

Newspapers are a problem. It depends on what you are looking for. Small town newspapers usually are not on line or else the only years are those you don't need.

What I do first is identify the newspaper I am looking for. Newspapers of the US are listed in

Wikipedia. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_newspapers_in_the_United_States

Chronicling America is run by the Library of Congress and has early newspapers digitalized. All of these newspapers are pre 1920.

<http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/newspapers/>

Brooklyn Eagle 1841-1902 sponsored by the Brooklyn, New York Public Library is available at

<http://eagle.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/Default/Skins/BEagle/Client.asp?Skin=BEagle&AW=1340409745593&AppName=2&GZ=T>

Old New York State Historical Newspapers, mostly near Fulton County, New York. 20,000,000 pages of newspapers.

<http://www.fultonhistory.com/fulton.html>

Rensselaer County New York has newspapers back to 1790. The local society is in the process of digitalizing them and transcribing marriages and deaths from the old

newspapers. <http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nytigs/TroyNewspaperProject/TroyNewspaperProject.htm>

There are a lot of newspaper sites out there, but this one specializes in Historical Newspapers. Note the advanced search feature.

<http://www.elephind.com/>

For old newspapers in other areas, check with your local library. Most libraries subscribe to Historical Newspapers site. You can usually use this from home with a library card. Ask your local library. It has searchable newspapers from 1690 to 1920. It may be available as a part of NewsBank. These are paid sites but probably available free at your library. The bad news is that these newspapers are all indexed by Optical Character Recognition software. That means that the software has trouble with the old print and does not always index correctly. John Glover will be indexed as John Clover, for example.

This Google site has the newspapers arranged by name with links.

<http://news.google.com/newspapers#W>

See instructions for searching.

https://support.google.com/news/topic/13635?hl=en&ref_topic=2428810

The Wikipedia site has links to sources of a lot of the free newspapers. They are

by location and name of newspaper.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List_of_online_newspaper_archives

Listing of historical digitized U.S. newspapers available online for free. Excellent links

<http://www.xooxleanswers.com/free-newspaper-archives/us-state-and-local-newspaper-archives/>

https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/551652/html/2014/9e7fa6dc-e39f-11e3-9de8-002590d31986_id_9e7fa6dc-e39f-11e3-9de8-002590d31986.html

Veridian is a company which digitalizes old newspapers. A list of the collections is here.

<http://www.veridiansoftware.com/collections/>

<http://www.legacy.com/>

[Elephind](http://www.elephind.com/) is a google type index of digitalized newspapers. This is a list of the newspapers indexed.

<http://www.elephind.com/> is the index site itself. And advanced search is available.

Ohio Obituaries

<http://index.rbhayes.org/hayes/index/>

For a video on the subject of newspapers Some free and some not.:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qaaoj6nxsoc>

<http://nyshistoricnewspapers.org>

This particular site is a US Wide Death Index Site. However, under the heading of the state, there are dozens of links to newspaper sites and compiled obituary sites.

<http://www.deathindexes.com/>

For a list of present day newspapers by state and city, <http://www.usnpl.com/>

<http://www.theancestorhunt.com/newspapers.html>

This has lots of sites listed, and instructions for use.

I found this site particularly difficult to navigate so be sure to read & watch the lessons & tutorials. He also has a youtube channel.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/KennethRMarks>

<http://www.theancestorhunt.com/> tons of stuff here to choose from.

If you are looking for obituaries, check Legacy.com. GenealogyBank is indexed on FamilySearch.org Findagrave.com also has many obits.

The two primary paid sites are:

Newspapers.com

NewspaperArchive.com

Both allow free trials. What I do is check to see if they have what I want. If they have the newspaper and the right date, the Search Angels on this site can often do a lookup.

In most cases if the newspaper is not on line, the local library will be the best source of obits if you have the date of death.

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