

Our Online Family Tree - ConnerGenealogy.com

PRIVACY POLICY

The primary objective in genealogy is to identify all ancestors and descendants in a particular family tree and to collect personal data on them. As a minimum, this data includes the individual's name and the date/location of birth, marriage, and death. In order to support research by other genealogists, this data is often published on internet genealogy websites.

As a genealogist, therefore, I may have collected much personal information on you and your family from a variety of sources. The privacy of this information is important to me.

Most of us would prefer not to have to worry about our personal data but, in this day and age, we must use caution to prevent misuse of the information. Identity theft and credit fraud are the worst problems. There is concern that information distributed to distant relatives or put on a genealogy websites makes it easier for unscrupulous individuals to commit invasions of privacy or other frauds. However, the personal information that the identity thieves and credit fraud perpetrators want are full names, social security numbers, dates and places of birth, current occupation/employment data, and bank/credit card account numbers. One or two facts alone (e.g., your name and/or your mother's maiden name) are not enough information to cause damage.

Names and Relationships

Many genealogy programs can suppress the names of living individuals and substitute "living" or "still living". I designed this website so it does suppress the names of living individuals. If you are aware that someone is living and their name is shown here, please let me know, so I can remedy the situation.

Note: Only family member who have a login and login to the site will be able to view living individual information but only for their branch of the family. In order to be granted a user ID, you must demonstrate a direct connection to a grand-parent, great-grand-parent, or great-great-great-grandparent within our family tree.

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Photographs of living individuals are considered personal data and are normally suppressed. However, if the individual so chooses, a photograph can be tagged as "always visible". Before any photograph can be included in this website, permission is obtained from the owner of a photograph (U.S. Copyright Law). Permission is also obtained from living individuals in a photograph if,

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Personal Data Suppression

To insure the privacy of living individuals, our internet genealogy website always suppress the personal data of living individuals from viewing by the general public. It is not even loaded. Personal data includes, but is not limited to, birth/marriage dates/locations, photographs, notes, and biographies.

Note: If a relative does not want their personal data to reside in a website server database in spite of password protection, that individual and linked descendants can not be accommodated by the security program. They are reluctantly excluded from the website.

Personal Data Access

Personal data access is restricted to family members who must login to access the normally suppressed personal data of living individuals. The access will be restricted to their own family branch. You must first read the ConnerGenealogy Privacy Policy, agree with the ConnerGenealogy Terms of Use, and register for a user account. When registering for your user account, you must demonstrate a direct connection to a grand-parent, great-grand-parent, or great-great-great-grandparent within our family tree. If you are not related, you will not be granted access.

With registration, you will be granted access only to your unique family branch within our database. If you submit conditional edits, please notify me so I can update my personal computer database which is used to populate the website. Failure to notify me, may result in your data not being preserved across a database refresh. Your access will be restricted to:

- * You (the registered user) and your spouse (but not your spouse's family).
- * Your descendants and their spouses.
- * Your parents and grandparents.
- * Your uncles/aunts and their spouses.
- * Your 1st cousins and their spouses.
- * Your siblings and their spouses.
- * Your nephews/nieces and their spouses.

Note: To see the personal data of a spouse's family branch, married users will have to log in with their spouse's user name and password. If any family branch individual does not want their suppressed personal data accessed, the security design allows a "lock" to be put on their data. This does, however, preclude registration of that individual. If you consider using your spouse's user ID a security violation, please request a second login account that will be restricted to your spouse's family.

Personal Data Security

Original data given to me in trust (personal information, e-mail/street addresses, phone numbers, etc.) is not provided to others unless your approval is first obtained. You should be aware, however, that most of this information is public domain and may be readily available to others using internet search engines (e.g., Yahoo People Search, Google.com, Birthday.com).

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