

Guide to the Muncy Family Database (ver.3.0)

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What is the Muncy Family Database?

The Muncy Family Database (hereafter referred to as MFD or database) is an online database of thousands of related records of individuals, families, sources and related information on the descendants of two original immigrants named Muncy who likely came to North America in the mid-1650's from England. In addition, there are records on unconnected lines that we hope will someday be further expanded and connected.

You can access MFD by selecting the link in the left column of the MuncyFamily Info home page at:

<http://www.muncyfamily.info>

or you can go directly to the database by going to:

<http://www.muncyfamily.info/muncydata/>

MFD is to be used as a research site allowing you find information on ancestors, possible ancestors, or related persons. MFD is not a single file or document you can read.

What records are included in the database?

The Muncy Family Database contains thousands of related records of individuals, families, sources and related information on the descendants of two original immigrants named Muncy who likely came to North America in the mid-1650's from England.

The two original "Muncy's" were Francis Muncy and William Muncy. (They may have been brothers but this has not been proven.) There are names included in the database for which ancestry has not yet been determined, and in some cases educated guesses have been used to assign ancestry. (Speculative ancestors are always noted in the notes for the individual record.)

Currently there are almost 12,000 individuals, 4,000 families, and over 1,600 sources included in the database. For individual records, the MFD has grown over 50% in the past four years.

Information on the spouse of each Muncy descendant is included and when known, the parents of the spouse may be shown. No attempt has been made to follow the ancestry of spouses who married a Muncy — we are following only the Muncy line.

I'm confused about spelling. What is the correct spelling of "Muncy"?

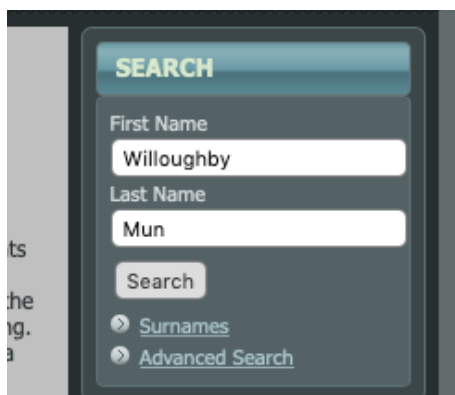
This is very important, so please read this section twice — **THERE IS NO CORRECT SPELLING** of the last name. Originally the name was spelled by local parish priests based on sound and these spellings varied a lot. You will see the following variations (and probably others): Muncy, Muncey, Muncie, Munsey, Munsy, Munsee, Monsey, Mounsey, etc. I've probably seen fifteen or more variations, but overwhelmingly in North America the name begins with "Mun."

Because there are so many variations in spelling 'Muncy', you should always shorten the last name to "Mun" in the last name field when searching the database. This will find all names that begin with "Mun" - names of Muncy, Muncie, Munsey, Munsy, etc. (If doing an advanced search, selecting the "soundex of" option in the pop-up list will show all similar sounding names.) And don't make assumptions about spelling. I've seen numerous examples in which individuals have changed the spelling back and forth during their lifetimes. And I've seen many examples in which siblings have spelling their surname differently. Many families have traditions that some in the family decided to change the spelling because of family feuds. Maybe that has happened, but usually that is just a family rumor. You will find family records in this database in which the father spells his last name "Muncy", and some children will adopt "Munsey" or "Muncie" or "Muncey" as the spelling.

Again, do not think there is a correct way to spell the last name. This will doom you in your family research!

How do I really use this database?

In the most basic form, you simply go to the Muncy Family Database homepage (see question #1), and use the search box in the right corner to search for a person, using "Mun" as the last name if searching for a Muncy.



The image shows a search interface with a dark background. At the top is a blue header with the word 'SEARCH' in white. Below this are two white input fields. The first is labeled 'First Name' and contains the text 'Willoughby'. The second is labeled 'Last Name' and contains the text 'Mun'. Below the input fields is a white button with the text 'Search'. At the bottom of the search area are two links: 'Surnames' and 'Advanced Search', both with a magnifying glass icon to their left.

For example, search for Willoughby Muncy as follows - enter the first name, last name as "Mun" and click the search button.

This will result in a Search Results page listing all records that include the name "Willoughby" as a first or second name and the last name beginning with "Mun." (see below)

Moving your cursor to the top of the name will result in a pop-up box showing basic family information on that individual.

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 Willoughby Randolph

Rev. Willoughby Randolph Muncy
 ♂ 1816 - 1871 (54 years)

Birth	27 Dec 1816	Lee County, Virginia, USA
Buried	Mar 1871	Lee County, Virginia, USA
Died	18 Mar 1871	Jonesville, Lee County, Virginia, USA

Father	Francis A. (Franklin) Muncy, b. 3 Feb 1788, Montgomery County, Virginia, USA	
Mother	Freelove (Lovey) Randolph, b. Abt 1795, Virginia Beach, Virginia, USA	
Married	Abt 1808	Lee County, Virginia, USA

Family 1	Mary Catherine Jayne, b. 12 Oct 1819, Lee County, Virginia, USA	
Married	6 Jan 1835	Lee County, Virginia, USA
Children	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. William Jayne Muncy, b. 29 Feb 1836, Lee County, Virginia, USA 2. Francis Muncy, b. 1838, Lee County, Virginia, USA 3. Sarah A. Muncy, b. 1840, Lee County, Virginia, USA 4. Barbara Jayne Muncy, b. 26 Jun 1840, Rocky Station, Lee County, Virginia, USA 5. Lovey Muncy, b. 2 Oct 1842, Lee County, Virginia, USA 6. Levi Nelson Muncy, b. 12 Jun 1847, Lee County, Virginia, USA 7. John James Muncy, b. 9 Sep 1851, White Shoals, Lee County, Virginia, USA 8. Nervesta Muncy, b. 1853, Lee County, Virginia, USA 9. Elvira Muncy, b. 30 Jul 1861, Lee County, Virginia, USA 	

Occupation	Tree
	Francis Muncy Descendants
County, Virginia, USA ^P	Francis Muncy Descendants
County, Virginia, USA ^P	Francis Muncy Descendants

Clicking on the name in the Search Results page opens the individual record for that person containing all of the information available, including parents, children, notes, event map and sources. This contains more information than the pop-up window show above.

Especially important are the additional features that can be accessed on the individual page.

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Rev. Willoughby Randolph Muncy
 ♂ 1816 - 1871 (54 years)

Individual Family Ancestors Descendants Relationship Timeline GEDCOM Edit

Personal Information | Media | Notes | Sources | Event Map | All | PDF

Name	Willoughby Randolph Muncy [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11]	
Prefix	Rev.	
Born	27 Dec 1816	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P [3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11]
Gender	Male	
Residence	1850	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P [9]
Residence	1860	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P [8]
Residence	1870	White Shoals, Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P [7]
Buried	Mar 1871	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P [3, 6] o Muncy/Jayne Cemetery
Death	8 Mar 1871	Thompson Settlement, Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P
Occupation	Farmer; Minister	
Reference Number	A-1-2-4-4-4-3	
Religion	Baptist	
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Note the tabbed buttons above the individual information - individual, family, ancestors, descendants, relationship, timeline, GEDCOM, Edit. These buttons enhance your access to the information in the database. (not all will apply to you based on your user status)

Family will show you a family chart

Ancestors will show you a chart of ancestors with many options for display.

Descendants will show you a chart of descendants with options for display or printing.

Relationship helps to determine the relationship between two people.

Timeline shows a dated timeline of events.

Worksheet allows you to create a pre-filled worksheet to submit changes. (See Submitters Guide for details)

GEDCOM allows you to build a separate GEDCOM file of ancestors or descendants using the number of generations you select. This GEDCOM file can then be imported into most genealogy software to build a local copy of the family file. (see your software instructions on importing GEDCOM files.)

Suggest allows users who have registered and received Submitter status to suggest changes in the database. (Submitters, see the separate document on how to recommend changes listed in the Resources Section on the MFD home page in the lower right corner.

(**Edit** is not displayed except for administrative levels.)

FAQ:

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On some pages I see a “tree” popup option allowing selection of “All trees”, “Francis Muncy Descendants” or “William Muncy Descendants.” Which should I choose?

If you know your search is for a descendant of Francis Muncy or William Muncy, choose the appropriate tree database. If you aren't sure select “All Trees.” There is nothing wrong with keeping “All Trees” selected all the time, but it will give you more names that won't apply to you than you would have with selecting a single tree.

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What do I need to know about the ID numbers assigned to persons and families?

Many items in the Muncy Family Database include ID numbers associated with a specific item. All ID numbers are preceded by a LETTER indicating what kind of information the ID number relates to. The IDs you will encounter most often and find the most helpful are:

- I Individual Record, a person ID relating to a single person (ex. I5)
- F Family Record, relating to a specific family (example, F5)
- S Source Record, relating to a specific source for info (ex. S246)

(SPECIAL NOTE: The ID record numbers don't care if the first letter is upper or lower case. You will note that the first letter for individual records is the letter "I" and this is sometimes confused with the number 1 (one) in the ID number. For example "I422" and "1422" look a lot alike and will yield errors. For that reason, I prefer to use the lower case character: "i422" rather than "I422" since it can be read more clearly.)

You can use record ID numbers in most searches and you **MAY** find it at times to be more convenient. Be aware that Individual IDs, Family IDs and Source ID can be repeated in each of the two family trees. For example, if you designate "All Trees" in your search criteria, a search for Individual ID "I5" would give you the following result:

#	Last Name, Given Name(s) ▼	Person ID	Born/Christened ▲	Location	Tree
1	Muncy, Levi Nelson	I5	b. 12 Jun 1847	Lee County, Virginia, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
2	Munsey, John	I5	b. Abt 1685		William Muncy Descendants

Note that two names are listed because there is an I5 record in the Francis Muncy Descendants database, and an I5 record in the William Muncy Descendants database. Clicking on the name you want takes you directly to the record for that individual.

If, however, you had selected only the "William Muncy Descendants" in your search criteria, you would have jumped directly to the individual record.

So why would you want to use an Individual Person ID in a search rather than a search by name? This illustrates why:

This simple search on "Levi Muncy" using only the Francis Muncy data yields twenty-five names. Of course, if you don't have the Individual Person ID you will need to sort through the list to find your record.

By clicking the "Search Families" option button, you can perform the same kind of search using the Family Record ID. This gives a comprehensive view of each member of the family unit.

Using Individual Person IDs and Family IDs can prove useful but you certainly are not required to use them at any time. They simply provide another option in your search toolbox.

#	Last Name, Given Name(s) ▼	Person ID	Born/Christened ▲	Location	Tree
1	Muncy, Blevins P. (Blev)	I7699	b. 26 Jun 1877	Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
2	Muncy, Elmer Levi	I5170	b. 3 Dec 1874	Blue Springs, Jackson County, Missouri, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
3	Muncy, Levi	I4422	b.	Clay County, Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
4	Muncy, Levi Sr.	I2369	b. Abt 1738	Murderkill Hundred, Kent County, Delaware, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
5	Muncy, Levi Jr	I7407	b. Abt 1770	Kent County, Delaware, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
6	Muncy, Levi	I5327	b. 1808	Montgomery County, Virginia, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
7	Muncy, Levi	I2447	b. 1808		Francis Muncy Descendants
8	Muncy, Levi	I8661	b. 1823		Francis Muncy Descendants
9	Muncy, Levi	I8515	b. Abt 1834	Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
10	Muncy, Levi	I4390	b. 18 Apr 1834	Clay County, Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
11	Muncy, Levi	I3700	b. 1838	Jackson County, Ohio, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
12	Muncy, Levi	I3404	b. 23 Oct 1865	Jackson County, Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
13	Muncy, Levi	I4612	b. 18 Feb 1892	Waynesburg, Lincoln County, Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
14	Muncy, Levi	I7707	b. Jun 1898	Kentucky, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
15	Muncy, Levi	I4630	b. 1931	Indiana, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
16	Muncy, Levi Jarvis	I6049	b. 2 Aug 1849	Tennessee, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
17	Muncy, Levi Jarvis II	I6058	b. Jul 1874	Arkansas, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
18	Muncy, Levi John	I8680	b. 1 Feb 1923	Crocker, Perkins County, South Dakota, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
19	Muncy, Levi Leander	I5446	b. 25 Sep 1916	Stigler, Haskell County, Oklahoma, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
20	Muncy, Levi Lee Andrew	I5411	b. 8 Aug 1886	Indian City, Payne County, Oklahoma, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
21	Muncy, Levi Nelson	I5	b. 12 Jun 1847	Lee County, Virginia, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
22	Muncy, Levi Owen (Owen)	I350	b. 26 Jan 1901	Plainview, Hale County, Texas, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
23	Muncy, Levi T.	I8654	b. 21 May 1846	Sugar Creek Ridge, Highland County, Ohio, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
24	Muncy, Levi Wayland	I6625	b. 8 Jul 1925	Keota, Haskell County, Oklahoma, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants
25	Muncy, Macy Levi	I6001	b. 23 Feb 1921	Shady Point, Le Flore County, Oklahoma, USA P	Francis Muncy Descendants

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I looked at the record for my ancestor Bizzybody Munsee and some of the information is different than that in a family tree on Ancestry. How can I get the information updated?

First, please understand that I use Ancestry, MyHeritage, FamilyTree DNA, and other services daily - and I'm here to tell you that most family trees on those services are absolutely worthless UNLESS they are heavily documented.

I am happy to correct any any information you find that is incorrect - but you will need to provide documentation and reasons for changes. Disagreement with a family tree on Ancestry is not a valid reason. Do you have valid birth records, death records, census records, Bible records, letters, etc. Provide the documentation to me and I'll make changes. If you are providing changes for siblings or parents, I'll usually take your word for it. If you are a user with Submitter status, you can easily suggest changes by following the instructions in the Submitter's guide in the Resources Section on the MFD home page in the lower right corner.

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I have noticed that some records do not show complete names, only initials, and are marked “private.” What does this mean?

Private records are those in which the individual is known to be living, or the status is not known and the age shown is less than 100 years, or the person has been deceased for less than ten years. For privacy reasons, these individuals are marked as living or private and only shown by their initials. Submitters will have limited access to the records of living persons. In addition, persons are generally kept marked as private for TEN YEARS FOLLOWING THEIR death, making details of full name, birth and death information unavailable. While this is certainly inconvenient for those of us who pursue genealogy, it is a reflection of the times we live in and personal privacy is an important issue.

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What is included in the Media section?

The Media section includes photos, documents, and headstone photos. As in many other sections, the “Tree” option limits display to either William Muncy descendants, Francis Muncy descendants, or All.

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What are some other features of the database?

Some features included with the database software have not been implemented, and may not be implemented depending on the time involved. However, you may find the following features listed on the database home page to be helpful.

What's New - the most recent 100 items/changes added within the past 45 days.

Most Wanted - Information that is on our “most wanted” list.

Documents - available for downloading. Very few documents are currently available, but we can easily add additional documents submitted to us as PDF files. Email your PDF document with description.

Cemeteries - locations and maps of cemeteries containing graves noted in the database. Cemeteries must be added manually and this is a time-consuming and labor intensive project but this section will be greatly expanded over time. If you have a cemetery you want added, please send email and we can add it.

Notes - a searchable list of notes attached to individual records.

Dates and Anniversaries - provides list of events on specified dates.

Calendar - a calendar of births/deaths

Sources - a list of all sources included in the database.

DNA Tests - a listing of DNA tests taken and the type of test taken.

Statistics - listing of statistics of information contained in the database.

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I haven't logged into the Muncy Family Database in awhile. When I tried to log in recently it would not accept my username or password. What gives?

If you have not logged in for over two years, your account has probably been deleted. This is done to provide more security for the system. You can start from scratch and submit a new registration request and you will be approved. Use the "Register for a User Account" on the Muncy Family Database home screen.

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I have forgotten my username or password. What do I do now?

On the MFD home screen, click the login link and you will be taken to the log in page. Instructions on that page guide you through the process of getting your username or resetting your password.