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File History in Windows 11 isn't enabled by default, but it remains a powerful local backup tool. This guide explains how to turn it on using Control Panel, command-line tools, or Group Policy, and how to manage backup drives, exclusions, and version history without relying on cloud services like OneDrive.

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Terry A. Davis - January 18, 2026, 8:37 pm

Ah yeah, shadow copies, how I missed thee. Very good to have on local samba if you're rocking Windows.

Haven't bothered looking if stuff exists for Linux, seldom remove stuff enough to care at home.