

## National Burial Index

Available on the FindMyPast website, for which we sell vouchers.

## Cemetery and Graveyard Maps

We hold maps of several local cemeteries and churchyards including a detailed map of Beckett Street Cemetery.

## Newspapers

Newspapers often have obituaries or death notices so if you have a date of death, it is worth checking the local newspapers in the days after the death for any announcements. A death announcement will usually give details of funeral services and interments and often other family member names.

## Opening times

Monday – 9.00am – 8.00pm  
Tuesday – 9.00am – 8.00pm  
Weds – 9.00am – 8.00pm  
Thursday 9.00am – 5.00pm  
Friday – 9.00 – 5.00pm  
Saturday – 10.00am – 4.00pm  
Sunday - Closed

### For more information

#### Local and Family History

**Leeds Central Library, Calverley Street,  
Leeds, LS1 3AB**

**T: 0113 378 6982**

**E: [localandfamilyhistory@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:localandfamilyhistory@leeds.gov.uk)**

**W: [www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.leeds.gov.uk/libraries)**

**Blog: [secretlibraryleeds.net](http://secretlibraryleeds.net)**

#### Tickets:

**[ticketsource.co.uk/Leedslibraryevents](http://ticketsource.co.uk/Leedslibraryevents)**

**Newsletter: [bit.ly/LeedsLocalHistoryNews](http://bit.ly/LeedsLocalHistoryNews)**



## Burial Records

The Local and Family History Library holds a variety of burial records including municipal cemetery registers, church burial records and cemetery maps. If we do not hold the records here we will try to direct you to the most appropriate source to locate the information you require.



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## Cemetery Records

The Local and Family History Library holds microfilmed copies of the records for municipal cemeteries in Leeds. These list burials by date and usually give the name, address and age of the deceased, along with plot details. Printed name indexes are available for Woodhouse, Beckett Street and Hunslet Cemeteries.

The Yorkshire Indexers have also indexed many municipal cemeteries online – see [www.yorkshireburials.uk](http://www.yorkshireburials.uk).

Leeds City Council's Bereavement Services keep the original records at Farnley Hall, Hall Lane, Leeds, LS12 5HA, 0113 3957446 or [parks@leeds.gov.uk](mailto:parks@leeds.gov.uk).

Contact them to arrange a visit or request a search (fees apply).

## Woodhouse Cemetery

This burial ground, also known as Leeds General Cemetery, has been largely cleared of headstones but still exists within the grounds of the University of Leeds. The original burial records can be searched online at:

<https://library.leeds.ac.uk/special-collections/collection/706>

## Beckett Street Cemetery Records

This is the second oldest municipal cemetery in Leeds (Hunslet cemetery opened in January 1845, some eight months before Beckett Street); we have a printed list of burials, indexed by surname and split into consecrated and unconsecrated sections. The index provides burial and grave numbers that can be used to find further details from our microfiche records and a map of grave locations. If you plan on visiting the cemetery yourself you may find it useful to contact the Friends of Beckett Street Cemetery for advice:

[www.beckettstreetcemetery.org.uk](http://www.beckettstreetcemetery.org.uk)

## Parish Burial Records

Church burials are included with our parish register collection on microform. Our website lists which churches we cover. Many of these are available on Ancestry.com which is free to use in all Leeds Libraries – search for **West Yorkshire Parish Registers**.

## Catholic Burial Records

**Killingbeck Cemetery** in East Leeds is the main Catholic burial ground.

The records are indexed on [YorkshireBurials.uk](http://YorkshireBurials.uk).

The cemetery office can be contacted at:

- Cemetery Cottage, York Road, Leeds, LS14 6AB.
- Telephone: (0113) 264 5247.

For enquiries regarding Catholic baptisms, marriages and burials please contact the Leeds Diocesan Archives, Hinsley hall, 62 Headingley Lane, Leeds, LS6 2BX, 0113 261 8031, email:

[robert.finnigan@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:robert.finnigan@dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

## Jewish Burial Records

Information about Jewish cemeteries in Leeds can be found online, in the Leeds section of the International Jewish Cemetery Project website:

[www.iajgsjewishcemeteryproject.org/england/leeds-yorkshire.html](http://www.iajgsjewishcemeteryproject.org/england/leeds-yorkshire.html)

A further database of Leeds Jewish burial records can be found at:

<http://www.jewishgen.org/JCR-uk/Leeds.htm>

## Other Non-Conformist Records

Some of these records have not survived; however, we have a limited selection of non-conformist burial records available on microform including some Quaker, Methodist and even some older Catholic records. Please ask staff for the indexes in order to access these.