



INTRODUCTION TO ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH: A RESOURCE LIST

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I. ARCHIVES AND LIBRARIES

A. *Arkansas State Archives*

One Capitol Mall

2nd Floor

Little Rock, Arkansas 72001

(501) 682-6900

<https://www.arkansasheritage.com/arkansasstatearchives/home>
state.archives@arkansas.gov

GUIDES TO SELECTED COLLECTIONS AT THE ARKANSAS STATE ARCHIVES

<https://digitalheritage.arkansas.gov/resource-guides/>

1. African American resource guide
2. Cemetery resource guide
3. Civil War resource guide
4. Immigration resource guide
5. Property research resource guide
6. Religion and spirituality resource guide
7. World War I resource guide

B. *Butler Center For Arkansas Studies*

401 President Clinton Ave, Little Rock, AR 72201

robertslibrary.org

(501) 320-5700

<https://cals.org/butler-center-for-arkansas-studies>

C. *The National Archives and Records Service*

<https://www.archives.gov/>

D. *Library of Congress*

<https://www.loc.gov/maps/collections/>

II. ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL JOURNALS/QUARTERLIES

A. *Arkansas Family Historian* (Published by the Arkansas Genealogical Society) published since 1962
<https://argensoc.org/>

B. For ADDITIONAL ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY ADDRESSES go to
<https://argensoc.org/resources/organizations/>

III. PUBLISHERS OF ARKANSAS GENEALOGICAL MATERIAL

A. *Arkansas Genealogical Society*
P. O. Box 26374
Little Rock, AR 72221-6374
<https://argensoc.org/store/>
Publisher of

- A. *Arkansas Township Atlas*
- B. *Arkansas Postal History And Directory*
- C. *Arkansas Voter Lists 1867*
- D. *Masonic Deaths in Arkansas 1838-1916*

B. *Arkansas Research, Inc.*
P. O. Box 303, Conway, AR 72033
646/470-1120
[http://www.arkansasresearch.com/desmondwallsallen\(at\)gmail.com](http://www.arkansasresearch.com/desmondwallsallen(at)gmail.com)
ask about additional publications

C. Online Encyclopedia of Arkansas (an excellent source for Arkansas History topics and personalities)
<http://www.encyclopediaofarkansas.net>

IV. ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

4815 W. Markham Street
Little Rock, AR 72205
800-462-0599 (toll-free), 501-661-2000
<https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov>
Contact for Arkansas Birth, Death, Marriage, and Adoption Records

V. ARKANSAS COUNTY MAPS

A. For online access to a set of detailed 1936 Arkansas county maps (showing township boundaries, churches, schools, houses, etc.) visit Arkansas State Transportation Department at <https://www.ardot.gov/divisions/transportation-planning-policy/gis-mapping/county-maps/1936-county-maps/>.

B. For a free series of animated maps illustrating Arkansas county boundary changes, entitled, "Rotating Formation Arkansas County Boundary Maps" (1813-1925) see MapofUS.org website.

C. The Library of Congress has a few Arkansas county real estate atlases
<https://www.loc.gov/maps/collections/>.

D. See also Baker's *Arkansas Township Atlas*.

VI. ARKANSAS NEWSPAPER FILES ON LINE

A. *Arkansas State Archives* -

<https://digitalheritage.arkansas.gov/newspapers/>

B. *Library of Congress* - *Chronicling America*

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

VII. ADDITIONAL ARKANSAS RELATED INTERNET SITES

A. <https://argensoc.org/afh/> for back files of the *Arkansas Family Historian*, 1962-2016

B. USgenweb.com for Arkansas (select county of interest)

C. www.findagrave.com

D. <https://arkansasgravestones.org>

E. https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/arkansas,_united_states_genealogy

F. <http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov> for U. S. land grants in Arkansas

VII. ARKANSAS RECORDS ON LINE

A. Early Arkansas tax records on line

<https://www.familysearch.org/search/catalog>

(select the Arkansas county of your interest) for example "United States, Arkansas, Pike" for Pike County, Arkansas, and then tax records

B. Arkansas Birth Records 1914-1917

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61774/>

C. Arkansas marriage Records 1917-1969

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61775/>

D. Arkansas Death Certificates 1914-1969

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61777/>

E. Arkansas Divorces 1923-1969

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/61776/>

VIII. ARKANSAS CIVIL WAR ERA RECORDS

A. *Arkansas State Archives*

Union and Confederate military records and CSA pension records for Arkansas

B. *U. S. National Archives*

Civil War Union military and pension records

<https://www.bing.com/search?q=national+archives+civil+war+soldiers+records&FORM=SBRS01>

C. *U. S. (including Arkansas) Freedmen's Records 1865-1878*

<https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/catalog/?keyword=Arkansas%20freedmen%20bureau>

IX. ARKANSAS HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

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Arkansas Historical Quarterly Index

<http://arkindex.uark.edu/AHQ/>

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