

For many genealogists, Google is a search engine; you type your search words and *voila!* links appear to other websites. But there are more components in the Google family of applications and websites that can be used to amplify your research.



- Google Alerts:** Want to know when new content is on the Internet related to one of your surnames or your genealogy research? **Google Alerts** is a free content monitoring service that emails you when new items appear!
- Google Books:** Search the text of almost 130 million books . . . over 4 billion digital pages? Many of the titles are in the public domain (copyright free) and the entire book can be accessed. Search **Google Books** for surnames, locations and genealogy topics.
- Google Images:** A search engine for photographs tagged with labels such as location, name of subject, etc. Use to locate ancestor photos posted on other sites, as well as historical location photos for your family history stories.
- Google Sites:** Build simple websites for an easy-to-use web presence. Post your genealogy research or other information about family history.
- Google Drive:** Free, web-based productivity program similar to Microsoft Office. Use **Google Drive** to write your research reports, create research logs, or even create forms for family members to fill out online and gather information.
- Google Keep:** Similar to the popular Evernote program, **Google Keep** is a note-taking service available in web format as well as app format. Tools included allow the user to take notes, capture web content, images, create lists and more.
- Google Input Tools:** Available as a web tool and an app, **Google Input Tools** helps you type uncommon characters such as accents, symbols and diacritical marks that can then be transferred to other typed media such as document
- Google Scholar:** Similar to Google Books but results are limited to scholarly journals. Don't search for specific ancestors; **Google Scholar** is good for researching topics such as history and the forces which caused our ancestors to migrate to new lands.
- Google Photos:** Free storage for digital family photos plus **Google PhotoScan** app will scan and organize photos for you.
- Google Translate:** Allows you to translate text between a variety of languages. Use **Google Translate** to understand the meaning of foreign words and phrases.

Check out the **Google Tools for Genealogy Resource List** on the back page!

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- **Google**
<https://www.google.com>
- **Google Advanced Web Search**
https://www.google.com/advanced_search
- **Google Alerts**
<https://www.google.com/alerts>
- **Google Books**
<https://books.google.com>
- **Google Calendar**
<https://calendar.google.com>
- **Google Drive**
<https://drive.google.com>
- **Google Earth**
<https://www.google.com/earth/>
- **Google Groups**
<https://groups.google.com>
- **Google Help**
<https://www.google.com/support/>
- **Google Images**
<https://www.google.com/imghp>
- **Google Input Tools**
<https://www.google.com/inputtools>
- **Google Keep**
<https://keep.google.com>
- **Google Mail**
<https://mail.google.com>
- **Google Maps**
<https://maps.google.com>
- **Google Newspapers**
<https://news.google.com/newspapers>
- **Google PhotoScan**
<https://www.google.com/photos/scan/>
- **Google Photos**
<https://www.google.com/photos/>
- **Google Scholar**
<https://scholar.google.com>
- **Google Sites**
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- **Google Translate**
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