

2014 VIRTUAL GENEALOGY FAIR

Finding the Correct Ancestor: Civil War Soldiers and Homesteads

This session highlights a frequent occurrence in genealogy research; multiple people with the same name, living in the same area. Using an example of a Michigan homesteader, who fought in the Civil War, this lecture outlines a process for identifying individuals in order to determine the correct ancestor.



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Jean Nudd is an archivist with the National Archives and Records Administration, working for Research Services where she does on-line catalog work, creates on-line databases and helps regional facilities with other duties. Prior to this, Jean worked for 3 years at the Boston office and she ran the microfilm reading room at the Pittsfield facility of the National Archives for 17 years helping genealogists. She started her archival career at the Arizona State Archives. Jean earned her Bachelors degree in history from Plymouth State College in Plymouth, New Hampshire and her Masters from Arizona State University in local history societies.

Her frequent lectures on using Federal records and doing genealogy include appearances at the Federation of Genealogical Societies in Boston, New England Regional Genealogical Conferences, the Ohio Genealogical Society's annual conference, among many others. Since returning to New England in 1994, Jean has become an avid genealogist. She has traced her Nudd, Hill and Wells roots back to the 1600s in New England and New York. She's a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, Ohio and Iowa genealogical societies, the New Hampshire Historical Society, and numerous local historical and genealogical societies.