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## Guide to Genealogy Resources at the Research Library

### Manuals

Elizabeth Petty Bentley, *The Genealogist's Address Book*

Alice Eichholz, *Ancestry's Red Book*

Val D. Greenwood, *The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy*

David Hey, *The Oxford Companion to Local and Family History*

David Hey, *The Oxford Guide to Family History*

Thomas J. Kemp, *Connecticut Researcher's Handbook*

Loretto Dennis Szucs and Sandra Hargreaves Luebking, *The Source: A Guidebook of American Genealogy*

### Family Genealogies

Published and unpublished family genealogies are arranged in alphabetical order starting at 929.2 A.

Researchers of Fairfield families should also consult Donald Lines Jacobus, *History and Genealogy of the Families of Old Fairfield*. 929.1 J12h.

Vol.1: 17<sup>th</sup>-mid-18<sup>th</sup> century.

Vol.2: 17<sup>th</sup>-early 19<sup>th</sup> century (some overlap with vol.1).

Vol.3: Revolutionary War Pension Abstracts.



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In addition, researchers may peruse three collections of genealogical working papers. The “Brown Envelopes” collection is a file compiled by FMHC staff and is publicly accessible. The Lester Card and David Van Hoosear files can be retrieved by library staff upon request.

## **Passenger Lists**

Filby, P. William, ed. *The Passenger and Immigration Lists Index*. Ref 929.3 F479

Glazier, Ira and Michael Tepper, ed.s. *The Famine Immigrants. Lists of Irish Immigrants Arriving at the Port of New York, 1846-51*. 929.3 F199

Anderson, Robert Charles. *The Great Migration Begins*. 929.374 A53g

Anderson, Robert Charles. *The Great Migration*. 929.374 A549g

Kellogg, Lucy Mary. *Mayflower Families*. (22 v.) 929.1 M468p

## **Headstone Inscriptions**

Work Projects Administration. *Headstone Inscriptions Town of Fairfield, CT*. Ref 974.697 H161

Hale, Charles and Mary H. Babin. *Headstone Inscriptions Town of Fairfield, CT*. Ref 974.6971 H161f

Spies, Francis F. *Fairfield, Connecticut Inscriptions from the Graveyards*. Oversize 974.6971 S755f

Perry, Kate E. *The Old Burying Ground of Fairfield, Connecticut*. 974.6971 P4640

Donnelly, Brian. *A Survey of the Old Burying Ground, Fairfield, Connecticut: A Catalog of Epitaphs. An Eagle Scout Project*. Oversize 974.6971 D6850

Nelson, William. *Fairfield West Cemetery. An Eagle Scout Project*. 974.6971 N432w

Wallace, Rob. *Photographic Survey of West Cemetery*. No call number; please ask staff for assistance.

Other cemetery records are available in the genealogical working papers and manuscript collections.



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## **Military Records**

*Connecticut Historical Society Collections. 974.605 CH673c*

*Vol.s 9-10. Rolls of Connecticut Men in the French and Indian War.*

*Vol. 8. Rolls and Lists of Connecticut Men in the Revolution.*

*Vol. 12. Lists and Returns of Connecticut Men in the Revolution.*

*Record of Service of Connecticut Men in the War of the Revolution, War of 1812, Mexican War. Ref  
929.3 CT 1775-1848*

*Record of Service of Connecticut Men in the Army and Navy of the United States during the War of the  
Rebellion. Oversize 973.741 A2*

## **Census Records**

Name indices to the Connecticut census records, 1670 and 1790-1860. Ref 929.3 CT

The 1880 U.S. census is available on CD-ROM.

Researchers are also encouraged to take advantage of FMHC's subscription to Ancestry.com, which provides access to census records, vital records, passenger lists, and other records.

## **Church Records**

Church books and church records may be accessed through the catalog by name of the church. They must be requested from library staff.

Also refer to *List of Church Records on Deposit at the Connecticut State Library. Ref 016.9746 C616a*



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## **City Directories**

Directories provide year-by-year listings for individuals and businesses, and are a useful way of tracking people over time. The directory for Bridgeport includes sporadic of Fairfield names until 1894, and reliable listings starting in 1895:

*Bridgeport Directory, 1855-1979.* 974.692 B1

## **Reference Guides to Collections outside FMHC**

*Guide to Vital Statistics in Church Records of Connecticut.* Ref 016.974 F29a

*Probate Records in the Connecticut State Library.* Ref 016.9746 C616b

*List of Church Records on Deposit at the Connecticut State Library.* 016.974 C616a