

# Lida Larkin's family history tips

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## SIMPLIFY FINDING DISTANCES BETWEEN LOCATIONS

Not long ago I spent quite a bit of time trying to figure out how far my ancestor lived from the cemetery that I believe he is buried in "as the crow flies." I could locate both locations on a map, but didn't know where roads might have been on the frontier. I have since found a free website for joggers and bikers very useful for getting distances. GMaps Pedometer allows you to get straight line distances (manual) between two or more points. Distances on current roads are available taking into account curves and turns onto other roads (automatic). This will be useful to get an exact driving distance from a landmark to a cemetery or other location. The cyclist route will not let you go down a one-way street the wrong way like the runner route would. Gerald M. Graves, Van Meter, Iowa , "Your Quick Tips", 05 Jan 2008, 24/7 Family History Circle Blog [taken from Sonneborns' newsletter]

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The following link will take you to a really good article in the Family History Bulletin of World Vital Records.

**WORLDVITALRECORDS.COM**

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Family History Bulletin

## *The Best Non-Genealogy Websites for your Genealogical Research*

*by Gena Philibert Ortega*

[http://www.worldvitalrecords.com/news/Volume3Issue51/members/?page=feature&utm\\_source=newsletter&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_content=right%2Bbanner&utm\\_campaign=Wvr%2BNewsletter&offer=1](http://www.worldvitalrecords.com/news/Volume3Issue51/members/?page=feature&utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_content=right%2Bbanner&utm_campaign=Wvr%2BNewsletter&offer=1)

We have a real treat this month. The Sonneborns have allowed me to attach their September newsletter for you to read. It's full of good explanatory stuff. You will find it as the 2<sup>nd</sup> attachment after the Tips Newsletter. I think you'll be amazed at all the info they provide.

You can also access past issues of their Genealogy newsletter by going to the following link:

*For copies of Genealogy News, go to*

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~payork/York2Ward/>

We just finished our  
Blast with the Past Stake Family  
History Jamboree. Next letter

I'll summarize some of what we covered. (lida)

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That's all Folks! For this time.

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