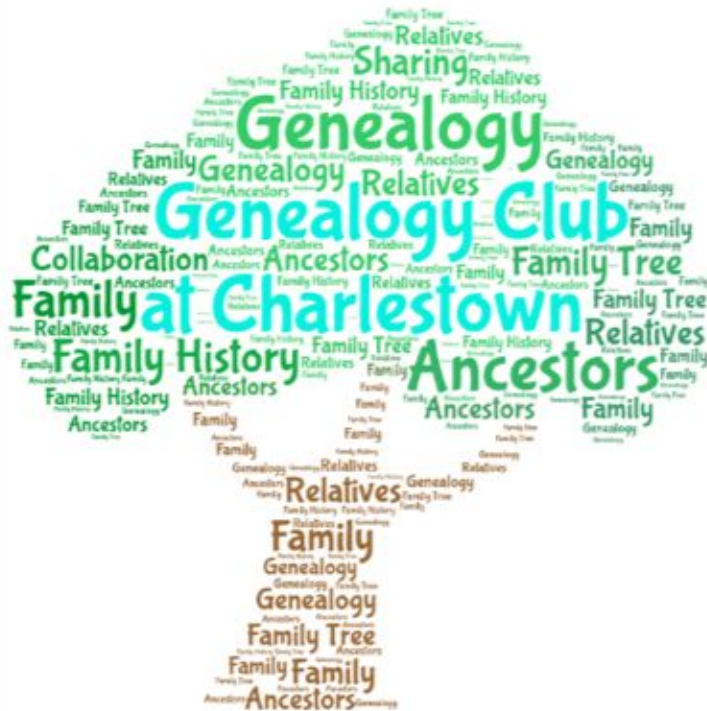


Building Your Family Tree Using Ancestry or WikiTree



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Developing a tree online

1. Online or offline or both? Options to consider
2. Ancestry or Wikitree: two different approaches online

Why online?

1. Preserves your work
2. Makes it easier to see work of others to find sources
3. Provides a systemic way to marry facts with resources
4. Enables DNA comparisons

Ancestry

- Create an account: <https://www.ancestry.com/cs/offers/freetrial>

Free 14-day free trial requires registration with a valid credit card or debit card. Be sure to cancel at least two days before the end of your free trial by visiting your MyAccount section of the website or calling 1-800-ANCESTRY.

You can use AARP membership to reduce first year cost by signing up through AARP.

- Login

Ancestry Subscription Options

	MOST POPULAR		
U.S. Discovery Access all U.S. records on Ancestry®	World Explorer Access all U.S. & international records on Ancestry®	All Access Everything on Ancestry®, Fold3®, & Newspapers.com™ Publisher Extra®	All Access Family Plan Everything on Ancestry®, Fold3®, & Newspapers.com™ Publisher Extra® + 4 additional accounts
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☾ \$24 ⁹⁹ /month	☾ \$39 ⁹⁹ /month	☾ \$59 ⁹⁹ /month	☾ \$99 ⁹⁹ /month
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Pay upfront to save more SAVE \$18*	Pay upfront to save more SAVE \$42*	Pay upfront to save more SAVE \$60*	Pay upfront to save more SAVE \$120*

Start free trial[†]

[§] You are committing to a six-month subscription, but you will be billed on a monthly basis. If you cancel before the end of your subscription, an early termination fee of up to \$25 may apply. See our [Renewal and Cancellation Terms](#) for more details.

Ancestry Pros and Cons

Pros

- Access to lots of primary records
- It has the largest database of subscribers
- It is likely to survive. It has bought a number of smaller companies.
- Largest DNA records

Cons

- Expensive
- Each tree is managed by an individual, and there is no attempt to correct misinformation. Each tree must be carefully reviewed for sources.
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What we will show

Add yourself to your tree.

Finding facts that are available in Ancestry

Add your parents

Look for vital records and other sources on Ancestry

Add their parents

Look for vital records and other sources on Ancestry

WikiTree

- Join the Community: Create an account
- Agree to Honor Code

WikiTree Pros and Cons

Pros

- No cost
- Collaborative support network
- While smaller than the other global trees, WikiTree focuses the most on accuracy and tries to enforce a standard of having at least one source per profile , and only using reliable sources for pre-1700 profiles.

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- No database of records in WikiTree itself. Must look for sources from other reliable sites – FamilySearch, Ancestry, etc.

What we will show

Add yourself to your tree.

- If someone has already added you, ask to be the Profile manager of your profile

Add your parents if they are not already in WikiTree. If they are there, connect yourself to that record.

- Add sources of vital records, census records, etc.

Add their parents if they are not already in WikiTree. If they are there, connect that record to the appropriate profile of yours

- Add sources of vital records, census records.

Another way to work is to find a great grandparent or further back and work forward to yourself.