

QUICK GUIDE

Genealogical Resources at the Library



Reference Librarian

Available to answer questions, help locate resources and recommend research strategies.

Books & More

The South Carolina Room contains an extensive collection of genealogical and local history related books, periodicals and journals.



Archives & Special Collections

Local yearbooks, club records, historic maps and more can be accessed by special request.

Digital Resources

Access to genealogy sites, databases & digital archives at colletonlibrary.org.



Programs

Programming includes workshops, lectures, meet-up groups & more.

colletonlibrary.org/adult-programs

Additional Online Resources

Colleton Genealogy Society
colletongenealogysociety.org

- Colleton Yearbooks
colletonyearbooks.colletongenealogysociety.org/
- Index to The Press & Standard
pressandstand-ard.colletongenealogysociety.org/

Colleton County, SC GenWeb

<http://www.oldplaces.org/colleton/index.html>

- African American Heritage
www.oldplaces.org/colleton/AfricanAm/
- Cemeteries & Churches
www.oldplaces.org/colleton/cemeteries/

Lowcountry Africana

<https://lowcountryafricana.com/>

Center for Family History—International African American Museum

cfh.iaamuseum.org

FamilySearch.org (free online search)

familysearch.org

Colleton County Memorial Library

Main Branch

600 Hampton Street
Walterboro, SC 29488
843-549-5621

Cottageville Library

72 Salley Ackerman Drive
Cottageville, SC 29435
843-835-5621

Edisto Library

71 Station Court
Edisto Beach, SC 29438
843-869-2499

colletonlibrary.org



GENEALOGY RESOURCES

at the Colleton County Memorial Library



Ready to **get started** in genealogy? Looking to **bust down a brick wall** on the family tree? Looking for **new resources** to help you delve deeper, plan better & uncover new ancestors?

The Colleton County Memorial Library & its branches have you covered with books, periodicals, online resources, and more!

colletonlibrary.org



Access from Home

colletonlibrary.org/e-content

Access these genealogical resources from home. Some will require your Colleton County library card number to access.

Digital Reel: Colleton's Online Historical Archive

Access Colleton County newspapers (1860s - present), as well as local church records, Walterboro Town Council meeting minutes and more.

Heritage Quest

(available with CCML Library Card #)

Access a comprehensive database of genealogical resources including census records, city directories, Freedman's bank records and more.

Heritage Hub

(available with CCML Library Card #)

Collection of US obituaries & death notices from 1704 - today.

Resources at the Library

Colleton County Memorial Library & Branches

Reference Librarian

The Reference Librarian can help you locate reference books, suggest research strategies, direct you to online databases and schedule access to archival materials.

The Reference Librarian works primarily at the Main Branch in Walterboro, but can be reached by phone at 843-549-5621, ext. 3.

Ancestry.com

Access one of the most popular online genealogical research sites for free on library computers at any CCML branch.

Periodicals, Journals & Family Histories

The library has an extensive collection of periodicals, journals and family histories, some of which can only be accessed in the main library's South Carolina Room including:

- The SC Magazine of Ancestral Research
- The Rice Planter, the newsletter of the Colleton Genealogy Society (formerly the Old St. Bartholomew Chapter)
- Numerous local family histories.

Genealogy Books (929.1)

***In the Library* - Use the SC Lends catalog to look for beginner and advanced genealogy books at CCML branches and throughout the SC Lends system.**

***Online* - Register with the Hoopla app using your CCML library card number to check out genealogy eBooks.**

Vertical File (SC Room)

Located in the main library's SC Room, the Vertical File contains files for local families assembled by local historians and librarians. Files may include written histories, newspaper clippings, and other miscellaneous material.

A finding aid for the vertical file may be requested from the Reference Librarian at 843-549-5621, ext. 3.

Archives & Special Collections

Colleton County Main Branch only

The Archives & Special Collections at the Colleton County Memorial Library are accessible by request only and require a scheduled appointment with the Reference Librarian. Some materials have been digitized and may be available as digital copies.

Special Collections include:

- Walterboro City Phone Books
- Walterboro Business Directories
- Colleton County Yearbooks*
- Press & Standard Folios*

Archives include:

- Walterboro Club & Organizational Records
- 1950s Walterboro Girl Scout Records
- Colleton Democratic Club Rolls,
- Historic maps (local, regional & state)
- And much more.

**Most of these have been digitized and are available online.*

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In all of us there is a hunger, marrow-deep, to know our heritage. To know who we are and where we have come from. *-Alex Haley, author of "Roots"*