



FamilySearch Family Tree: Adding Memories

Objectives

By the end of this class, you will learn:

- How to upload pictures, recorded interviews, and stories.
- How to record stories about your ancestors for your family and future generations to share and enjoy.

Memories on Person Page

To add memories for an individual, go to the person's page and click **Memories** just under the name.

The screenshot shows the FamilySearch website interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links: Family Tree, Search, Memories, Indexing, Activities, and Temple. Below this is a sub-navigation bar for the 'Person' page, including Overview, Tree, Person (highlighted), Recents, Find, Following, and My Contributions. The main content area displays a person's profile for 'Father', marked as 'Deceased' with a BMS9-X2M identifier. A red arrow points to the 'Memories' tab in the sub-navigation bar, which currently shows 0 memories. Other tabs include Details, Time Line, Sources (0), Collaborate (0), and Ordinances (1). The 'Life Sketch' section has an 'Add' button. The 'Vitals' section shows details for Name, Sex, Birth, Christening, and Death, each with an 'Add' button. On the right side, there are sections for Research Help, Search Records (listing various family history websites), and Latest Changes.

You can upload photos, documents, stories, and audio.

Photos & Documents

You can upload your photos or documents from your computer or select ones already in your Gallery. The file types supported include: .jpg, .tif, .bmp, .png, or .pdf. They can be up to 15MB in size.

With each photo and document you upload, you can add titles, topic tags, event date, event place, and a description. You can tag one or more individuals to identify those included in the photo or document. They can be added to an album or shared with others through social media or email.

Photos can also be added to a story. On the bottom of the photo or document, you can click on the microphone icon to add an audio recording for up to 5 minutes. Documents can be entered as a Source as well as a Memory.

Stories

Stories can be created or selected from your Gallery if you have previously written one. A story can include up to 10 photos, a title, and the story. The title has a character limit of 144, but the body of the story has no limit.

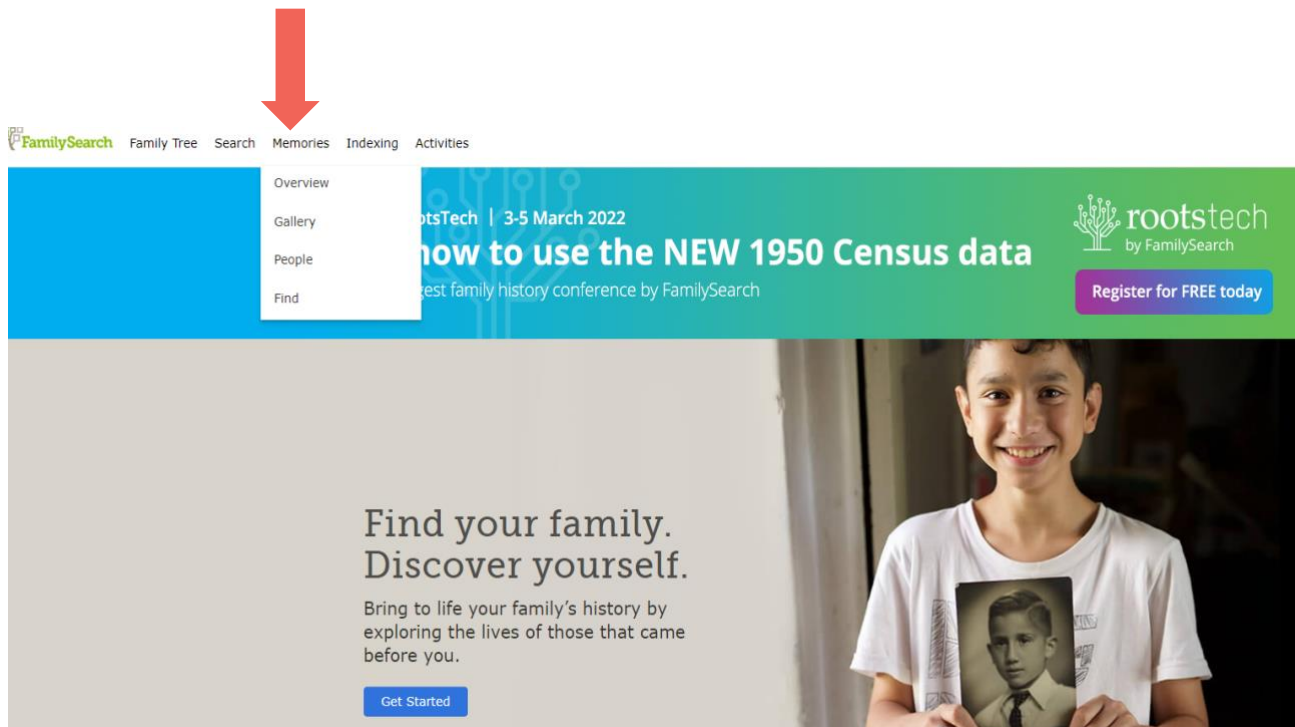
You can type the story into the box or copy/paste from a word processing program.

Audio

You can upload any audio files from your computer or Gallery. The file types supported include: mp3, .m4a, or .wav. They can be up to 15MB in size.

The audio can be any length if it is under 15MB. If you have the Memories app, you can record audio from your mobile device for up to 5 minutes and add it directly to FamilySearch Memories.

FamilySearch Memories



On FamilySearch homepage, click on **Memories** on the top. A drop-down menu will appear and you will find 4 categories: **Overview**, **Gallery**, **People**, and **Find**.

Overview

Updates on what's new on FamilySearch Memories and popular features.

Gallery

You can view all your uploaded memories here. Your Gallery can be searched, viewed, and sorted using the icons in the toolbar along the top.

In the Gallery, you can find your Archives, Recently Deleted, Bookmarks, and Albums. Your albums can be created into a Slideshow with or without audio.

You can add new memories into your Gallery by clicking on the green plus sign. You can upload files from your computer, create a story, or import photos from Instagram, Facebook, and Google Photos.

People

View all the individuals you have uploaded and click on each box to view their memories, and to view your relationship with them.

Find

The Find feature in Memories helps you to search for photos, stories, documents, audio files, and albums contributed by patrons of FamilySearch.

You can find memories by **Search Text** or **Search Topic Tags**. When you choose **Search Text**, FamilySearch will find memories whose titles and descriptions contain the text you entered.

Search Text

When you choose **Search Text**, FamilySearch will find memories whose titles and descriptions contain the text you entered. The Find feature searches for words contained in a title or description of a memory or album.

The Find feature also searches for words contained in the first 250 characters of a story. Currently the entire text of the story is not included in the search.

The following will **not** display in a text search result:

- Memories with no person tags
- Memories with only unlinked person tags
- Memories linked to living people in the Family Tree

Search Topic Tags

When you search for any topic or subject, we'll find memories that **have been labeled** with those topic tags.

- The Find feature in Memories separately searches for topic tags, which are user-contributed words or phrases applied as tags to individual memories.
- On the Memories Find page, select **Search Topic Tags**, enter a word or phrase like **Recipe** or **Senior High School Picture**. As you type 2 or more characters, a list of similar topics with associated counts will display in a list below your entry, from which you may select an item. If the term you are typing has not yet been added, then the message "No topics found" will appear immediately below your entry.
- Try this: From the Memories Find page, select **Search Topic Tags**, and enter the topic **Recipe**, which will execute a search. Continuing from the search results page, enter the second topic **Cookies** in the input field on the left side of the page. Select Search to filter your results down to memories that contain topic tags for both "Recipe" and "Cookies."

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