

Obituary Requests at the Saskatoon Public Library – Information Guide

Saskatoon Obituary Index

<http://spldatabase.saskatoonlibrary.ca/internet/OBIQuery.htm>

This is the place to start. The Index lists the date that an obituary appeared in the *Saskatoon StarPhoenix*, beginning in 1946. The obituaries themselves are not online. However, knowing the date means it can be looked for and retrieved from the *StarPhoenix* on microfilm.

- In the Name search field, enter the person's name (Last name, first name or just the last name if searching for a family name).
- In the Date search field enter the year of death or month and year – if known.
- If the name you are looking for appears in the results, make note of the name, date and page number for the obituary
- The most recent 25 years of microfilm can be found in Information Services, is@saskatoonlibrary.ca or call 306.975.7555. The earlier years are in Local History lhstaff@saskatoonlibrary.ca or call 306.975.7578.

How much does it cost?

The cost is \$5 (CAD) per obituary.

Payment options in Canadian funds are cheque, money order or cash.

Once payment is received, copies will be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to you.

Note – You can also look up obituaries in person at the Library at no charge. Print-outs are \$.25 each. There is no cost to save obituaries to your USB stick or email to yourself.

If an obituary isn't listed in the Saskatoon Obituary Index...

For dates before 1946 not covered in the Obituary Index, check the Saskatoon Woodlawn Cemetery website to see if the person is listed there.

<http://www.saskatoon.ca/DEPARTMENTS/Infrastructure%20Services/Parks/Woodlawn%20Cemetery/Alphabetical%20Listings/Pages/Alphabetical%20Listings.aspx>

- Click on Alphabetical Listings, then first letter of the last name. Scroll down to find the entry.
- The dates of death and burial are shown after the name.
- Give us the exact date of death and we'll check three days of newspaper microfilm after that date.

It is up to the family of the deceased whether or not to place an obituary in a newspaper. If you can't find the name you're looking for, the death notice may not have been published.

Recent obituaries (full-text) are also available at www.legacy.com/thestarphoenix (beginning July, 2003) and www.saskobits.com (archived to May, 2012).

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