San Mateo
Public Library

Obituary Search Request Form

The San Mateo Public Library provides a free obituary search service for residents of San Mateo County. For non-residents of San Mateo County, a $20 fee per name will apply. If an obituary can be found, the library will send the requestor an electronic copy of the obituary as it appears in the newspaper.

- Searches are conducted for persons whose obituary appeared in San Mateo County newspapers up until 2009*.
- The library cannot guarantee that an obituary will be found.
- All requests are fulfilled on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Please allow 14 days for the search to be completed and for the library to respond.

*Microfilm service was discontinued for the *San Mateo Times* after 2009.

Please provide the date of death when requesting this service. Also, verify the name and the date of death using California Death Records (1940 – 1997) and/or the Social Security Death Index.

Customers are welcome to visit the San Mateo Main Library to conduct their own obituary searches using the library's microfilm holdings and the Ancestry.com database (available for use within the library).

To request an obituary, print this page, complete the Obituary Search Request Information below, include a $20 check payable to the San Mateo Public Library (if non-resident of San Mateo County) and mail to:

San Mateo Public Library
ATTN: Obituary Request
55 W. 3rd Ave.
San Mateo, CA 94402

Today's Date: _____

Name of Deceased: _____

Death Date: _____

Death City: _____

Date of Birth (if known): _____

Name of person requesting obituary: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address: _____