



## FamilySearch Family Tree: Person Page

### Objectives

By the end of this class, you will learn:

- How to add, edit and standardize the information of an individual on the person page in FamilySearch Family Tree.
- The basic features of vital and other information sections in the tree.

### FamilySearch Family Tree

**Purpose:** To build your tree with ease, collaborate with others, and connect with other family members.

Learn more about the FamilySearch Family Tree by going to <https://www.familysearch.org/tree/overview>.

### Brief Life History

This is where you can create a short summary of the individual's life. You have up to 10,000 characters. Based on the vital information provided, the computer will auto-generate a life history. But you can write a different one and publish that instead.

### Alert Notes

If you go collaborate and then create a discussion, you can check a box to make it an alert note. The alert note you create will be put on the top of their tree.

### Vitals

This is where you can add and edit vital information.

Click on **Detail View** to display details of the following fields:

- **Name:** To edit, click on **Edit**. You may choose the desired language by clicking on the arrow in the language box. A dropdown menu with languages will appear. Click the language you want. If your choice of language isn't there, select **Other**. You may also add **Title** or Suffix. Click **Save** to save your changes.
- **Sex:** This will indicate the gender of the individual.
- **Birth:** Enter date of birth and birthplace.
- **Christening:** Enter date and place of christening.
- **Death:** Enter date and place of death.
- **Burial:** Enter date and place of burial.

## Other Information

This area allows you to add other events that may have occurred in the individual's life.

Click on **+Add Information** to see the list of all fields that you can add information to.

Click on **Detail View** to display details.

- **Alternate Name:** Enter alternate name here. You can choose from **Also Known As, Birth Name, Married Name, or Nickname**. You may also choose your desired language by clicking on the arrow in the language box.

### Events

- **Affiliation:** Enter clubs, fraternal organizations, non-profit organizations, communities, groups, or societies.
- **Bar Mitzvah:** Enter date and place.
- **Bat Mitzvah:** Enter date and place.
- **Cremation:** If the individual was cremated, enter the date and place.
- **Immigration:** Enter description, date, and place of immigration.
- **Military Service:** Enter description, date, and place of military service.
- **Naturalization:** Enter description, date, and place of naturalization.
- **Nobility Title:** Enter description, date, and place of receiving nobility title.
- **Occupation:** Enter description, date, and place of occupation.
- **Religious Affiliation:** Enter description, date, and place of religious affiliation.
- **Residence:** Enter description, date, and place of residence.
- **Still born:** If this is a stillborn child, enter date and place.
- **Custom Event:** Add events that are not mentioned in the above fields. Enter title, description, date, and place.

### Facts

- **Caste Name:** Enter description of caste name.
- **Clan Name:** Enter description of clan name.
- **National Identification:** Enter description of national identification.
- **National Origin:** Enter description of national origin.
- **No Couple Relationships:** Enter explanation or reason to indicate this person had no couple relationships.
- **No Children:** Enter explanation or reason to indicate this person had no children.
- **Physical Description:** Enter physical description such as, height, weight, scar, moles etc.
- **Race:** Enter race.
- **Tribe Name:** Enter tribe name if applicable.
- **Custom Fact:** Add events that are not mentioned in the above fields and do not have date or place.

### Reason This Information Is Correct

In all above fields, you will find an accompanied **Reason This Information Is Correct** box. Include in this box a clear explanation or reason how you know the information is correct.

## Standardized Dates and Places

Using standard formats for dates and places in Family Tree improves the accuracy and searchability of the information you enter.

- Many places have or have had the same or similar names. People write dates in many ways. Family Tree helps you standardize dates and places as you enter them.
- Standardized dates and places (also called "standards") improve the accuracy of the search, record hints, and duplicates features of Family Tree.
- The list of standardized versions can speed up data entry for you.
- When a date or place does not have a standard, Family Tree identifies it as a data problem and displays a red exclamation point next to it. To fix this problem, open the Edit box, click on "No Standard Selected," and select a standard.
- If you see a map location icon next to the name of a place, it means that it already matches our list of standardized locations.
- If you do not see a map location icon next to the name of a place, the place-name might still be standardized. It may simply contain a more specific geographical location than the standard.
- **Note:** Never delete correct place name information just to get a map location icon to display. Map location icons are not required and have no bearing on the correctness of the place name displayed.