

## **Out Line of Where to Start Research**

- A. Supplies Needed**
  - 1. Copy lots of family group sheets.
  - 2. Get a notebook/loose leaf binder
  - 3. Hole punch
  - 4. paper and pencils
  
- B. Start with what you know**
  - 1. Do a group sheet on yourself
  - 2. Do a group sheet on your parents & siblings
  - 3. Do a group sheet on each sibling
  - 4. Do a group sheet on grandparents
  
- C. Ask Parents about their families**
  - 1. Ask about grandparents & their children
  - 2. Get dates of birth , marriage, death  
If they can't tell you dates, asked where they lived, where they lived when they died. What they did for a living. All this will give you clues or where to look for answers
  
- D. Look on line at [familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org)**
  - 1. Census records
  - 2. Civil war records
  - 3. Enumerated school children
  - 4. Some family trees
  - 5. Social Security Death Records
  - 6. Some information about early deaths from hospitals
  
- E. From Information collected of births and deaths**
  - 1. If you know the state, and county, death year go to findagrave and see if can find the person.
  - 2. If you know the Cemetery and location of it use Cemetery finder on findagrave. Then type in last name of person.
  
- F. Now to the Court House**
  - 1. Circuit Clerks office has: Marriage Records, Court Records,

**Copies of Doctors licenses, etc.**

**2. Chancery Clerk's Office: Divorce Records, Civil Suits, Land Deeds, Wills.**

**G. Libraries**

**1. Get to know their Genealogy Rooms they have State, & County Records, Lists of Marriage Records, Census, Family Histories, Donated files from Genealogist. Talk to the person in charge of this department they will help you.**

**H. Archives**

**1. All types of Military Records**

**2. Census**

**3. Early Death Records**

**4. Different Family History Books**

**5. County History Books**

**6. Information from different States**

**7. All ways ask for help, they will lead you in the right path**

**I. Programs to store your information:**

**1. Make the decision if you want to use what is on line or to buy a program. If you do one on line you are sharing your information with that company. If you buy a program, buy one that will let you store data, pictures, notes and documentation(when you found data).**

**J. Have fun.**

**Remember you are putting a jigsaw puzzle together each Person is a piece of the puzzle. Make pictures, talk to family members.**

**K. Hit a road block (can't find information)**

**1. Back up go a different route**

**2. Look at near by neighbors, they could be kin**

**3. Look for church records.**