

Guide to the

Muncy Family Database

(ver. 1)

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1. 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.

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.

2. 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 over 7700 individuals, 2700 families, and almost 1000 sources included in the database.

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.

3. 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, etc. I've probably seen fifteen or more variations, but overwhelmingly in North America the name begins with "Mun."

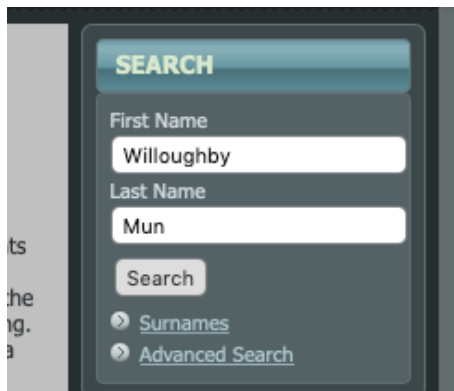
Because there are so many variations in spelling 'Muncy', you should always shorten the last name to "Mun" in the last name field when searching the database. This will find all names that begin with "Mun" - names of Muncy, Muncie, Munsey, Munsy, etc. (If doing an advanced search, selecting the "soundex of" option in the pop-up list will show all similar sounding names.)

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!

4. How do I really use this database?

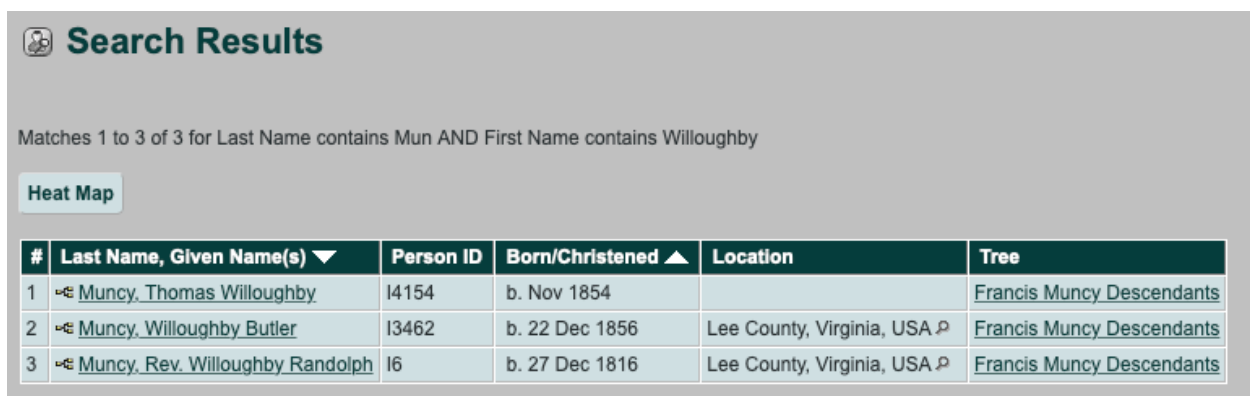
In the most basic form, you simply go to the Muncy Family Database homepage (see question #1), and use the search box in the right corner to search for a person, using "Mun" as the last name if searching for a Muncy.



The screenshot shows a search interface with a 'SEARCH' header. Below it are two input fields: 'First Name' containing 'Willoughby' and 'Last Name' containing 'Mun'. A 'Search' button is positioned below the last name field. At the bottom of the search area, there are two links: 'Surnames' and 'Advanced Search'.

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)



The screenshot shows a 'Search Results' page with a search icon and the text 'Matches 1 to 3 of 3 for Last Name contains Mun AND First Name contains Willoughby'. Below this is a 'Heat Map' button and a table with 3 rows of search results.

#	Last Name, Given Name(s) ▼	Person ID	Born/Christened ▲	Location	Tree
1	☞ Muncy, Thomas Willoughby	I4154	b. Nov 1854		Francis Muncy Descendants
2	☞ Muncy, Willoughby Butler	I3462	b. 22 Dec 1856	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P	Francis Muncy Descendants
3	☞ Muncy, Rev. Willoughby Randolph	I6	b. 27 Dec 1816	Lee County, Virginia, USA ^P	Francis Muncy Descendants

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

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	<ul 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 	

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
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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-1-2-4-4-3	
Religion	Baptist	
_UID	F112EAB22F8D457899E93ADAA926F5299B0F	

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.

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.

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.)

Edit in theory allows you to make changes to the records. However, because the master file for this database is maintained offline only Steve Muncy can actually make changes. Submit your suggestions for changes using the "contact us" links.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 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. For privacy reasons, these individuals are marked private and only shown by their initials.

7. I have noticed that some photos do not appear correctly. What is the cause?

Many photos are separately stored offline and are not included in the database. In such cases, the photo record will be shown with a camera icon. These photos are not available to the database, but MAY be available if you contact me separately and provide information on the photo you are seeking.

8. 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.

9. How often is the online database updated from the off-line master database?

At a minimum it is updated semi-annually, but practically I update the online database when a significant number of changes have been made. This could be monthly in some cases, but more frequently it will be on a quarterly basis. A notice of update is posted to the master page at www.muncyfamily.info as well as notifications sent to those who have registered access to the database.

