

Professional Researchers List

The following persons utilize the facilities of the State Historical Society of Iowa libraries, and engage in professional genealogical (and to a smaller degree historical) research. Areas of expertise follow each listing.

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Wills, census, obituaries and marriages. Photographs of headstones, all counties, specializing in Polk and Warren.

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