

Davidson County Locality Guide (21 September 2022)

Geographic Area



Davidson County was named for William Lee Davidson, a North Carolina general who was killed opposing General Cornwallis and the British Army's crossing of the Catawba River on February 1, 1781. The county is located in the north-central area of the state. ([FamilySearch Wiki](#))

Davidson County is the oldest county in Middle Tennessee. It dates to 1783, when the North Carolina legislature created the county and named it in honor of William L. Davidson, a North Carolina officer who died in the Revolutionary War on January 1, 1782. The county seat, Nashville, is also the oldest permanent white settlement in Middle Tennessee, founded by James Robertson and John Donelson during the winter of 1779-80. The initial white settlers established the Cumberland Compact in order to establish a basic rule of law and to protect their land titles. Through much of the early 1780s the settlers also faced a hostile response from Native American tribes. As the county's many known archaeological sites attest, the resources of Davidson County had attracted Native Americans for centuries. In fact, the first whites to encounter the area were fur traders, then long hunters, who came to a large salt lick, known as French Lick, in present-day Nashville to trade with Native Americans and to hunt the abundant game.

Nashville has always been the region's center of commerce, industry, transportation, and culture, but it did not become the capital of Tennessee until 1827 and did not gain permanent capital status until 1843. Its story is best told through its individual entry and the hundreds of other entries in this volume that cover significant people, events, and institutions associated with Nashville as the capital city of Tennessee.

But Davidson County is more than the history of Nashville. It is a large, sprawling landscape that has contained several other significant and distinctive towns and villages in its history, although that diversity has been often forgotten since the formation of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County in 1963. Railroads and turnpikes crossed the county in the mid-nineteenth century and these new transportation routes led to the establishment of several villages including White's Creek, Joelton, Nolensville, Madison, Antioch, Goodlettsville, and Bellevue. The majestic Union Station in downtown Nashville still conveys the economic power of the railroads in turn-of-the-century Nashville.

Historic sites in the more rural areas of the county convey a sense of what past life was like outside the glare of the big city lights. The Hermitage of Andrew and Rachel Jackson represents the large planter landscape once common in the antebellum era. The Ellington Agricultural Center in south Davidson County developed from the Brentwood Hall estate of Rogers Caldwell and contains an excellent museum of rural and agricultural history. Newsom's Mill near Bellevue is another reminder of the agrarian economy once dominant in the county. Radnor Lake State Natural Area and the Warner Parks conserve forests and rolling hills in the west side of the county. The Natchez Trace Parkway ends in Davidson County.

War has shaped Davidson County in direct and indirect ways. Federal troops occupied the city early in the Civil War. Fort Negley, a significant post in the history of African Americans and the Civil War, was one of many marks left behind by the occupation army. Throughout the county are

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many markers and monuments that document the activities of both armies during the battle of Nashville in December 1864. World War I brought the massive industrial development of the DuPont ammunition factory and company town at Old Hickory, creating a bustling city where nothing had been before.

The New Deal era also brought lasting change to the county, due to the combined political power of Congressman Joe Byrns and Nashville mayor Hillary Howse. A series of modern schools were constructed in the country and the city. The county even gained a modernistic office landmark in the Davidson County Public Building and Courthouse (1936-38). Architects Emmons H. Woolwine of Nashville and Frederic C. Hirons of New York designed this preeminent example of the Public Works Administration-influenced Modern style in Middle Tennessee; the courthouse combined the offices of city and county government, thus the unusual name. The Works Progress Administration built Marrowbone Lake and improved local parks and recreational facilities.

World War II brought additional industrial expansion, such as the Vultee aircraft factory, now the Aerostructures Corporation, along the Briley Parkway. The modern industries of Du Pont, along with Old Hickory, and Vultee transformed areas of the county that were once rural and thinly populated into much larger suburban additions to the city. After World War II that process of change continued with the construction of such facilities as the Ford Glass Plant, Genesco, Dell Corporation, and the Metro Airport. The county's 2000 population was 569,891.

All three Tennessee presidents lived in Davidson County; both Andrew Jackson and James K. Polk died and were buried there. Davidson County also is home to many of the state's most famous educational and cultural institutions including Belmont, Fisk, Lipscomb, Tennessee State, Trevecca, and Vanderbilt Universities; the Grand Ole Opry; the Tennessee State Museum; the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum; and the Tennessee Performing Arts Center. ([Tennessee Encyclopedia](#))

Record Loss – Davidson County (Family Search)

1856 Courthouse burned and many records were damaged. Lost censuses 1790, 1800, and 1810.

[FamilySearch Davidson County Catalog](#)

TnGenWeb Project – [Davidson County](#)

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Record Location Table

Record Type	Location	Record Notes
Birth	County Clerk Office	County Registrations began 1881
	Tennessee Vital Records Office	Keeps for 100 years then they are sent to TSLA
Marriages	County Clerk Office	County Registrations began 1789

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	Tennessee Vital Records Office	Keeps for 50 years then they are sent to TSLA
Divorce	Chancery Court Clerk	
	Tennessee Vital Records Office	TSLA
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	Tennessee Vital Records Office	Keeps for 50 years then they are sent to TSLA
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		1914-1933
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	County Register	County Register of Deeds
	TNGenWeb	Index to Deeds
List of Microfilmed [County] County Records	TSLA-PDF	
Pension Applications	Tennessee State Archives & Library	County Index to Tennessee Confederate Pension Applications
Probate Records	Chancery Court	County Registrations began 1783
Tennessee Enumeration of Male Voters	Ancestry.com (\$)	Tennessee Enumeration of Male Voters
World War I Veterans	Tennessee State Archives & Library	Research Collection

County Repositories

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[Andrew Jackson's Papers \(The Hermitage\)](#)

[Metro Archives - Third floor Nashville Public Library](#)

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[Tennessee State University Library Special Collections & Archives](#)

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Resources

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Newspapers

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[Check Online Catalog for Davidson Newspaper Details & Dates Held](#). We do not necessarily hold all published issues of the newspapers. – 312 Titles

Newspapers.com (20 titles)

[Newspapers in Davidson County, Tennessee](#)

Genealogybank.com (30 titles, including 1 German Language)

[Newspapers in Davidson County, Tennessee](#)

Tennessee Electronic Library (Nashville Tennessean)

[Newspapers in Davidson County, Tennessee](#)

Chronicling America

[Nashville daily patriot](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1855-1857

[The Nashville daily union](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1862-1866

[The Nashville globe](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1906-193?

[Nashville patriot](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1858-1860

[Nashville union and American](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1853-1862

[Nashville union and American](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1868-1875

[Nashville union and dispatch](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1866-1868

[Nashville union](#) [Nashville, Tenn.], 1851-1853

[The Nashville weekly union](#) Nashville, Tenn., 1862-1866

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African-American History of Nashville, Tennessee, 1780-1930: Elites and Dilemmas (Lovett, 1999) *[name index]*

Andrew Jackson Slept Here: A Guide to Historical Markers in Nashville and Davidson County (Metropolitan Historical Commission of Nashville and Davidson County, 1993) *[name index]**

Articles from Nashville, Tennessee Newspapers, 1800 to 1850 (Armistead, 2009) *[name index]*

Articles from Nashville, Tennessee Newspapers, 1851 to 1865 (Armistead, 2009) *[name index]*

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Articles from Nashville, Tennessee Newspapers, 1866 to 1870 (Armistead, 2009) [*name index*]*

Articles from Nashville, Tennessee Newspapers, 1871 to 1875 (Armistead, 2012) [*name index*]*

Black Community of Nashville and Davidson County, 1860-1870 (Ridley, 1982)

Centennial History of Westminster Presbyterian Church: Originally Named Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1873-1973: With a Postscript Through 1978 (Harwell, 1979) [*name index*]

Davidson County (Burns, 1989) [*name index*]*

Davidson County, Tennessee (Nashville. Industrial Bureau, 1911?)*

God, Guns, Guitars & Whiskey: An Illustrated Guide to Historic Nashville, Tennessee (Zimmerman, 2012)

Historic Blue Grass Line: A Review of the History of Davidson and Sumner Counties (Nashville-Gallatin Interurban Railway, 1913)

Historic Cane Ridge and its Families (Johnson, 1973) [*name index*]*

Historic Places in Davidson, Williamson, Maury and Giles Counties (Tennessee Historical Commission, 1921?)

Historic Travelers' Rest, Nashville, Tennessee (Davis, 1976)

History of Davidson County (Woods, 1946?)

History of Davidson, County, Tennessee, with Illustrations and Biographical Sketches of its Prominent Men and Pioneers (Clayton, 1971) [*index in separate volume*]*

History of McKendree Church (Tipps, 1984)

History of the Dickinson Road (Bell, 1936?)

Marks, Landmarks and Markers: A Guide to the Civil War in Nashville and Davidson County (Beasley, 196?)

Nashville: A Pictorial History (Adams & Christian, 1980) [*name index*]

Nashville in the New South, 1880-1930 (Doyle, 1985) [*name index*]

Nashville Since the 1920s (Doyle, 1985) [*name index*]

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Nashville, Then and Now 1780-1930 (Weidner, 1930)

Nashville, the Occupied City: The First Seventeen Months, February 16, 1862 to June 30, 1863 (Durham, 1985) *[name index]*

North Nashville and Germantown: Yesterday and Today (Connelly, 1982) *[name index]*

Northwest Davidson County: The Land, Its People: Historical Sketches of Bordeaux, Jordonia, Scottsboro, Bell's Bend, Joelton, White's Creek, Union Hill (Graves, 1975) *[name index in separate volume]**

Pioneers of Davidson County, Tennessee (Whitley, 1999) *[surname index]**

South Nashville (Wagner, 2018)

Wicked Nashville (Goetsch, 2017)

With Good Will and Affection-- for Antioch: Reminiscences of Antioch, Tennessee (Marshall, 2002) *[name index]*

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1770-1790 Census of the Cumberland Settlements: Davidson, Sumner, and Tennessee Counties (in What is Now Tennessee) (Fulcher, 1987) *[alphabetical for each county]*

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1812 Davidson County, Tennessee Tax List (Douthat, 19??) *[name index]*

1850 Census of the City of Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee (Porch, 1969) *[surname index]*

1860 Davidson County, Tennessee, Census [4 vols.] (Dobson-Sides, 2000) *[surname index in vol. 4]**

1880 Census, Davidson County, Tennessee (Sistler, 2000) *[alphabetical by head of household]**

Cemetery Records of Davidson and Wilson Counties (Carver, 1957)

Corrected Index, Deed Books T & W, Davidson County (Smith, 1994?) *[name index]**

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Davidson Co., Tennessee Land Entries 1824-1836; Land Surveys 1824-1852 (Pruitt, 2007) *[name index]*

Davidson Co., TN Marriages, 1838-1863 (Sistler, 1985) *[alphabetical]**

Davidson County Index to Military Discharges, 1917-1946 (19???)

Davidson County Pioneers, Revolutionary and War of 1812 Soldiers (Whitley, 1965) *[surname index]*

Davidson County, Superior Court of Law and Equity, Mero District, pleas [vol. 1 & 2 1803-1809; vol. 3 1807-1809] (WPA, 1938) *[name index in vols. 2 & 3]*

*Davidson County, Tennessee, 1850 Census (Porch, 1969) *[surname index]*

Davidson County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1783-1792 (Wells, 1990) *[name index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee County Court Minutes, 1792-1799 (Wells, 1991) *[surname index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee, County Court Minutes, 1799-1803 (Wells, 1991) *[surname index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee Death Records & Tombstone Inscriptions [2 vols.] (Fulcher, 1979-) *[name index in each volume]**

Davidson County, Tennessee Deed Book H, 1809-1821 (Smith, 2000) *[name index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee Deed Book "P" : Personal Property Deeds, 15 November 1821-13 February 1829 (Smith, 1997) *[name index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee, Deed Books "T" and "W," 1829-1835 (Smith, 1994) *[corrected index in separate volume]**

Davidson County, Tennessee, Deed Book "Z" : Personal Property Deeds, September 5, 1835-January 2, 1838 (Smith, 2004) *[name index]**

Davidson County, Tennessee Deeds [vol. 1 1784-1787; vol. 2 1786-1787; vol. 3 1787-1790; vol. 4 1790-1791; vol. 5 1789-1791; vol. 6 1791-1793; vol. 7 1793-1794; vol. 8 1794-1796] (Willis, 1997-) *[name index in each volume]*

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Davidson County, Tennessee, Land Records, 1788-1793 (WPA, 1937) *[name index]*

Davidson County, Tennessee, Marriages, vol. 2 1838-47, vol. 3 1848-49 (WPA, 1938) *[name index for vol. 2; surname index for vol. 3]*

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Davidson County, Tennessee, Re-survey of Nashville, 1820 (WPA, 1939) *[name index]*

Davidson County, Tennessee Wills & Inventories [vol. 1 1783-1816 ; vol. 2 1816-1830] (Marsh, 1990-) *[surname index in each volume]**

Davidson County, TN Wills and Administrations to 1861 (Sistler, 1989) *[alphabetical]**

Davidson County Women in the World War, 1914-1919 (Gilmore, 1923)*

Death Notices from *The Clarion*, 1800-1821 (Armistead, 2005) *[name index]*

Death Notices From the *Christian Advocate*, Nashville, Tennessee [1874-1876; 1877-1879; 1880-1882; 1883-1884 (in 2 pts)] (Smith, 1999-) *[surname index in each volume]*

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Directory of Historical Markers--Nashville--Davidson County (Beasley, 1977) *[name index]**

Genealogical Abstracts from Reported Deaths, the Nashville Christian Advocate [1847-1849; 1857-1860; 1861, 1872-1873; 1869-1871; 1885-1886](Smith, 2000-) *[surname index in each volume]*

Gone Under : Historic Cemeteries and Burial Grounds of Nashville, Tennessee (Zimmerman, 2012) *[name index]*

Index, Northwest Davidson County : The Land, Its People (Smith, 19??) *[name index & subject index]*

Index [to] Clayton's History of Davidson County, Tennessee, 1780-1880 (Whitfield & Williams, 1973) *[name index]*

J. Percy Priest Reservoir, Cumberland River Basin, Stones River, Tennessee: Cemetery Relocation Plan (U.S. Army Engineer District, Nashville, 1965)

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Land Deed Genealogy of Davidson County, Tennessee [vol. 1 1783-1792; vol. 2 1793-1797; vol. 3 1797-1803] (Marsh, 1992) *[surname index in each volume]**

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Mill Creek Church Meeting Minutes, April 1797–April 1811, Davidson County, Tennessee (1994?) *[name index]*

Minutes of the County Court of Davidson County [vol. 2, Book B, 1791-1797] [2 pts.] (WPA, 1941) *[name index in pt. 1]*

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Nashville North, TN Polk City Directory [1998–2019]

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Obituaries ... of People Who are Buried in the City Cemetery [vol. 1 1822–1846; vol. 2 1846 & 1870–1875] (Armistead, 200?) *[name index in each volume]*

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Polk's Nashville Suburban Directory (1957–1997/98)

Selected Cemeteries in Davidson County, Tennessee (Glenclyff High School, 1980) *[name index]*

Tennesseans Before 1800: Davidson County (Fischer, 1997) *[alphabetical]**

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Deed Index -- 1784-1871 (L-Z) Direct (Roll I, 1 reel) *
Marriages -- 1789-1837 (#469, 1 reel) *
Marriages -- 1837-1863 (#470, 1 reel) *
Will Books -- 1784-1816 (#427, 1 reel) *
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Will Books -- 1853-1859 (#433, 1 reel) *
Will Books -- 1859-1865 (#434, 1 reel) *
WPA Records, Davidson County (Record Group #107, Roll 16, 1 reel). Roll includes Wills & Inventories, Vol. 2, pt. 2 (1794-1805), Wills & Inventories, Vol. 3 (1805-1811), Wills & Inventories, Vols. 4-6, pts. 1 & 2 (1805-1816), Wills & Inventories, Vol. 8, pt. 1 (1821-1826) and Wills & Inventories, Vol. 10, pts. 1 & 2 (1832-1836). *

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Belle Meade United Methodist Church Records. Nashville, 1951-1980 (Microfilm Manuscript #655, 1 reel) *

Belmont United Methodist Church Records. Nashville, 1910-1981 (Microfilm Manuscript #709, 3 reels) *

Calvary United Methodist Church Records. Davidson County, 1942-1980 (Microfilm Manuscript #649, 2 reels) *

Centenary United Methodist Church Records. Davidson County, 1818-1983 (Microfilm Manuscript #757, 1 reel) *

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Davidson County, Tennessee Land Records, 1786-1950

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Dr. Walter Henry Storer Photograph Collection, c. 1930s-1955

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Norvell Sevier Rose Collection, 1846-1930 (Microfilm Manuscript #1432, 1 reel) *

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Spring Hill Cemetery Records. Davidson County, 1785-1985 (Microfilm Manuscript #895, 18 reels) *

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Tucker-Vaughan Papers, 1840-1912 (Microfilm Manuscript #1431, 1 reel) *

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<i>Bench and bar, Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee</i>	Rutherford, David C.	Y		Y
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<i>Davidson County Tennessee General Land and Deed Books: Vol. K-L. Microfilm Pub..</i>	1973		Y	
<i>Davidson County Tennessee Wills Book #10 (1832-1836). Microfilm Pub.</i>			Y	
<i>Davidson County Tennessee Wills Book #7 (1816-1821). Microfilm Pub..</i>	1973		Y	
<i>Davidson County Tennessee Wills Book #8, 1821-1826. Microfilm Pub..</i>	1973		Y	
<i>Davidson County Tennessee Wills: Inventories #1 & #2 (1784-1805) #3 & #4 through 1816. Microfilm Pub..</i>			Y	
<i>Davidson County, Tenn Deeds</i>	Wills, Laura 1997	Y		
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<i>Davidson County, Tennessee, church records [microform] Contains lists of communicants, confirmations, marriages, baptisms, and burials</i>				Y
<i>Davidson County, Tennessee, county court minutes, 1799-1803</i>	Wells, Carol	Y		Y
<i>Davidson County, Tennessee, deed book "P": personal property deeds, 15 November 1821-13 February 1829</i>	Smith, Mary Sue	Y		Y
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<i>History of New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Davidson County, Tennessee, 1794-1976</i>	Vanderpool, Herbert Campbell, 1923	Y		
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<i>List of taxable property in Davidson County, Tennessee, 1873</i> .	Jones, John, 1873	Y		
<i>Marriage record book</i>	Silas Emmett, 1931			Y
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<i>Marriage record book I: January 2, 1789-December 13, 1837, Davidson County, Tennessee</i> . Easley, South Carolina: Southern Historical Press, ©1979.	Lucas, Silas Emmett, Jr., 1979		Y	
<i>Marriages Of Davidson County Tennessee (1837-1867)</i> . Microfilm Pub	1981		Y	
<i>Marriages of Davidson County, Tennessee, 1789-1847</i>	Whitley, Edythe Johns Rucker, 1900	Y		Y
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<i>Minutes of the County Court of Davidson County</i>	WPA, 1941	Y		
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