"A" (Artificial Intelligence) is taking over the world in Family History
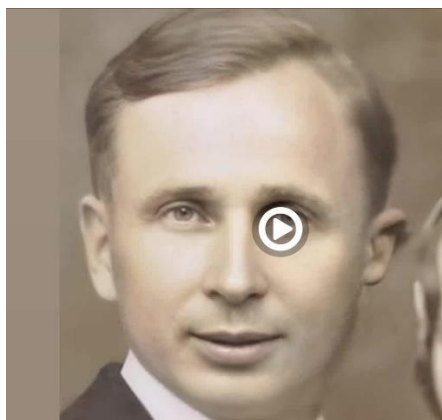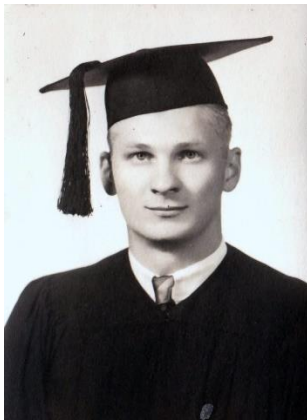
Today we live in an "AI" world. "A" stands for Artificial Intelligence and represents computer-based systems that can "mimic" human intelligence. The goal is to have these systems perform human tasks. "AI" applications for family history include: **colorize, enhance, repair, and animate photos family photos, transcriptions, suggesting records for further research** and even more applications exist all pertinent for conducting genealogical uses with enhanced successful genealogical endeavors.

Here's a single dynamic example of what I learned at RootsTech 2024! Below is a photo of my father who died in 1985 and a photo of him at the age of 28 at his wedding in 1931 which has a strong resemblance to me even though the other photos below of represent different ages of me than my father's photo from college to middle age without my present grey hair color.

| 1931 John Kuzmich Sr | My 1965 college photo | 1975 Photo? | 2008 Photo |

At RootsTech 2024, I learned of an "AI" app on the *MyHeritage* web site that allows to create an audio recording of his voice along with facts from my family history file on their website with animated motion that that creates an audio file automatically along with options for editing the voice timbre, its playback speed and editing of any of the audio script that it creates. Here's the link for your perception at https://www.forever.com/app/users/roslyn-kuzmich/files/9d513838-5f5e-4461-b098-51daf1bd1926/9noiz9nssly4btpi3drvwozm5. The animated file created soon became a two minute video clip in .MP4 file format.

Here are immediate reactions from my family. My son, Dallin's reaction was: *"That is beyond freaky., I feel like I need to grab some garlic and a stake."* My son, Quinn's reaction, was *"I can hear Latin chanting somewhere."* None of my eleven grandchildren have responded as of yet on our family text chat probably because they never met my father. Who knows what my grandson Teancum will create since he is a full-time AI employee?!

But my son, Dallin, figured it out and gave me the following input an hour later: Here's what he said: *"that was one of the happiest moments in my life" spoken in a complete monotone. I don't think this really is John Anthony Kuzmich Sr. He butchered his mother's name like an imposter."* Here's what I responded to my entire family on our family text chat app: *It was an "AI" app on MyHeritage.com called "Deep Story". It used my family history file information to obtain all those names, dates and places seamlessly. Sincerely, "Papa Bear, The Imposter."*

Closing Comments: More "AI" Features Available And Many More Coming for Family History Use!

Beware, the world is changing and so is how we conduct family history because all of us have deceased ancestors who we would certainly welcome the ability to recreate their voices as part of your family history memories. And in my case, I still vividly remember my father's speech tones.

What's so amazing is that you can create these animated photos into video clips for free at any one of the 6,000+ FamilySearch Centers world-wide if you don't have a *MyHeritage* account by searching at https://locations.familysearch.org/en, including over 3200 locations in the USA. And if you do have a subscription to *MyHeritage*, go to their Photos pull-down menu and select "Deep Story." In addition, there are other "AI" applications on the *MyHeritage* web site for creatively editing your posted photos: 1) Photo Tagger, 2) Colorize Photos, 2) Enhance Photos, 3) Animate Photos, 5) Deep Story and 6) AI Time Machine among other AI apps as they have been a leader in these "AI" family history technology features. Their AI Time machine can create your own avatar using between 10 to 25 photos for a host of 40 different avatar themes, such as seeing yourself as an Egyptian pharaoh, a medieval knight, a 19th-century lord or lady, an astronaut, and much more, all within just a few clicks!

Yes, there are other amazing ways to turn photos into animated videos that I learned at RootsTech 2024 but they are not always free.

Note: recently I have been released as the Temple and Family History Leader calling in my ward (congregation) which is why I created this Facebook Group, but I will continue to add new posts periodically. If you should have any friends who do not use Facebook regularly because they don't want an account, the contents of this group can still be accessed regularly without a Facebook account. Above all, please don't hesitate to peruse our ward's Facebook account at https://www.facebook.com/groups/358696091448653 for 890+ unique self-paced, "how to" genealogical tips and tricks that you can use ASAP. Don't have a Facebook account? Check our user-friendly **Table of Contents** at https://foothills-family-history.org/ that eliminates the need of having a Facebook account with convenient links to nearly every post.

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