

Joe Petrie's List of Free Overseas Web Sites

World

[Family Search](http://www.familysearch.org/) <http://www.familysearch.org/> - FamilySearch has over 1000 databases for 92 countries. The people behind FamilySearch believe that families are meant to be a central part of life, which is why they have been gathering, preserving, and sharing family records for over 100 years. They offer what they find for free to the public. Supported by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, FamilySearch is the largest genealogy organization worldwide with over 4,000 family history centers worldwide, including the well-known Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah.

[Family Search Collections List](https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list) <https://www.familysearch.org/search/collection/list>- This FamilySearch **site** provides online access to indexes and digital images of records held by the Family History Library. The collections can be accessed from the [FamilySearch homepage](#) or directly at [Historical Record Collections](#). New collections are being uploaded as quickly as the records are digitized and indexed.

[Family History Community Trees](http://histfam.familysearch.org/) <http://histfam.familysearch.org/> - Community Trees are genealogies from specific periods and localities that have been linked according to family lineages. Many trees include associated documents and images. Each community tree is a searchable database that allows views of individuals, families, ancestors, and descendants and gives various options for printing.

Ancestry Library at [Morrill Memorial Library](http://www.mln.lib.ma.us/info/norwood.htm) <http://www.mln.lib.ma.us/info/norwood.htm> - Ancestry Library Edition database (similar to Ancestry.com) offers the world's largest online collection of genealogical records, especially for Canada, the United Kingdom and the United States. Please note that Ancestry.com is not included because it is a subscription service.

FreeGenData.com <http://FreeGenData.com> - A search tool to help you locate free genealogy databases and record transcriptions on the web. On October 15, for example there were 551 Australian and 192 New Zealand web sites.

[Find A Grave](http://www.findagrave.com/index.html) <http://www.findagrave.com/index.html> - The service was founded in 1995 by Jim Tipton as a response to his hobby of visiting famous people graves. He found out that many people shared his interest and created this site. Since its creation more than 350,000 people contributed to the site adding new graves addresses. Find A Grave allows you to search for graves of famous and ordinary people filling in their name, birth and death date and place of burial. The company states that more than 50,000 people search their website every day. Some people add new graves; others share success stories telling how Find A Grave helped to find a particular grave.

[Immigrant Ships](http://www.immigrantships.net/) <http://www.immigrantships.net/> - This site contains ships' passenger lists and a guide to hundreds of sites with information on passengers, ship type, stories and pictures. The arrivals and departures list includes: Australia, Canada, Caribbean, England, Germany, Holland, Ireland, New Zealand, Poland, South Africa, South America and the United States.

[Interment.net](http://www.interment.net/cemetery.htm) <http://www.interment.net/cemetery.htm>- A collaborative effort of cemetery preservation advocates working to increase public awareness and activism in preserving, protecting and restoring endangered and forgotten historic cemeteries worldwide.

Europe

[Europe Genealogy Links](http://www.genealogylinks.net/europe/) <http://www.genealogylinks.net/europe/> - This is a link to links site to 30 countries genealogy web sites.

United Kingdom, Scotland and Wales Censuses

[FamilySearch Censuses for the United Kingdom \(England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales\) for 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881, 1891, 1901, 1911.](https://familysearch.org/search/collection/list#page=1®ion=UNITED_KINGDOM_IRELAND&recordType=Census)

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– These databases are in the FamilySearch Historical Collections.

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