

# Are You Sure You've Looked Everywhere?

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## BERKELEY COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

[berkeleylibrarysc.org](http://berkeleylibrarysc.org)

- Indexes     Abstract Volumes
- Newspapers and Files
- City and County Directories
- Local Histories
- Occupational Histories and Records
- Biographical Compendia
- Manuscript Histories
- Obituary Collections and Indexes
- Cemetery Records/Grave Inscriptions
- Church Histories and Reunions

### MICROFILM

- Berkeley Democrat Newspaper
- Orderly Books of Francis Marion
- Soundex
- S.C. Death Certificate Index
- U.S. Census Mortality Schedules
- U.S. Census, S.C. 1700 -1940

### ONLINE DATABASES PROVIDED BY BCLS

- African American Heritage\*
- Ancestry Library Edition^
- HeritageQuest\*

\* access with your library card and PIN

^ only available on library computers

Check out additional resources on our website,

[berkeleylibrarysc.gov](http://berkeleylibrarysc.gov)

## RESOURCES

### *Common Sense Genealogy*

1. Watch for all misspellings or variations of names.
2. Keep your searches organized. You don't want to have to redo your work.
3. On average, people move seven times during their lifetime.
4. Study styles of handwriting, certain legal terms, and abbreviations.
5. Read "How to" genealogy books.
6. Attend genealogy workshops.

### ANCESTRY RESEARCH

### LOCAL HISTORY



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# Basic Genealogical Research

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- Birth Certificate     Christening
- Marriage License     Death Certificate

### CENSUS

*Year      County      State      Age*

1790 \_\_\_\_\_

1800 \_\_\_\_\_

1810 \_\_\_\_\_

1820 \_\_\_\_\_

1830 \_\_\_\_\_

1840 \_\_\_\_\_

1850 \_\_\_\_\_

1860 \_\_\_\_\_

1870 \_\_\_\_\_

1880 \_\_\_\_\_

1890\* \_\_\_\_\_

Soundex \_\_\_\_\_

1900 \_\_\_\_\_

Soundex \_\_\_\_\_

1910 \_\_\_\_\_

Soundex \_\_\_\_\_

1920 \_\_\_\_\_

1930 \_\_\_\_\_

1940 \_\_\_\_\_

State Census     Mortality Schedules

Interviews with \_\_\_\_\_

Letters to \_\_\_\_\_

### AT HOME

Family Bible     Photo Albums     Scrapbooks

Family Letters     Lodge and Club Records

Family Histories     Family Genealogists

Insurance Papers     Social Security Papers

Engraved Jewelry     Newspaper Clippings

Friendship Quilts     Employment Records

### RECORDS

Divorce     Wills     Estate Inventories

Letters of Administration     Abstracts

Appraisals     Adoption Proceedings

Executor Administration Bonds

Mortgages     Court Records     Adoption

Guardianship Records     Orphanage

Change of Name     Prison Records

Voter Registration     Doctor     Dentist

Tax and Assessment Rolls     Military

Home for Unwed Mothers     Hospital

State Archives     Acts, Journals

Pension Records     Passenger Lists

Immigration Records     Naturalization

Passport Records     Social Security Records

Congressional Reports

### LAND RECORDS

Deeds     Mortgages     Leases     Maps

Plats     Grants     Foreclosures

Partitions of Property     Power of Attorney

Homestead Application     Recorded Wills

### CEMETERIES

Tombstones     Mortuary Records

Memorial Cards     Funeral Programs

### SCHOOLS

Records, Rosters, Rolls     Yearbooks

College Records     College Yearbooks

College Alumni Office

### CHURCHES

Archives     Parish Records     Marriages

Church Histories     Membership Rolls

Baptisms     Burials     Cemetery Records