

Brown County, Minnesota
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Vital Records ~ Obituaries ~ Family Search: Historical Images

Basic Vitals: B ~ M ~ D's

[Here is a Link for Brown County Births: 1870 > 1933](#)

If you wish to look at other MN County Birth Records, [Please Use This Link](#)

Minnesota Birth Files 1990-2020: Reclaim the Records

The files are in csv format

Uploaded in 2023

[Please use this Link](#)

There are a lot of the Vitals for Brown County in the Family Search Catalog,
 BUT, they are only accesible using a FS Computer at their FHL's.
 So... here is what I can find for now:

The Links below are from the "Historical Images" Section

[Brown County, Birth Records](#) ~ [Brown County, Marriage Records](#) ~ [Brown County Death Records](#)
[Here is a list for B~M~D's from the Historical Images Collection:](#) These are filmed records not found in the
 'Regular FS Search]

There are Marriage Records for Neighboring Counties in the "Historical Images" Section
 First, for other the MN Counties I currently host, and some that I formerly hosted]

[Blue Earth, Nicollet, Watonwan](#)

[Another Set of Marriages: Nicollet](#)

[Watonwan: Historical Images: Marriage Records](#)

Then for Brown's Neighbors:

Redwood County, MN : Marriages	Redwood County, MN: Marriages
007667140 (Item 2 of 2)	Marriage Records
1864-1940	v. A - v. C (p. 1-345
	5193189
Religious Marriage Record Indexes	Sep 1908-Jan 1917
5193188	
Dec 1901-Sep 1908	Marriage Records
	v. G (p. 340-end) - v. I
Marriage Records	5193187
v. E (p. 260-end) - v. G (p. 1-341	Apr 1897-Dec 1901
5193186	Marriage Records
Apr 1866-May 1894	v. C (p. 344-end) - v. E (p. 1-261

Cottonwood County, MN : Marriages	Cottonwood County, MN : Marriages
004539691 (Item 1 of 6)	4539689
Windom, Cottonwood, MN	Windom, Cottonwood, MN
1906-1911	1871-1908
Marriage Records	Birth Rec's, Birth Reg's, Marriage Rec's, Marriage Reg's
004859994 (Item 3 of 12)	p. 50 (right half)-end
1872-1980	4539690
	Windom, Cottonwood, MN
	1892-1911 Marriage Records v.3 -

The only online records I find for Renville that might have vitals are in the [USGW Archive Collection](#)
[bios/](#) ~ [cemeteries/](#) ~ [church/](#) ~ [history/](#) ~ [military/](#) ~ [obits/](#) ~ [plats/](#) ~ [vitals/](#)

Family Search ~ "Collections" for Minnesota Neighboring States

[Iowa](#) ~ [North Dakota](#) ~ [South Dakota](#) ~ [Wisconsin](#)

Sign into your FS Account, then use the above links

Family Search ~ Michigan Marriages

[This link is for folks born in Minnesota and who married in Michigan: 1868 - 1925](#)

[Available Info: Full Name, Place of Marriage, Residence, Place of Birth, Age, Occupation, Officiant, Witnesses]

Sign into your FS Account, then use the above link.

More FS Records: These are Searchable Databases and Films

Births ~ Marriages ~ Deaths

[MN Birth Index: 1935 > 2002](#) ~ [1840 > 1980](#)

[Marriages: 1860 > 1949](#) ~ [1849 > 1950](#) ~ [1958 > 2001](#)

[Deaths: 1908 > 2002](#) ~ [Deaths & Burials: 1835 > 1990](#)



Obituaries

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Family Search has a very large collection of Obituaries that were included
in "family Genealogies" It is supposed that these Genealogies all relate to Brown County Folk.

These Files were given to FS by the Brown County Historical Society, New Ulm, Brown, MN and Scanned in 1990 for
their Catalog: [There are 44 Films, The Time Frame is 1853 - 1992](#)

Below the Films on the above web page, you will find the "Family Genealogies"

They are labeled and sorted by year.

The Charts below detail each Film with Dates, Alpha Ranges, and Image Ranges.

Each Film is linked to the FS Catalog.

The First Chart is for three Films which are all Alphabetical

Alpha Indexes / 3 Films	Alpha Indexes / 3 Films	Alpha Indexes / 3 Films
1704524 / A - Has	1704525 / Hat - Pe	1704526 / Pe - Z
A / 4 - 227	Hat - I / 4 - 523	Pe - Q / 4 - 310
B / 228 - 1000	J / 524 - 730	R / 311 - 675
C / 1001 - 1215	K / 731 - 1262	S / 676 - 1631
D - E / 1216 - 1684	L / 1263 - 1625	T / 1632 - 1816
F / 1685 - 2031	M / 1626 - 2172	U - V / 1817 - 1935
G / 2032 - 2420	N / 2173 - 2331	W - Z / 1936 - 2368
H - Has / 2431 - 2609	O / 2332 - 2474	

The second Chart details all the Films that are Indexed by Year.

Each year section is alphabetical

Film 1887783 / 1853 - 1899	1887576 / 1957 - 1962
Alpha Ind / Img Rge	1963 [A - Ch]
Item 1	1957 - 1958 / 2 - 595
A - G / 5 - 21	1959 - 1960 / 596 - 1279
H - L / 21 - 31	1962 / 1280 - 1858
M - Q / 31 - 38	1962 / 1859 - 2703
R - V / 38 - 49	1963 / 2704 - 2868
W - Z / 49 - 51	
Item 2	1887577 / 1963 - 1965
1900 - 1901 / 54 - 276	1963 [Ch-Z] / 6 - 906
1902 - 1903 / 277 - 538	1964 / 907 - 2002
1904 - 1905 / 539 - 727	1965 [A-Sch / 2003 - 2893
1906 - 1907 / 728 - 922	
1908 - 1909 / 923 - 1220	1887878 / 1965 - 1977
1910 - 1911 / 1221 - 1552	Missing Years: 1968 - 1976
1912 - 1913 / 1553 - 1827	1965 [Sch-Z] / 5 - 199
1914 - 1915 / 1828 - 2203	1966 / 200 - 1349
1916 - 1917 / 2204 - 2547	1967 / 1650 - 2261
	1977 [A-Sch] / 2262 - 3116
1887573 / 1918 - 1930	
All A- Z / Img Rge	1887579 / 1977 - 1980
1918 / 4 - 235	1977 [Sch-Z] / 6 - 256
1919 / 236 - 408	1978 / 257 - 1303
1920 / 409 - 551	1979 / 1304 - 2336
1921 / 552 - 713	1980 [A-Rei] / 2337 - 3080
1922 / 714 - 836	
1923 / 837 - 980	1887639 / 1980 - 1983
1924 / 981 - 1205	1980 [Re--Z] / 6 - 275
1925 / 1206 - 1512	1981 / 276 - 1186
1926 / 1513 - 1861	1982 / 1187 - 2073
1927 / 1862 - 2174	1983 / 2074 - 3004
1928 / 2175 - 2422	
1929 / 2423 - 2652	1887640 / 1984 - 1986
1930 / 2651 - 2805	1984 / 5 - 969
	1985 / 970 - 1922
1887574 / 1931 - 1944, 1945	1986 / 123 - 2894
A - New	
1931 - 1932 / 4 - 361	1887641 / 1987 - 1989
1933 - 1934 / 362 - 626	1987 / 5 - 942
1935 - 1936 / 627 - 1082	1988 / 970 - 1922
1937 - 1938 / 1083 - 1544	1989 / 1923 - 1926
1939 - 1940 / 1545 - 1953	

1941 - 1942 / 1954 - 2365	1887642 / 1990 - 1992
1943 - 1944 / 2366 - 2761	1990 / 5 - 975
1945 / 2762 - 2894	1991 / 976 - 2079
	1992 / 2080 - 3126
1887575 / 1945 - 1956	
New - Z	
1945 / 6 - 85	
1946 - 1947 / 86 - 509	
1948 - 1949 / 510 - 945	
1950 - 1951 / 946 - 1407	
1952 - 1953 / 1408 - 1913	
1954 - 1955 / 1914 - 2424	
1956 / 2425 - 2705	

Heritage Hub: The Star Tribune
December 1989 - 31 December 2023
[Please use this link for the Index](#)

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Note: I will not be creating any more Obit Indexes: I have had no queries for them for a couple of years.
But, that said, I will still do lookups on Heritage Hub [Contact: Martha](#)

There are also Brown County Obituaries in the "Mankato Free Press"
The Mankato Free Press is on HeritageHub which may be available in your local Public Library
Check: Digital Resources, etc, and access with your Library Card

Obituaries from the FS Catalog
Minnesota, Brown County, [Obituaries, 1855-1990 - Family Search](#)

[Mary Zins Obituary Collection and Marriages, ca. 1896-1988](#)

Zins, Mary Ann [Author] Filmed Newspaper Clippings
Aastrom, Anna, Mrs. - Door, Blanche Film: 1888040
Door, Blanche - Janos, Karl, Film: 1888041
Janos, Karl - Michels, Kenneth Film: 1888042
Michels, Kenneth - Schultz, Bernard G. Film: 1888043
Schultz, Bernard G. - Zwaschka, A., Mrs. Film: 1888201

Obituary Indexes from the Legacy Collection of Jose Rivera Nieves

[Here is the Index for Brown County](#)
[Here is the Index for all of Minnesota](#)
[Here is the Index for the United States](#)
[Here is an index for Countries of the World](#)

The Obituaries indexed on the Nieves Collection may be found using your local Library Resources.
Check in with your Library Card and look for "Heritage Hub" which is a digital database for newspapers.

Obituaries [Heritage Hub, etc] for the other MN Counties I host:
[Blue Earth](#) ~ [Cottonwood](#) ~ [Freeborn](#) ~ [Faribault](#) ~ [Hennepin](#) ~ [St Louis](#) ~ [Steele](#) ~ [Watonwan](#)

California, Oakland, Alameda Co., Newspaper Record Collection, 1985-2011
[The images are available on Family Search.](#) Sign in for access.
[Here is a set of resources for Oakland, Alameda Co., CA](#)

[Obituaries: American Historical Society German's from Russia, 1899-2012](#)
[FS Searchable database with Newspaper Clippings]
Here is the WebSite for the [American Historical Society of Germans from Russia](#)

"Tidbits of Sublette County, Wyoming"

Compiled by:
Anna Lee Woffinden

[Please use this Link: All Indexes for the Booklets](#)

They contain all sorts of newspaper articles:

Birth, Death, Marriages, Funeral & Burial Announcements and Accidents

The Booklets are in the FS Catalog:

Log into your account: Search, Catalog, Enter 'Woffinden'
in the Author Slot, Big Piney Examiner will be listed.

There is a website dedicated to Canadian Obits
from local papers.

[Please use this link.US Obituaries](#)

[Obituary Index \[Minnesota State University\]](#)
[Minnesota Digital Library](#)

Obituaries, Newspapers & Bulletins

[The Brown County Public Library has an impressive Digital Archive](#)

The Minnesota Historical Society has a great set of Digitized Newspapers.

Newspaper Listing: Aberdeen, New Ulm, Sleepy Eye

[Please use this Link for the MN Historical Society Digital Newspaper Hub](#)

[Minnesota Newspaper Directory](#)
[Chronicling America ~ Google News Archive](#)
[Minnesota Historical Society - Old Bulletins](#)



Family Search: Historical Images

Records that are not available with the traditional FS Search

This set of links is for Miscellaneous Records

[Brown County "Legal Records" ~ Court, Probate, Foreclosure](#)

[Brown County "Biography" Records ~ Newspapers, Obits, Vitals, Genealogy Records](#)

[Brown County "Religious" Records ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Birth, Burial, Funeral Home Records](#)

[Brown County. Naturalization Records](#)

[Brown County "Odds and Ends" Marriage, Burial, Cemetery, Sale Records](#)

Note: If you want to do the searches for yourself:

To access the Historical Images, log into your FS Account: Click on Search, then at the top of the page:

Historical Images:

Enter Location of Interest



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