

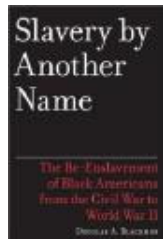
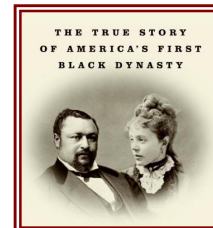
GENEALOGY NEWS & NOTES

**Michigan Death Records 1897-1920 (coming soon)**

Regarding the Death Records Digitization Project, Ancestry will be doing the scanning and indexing of these records. Library of Michigan will retain publishing rights, which means the documents will NOT be on Ancestry.com. When the project is finished, the data-base will be found on [www.seekingmichigan.org](http://www.seekingmichigan.org), which is a free, easily searchable website. (Michigan Genealogical Council Delegate Meeting, Sep. 9, 2008)

***The Senator and the Socialite: The True Story of American's First Black Dynasty***

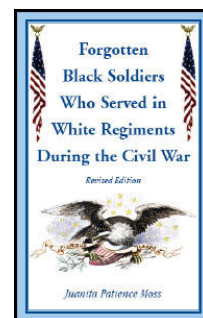
A must read! This is an intriguing book about a former slave who becomes the first African American man elected to a full term in the U.S. Senate. Mississippi Senator Blanche Kelso Bruce and his family acquired financial, social and political status; however, his end was one of economic loss and public humiliation. The author is Lawrence Otis Graham.



***Slavery by Another Name***, by Douglas A. Blackman, a fascinating book that unearths shocking evidence that slavery persisted well into the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Blackman describes the re-enslavement of Black Americans from the Civil War to World War II and exaggerates the hellish details of intense racial strife.

**Forgotten Black Soldiers Who Served in White Regiments During the Civil War (Revised Edition)** by Juanita Patience Moss (<http://heritagebooks.com>)

The book traces Ms. Moss's ten-year journey to such proof. The hundreds of name listed here should be proof enough for the "nay-sayers" to conclude that black men indeed did serve in white regiments. Historians and Civil War "buffs" alike will find new information revealed in this book, even though 143 years have passed since the last shot of the was fired.



**Military Records: National Archives & Records Administration (NARA)**

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/research/genealogy.html>

Look over your family tree to find ancestors, especially men, who were born during the following time periods. Check military draft and service or pension indexes for the corresponding conflicts. (These are general guidelines; therefore, men and women who served at very young or old ages may fall outside these ranges.)

If the birth year is:	1726-1787	Look for records of the Revolutionary War (1775-1783)
	1762-1799	War of 1812 (1812-1815)
	1796-1831	Mexican War (1846-1848)
	1811-1848	Civil War (1861-1865)
	1848-1881	Spanish-American War (1898)
	1849-1885	Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902)
	1872-1900	World War I (1917-1918)
	1877-1925	World War II (1941-1945)
	1900-1936	Korean War (1950-1953)
	1914-1955	Vietnam War (1964-1972)

The Civil War Soldier's System continues to update their site in cooperation with the National Parks Service. [www.itd.nps.gov/cwss](http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss).