

Research Policy

The following resources are available, at this site, for checking.

History of Tazewell County, by Chapman, 1878.

Picturesque Washington, Illinois 1906-2000, published originally by Goddard & Roehm, 1906, and reprinted in 2000.

Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois and History of Tazewell County, (2 volumes) by Bates and Selby, 1905.

Early & Continuing History of Washington, Illinois & Vicinity 1825-2000, originally published by Tazewell County Reporter, 1929, and reprinted in 2000.

Washington Historical Society's newsletter, *Heritage Herald*, 1997-Current.

History of Washington, Illinois Sesquicentennial 1825-1975.

Portrait and Biographical Album of Woodford County, IL, Chapman Bros., 1889.

Tazewell County plat books for 1873, 1891, and 1910.

Tazewell County cemetery Books, published by TCGHS, for Morton, Deer Creek and Washington townships.

Tazewell County Illinois Marriage Records Indexes, Volumes 2-7 (1859-1897).

[NOTE: A surname file has been established at the Washington Historical Society. A limited number of family and church histories are available, but are not indexed. Although an obituary file is being established on site, additional obituaries can be searched on the microfilmed newspapers at the Washington District Library.]

1. Only research requests for non-local residents will be entertained. Local residents can visit and obtain assistance at the Zinser House.
2. WHS non- resident members are asked a minimum of \$10.00 per hour with one hour minimum.
3. Non WHS-Members are asked a minimum of \$15.00 per hour with one hour minimum, PAYABLE IN ADVANCE to the **Washington Historical Society**, PO Box 54, Washington, IL 61571. DO NOT SEND CASH!
4. All research requests must be made in writing to the Washington Historical Society, PO Box 54, Washington, IL 61571. Please include your email address in case we have questions. A fee of 25 cents per page for copies and postage will be additional.
5. Please indicate in a brief and clear statement the information being sought. A pedigree or ancestor chart is helpful in knowing what information you already have. Any charts provided through correspondence will be added to our surname file for use by other researchers.
6. Please do not ask for actual birth, death, or marriage *records* as the distance to the county seat of Tazewell County does not permit the obtaining of these records for the fees above.
7. A request for events, i.e., marriages, obituaries, anniversaries, etc. requires, minimally, the month and year of event.

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