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The library provides a research and copy service of articles/obituaries from the local newspaper for a fee of \$10.00 per incident. An index for this material does not currently exist. For this reason, library staff are limited to searching only those requests, which contain the exact name of the individual involved, subject, and the exact date of the incident.

Print Requests:

Send a written request containing the above information, the \$10.00 fee, and a SASE to:

Poplar Bluff Public Library

318 North Main St.

Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Or, email library@poplarbluff.org with the complete name, subject, and date of incident. Include your name and telephone number. Library staff will call requesting your credit card payment information.

Orders are filled after credit card payment clears. Email and telephone requestors receive a scanned document in .pdf as an attachment to an email.

Print or email request orders are filled within 7-10 working days not including U.S. postal delivery time.

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These requests are **\$25.00 per incident.**

Email library@poplarbluff.org or call 573-

686-8639 with complete name, subject, and date of incident. Include your name and telephone number. Library staff will call requesting your credit card payment information. Orders are filled after credit card payment clears.

Rush requests are filled with a scanned document in .pdf as an attachment to an email within two working days.

The Library does not guarantee the quality of the document requested due to the nature of microfilm copy quality. Quality is affected by the age and condition of the original document when filmed.

Happy researching and don't forget to follow our blog!!

Genealogy @ the Library

<http://pbpl-genealogy.blogspot.com/>



318 North Main Street
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LIBRARY HOURS

Mon - Thu: 9 am - 7 pm

Fri - Sat: 10 am - 5 pm

Sun: 1 pm - 5 pm (*Sept - May*)

Genealogy @ the Library From Roots to Branches



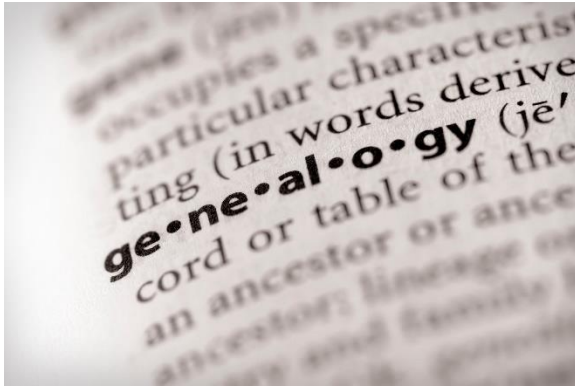
**BEGINNING
GENEALOGY**

Always, always, always cite sources. The most common mistake for beginning genealogists is thinking you'll remember where you found a piece of information a decade later!

- Step 1: Start with yourself!
- Step 2: Add what you "think" you know about your family.
- Step 3: Ask family for additional information. Dates, places, records....anything that might provide a clue!

Where do I look next??

At the library of course!! We have many resources available with long lost relatives just waiting to be found!



Locally owned resources:

Just a sampling of what we have to offer:

- *Deem's History of Butler County*
- John Stanard's *Pictorial History of Butler County*
- *A View of a Growing Town, or Poplar Bluff as it was, as it is, and as it will be* (from 1884)
- Newspapers on microfilm: *Daily American Republic*, *Poplar Bluff Citizen*, *Poplar Bluff Interstate American*, *Poplar Bluff Republican*
- City Directories
- High School Yearbooks
- And much, much more! Just ask us.

Major Databases:

- HeritageQuest

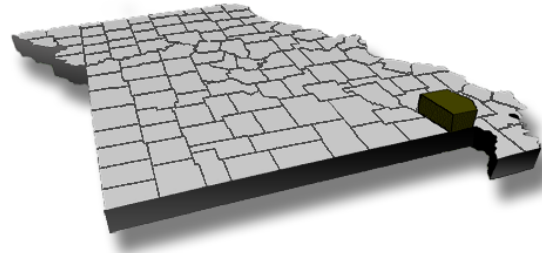
Available in the library OR at home 24 hours a day with your library card!! U.S. Census available to search right at home. Also, Revolutionary War pensions and Freedman's Bank files are available for searching.

- Ancestry.com

Ancestry.com is available to all patrons accessing it on a library computer. Find births, marriages, deaths, and much more with this powerful searching tool.

Butler County Genealogical Society

The Butler County Genealogical Society (BCGS) meets the 4th Thursday of each month at 1:30 P.M. at the First United Methodist Church located at 500 N. Main St. (except November and December). The Society supports the library's Genealogy collection with memorial donations to purchase additional genealogy material. These memorials are given upon the death of a member (or a close family member) or for a special purpose.



Additional websites for local and national resources:

- Cemeteries: www.findagrave.com
- More Cemeteries: www.billiongraves.com
- Missouri State Archives: www.sos.mo.gov/archives
- National Archives: www.archives.gov
- Butler County Genealogical Society: www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~mobicgs/index.html
- BCGS on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ButlerCountyMOGenealogicalSociety>
- Family Search: <https://familysearch.org/>



Obituary Request:

The library maintains the local Poplar Bluff newspaper on microfilm dating back to as early as 1877. This collection is not