HeritageQuest Online, now powered by Ancestry.com, provides libraries with a unique and growing collection of research materials for genealogists and historians. It includes the digitized Genealogy & Local History Books Collection, 1790-1940 U.S. Federal Census and related schedules/special censuses, the Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, the Freedman’s Bank records, the Periodical Source Index (PERSI) Archive, and Private Relief Actions, Memorials, and Petitions the U.S. Serial Set. This premiere genealogy database is distributed exclusively by ProQuest to the library market and is an excellent complement to Ancestry Library Edition.

HeritageQuest Online

HeritageQuest Online is available to academic, public and military libraries, community colleges, genealogical and historical societies, government agencies, and corporations. Beginning and professional genealogists can use this powerful online resource to trace family histories and American culture from the convenience of their home or at the library.

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- **U.S. Federal Census Collection** features the original images of every extant federal census in the United States, from 1790 through 1940, with all recorded names indexed and made searchable. Additional scheduled and special censuses, such as the Selected U.S. Federal Census Non-Population Schedules, 1850-1880, are available for searching as well.

- **Genealogy & Local History Collection (Books)** of over 40,000 book titles, including over 9,000 family histories and more than 12,000 local histories, in addition to more than 250 primary source documents such as tax lists, city directories (20,000 newly added in February 2015), church and probate records, and more. The collection contains titles printed in English as well as more than 10 other languages, published over more than three centuries.

- **The Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files**, contains original images of selected Veteran Administration records pension and bounty land warrant application files help to identify more than 80,000 American Army, Navy, and Marine officers and enlisted men from the Revolutionary War era.

- **The Freedman’s Bank records (1865-1874)**, with more than 480,000 names of bank applicants, their dependents, and heirs from the extant records of the Freedman’s Savings & Trust Company, offers valuable data that can provide important clues to tracing enslaved and indentured ancestors prior to and immediately after the Civil War.

- **Periodical Source Index (PERSI) Archive** is a comprehensive searchable subject index of over 2.3 million records from more than 6,500 genealogy and local history periodicals published between 1800 and 2009.

- **The U.S. Serial Set** contains selected House and Senate documents, such as Private Relief Actions, Memorials and Petitions from 1789-1969.

*At this time, the PERSI Archive and the U.S. Serial Set are still being held on the legacy HeritageQuest Online search platform. The “Search Now” link will redirect to the legacy platform for search and discovery.

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