

Who Do YOU Think You Are?



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JoAnn Myers has lived in Burnet County since 1997. She is married and has three children. She attended UTSA in San Antonio and other universities, but did not graduate, as she followed her Air Force husband around the world, living in Texas, Arkansas, New Jersey, Illinois, Idaho, and Spain. During this time, she volunteered in her children's school and other organizations such as the PTA; Leader for Cub Scouts; Girl Scouts; and Camp Fire groups; Cheerleader Coach; and Treasurer, Youth Football Pep Club.

JoAnn retired from Federal Civil Service in 1997, after serving as Command Records Manager, Freedom of Information Act and Privacy Act Officer for an Air Force command headquarters located at Kelly AFB, and later as Director, Information Management at two other agencies at the same location. While in Federal Service, she served as president of the local chapter of Federally Employed Women for 4 years, and was appointed Federal Women's Program Manager for the agency.

Memberships and Community Activities:

- Member of Burnet County Historical Commission since 2000; serving 2nd two year term as chairman; web and Facebook administrator.
- Member of the Burnet County Genealogical Society, serving as secretary for 3 years and president for 6 years. Organized 3 statewide genealogy seminars for Herman Brown Free Library fundraiser.
- Member of Adam R. Johnson Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy; Burnet County Heritage Society; Hill Country Area Crime Stoppers – serving as web and Facebook administrator for each; and Burnet County Republican Women, newsletter editor. Member of Llano Uplift Daughters of the American Revolution, responsible for membership yearbook;
- Coordinator, interviewer, transcriber and editor for the Burnet County World War II Oral History Program, which was sponsored by the Burnet County Library System and Nimitz Museum in Fredericksburg. (2005)
- Heads a Friday Volunteer Group at the Herman Brown Free Library, whose members index and archive documents and photos for the library's files, and answer genealogical queries from researchers.
- Webmaster for Burnet County TxGenWeb, a free site which contains historical and genealogical information about people and places of Burnet County. <www.rootsweb.com/~txburnet>
- Until 2007, served as a member of the Burnet County Library Board and representative to Central Texas Library System for Herman Brown Free Library. Currently a member of Friends of Herman Brown Free Library's Executive Board of Directors; serving as Treasurer.
- Developed the first web page for Burnet County government. (2006)
- First computer tutor at Herman Brown Free Library, teaching library patrons basic computer skills for Internet and word processing. (1998-2005)

While not a native to Burnet, she has ancestral ties to the county. Her paternal grandmother was Mary (Hoover) Stewart, the granddaughter of Jacob Hoover, who settled Hoover's Valley with his brother, Isaac. She feels strongly about the need to preserve the county's history and to teach others basic research techniques.

Lesson Goals

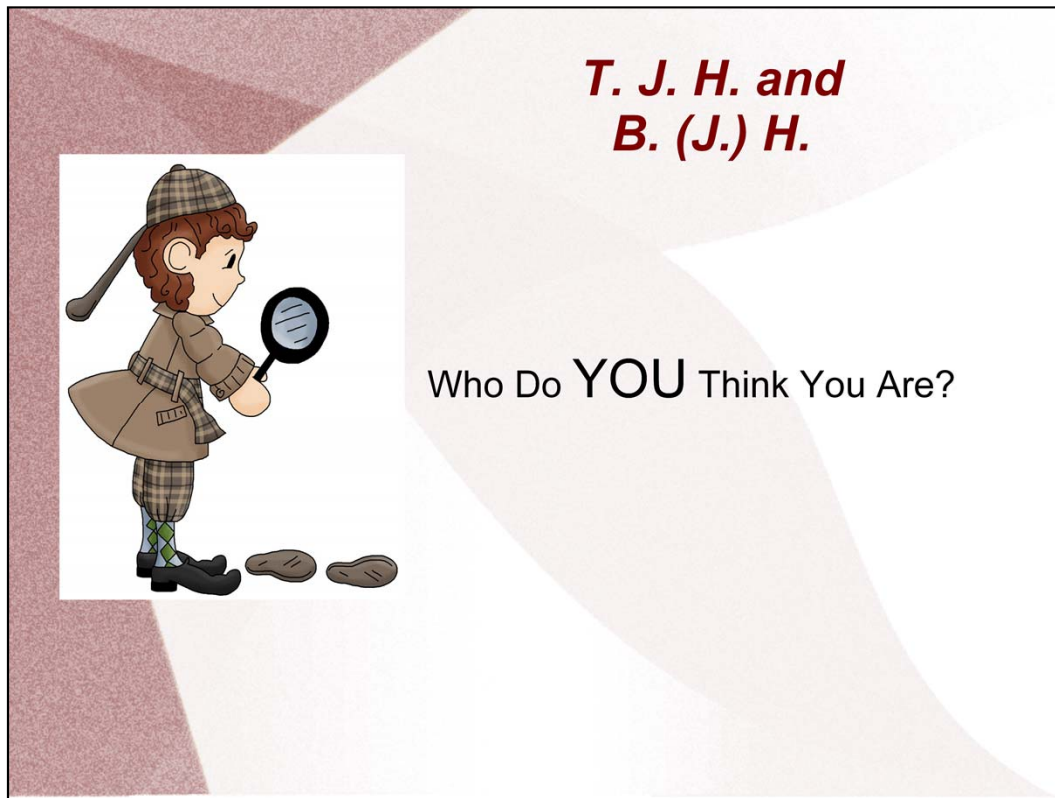
1. Develop a plan to research your family tree
2. Outline information that you want to find
3. List resources to aid in your search (books, libraries, genealogists, online searches)
4. Organize information as you find it by ancestors

Objectives

1. Research your family tree
2. Complete your outline with information you find using the resources you have available
3. Document your information with the different resources for future reference
3. Prepare your family tree

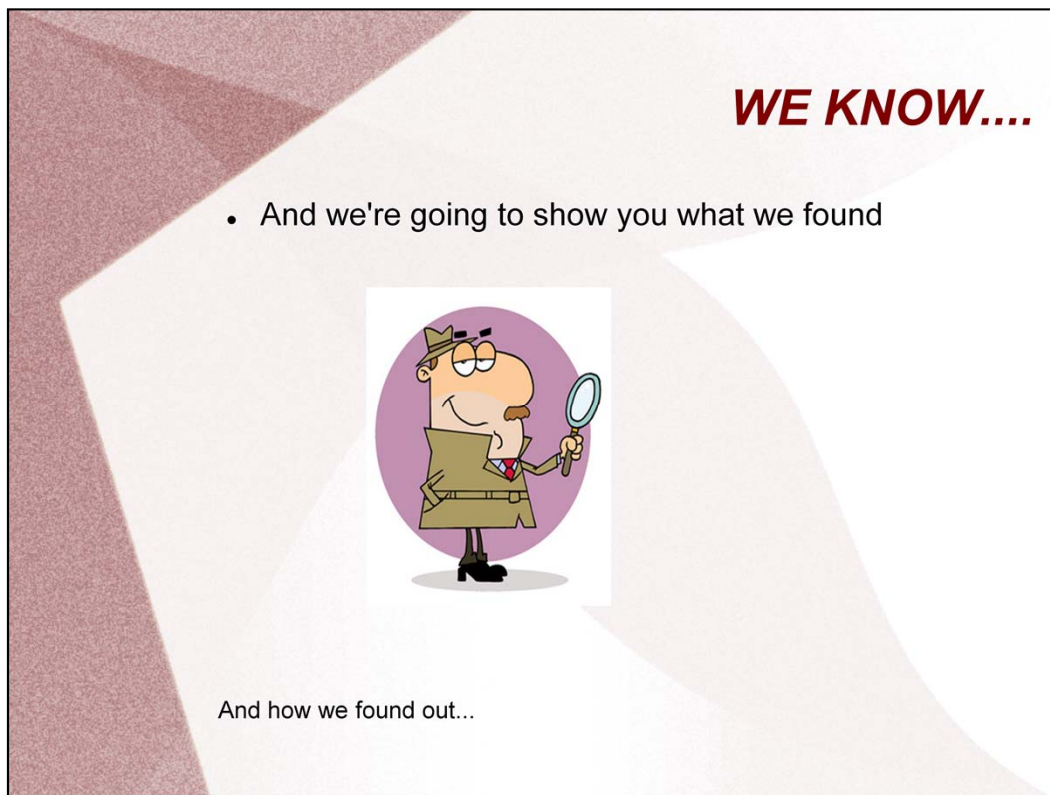
Materials Needed:

- Laptop, projector and the PowerPoint file (available to download at Teea.tamu.edu under the TEEA State Education Programs Tab).
- Copies of Handouts:
 - Beginning Genealogy
 - Family Group Chart
 - Pedigree Chart
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- Copies of Evaluation



I want to begin by thanking everyone for taking time out of their busy schedules to attend our program.

This program is our version of the popular TV series..."Who do You Think You Are?", which premiered on NBC in 2010 and was picked up by TLC in 2012. The newest season began on TLC in March 2017.

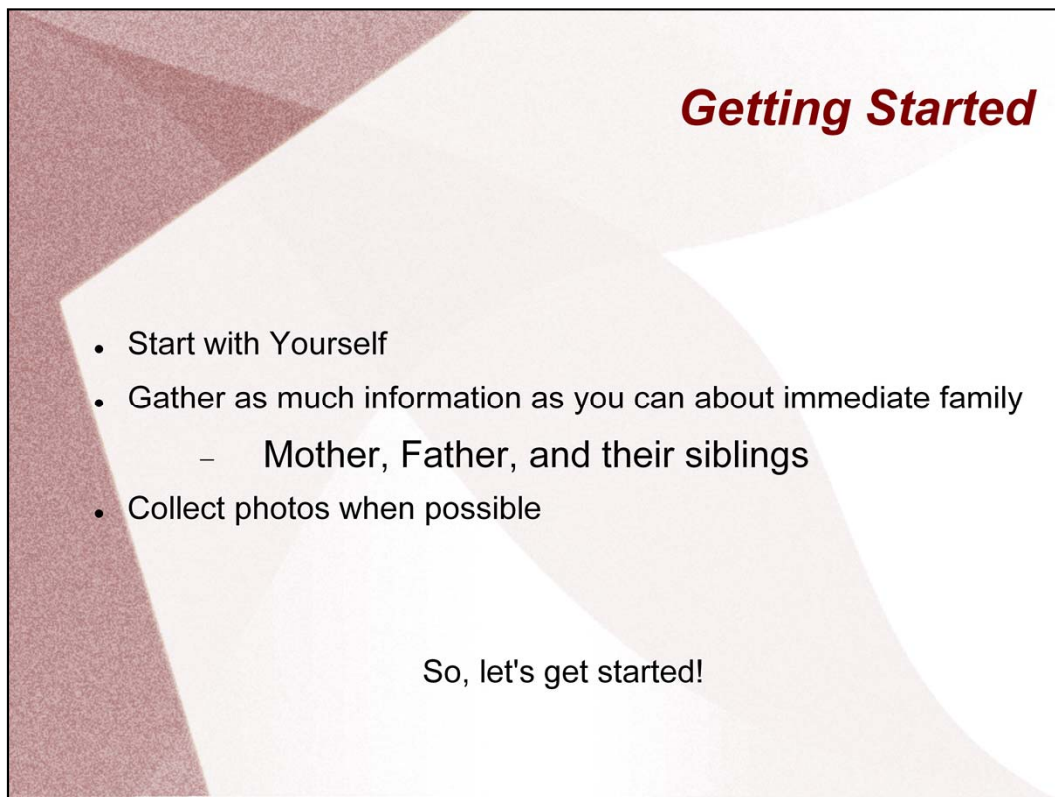


Just like the TV show, our home town celebrities are the focus of a genealogy show and tell. The Burnet County Genealogical Society has researched two separate home town celebrities.

Today we're going to explore the ancestry of a couple of Burnet's long-time citizens. For this large audience, and its presence on the internet for future programs, we've hidden their names to respect and protect their privacy.

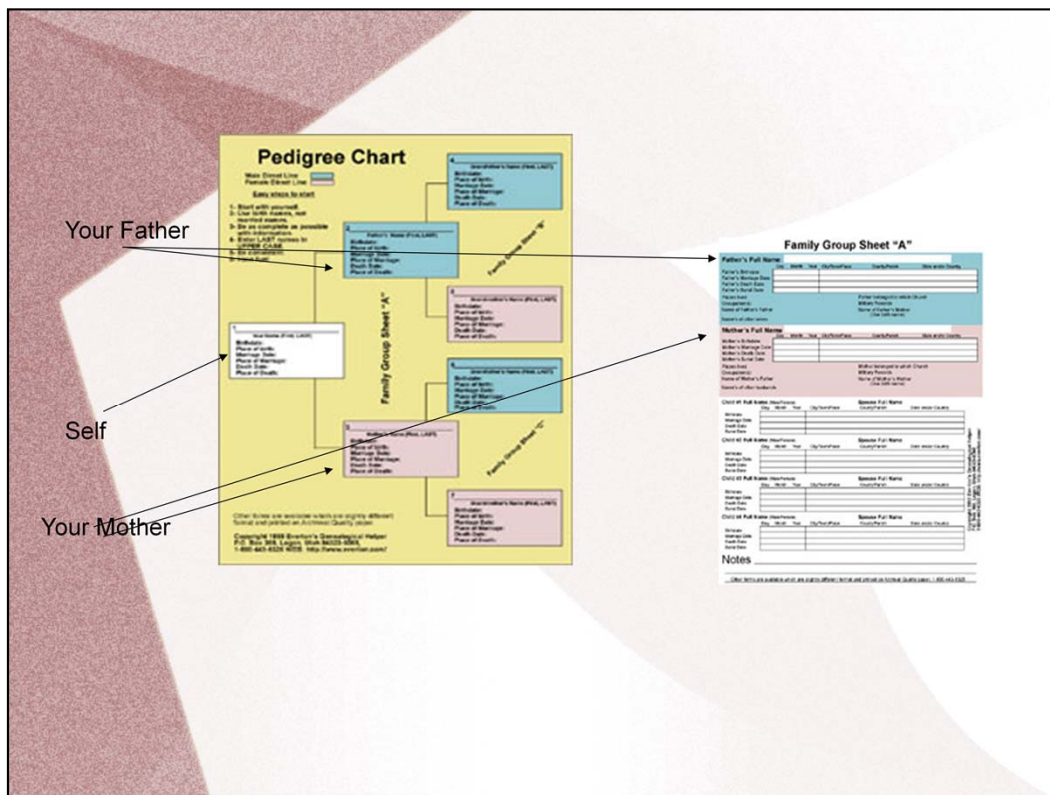
That can be Lesson #1: You should NEVER put information about living persons (birthdate, place, names of underage children, addresses, place of employment, etc.) on genealogy-type websites. The risk of identity theft or other fraud is too high. Websites like Ancestry.com will automatically block dates of “living” persons. Others do not. Be careful.

This program will be partly “how-to” and partly “this is what we found”.



With a genealogy project, it's best to

1. Start with yourself
2. Gather information from living relatives
3. Collect photos and documents such as certificates, military discharge, birth, marriage and death.
4. Document findings on each family on a PEDIGREE CHART AND THEN ON FAMILY GROUP SHEET.



If you use these forms from the very beginning, your research will be organized, and you will be able to tell at a glance where to focus to find the next clue. These can be on paper or from a computer program.

Be sure to add the source of each and every fact you find...

Because sometimes, "facts" turn out to be wrong...

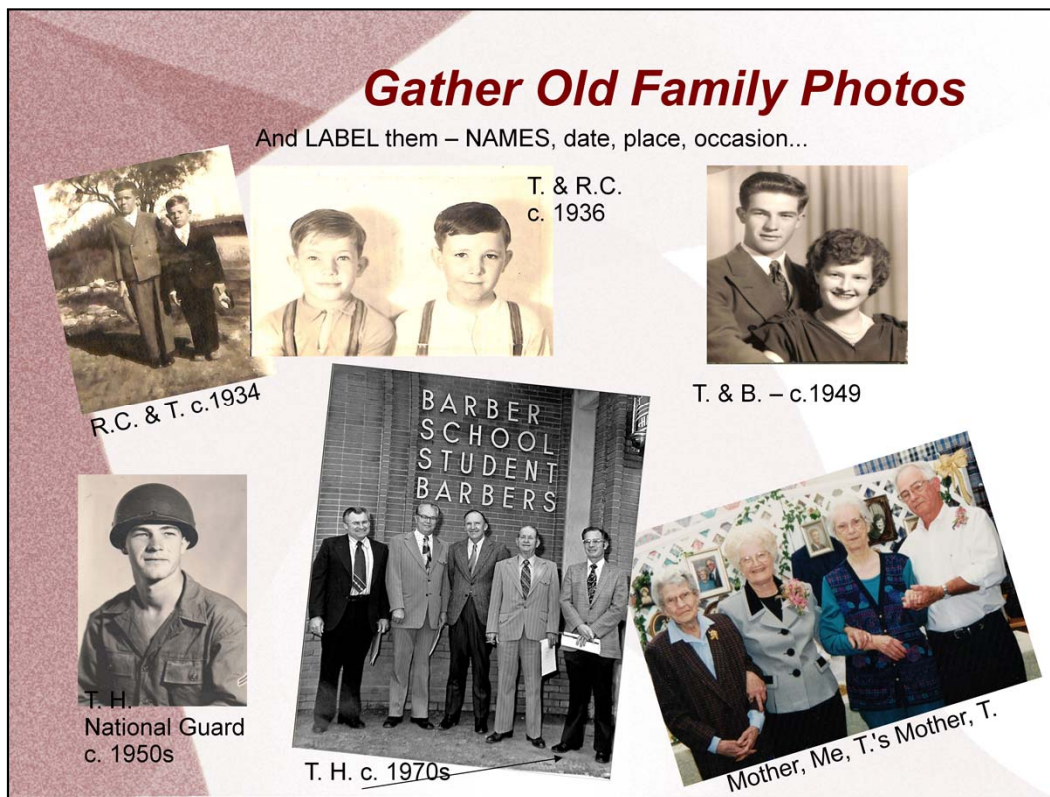


So, here we go...

These are some of the family photos collected from T. and B.. Make sure to get correct names and dates.

Don't just put "Mom" and "Dad"

The next slide will explain why...



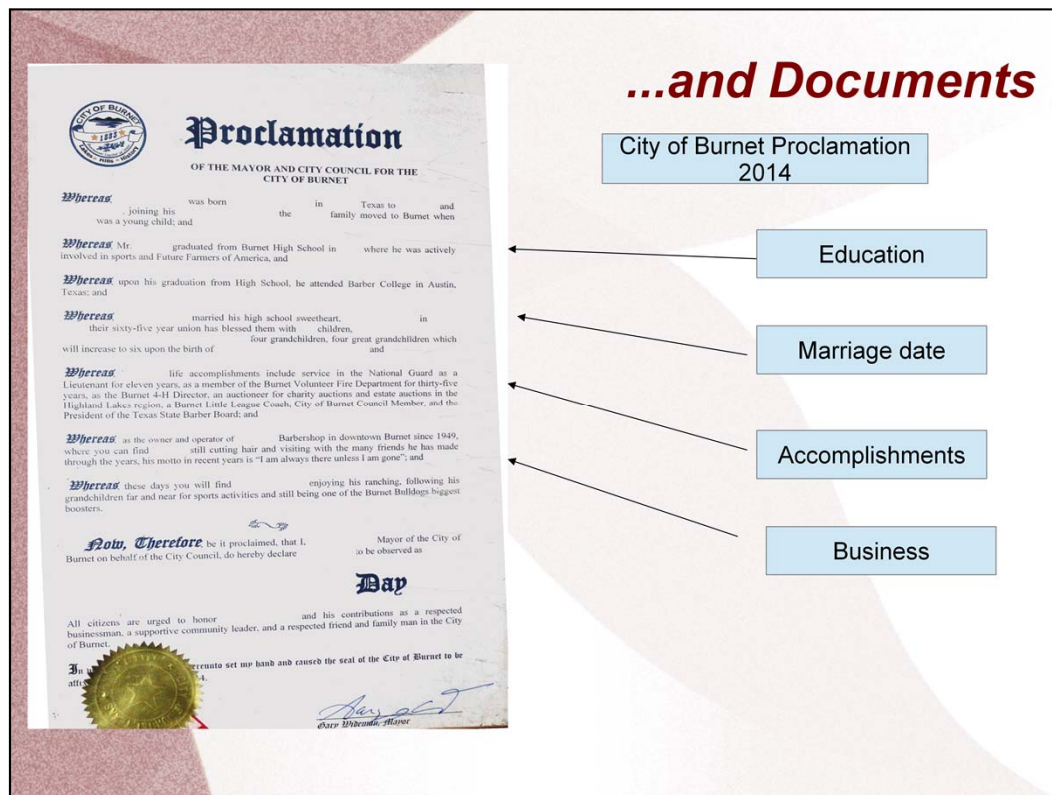
We got names and dates for all except one...

(read off names and dates)

And then this wonderful photo taken at their 50th wedding anniversary. On the back is:

“Mother, Me, T.'s Mother, T.”

Luckily, we could go back to family to find out who “Mother” was. But, I have a boxful of photos like this and no one to ask. Go through your photos and label with names and dates!



Documents, like this City of Burnet Proclamation, 2014, can give valuable insight to the life of the person you're researching.

Websites like Ancestry or Family Search have wills, stories, old family histories, and photos. Collect them as clues.

Gather Old Family Photos



A. J. C. Family
(T.'s Grandparents)



D. S. and wife,
M. S. C.
(B's Grandparents)

--Both photos are undated, so estimate date by clothing
And age of children--

This photo of the A. J. C. family (T.'s grandparents) had names of all written on the back.

The second picture (B.'s grandparents) also had names: – D. S. and M. S. C.

There were no dates. But, we can estimate dates by clothing and by the children's approximate ages.

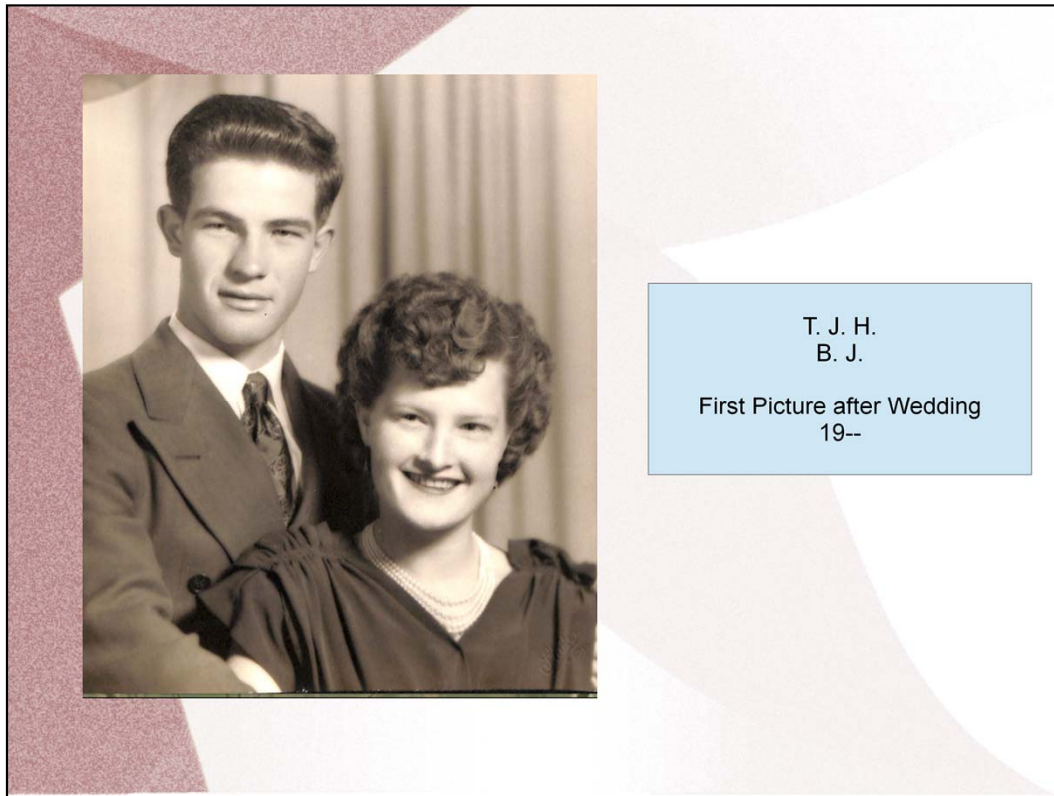
Generation 1

T. H.
& B. J. and children

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graph TD; TH[T.H. born --] --- BJ[B.J. born --]; TH --- BJ; BJ --- Son[Son born --]; BJ --- Dau[Dau. born --];
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For the purpose of this presentation,
we're using a computer-generated
pedigree chart.

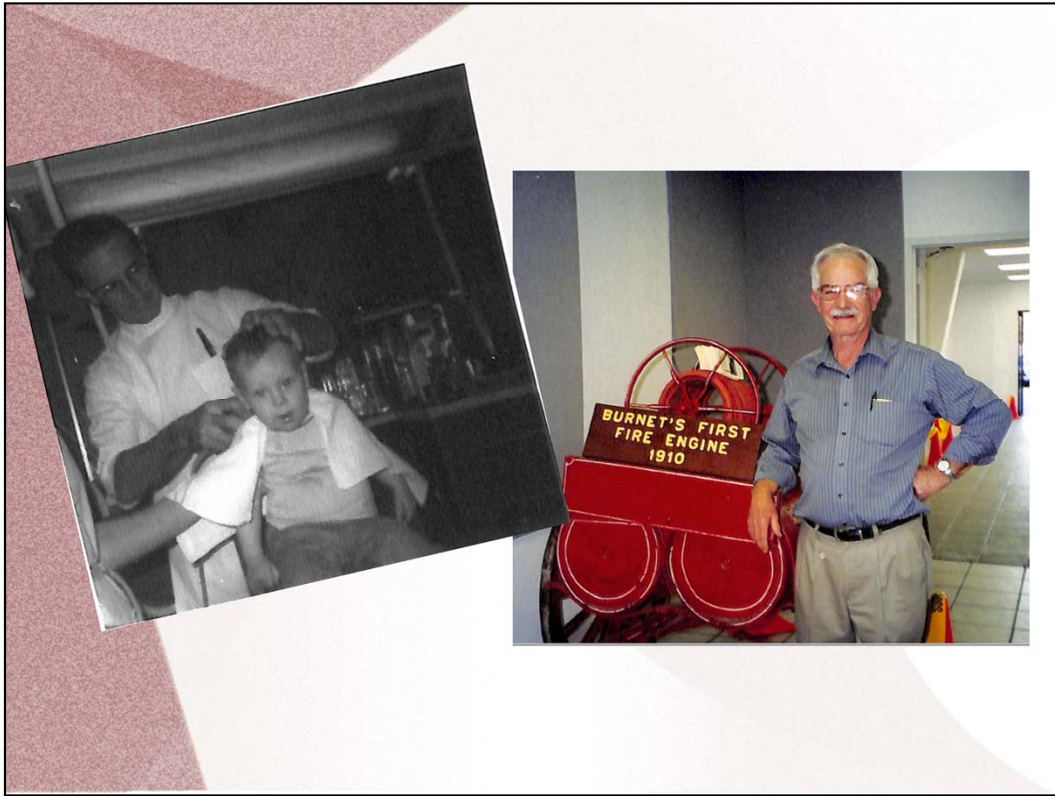
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From photos and documents you've gathered, start filling in the information found on the pedigree chart and the family group sheets.

If you don't have info for part of the form, just leave it blank, and go on.

The blanks will show you where to focus your research later.



From a photo we learned that T. always gave the first haircuts free. Here's a toddler receiving his first.

T. was a member of the Burnet Volunteer Fire Department for a number of years.



T. and B. (J.) H.
Daughter Son
c. 19--

This picture doesn't give any new facts, but it's a nice addition to the family story, because it shows what they looked like at a certain time in their lives.



After gathering what you can easily find out, add children and their families.

Pictures can be added to computer generated forms to add interest.

This slide shows a more complete Pedigree Chart for Generation 1.

Then Work Back thru each generation

- Collect information about Father, Mother, and siblings

About 1945



T.

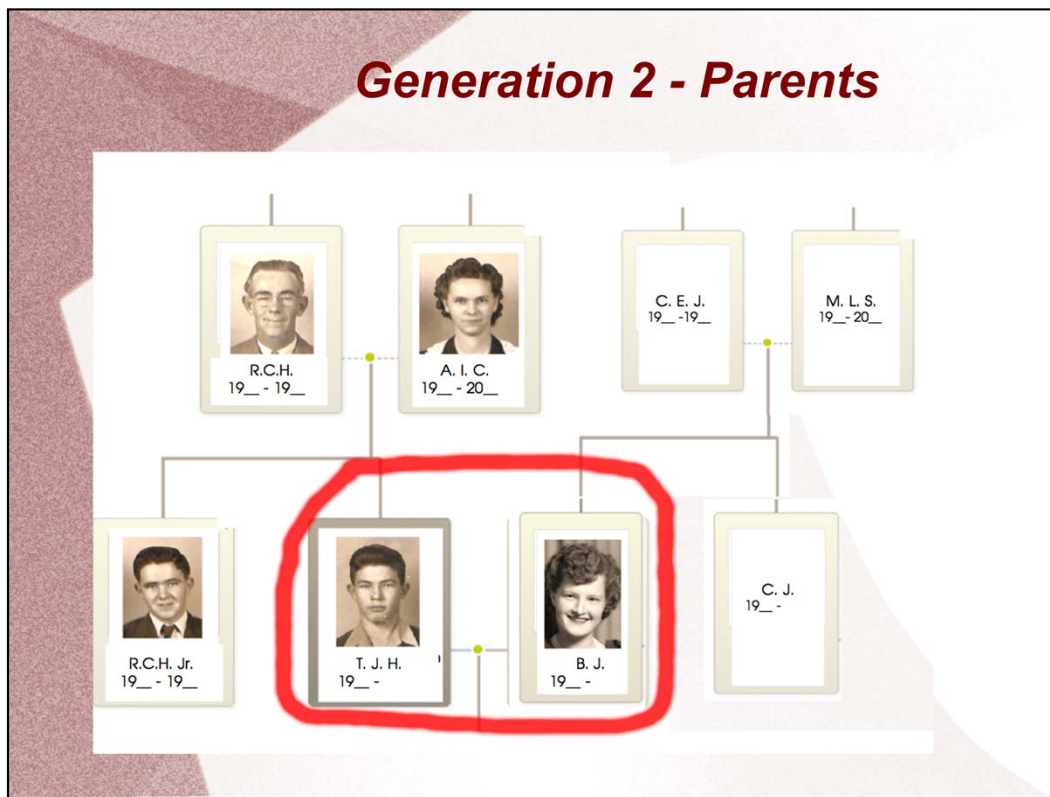
Father

Mother

R. C.

Then begin to work back thru each generation.

This picture was identified as about 1945 because of the clothing and ages of the two brothers.



This is a portion of our “Pedigree Chart”, showing T with his parents and B with her parents.

A full chart shows all the family ties

Fill in the pedigree chart with what you've found out so far:

R. C. H., born 19__

And A. I. C. – born 19__

This is really helpful when you want to see who is related to who

Find Obituaries and Cemetery Records



- Newspapers – Burnet County newspapers in Library
 - Library of Congress - free
 - Genealogybank.com
 - Newspapers.com
- Websites – Find A Grave – findagrave.com - FREE
 - Found 24 H. surnames buried in Burnet County
 - 40 H. surnames buried elsewhere in Texas
 - 337 H. surnames on Find A Grave



At this point, we've entered everything on our charts that the family knew.

Where do we find extra information that the family does not know? Look for information in:

Newspapers

Websites

Find a grave - free
Burnet TXGenWeb - free
Family Search - free
Ancestry

A. C. H. Obituary

A. C. H. 91, of Burnet died on Feb. 19, 1981, in Burnet County to A. J. and M. (U.) C. She was a lifetime member of the Primitive Baptist Church in Texas. She and her husband operated in Burnet for many years. Survivors include her son T. H. and wife B. of Burnet, brother T. J. C. of Lampasas, 5 grandchildren, R. and T. H. of I. and C. A. of Burnet, M. H. of L. F. of and J. and T. H. of B. 7 great-grandchildren, S. D. of B. H. of M. B. H. of S. A. of S. H. of S. L. H. of S. H. of Burnet and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband R. C. H. Sr. in 19 her son R. C. H. in 19 and grandsons R. and T. Hullum in 19. Funeral services will be 2:30 p.m. Sunday, at the Funeral Home in Burnet with Elder Hugh Montgomery and Tim Denton officiating. Burial will be in the Cemetery in Burnet.

Date/place of birth & death

Names of parents

Living family members

Deceased family members

Burial site

In newspapers, look for obituaries.
Here's the obituary found for T.'s
mother, A. C. H..

There's quite a bit of info from just this
one document. Date and place of
birth/death. Names of parents. Living
and deceased family members. Burial
site.

Add the information found here to the
pedigree and family group sheets.

Continue searching for documents, vital records, etc.

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

STATE OF TEXAS

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 a. COUNTY **Burnet**
 b. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **Burnet**
 c. LENGTH OF STAY (in 15 min. intervals) **8 yrs.**
 d. NAME OF HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION **Allen Clinic & Hospital**
 e. IS PLACE OF DEATH INSIDE CITY LIMITS? **YES**

2. USUAL RESIDENCE (Where deceased lived, if institution residence before admission)
 a. STATE **Texas**
 b. COUNTY **Burnet**
 c. CITY OR TOWN (if outside city limits, give precinct no.) **Burnet**
 d. STREET ADDRESS (if rural, give location) **Hiway 29 West**
 e. IS RESIDENCE INSIDE CITY LIMITS? **YES**
 f. IS RESIDENCE ON A FARM? **NO**

3. NAME OF DECEASED
 (a) First **C** (b) Middle **E** (c) Last **J**
 d. DATE OF DEATH **May 19 1962**
 e. SEX **Male**
 f. COLOR OR RACE **Caucasian**
 g. MARRIAGE STATUS **Married**
 h. USUAL OCCUPATION (Give kind of work done, showing month of working (15 min. intervals)) **Salesman**
 i. KIND OF BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY **Automobiles**
 j. BIRTHPLACE (State or foreign country) **Williamson Co., Texas**
 k. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY **U.S.A.**

4. CAUSE OF DEATH (Enter only one cause, see for (a), (b), and (c))
 a. **Metastatic Carcinoma Lung**
 b. **Carcinoma Pancreas**
 c. **9 months**

5. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE TERMINAL DISEASE CONDITION GIVEN IN PART 4
 a. **None**

6. ACCIDENT
 a. **NO**
 b. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (Enter nature of injury in Part 4 or Part 8 of this form)

7. TIME OF DEATH
 a. **May 19 1962**
 b. PLACE OF INJURY (e.g., in or out of home, farm, factory, street, office building, etc.) **404 S. Water Burnet, Texas**
 c. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION **Burnet**
 d. COUNTY **Texas**
 e. STATE **Texas**

8. SIGNATURE
 a. **John H. Hays**
 b. **M.D.**
 c. **2:10 A.M.**
 d. **404 S. Water Burnet, Texas**
 e. **Cemetery**
 f. **May 19 1962**
 g. **Wayne A. Barton**
 h. **#3939**

9. REGISTRATION
 a. **63**
 b. **5-19**

Findagrave.com

Generation 2 B.'s Father

C. E. J.

Date of Death

Birth date

Place of death

His father & mother

Cause of Death

Where buried

Death Certificate. This is considered a vital record and a primary source. It's an official document required by the state. Texas death certificates can be found on familysearch.org.

But, be careful. Not all info is necessarily correct. It depends on who is telling the state or county official what the "facts" are. Some admit that they don't know, others guess and further research will show discrepancies. It's up to you to find enough documents that match each other before deciding if it's a fact.

Generation 2

B.'s Grandmother

M. S. S.
Father & Mother

Place and date of birth

Name of daughter

Cause of death

Place of burial

This gives additional information that we didn't have before.

Add to pedigree chart and family group sheet.

Check Census Records

- www.familysearch.org (free) – OR – ancestry.com
- Look for each census when this family was living, then
- Look for each census for their parents' lifetime
- Start with the latest census (1940) and work back
 - 1940 shows R. and A. operating a business in Burnet; 60 hours per week
 - R.C. Was 13; T. was 10

Another information source are census records.

ALWAYS check census records for your family members.

Check for them with parents when they were children.

Check for them when they were adults. Different census years will reveal different clues: where they lived, where they were born, where parents were born, when they married, if naturalized citizen and when immigrated; level of education, whether they owned or rented homes or farms, occupation, if in military service and more.

Census records are federal documents and exist for every 10 years since the founding of our country.

The latest census available to the public is 1940.

In 1940, R. and A. operated a business and worked 60 hours per week. Son R.C. Was 13; T. was 10.

1930 Census – T.'s Parents

- 1930 – Precinct 3, Coryell County, Texas
 - R. and A. - shows address
 - Mother & Father age 24
 - R.C. was 2 years old
 - T. was 11 months old



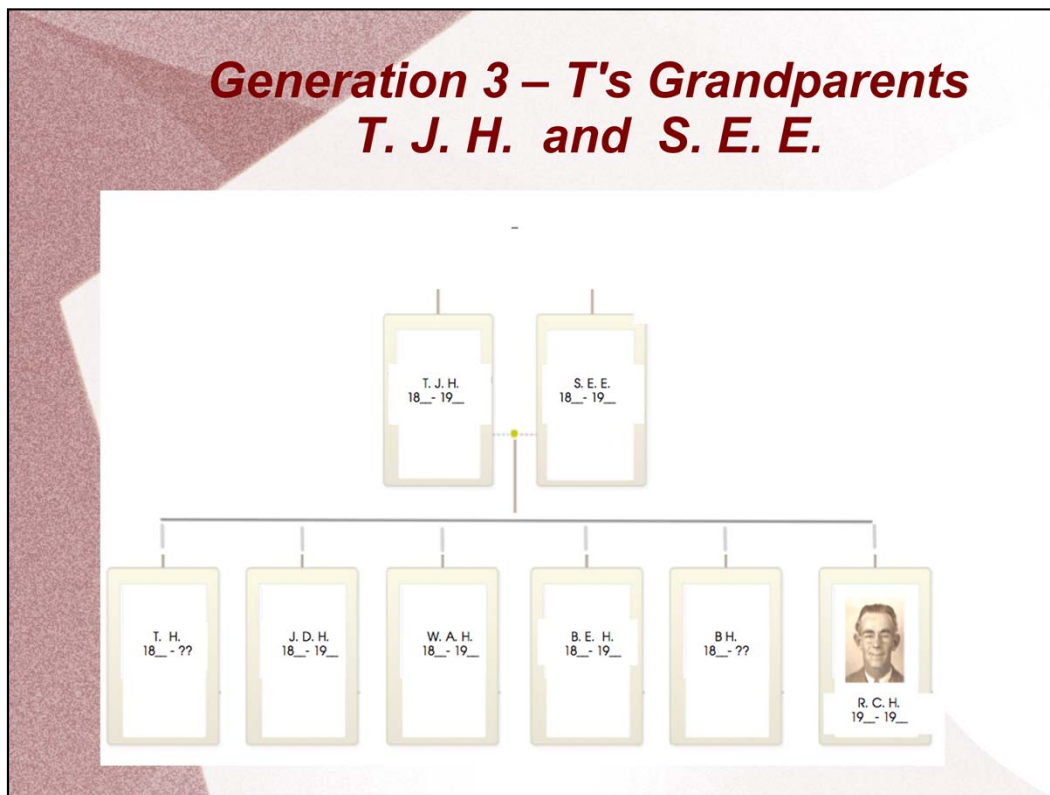
Lots of CLUES in the census records

The 1930 census gives a little bit more info. It shows the family and where they lived in Coryell County, Texas. Mother and father were age 24, son RC was 2 and T was 11 months old.

1930 is as far back with census records as we can go for T's parents, because at this point we don't know who THEIR parents were.

After we explore all census records, what's next?

Birth records.



Now we're ready to go on to Generation 3: T's Grandparents.

For the first 2 generations, we were able to get most information from living people.

But as we go back in time, we had to gather information from other sources, such as birth and death records, and censuses.

Burial Records – Find A Grave.com

Birth & Death Date

Spouse and children

Burial place

S E E H

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Birth: 18
Death: 19

Family links:
Spouse: T J. H. (18 - 19)*


Children: E E H L (18 - 19)*

[*Calculated relationship](#)


Burial: Cemetery

Williamson County
Texas, USA

Created by: John C
Record added: Dec 23, 2004
Find A Grave Memorial#



Added by: John C



Added by: John

More info by following links

A good website to find death and burial records is FindaGrave.com. This slide shows the tombstone for T's grandmother, S.E.E.H.

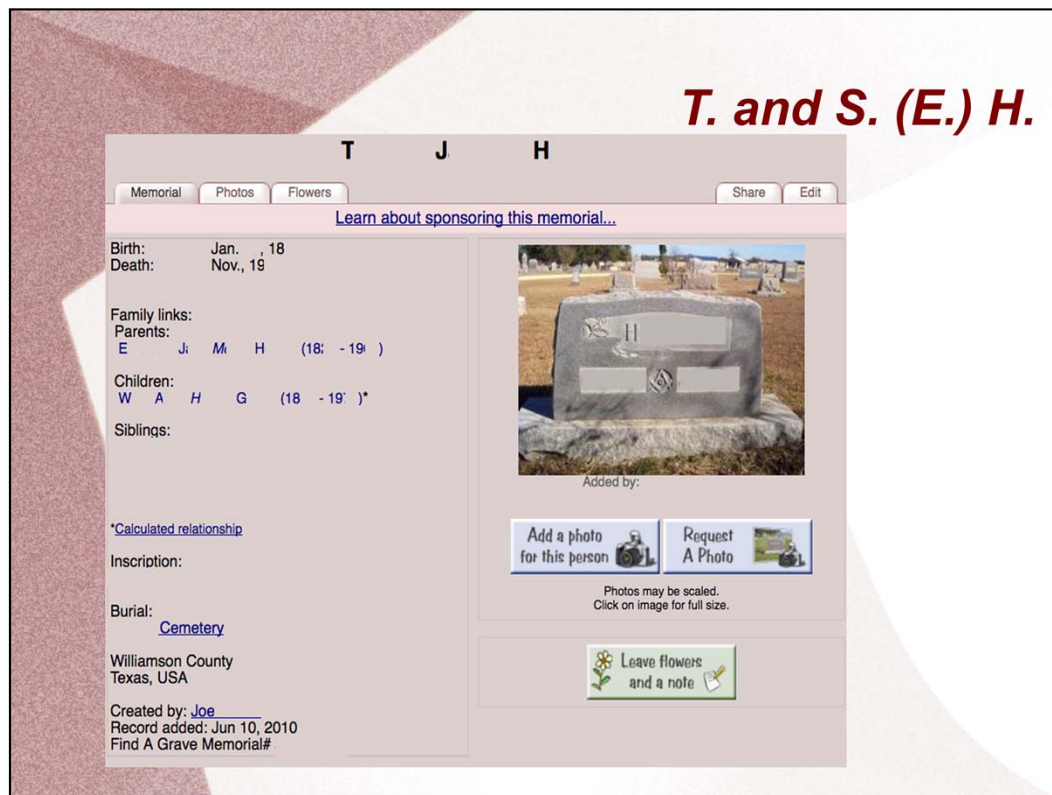
It's a website that volunteers upload information and photos of cemetery and death data.

Often, family information or obituaries are added.

The contributor's name is shown and the date.

The contributor for this page was John C. In 2004. Follow links on that site to find other family members.

Caution: Always confirm data from internet sites like Find A Grave with other sources like birth certificates, social security death index, wills, etc.



This is a 2nd page for T. and S. (E.) H. which was uploaded by a different contributor, Joe in 2010. It has different links to family members.

The census can provide clues to the family after T. died.

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20				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
21				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
22				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
23				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
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25				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
26				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
27				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama
28				W	14	S		F	W	36	M	20	Y	near	near		Albatama

In 1940, Precinct 3, Bertram
S. E. H., age 70, widow, living with
J. D. E., b. abt 1848 in Alabama; her father.

1940 census, living with father, J. D. E.

Look for Obituary or Death Certificate

1. PLACE OF DEATH		TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH	
STATE OF TEXAS		COUNTY OF Burnet	
CITY OR PRECINCT NO. Burnet		GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION	
2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED S E H		SOCIAL SECURITY NO. none	
3. SEX Female		4. AGE 42 YEARS MONTHS DAYS	
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED widow		6. DATE OF BIRTH November 18 1896	
7. OCCUPATION Housewife		8. PLACE OF BIRTH Alabama	
9. BIRTHPLACE Alabama		10. MARRIAGE J. D. E	
11. BIRTHPLACE Alabama		12. MARRIAGE J. B	
13. BIRTHPLACE don't know		14. SIGNATURE H	
15. PLACE OF DEATH Cemetery, Texas		16. DATE OF DEATH January 18 1938	
17. SIGNATURE Donald F. Egan		18. SIGNATURE J. B. Egan	
19. FILE NUMBER 1-1938		20. SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR J. B. Egan	

S. E. H.
--date of birth & death
--names of father & Mother
--cause of death
--where buried

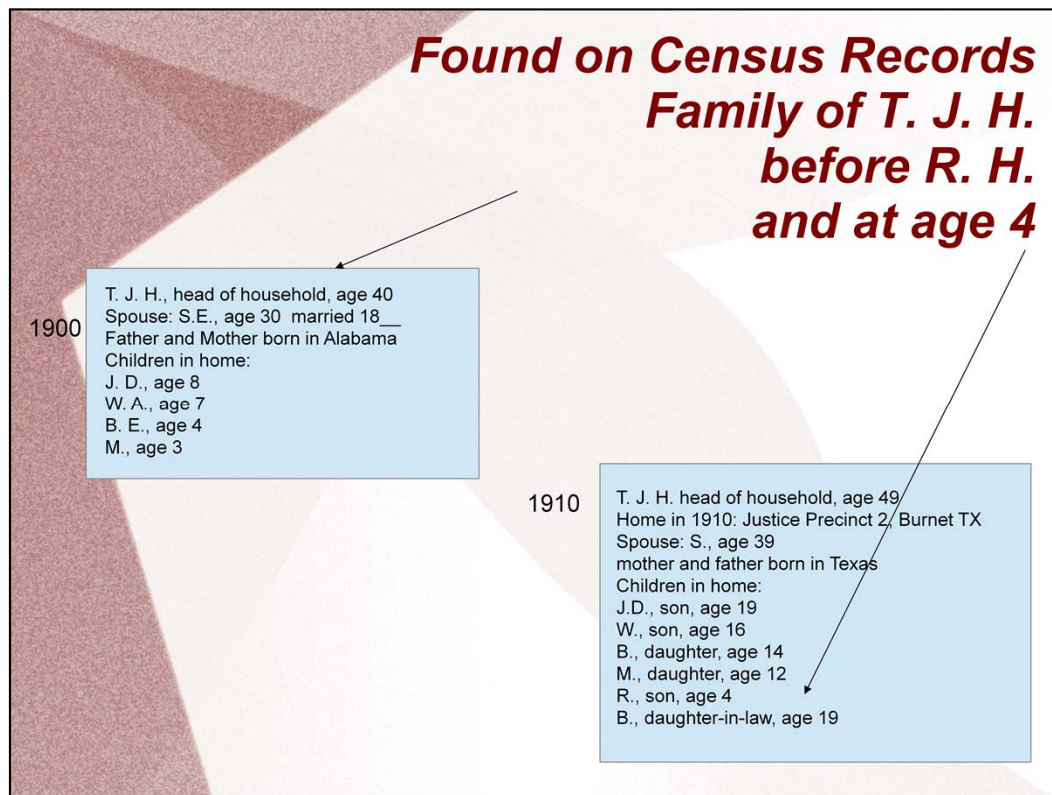
And more...

We found that the death certificate for wife, S. (S. E.) H. which gives us hints of where to look further or confirms previous information. (her parents names; where buried, cause of death)

Remember, Familysearch.org has Texas death certificates, and it's free.

Don't forget look for an obituary...it gives a lot of family info

Contact genealogical societies or place request on RootsWeb message board



Keep going back to the census records.

For T., we found him in 1900 and 1910,
showing this info: parents and children
and their ages.

Further confirming that he was the father
of R. H.

***More info found from –
Find A Grave.com***



W. A. H. G. and daughter J. B. T. Photo about 1945,
courtesy J. B. T.
Added by:
2/11/2015

Photo of W. A. H. G.
Daughter of T. J. H.
And her daughter, J.



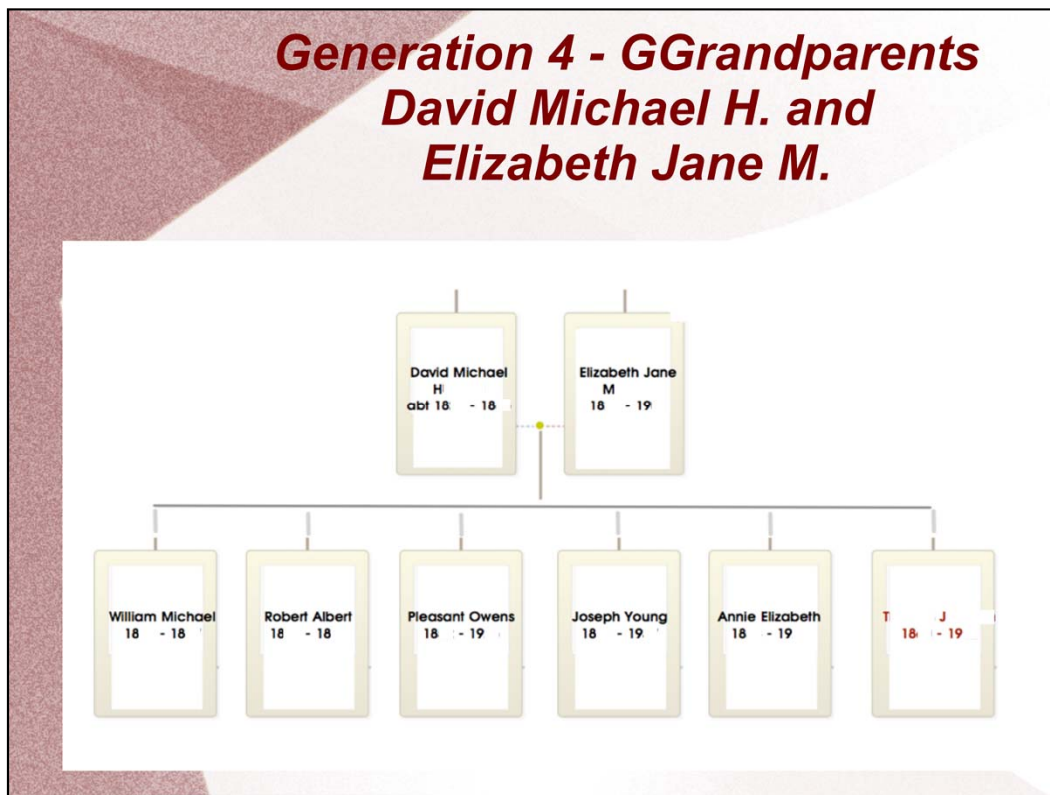
Photo and obituary of
C. W. L.
son of
B. E. H. L.

While on Find A Grave, we found links to
extended family info and pictures.
These are photos are

W. A., sister to T. and her daughter, J.

And C. W. L. son of T.s' sister, B.

Contact these family members for
information, photos, stories, and
reunions.

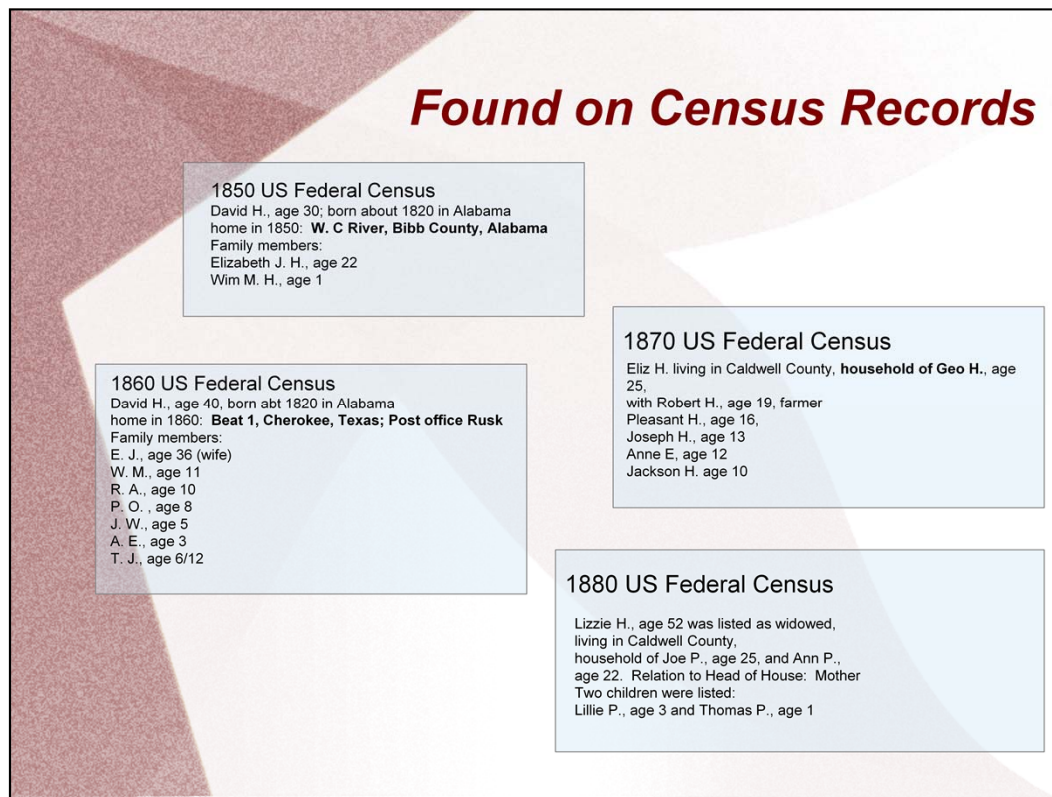


We're now at Generation 4 – great grandparents

Where to start? No birth certificates issued in Texas til 1903

We did not find obituaries for either of the parents here...

So, on to the census records!



Census records from 1850 to 1880
 -show progression of family, locations
 lived, occupations, others living in the
 family

1850, age 30 in Bibb County, Alabama with Elizabeth J., age 22; William, age 1
 1860, age 40 in Cherokee County, Texas; with Elizabeth and 6 children listed; T.
 J. age 6/12
 1870, Eliz H. living in Caldwell County in the household of George H., age 25
 with children: Robert, age 19; Pleasant, age 16; Joseph, age 13; Anne E.
 age 12; and Jackson age 10
 In 1880, she was still in Caldwell County but was listed as widowed mother-in-
 law and living with George P., age 25 and his wife Ann, age 22; Two P.
 children Lillie, age 3 and Thomas, age 1.

<i>Military Records -</i>	
Name:	David H
Side:	Confederate
Regiment State/Origin:	Texas
Regiment:	1st Regiment, Texas Cavalry State Troops (6 months, 1863-64)
Company:	D
Film Number:	M227 roll 18
Brother of David—Albert Sidney	
Name:	A. S. H
Side:	Confederate
Regiment State/Origin:	Texas
Regiment:	22nd Regiment, Texas Infantry (Hubbard's)
Company:	I
Rank In:	Second Lieutenant
Rank Out:	Junior First Lieutenant
Alternate Name:	A. S./H
Film Number:	M227 roll 18

Always try to find military records.
They're some of the most reliable for facts.

And we found CSA service records for both David and his brother, Albert Sidney

Confederate Service Records

H. David
 Co. D, 1 Reg't Cavalry
 Texas State Troops.
 (6 Mos. 1863-4.)
 (Confederate.)

CARD NUMBER	
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43	43-2
44	44-2
45	45-2
46	46-2
47	47-2
48	48-2
49	49-2
50	50-2

Number of medical cards forwarded
 Number of personal papers forwarded
 Date Made
 Served

Nov 1863
 "absent sick
 at home
 since
 8 Oct."

(Confederate)
 1 Cav. Texas.
David H.
 Co. D, 1 Regiment Cavalry,
 Texas State Troops.

Appears on
 Regimental Return
 of the organization named above,
 for the month of *Nov*, 1863.

Unaccounted officers present and absent:
 Name:
 Remarks:

Attention state last return among the unlisted men
 State
 Place
 Remarks:

Unlisted men on Extra or Daily Duty:

Unlisted men connected for:
absent sick at home since 8 Oct.
J. H. [Signature]

Try to find actual service records. Some places to look:

Fold3.com

Ancestry.com

State archives

Large libraries with genealogy collections:

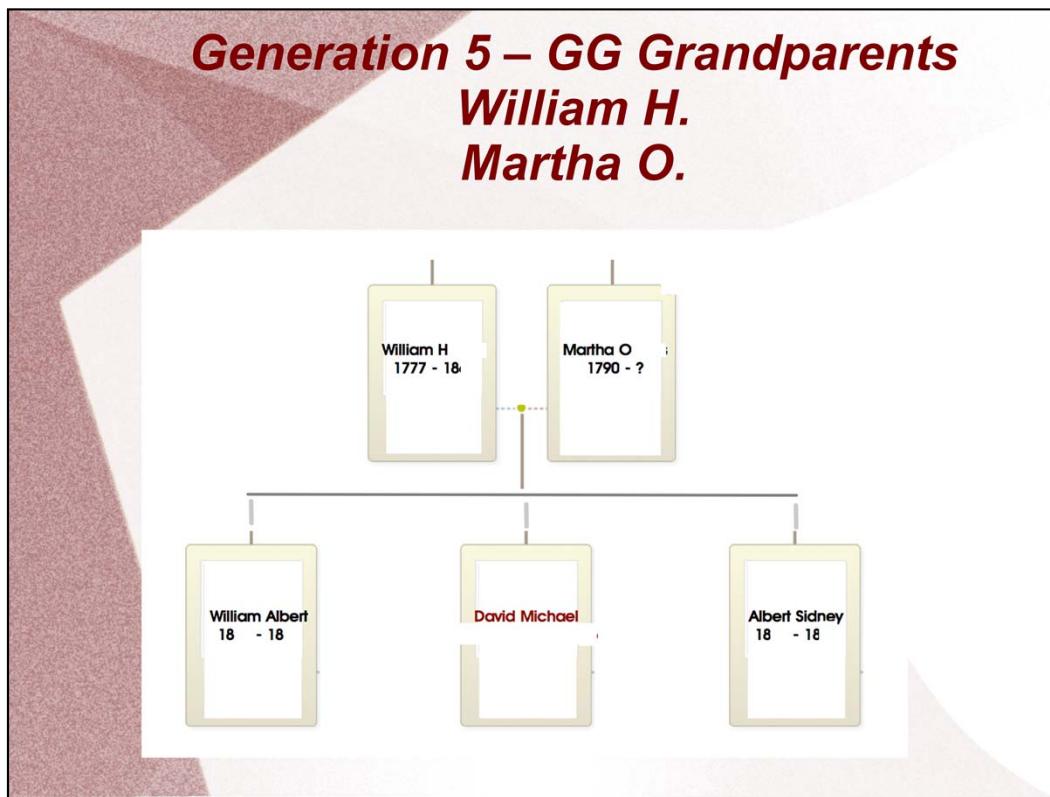
Houston's Clayton Library

Waco's Genealogy Library

LDS library in Salt Lake City

Allen County Library, in Ft. Wayne, Indiana

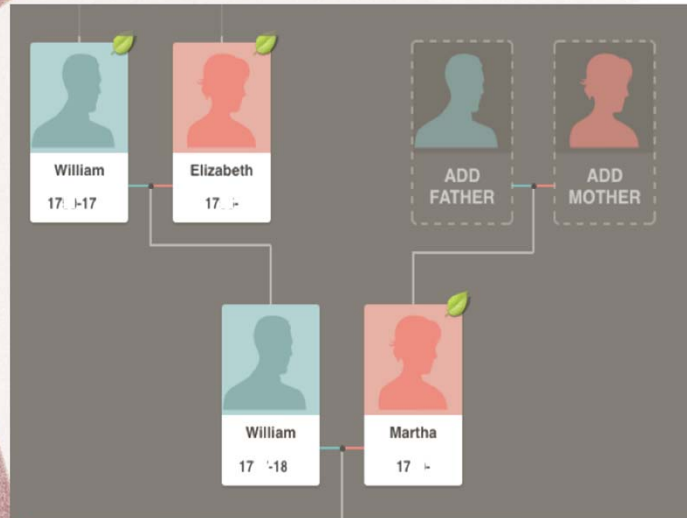
Most large libraries have internet presence to search their collections



While looking for the earliest census for David H. (1840) we found his father, William H., in a family of 7 free white persons, living in Bibb County Alabama, and a total of 8 slaves.

The 1850 census of Bibb County found William age 73, b. about 17__ in Virginia and Martha, age 60, and Albert S., age 24. David and wife Elizabeth were next door with William age 1.

**Generation 6 – GGG Grandparents
William H. and Elizabeth J.**



Ready for generation 6?

GGG Grandparents – William H. and Elizabeth J.

What's the first thing we go to for info on an individual born in early 1800s?

Census, because most states did not require birth record-keeping at any level until later. Churches kept marriage and birth records.

Information Gathered so Far

William H. - Born in Virginia, 17__ ; died 18__ in Alabama
Married Martha O.

Children: William Albert, b. 18__, d. 18__

David Michael, b. abt 18__ ; d. 18__

Albert Sidney, b. 18__ - d. 18__

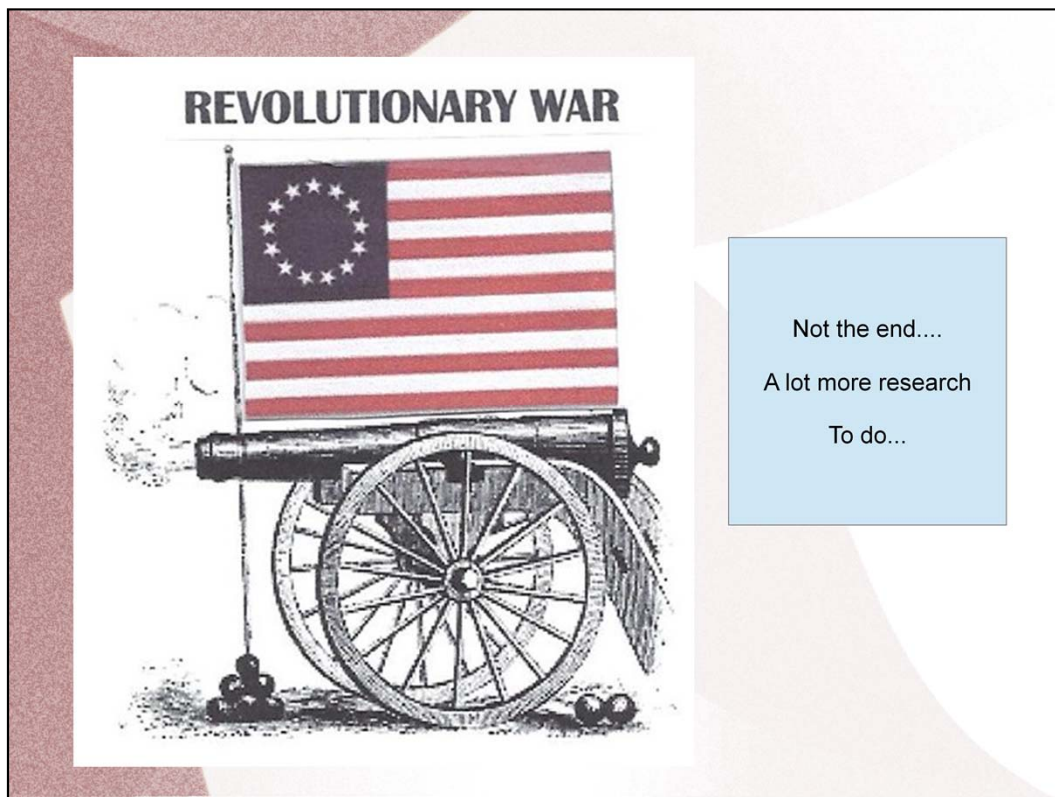
Based on 1840 and 1850 census of Bibb County Alabama and
Family Tree on Ancestry.com

The further back we go, the harder it is to find solid information.

More can probably be found on this family by searching state records for wills, deeds, and other family trees.

We found on another family tree that this William Hullum was the son of William H., born in 1750, and married to Ann B, both born in Virginia. But at this point, we don't know if that's true or not.

Be careful when looking at resources like compiled family trees that do not have sources named. Consider them only as clues. Find a source for every fact claimed.

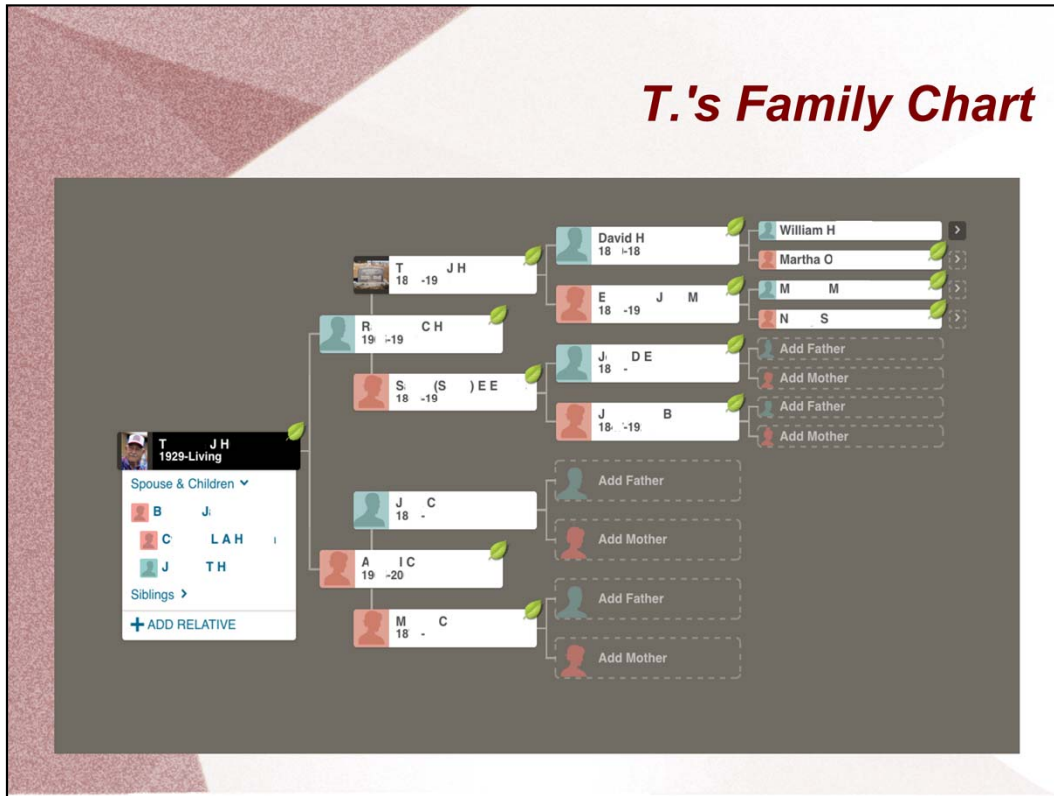


We think further research will lead to possible
Revolutionary War ancestors...
Since both were born at the right time in the 1700s.

But that's another story!

The next slides will show a family chart for T. and then
for B. that puts all this information into a
manageable form. And the blanks show research
that still needs to be done.

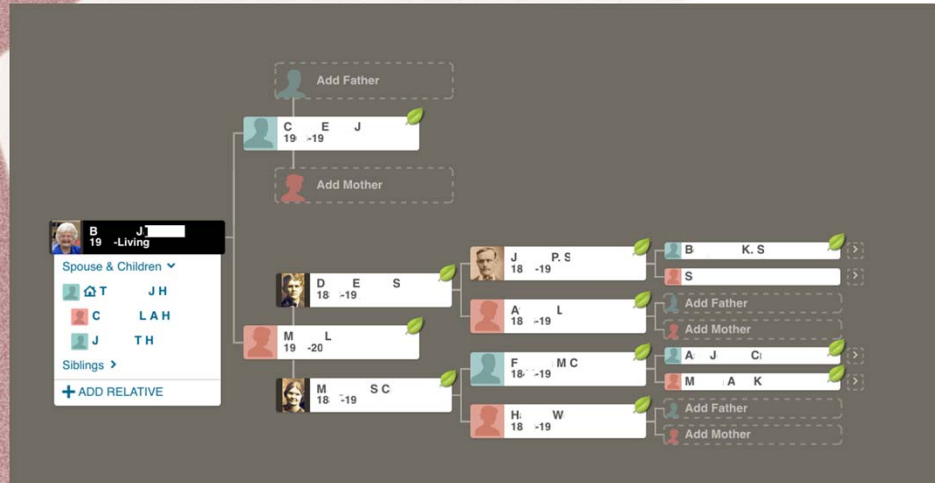
T.'s Family Chart



Here's T's Pedigree Chart. You can see the progress we've made since the beginning research process.

And the blanks that still need to be filled.

B.'s Family Chart



B.'s Pedigree Chart so far. She's descended from Burnet pioneer families of S. and C. There are CSA veterans in both families.

We're still looking at Burnet's Pioneer J. family for connections.



And that concludes our presentation...but first,

I'd like to thank T. and his family for agreeing to be the subject of our research program, His immediate family, for supplying family info and photos

And Maud Cain, Burnet County Genealogical Society member, for her relentless research in preparation for the original presentation.

All the H. info you saw here today, except for what came from the family, was found in Burnet's library, using the Dobie Research Room books and microfilmed newspapers and the library's internet access, all provided at no charge to library patrons.

The library is funded in part by city and county tax dollars, without which there would be no history research. So, thanks are in order to the taxpayers' funding for the library, too! An expansion of our research room will be completed this year, with more equipment and reference books. The friends of the library and the genealogy society buy all books and equipment for the Dobie Room and have volunteered over 630 hours this past year to assist with research. If you have time, please visit the Dobie Room and see the fine collection we have there.

Need help? Come in on Fri 10-1. We'll be here! If you live outside of Burnet County, ask at your local library for what resources exist to help you.

Beginning Your Genealogy Quest

❖ Start With Yourself

- *Prepare Pedigree Chart and Family Group Record with information YOU know*
 - *Family Group Record: One for each couple on Pedigree Chart and one for each marriage*
- *Record the source of each new piece of information that you learn about an ancestor*

❖ Decide What You Need to Learn

- *Research the BLANK spots on your chart – Focus on one ancestor at a time*
- *Then, choose and focus on one objective at a time about a life event or background topic*

❖ Choose a Source of Information

- *Person – Interview Living Relatives – Or others who may have known person you're researching*
- *Gravestone*
- *Photos*
- *Old homes, memorials, etc.*
- *Bible*
- *Birth, death, marriage record*
- *Census*
- *Military record*

❖ As you find information...

- *Fill in blanks on Pedigree Chart and Family Group Records*
- *Determine what research is needed for remaining blanks*

❖ Research

- *Use a Research Log*
- *List your research objective, name and location of source, date, notes, and results (found or not found)*
 - *Keep track of sources for each piece of info you find or receive*
- *Good Resource Books for beginning Researchers – found in most libraries*
 - *The Handy Book For Genealogists*
 - *Genealogy Online for Dummies, Matt Helm and April Leigh Helm*
 - *Unpuzzling Your Past, Emily Anne Croom*
 - *The Source, from Ancestry.com*
 - *Many more beginners books in your library*

❖ Organize Your Papers Early

Paper

File pedigree charts and family group sheets in 3-ring binders by surname

File original documents (birth, death, marriage) and correspondence in separate folders

Make an index of contents of each folder as you acquire documents; mark each paper with a number (St-1, St-2, etc)

As your research expands, add new binders and folders

If you do this when you first begin, you won't become overwhelmed as your paper pile begins to grow

Computer

- *Buy Genealogy software and enter husband and wife, children, siblings, grandparents, etc. The software will organize your data and various reports can be printed.*
- *Be sure to print pedigree charts and family group sheets, along with photos, and documents gathered and organize for safekeeping. Computer software changes, becomes obsolete; computers die. You need a print copy of everything!*

Beginning Your Genealogy Quest

❖ Continue learning

- *Join a Genealogy Society*
 - *Attend seminars*
 - *Buy a beginners book*
 - *Talk to other genealogists*
 - *Go online to Rootsweb for their free lessons*
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Free Websites to Get You Started

Family Search – free site from Mormon Church

<https://familysearch.org/>

Find A Grave – volunteer-supplied grave and family information

<http://www.findagrave.com/>

Chronicling America – free newspaper search from Library of Congress

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

US GenWeb – Free information available for every state and county

<http://usgenweb.org/>

Example: Burnet Texas GenWeb

Free information about Burnet County

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txburnet/>

In Texas for all library patrons – Tex Share Database

free census, digitized books, Sanborn Maps

go thru your library website – free with library card and password
and can be used at home

Cyndi's List – links to genealogy websites worldwide

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

\$\$\$ Websites

Ancestry – has everything, but costs the most

www.ancestry.com

Genealogy Bank – Historical newspapers, obituaries, SSDI

www.genealogybank.com

Fold3 – Historical Military Records and more

www.fold3.com

Newspapers.com – historical newspapers

<https://www.newspapers.com/>

Family Group Record

If typing, set spacing at 1 1/2. Page of

Write date as: 4 Oct. 1896

Write place as: Tryon, Polk, North Carolina, USA or
St. Martins, Birmingham, Warwick, Eng.

Husband		Last name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other marriages"	
Given name(s)			
Born (day month year)	Place	LDS ordinance dates	Temple
Christened	Place	Baptized	
Died	Place	Endowed	
Buried	Place	Sealed to parents	
Married	Place	Sealed to spouse	
Husband's father Given name(s)		Last name <input type="checkbox"/> Deceased	
Husband's mother Given name(s)		Maiden name <input type="checkbox"/> Deceased	
Wife		Maiden name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other marriages"	
Given name(s)			
Born (day month year)	Place	LDS ordinance dates	Temple
Christened	Place	Baptized	
Died	Place	Endowed	
Buried	Place	Sealed to parents	
Wife's father Given name(s)		Last name <input type="checkbox"/> Deceased	
Wife's mother Given name(s)		Maiden name <input type="checkbox"/> Deceased	
Children List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth.		LDS ordinance dates	Temple
1	Sex	Given name(s)	Last name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other marriages"
	Born (day month year)	Place	Baptized
	Christened	Place	Endowed
	Died	Place	Sealed to parents
	Spouse Given name(s)	Last name	
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
2	Sex	Given name(s)	Last name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other marriages"
	Born (day month year)	Place	Baptized
	Christened	Place	Endowed
	Died	Place	Sealed to parents
	Spouse Given name(s)	Last name	
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
3	Sex	Given name(s)	Last name <input type="checkbox"/> See "Other marriages"
	Born (day month year)	Place	Baptized
	Christened	Place	Endowed
	Died	Place	Sealed to parents
	Spouse Given name(s)	Last name	
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
Select only one of the following options. The option you select applies to all names on this form.		Your name	
<input type="checkbox"/> Option 1—Family File Send all names to my family file at the _____ Temple.		Address	
<input type="checkbox"/> Option 2—Temple File Send all names to any temple, and assign proxies for all approved ordinances.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Option 3—Ancestral File Send all names to the computerized Ancestral File for research purposes only, not for ordinances. I am including the required pedigree chart.			
		Phone ()	Date prepared

Husband Given name(s)		Last name	
Wife Given name(s)		Maiden name	
Children List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth.		LDS ordinance dates	Temple
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	Spouse Given name(s)	Last name	
	Married	Place	Sealed to spouse
Other marriages List other marriages and sealings of the husband, wife, and children on this form. List any necessary explanations.			
Sources of information Add further information on attached sheets as necessary.			

Note: Please take every reasonable step to see that the information on this form is as accurate and complete as practical. This will help maintain the integrity of Church family history files and reduce duplication of temple ordinance work.



Chart #

6 Generation Pedigree Chart

No. 1 on this chart is same
as #___ on Chart #___.

The boxes by the male names may be
filled in with a color or mark to indi-
cate when all the work has been com-
pleted for that family.

Parents (3rd Generation)

2 ☐

Birth
Place
Married
Place
Death
Place

(2nd Generation)

1 ☐

Birth
Place
Married
Place
Death
Place

SPOUSE
Birth
Death

Children of #1 (1st Generation)

3

Birth
Place
Death
Place

Grandparents (4th Generation)

4 ☐

Birth
Place
Married
Place
Death
Place

5

Birth
Place
Death
Place

6 ☐

Birth
Place
Married
Place
Death
Place

7

Birth
Place
Death
Place

Great Grandparents (5th Generation)

8 ☐

Birth
Place
Death
Place

9

Birth
Place
Death
Place

10 ☐

Birth
Place
Death
Place

11

Birth
Place
Death
Place

12 ☐

Birth
Place
Death
Place

13

Birth
Place
Death
Place

14 ☐

Birth
Place
Death
Place

15

Birth
Place
Death
Place

2nd Great Grandparents (6th Generation)

16 ☐

Birth

17

Birth

18 ☐

Birth

19

Birth

20 ☐

Birth

21

Birth

22 ☐

Birth

23

Birth

24 ☐

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Birth

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Birth

31

Birth

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Statement	Scale (1= Worst, 5 = Best)				
The value of the lesson was	1 not valuable	2	3	4	5 very valuable
The overall teaching was	1 poor	2	3	4	5 excellent
The teacher's knowledge of the lesson was	1 poor	2	3	4	5 excellent

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I learned new information today. YES NO

I plan to use the information I learned today. YES NO

I feel this information will help me research my family roots

I think I now know where to find information

I know how to complete genealogical charts	YES	NO
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