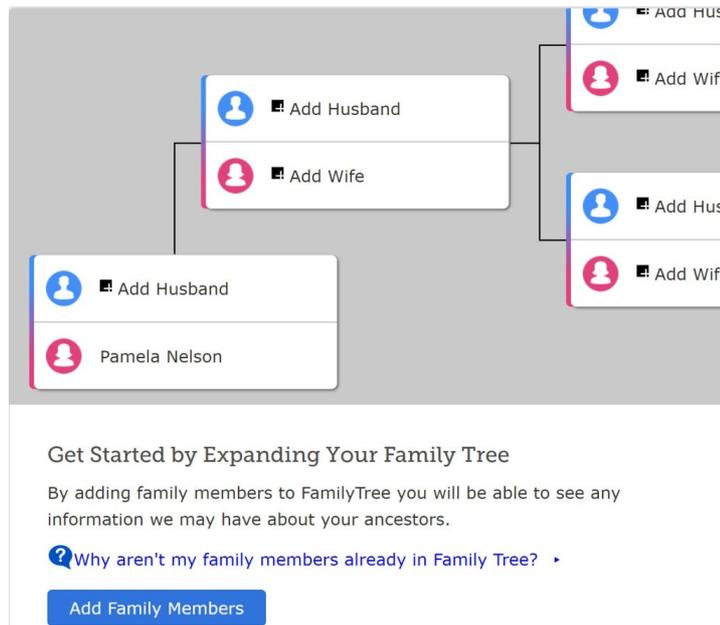


# Starting with Family Tree in 10 Steps

## A Presentation by Sharon Hintze of FamilySearch to Midland Ancestors Stourbridge Group 29 Feb 2020

1. Get a FamilySearch account. Write down your username and password somewhere where you can find it. Sign in.
2. Click on the TREE under the FAMILY TREE tab on the home page. At the beginning, you will see only your name in the Tree.



Start by adding your parents, with BMD details. You'll notice that the Tree wants you to show dates and places in a standard format, which requires you clicking on one of the choices. You don't have to use United Kingdom if you don't want to.

Date of Birth  
24 May 1960  
Standard: **24 May 1960**

Birthplace  
Lowestoft, Suffolk, England  
Standard: **Lowestoft, Suffolk, England, United Kingdom**  
Lowestoft, Suffolk, England, United Kingdom  
Lowestoft St Margaret, Suffolk, England, United Kingdom  
Lowestoft, Suffolk, England  
Lowestoft St Margaret, Suffolk, England

Modified  
Today by Event

Save Cancel

If you want to add a house name or a farm name as part of the place, just ignore the proposed list and choose None of the Above. There will be a message saying that the place is not in the standard format, but you will be able to enter what you want.

Remember to choose 'Living' rather than 'Deceased' if appropriate. Living people entered by yourself cannot be seen by anyone other than yourself. So a sibling of yours will have a different ID number for the same living person that you have also entered.

- When you add a person who you know is dead, you may find a list proposed of possible matches for the person you entered.

### Add Parents ✕

Parents of Lily Ann Reeder

**You Entered**

<b>Robert Alfred Reeder</b>	birth: 1900 Lowestoft, Suffolk, En..	
<a href="#">Create New</a>		

**Possible Matches Found**

<a href="#">Add Person</a>	death:	1874-Deceased • 9J9B-DRH ▲
<a href="#">Alfred Robert Reeder</a> <small>L5X7-9K8</small>	birth: June 1898 Blundeston with Flixt...  death:	father: <a href="#">Alfred Reeder</a> <small>1872-Deceased • MZLC-89P</small> mother: <a href="#">Rose Elizabeth Rouse</a> <small>1874-Deceased • 9J9B-DRH</small>
<a href="#">Ethel Margaret Halls</a> <small>L6JW-52K</small>	birth: 11 October 1904 Somerleyton, Suffolk...  death:	<a href="#">Add Couple</a>
<a href="#">Robert Alfred Reader</a> <small>KJWH-VWH</small>	birth: 30 June 1899 Kirkley, Suffolk, Engl...  death:	father: <a href="#">Edward Alfred Reader</a> <small>1871-Deceased • KJWH-6G5</small> mother: <a href="#">Selina Thrower</a> <small>1888-1971 • K2K4-PHC</small> ▼

[Refine Search](#)    [Cancel](#)

Just click on 'Add Person' if you think you found a match. If you make a mistake, you can undo your choice. Look for the Latest Changes list in the right hand column.

Latest Changes

- Mother Changed  
15 June 2017  
by PNelson23
- Father Added  
15 June 2017  
by PNelson23
- Birth Changed  
15 June 2017  
by PNelson23

Show all

On the other hand, there may not be a match in the Tree. So choose 'Create New'.

### Add Spouse

Wife of Robert Alfred Reader

**You Entered**

<b>Mildred Ellen Oakes</b>	birth: 1899 Wangford, Suffolk, En..	
<a href="#">Create New</a>		

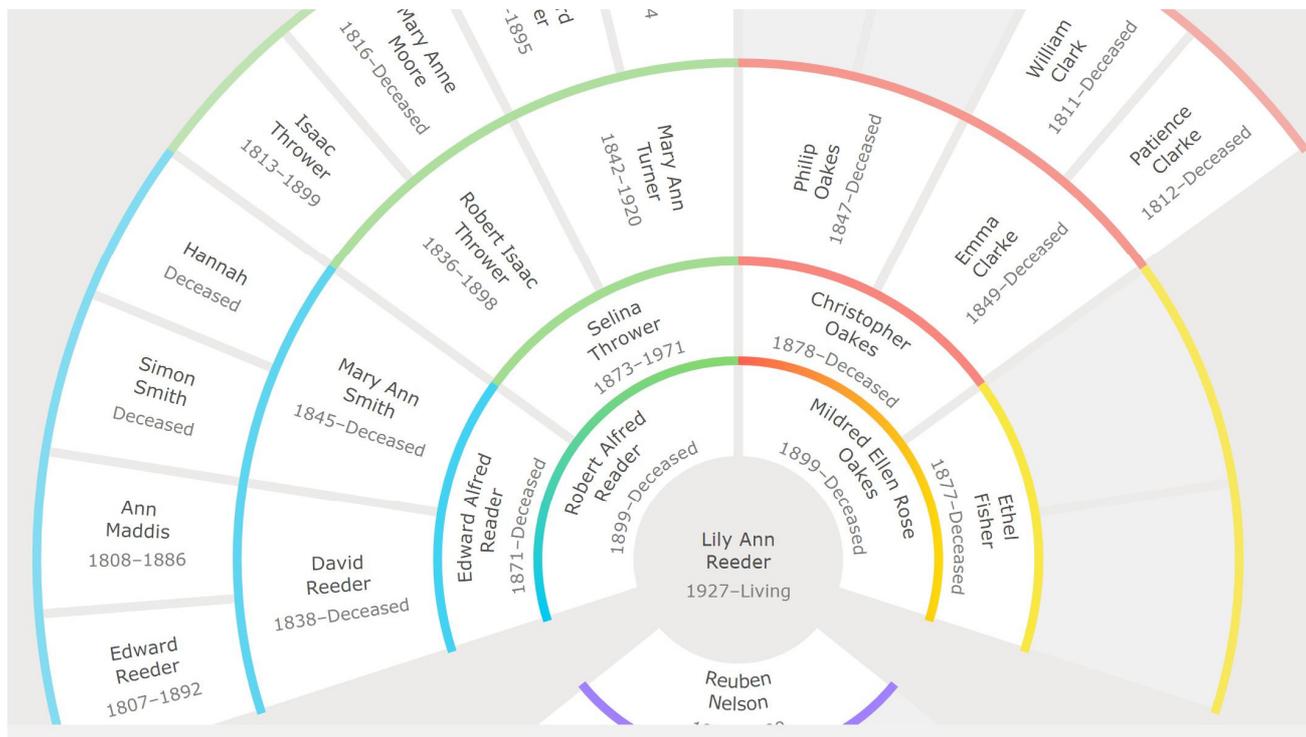
**Possible Matches Found**

<b>Mildred Oakes</b> KGZM-H9N	chr: 30 Aug 1891 Buglawton, Cheshire, ... death:	father: <a href="#">James Oakes</a> Deceased • KGZM-H9K mother: <a href="#">Alice Oakes</a> Deceased • KGZM-H9G
<a href="#">Add Person</a>		
<b>Ellen Oakes</b> 9XPR-FXQ	birth: England death:	spouse: <a href="#">Joseph Oakes</a> - • 9XPR-FX3
<a href="#">Add Person</a>		
<b>Ellen Oakes</b> 9D45-17N	birth: England death:	spouse: <a href="#">Joseph Oakes</a> Deceased • 9D45-17X
<a href="#">Add Person</a>		

Continue in this way on as many branches of your Tree as you want. You can enter all your grandparents, for example, or only one of them if that's the person you want to explore. It's up to you how much you want to connect to.

If you find a person in the Tree with more than one ID number, don't be surprised. You can merge duplicates. You can also reverse a merge if you do it quickly. But if you change things with the remaining person, you can't undo the merge and may need to create a new person to solve the little problem you created.

4. When you find someone already in the Tree, your Tree may suddenly expand.



5. Now go to a person's Details page. It has their BMD information first, and at the top of the column to the right, there may be research hints. Clicking on these will permit you to attach the record to your person and anyone else mentioned in the same record, all with a few clicks. The same place will tell you if there are mistakes such as a child born before his parents were old enough to have children. It will also warn of possible duplicates for that person.

▼ Research Help

Record Hints

-  [Harriett Thrower](#)  
England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975
-  [Harriett Thrower](#)  
England and Wales Census, 1871
-  [Hannah Thrower](#)  
England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975

[Show Details](#)

6. Now check Sources at the bottom. The easiest way to add new sources is to look at the historical records within FamilySearch itself. Just look for the FamilySearch logo

in the right hand column, and click on it. It will open a new tab with suggested records. These can be attached quickly just like you did for the hints. If you find more than one record for the same event (a christening, for example), attach them all. This helps prevent duplicates arising in the Tree. You should be able to find many christenings, censuses and civil registration index entries which can be attached in this way.

England and Wales Census, 1871  
Harriett Throwing  
View: Record | Image

Family Tree  
Not your family? Find your family.

Parents on Record ( 2 )	Close	Parents from Family Tree ( 2 )	Close
<b>Robert L Throwing</b> (Father) 1836 -	Detach	<b>Robert Isaac Throwing</b> (Father) 1836-1898 • LZRF-MN1	Details
<b>Mary A Throwing</b> (Mother) 1843 -	Detach	<b>Mary Ann Turner</b> (Mother) 1842-1920 • KJ5G-L5N	Details

Person of Record and Spouse	Change	Selected Person and Spouse	Change
<b>Harriett Throwing</b> (Daughter) 1864 -	Compare	<b>Harriett Throwing</b> 1863-Deceased • K2K4-P42	Details

Children on Record ( 0 )	Open	Children from Family Tree ( 0 )	Open
Siblings on Record ( 4 )	Close	Siblings from Family Tree ( 10 )	Close
<b>Robert E Throwing</b> (Brother) 1865 -	Detach	<b>Robert Throwing</b> (Brother) 1866-Deceased • KJWH-NR6	Details
<b>John Throwing</b> (Brother) 1867 -	Detach	<b>John Throwing</b> (Brother) 1867-Deceased • KJWH-J8V	Details

If you want to enter a source not found in FamilySearch, just look for 'Add Source' at the top of the Source section of the page. Follow the template.

Look for an Options button at the top of the list of sources. You can choose to have the sources listed chronologically, which is very handy.

- If you are very interested in a particular person, you can click on the 'Watch' star just under that person's name. You'll be notified if anyone changes anything.

**Harriett Throwing**  
31 December 1863 – Deceased • K2K4-P42

View Tree | Watch | View My Relationship

Details | Memories 0

Vitals | Other | Family | Sources 4 | Discussions 1 | Notes 0

- Memories are as important as names and dates. Just click on the Memories tab under the person's name. You will have the opportunity to upload pictures, documents or stories. Jpg, png and pdf formats can be used, but you can only 'tag'

people if you use jpg or png, so that's preferable. When you tag people it automatically uploads that picture or document to everyone who has been tagged.

Birth Certificate 1860 Henry Walton Ludlow, Aston, Warwickshire

Actions ▾ Add to My Favorites Share ▾

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CERTIFIED COPY OF AN ENTRY OF BIRTH

REGISTRATION DISTRICT: 1860 Duddleston Aston County of Warwick

No.	When and where born	Name, if any	Sex	Name and surname of father	Name, occupation and residence of mother	When registered	Signature of Registrar	Name entered after registration
1	Eighteenth January 1860	Henry Walton	M	Edwin Ludlow	Fanny Horton	2nd March 2005	[Signature]	[Signature]

BXCA 885345

Contributed By: Grebe

DESCRIPTION: Birth Certificate 1860 Henry Walton Ludlow, Aston, Warwickshire

PEOPLE IN THIS DOCUMENT:

- Henry Walton L.. Henry Walton Ludlow (1860-1919) L6NJ-WGN
- Edwin Ludlow Edwin Ludlow (1830-1906) MVMV-51Z
- Fanny Horton Fanny Horton (1830-1902) MVLZ-JRW

You can find out who contributed a photo or document by clicking on Details. If the person has not chosen to make their email public, you can send them a message through FamilySearch.

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People

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Full Name

Contact Name Grebe

E-mail Address

Phone Number

Mailing Address

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Event

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7014 x 4962

File Name: BIR Ludlow Henry Walton 1860.jpg

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9. Don't forget to write a short story about people now dead whom you remember. Often 50 words is enough. "Bruce was a great gardener, especially talented with roses."

10. Have a go! If you have questions, email me at [sharonhintze@hotmail.com](mailto:sharonhintze@hotmail.com).



# Herbert Richard Dyer

K66G-LQM

BIRTH

28 Oct 1871 Long Load, Somerset, England

DEATH 28 AUG 1937 Bristol, Gloucestershire, England

## PARENTS

- Simeon Dyer
- Sarah Dengelow

## SPOUSE

- Maud Elizabeth Parker
- 1876-1911 • MDBF-RY3

**Deceased Ancestor's Name**

First Names  
Herbert Richard

Last Names  
Dyer

**Search with a life event:**

Birthplace  
Long Load, Somerset, E

Birth Year (Range)  
1869 1873

Marriage  
Residence  
Death  
Any

**Search with a relationship:**

Spouse  
Parents  
Other Person

**Restrict records by:**

Location  
Type  
Batch Number  
Film Number

Lock filters  
 Match all terms exactly

**Update** Reset

**Filter your results by:**

### Search Results from Historical Records

1-20 of 1,064 results for Name: **Herbert Richard Dyer**, Event: **Birth**, Place: **Long Load, Somerset, England**, Event Range: **1869-1873**

Number of results to show:

Name	Events	Relationships	View
<a href="#">Herbert Richard Dyer</a> England Births and Christenings, 1538-1975	christening: 31 March 1872 Martock, Long Load, Somerset, England residence: Somerset, England	father: Simeon Dyer mother: Sarah Dyer	
<a href="#">Herbert Richard Dyer</a> Son England and Wales Census, 1881	birth: 1873 Long Load, Somerset, England residence: 1881 Martock, Somerset, England	father: Simeon Dyer mother: Sarah Dyer other: William Edward Dyer, Mary Stark Dyer, James Humphry Dyer, Ada Eliza Dyer, Ella Gertrude Dyer, Frances Susan Dyer...	
<a href="#">Herbert Richard Dyer</a> England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008	birth registration: 1871 Yeovil, Somerset, England		
<a href="#">Herbert Richard Dyer</a> England and Wales Marriage Registration Index, 1837-2005	marriage: 1904 Langport, Somerset, England	other: Sidney Ernest Bennett, Maud Elizabeth Parker, Lucy Russell	
<a href="#">Herbert R Dyer</a> Son England and Wales Census, 1901	birth: 1873 Long Load, Somersetshire residence: 31 March 1901 Long Load, Somersetshire, England	father: Simon Dyer mother: Sarah Dyer other: Ella G Dyer, Simion Dyer, Thomas H Dyer, Lily M Dyer	
<a href="#">John Richard Dyer</a> England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008	birth registration: 1870 Axbridge, Somerset, England		
<a href="#">Herbert Dyer</a> England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008	birth registration: 1872 Wellington (Somerset), Somerset, England		
<a href="#">Albert Richard Dyer</a> England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008	birth registration: 1872 Taunton, Somerset, England		
<a href="#">Herbert Dyer</a> England and Wales Birth Registration Index, 1837-2008	birth registration: 1869 Williton, Somerset, England		
<a href="#">Herbert R Dyer</a> Brother England and Wales Census, 1891	birth: 1872 Somersetshire, England residence: 1891 St Mary, Hampshire, England	other: William E D Dyer, William R Dyer, Ada L M Dyer, Ada E G Dyer	

**Export Results 1-20**

Show Me How

**NOTE:** The little mark like a pedigree chart in the last column on the right shows whether the source has been attached to anyone In Family Tree. You can only see these marks if you are logged in with your FamilySearch account. If you hover over the little mark, you can see the ID number of the person in the Tree to whom it is attached.

# Overview of Family Tree on FamilySearch

- FREE but you need to register
- Pedigrees are not private, but collaborative
- Emphasis on documentation
- Easy to attach common sources
- Great features like hinting
- The best place to upload photos and documents
- Will be here in 100 years will be FREE in 100 years

## Sharon's ideas about where to start

1. Enter yourself as shown in this handout.
2. Make sure your parents and grandparents are in Family Tree and that the information is correct.
3. Add photos and certificates for your parents and grandparents. Write a little story for each.
4. Upload as many of your other certificates and special photos as you have energy for to Family Tree

Then, if you want to, upload your tree to FamilySearch Genealogies. See this article about doing that:

<https://www.familysearch.org/ask/salesforce/viewArticle?urlName=Uploading-GEDCOM-Files-and-Copying-the-Information-to-Family-Tree&lang=en>

I suggest just uploading a small test file to see how it works.  
NOTE that sources and images are not part of a GEDCOM upload!!

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29 Feb 2020*