- **FIND A GRAVE: + Mogily**

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- **HOW TO USE IT**

Updates to the Suggested Edits Page

Since we rolled out our recent updates to the edit system a few months back, we've been listening to feedback, fixing issues and looking for ways to improve the edit processing pages.

We've been working on the next version of the Suggested Edits page based on what we've learned. We'd love for you to have a look at what we've produced and tell us what you think.

We've made several changes that we hope will make it easier for you to process edits to memorials you manage. Some of the changes you will find include:

More compact lists that include more suggested edits on the screen.

Improved experience for people using the pages on a phone or tablet.

Simplified pages that don't use checkboxes and other more complicated elements.

One button to accept or decline all edits for a given memorial.

Note: As with the current page, if you use this option to process all the edits from a memorial at one time, the person who suggested the edits will get one email letting them know. If you accept the edits individually, the suggester will get a message for each edit.

[Updated]

We've removed the checkboxes next to each edit. Removing these allowed us to simplify the page but may require a change to the way you process large numbers of edits. If you have a lot of edits and would like to process most of them one way, but a few another, with the new design, process the few first, then use the "Bulk Actions" link at the top right of the list to process the rest of the suggestions.

Your profile.

To access your profile, click on your name in the upper right corner.

A drop down appears with 4 items, Profile, Account, My Memorials and log out.

Click Profile to see your bio, your memorial and photo count, Messages and followers. If you have added cemeteries as a FAVORITE, they will appear on the bottom right.

Profile Cont.

In the account setting is your personal info.

Email.

And other settings you can change.

This where you can also volunteer to take photos at cemeteries in your area for other people. I had to stop doing this. It was getting to hard for me.

Search for a Cemetery.

If you know the name and location of the cemetery. Go to the tool bar on FAG and click CEMETERIES. This will open a search window where you can locate a cemetery.

If I know the name of the cemetery I use GOOGLE. GOOGLE will take you right to the FAG page and other info for that cemetery. This is the method I use.

Search by name

To search for a person, go to the tool bar and click on MEMORIALS

This opens a drop down where you can enter a person's name. I would leave the middle name and initials at first to see how many results you get.

The you can narrow it down by city and state, date of birth or death.

YOU NEED TO RMEMEBER THAT NOT EVERY CEMETERY AND EVERY GRAVE HAS BEEN ENTERED INTO FIND A GRAVE.

THE SAME HOLDS TRUE FOR BILLION GRAVES

How to Request a photo.

Go to a memorial page and look underneath the primary photo that is next to the person's name.

Right below the photo is a tab that says REQUEST PHOTO.

Click that and follow the instructions. Very simple. Remember it may take time for a

volunteer to get the photo and enter it. Help the volunteer with plot information.

I have had very good success and wonderful exchanges with photo volunteers.

Request a transfer or transfer to someone else.

To request a transfer, we ask that you contact the manager of the memorial. Go to the memorial in question, click on 'Suggest Edits' and scroll down to the 'Contact Manager' button. Select it and type your message to the memorial manager. Be sure to include your relationship to the person and any other reason for the transfer request. Send yourself a copy of the request by checking the box. This message will be sent to the member, even if there is not an email address listed on their profile.

Be kind. Ask nicely.

Memorial managers are under <u>NO OBLIGATION TO TRANSFER A MEMORIAL TO YOU</u>.

I have refused transfer requests many times.

How do you make Find a Grave better.

Contribute.

Enter loved one's grave information into the FAG system. Only enter what you know to be true.

NO living people……..

How to edit information.

Go to the memorial, under the person's name you will see a tab for "suggested edits". Follow the information on each field. Only enter what you know is true.

Click "save suggestions" to save the info.

Leaving flowers on a memorial.

Just a nice easy way to let someone know that you miss them.

On any memorial page, look on the bar below the name that says "MEMORIALS, PHOTOS and FLOWERS".

Click on flowers. A new page opens, and you will see "LEAVE FLOWERS and "FLOWER DELIVERIES", click on leave flowers and follow the directions, very easy to use.

Merge two memorials.

If you find a duplicate memorial, it needs to be reported to FAG.

Jot the numbers of the two memorials down on a piece of paper.

Then go to the memorial that has the most accurate information.

Click on edit or suggested edits. If a memorial just says "EDIT," then that means that you are the manager.

When the suggested edit screen opens, look to the left and under the photo. You will see a tab that says "REPORT DUPILCATE".

Click that tab and a screen opens. Enter the number of the duplicate memorial with the worst information or least information and click "continue".

Review the information and if needed you can switch the direction of the information.

All duplicate requests are reviewed by FAG techs. They will send you an email when they have approved or not approved a duplicate.

I do these all the time. Just did one on August 21.

Turn on your GPS for photos.

If you turn on the GPS system on your phone it will automatically populate the GPS coordinates into the FAG memorial.

See Charles Joseph Ray, 89112371

Percent photographed.

When you look at a FAG cemetery home page you will see a stat called, Percentage Photographed.

This stat is the number of FAG memorials in the cemetery and what percent are photographed.

It is not how many are photographed in the entire cemetery. If there are 2000 burials and FAG says 1000 are photographed it means 1000 are FAG memorials.

Jacob Goebel   214828841
        11 children

Sadie Goebel	214856533
Robert	168868789
Francis	91532129
Paul	??
Joe V.	17592103
Richard C.	57651887
Charles	34262352
Herbert	65221856
Grace	??
Rosemary	??
Marian	??
Ruth	58420034

Sponsor a memorial.

There is anew very easy to use feature called "SPONSOR A MEMORIAL."

If you have an ancestor, parent, etc. That means a lot to you. You can pay a fee of $10 and permanently sponsor that memorial.

I chose one 4th great grandmother that inspired me.

- Sponsor a Memorial
- What you get when you sponsor a memorial:
- Exclusive premium layout with larger photos
- Your sponsorship name is highlighted—or keep it hidden
- All third-party ads are removed for you and everyone
- Ability to add 10 additional photos
- Flowers left by you are highlighted as the sponsor
- Sponsoring a memorial lasts forever
- Preview Memorial
- For a small, one-time fee of $10 (USD), you can sponsor the memorial for Alta smith. Once a memorial is sponsored, the advertisements are permanently removed.

Find a Grave is FREE.

It is very easy to use.

It is a Secondary and a Primary resource for genealogy.

ALL these instructions and rules are on the page for you.

I use Find a Grave every day on every ancestor.

Now, on to Mogily.pl

What is it?

It is a Polish Find a Grave style website that is taking a strong foot hold in Poland. It is growing very fast. Faster than Find a Grave is in Poland.

I am still learning how to use it but let's take a first look.

I am still learning to navigate this site so bear with me.

It takes a minute for this site to load.

This is a simple search of a relative of a friend.

Go to the Homepage.

Click on the Search Icon.

Enter a name and surname on the search bar. Stec Anna (1903-1951)

SURNAME THEN GIVEN NAME

Click on Anna Stec. And her file pulls up.

We now know that she is from the Nockowa area. At least she is buried there.

Now you can see photos of the grave site.

You can click on the Information button and see who else is there.

You can go over the map and click Navigate. This takes you to a google map of the Cemetery.

This is very nice. Much better than Find a Grave.

Drag "Pegman" over to the cemetery and drop him on a blue line.

In the upper right corner of Maps, click on the blue words, SEE MORE DATES. This will show you the past Google car photos of the area. You are looking into the past.

The site does not connect other family members like Find a Grave.

This is a very interesting site. I am curious to see where it goes.

And with that let's call it a night.