

QUICK TIPS

Why should I use Ancestry's personal tree feature?

- You may make your tree public or private. I recommend making it public so it is easier to collaborate with other *Ancestry* users.
- No one can change your personal tree on *Ancestry*. This is different from the *FamilySearch Family Tree* which is an open edit for all registered users. It is important that you keep your personal records in more than one program.
- Living people added to your tree are not visible to other *Ancestry* users- even if you make your tree public.
- Trees generate hints for sources, stories, photos, and media.
- *Ancestry.com* has a unique search engine. Many of the records are the same as found on other sites such as *FamilySearch*, but there is value in using more than one site to find records.
- *Ancestry.com* helps you find relatives who also have trees, photos, sources, and stories about your ancestors.
- If you are a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, your personal tree allows you to transfer data between *Ancestry.com* and *FamilySearch Family Tree*.
- If you tie your DNA results to a tree on *Ancestry*, you may more easily identify others with common ancestors.
- Your tree on *FamilySearch* can easily be downloaded to *Ancestry.com*.

