

# NEW WEB SERVICES

# Catalog of Kentucky State Archives

- "Does the Archives have marriage records for Allen County, Kentucky before 1890?"...
- "Where can I locate records of Governor Morrow?" ...
- "Do you have anything on tobacco farming?" ...

The "Catalog of Kentucky State Archives Holdings," now accessible to the public on the World Wide Web, can answer these questions and many more. Created and maintained by the Public Records Division of the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives, this new tool will significantly enhance access to Kentucky's public records. Genealogists, historians, students, and anyone with an interest in the Commonwealth's rich historical, political, and cultural heritage will now be able to locate these unique government resources.

The State Archives collects state and local government records of Kentucky, many dating back to statehood in 1792 and beyond. The Catalog contains descriptions of more than 10,000 of these government record collections. Much like standard online library catalogs, it is easily searchable by subject, agency name, record type, and title. The catalog is available from the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives web site (http://www.kdla.state.ky.us) or can be accessed directly at: http://cuadra.kdla.state.ky.us/Marcat.html.

The "Catalog of Kentucky State Archives Holdings" was made possible through a generous grant from the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels to the Friends of the Kentucky Public Archives, Inc. The grant funds were used to purchase the computer software that forms the framework of the catalog. From marriage records filed in local courthouses, to the official correspondence of many of Kentucky's governors, to the official records of state agencies, the State Archives collections are the public record of the people, politics, government, and culture of Kentucky. The "Catalog of the Kentucky State Archives Holdings" will enhance every citizen's access to these invaluable resources.

## **Revolutionary War Warrants Database**

"Did your ancestor receive a bounty land warrant for service in the Revolutionary War?" ...

The Kentucky Secretary of State's database can point you to the list of Virginia veterans who received military warrants for use in the Kentucky Military District. The database also includes names of immediate assignees and the patent series which includes surveys authorized by these warrants.

Simply access the Secretary of State's web page at: <a href="http://www.sos.state.ky.us/">http://www.sos.state.ky.us/</a> and click on "Revolutionary War Warrants Search." You can then search by keying the entire veteran name or a portion of the name.

Bounty land warrants were given to Revolutionary War veterans as compensation for their military service. The soldier's rank and time of service determined the allotment.

This new service is being offered through the Secretary of State's Land Office, which houses a variety of historic documents. For more information, please visit our web site or contact Kandie Adkinson at (502) 564-3490.

"I hope citizens will find this new service useful," said Secretary of State John Y. Brown III. "My office has already received some warm compliments from people who are doing genealogical research."

Articles contained in this newsletter were submitted by respective agency information liaisons. To submit articles, contact your agency liaison.

Comments and suggestions are always welcome. We may be reached at (502) 564-3433 or 1-800-471-1753 or you may e-mail us at debbie\_sutherland@mail.state.ky.us

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## Descendants of James R Eldridge

#### Generation No. 1

1. James R<sup>1</sup> Eldridge was born March 15, 1935 in Haldeman, Rowan Co, Kentucky. He married Thelma Avanelle White July 24, 1954 in Haldeman, Rowan Co. Kentucky, daughter of Earl White and Della Gregory.

Notes for James R Eldridge: Retired teacher from Rowan County Schools.

### Notes for Thelma Avanelle White:

Avanelle was Postmaster of Haldeman Post Office for several years until January 2, 1998 when the service there was suspended.

Children of JAMES ELDRIDGE and THELMA WHITE are:

- i. ROGER ALLAN<sup>2</sup> ELDRIDGE, b. May 28, 1955.
- ii. JAMES DOUGLAS ELDRIDGE, b. March 20, 1963.
- iii. THOMAS EARL ELDRIDGE, b. November 26, 1965.

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