

Searching sites for finding relatives

Ancestry www.ancestry.com.au

This site allows you to access past electoral rolls up to 1980. By looking at the electoral rolls you can confirm addresses and you can also see who was living with the person (i.e. spouse or children). Ancestry also has births, deaths & marriages (limited). Sometimes people may also have constructed family trees on the family you are researching. You may need to pay for some information. You may be able to access Ancestry free through your library.

White pages: <https://www.whitepages.com.au/>

Search for a person using White Pages.

Conduct Internet searches of your relative's name on Google

<https://www.google.com/>

Ryerson Index www.ryersonindex.org

On this site you will be able to access funeral and death notices. This allows you to see if the person has passed away. However, not everyone publishes a death or funeral notice. If you find a notice, you can then copy and paste it and email it to your state library for a full copy. Sometimes if it is a recent notice you can Google the name and the full text will come up. Having the full text of the notice can provide you with the names of relatives. In some cases, the full text might provide the married name of a mother.

Obits: <http://oa.anu.edu.au/>

Obituaries Australia is a digital repository for Australian Funeral, Death Notices and Obituaries.



Cemindex: <https://austcemindex.com/>

Cemindex is a volunteer run website with an Index to Australian Cemeteries including headstone and plaque inscription records (some with photos).

Grave Location Search

Some local councils or local cemeteries have grave indexes e.g. Brisbane City Council. You can use Council's online grave location search to find people buried or cremated in one of Council's cemeteries and crematoriums prior to 19 September 2012.

<https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/community-safety/community-support/funeral-planning-grave>

Australian Electoral Roll: Ph: 13 23 26 [http://www.aec.gov.au/Enrolling_to_vote/About Electoral Roll/](http://www.aec.gov.au/Enrolling_to_vote/About_Electoral_Roll/)

You need to visit your local ER office in person to search. For the address of your closest ER office visit the above link or phone the Australian Electoral Roll Commission. You can go to "check enrolment" on the AEC website to verify an address you have found. Take pen and paper as you cannot photograph the information you find.

Registry of Births, Deaths & Marriages Searches Online

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QLD: Births over 100 years ago; Deaths over 30 years ago; Marriages over 75 years ago
<https://www.familyhistory.bdm.qld.gov.au/>

NSW: Births over 100 years ago; Deaths over 30 years ago; Marriages over 50 years ago
<https://www.bdm.nsw.gov.au/Pages/family-history-research/family-history-search.aspx>

VIC: Online/small cost involved. Births 1853-1918; Deaths 1853-1988; Marriages 1853-1958
<https://my.rio.bdm.vic.gov.au/efamily-history/5ca2c3945977b522b7c2194f>

SA: SA Genealogy Website: Births 1842-1928; Deaths 1842-1972; Marriages 1842-1937
<https://www.genealogysa.org.au/resources/online-databases.html> (fee involved)

WA: Births 1841-1932; Deaths 1841-1971; Marriages 1841-1936
https://bdm.justice.wa.gov.au/_apps/pioneersindex/default.aspx

ACT, TAS and NT Not available online

National Archives Website <http://naa.gov.au/>

By doing a name search you can access all sorts of information including war records, immigration records etc.

Trove <http://trove.nla.gov.au/>

By clicking on Digitised Newspapers and then searching the name, you can access newspaper articles and family notices such as birth announcements, death and funeral notices.

Nominal Rolls <http://www.dva.gov.au/commemorations-memorials-and-war-graves/nominal-rolls>

The Department of Veteran Affairs publishes rolls with the names of soldiers who fought in each war including Vietnam and Korea.

State Library of Qld <https://www.slq.qld.gov.au/research-collections/family-history>

Here you will find information about accessing the resources of State Library of Queensland's Family History collections as well as links to resources and internet sites that will help you with your genealogical research.

Local libraries sometimes have a family historian you can access for assistance.

Qld Family History Society have useful genealogical weblinks

<https://www.qfhs.org.au/resources/useful-web-links/>

Social media platforms:

Try searching for your relative on various social media platforms such as:

- * Facebook
- * Pinterest
- * Flickr
- * Tumblr
- * WhatsApp
- * Instagram
- * Messenger (FB)
- * Viber
- * Twitter
- * LinkedIn
- * Snapchat

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