

## **Genealogical Society**Presents

## James M. Baker, PhD

You Are Invited

WHEN: Monday, July 8th, 2024

7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (Zoom call begins at 6:30)

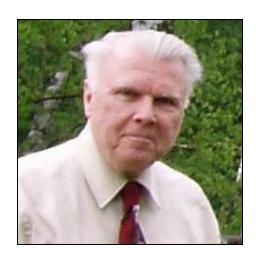
WHERE: In Person & Via ZOOM

Congregation Beth Emek 3400 Nevada Court, Pleasanton

**Preregister for ZOOM via link below:** 

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYscOyrrD4pGdl88N7xDMAS1gextKvMAsJ6#/registration

**COST:** No Charge - Visitors welcome



## I Thought He Was My Ancestor: Avoiding the Six Most Common Genealogy Mistakes

This presentation uses case studies to show how to avoid the most common mistakes: trusting the "long-time proven" data; believing family myths; connecting improper "same-name: people; failing the reasonableness test; trusting genealogy "snake-oil" salesmen; and believing all original records.

**James M. Baker** has been an active genealogist for the past 15 years. He specializes in German, Midwest US, American research, and DNA.

He has written articles for the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Magazine, the NGS Quarterly, and Der Blumenbaum, the journal of the Sacramento German Genealogy Society. He is a former Certified Genealogist (CG), fulfilling the CG requirements in both 2011 and 2016.

He has presented classes and webinars to many genealogy groups including National Genealogical Society, Southern California Jamboree, and Legacy Family Tree Webinars.

Dr. Baker earned a PhD in sociology and social psychology from the University of Utah. He is retired from an aerospace and business management career.

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