

**Thank you for your inquiry to the Lockport Area Genealogical & Historical Society
Founded 2001 in Lockport, Will County, Illinois**

WHAT WE CAN DO: Our society offers a limited amount of local record research by volunteers. Your contribution of \$20.00 covers one hour of research, postage, and copy fees (if any). This amount is non-refundable. We will tell you what records were searched, even if no results are found.

HOW TO REQUEST A SEARCH: Print and fill in this form and mail it with your check (payable to LAGHS) to: LAGHS, Search Request, Central Square, 222 E. 9th Street, Lockport, IL 60441. Please allow up to 30 days for a response.

INFORMATION WE NEED: Your name: _____
Your Address: _____
City/State: _____ Zip: _____
e-mail: _____

THE INDIVIDUAL TO BE SEARCHED: The more detail, the faster our search. You might find *free* information on the Internet (at home or at your local library), such as the federal censuses or vital records at beta.familysearch.org. Many libraries have available Ancestry.com and can help you get started with the information available there. Our web page also has a list of *free* data bases which we do not search, and include Illinois marriage, death, newspapers, and books. We list those web pages specific to Illinois and Will County.

Person's name or subject (i.e., business): _____
When in Lockport, Illinois (approximate years): _____
Date of person's birth _____ Place of Birth: _____
Date of marriage: _____ Place/church: _____ Spouse: _____
Date of death: _____ Place of death: _____
Occupation: _____ Religion: _____

OUR SEARCHES: Our searches include the following material in our archive and the local Lockport library (Des Plaines Valley Public Library system).

Lockport City Directories

Newspaper extracts, Lockport elected officials 1853-1903 (see city web site for officials after 1904)

Will County Histories (not books available on the web-see the list as mentioned above).

Obituaries, cemetery records, funeral home records, church records

Vertical files, Donated family histories

Civic and religious commemorative books

Photo of tombstone if you live out of state and have internet.

If we have an active member researching the same name, we will forward your e-mail and/or letter to them, allowing them to contact you if they wish.