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## Aboriginal family history Deaths and Burials

Compulsory registration of births, deaths and marriages was introduced in Western Australia in 1841, but often no early official records exist for Aboriginal people. In these cases, information can sometimes be found in newspapers, mission records and church records.

**Note: Many mission records are restricted and require permission to view them. Please see staff for assistance.**



Mission records	Where to find it
Mt. Margaret Aboriginal Mission; Death registrations, June 1923 - September 1969	MN1518 ACC 4796A/2
<i>See also:</i> Mt. Margaret: A drop in a bucket / Margaret Morgan <i>Includes biographical information and photographs.</i>	3rd floor reference 266.09 MOR
Forrest River Mission; Biographical notes on inhabitants, 1947 Deaths, 1938-1939	MN545 ACC 5816A/17 ACC 2389A/83
Gnowangerup Mission; Burial certificates, April 1935 - April 1951 Burial certificates, June 1951 - April 1960 Burial certificates, July 1960 - June 1962	MN 2398 ACC 6390A/2 ACC 6390A/3 ACC 6390A/4
Benedictine Community of New Norcia; Deaths registers, 1855-1910	MN 629/5 ACC 2953A/29 - restricted
Country burial records	Where to find it
Burials in the Mid-West of Western Australia, 1851-1896 / by Ken Stewart [microfiche index arranged alphabetically by name]	3rd floor reference 929.39 STE
De Garis Kendenup Development Company Records, 1893-75 Names of Aboriginal people buried in the native cemetery at Kendenup	MN 831 ACC 2948A/14
Yalgoo Cemetery Board, Burial Register 1896-1968	ACC1993A
List of Aborigines buried in various cemeteries: Carnarvon, Collie, Cue, Esperence, Fremantle, Gnowangerup, Kellerberrin, Kojonup, Meekatharra, Mingenew, Mount Barker, Mt Magnet, Moora, Mullewa, Narembeen, Narrogin, Onslow, Pinjarra, Quairading, Roebourne, Southern Cross, Tambellup, Wagin, Woodanilling	MN 1410 ACC 4446A
Denmark cemetery, 1910-2001 [records] / by Hamilton, McGuinness & Wirrell	3rd floor shelves and stack Q 363.75 DEN



Metropolitan burial records	Where to find it
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Metropolitan Cemeteries Board Includes Fremantle, Guildford, Karrakatta, Midland and Pinnaroo cemeteries. Search online: <a href="http://www.mcb.wa.gov.au/NameSearch/search.php">www.mcb.wa.gov.au/NameSearch/search.php</a>	Online resource
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Western Australian cemeteries index / Western Australian Genealogical Society	3rd floor microfiche Cemeteries stand
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East Perth burials cemeteries burials 1896-1916 / Western Australian Genealogical Society	3rd floor microfiche 929.39 EAS
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Church records	Where to find it
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Anglican church records	MN614
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Congregational Church	MN257
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Methodist Church	MN172
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Miscellaneous church records	MN1217
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Presbyterian Church	MN713
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Roman Catholic Church	MN812
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Uniting Church	MN659 and MN930
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See Manuscript Notes (MN's) in the Batty Library for a detailed listing of church records)

Miscellaneous	Where to find it
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Records from the Kunmunya Presbyterian Aboriginal Mission at Mowanjum Station, 1921-1944 – no detailed listing available	3rd floor microfilm ACC 951A
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