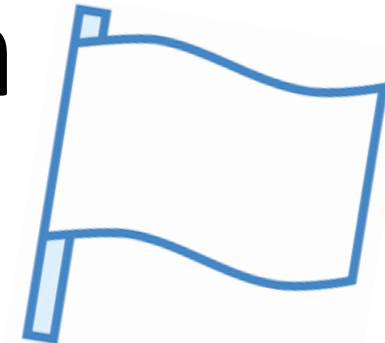
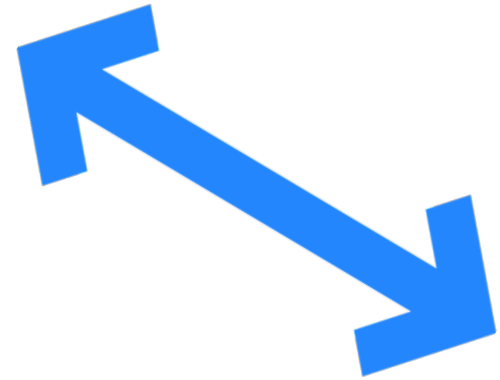


Using *Connections*

and

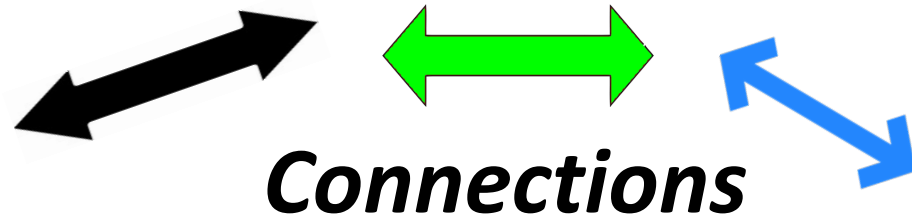
Flags in Reunion





Connections

- What are they
- How to create them (basic)
- Ways to use them
- How they behave, tips for using



Connections let you link people to other people who aren't necessarily related by blood or marriage, i.e., this **feature stretches beyond "familial" or "lineage linked" relationships.**

After creating a Connection, a blue dot with double arrow appears on the Person button to show you there's at least one connection to another person in your family file.

A screenshot of a person's profile in a genealogy software interface. The profile is for Jacobus Van Aken ECKERT, born 1831 and died 1911, aged 79. The name "ECKERT" is highlighted in purple. To the left of the name is a small thumbnail image of an open book with yellow highlights. Below the name is a "Birth" field with the value "10 Mar 1831, Esopus, [Kingston], Ulster, New Y". In the bottom right corner of the profile box, there is a blue double-headed arrow icon inside a circle, indicating a connection to another person.

Jacobus Van Aken ECKERT^{984, 817, 632}
1831 - 1911, age: 79

Birth 10 Mar 1831, Esopus, [Kingston], Ulster, New Y

Connections

The beige box shows Reunion's Help Manual suggestions for useful types of people to connect.

The black outlines show ones that I find most useful.

Godparent	Neighbor	Unrelated person	Possible relative
Godfather	Live-in	Housekeeper	Pall bearer
Godmother	Witness	Servant	Priest
Godchild	Witness to marriage	Unproven link	Notary
Friend	Witness to will	Tentative link	Legatee
House owner	Matchmaker	Hypothetical link	Executor
Killed	Killed by	Roommate	Care Provider

Connections

William TODD
1760 -
GGGG Grandfat...
Flags: Exclude f...

William SINNAMON [CIN...]
~1777 - 1864
Age: 87
GGGG Grandfat...
Flags: DNA Co...

13 Sep 1835, Kilcoo Church Of Ireland, Bryansford village, Ballyh... Parish Kilcoo; Barony Iveagh Upper, Lower Half 630,582, 34 years

Henry TODD⁷⁷
~1805 - 1870, age: 65
GGG Grandfather
Flags: Earliest Ancestor, Link to Parent Unc...

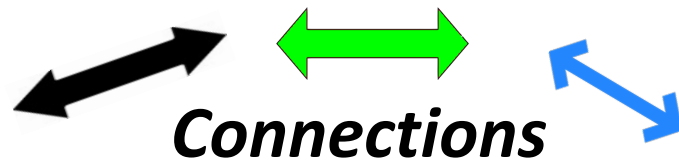
Charlotte SINNAMON [CINNAMOND]^{582, 2}
~1813 - 1899, age: 86
GGG Grandmother

Birth	abt 1805, probably Newtownards ²³⁰	Birth	abt 1813 ⁵⁹⁸
Note	25Apr2022: June Campbell Kinsman is a DNA	Note	see Research. See file drawer for Charlotte and
Rsrch	15Sept2023: found a Jane and James Todd at	Rsrch	15Sept2023: found a Jane and James Todd at

+ Children

6 Children	Birth	Death	Spouse	Status	Flags
Wm? Missing 1836-1... GGG Uncle				None	
Elizabeth/Lizzie TODD GGG Aunt	abt 1839	1887 Kilkeel, Down, No...	John MCQUIGGAN...		
George TODD GGG Uncle	abt 1842	4 Oct 1903 Newcastle, Kilcoo...			
Rachel TODD GGG Aunt	abt 1844 Newcastle, Kilcoo ci...	27 Feb 1915 Newcastle, Kilcoo...			
Mary Jane TODD GG Grandmother	abt 1847	23 Dec 1887 Bryansford village...	John LAIRD	None	DNA Common Ancestor
William TODD GGG Uncle	24 Apr 1851 Newcastle. Kilcoo ci...	Can't find		None	Link to Parent Uncertain

You can see
Connections on the
Couple, Children, Parent
and Marriage

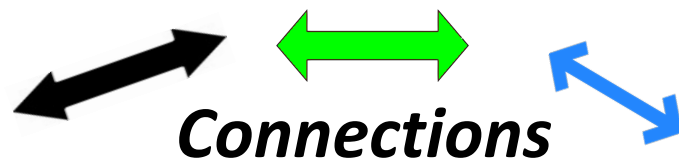


The Reunion Help Manual says:

Adding unrelated people to be used as connections will impact a few features, perhaps unexpectedly. For example, ***unrelated*** connected people:

- **will appear in the People sidebar,**
- **will be included in searches,**
- **will impact the Islands feature** (by creating new islands in cases where the connected person is not related to anybody else).

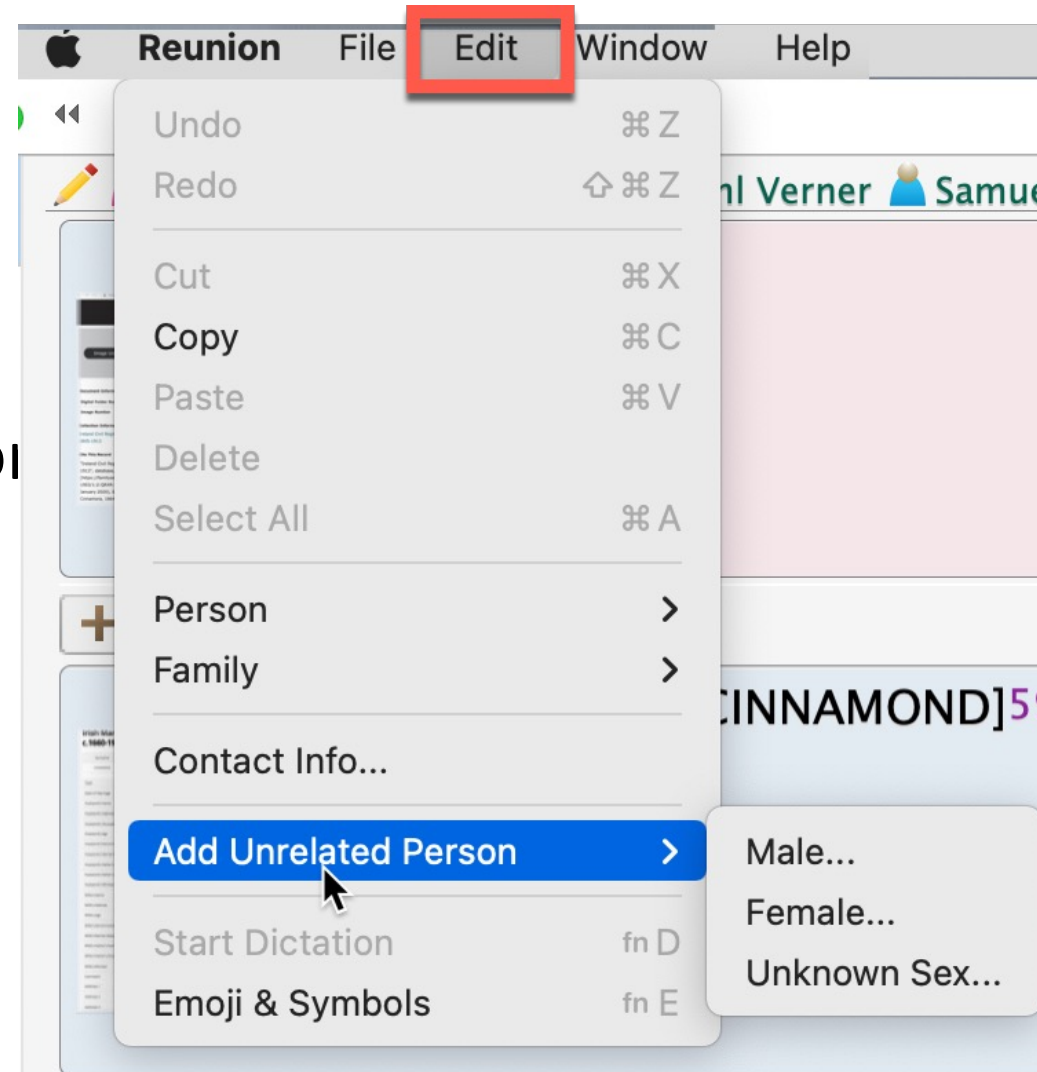
We suggest you **avoid overusing this feature**. For example, if you add 10 unrelated friends to each person in your family, your family file will no longer resemble a "family" file.

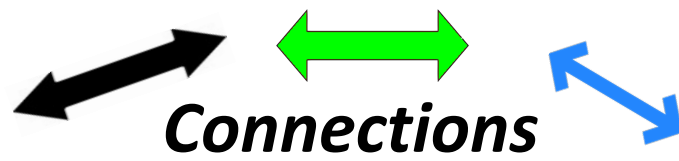


HOW to make a Connection:

If one of the people to be Connected are *not* already in the family file:

- You need to create a new Person record for them. They will be UNRELATED and only tied to your family file by the Connection.
- While in the Family View screen, choose [Edit > Add Unrelated Person > Male/Female/Unknown Sex](#)





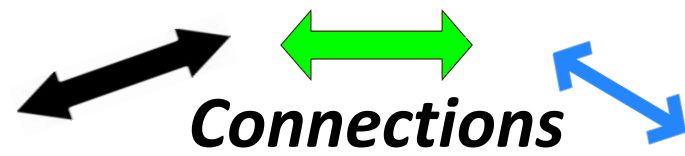
Once they are in your family file, here are the **ways to create a connection...**

1. Drag a person (their name or button) **from** one of these 3 places...

1. A sidebar.
2. A list.
3. The family view (only into a Log or Source, see below)

2. Drop it into one of these 3 places...

1. Another person's **Notes** field (if already showing in the family view, or in the Notes panel). Any type of Note in the Note field will work.
2. A Log.
3. The Free-Form Text field of any source record.



The name of the person you dragged and dropped will become a "connection" and will appear underlined in the text field where it was dropped (similar to a hotlink). The name includes prefix and suffix titles, if any are recorded, for the linked person.



John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND] (? 1800 -) age: ?



Name



7 Events



Facts



Notes



Flags

2 **P** **B** *I* U

Misc. Notes

Research

Military

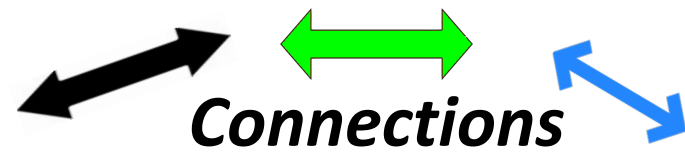
for Book compilation

Obit/death notice

Story

Joseph's father was listed as a Gardener in 1846; John's father was listed as a Farmer at 1856 wedding of John.

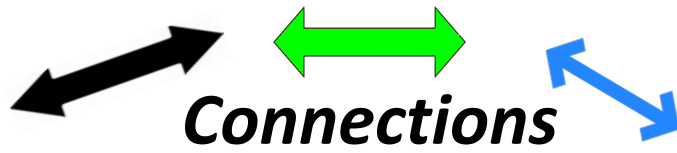
14 Nov 2020: John Sinnamon was a witness at the wedding of [Charlotte SINNAMON](#) and [Henry TODD](#).



OPTIONAL: The text containing and surrounding the linked name can be edited in the note field.

Birth was witnessed by [Michael Fremont SNYDER \(Uncle Mike\)](#).

See the Help Manual under ***Creating a Connection*** for instructions on how to do this.



Connections

 Freas Family 13

William SINNAMON [CINNAMON] (abt 1777 - 2 Jan 1864)

 Name |  7 Events |  Facts |  Notes | 

29Jul2022: son-in-law [Henry TODD](#) was a witness at his death.

 Connection from William SINNAMON [CINNAMON] to...



 **Henry TODD - GGG Grandfather**

b: abt 1805

bp: probably Newtownards

d: 16 May 1870, age: 65

dp: Newcastle, Kilcoo civil parish, County Down, Ireland (now Northern Ireland)

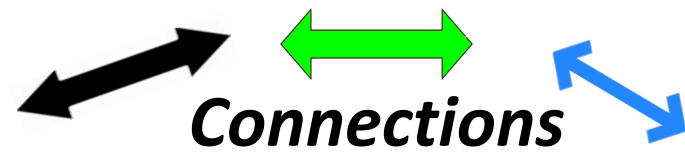
1 spouse

6 children

Connection Description: Witness at the death of William Sinnamon was his so

When you see blue underlined text, click it to see the **Quickview** window with details about the connected person.

- Line at top shows where connection is “from”
- Preferred photo
- Go button (green) for navigating to the connection
- Connected person detail
- Tiny gray arrow for Person menu
- Text field (optional)
- Red – “remove connection” button at top right



Clicking the **Remove** button (red line) in the upper-right corner will remove the connection, but it does **not** remove the person from the family file.

Another way to remove a connection is **in the note field where they appear.**

- Put your cursor at the end of the connection link in the note field and press the delete key until the link is deleted (same as if you were deleting text from the field).

Connections

Freas Family 13

William SINNAMON [CINNAMON] (abt 1777 - 2 Jan 1864)

Name Events Facts Notes

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Connection Description: Witness at the death of William Sinnamon was his so

The **Quickview** window is where you type in the Connection Description, to remind yourself later why you made this connection.

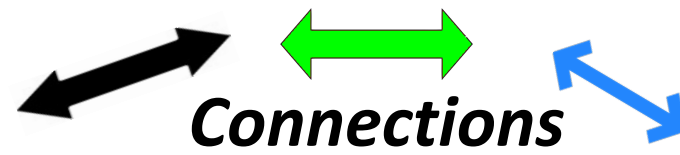
Connections

The Description field has a limit on number of characters (about 77) and accepts any punctuation EXCEPT a question mark. If you insert a question mark, neither it nor anything you type after it will appear when you later click the blue Connection button and see the description.

The screenshot shows a genealogy software window titled "Freas Family 13". The interface includes a sidebar with various icons (tree, chart, calendar, search, sliders, checkmark, coins, thumbs up) and a main area with several colored panels. A connection table is visible at the bottom, showing a connection between Alexander LOGAN and Nancy LOGAN. A red arrow points from the text above to the description field in the table.

From	To	Field	Description
Alexander LOGAN	Nancy LOGAN (?1760-)	Misc. Notes	Alexander lived in Cavan:is he related to my Nancy Logan

Connections



Source (604)

Source Fields (6)

Field	Data
Title	Will of John Laird
Date	printed at PRONI in May 2017 by Susan F Rogers, image taken June 2017
Detail	see image capture
File Name	Northern Ireland, Will Calendar Index, 1839-1943
Locality	Public Record Office of Northern Ireland (PRONI)
Media Type	Online records

Free-Form Text

[John LAIRD](#)

Multimedia (2)

Description	
Laird John 1787 will transcription Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laird John 1787 will districts transcript image Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>

No files selected

Preview

Template: Court Document 604 Show citations to source #604

Connections can also be put in the Source Panel, in the Free-Form Text Field

Connections

The screenshot shows a genealogy software interface. At the top, a window titled "Source (604)" contains a table of source fields. Below this, a connection popup is displayed, showing details for "John LAIRD - GGG Grandfather". The popup includes birth and death information, location, and family details. At the bottom of the popup, there is a "Connection Description:" field with a text input area. In the background, the main source record is visible, showing a table with fields like Title, Date, and Detail. A blue link "John LAIRD" is visible in the text area below the popup, with a mouse cursor hovering over it. The interface also shows a "Multimedia (2)" section at the bottom with a table of media items.

Field	Data
Title	Will of John Laird
Date	printed at PRONI in May 2017 by Susan F Rogers, image taken June 2017
Detail	see image capture

Connection from Source #604 to...

John LAIRD - GGG Grandfather

b: abt 1787
bp: Ireland (now Northern Ireland)
d: 11 Feb 1877, age: 90
dp: Newcastle, Kilcoo civil parish, County Down, Ireland (now Northern Ireland)
1 spouse
7 children

Connection Description:

John LAIRD

Description	
Laird John 1787 will transcription Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laird John 1787 will districts transcript image Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>

Click on the blue type to open the Quickview window

Connections

The screenshot shows a software window titled "Source (604)". It contains a "Source Fields (6)" table and a "Multimedia (2)" list. A callout box points to a button in the text editor toolbar.

Field	Data
Title	Will of John Laird
Date	printed at PRONI in May 2017 by Susan F Rogers, image taken June 2017
Detail	see image capture

John LAIRD - GGG Grandfather
b: abt 1787
bp: Ireland (now Northern Ireland)
d: 11 Feb 1877, age: 90
dp: Newcastle, Kilcoo civil parish, County Down, Ireland (now Northern Ireland)
1 spouse
7 children
Connection Description:

Multimedia (2)

Description	
Laird John 1787 will transcription Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laird John 1787 will districts transcript image Src604	<input type="checkbox"/>

Callout Box:
This gray, round button is called the Multimenu button. When you have connections, weblinks, citation links and/or email links in a — Free-Form Text field OR — any Note field, it will appear. Click it to see the total number of connections, web links, citations and email links

Search "Multimenu" in the Help Manual for more about that button

Connections

The screenshot shows a genealogy software interface for a profile named John LAIRD (abt 1787 - 11 Feb 1877) age: 90. The interface includes a left sidebar with icons for family, editing, and various note types. The main area displays a note titled "Transcription of will" with a rich text editor toolbar. A red arrow points from a callout box to the multiselect menu icon in the toolbar.

John LAIRD (abt 1787 - 11 Feb 1877) age: 90

Name Events Facts Notes Flags

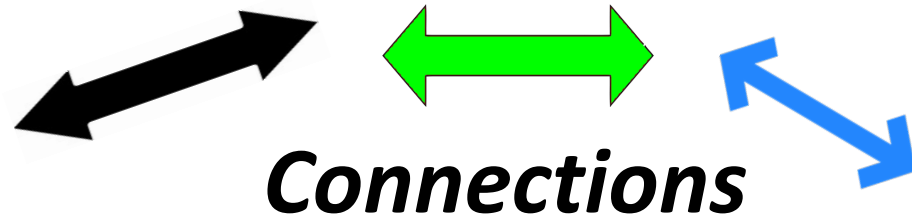
Misc. Notes
Research
Story
Military
for Book compilation
Obit/death notice
DNA matches to
Timeline

Transcription of will

I John Laird of the townland of Newcastle and Parish of Kilcoo being weak of body but sound of mind and memory to hereby make this my last will and testament on this the 30th day of October 1876. Firstly I revoke all former wills and testaments made by me. I have and bequeath my farm dwelling house and all my chattel property to my beloved wife Margaret Laird subject to the following legacies: I leave to my son Samuel Laird the sum of one Shilling Sterling. I leave to my son James Laird the sum of one shilling Sterling. I leave to my daughter Ellen Laird the sum of one Shilling Sterling. I leave to my daughter Margaret Rooney the sum of one Shilling Sterling. I leave to my daughter Bessie McCormick the sum of one Shilling Sterling. I leave to my son John Laird the sum of £10 [unreadable]. At my wife's death all my property farm chattles are to go to my son William with the exception of the furniture of the kitchen and of the best room which I give my wife Margaret Laird the right of bequeathing to whomsoever she wishes. I appoint William Laws and [William BARRY](#) executors of this last will and testament. Witness this my last will and testament signed sealed and delivered in the presence of Arthur McGiurk, witness present James Gordon. Dated this 30th day of October 1876. John laird, his mark.

Probate of the will of John Laird deceased granted on the eighth day of July 1885 to William Barry the surviving executor therein named. Signed JM Higginson district [can't read]


Here's the Multiselect button in a Notes field. It appears **only** on a note that has a connection or other link, not on any other Note.



Here are some ways I've used Connections


Connections

Margaret COYNE⁵²¹
~1803 - 1899, age: 96



Margaret is a one-person Island (stray). The Connections help me see how she interacted with relatives in my family file.

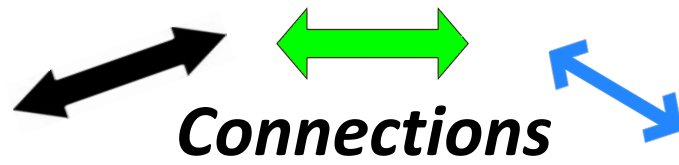
2 connections

From	To	Field	Description
Margaret COYNE	Eliza COYNE (~1845-1932)	Misc. Notes	Eliza (wife of James Laird) was present at Margaret's death.
Margaret COYNE	William B. LAIRD (1851-1923)	Misc. Notes	Margaret (spinster) left her effects to William, the brother-in-law of Eliza.

No other children.

+ Children

Spouse	Status	Flags
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Connections

Freas Family 13

Susan F G Friess 1728 Saml Verner Samuel McF Hiram C Cath VDW D Laird Ca

Family View
Susan's view

Tree View

Charts

Reports

Find

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Mark

Logs

Thumbnails

Jacob...
CONCKLI...

Hester
BARHYT...
1720 - 1...
Age: 63

John
GESNER

+ abt 1760, Tarrytown, Westchester, New York⁷⁸ +

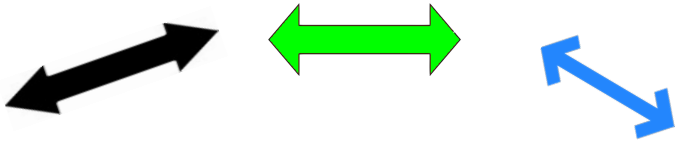
Jacob CONCKLIN [CONK...]

Elizabeth GESNER¹⁰⁰⁶
1745 - age: ?

1 connection

From	To	Field	Description
John GESNER	Jacob CONCKLIN [CONKLIN] Jr.	Misc. Notes	Jacob received land from FIL John Gesner

The Description reminds you why you put this stray person in your file.



Connections

John LOGAN⁷⁸¹

Faite Romhat

File Number of Ireland: 2126 - County Donegal

1 connection

From	To	Field	Description
John LOGAN	Nancy LOGAN (?1760-)	Misc. Notes	John lived in Killishandra: wondering if related to my Nancy Logan

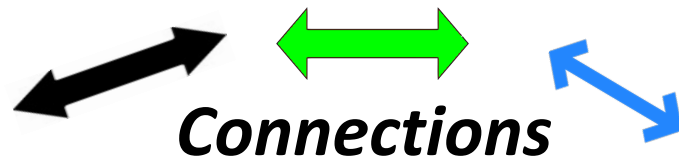
No other spouses.

No other children.

+ Children

0 Children	Birth	Death	Spouse	Status	Flags
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Sidebar



Connections

Another example of why you might connect two people

James McFADDEN
~1765 - ~1853
Age: 88
5G Uncle

John McFADDEN 500, 6
?1775 - ?1843, age: 68
1C5R

Birth ? 1775
Note 8Feb2024: no record
Rsrch
DNA match
No other spouses.
No other children.

+ Children

1 Child	Birth	Death	Spouse	Status	Flags
Samuel H. McFADDEN 2C4R	abt 1824 Ireland (now Norther...	17 Nov 1863 Philadelphia, Phil...	Amanda [McFAD...	None	

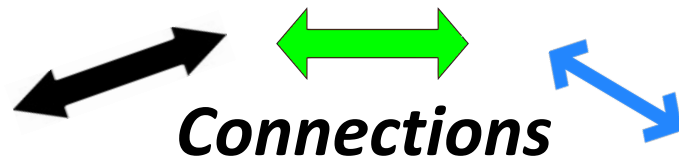
Margaret [Margaretta] [McFADDE...]
~1793 - 1879, age: 86
Spouse of 1C5R
Memorial 139889889

5 connections

From	To	Field	Description
Charlotte ELLIOTT (~1823-1910)	Margaret [Margaretta] [McFADDEN]	Misc. Notes	in 1870 census with Charlotte Elliott McF & Children
James McFADDEN (~1765-~18...)	Margaret [Margaretta] [McFADDEN]	Misc. Notes	James & Margaretta in same burial plot

Alberts list:


- ALBERTS, Edwin (1867 - 1905) - 1C3R
- [ALBERTS], Elizabeth
- ALBERTS, George W. (~1872 -) - 1C3R
- ALBERTS, Hezekiah - Spouse of 5G Aunt
- ALBERTS, Ida M. (1864 - 1926) - 1C3R




Connections

I had to identify the two different Margarets by birth year to not get confused

Charles JAMISON⁷
~1820 - age: ?



Jane [JAMISON]⁷
~1820 - age: ?



ELLIOTT, George B (1864 - 1956) - Spouse of 3rd Cousin

ELLIOTT, Georgia Mae (1897 - 1978) - 9th Cousin

ELLIOTT, Lois Maxine (1923 - 1977) - Sister

ELLIOTT, Mary (~1820 -) - Spouse of 3rd Cousin

ELLIOTT, Tommy - Spouse of 4th Cousin

Birth abt 1820, Ireland⁷

Note 18Nov2022: found t

Rsrch

DNA matc

No other spouses.

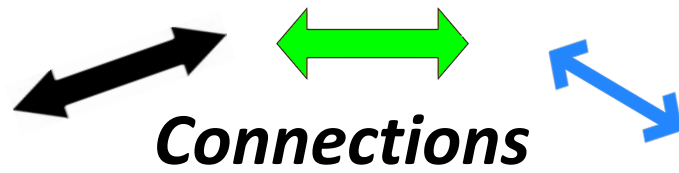
No other children.

2 connections

From	To	Field	Description
Jane [JAMISON]	Charlotte ELLIOTT (~1823-1910)	Misc. Notes	wondering if Jane's mother was Margaretta [Mcf] b1793
Margaret McFADDEN (~1810-)	Jane [JAMISON]	Misc. Notes	Margaret McF b1810 in hh of Jane and Charles Jamison 1860 census


+ Children

2 Children	Birth	Death	Spouse	Status	Flags
Mary JAMISON	abt 1852 Pennsylvania			None	
Charles JAMISON	abt 1857 Pennsylvania			None	




Connections

John Newell IS related to me. Rachel is my brick wall GGG grandmother. Was my Rachel's name carried down to appear years later in John's family, in his 1880 census?



John NEWELL⁷⁸
1818 - 1898, age: 80
1C4R
Flags: DNA Link
Memorial 115215117

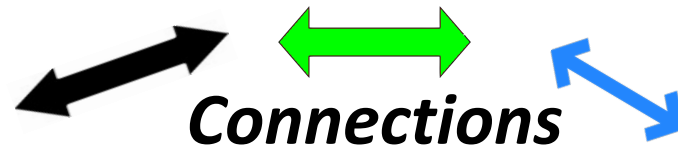


Elizabeth CUMBERLAND^{78, 317}
1819 - 1871, age: 52
Spouse of 1C4R
Memorial 123760310

1 connection

From	To	Field	Description
John NEWELL	Rachel NEWELL (?1795-<1838)	Misc. Notes	"Rachel" was written then erased from John's 1880 census page

Vikki used a Connection to show how Moses Greer was connected for 30 years to two different relatives.



* A . Rubiales - Lynch and Allied Families

Moses Chatham Greer
1832 - 24 Apr 1890, age: 58

From	To	Field	Description
Moses Chatham Greer	Levi BLUNT (1823-1879)	Birth	Moses worked as a farm hand from 1860-1870
Moses Chatham Greer	John Lamb FREEMAN (1842-1911)	Birth	John is the son-in-law of Levi Blunt. Moses worked as a farm hand for John until 1890.

When looking at the relatives' buttons, you see the Connection buttons to Moses.

Isaac Fitz FREEMAN
User ID: 60

Mary Louisa LAMB
26 Mar 1823 - 12 Nov 1845
User ID: 61

Levi BLUNT
1823 - 14 Feb 1879
User ID: 62

Grizella POWELL
29 Jun 1830 - 4 Jun 1878
User ID: 63

7 Apr 1864, Franklin Township, Sacramento County, California, 29 years

John Lamb FREEMAN
16 Aug 1842 - 11 Dec 1911, age: 69
User ID: 30

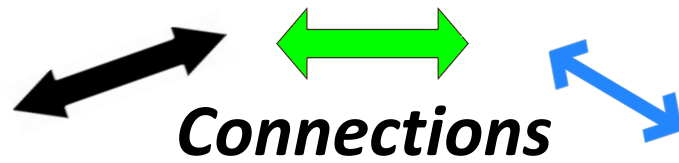
Anna Eliza BLUNT
19 Apr 1849 - 30 Jun 1893, age: 44
User ID: 31

↔ ↔ ↔
Connections

I found Hugh listed in the 1901 census of my relative. I probably should have included the census year in the description.

The screenshot shows a genealogy software interface. At the top, there is a search bar and a dropdown menu. Below this is a profile card for Hugh CUNNINGHAM, with a placeholder for a photo and the text "Hugh CUNNINGHAM³²⁰ ~1891 - age: ?". To the right of the profile card is a large, empty pinkish-red rectangular area. Below the profile card is a table showing a single connection.

From	To	Field	Description
William B. LAIRD (1851-...	Hugh CUNNINGHAM	Misc. Notes	Farm helper



Connections

I could have condensed this by putting ONE Connection from John to Charlotte and Henry's family (Marriage) button

Family View
Susan's view ▾

Tree View

Charts

Reports









Find ▾


Change

Mark


Logs ▾

Thumbnails

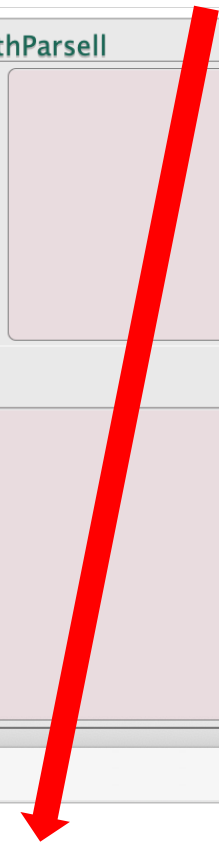
 Susan F  G Friess 1728  Saml Verner  Samuel McF  Hiram C  Cath VDW  D Laird  CathParsell

William SINNAMON [...]
~1777 - 1864
Age: 87
GGGG Gran...
Flags: DNA 

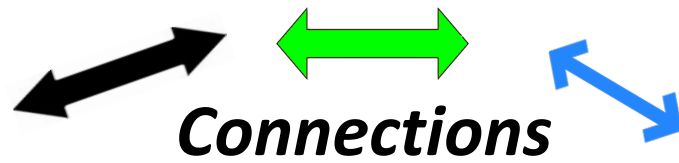
John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND] 592,...
?1800 - age: ?
GGGG Uncle

 3 connections

From	To	Field	Description
John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND]	Charlotte SINNAMON [CINNAMOND] (...)	Misc. Notes	John was a witness at Charlotte Sinnamon's marriage.
John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND]	Henry TODD (~1805-1870)	Misc. Notes	John was a witness at Henry's marriage to Charlotte Sinnamon.
Henry TODD & Charlotte SINNA...	John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND]	Misc. Notes	John (this one I think) was a witness at marriage of Henry & Charlotte



TIP: Use names,
not pronouns,
in your descriptions.



A screenshot of a genealogy software interface. On the left is a sidebar with navigation options: Family View (Susan's view), Tree View, Charts, Reports, Find, Change, Mark, Logs, and Thumbnails. The main area shows a family tree with several individuals highlighted in colored boxes: Susan F, G Friess 1728, Saml Verner, Samuel McF, Hiram C, Cath VDW, D Laird, and CathParsell. Below them are two larger boxes for William RUSK (1836-1908) and Margaret McFADDEN (1818-1890, age 72). A red speech bubble points to the Margaret McFADDEN box with the text "What NOT to do: which 'he' do I mean?".

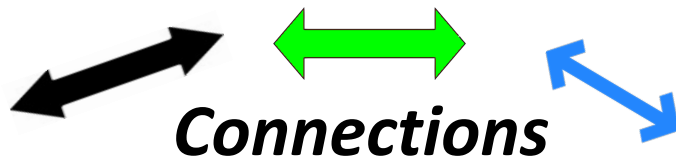
What NOT to do: which "he" do I mean?

1 connection

From	To	Field	Description
John NEWELL (1818-1898)	William RUSK	Misc. Notes	he had a "Rachel" erased at 1880 census

No other spouses.	No other spouses.
No other children.	No other children.

QUESTION: If you want to change the wording of a Description, *in WHICH PERSON'S Note field will you find it?*



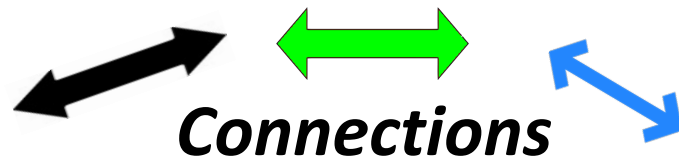
ANSWER: it's in the record of the person in the **first column (From)** in that line.

What NOT to do: which "he" do I mean?

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How do you find the people who you've made connections between?

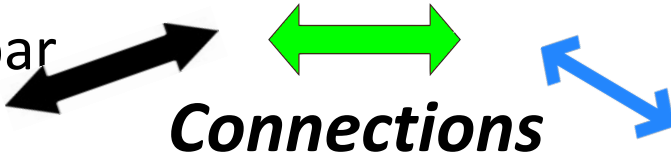
1. Go to the LISTS Icon (overlapping orange boxes at bottom of right sidebar)

The screenshot shows a family tree software interface for 'Freas Family 13'. The main view displays a family tree with several individuals: William Win... SMITH (Father of spouse, Private), Eleanor GREENE (1921-1999, Age 78, 6C3R), Donald Verner FREAS (1925-1995, Age 70, Father, Military), Ruth Elaine McFADDEN (1927-1996, Age 96, Mother, DNA mt...), Winslow SMITH ROGERS (1944-2024, age 80, 7C2R, Private, see four matches on fifth page at S...), and Susan Gail FREAS (1951-2023, age 72, Source, FB Group McFadden, Private, ...). Below the main view, there are sections for Birth, Note, Rsrch, and DNA mat. A red arrow points to the 'Lists' icon in the right sidebar, which is an overlapping orange box.

Birth	4 Jan 1944, Boston, Suffolk, Mas:Age: 80	Birth	17 Nov 1951, Pittsburgh, Alleq:Age: 72
Note	Brewster, Hopkins, Howland, Tilley	Note	
Rsrch		Rsrch	
DNA mat		DNA mat	

Children: 0 Children, Birth, Death

2. Click Connections in left sidebar



If the Connection is in a Log, it will say that

List - Connections

205 connections

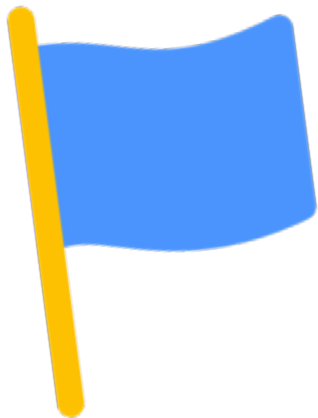
From	To	Field	Description
Joshua NEWELL Sr. (1738~1809)	Abijah GRIFFITH (1750~)	Misc. Notes	Abijah was a witness to Joshua Sr.'s will
Stephen NEWELL (1715~1801)	Abijah GRIFFITH (1750~)	Misc. Notes	Abijah was witness to Stephen's will
Abraham LOUW [LOW] (1743~)	Abraham LOUW [LOW] (1683-1758)	Misc. Notes	Abr b1683 sponsor at grandon Abraham's baptism
Martha PINCHBECK (1880-1937)	Abraham PINCHBECK	Misc. Notes	Martha is Abraham Pinchbeck's sister.
Martha PINCHBECK (1880-1937)	Agnes Smith CONKLIN (1886-1909)	Misc. Notes	Martha is Agnes Smith Conklin's sister-in-law.
Adrian Meertensen DE JONGH	Aldert Heymanse ROOSA [ROSA] (~1679)	Misc. Notes	Wife Wilhelmina's brother Adrian held Power of Attorney for Alder...
John McFADDEN (~1685~)	Alexander DOBBIN	Misc. Notes	Alexander witnessed a land memorial of John McFadden Drumarti...
Martha PINCHBECK (1880-1937)	Alfred Reese CONKLIN Jr. (1883-1964)	Misc. Notes	Martha is Alfred R Conklin Jr's sister-in-law
Cornelis BROUWER (1766~)	Alida AERSSE [ARSE] [AERSE] [AARSE] [AARDEN] (1742~)	Misc. Notes	sponsor at the baptism of nephew Cornelis Brouwer b1766
Peter VAN AKEN (~1777~)	Anna [Annatje] ECKERT (1743-1810)	Misc. Notes	Annatje was a witness to baptism of Peter 1777
Lena VAN KEUREN (~1787~)	Annatje VAN KEUREN (?1754~)	Misc. Notes	Annatje was witness to Lena's baptism
Maria TERPENNING (~1787~)	Annatje VAN KEUREN (?1754~)	Misc. Notes	Annatje was witness to Maria's baptism
Stephanus ECKERT (1752-1812)	Annatje VAN KEUREN (?1754~)	Misc. Notes	named in Stephen's will
Annatje ECKERT (~1786~)	Annatje HUDLER [HUDLER] (1757-<1809)	Misc. Notes	Annatje wit at baptism of twins Samuel & Annatje
Samuel ECKERT (~1786~)	Annatje HUDLER [HUDLER] (1757-<1809)	Misc. Notes	Annatje wit at baptism of twins Samuel & Annatje
Abalonia TERPENNING (~1784~)	Appollonia [WEST] [WIEST] [WEST]	Misc. Notes	Appollonia a witness to bapt of niece Abalonia Terpenning
Bata BRINK (~1749~)	Batta M...AGH	Misc. Notes	sponsor at Batta's baptism
George (Friess) FREAS (1753-1834)	Benjamin FREAS Jr. (1819-1895)	Misc. Notes	Grandpa George was witness to Benjamin's baptism.
Benjamin ECKERT (~1783~)	Benjamin VAN AKEN (~1753~)	Misc. Notes	Benj a witness to baptism of Benj Eckert
Jonas VAN AKEN (1775-1834)	Benjamin VAN AKEN (~1753~)	Misc. Notes	Benj was witness to baptism of Jonas
Sophia BAILEY (1826~)	Caroline BAILEY (1816-<1872)	Misc. Notes	Sophie was a witness to Caroline's marriage to Jos Clarke
Catharina ECKERT (~1764~)	Catalyntjen BURGER [BURGHARDT] (~1726~)	Misc. Notes	Catalyntjen was a witness to Catharina's baptism
Catharina ECKERT (~1764~)	Catharina ECKERT (~1764~)	Misc. Notes	Catharina a witness to baptism of niece Catharina 1781
Henrik PERSLO [P...ELLS] (~1790~)	Catherine BAKER (?1750~)	Misc. Notes	Catherine Baker was witness at baptism of Henrik b1790
Jane [JAMISON] (~1820~)	Charlotte ELLIOTT (~1823-1910)	Misc. Notes	wondering if Jane's mother was Margareta [Mcf] b1793
John SINNAMON [CINNAMOND] (?18...)	Charlotte SINNAMON [CINNAMOND] (~1813-1899)	Misc. Notes	John was a witness at Charlotte Sinnamon's marriage.
Jennifer Lynn SELVA? (~1973~)	Corey Stephen SELVA (1977~)	Research	
Log: Looking for Cornelia's bio father	Cornelia Ann NEÉ UNKNOWN (1847-1893)	Log Text	
Cornelis BROUWER (1766~)	Cornelis BROUWER (1736~)	Misc. Notes	sponsor at the baptism of nephew Cornelis Brouwer b1766
Adam P. ECKERT (~1721-1791)	Cornelius ECKERT (1768-1837)	Misc. Notes	Cornelius was an administrator of estate of Adam P Eckert
Florence McCORMICK (1885~)	David McCORMICK (1885~)	Misc. Notes	Witness at her marriage to Goodwin
John Herbert GOODWIN & Florence...	David McCORMICK (1885~)	Misc. Notes	



There is a lot more information in the Help Manual on Connections, such as on:

- How Connections show up in Reports
- How Connections work when you make a GEDCOM file

Let's talk about
Flags in Reunion



What is a flag?

- In Reunion, a flag is an attribute of a person. It has only two values: checked or unchecked. Depending on the flag's name, this could be interpreted as: on or off, true or false, yes or no. If a flag is "checked," it means the attribute is "on," "true," or "yes" for a particular person.
- Flags provide a simple tool for working with subsets of your family file. For example, you could use a "Clergy" flag to track relatives who are clergymen, or a "Military" flag to help track relatives who served in the military.

Adding and Deleting Flags

- The same list of flags is shown for **everybody** in your family file. This is different from the event, fact, and note fields — which are **independent** for each person.
- If the **Flags** section of the Edit Person panel is already open, you can add to the list of available flags (that will be shown for everybody) by clicking the **Flag Preferences** button (at the bottom of the list of flags).

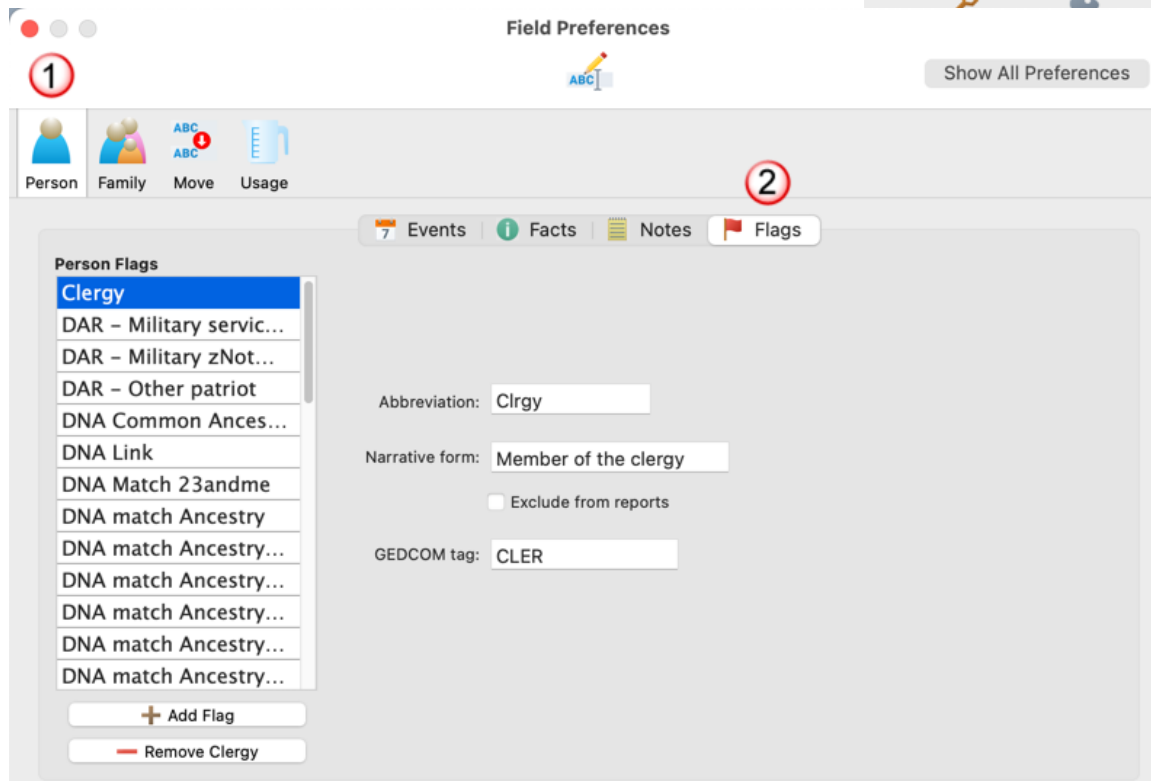
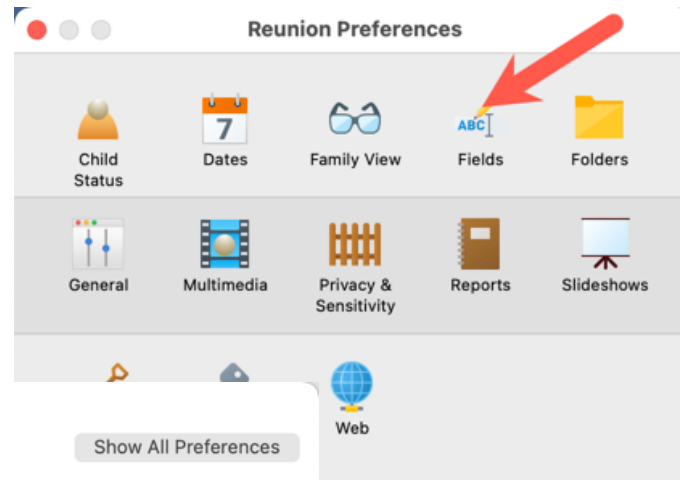
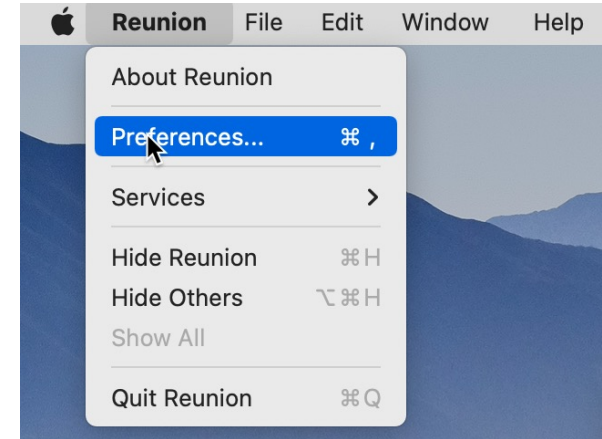
Donald Verner FREAS (11 Jan 1925 - 25 Dec 1995) age: 70

Name Events Facts Notes **Flags**

Flag	Checkbox
Clergy	<input type="checkbox"/>
DAR - Military service patriot	<input type="checkbox"/>
DAR - Military zNot Direct Line	<input type="checkbox"/>
DAR - Other patriot	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA Common Ancestor	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA Link	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA Match 23andme	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry George	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry Janet	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry Louise	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry Ruth	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Ancestry Susan	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match FTDNA	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyH David L	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyH G Freas	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyH Louise	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyH Ruth	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyH Susan	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match MyHeritage	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA match Richard Blair	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA McFadden link	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA mtDNA connection	<input type="checkbox"/>
DNA Y-DNA McFadden	<input type="checkbox"/>
Earliest Ancestor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exclude from tree - uncertain	<input type="checkbox"/>
FB Group McFadden	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friess import 10Feb2014	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friess import 17Feb2014	<input type="checkbox"/>
Immigrant to America	<input type="checkbox"/>
Link to Child Uncertain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Link to Parent Uncertain	<input type="checkbox"/>
Married a cousin	<input type="checkbox"/>
Military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Needs more research	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOT an Eckert father line	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private	<input type="checkbox"/>

Flag Preferences...

- Another way to **add** flags, and the **ONLY** way to **remove** flags, is:
- Choose **Reunion > Preferences.**
- Click **Fields.**
- Click **Person.**
- Click **Flags.**



How Do You Know If People Have a Flag Set? Seeing Flags in the Family View

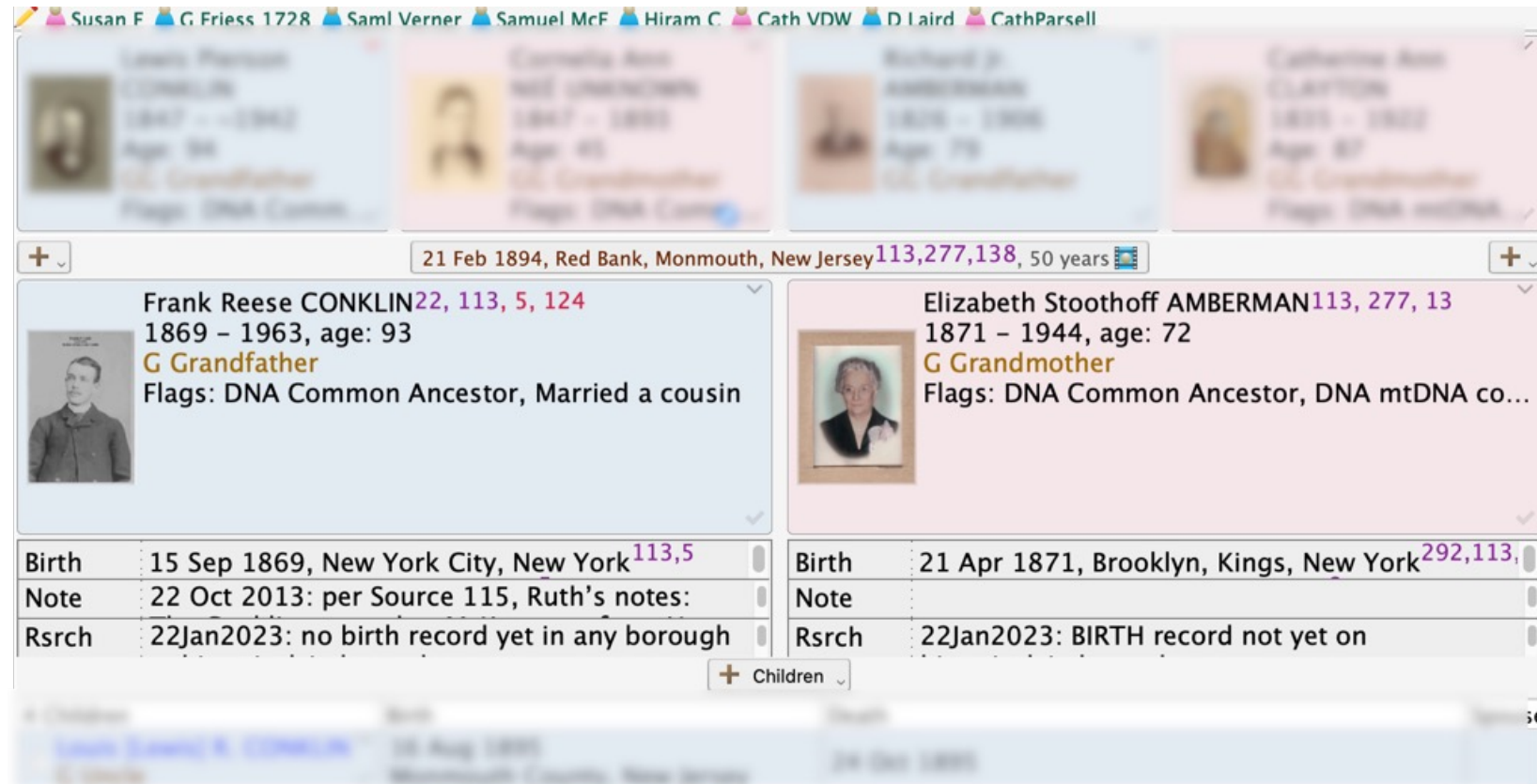
The Help Manual shows this one way of seeing Flags in the Family View:



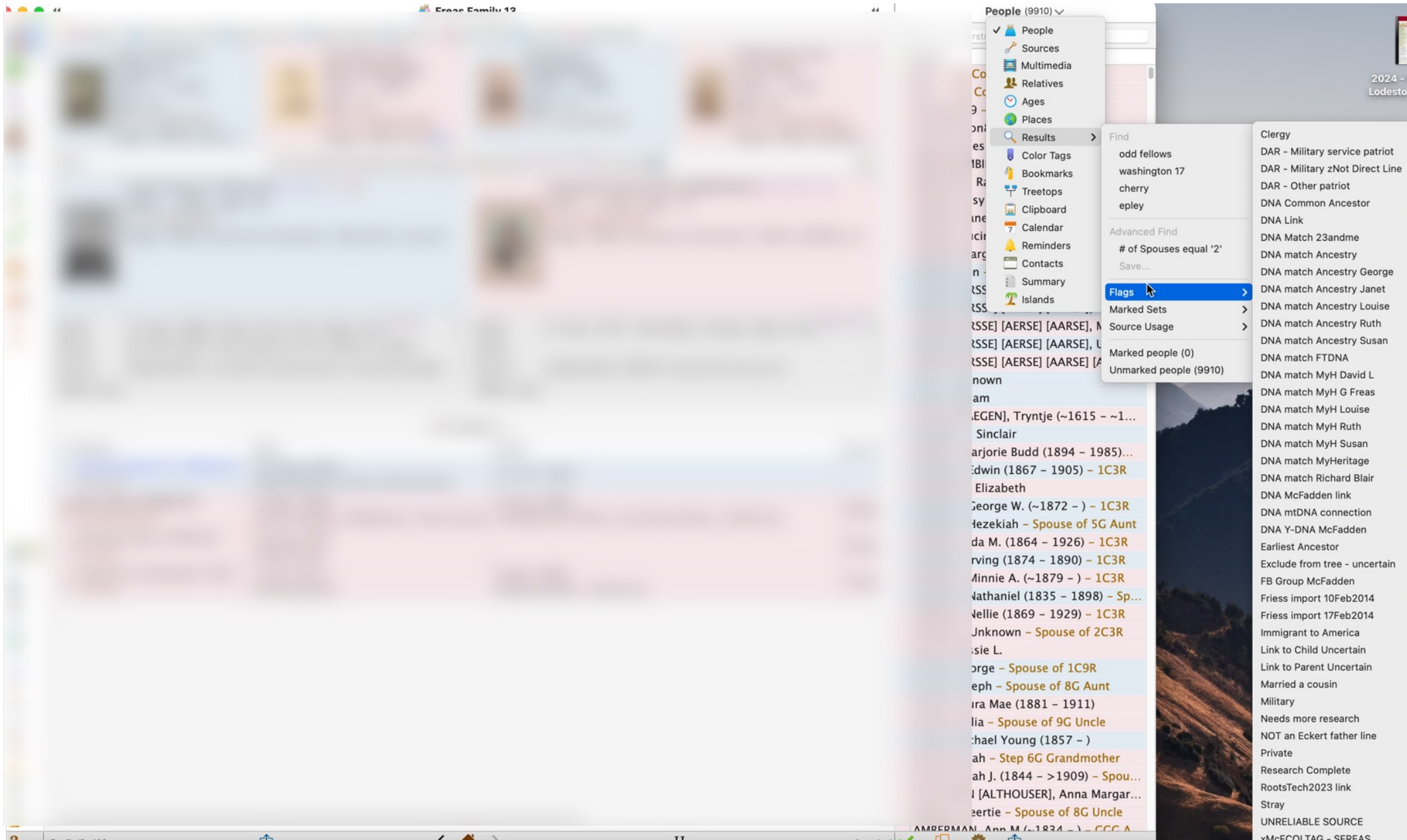
I show them in the Person buttons.

Flags are listed in alphabetical order, and they do not wrap within the button

If you're doing a lot of DNA work, it's very helpful to show DNA flags in the Person button.

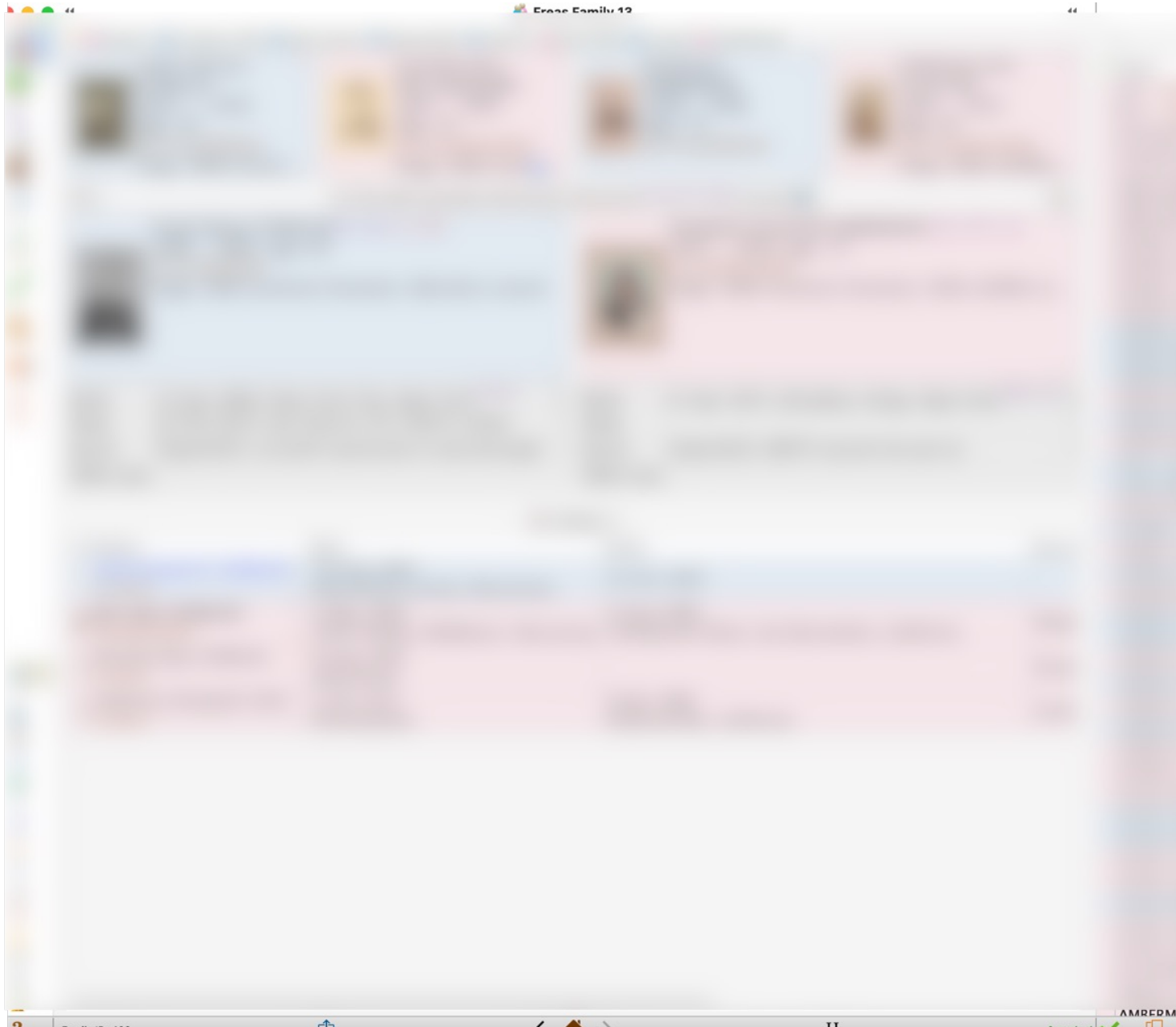


How to See a List of People with a Flag Enabled



Drop down from the right sidebar to choose RESULTS, then FLAGS from the second window that appears, then PICK A FLAG in the Flags list, and you'll get a Results list of people with that flag enabled

The Results list will appear in the right sidebar



Results (152) ▾

✓ Flag: Married a cousin

🔍 lastname, firstname

✓ Name
AMBERMAN, Elizabeth Stootho...
AMERMAN [AMBERMAN], Deric...
AMERMAN [AMBERMAN], Petru...
AMERMAN [AMBERMAN], Sarah...
AMERMAN [AMBERMAN], Sarah...
BARTH, Adam (1811 - 1867) -...
BARTH, Georg Friedrich (1792...
BARTH, Johann Michael (1776...
BARTH, Johannes (1800 -) - 2...
BARTH, Katharina (1807 -) - 2...
BARTH, Katharina Margaretha (...)
BARTH, Louise Katherine (1798...
BECKWITH, Cornelius (1837 -...
BODINE, Antje [Agnes, Anne] (...)
BROUWER, Adolphus (1693 - 1...
BURHANS, Helena (1739 - 181...
BURHANS, Petrus (~1732 -) -...
BUSHFIELD, William McKeever (...)
COLE, Anna (1800 - 1839) - S...
CONKLIN, Frank Reese (1869 -...
COULSTON, Walter (1873 -) -...

To see a list of people who match multiple criteria, such as a certain surname and a specific flag, use the **Advanced Find** feature.

Examples of Custom Flags from Reunion Talk Forum

(there are more in the Help Manual, where I got these)

- Never married
- Convicts (if you had people who went to Australia)
- Flags for each grandparents' line, then flags for significant branches in that family. Example: Smith family, Abe's descendants
- Religious (instead of the default Clergy)
- Immigrant ancestor
- Include anyway (to include in a Report even if privacy settings would exclude them)
- Action items, e.g., Look for obit, Look for X census, etc.

Examples of Custom Flags from Reunion Talk

- Specific military: Civil War, Revolutionary War, etc.
- Needs editing, Needs research
- Immigrated with parent
- No issue (confirmed)
- Name changed (legal name changes)
- Discrepancy
- DNA matches and connecting people. I have **three flags** for this (see next slide):
 - **DNA Match [name of DNA company]**. (i.e., “DNA Match Ancestry” or “DNA Match 23andME”]
 - **DNA Common Ancestor** (this flag is enabled on the husband and wife who are the Most Recent Common Ancestors for me and my DNA match, i.e. we both descend from them)
 - **DNA link** (this flag is enabled for *people on the path **between my match and the MRCA***. *It is very helpful to have this flag showing in the Person Button when you see someone’s name in your People list, wonder “who is this?” and click on their name. “Oh, they’re just a link between me and a DNA match.”*

Name	Events	Facts	Notes	Flags
Clergy				
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Private				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Research Complete				<input type="checkbox"/>
RootsTech2023 link				<input type="checkbox"/>
Stray				<input type="checkbox"/>
UNRELIABLE SOURCE				<input type="checkbox"/>

My list of Flags, which is long mostly because I manage DNA kits for numerous relatives. The three important DNA flags are shown with the arrows. I'd choose one "DNA Match" flag from the box as applicable to the person who I putting the flag on.

**See the Help Manual under Flags
for more information and examples**