# **30 WEBSITES** FOR YOUR SOUTH TEXAS AND NORTHEASTERN MEXICO GENEALOGY

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#### INTRODUCTION



"I have been researching may family for 15 years." – Moises Garza

To learn more about me please visit my personal website mosiesgarza.com This eBook was created form a slide show that I originally created for a presentation that I did for the Nuevo Santander Genea-logical Society of Zapata, Texas.

WHAT TO EXPECT IN THIS EBOOK:

30 Websites that focus or have materials concerning South Texas and Northeastern Mexico Genealogy. I have also included the URL's and a short description of each.

# THIS LIST IS NOT EVERYTHING THAT IS OUT THERE!

As I say "This list is not everything that is out there", and it is true. These are just the ones that I have come across or know of. I know that you may also have some favorites that I have probably not heard about. If you would like for me to include them here just send me an email to moisesgarza@gmail.com

#### **GOT QUESTIONS**

Please do not hesitate to contact me at moisesgarza@gmail.com I do reply to all emails but just be patient since it may take several days depending on how full my inbox is.

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All links are in light blue. You can just click them to go to the desired website. Let me just warn you, you may get a pop up like the one bellow. Just ignore it and press allow.

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#### NEW TO GENEALOGY?



If you are I highly recomend that you go over to my website MexicanGenealogy.info and sign up for the "Meet Your Ancestors Series" it is free to do so.

You will learn about the fundamentals and learn about great resources where to search for your ancesotors.

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# WE ARE COUSINS



• Focuses in South Texas Genealogy and Northeastern Mexico Genealogy

Here you can find over 700 blog posts about South Texas and Northeastern Mexico Genealogical research. You can also expect to find thousands of names listed on the various indexes for Arcabuz, Mier, Los Aldamas, Doctor Coss, China, and Camargo. I also have hundreds of transcriptions to mariagges, births, and deaths for my own ancesotrs whom may also be your ancestors. Most of my ancestors are form Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, and Coahuila covering the period of late 1500's to the present.

The best way to find information in this blog is by doign a search using the search bar.

TIP:

Sign up for the mailing list/newsletter to receive an email every time there is a new blog post.

## VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.wearecousins.info/

### MEXICAN GENEALOGY



• Main focus is Mexican Genealogy and is for people interested in starting their research.

This website is excellent for anyone that is just getting started into researching their ancestry. It is focused on Mexican ancestry thus all resources mentioned are specifically to help you find records about your ancestors.

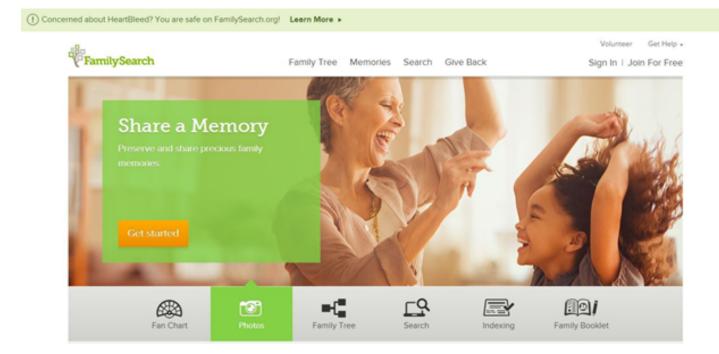
TIP:

Sign up for the "Meet Your Ancestors Series" to recieve 20 emails that will help you learn about gettign started with Mexican Genealogy and also provide you with the resources that you need to fing your ancestors.

### VISIT WEBSITE

http://mexicangenealogy.info/

### FAMILYSEARCH



• FamilySearch is a genealogy organization operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. It is the largest genealogy organization in the world.

FamilySearhc is the numebr 1 website for Mexicna Genealogicla research. They have church and civil records for all Mexican States. In my opinion, if I could only chgose one website to do research this is it.

I have been doing genealogy research for well over fifteen years but in the last two years I have found more information and ancestors than on the previous ten years and it is all thanks to FamilySearch online digital images.

TIP:

Try differnet convinations when you search, sometime evne include both last names.

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https://familysearch.org/

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• Search the world's information, including webpages, images, videos and more. Google has many special features to help you find exactly what you're looking

I tell everyone, "Just find 5 or 6 generations of your ancestors the research has laready been done". As you may know this statement is not entirely true but most of the cases it is. The further you go back the higher the chances are that you will find your ancestors online. Google is the gateway to finding others researchign the dmae family or providing you with more clues where to find your ancesotrs.

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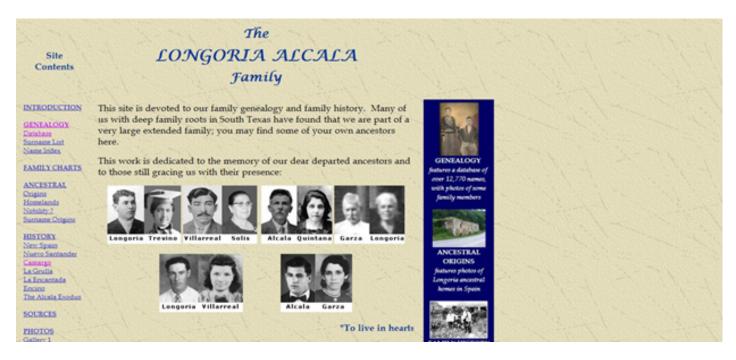
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Use quotes to narrow down your searches.

### VISIT WEBSITE

https://www.google.com/

#### THE LONGORIA ALCALA FAMILY



This site is devoted to Raul Longoria's family genealogy and family history.

"Many of us with deep family roots in South Texas have found that we are part of a very large extended family; you may find some of your own ancestors here." - Raul Longoria

Inded we are avery huge family. I have found my family as well as my wifes in Raul's website. He has thousands of names listed of people that lived in South Texas, and Northeastern Mexico. Most of the names ocntain citations where he lets you know where he obtained the information from. This website is an excellent resource.

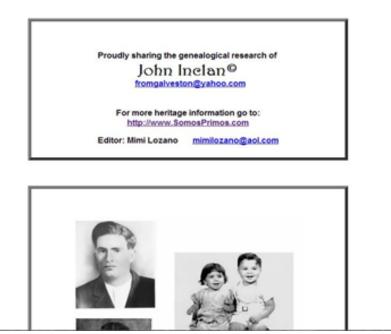
TIP:

Look at the sources page in case you want a list of awesome resources, books, databases, etc..

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://raullongoria.net/

#### Somos Primos The John Inclan Research



• Contains over 60 family trees of the descendants of early New Spain settlers.

This page contains a wealth of information with some descendant family trees being over 400 pages long. You will defenetly find your ancesotrs within a tleast one of the listed family trees.

TIP:

If you can print them as PDF and save them to your computer.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.somosprimos.com/inclan/inclan.htm

#### THE VILLARREAL HOME PAGE



Contains over 11,500 people and over 8,190 families in his database.

This website belongs to Danny Villarreal his work on the Villarreal is amazing and not to mention his family tree is great. I highly recomdn that you check this website out even if you do not hav enay Villarreal's in yoru family tree. Mr. Villarreal has many ancestors that I know will also be your smae ancestors.

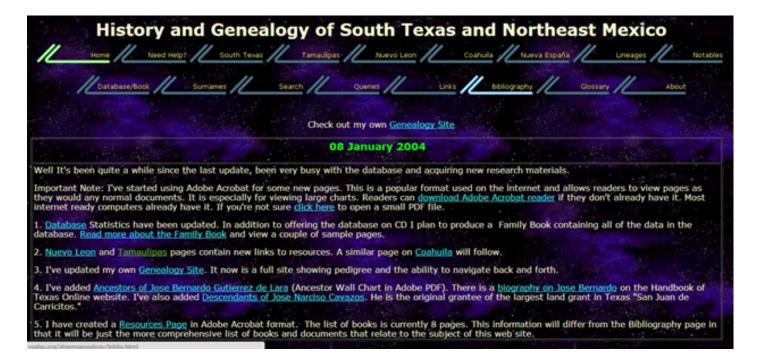
TIP:

Visit the website and get familiar with it.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.villadan.com/

#### VILLA DE SAN AGUSTIN Laredo Genealogy Society



• Contians great ingformation on South Texas, Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, and Coahuila. Also contains the data base of Ancestors of Guillermo David GUERRA TREVIÑO

This is a great resource. When I started out doing genealogy research this was the only website that was available. The only unfortunate thing is that it is no longer being maintained.

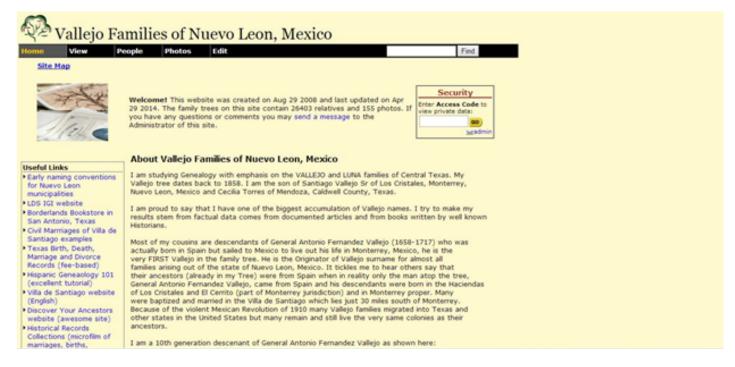
TIP:

Check out Guillermos database. It contains great information and many of his ancestors are also many of our.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://vsalgs.org/stnemgenealogy/default.htm

#### VALLEJO FAMILIES OF NUEVO LEON, MEXICO



• Santiago Vallejo shares created this site in order to list and share some of his ancestral findings with anyone who may show an interest in the families that have roots in the area of the Villa de Santiago, Nuevo Leon, Mexico.

This is an excellent website and has a wealth of information. I personally found a great deal of information on my Marroquines whom are also ancestors of Santiago. Once you find an ancestor in this website you also have the avility to print either an ancesotr reprot of descendnat report. I did this for one of my ancestors.

TIP:

Don't forget to print a report they are easier to read and understand than the online version.

## VISIT WEBSITE

http://svallejo.tribalpages.com/

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• Mary Anne Curray shares her ancestors through her Gonzalez line.

This website is one of my all time favorites. Mary has thoroughly researched her ancesotrs and that is a great thing for us. She provides sources to support all the information that she has on her ancesotrs and they are invaluable.

I have found a great many sources that have also lead me to discover stories about my ancesotrs.

TIP:

Alway note the sources, they are excellent.

# VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.currays.net/Gonzalez%20Web%20Project/wc\_toc.htm

# **APELLIDOS NORESTENSES**



• Project by the Asociasion the Genealogia de Nuevo Leon

This website is being hosted and maintained by members of the Asociasion the Genealogia de Nuevo Leon. You can search for your ancesotrs here since it contains hundreds of names and also many images of marriages, baptisms, and death records.

TIP:

Visit and Search for your ancestors.

# VISIT WEBSITE

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• One huge family tree hosted at Geneanet.org by the Instituto de Investigaciones Históricas. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México and Centro de Estudios Históricos-El Colegio de Michoacán.

When doing research form my self, friends or clients this website always tends to pop up. It contains thousands of names not just for Northern Mexico but for all of Mexico. When I cna't find information I usually search this website and it does provide results most of the time.

TIP:

Visit it and get ffamiliar with it, it is a great resource.

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You can search for confirmation of your ancestors land grans here.

This website is a grat resource for all of us living or researchign South Texas land Grants. I recently found the 1852 land grant confirmation for one of my ancesotrs Bartolome Cuellar in Zapata County. I have also found several of my wife's ancesotrs that received land grants in Starr county and Hidalgo County. Many of the records are available on PDF as was the case iwth my ancesotr Bartolome Cuella.

TIP:

Don't be disapointed if your ancestors docmuents have not been made into downloadable PDF.

### VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.glo.texas.gov/cf/land-grant-search/index.cfm

#### THE PORTAL TO TEXAS HISTORY

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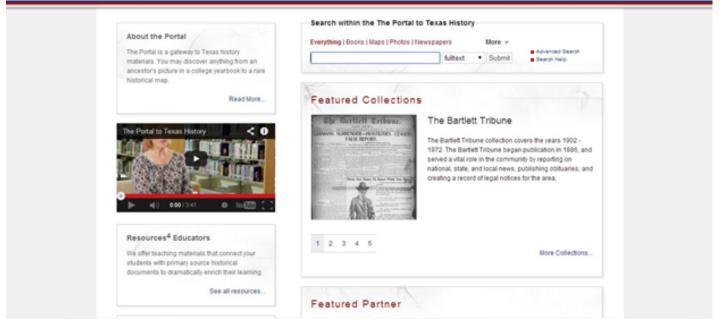
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#### THE PORTAL TO TEXAS HISTORY



• Find all types of documents, maps , and eBooks. Great maps of South Texas Maps and Mexican States.

This website has many recources, books, newspapers, photos, maps and many more. I primarely use it for old maps and also to find newspapre articleas about the RGV border. I found an article about the daeth of a cousins of my wife's grandfather in 1907. I also recently found an article for one of my blog readers. Her great granfather was murdered in La Grulla Teaxs on a laborday demostration.

TIP:

Search ofr your ancestors you never know what you will find.

### VISIT WEBSITE

http://texashistory.unt.edu/

# **GOOGLE BOOKS**

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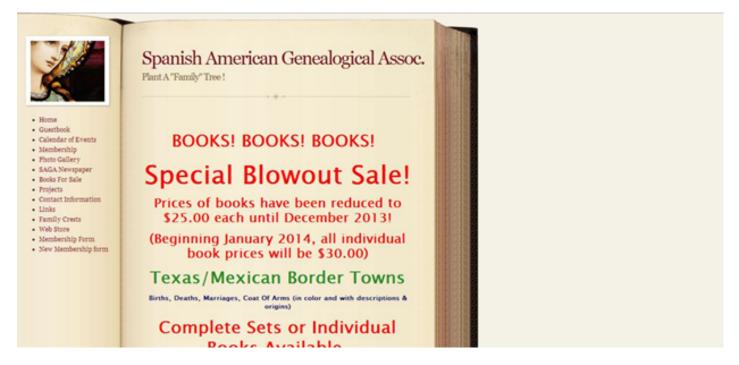
TIP:

It searches even copy righted books. Once you find one that is not free or is not available for purchace you can search for it on worldcat.org to see if a local library has a copy.

### VISIT WEBSITE

http://books.google.com/

#### THE SPANISH AMERICAN GENEALOGICAL ASSOCIATION



• Best place to buy Index books about parishes for Cerralvo, Mier, Cadereyta and many more.

SAGA is a great resource since they have indexed the church marriage, birth and death records for many of the major northeastern Mexico cities. This books are invaluable. They have the Cerralvo Records and the Guerrero ones also, as youmay have noticed familysearch does not have those towns indexed yet.

TIP:

Many libraries have copies of these books.

### VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.sagacorpuschristi.com/

#### FAMILYSEARCH FAMILY HISTORY BOOKS

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- They have scanned thousands of book and many are available for download.
- Search and download "Sagrada Mitra de Gudalajara"

This is the section of FamilySearch that contains thousands of Genalogical books. Here you will find many great books but the best of all is "Sagrada Mitra de Guadalajara" wich contains thousands of synopsis of the marriage dispensation found in gudalajara. It is an excellent resource.

TIP:

If you don't use thsi resource at least downlaod "Sagrada Mitra de Guadalajara"

## VISIT WEBSITE

https://books.familysearch.org

#### **BORDERLANDS BOOKSTORE**



• Founded in 1991, the Borderlands Book Store promotes awareness about the history of the Spanish and Portuguese Empires, Mexico and the Mexican Republic, the United States Borderlands and the genealogies of the Hispanic settlers of these areas.

Want to buy your own books? Look no further Geroge Faria's website is an excellent resource. You will find hundreds of books having to do with genealogy. Many of them are expensive but the price is right since many of these books are very rare and hard to get. Many you will not find anywhere else.

I my self have found many books were my ancestors are mentioned.

TIP: Do some searches to see what you find.

# VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.borderlandsbooks.com/

#### THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN

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• Their Lower Rio Grande Valley Collections contains thousands of books and maps. Many of the books are rare and can not be found anywhere else.

This is another all time favorite. The University of Texas Pan American is my go to resource for rare books. They have a aptron membership card that is for \$25.00 yearly but they let you check up to 3 books at a time. But before you cna even check out books you will need to find what you need in this website wich is the catalog for the library.

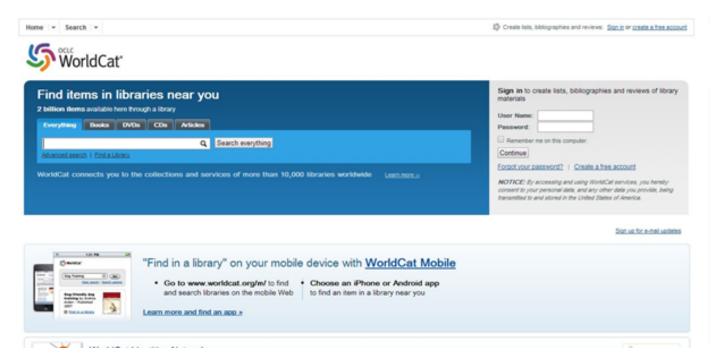
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Be aware that they do not let youbrowse the special collections you need to knwo what you need beforehand.

## VISIT WEBSITE

http://lib3.utpa.edu/search~S5/Y

### WORLDCAT



Best resource to locate rare books near a library near you.

So you find agreat book mentioned as a resource but you cna not find it anywhere of sale. World Cat is the palce to go to. You just enter the title of the book and it will search thousands of local, public and universitty librarys and let you know who has a copy of the book and how far away form you.

TIP:

Next time you find a rare book search ofr it here.

## VISIT WEBSITE

https://www.worldcat.org/

#### THE GENEALOGY OF MEXICO



- Website by Gary Felix and contains great information on Mexican Genealogy.
- Gary is also one of the persons to talk to about Mexican DNA, leads the Mexican DNA Project

The Genealogy of Mexico was another one of the very few websites that were availabel back in he day when I started to do Genealogy research. It contains allot of =great iunformation regarding the erly settlers of Mexico.

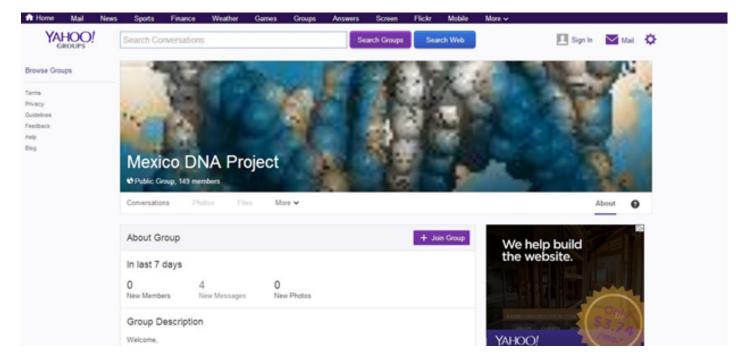
TIP:

Contains a list of when was the year a particular last name was mentioned.

# VISIT WEBSITE

http://garyfelix.tripod.com/~GaryFelix/index1.htm

# MEXICO DNA PROJECT



• Learn and ask questions about DNA research.

This is a fecebook group that you cna join to talk about DNA. I believe the Mexico DNA Project is with Family Tree DNA.

TIP:

Join the group to learn more about DNA.

# VISIT WEBSITE

https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/MexicoDNAProject/info

#### ANCESTORS OF CRISPIN D. RENDON

City, the Caribbean, Sicily, Old Castle, S	The last ten years have yielded a wealth of information about my ancestors. They came from Tamalipas, Nuevo Leon, Coahuila, Nueva Viscaya, Nueva Galica, Mexcio Spain. Some were Native American while most were from Spain. Some had their roots as Sephardic Jews (Marranos) who became New Christians "Conversos". One who fought in the Grad Chichineca War. Some were captains and generals. One was the founder of Sahilo. One was the founder of Monterrey. Two were sout them, and much more to discover.
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• Crispin Rendon shares his ancestry research with us.

Crispin Rendon is an awesome researcher and has published many books indexing the marraiges of General Teran, Santiago Buevo Leon, and many others. This is the datbase of his ancestors.

TIP:

If you sned Crispin your family tree he will add you to his datbase and in turn provide you with a book report. Please contact him beofrehand to see if he is ok with it.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://home.earthlink.net/~crisrendon/crisrendon@earthlink.net/

## FACEBOOK

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• Meet distant cousins, research family, and connect with others.

I'll be honest, I use facebook to trak down currnet generations. Keep up with cousins and exchange information. Great resource to communicate with distant cousins and trade photos. Also many facebook groups people post pictures and information about their ancestors. I use if also as a networkign tool with other people interested in Genealogy.

TIP:

Join the community at out We Are Cousins Facebook Group.

### VISIT WEBSITE

https://www.facebook.com

# TAXNETUSA



• Find living relatives and fins current addresses of family.

You cna use this website to primarely track down descendnats of your ancesotrs. Almnost everyone at one point will own land.

TIP:

Search with maiden name on females. Laso first search for yourself to test it out.

## VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.taxnetusa.com/my\_account/

#### ARCHIVO HISTORICO MILITAR



• Contains many historical documents not only of Mexico but border states.

This is a go to website for military historical documents for Mexico. Search a town and you will be provided with documents. Also search for your ancestor. You never know he might be mentioned on docuemnts that they have. Also all docuemtns are digitized and youcna view them imediatly.

Found one of a battle that took place in Camargo int eh 1850's and mentions names of soldiers that were involved.

TIP:

Names on documents are not indexed only the title of the document is and a short summary.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.archivohistorico2010.sedena.gob.mx/

#### ARCHIVOS HISTORICOS DE MONTERREY

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• Database containing the archives of monterrey to include the ones for El Reyno de Leon.

As you may be aware of or not, Monterrey was basically the gateway to El Nuevo Reyno de Leon and Also Nuevo Santander. This website is basically a database of summarys to every docuemtn available on the municipal archives of monterrey. You can find wills, sales of land, criminal cases, and the founding of villages. It is an awesome research that many people are not aware of. If I am not mistaken you cna find docuemnts goin back as far as the 1500's. Documents are not limited to Monterrey but all of the Nuevo Reyno de Leon and Some Nuevo Santander documents are included.

TIP:

It has many search options and it may be dificult at first to locate anything, but keep playing with the search options until you figure it out. Try searching for Diego de Montemayor.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

http://servicios.monterrey.gob.mx/Consultas/AHM/Principal.aspx

# TEXAS LAND RECORDS



• Find deeds, land titles, Proof of Heirship, and wills.

If you had ancestors that lived in Hidalgo county Texas this is an awesome resource. It may also be great to research for other counties but I have only used it for Hidalgo County to research my wife's family. This website contains wills, land titles, proof of heriship docuemnts, wills, and other types of documents pertaining to land. I have found docuemtns as old as the 1880's up to present times. You do have to create an account and download a plug in to your browser to be able to see the documents.

TIP:

Save paper by intalling a PDF printer as CutePDF. Once you find a docuemtn print to PDF. You will save alot of paper and ink. Some documents are up to 20 pages long.

#### VISIT WEBSITE

https://www.texaslandrecords.com

#### CATALOGO DE LOCALIDADES



• Excellent to help you find localities in Mexico

While conducting our Mexican Genealogy research we come across names of haciendas or towns in Mexico that can not be found on Google maps or anywhere else on the internet. If this is the case then you will really like this website since it will help you find or at least narrow down the location of where that town or hacienda may be.

TIP:

You can also export all localities for any particualr state into excel.

# VISIT WEBSITE

http://www.microrregiones.gob.mx/catloc/Default.aspx

#### GUADALAJARA DISPENSAS



• Excellent to help you find marriage dispensations of your ancestors in Nuevo Leon, Texas, Tamaulipas, and Coahuila.

Guadaljara dispensas is a website where the project of indexing all the marriage dispensation of Guadalajara is taking place. Thi sis an excellent resource that will help you locate your ancestors marriage dispensation.

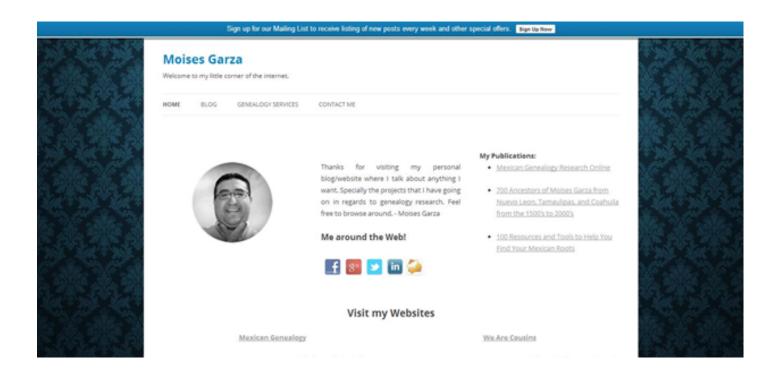
TIP:

If you come across a marriage record that mentions that there was a marriage dispensation and the marriage took palce before the 1800's this is the place to search.

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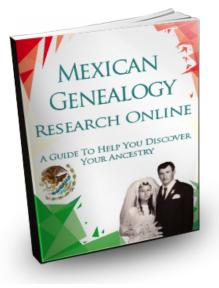
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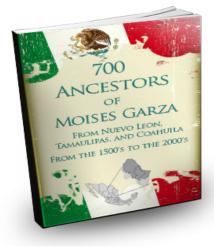
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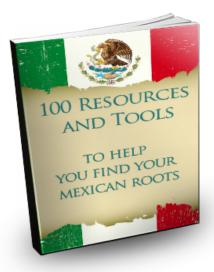
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