Our Families Roots Organization

The Family Is The Most Important Thing In Time And In Eternity.

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<u>Welcome Letter</u>

04/01/2005

Dear Family Members

Since my childhood I have always looked forward with joyous anticipation to various family reunions, but it seems of late we have become involved in other things that are causing us to lose our identity as a family. Our families are fast becoming scattered through-out this great nation and the world, and we are losing contact and the love for each other that so fondly we cherished a few short years ago. Our Father in Heaven has blessed us with modern technology that makes it easier for us as families to communicate and thrive as a family organization. As a family organization we will take advantage of these blessings and with them bless the lives of our family members all over the world and in the world to come.

As we look at the world, we see ever more evidence of an assault on the family and family values. As our family motto states, "The family is the most important thing in time and in eternity." That is the purpose of this organization . . . our family. As a family we hope to build a strong foundation that our family members can stand on against the negative aspects of our world we live in today.

The past couple of years has been spent building the foundation for a family organization. This organization consists of the family lines of my 4 grandparents (Cole, Fife, Johnson and York) and the 4 grandparents of my wife (Compton, McFarland, Thompson and Tribe). The family organization has been setup with these surnames being the prominent surname, but this is for organizational purposes only. If you can link your family tree to any of these lines you are eligible to join the family organization. Even if it is 5 generations back that you link to the family tree, you are still a family member. There are no distant relatives in this organization, only family members.

Through the family organization we hope to renew interest in the family and in the research and preservation of our family history. We also will develop products and services that will benefit the lives of family members that are living. As a family organization we will work hard to locate all family members both living and deceased, so no family member is lost or forgotten.

As you look at things to invest your time and money into, what could be more important than investing in your family. I hope you will take the time to help build our family organization so we can better help our family members here and on the other side.

The foundation of this family organization has been laid with the intent that it be passed down from generation to generation, with each passing generation making it stronger and stronger.

I bear testimony that if we will continue to build this family organization, our love for one another will greatly increase. We will better appreciate the past accomplishments and trials of our ancestors. The temple work for ancestors will greatly increase and the information will be more accurate. Our individual families will be stronger and happier.

Love,
Steven Glade Johnson
President
Our Families Roots

Purpose of Family Organization

The purpose of the family organization is to help us as family members be better organized and accomplish things that will benefit family members both living and deceased. We will accomplish this by:

1) Helping develop stronger relationships between family members.
2) Locating all family members both living and deceased.
3) Making it easier, quicker and less expensive to share information.
4) Organizing the gathering and preservation of family history information into one central location.
5) Helping prevent duplication of family history research already done.
6) Facilitating and discuss areas of future family history research.
7) Developing ways to improve the lives of family members both physically and spiritually.

Contact Information

Our Families Roots Organization
1024 E. 4525 S.
Ogden, Utah 84415

Office Hours: By Appointment

Phone: 1-801-721-6505

stevej@relia.net
Instant Messenger Screen Name is: ourfamiliesroots

Family Dues

The annual family dues per household is **$25.00** and is due February 1st every year. A renewal form will be included in the family packet mailed every January. The money collected from family membership dues goes to the family line specified by the family member donating the money. (Cole, Compton, Fife, Johnson, McFarland, Thompson, Tribe, York)

1. Access To Family Website

Some family members belong to more than one family line. You pay $10.00 for each family line you belong to.

How Do I Register My Family With The Family Organization?

You can register your family by printing or photocopying the form on the following page (Family Registration, Form-02) and filling out the information as completely as possible. Then, sending the form with your check for $10.00 to the family Family Organization Address. You can also register by going to the family website and filling out the electronic form at: http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org/registration/index.htm

You can help by making copies of this form (Family Registration, Form-02) and having family members fill it out at the next family reunion. Then have family members make a check out to "Our Families Roots" for the amount of $10.00 and send all of the forms and money at the same time to the Family Organization Address.

Family Registration

FAMILY MEMBER

Father's Name (First, Middle, Last)

Mother's Name (First, Middle, Last)

Maiden Name

Family Line - Checkmark all family lines that you belong to:

☐ Cole ☐ Compton ☐ Fife ☐ Johnson ☐ McFarland ☐ Thompson ☐ Tribe ☐ York

To better help us know where to link your family in the family tree, is the Father or the Mother the blood relative? Circle one.

Father   Mother

Then, please fill out the Parents and Grandparents sections to the right, so we know where to link your family within the family organization.

PARENTS

Fathers Name (First, Middle, Last)	Custom Num-
Mothers Name (First, Middle, Last) (Maiden)	Custom Num-

GRAND PARENTS

Grand Fathers Name (First, Middle, Last)	Custom Num-
Grand Mothers Name (First, Middle, Last) (Maiden)	Custom Num-

CHILDREN (start from oldest to youngest)

Name (First, Middle, Last)	Date of Birth (Day, Month, Year)	Gender	Is this child married?
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐
		Male ☐ Female ☐	Yes ☐ No ☐

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Phone

Fax

E-mail

Instant Messenger Screen Name

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Check #

Is this a renewel of your membership?

Yes ☐   No ☐

Send payment of $25.00 and this form to:

Our Families Roots Organization
1024 E. 4525 S.
Ogden, Utah 844103

COMMENTS

You might include what you do for a living or what special skills you have that might be able to help the family organization.

What Does My Family Dues Pay For?

1. Hosting of family website
2. Family Gravesite Restoration
3. Family History Research
4. Duplication of Family History Items
5. Office Supplies

Family Website

The address for the family website is http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org

The family website includes:

1. The births and deaths of family members (Current Year)
2. Family Photo Album
3. Gravesite Locator
4. Family Store
5. Family Member Life Sketches
6. Autobiography Creator
7. Past Newsletters

Family Organization Structure

Our Families Roots Organization
Board of Directors

President Family Historian

Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer

Cole President	Compton President	Fife President	Johnson President	McFarland President	Thompson President	Tribe President	York President

Family Reunions

The following page contains a flyer with information about the family organization. When you attend family reunions or family gatherings, you can help the family by printing copies of this flyer and giving them out to family members. Just cut the paper in half and it makes two flyers. The more family members that are aware and participate in the family organization, the better it will be.

Our Families Roots

The family unit is the most important organization in time or in eternity.

A family website has been created, to help family members share family related information easier and quicker. The family website includes information on reunions, weddings, births, deaths, missionaries, family store, phonebooks, and even includes a family gravesite locator!

Family History Information Needed

Send copies of your family photos, life sketches, obituaries, family recipes, gedcom files, to the address to the right.

Our goal is to eventually have everything on computer.

Annual Dues $10.00

Our Families Roots
1024 E. 4525 S.
Ogden, Utah 84403
Phone: 1-801-721-6505

or email to:
Steven Johnson (stevej@relia.net)

Family Website: www.ourfamiliesroots.org

Form - 003 (Revised 03/05)

Family Phone Books

The family phone books are included in the END OF THE YEAR CD. The END OF THE YEAR CDs are mailed out once a year to registered family members.

The information included in the family address book is:

Mother/Father (First and Last Name)
Address (including Zip Code)
Phone Number (including area code)
Fax Number (including area code)
E-mail Address
Family Website Address
Instant Messenger Screen Name
Children's Names

If your **contact information changes,** please send the changes to the family address, fax, or e-mail below, whichever is easiest for you. You can also update your family contact information on the family website at:
http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org/phone/index.htm

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If family members will faithfully keep their contact information up to date. This will become the easiest and best way to let all family members keep abreast of any changes.

Family Newsletter

The family newsletter is produced every month and is e-mailed to family members who have e-mail. One paper copy is sent in the family packet for those who don't have a e-mail. A newsletter is created for each family line and sent to those family members linked to that line. (Cole, Compton, Fife, Johnson, McFarland, Thompson, Tribe, York) You can send information to be included in the newsletter to the below, address or you can send information via the family website. http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org/newsletter/index.htm

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Family Member Accomplishment	Military Service	Reunion Information
Baby Announcement	Missionary Service	Family Recipe
Death Notice	Wedding Announcement	Family Joke

What is the AOL® Instant Messenger Service?

AOL instant Messenger (AIM) service is a free online service that lets you communicate with family, friends and co-workers in real time. Using the AIM Buddy List® feature, you can see when your buddies are online and available to instant message.

Q: What do I need to get started using the AIM service?
* Free AOL Instant Messenger (AIM) account and software.
* Windows: Pentium processor running Windows 98/ME/2000/XP
* Mac: PPC running OS X.1 (or later) -OR- OS 9 with CarbonLib 1.3.1 (or later)
* 128MB RAM
* 20MB of free hard drive space (40MB of temporary space for the installation)
* 56.6 modem
* Internet connection that allows full Internet usage (not just a free email service)
* 800x600 resolution, 256 colors or more
* Full duplex sound card

Q: Do I need to register to use the AIM service?
A: When you download the AIM software you will set up an AIM account and be registered to use the AIM service.

Q: What is a screen name?
A; A screen name is your instant messaging address. It's the name that you give to others so they can chat with you.

Q: Can I use my same Screen Name from AOL, CompuServe2000 or Netscape on the AIM service?
A: You will need a Screen Name, which is like a user ID/identity, to use the AIM service. If you already have a Screen Name from AOL, Netscape, CompuServe2000, My News, AOL Hometown or the Personal Finance Channel on AOL.com, you can use that same name on the AIM service. Just download and install the AIM software and enter your existing Screen Name and password where requested.

Q: How much does AIM cost to use?
A: The AIM service is free. However, you are responsible for your connection to the Internet (e.g. via an ISP) as well as
any associated telephone charges.

Q: Can I transfer my AIM Screen Name to an AOL account?
A: Yes. While you're registering your AOL account, make sure to select the "You are an AOL Instant Messenger user and you want to create an AOL account" option to convert your AIM Screen Name to an AOL account. Currently, there's no way to use an AIM Screen Name as an additional/sub-account Screen Name on your AOL account.

Q: How old do I have to be to use AIM?
A: You must be 13 years old or older in order to use AIM.

You can download the software by going to the AOL Instant Messener Website at the following website address: http://www.aim.com/

The AOL® Instant Messenger Service and Our Families Roots Organization

Our Families Roots Organization is setup on the AOL Instant Messenger Service, and our Screen Name is "ourfamiliesroots". Just type that name into your buddy list and you can contact the family organization via the internet from any where in the world for free.

The great benefits for using this service is talking to family members over the internet like a phone, but with no long distance charges, Instantly send messages back and forth, Send files and photos, life sketches, etc while talking to a family member. We can also have group discussions or family reunions online.

Instant messenger software is included on the CD that is sent to all registered family members once a year.

Our Families Roots Workshop & Banquet

Our Families Roots will be sponsoring a workshop and banquet for all 8 lines, starting annually in May 2006. A table will be setup for each of the 8 lines with computers and scanners to assist family members in scanning their family history into the computer. We will also help family members in writing their life sketches and creating video histories. Family members will also be able to share family history information with other family members. We will also have a dinner and other fun activities.

More detailed information will be given out when we get closer to the time of the event.

Family Classifieds

Family members can post information on items they no longer need on the Family Organization website. Before you give items to the DI give a family member a chance to benefit from the item. These ads will be posted on the Family Website bulletin Board are for other family members to see.

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When you send the ad let us know:
1. How long you would like the ad to run. (Example: 1 week, 2 weeks, 1 month, or until sold)
2. Description of item
3. Photo of item
4. Selling Price or Free
5. Contact information

There is no cost to family members for placing classified ads.

Family Resource List

The family resource list is compilation of family members who have special talents and knowledge that they would like to share with other family members. Family members can contact other family members for help on various topics. Such as:

Computer Skills
Career Development
Emergency Preparedness
Family History

Family Discounts

The family organization is setup as a business so we are able to purchase products and services at wholesale prices. The family organization makes a small amount of profit which is put back into offering more services for family members. Family members will benefit by saving money on products and services they would normally buy.

Family History

The family organization has been setup to:

1) Locate all family members both living and deceased.
2) Make it easier, quicker and less expensive to share information.
3) Organize the gathering and preservation of family history information into one central location.
4) Help prevent duplication of family history research already done.
5) Facilitate and discuss areas of future family history research.

The following pages will outline how these goals will be accomplished.

Personal Ancestral File

Personal Ancestral File 5.2.18.0 is the software that is used by the family organization to organize all important family member life events such as births, deaths, baptisms, marriages, etc.
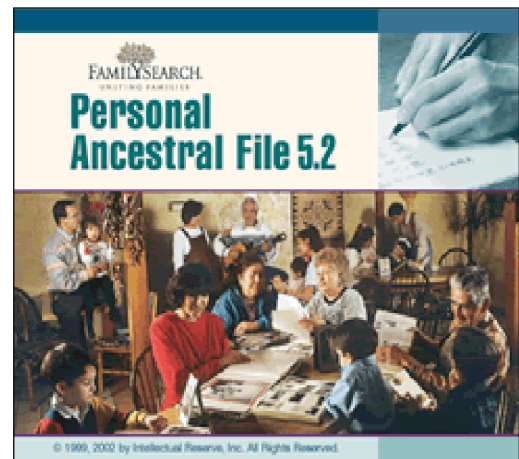
Family members can download a **free** copy of this software at **http://www.familysearch.org** or you can order a copy from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints Distribution Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Personal Ancestral File 5.2 is a Windows based version (Macintosh version is also available) of one of the most widely used genealogical management programs for home computers. PAF 5.2 does not provide genealogical data. Instead, it helps users organize their family history records. It can produce, either on screen or on paper, family histories, pedigree charts, family group records, and other reports to help users in their search for missing ancestors.

PAF 5.2 is also available on compact disc and includes Personal Ancestral File Companion which allows users to produce additional reports and charts.

Features allow users to:

* Type each person's information only once.
* Link individuals to families.
* New: Type names and places using characters from any language.
* New: Create templates to customize data entry.
* Print pedigrees, family groups, or lists.
* Track your research sources.
* Use photos, sound clips, video, and notes to add interest and value.
* Search, find, and correct information.
* View family information in different ways.
* Match/merge duplicate entries.
* Filter searches.
* Share your information with others.

System Requirements:

* Windows 95B, 98, ME, NT 4.0, 2000, XP or Windows 95A with Microsoft Internet Explorer
* Pentium PC or iMac with a Windows emulator
* 32 MB memory (64 MB recommended)
* 32 MB to 72 MB hard-disk space
* 256-color display adapter supporting at least 800 x 600 screen resolution
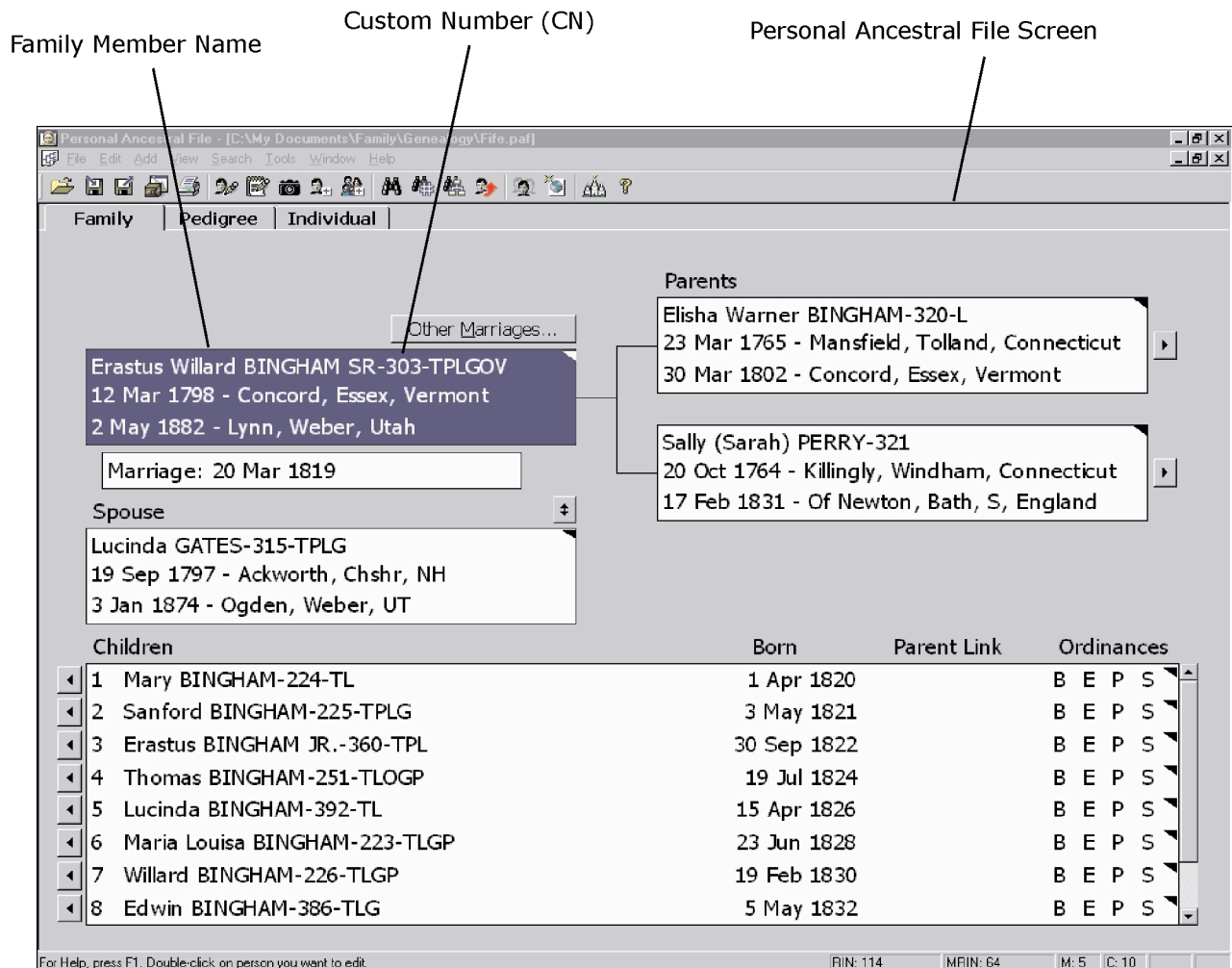* Windows compatible printer
* Optional: Internet access, mouse

Family Master PAF File

Our families Roots Organization will send all registered family members the Master Family PAF File on CD for their family line in the family packet mailed once a year. The Master PAF File includes all the latest dates and information that was collected by the family organization the previous year. One CD is made for each of the 8 family lines. (Cole, Compton, Fife, Johnson, McFarland, Thompson, Tribe, York)

Custom Number (CN)

Every family member both living and deceased is given a custom number. This custom number is assigned by the Family Historian. This number is located next to the family members name in the Master Family PAF File. This number helps identify family members who might share the same name as another family member. When you send information to the family archives about a family member be sure . . . to write the name of the family member and their custom number on the item or on the *"Basic Family Member Information"* form included with the item. This is so the family historian can correctly link the information or item to the correct family member.

Important Note: In order for you to see the custom number next to a family member's name, you need to change the preferences in your PAF program. You do this by going to the "Tools" menu and selecting the "Preferences" selection at the bottom of the list. This will bring up a new box with several tabs along the top. One of these tabs is "Names". Select the "Names" tab and you will notice an area called "Append To Names", select the "Custom ID" selection. Then press the "OK" button. Now you will see the custom number that was assigned to that family member next to their name as shown in the graphic below.

Family Member Name   Custom Number (CN)   Personal Ancestral File Screen

What is your custom number?

Family Member Information

There is certain information that the family organization is interested in gathering on every family member, both living and deceased. First you need to start with yourself and make sure the family organization has the correct and latest information on you. Then you should work on your spouse and children. Once that is completed, start working on Brothers, Sisters, Fathers, Mothers, Aunts, Uncles, Cousins, and so on.

The nice thing about the family organizations is that you only have to give the information once. You never have to make copies or give family members information ever again. Family members just contact the family organization who has the latest information.

You can send information updates by going to the family website at:
http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org/basic/basic.html.

Family Member
Full Name of Family Member (First, Middle, Last)
Nicknames
Male or Female

Life Sketch
Patriarchal Blessing (For Deceased Family Members Only)

Birth
Date of Birth (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Birth (City, County, State, Country)
Copy of Birth Certificate
Height and Weight at Birth
Copy of Newspaper Birth Announcement

Christening
Christening (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Christening (City, County, State, Country)

Death
Date of Death (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Death (City, County, State, Country)
Date of Burial (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Burial (City, County, State, Country)
Cause of Death
Copy of Obituary
Copy of Funeral Service Program
Grave Photo (Full Headstone, Close-up of Name and Dates)
Location of Grave (Lot and Plot Number)
Copy of Death Certificate
Video and/or Audio Recording of Funeral
Cemetery Record

LDS Ordinances
Date of Baptism (Day, Month, Year)
Temple Baptism Performed
Place of Baptism if living (Ward, Stake, City, County, State, Country)
Date of Endowment (Day, Month, Year)
Temple Endowment Performed
Date of Sealing To Parents BIC - Born in Covenant or (Day, Month, Year)

Marriage
Date of Marriage (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Marriage (City, County, State, Country)
If LDS Marriage What Temple Marriage Performed
Copy of Wedding Invitation
Copy of Wedding Announcement in Newspaper
Copy of Wedding Photo or Photos
Copy of Wedding Certificate

Missionary Service
Place of Missionary Service
Missionary Photo
Departure Date
Arrival Date

Military Service
Branch of Service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard)
Years Served
Rank
War Served In

Photos
(At least 1 photo from each age group)
Photograph - Birth - 2 Years Old
Photograph - 3 - 5 Years Old
Photograph - 13 - 19 Years Old
Photograph - 20 - 29 Years Old
Photograph - 30 - 39 Years Old
Photograph - 40 - 50 Years Old
Photograph - 60 - 80 Years Old
Photograph - 90 - above

Family History Centers and Our Family Roots Organization

As you do your research and find new information on family members either living or deceased. You can send the family organization the new information by going to the family website and entering the new information and sending it via email. You can access the family website on any computer at any Family History Center in the world. You can send the family organization the new information before you even leave the Family History Center.
Just go to http://www.ourfamiliesroots.org/basic/basic.html.

You can also send information updates by using the form on the following page.
(Family Member Information, Form-04)

Take an evening with your family and collect the information from the list above and send it to the family archives. Remember to send the information on every family member in your household You only have to send your family informatioin once and you will never have to send it again. It's that easy.

Family Member Information

FAMILY MEMBER

Custom Number

Status
New Individual ☐   Update ☐

Status
Living ☐   Deceased ☐

Is this family member a pioneer?
Yes ☐   No ☐

Full Name of Family Member (First, Middle, Last) (Maiden)

Nicknames

Gender
Male ☐   Female ☐

____ Life Sketch
____ Patriarchal Blessing (For Deceased Family Members Only)

SUBMIT THIS FORM TO

Our Families Roots Organization
1024 E. 4525 S.
Ogden, Utah 84403

E-mail: stevej@relia.net

Use a paper clip to attach all items that pertains to this person. Type or scan as much information into the computer and include the CD with this form.

BIRTH INFORMATION

Date of Birth (Day, Month, Year)

Place of Birth (City, County, State, Country)

Christening (Day, Month, Year)

Place of Christening (City, County, State, Country)

Height and Weight at Birth

____ Copy of Birth Certificate
____ Copy of Birth Announcement in Newspaper

DEATH INFORMATION

Date of Death (Day, Month, Year)

Place of Death (City, County, State, Country)

Date of Burial (Day, Month,

Place of Burial (City, County, State, Country)

Cause of Death

Location of Grave (Lot and Plot Number)

____ Copy of Funeral Service Program
____ Copy of Cemetery Record
____ Copy of Death Certificate
____ Grave Photo (Full Headstone, Close-up of Name and Dates)
____ Video and/or Audio Recording of Funeral

LDS ORDINANCES

Date of Baptism (Day, Month, Year)

Temple Baptism Performed

Place of Baptism if living (Ward, Stake, City, County, State, Country)

Date of Endowment (Day, Month, Year)

Temple Endowment Performed

Date of Sealing To Parents BIC - Born in Covenant or (Day, Month, Year)

MARRIAGE

Date of Marriage (Day, Month, Year)

Place of Marriage (City, County, State, Country)

If LDS Marriage What Temple Marriage Performed

____ Copy of Wedding Invitation
____ Copy of Wedding Announcement in Newspaper
____ Copy of Wedding Photo or Photos
____ Copy of Wedding Certificate

MISSIONARY SERVICE

Place of Missionary Service

Departure Date

Arrival Date

____ Missionary Photo
____ Missionary Stories

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard)

Years Served

Rank Obtained

War(s) Served In

____ Military Photo
____ Military Stories

PHOTOS

Include at least 1 photo from each age group where possible. Write details or stories about each photo on another sheet of paper or CD and send with this form.

____ Photograph - Birth - 2 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 3 - 5 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 13 - 19 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 20 - 29 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 30 - 39 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 40 - 50 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 60 - 80 Years Old   # _____
____ Photograph - 90 - above   # _____

OTHER INFORMATION

Write down other items or information that you have for this person here.

PARENTS

Fathers Name (First, Middle, Last)

Custom Num-

Mothers Name (First, Middle, Last) (Maiden)

Custom Num-

GRAND PARENTS

Grand Fathers Name (First, Middle, Last)

Custom Num-

Grand Mothers Name (First, Middle, Last) (Maiden)
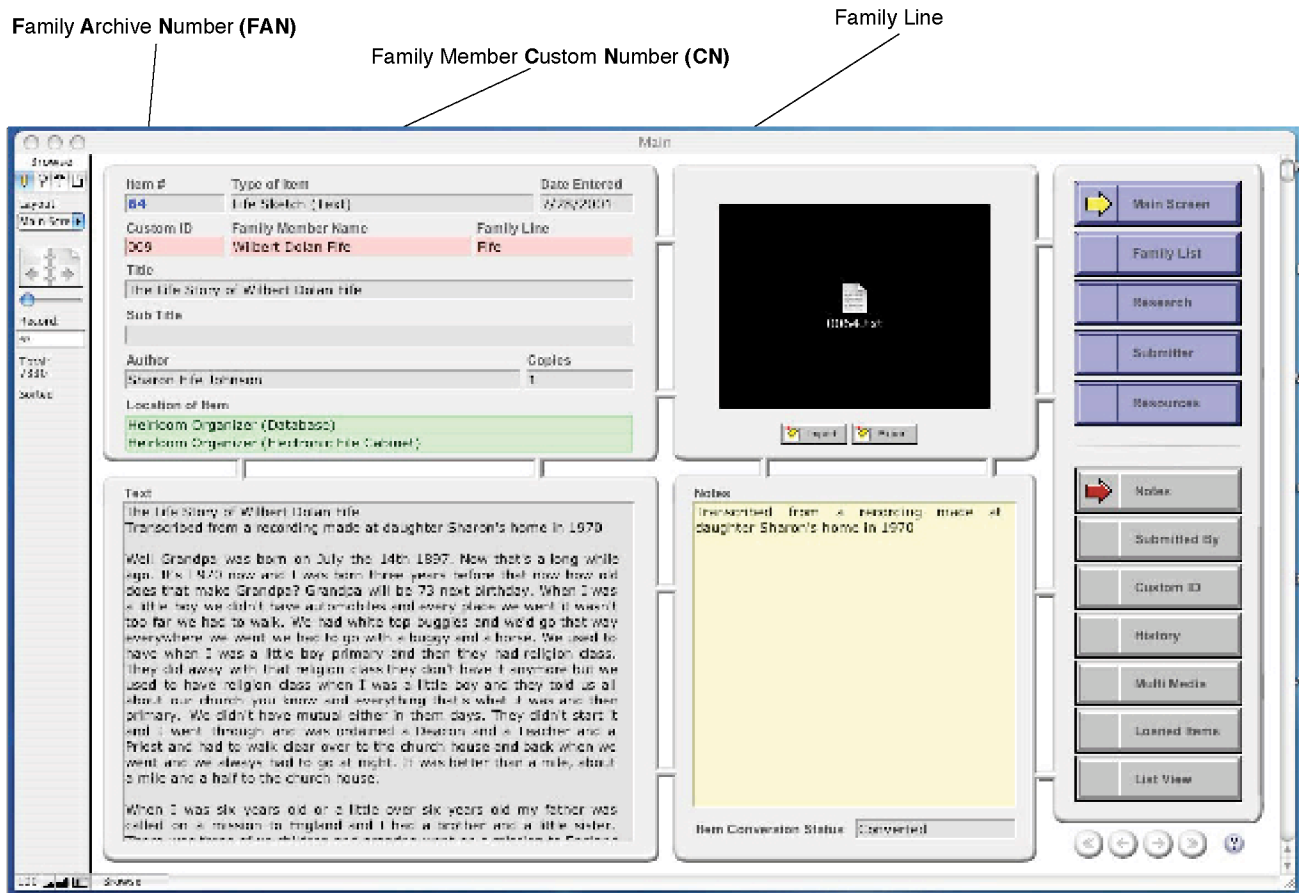
Custom Num-

SOURCES and NOTES

Name

Phone Number | Email

Family Archives (do not use)

Date Entered Into Family Archives

Person Who Entered Information

Family Archive Number (FAN)

Every photo, life sketch, obituary and family history book submitted to the family archives in Ogden, Utah, is identified with a unique **Family Archive Number (FAN)**. This **Family Archive Number (FAN)** is linked to the item by the Family Historian. The item is then linked to a family individual or family line, using that family members custom number **(CN)**.

Family Archive Number **(FAN)**

Family Member Custom Number **(CN)**

Family Line

After the item has been given it's **Family Archive Number (FAN),** the item is then placed in the family members file folder. The family members file folder is created with their name, custom number and family line and stored in a file cabinet.

> **9**
> **Wilbert Dolan Fife**
>   **(Fife)**

Family members can request information on any family member they are doing research on, by submitting the family members **Custom Number (CN)** to the Family Historian. The Family Historian can then type in the family members **Custom Number (CN)** and the database will display all the items and information that is in the family archives for that family member. The family historian can mail or email the information requested.

Most all information should be included on the CD that is included in the family packet sent out once a year.

Archived Items

To help reduce the duplication of effort, we have developed a code system to identify the artifacts that are in the Family Archives for a particular family member. If you look at the graphic below for Erastus Bingham you will notice some letters next to his name (TPLGOV). These letters tell us that (T) Erastus was a pioneer that came to the Salt Lake Valley between 1847 - 1869, (P) We have a photo of Erastus, (L) We have a life sketch for Erastus Bingham, (G) There is a photo of Erastus Bingham's Headstone, (O) There is also an obituary for Erastus Bingham. (V) There is a video life sketch of this family member. In your research try to locate items that are missing from a family member and send a copy to the family organization.

A - Birth Announcement in Newspaper
B - Birth Certificate
C - Cemetery Record
D - Death Certificate
F - Funeral Service Program
G - Gravesite Photo
L - Life Sketch
M - Missionary Photo
N - Military Photo
O - Obituary
P - Photo (at least one photo of person in library)
R - Patriarchal Blessing
T - Pioneer (arrived in Salt Lake Valley between 1847 and 1869)
V - Video (Life sketch on video)
W - Wedding Certificate

Archived Items

Family Gravesite Locator

The Family Gravesite locator is a family project that is in the process of listing the locations of family members who are deceased. You can view this list on the family website. If you are aware of family members who are not included on the list, please fill out the "Family Member Information" form on the family website or the fom in this manual. *(www. ourfamiliesroots.org/basic/basic.html)* We will then update the list.

We have members of our family who live all over the United States and the World. When you look at the Family Gravesite Locator List and notice family members who are buried in a town close to you. Please take the time and contact the cemetery and collect the following information:

Information Needed:
Full Name of Family Member (First, Middle, Last)
Date of Birth (Day, Month, Year)
Date of Death (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Death (City, County, State, Country)
Date of Burial (Day, Month, Year)
Place of Burial (City, County, State, Country)
Cause of Death
Grave Photo (Full Headstone, Close-up of Name and Dates)
Location of Grave (Lot and Plot Number)
Copy of Death Certificate
Cemetery Record
Cemetery Map

After you contact the cemetery and collect as much of the information that is available from the list above. Please make copies and send them to the family Archives at:

Our Families Roots Organization
1024 E. 4525 S.
Ogden, Utah 84415

Phone: 1-801-721-6505
stevej@relia.net

If you have a digital camera you can send the text in an email and attach the photos to the email. If you don't have a digital camera, just send us the photos and we will scan them into the computer.
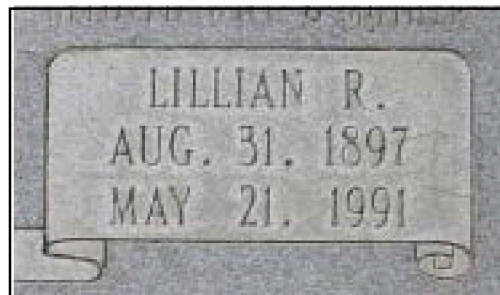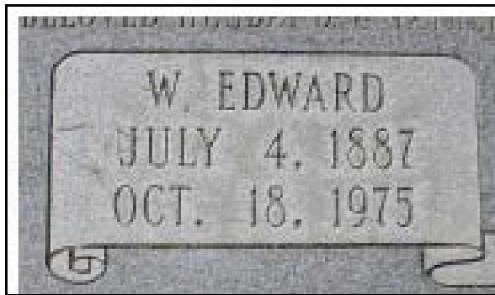
This would be a great opportunity to include your children in a family home evening and visit a cemetery and to collect the information.

We list the addresses of the cemetery for easy use of family members

Take a picture of the entire headstone.

Take close up pictures of the names and dates.
You could also take a close up of any information on the back of the headstone.
If the headstone is hard to read, write down the information and include that with the photos.

Headstone Restoration Project

A portion of the money collected from family members is used for the restoration of family gravesite headstones. There are several headstones that are broken, missing, or are unable to be read. If you are aware of a headstone that is broken, missing or weather worn, please inform the family organization. The broken headstones will not be removed from the gravesite. Headstones will be repaired first if possible. A new headstone will be installed at the base of the old headstone if needed.

Our families roots has been given a discount by a company who produces headstones.

24 inches

16 inches

Family Member Name

Birth Date

Death Date