

TMG Utility Tip

Living = ?, Y, N Flag

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Living ?, Y, N Flag

- ◆ The TMG Living flag is an important item when one wishes to exclude living people in a printed report or when creating a real, or virtual, web site using Second Site, and when there is no death or burial tag
- ◆ TMG provides the option of defining a year after which people can be considered non-living for privacy (although some have proven to be defiant, living beyond the range)
- ◆ However, the Living flag does not update automatically over time - it will change to N when you add a death or burial tag
- ◆ To avoid the tedious undertaking to manually

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The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Filter the Project Explorer" with a "Query by Example" tab selected. The dialog contains a table for defining filter criteria and radio buttons for selecting name types. The table has columns for Field, Subfield, Operator, Value, and Connect. The filter criteria are as follows:

(* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value) Connect
<input type="radio"/>	Age Today		> Is grea	100	<input type="radio"/> AND
<input type="radio"/>	LIVING		= Equals	Y	<input type="radio"/> OR
<input type="radio"/>	LIVING		= Equals	?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> END

Below the table, there are three radio buttons for name selection: "Primary names", "Non-primary names", and "Both". The "Both" option is selected. At the bottom of the dialog, there are buttons for "OK", "Load...", "Save as...", "Clear", "Cancel", and "Help".

Filter example #1

Use TMG to filter for those people whose age today is greater than 100 & Living Flag equals Y or ?

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Filter the Project Explorer

Filter Query by Example

(* Field	Subfield	Operator	Value) Connect
	Age Today		> Is gre:	100	AND
	LIVING		<> Does	N	END

Primary names Non-primary names Both

OK Load... Save as... Clear Cancel Help

Filter example # 2

Use TMG to filter for those people whose age today is greater than 100 & Living Flag does not equal N

The result is the same in both examples.

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You could edit each person within TMG individually if the end result of the filter is small enough to manage.

Plan B would be to use TMG Utility from John Cardinal to filter, and with more options.



About TMG Utility



John Cardinal's TMG Utility

Version 7.3 Build 02

The ESSENTIAL utility for TMG databases (project versions 10.0 to 11.0)

See the help command for more information.

This program is DONORWARE. Please make a donation in my name to the PMC/Jimmy Fund. See HELP files for details.

Use at your own risk. The author is not associated with Wholly Genes, Inc., and they have not endorsed this program for use with their product The Master Genealogist (TMG).

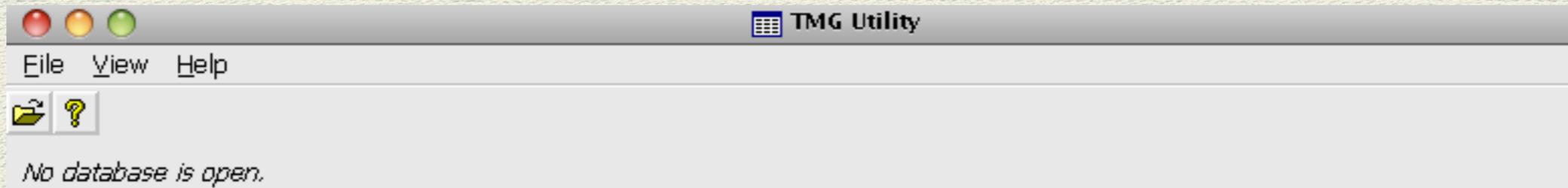
Please read the End User License Agreement using the Help (F1) command.

**Always make a backup of
your project before using
this program.**

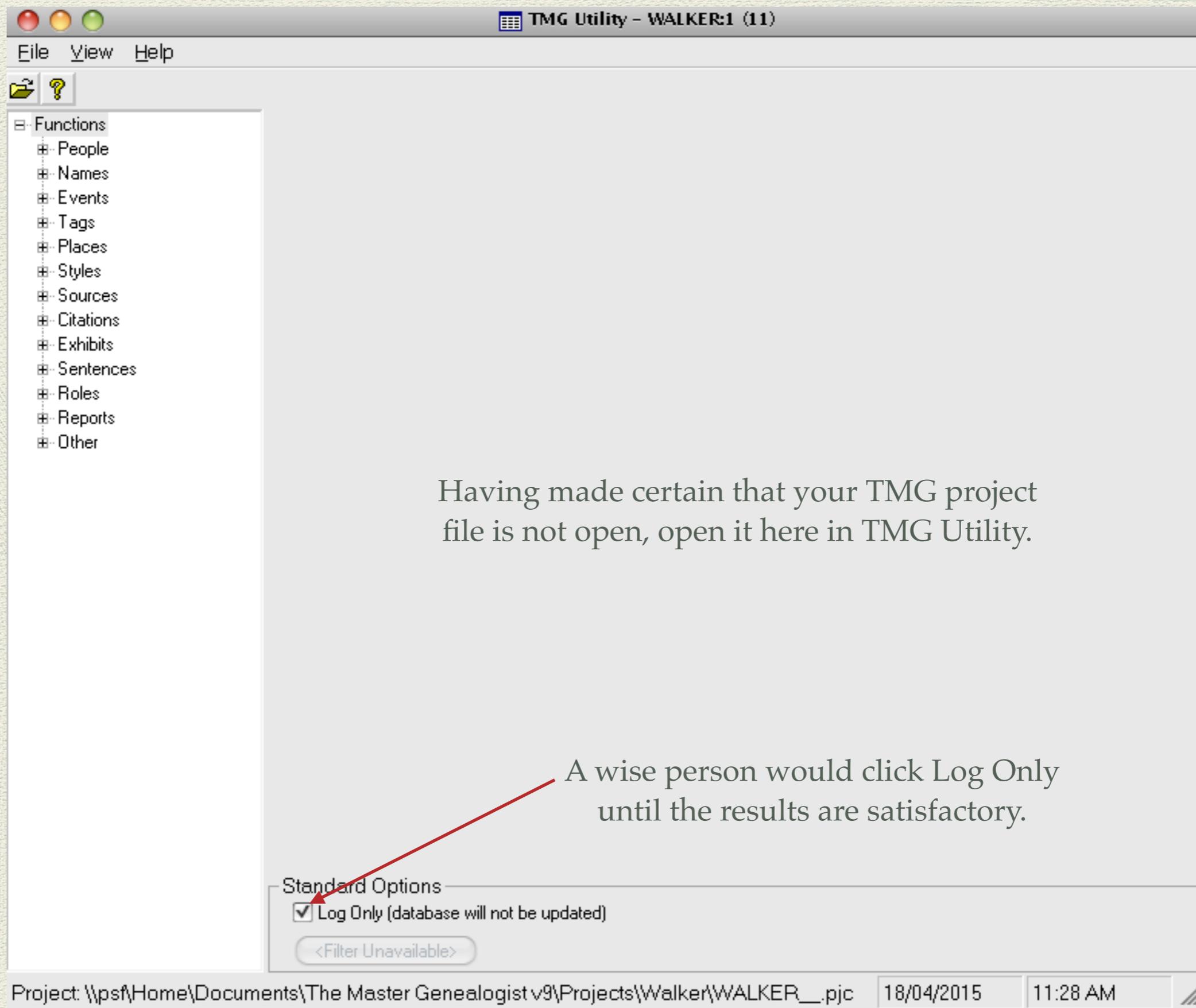
OK

Click OK

Opening screen of TMG Utility



This is the unremarkable opening screen of TMG Utility.
The good stuff lies beneath the covers.



Having made certain that your TMG project file is not open, open it here in TMG Utility.

A wise person would click Log Only until the results are satisfactory.

TMG Utility - Read from George Read:1 (11)

File View Help

Select Functions
> People
> Set Living=N

Functions
People
Set Birth Order
Set Living=N
Set Person Field
Set Reference by Name
Adjust Birth and Death
Select DNA Descendant
Names
Events
Tags
Places
Styles
Sources
Citations
Exhibits
Sentences
Roles
Reports
Other

Set Living=N

Set Living=N for people with BMDB event before: (YYYY)

1915

Use Ancestor's Events
 Use Descendant's Events
 Use 5 Generations Rule

Set Living=N

Click Set Living=N

Enter the current year minus 100

Leave the additional filter options unchecked

Confirm that Log Only is checked

Standard Options
 Log Only (database will not be updated)

<Filter Unavailable>

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TMG Utility provides us with a list of candidates with TMG ID, birth and marriage years

You may wish to review those persons with birth dates within a few years of the filtered date

In this test project file of 776 people, there are 23 who are considered living at 100 years of age.

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TMG Utility Log - \\psf\Home\Documents\TMG Utility Logs\20150420-045439.log
File Edit
Use Descendant's Events: False

ID, Event and Year
57, Marriage 1811
179, Marriage 1874
221, Birth 1908
222, Birth 1912
223, Birth 1914
228, Birth 1909
229, Birth 1912
235, Birth 1907
280, Birth 1914
384, Birth 1914
387, Birth 1914
457, Birth 1907
459, Birth 1909
460, Birth 1911
511, Marriage 1669
702, Marriage 1843
722, Marriage 1826
731, Marriage 1835
732, Marriage 1835
737, Marriage 1824
750, Marriage 1839
756, Marriage 1840
757, Marriage 1860

Finished at 04:54:39
Elapsed Time=0 seconds
People=776
People with Living '?'=505
Changed flag; event before 1915=23
Set Living 'N'=23

No changes were made because the Log Only option is selected.
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File View Help

Functions

- People
 - Set Birth Order
 - Set Living=N
 - Set Person Field
 - Set Reference by Name
 - Adjust Birth and Death
 - Select DNA Descendant
- Names
- Events
- Tags
- Places
- Styles
- Sources
- Citations
- Exhibits
- Sentences
- Roles
- Reports
- Other

Set Living=N

Set Living=N for people with BMDB event before: (YYYY)

1915

Use Ancestor's Events

Use Descendant's Events

Use 5 Generations Rule

Set Living=N

Click Set Living=N

Standard Options

Log Only (database will not be updated)

<Filter Unavailable>

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TMG Utility - Read from George Read:1 (11)

File View Help

Functions

- People
 - Set Birth Order
 - Set Living=N
 - Set Person Field
 - Set Reference by Name
 - Adjust Birth and Death
 - Select DNA Descendant
- Names
- Events
- Tags
- Places
- Styles
- Sources
- Citations
- Exhibits
- Sentences
- Roles
- Reports
- Other

Set Living=N

Set Living=N for people with BMDb event before: (YYYY)

1915

Use Ancestor's Events ← Start with Use Ancestor's Events

Use Descendant's Events

Use 5 Generations Rule

Set Living=N

Standard Options

Log Only (database will not be updated)

<Filter Unavailable>

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Next consider some advanced filters

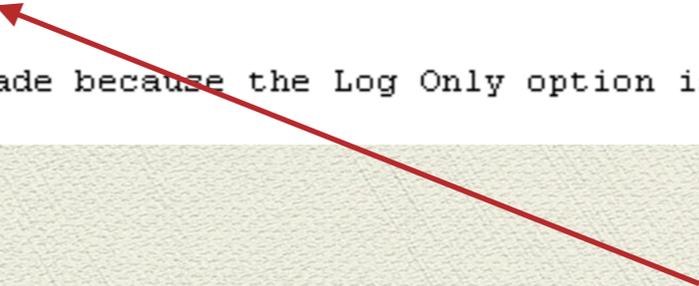
The following was extracted from John Cardinal's Help file.

Set Living=N has three options:

1. If *Use Ancestor's Events* is checked, the program will set Living=N if any ancestors of a person have BMDB events prior to an adjusted threshold year. The program subtracts 60 years from the threshold year for each generation. For example, if the threshold year is 1880, then the adjusted threshold year for a parent is 1820; if either parent has an event prior to 1820, the program will change Living=? to Living=N for the child. Note: the 60 year default via the Set Living.Ancestor Years can be edited in the tmgutil.ini file.

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Finished at 19:40:45
Elapsed Time=1 seconds
People=776
People with Living '?'=505
Changed flag; event before 1915=23
Changed flag; ancestor event=39
Set Living 'N'=62

No changes were made because the Log Only option is selected.
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Using the first option there are 62 people for whom the Living flag would be set to N

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File View Help

Functions

- People
 - Set Birth Order
 - Set Living=N**
 - Set Person Field
 - Set Reference by Name
 - Adjust Birth and Death
 - Select DNA Descendant
- Names
- Events
- Tags
- Places
- Styles
- Sources
- Citations
- Exhibits
- Sentences
- Roles
- Reports
- Other

Set Living=N

Set Living=N for people with BMDB event before: (YYYY)

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- Use Ancestor's Events
- Use Descendant's Events
 - Use 5 Generations Rule

Set Living=N

Next consider more advanced filters

Standard Options

- Log Only (database will not be updated)

<Filter Unavailable>

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The following was extracted from John Cardinal's Help file.

Set Living=N has three options:

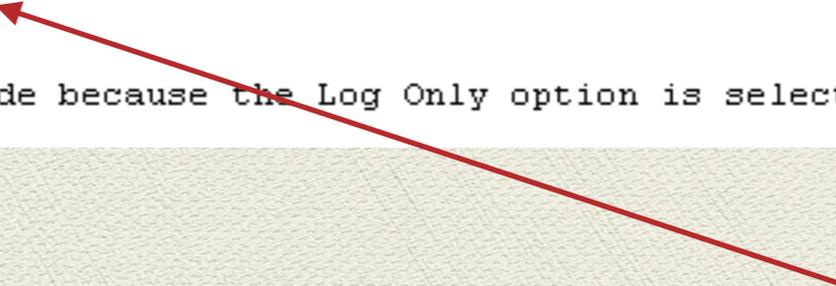
2. If *Use Descendant's Events* is checked, the program will set Living=N if any descendants of a person have BMDB events prior to an adjusted threshold year. The program adds 10 years from the threshold year for each generation. For example, if the threshold year is 1880, then the adjusted threshold year for a child is 1890, and 1900 for a grandchild; if a grandchild was born in 1886, the subject's Living flag would be set to N because the birth year is before the adjusted threshold of 1900. The 10 year offset can be edited via the Set Living.Descendant Years parameter in the tmgutil.ini file.

The following was extracted from John Cardinal's Help file.

Set Living=N has three options:

3. If *Use Descendant's Events* is checked, the *Use Five Generations Rule* option is enabled. The program will set Living=N for people who have 5 or more generations of descendants.

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Finished at 19:54:19
Elapsed Time=0 seconds
People=776
People with Living '?'=505
Changed flag; event before 1915=23
Changed flag; ancestor event=38
Changed flag; descendant event=42
Changed flag; 5 generations of descendants=0
Set Living 'N'=103
No changes were made because the Log Only option is selected.
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Using the all three options there are 103 people for whom the Living flag would be set to N

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File View Help

Functions

- People
 - Set Birth Order
 - Set Living=N
 - Set Person Field
 - Set Reference by Name
 - Adjust Birth and Death
 - Select DNA Descendant
- Names
- Events
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Set Living=N

Set Living=N for people with BMDb event before: (YYYY)

1915

Use Ancestor's Events

Use Descendant's Events

Use 5 Generations Rule

Set Living=N

Click Set Living=N

Standard Options

Log Only (database will not be updated)

<Filter Unavailable>

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Please report any errors or suggested additions. **Living people are not shown on this site.**

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Site updated on 10 Apr 2015; 53,860 non-living people

Page bottom created by Second Site.

There are 53,860 people for whom the Living flag = N

Please report any errors or suggested additions. **Living people are not shown on this site.**

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Site updated on 16 Apr 2015 54,869 non-living people

Checking all three boxes there is an increase of 1,009 non-living people who can be added to a report and / or web site.

I recommend that you read the Help file provided in TMG Utility for additional explanation of the Set Living=N feature.

The End

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