upload from your computer and it will take a few seconds to upload.
- You then have the option to add further information about the photo and to decide if you want it to be the main profile photo for that person in your tree.

Maximize Your Results

- Use your research from Ancestry, MyHeritage, or FamilySearch trees
- Test and verify the hints
- Use the different DNA services from Ancestry, MyHeritage, Family Tree DNA, 23 and Me, and GEDMatch to develop leads and hints
- And never forget to document your data with proper source citations.

Friends of Irish Research

- The Friends of Irish Research is a collection of friends with over 100 years of experience with a desire to utilize their experience and skills to promote the sharing of genealogical knowledge and to assist others in their family research.
- Fridays (7:30-9:30pm) at 899 N. Main St., Brockton, MA The 3rd Friday of each month is held at the ICC Library in Canton, MA
- <http://www.friendsofirishresearch.org>

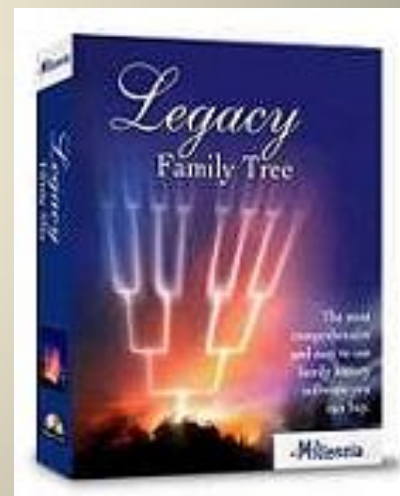
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