

Thank you for purchasing Brother's Keeper version 7.5

The following information is for users of BK 6 that have not yet converted their data to BK 7 format. So if you are already a BK 7 user, you do not need to read this information.

Note: one change in BK 7 is that Marriage events will be above the Died and Buried events on the Edit screen. However, you can change this to be like it was in BK 6 by clicking Options while on the Edit screen. Also BK 7 will automatically reuse deleted BK numbers, but you can turn off that option from File, Options, Edit Screen 1, then look near the bottom for that option.

If you have data in version 6 of Brother's Keeper, then you will need to run the conversion program one time to make a copy of your data in version 7 format.

(If you have data in BK 5 or BK 4 see the ReadMe7 file for directions.)

BK version 6 and BK version 7 are different programs that read different databases.

BK 6 and BK 7 look very similar when running, so it will be very easy to use BK 7.

100 percent of your data will convert from BK 6 to BK 7.

Be sure you use the BK conversion program and do NOT use gedcom to move your data from BK 6 to BK 7. (Gedcom is not 100%)

Install BK 7 using the CD and then start the program and then pick File, Convert BK6 to BK7. Follow the directions there to convert your database, and when that is done, then run BK 7 and all of the data will be there.

After you convert, do NOT delete your BK 6 data files or the BK 6 program until after you have made a complete Backup copy of the BK 7 data files including Pictures. You can leave the BK 6 program and BK 6 database on your computer for a while, but be sure to make changes to the data only in BK 7. Changes you make in one program will not show up in the other program. If you have both BK 6 and BK 7 on your computer, you may notice that the icon for BK 7 will have a small 7 in the lower right corner. You may want to move the BK 7 icon near the BK 6 icon on the screen or else move the BK 6 icon to a corner of your screen so you do not click that old icon by accident.

Be sure to make a Backup copy of your database from time to time. Making a backup to a USB flash drive (thumb drive) is easier than backing up to a CD.

If you notice any problems with BK 7, please send an email to John Steed with information about the problem. From the BK 7 program pick Help, Technical Support and send the email from there if possible. If you are not able to send email from that screen, then use your email program and send a message to: brothers_keeper@msn.com