Genealogy Rocks!

Visiting the Family History Library

Visiting the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, is

the greatest treat a genealogist can have. This is the largest genealogical library in the world. Preparing for this visit is well worth the time. It allows you to make the



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best of your time here, and I can attest to the fact that there is never enough time.

It is possible, through the Library Catalog, to have your "shopping list" ready for the first day you arrive. By reading beforehand where the various microfilm and books are located you can be prepared to go directly to the floor you need.

On https://www.familysearch. org/ you can find this sort of information. At the top of the screen select "Learn." Then enter "Family History Library" in the wiki search window. Look for the article entitled "Family History Library" and here you will find a complete description of the facility, a map of the five floors, the hours, parking, etc. Here there is also a tour, via video, that will help you be better prepared to visit.

Be prepared to get your daily quota of walking as you go to the microfilm stacks or the book stacks. It is self serve and the rows of microfilm and books to read seem never ending. You can scan and print pages that you want or you can save to a flash drive if you prefer. The Family History Library is the ultimate destination for genealogists.

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