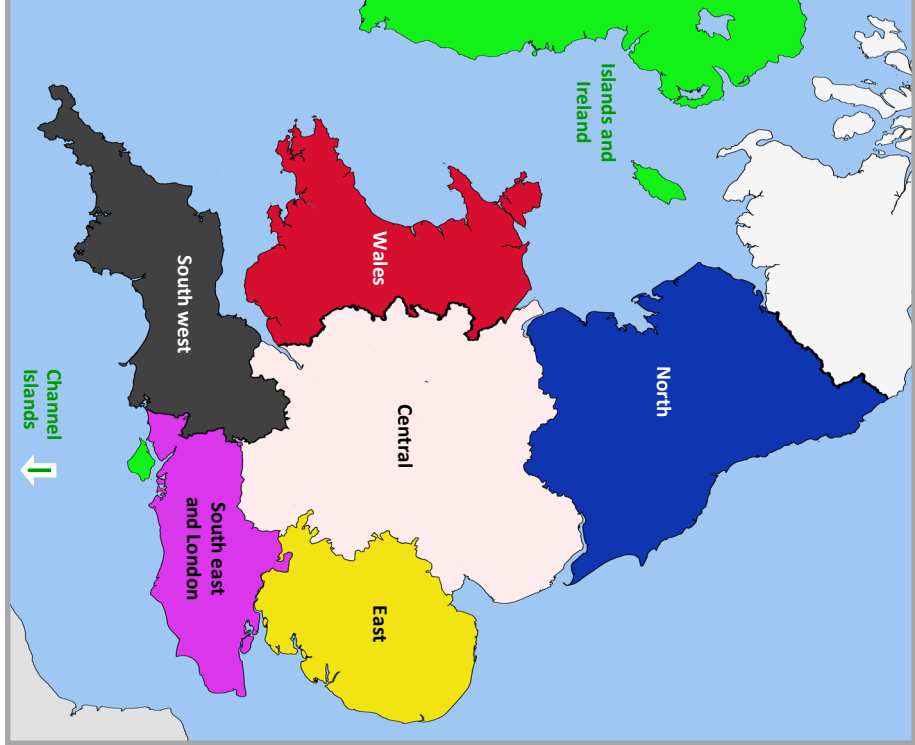




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In order to help researchers find the family history societies which operate in the areas where you live or where your forebears lived, we have listed member societies of the Family History Federation in groups based on parts of England, the off-shore islands and Ireland, Wales, one-name groups, specialist societies and overseas societies. Member organisations are listed, too.

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www.anglo-italianfhs.org.uk
www.facebook.com/groups/AncstralChimes/

CARIBBEAN FH GROUP

www.caribbeanfamilyhistorygroup.org
www.facebook.com/people/CHHG/100067886977880/

FAMILIES IN BRITISH INDIA SOCIETY

www.fibis.org
www.facebook.com/fibis.org

FAMILY & COMMUNITY HISTORICAL RESEARCH SOCIETY

www.fachrs.com
www.facebook.com/FACHRSoc/

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www.theheraldrysociety.com
www.facebook.com/theheraldrysociety/

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www.huguenotsociety.org.uk

JEWISH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY OF GB

www.jgsgb.org.uk
www.facebook.com/groups/JGSGB/

PARSON WOODFORD SOCIETY

www.parsonwoodforde.org.uk/

PEDIGREE [software] USERS GROUP

www.pugweb.org.uk

QUAKER FHS

www.https://newtrial.qfhs.co.uk
www.facebook.com/groups/QuakerFamilyHistorySociety

ROMANY & TRAVELLER FHS

www.rtfhs.org.uk
www.facebook.com/pages/Romany-and-Traveller-Family-History-Society-RTFHS/183224701701220

SOCIETY FOR ONE PLACE STUDIES

www.one-place-studies.org
www.facebook.com/oneplacestudies

SURNAME SOCIETY, THE

<https://surname-society.org/>
www.facebook.com/groups/905667519498834/



Organisations

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www.agra.org.uk
www.facebook.com/AGRAGenealogy

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR CEMETERIES IN SOUTH ASIA

www.bacsa.org.uk
www.facebook.com/bacsa.org.uk

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR LOCAL HISTORY

www.balh.org.uk/
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www.freeukgenealogy.org.uk
www.facebook.com/HalstedTrust

HALSTEAD TRUST, The

www.halsted.org.uk
www.facebook.com/HalstedTrust

INSTITUTE OF HERALDIC AND GENEALOGICAL STUDIES

www.ihgs.ac.uk
www.facebook.com/THEIHGS

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www.pharostutors.com

REGISTER OF QUALIFIED GENEALOGISTS

www.qualifiedgenealogists.org
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SCOTLAND: For details of Scottish societies, see Scottish Association of Family History Societies (SAFHS) www.safhs.org.uk

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Scotland

ANGLO-SCOTTISH FHS

www.mlfhs.uk/anglo-scots
www.facebook.com/angloscotfhs/

GLASGOW & WEST OF SCOTLAND FHS

www.gwsfhs.org.uk/
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RENFREWSHIRE FHS (Scotland)

<https://renfrewshirefhs.co.uk>
www.facebook.com/renfrewshirefhs.co.uk

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FamilySearch — massive online provision worldwide and free to register and use. It has an extensive Wiki, transcriptions of many parish registers with growing number of images of registers. www.familysearch.org

FreeUKGenealogy has a collection of free access websites for birth, marriage and death indexes, census, and parish registers.

www.freeukgenealogy.org.uk/ The FreeBMD site covers the General Registrar's indexing — easy access and searching.

Irish research: a useful free access website of information to help commence your Irish research and understand what is, or is not, available. www.irish-genealogy-toolkit.com/

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BRADFORD FHS

www.bradfordfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/groups/1425861784383338/

CALDERDALE FHS

www.cfhsweb.com

www.facebook.com/calderdalefhs/

CITY OF YORK & DISTRICT FHS

www.yorkfamilyhistory.org.uk

www.facebook.com/YorkFHS/

CLEVELAND FHS

<https://clevelandfhs.org.uk>

CUMBRIA FHS

https://cumbriafhs.com/cgi-bin/cumbria/cfhs_main.pl

www.facebook.com/groups/241982616155568/

DONCASTER & DISTRICT FHS

www.doncasterfhs.co.uk

www.facebook.com/people/Doncaster-District-Family-History-Society/100064539526527/

EAST YORKSHIRE FHS

www.eyfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/eastyorkshirefhs/

FURNESS FHS

www.furnessfhs.co.uk

HUDDERSFIELD & DISTRICT FHS

www.hdfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/huddersfieldfamilyhistory

LANCASHIRE FHS & HERALDRY SOCIETY

www.lfhhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/LFHHSOnline

LANCASHIRE PARISH REGISTER SOCIETY

www.genuki.org.uk/LPRS/

LANCASTER & DISTRICT FH GROUP

www.lfhg.org

www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083787572480

LIVERPOOL & S.W. LANCASHIRE FHS

<http://lswlfhs.org.uk/>

www.facebook.com/LandSWLFHS/

MANCHESTER & LANCASHIRE FHS

<https://mlfhs.uk>

www.facebook.com/MandLFamilyHistory/

MORLEY & DISTRICT FH GROUP

www.facebook.com/groups/394397257285713/?ref=bookmarks

NORTH MEOLS FHS

www.nmfhssouthport.co.uk

NORTHUMBERLAND & DURHAM FHS

www.ndfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/FamilyHistorySociety

ORMSKIRK & DISTRICT FHS

www.odfhs.website

www.facebook.com/

PONTEFRACT & DISTRICT FHS

www.pontefractfhs.org.uk

<https://twitter.com/pontefractfhs>

RYEDALE FH GROUP

www.ryedalefamilyhistory.org

www.facebook.com/Ryedale-Family-History-Group-147270825334589/

SELBY & DISTRICT FH GROUP

<http://selbydistrictfamilyhistorygroup.blogspot.com>

www.facebook.com/SELBYDFH/

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www.sheffieldfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/groups/322087984863086/

WAKEFIELD & DISTRICT FHS

www.wdfhs.co.uk

www.facebook.com/groups/1381317321956367/

[permalink/4851998448221553/](https://www.facebook.com/permalink/4851998448221553/)

YORKSHIRE ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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Central England

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE FHS

www.bucksfhs.org.uk

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BURNTWOOD FH GROUP

www.bfhg.org.uk

CHESHIRE, THE FHS OF

www.fhsc.org.uk

www.facebook.com/CheshireFamilyHistory/

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www.cadfhs.org

www.facebook.com/groups/www.cadfhs.org/

COVENTRY FHS

www.covfhs.org

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www.dfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/DerbyshireFHS/

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www.gfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/GloucestershireFHS

HEREFORDSHIRE FHS

www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/groups/HerefordshireFamilyHistorySociety/

LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND FHS

<https://lrfhs.org.uk/>

www.facebook.com/LeicsRutFHS/

MALVERN (WORCESTERSHIRE) FHS

www.mfhs.org.uk

MIDLAND ANCESTORS

www.midland-ancestors.uk

www.facebook.com/people/Midland-Ancestors/100063602049527/

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE FHS

www.northants-fhs.org

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www.ofhs.uk

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www.sfhs.org.uk

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BEDFORDSHIRE FHS

www.bfhs.org.uk/

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www.cfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/cambridgeshirefhs

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY HERALDIC & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

<https://cuhags.soc.srcf.net>

DISS FH GROUP [Norfolk]

www.tharston-past.info/DFHG/index.html

ESSEX SOCIETY FOR FH

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www.facebook.com/esfh1/

FELIXSTOWE FHS

www.felixstowefhs.onesuffolk.net

FENLAND FHS

www.fenlandfhs.org.uk

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www.facebook.com/HertfordshireFamilyHistorySociety/

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www.norfolkfhs.org.uk

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TOLLESBURY [Essex] ANCESTRY GROUP

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EASTBOURNE & DISTRICT FHS

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www.facebook.com/EastbourneFamilyRoots/

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www.eolfhs.org.uk

www.facebook.com/groups/417997282266348/

EAST LONDON HISTORY SOCIETY

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www.facebook.com/groups/1449172685386502/

HAMPSHIRE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

www.hgs-familyhistory.com

www.facebook.com/HGSfamilyhistory/

HILLINGDON FHS

www.hfhs.org.uk

KENT FHS

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www.facebook.com/North-West-Kent-Family-History-Society-185363068176998/

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WEST MIDDLESEX FHS

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DORSET FHS

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SOMERSET & DORSET FHS