

Press Release For immediate release:

TheGenealogist Expands their Parish Record collection with the addition of 2.2 million individuals for Somerset & Dorset

<u>TheGenealogist</u> has released **Baptism records** for Somerset covering the years 1538 - 1996, along with **Burial and Crematorium records** for Somerset & Dorset covering 1563 - 2003. In association with Somerset & Dorset FHS, these new records cover hundreds of parishes for the counties.

Somerset and Dorset Family History Society worked with **TheGenealogist** to publish their records online, making over 2.2 million individuals from baptism and burial records fully searchable. Ann-Marie Wilkinson, the Chair of Somerset and Dorset FHS said:

"The Somerset & Dorset Family History Society are very pleased to be working with TheGenealogist to bring these records into the online community. Also we will be able to provide access for members to TheGenealogist from our Research Centre."

Mark Bayley, Head of Online Development at TheGenealogist, welcomed *Somerset and Dorset FHS* to the growing number of family history societies on both TheGenealogist and FHS-Online, saying:

"We're delighted that Somerset and Dorset FHS chose to publish their records through TheGenealogist and FHS-Online. This release adds to the ever expanding collection of parish records on both websites. These partnerships help societies boost their funds whilst bringing their records to a much wider audience, through online publication."

This release joins TheGenealogist's Somerset and Dorset collection including Bishop's Transcripts and parish records for many areas and years to form a major resource for the county.

If your society is interested in publishing records online, please contact Mark Bayley on 01722 717002 or see <u>fhs-online.co.uk/about.php</u>

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