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Dear Annette,

Thank you for allowing me to assist you with your research and travel plans to Lewisburg, TN. I have enjoyed compiling the information contained within and wish you the best of luck with your travels.

The agreed upon services included a location guide with basic information on possible record repositories relevant to your goals and time constraints. Additionally, I have included historical points of interest you may enjoy while you visit the place your family once called home.

If you are arriving via Nashville, or if you need to research on a Saturday, it may be worth a stop at the [Tennessee State Library and Archives](#). They have a history and genealogy center specifically designed to assist researchers. The link above will take you directly to a list of records available for Marshall County. You can also request assistance by email for specific record searches. If your ancestors arrived in the area prior to incorporation in 1836, you may find helpful resources at the State Library.

All times annotated below are in the Central Time Zone. Please call ahead to confirm hours and access to records.

If there is any way I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to hearing about the trip!

Best Regards,
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[*Where will your research take you?*](#)



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Tennessee State Library and Archives (TSLA)

8:00am-4:30pm

403 7th Avenue North

Tuesday - Saturday

Archival materials available 8-12 and 1-4

**Closed on Federal Holidays. Tennessee observes Columbus Day on the Friday after the fourth Thursday in November.*

Parking is available in a limited number of designated visitor spots at the front and side of the building. Numbered spots are reserved for permit holders Monday – Friday. On Saturdays, these numbered spots are not reserved and may be used by visitors. There are several paid public lots within a few blocks.

Restrictions and Regulations: State or federal ID required to enter the building. No backpacks allowed in the library or archives. Laptops may be used. There are lockers available. Coin operated copy machines at .15/copy. Original manuscript copies are .50/copy. A scanner with flash drive port is available for use. Personal scanners and camera may be allowed with restrictions. Bring change and small bills for printing microfilm records or a flash drive for saving.

Lewisburg TN research repositories:

Marshall County, Tennessee, was created in 1836 from parts of Giles, Bedford, Lincoln, and Maury counties. The county seat is Lewisburg and the county is bordered by Lincoln, Bedford, Rutherford, Williamson, Maury, and Giles counties.

MARSHALL COUNTY REGISTER OF DEEDS

Office Hours

8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Monday through Friday)

1103 Courthouse Annex on the first floor

FOR GPS USE 101 West Commerce Street, Lewisburg TN

Phone Number 931-359-4933

Land Records from 1836. Land and property records include transfer of real estate or personal property, mortgages, leases, surveys, and entries. The Family History Library has microfilm copies of deed records 1836-1891 with indexes 1836-1940. Charges for copies made at the Register's office are \$.15 per page and up. Cash or check only.

Check WorldCat for a nearby copy of this book: Marsh, Timothy Richard and Helen Crawford *Land deed genealogy of Marshall County, Tennessee Greenville, South Carolina*: Southern Historical Press, c1998.



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Marshall County Court

Office hours 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m. Monday-Friday

201 Marshall County Courthouse

Lewisburg, TN 37091

Phone (931) 359-2181

Fax (931) 359-0524

kimberlee.alsup@tncourts.gov

Marriages have been recorded in Marshall County since 1836. The records are held at the Marshall County Courthouse. However, the TSLA has microfilm records available through inter-library loan. See [this link](#) for a list of all records available for this service. This is a pdf listing of all [microfilm for Marshall County](#) available for viewing at the TSLA.

Death records are available at the courthouse for deaths after 1874. Birth records begin with 1908. Additionally, here are a few links to index searches that may help prepare for your trip to the courthouse.

- [1779 - 2008 - Tennessee Wills and Probate Records 1779-2008](#) (link to Ancestry index search)
- [Tennessee, Probate Court Books, 1795-1927](#) (link to FamilySearch catalog). Select the book you want to browse, then browse through the images. There is no index, either online nor at the courthouse. However, the book may have an alphabetical index in the first few or last pages making it easier to locate an item of interest.
- Two books that may be available nearby with indexed information. The records, if an index entry is found, would be at the courthouse.
 - Sistler, Byron and Barbara Sistler. *Index to Tennessee Wills & Administrations 1779-1861*. (Nashville, Tenn. Byron Sistler & Associates, Inc., 1990)
 - Porch, Deane *Marshall County, Tennessee, wills, 1835-1865* (Franklin, Tennessee. Louise G. Lynch, 1978)

[Marshall County Historical Museum](#)

The museum is open on Tuesday and Friday mornings 10 am-2pm.

(located in the old auditorium of the old Hardison School, suite 135)

230 College Street

Lewisburg, TN 37901

931-270-0010

From the MarshallCountyTN.com website: *While an attendant is often sitting with the museum, specific hours are not designated. Admission is free. Appointments are welcome and encouraged by calling Lynda Potts at 931-359- 4489 or Charles Nichols at 931-224- 5197 or Don Jeter at 931-359- 4732.



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Other points of interest for research:

Marshall County Memorial Library

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 8:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Sunday: Closed

310 Old Farmington Road

Lewisburg, TN 37091

Phone: (931) 359-3335

Public Wifi. The **Gabard-Haynes Genealogical Room** houses all local newspapers on microfilm and an excellent historical records section.

Getting Around Lewisburg:

Lewisburg is a small town and I wouldn't expect much problem with traffic or parking. The courthouse and Register of Deeds are across the street from each other and the library is just under a mile away – and there appears to be a nice walking trail along Rock Creek through a park from the downtown area.

Lewisburg does not have an active archive, and by all appearances the only efforts at preservation or historic display are the library collection and the museum listed above.

You'll find your typical fast food and national chains on Highway 431. There is a place called Mildred's that seems to be a favorite among locals. There does not appear to be any dining in the immediate area of the courthouse, so a car is advisable.

A local point of interest is the [Drive-in Theater](#).

The [James K. Polk ancestral home](#) is about 30 minutes away.

Lewisburg is an easy drive from Nashville, Murfreesboro, and Huntsville if you are looking for more options for lodging or entertainment.

Recommendations:

As many of the resources for this area are online, there is much you can do ahead of time to prepare for your visit. Finding deeds to pinpoint places your family may have lived can help identify rural communities where there may be churches and cemeteries relevant to their daily lives. Census data can reveal occupations which may yield additional resources for your visit. Obituaries can mention funeral homes which may have additional records.

Safe Travels!