

What is the Tennessee State Library and Archives?

The Tennessee State Archives is the historical repository for the State of Tennessee. It contains numerous types of records, unfortunately, most of the information given on this website is just bibliographies of what they have. Hidden amongst all the useless (Internet-wise) bibliographies are some good things. A number of the records (such as early death certificates) have searchable online indexes. These are the ones that will be discussed.

- **Manuscripts** - This is a collection of church, school, business, organizational, military, diplomatic, personal and photographic collections. While not available online, there is a Search Guide available online.
- **Miscellaneous - Index to Biographical Sketches in The History of Tennessee by Goodspeed.** While you may not be able to get to the biographical sketch, you can, at least, find out if there is one in the book.
- **Miscellaneous -Funeral Home Records at TSLA : Books and Manuscripts** - Many are available for Inter-Library Loan!
- **Miscellaneous - Inmates of the Tennessee State Penitentiary, 1831-1850** - Check out the list to see if you had a criminal in your background! Again, you may not find the record, but you can see that something exists and take it from there.\
- **Place Names and Maps : Tennessee Place Names and Post Offices** - Don't know what county your little town was in? Check this list.
- **Military - Tennessee Confederate Pension Applications : Soldier's and Wives** - Once more, no documents, but a searchable index which will cut down on your research time.
- **State Records : Acts of Tennessee 1796-1850 : Index to Names** - Again, a searchable index which will allow you to check for your people being mentioned.
- **Vital Records** - This portion contains (1) an **Index to Tennessee Death Records 1908-1912**, (2) **Partial Index to Tennessee Death Records 1914-1925**, and (3) **Statewide Index to Tennessee Death Records 1914-1919**.

Accessing the Tennessee State Library and Archives History and Genealogy Section

- Go to <http://www.tennessee.gov/tsla/history/misc/goodspeed.htm>
- Right under the banner at the top of the page is a **Search** box. You may choose to search the **Entire Site** (All the Tennessee State Library and Archives materials) or just the **History and Genealogy** section. I would leave it set to **Entire Site**.
- To the right of the **Search** box is a **For** box. Put in the family name you want to find.
- Press **<enter>** or click on **go**.

- Click on any link to see what has been indexed. You will notice that the URL (Internet Address shows in what section the record falls - e.g. manuscripts, military, etc.)

NOTE: While the TSLA does not interlibrary loan its newspaper collection microfilms outside the state of Tennessee. You can see if newspapers are available for your area in the right time period.

[History & Genealogy - Military - Tennessee WWI Gold Star Records ...](#)
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[History & Genealogy - Bibliography - Giles County](#)
 ... 303-323). **McCary**, Charles EL Mineral resources summary of the Aspen Hill quadrangle, TN (including the TN portion of the Salem quadrangle, AL-TN). ...
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[History & Genealogy - Vital Records - Tennessee Death Index 1917 ...](#)
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