

Internet Sites not in IDAHO but of great use!!!

The **NATIONAL ARCHIVES**: <http://www.archives.gov/research/>
National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) – the nation’s record keeper.
Many people know the National Archives as the keeper of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. But they also hold in trust for the public the records of ordinary citizens – for example, military records of the brave men and women who have fought for our country, naturalization records of the immigrants whose dreams have shaped our nation, and even the canceled check from the purchase of Alaska.

The **INTERNET ARCHIVE**: <http://www.archive.org/index.php>
The Internet Archive, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is building a digital library of Internet sites and other cultural artifacts in digital form. Like a paper library, they provide free access to researchers, historians, scholars, and the general public.

UNITED STATES ARCHIVES and LOCATIONS: <http://www.statearchives.us/index.htm>
This website provides information about various archives, libraries and research centers available to genealogists, family historians, and local historians in any particular state. In most cases, addresses and phone numbers are provided, along with a brief description of the resources available at each archive or library.

ONLINE SOCIAL SECURITY DEATH INDEX:

<http://ssdi.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/ssdi.cgi>

FREE FORMS DOWNLOADS: <http://www.1stopfreeshop.com/genforms.htm>
Find online forms to record your pedigree, abstract census records, compose letters, request records from the National Archives and other agencies, record information from deeds, and more for your genealogy research. Check back often, new information is added often!

JEWISH GENEALOGY: <http://www.jewishgen.org/>
A free, easy-to-use genealogy website features thousands of databases, research tools, and other resources to help those with Jewish ancestry research and find family members.

VINTAGE FAMILY PHOTOS: <http://ancestorarchive.com/>
Ancestor Genealogy Photo Archive is a free genealogy database of family photos containing online vintage photographs. Many of these photos have been submitted by visitors to help you find your ancestors and surnames. Others were found in antique stores and flea markets, and posted here in hopes of reuniting them with family members. Your ancestors could be among these genealogy photos.

CYNDI’S LIST OF PHOTO INFORMATION: <http://www.cyndislist.com/photos.htm>
Identifying, dating, preserving, restoration, searching, sharing of photos and photographers.

DATING OLD PHOTOGRAPHS: <http://www.familychronicle.com/phototip.htm>
Helpful hints.

TIPS FOR TAKING GREAT CEMETERY PHOTOS:
http://genealogy.about.com/od/cemetery_records/a/pictures.htm

CEMETERY SYMBOLS AND ICONS: their meaning
http://genealogy.about.com/od/cemetery_records/ig/tombstone_symbols/

DECIPHERING OLD HANDWRITING:

Palaeography is the study of old handwriting.

This web tutorial will help you learn to read the handwriting found in documents written in English between 1500 and 1800.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/palaeography/default.htm>

More on deciphering handwriting:

<http://amberskyline.com/treasuremaps/oldhand.html>

http://genealogy.about.com/od/paleography/a/old_handwriting.htm

<http://www.cyndislist.com/handwrit.htm>

<http://www.island.net/~andreav/writing.htm>

<http://www.genealogy.com/00000010.html>

<http://www.usgennet.org/family/smoot/oldhand/>

<http://www.jaydax.co.uk/genlinks/latin-dic.html> *reading Latin*

<http://www.jaydax.co.uk/genlinks/palaeography-unreadable.html>

IDAHO BOOKS

An especially helpful source for studying the history of Idaho is Merrill D. Beal and Merle W. Wells, History of Idaho, 3 vols. (New York: Lewis Historical Publishing Co., 1959; FHL book 979.6 H2b). Volume 3 has family histories.

A bibliography of local histories for Idaho is Milo G. Nelson and Charles A. Webbert, eds., Idaho Local History: A Bibliography. (Moscow, Id.: The University Press of Idaho, 1976; FHL book 979.6 A3n).

"History of Idaho-- Volumes 1-3." Hiram T. French,, M.S. The Lewis Publishing Company, 1914. A narrative account of Idaho's historical progress and its people and its principal interests.

"Map Guide to the US Federal Censuses 1790-1920." William Thorndale and William Dollarhide. (Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Company, 1987) *A copy is at the Idaho State Historical Society's Library in Boise, Idaho.*

Shows the state of Idaho in a progression of territory to statehood with information about county origins.

An online site for finding Idaho History books:

<http://www.questia.com/library/history/united-states-history/states-and-cities/idaho-history.jsp?CRID=idaho-history&OFFID=se2q&KEY=NA>

A selection of recommended Idaho books by Idaho Librarians:

<http://farrit.lili.org/node/123>

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