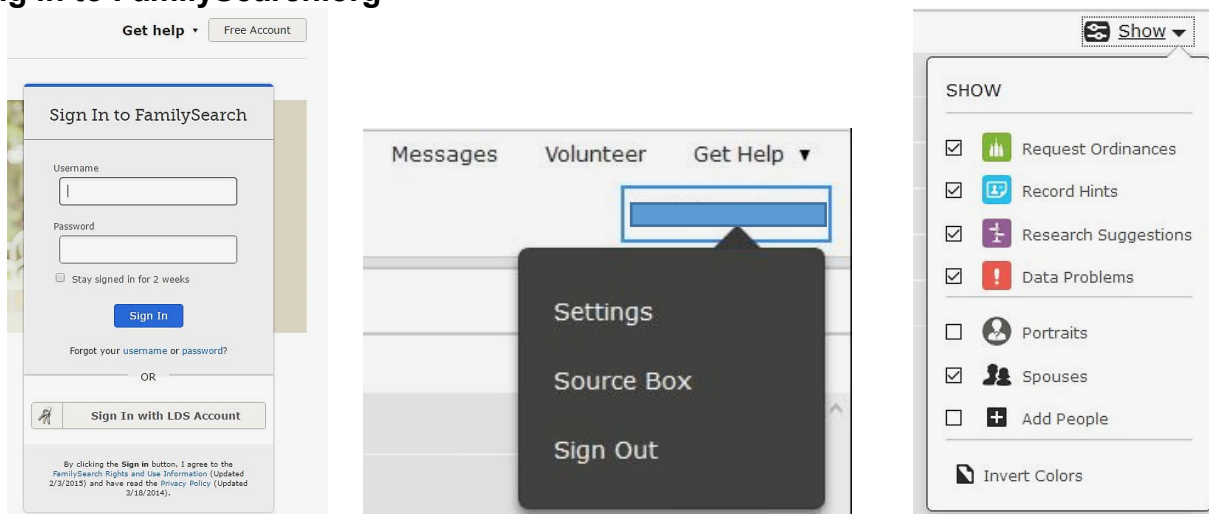


# Getting Started: Navigation, Pedigree Views and Person Pages on FamilySearch.org

## NAVIGATION:

- Don't be afraid to click on something. What you DO; you can UN-DO and you will learn by DOING. **You can't BREAK or RUIN the program!**
- FamilySearch.org is based on a Community Tree. Think OUR family tree not MY family tree.
- COLLABORATION and COOPERATION will save time, save repeating things already completed and will also result in the most accurate records.
- FamilySearch.org is primarily a program for deceased individuals. Only you can see information you enter about a living individual. Records will need to be merged when someone dies so that all information entered can be viewed.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> party programs are available if you want to maintain your own copy of your pedigree and family history records. This is beyond the scope of this class.

## Signing in to FamilySearch.org



**Home Page:** See *FamilySearch.org Screenshots* handout

- Main File Tabs:
- Icons: Request Ordinances, Record Hints, Research Suggestions, Data Problems

We will also discuss the following. The *FamilySearch.org Screenshots* handout is provided to help you take notes.

## FAMILY TREE VIEWS:

- Traditional Landscape
- Fan Chart
- Portrait
- Descendancy
- Navigating Trees

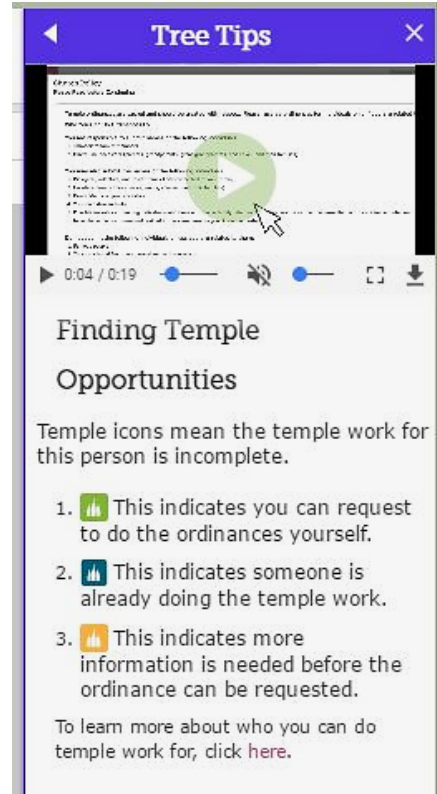
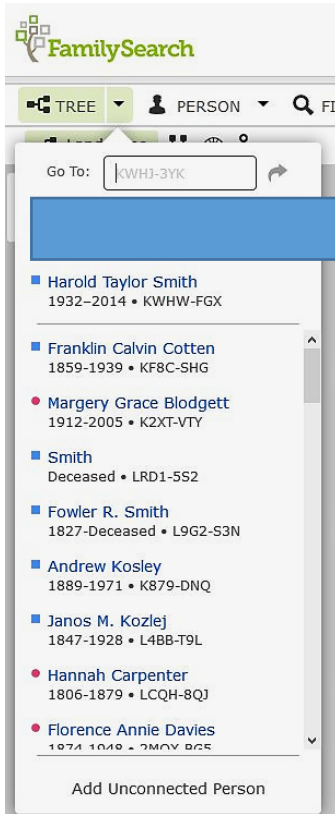
## PERSON PAGE:

- Header: PID#, Watch, Relationship
- Details (Left Column): Vital Information, Family Members, Sources, Other information, Life sketch, Discussions and Notes.
- Details (Right Column): Research Help, Search Records, Print, Latest Changes, Tools
- Memories: Later class
- Ordinances



**Tips:** Click on this icon that appears on almost every page of FamilySearch.org for help with items on that particular page.

**Timesaver:** Use drop down lists




## ASSIGNMENTS:

- If you haven't previously done so--Sign into FamilySearch.org using your LDS Account or by creating an account.
- Sign in to FamilySearch.org and **CLICK EVERY BUTTON YOU CAN FIND. Remember--** What you DO; you can UN-DO and you will learn by DOING. **You can't BREAK or RUIN the program!**
- Ask for help,** if you need it.
- Extra Credit:** Go to the Person Page for the first deceased person on one of your lines and check their information for accuracy. Make any necessary corrections.

**"I'm off the hook...our work is all done."**

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**"It doesn't matter whether your computer is able to compile all the family group sheets for everyone that every lived on the earth, it remains the responsibility of each individual to know his kindred dead...Even if the work is done, then it is still each person's responsibility to study and become acquainted with his ancestors."**



- President Joseph Fielding Smith - Turned to the Fathers - p.184

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