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Charles Edwin Davies was born 3rd December 1859 in Milford Haven, Pembrokeshire South Wales. His parents were John “Q” Davies and Ellen Rees. He was the second son and the sixth child of a family of ten children. Ellen Rees, mother of Charles, was born in Dale, Pembrokeshire, South Wales. She was a kind patient woman who played games with her children, sang songs with them and taught them how to work.

Their food consisted of fish, soup, potatoes, no milk, with oranges and apples brought in by ship. Corn was called Indian meal. Corn on the cob was new to them when they came to America.

The children sold watercress and other greens to the sailors for money and fish. They gathered copper rivets where the ships were being built and sold them for spending money.

When Charles Edwin Davies, was four years old he started school and attended until he was eleven years old. While in school, the only vacations the students had were at Christmas and the Birthday of the Queen of England. There were no

summer vacations. His first teacher was an old maid teacher, 75 years old. The first two years he learned to read and to spell. Later he studied geography, arithmetic, and writing.

He was especially good in penmanship with beautiful handwriting throughout his life. The hickory stick was a cane, and the teacher was very efficient in using it to hit the children so very little hickory stick was necessary.

The first job Charles had when leaving school at the age of eleven years was on a mackerel boat. When taking watercress to sell he asked for a job as a cabin boy, which consisted of doing odd jobs, keeping the captain quarters clean, and delivering food and messages to the captain. Father received fifty cents a day plus his board and room. They fished with a seine at Kinsale, Ireland, and brought mackerel by boat to Wales in heavy strapped iron bound boxes weighing 150 to 250 pounds. Charles then transferred from the mackerel place to Arklo, Ireland loading fresh herring, and then onto Hollyhead, Wales. Seasickness became a problem so he returned home by another ship.

Charles and his sister Sarah Ann left Milford Haven for Liverpool, England the 11th of September 1875. Father was 15 and Sarah Ann was 17 years of age. They hired a taxi in Liverpool to take them to the Mormon Church, 42 Islington Street. There they purchased steerage fare for \$75.00 each which was a special rate for Mormon Immigrants. Henry Harris had sent \$110.00 to the Immigration Fund, so Father paid an additional \$40.00. This left him a total sum of \$5.71 to buy food on the train from New York, and their tickets to Brigham City, UT. They traveled on the ship named *Wyoming* which was loaded with Mormon converts. Some were returning Mormon missionaries who took care of the converts. All the people aboard were perfect strangers to each other.

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Charles was able to get a job working in the ship bakery which provided them better food to eat. He kneaded the bread and washed the bread pans. They were on board eleven days with good weather and had no problems of seasickness.



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Charles felt a real disappointment when he gazed on Brigham City. He had a seige of home sickness which lasted for years.

Charles was small in size, weighing 140 lb. and was 5 ft. 6 inches tall. However, all that he lacked in size he surely made up in determination. No job ever seemed too large. He went patiently about his work, never thinking he would ever fail to accomplish the task in mind. Spurred on by the thought of providing well for his large family, he was financially successful. He considered it a crime to bring a family into the world to go cold and hungry. He always saw to it that his children never were without food and clothing or a good home. He was very kind and tender towards little children. He especially loved babies.

Charles owned 80 acres of farm land on the Provo Bench, and 12 acres in the river bottom which he kept for years and farmed. He had cows which furnished enough milk for the family, and horses to help do the farm work.

He built a home on the river bottom where he expected to live for many years, but only stayed one. Rachel felt the children needed to be closer to school. He built three other homes on one block in the Provo Third Ward. The one I knew best was located at 348 North 4th West which was a lovely brick home built high to make it look like old estates Charles saw in the South. The house on the East corner, 3rd North and 3rd West, was built to rent, and the house on the corner of 4th North and 4th West was where most of the family was born.

Charles worked in Freshwater's Store, Eldredge Hardware Store, a butcher shop, and a company store in Kenilworth, UT. He peddled fruits and vegetables in Park City, Kamas and Heber City. He started a store called Park Grocery, and a service station on the corner of 5th West and 5th North in Provo. He had a great love of flowers. The side and back yards of his home were in total blooms. He planted Daises, Delphiniums, Sweet Peas, Gladiolas, Tulips, Lily of the Valley, Peonies and Bells of Scotland. He sold flowers for Memorial Day and throughout the summer.

Charles married Rachel Emer DAVIS (daughter of Joshua DAVIS and Susan Ann COLE) on 8 Jul 1880 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, UT at the Endowment House. Charles

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Edwin Davies died at the age of eighty four due to ulcers of the stomach at his home on 30th September 1943. He is buried in the Provo City Cemetery.



Home built by Charles Edwin Davies on the corner of 4th North and 4th West, Provo. UT.
Most of their children were born in this home.



Home Charles Edwin Davies built in 1906 located at 348 North 4th West in Provo, UT. This picture was taken 6th April 1929

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Charles Edwin Davies with his vegetable wagon - Summer 1903



Rachel Emer Davis and Charles Edwin Davies at home 448 North 4th West

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Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies taken on her 80th Birthday

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Rachel Emer Davis Davies was born 21st January 1860 in Provo, UT. Her parents are Susan Ann Cole and Joshua Davis. She was born in a two-room adobe house still standing on the corner of First South and Fourth West in Provo, UT. She lived there until she was two years old; then the family moved to Third North and Fourth West in Provo, UT where she spent the remainder of her growing up years. She lived a happy carefree life. Her blessed mother saw to that. Rachel was next to the youngest of a large family. She had a baby brother who died which left her the youngest child in the family. At nine years of age she had a severe case of typhoid fever and lost all her hair. It returned chestnut brown in color and curly so she wore it in ringlets.

Rachel told Pioneer and Indian stories so vividly you could see the young couples dancing without shoes, smelling the molasses cakes and ground cherry pies, or you could see the Indians peering through the small painted windows at you. You could see the sunflowers growing on top of the dirt roofed log houses and admire the newly white-washed interiors and the shiny brass buckets.

The picture of Rachel taken when she was a little girl shows the dress her mother made. She dyed and wove the yarn before she sewed the dress. Her shoes were also made by her mother, and the hat was woven of straw by a friend, Sarah Ferguson.

Rachel moved to Provo Third Ward at the age of two years. She always claimed it as her ward. She received the customary religious training of the time being baptized into the Church

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of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints by Andrew Watson in 1869, and confirmed by William Follet. She was given a patriarchal blessing by John White. She was taught to attend church and have faith in God, Joseph Smith the Prophet and Brigham Young.

Important Impressions Received in Childhood:

1. Fear of Indians and the Sorgum Story. Black Hawk War, Indians stealing grandpa's cattle, begging for bread and sugar, trip to Moroni with Uncle Mart, and being lost in the bull rushes while hunting ground cherries.
2. High regard for Religious Leaders Stories.
 - (a) Raking the road when leaders came to Provo from Salt Lake City.
 - (b) Kissed by Brigham Young and George Henry Smith.
 - (c) Old tabernacle building with pews for the elite, holding church in the old bowery and knowing every man, woman and child in Provo, UT.
3. Catching trout fish for breakfast in a net from the water in front of the old home.
4. Listening to the ringing of bells warning people of the rising Provo River. Men would all rush with log chains, axes, shovels and teams of horses to stem the tide of on-rushing floods.
5. Rachel's father seined (net fishing) trout fish and loaded them for the Salt Lake City market. Two seines full would fill a wagon.
6. In winter the ice on Utah Lake was thick enough to hold horses and sleighs.

Joshua and Susan Ann Cole Davis, parents of Rachel came to UT from Nauvoo, IL in the Johnson Company. Most of these people settled in Springville. As long as Susan Ann and Joshua lived, many of these people visited back and forth as one big family. Some of Rachel's happiest young days were spent in Springville with her mother visiting with the Crandalls, Sumsions, Birds, Johnsons, Bringhursts, and Houtzs. Grandfather Joshua Davis was always bringing company home for Grandmother and Rachel to cook for. He loved a crowd, and he knew Grandmother's larder would be full of good things such as doughnuts, pies, corn bread and chickens. Rachel carried on her mother's tradition of preparing flavorful and delicious food. This trait is still being carried on generations later by granddaughters & great granddaughters.

Rachel told how her father would come into the house saying, "*Come children, everyone must help, the grasshoppers are threatening our crops.*" The children dug holes in the ground filled them half full of water and pushed the pests into the hole where they would drown.

They gathered ground cherries, hulled and dried them like we do raisins. They were used for pies and cakes. Susan Ann Davis carried Potowatimi plum pits from the East and planted a row along the north fence of the old homestead. This gave them a good source of plums.

When Aunt Emily Buckner (Mrs. Jesse) was ten years of age and Rachel was eight they went swimming one day in the old mill race. They were having a good time when Rachel started to sink. Aunt Em, who was a distance away, saw Rachel's plight and shouted, "*Hold onto the willers (Eastern accent for willows) Rachel.*" She reached up to the old weeping willow tree and clung onto the willows until Aunt Em pulled her out of the water. Whenever things are rough going in life we say, "*Hang onto the willers*" and we all know what that means - *do not give up.*

Rachel was a beautiful young girl and matured woman. All who knew her have told the family what a sparkling beauty she was. She was the picture of health with brown hair, almost

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black eyes, rosy cheeks, and full of vitality and fun. She loved to dance and her mother always kept Rachel in beautiful dresses since she was an accomplished seamstress.

Rachel's first job was working with Mr. Lowrey in the Provo woolen mills. She also made beautiful hair goods for a living, and false curls for children's bonnets. She would take curly hair clipped from older children and attach it to the bonnets.

She was in the first graduation class of the old Brigham Young University. Karl G. Maeser came to Provo in April 1875 and mother was one of his students.

When Old Dick, the black servant, who was given to them upon their marriage, learned Rachel was getting married he said:

"Rachel they tell me you are going to be married. Well honey child you're going to tie a knot with your lips that will be hard to untie with your teeth."

In 1876, at age 16, she married William A. Graham born 1st August 1848 son of Mary Irvin and Robert Graham and they lived in Diamond, UT. In 1935 Ruth, Charles Sessions and son Sterling, Bernice and Zenis Porter took mother Rachel to Diamond, now a ghost city. There was just one Poplar tree and a fireplace of the old Walker house where mother and her first husband lived. Rachel got out of the car and wandered around picking up pieces of old broken crockery while kicking rusty horseshoes with her foot. She looked up in the hills where her husband William had a mine that yielded enough to buy their first home on the corner of 4th West and 3rd North in Provo, UT. He was a partner with a man named Crisman.

Mother loved horse racing. She said that was the chief entertainment on Sundays. The restless miners spent most of their money on favorite horses.

This marriage ended in tragedy when their one and a half year old baby daughter, Lenore,



died of diphtheria on 2nd February 1879. John Turner came to Rachel and insisted she have the baby buried, but Rachel wanted William Graham to see the child first. William was in Bingham selling explosives for the mines. He returned home, kissed the dead child, contracted diphtheria and died a few days later on 12th February 1879. This double tragedy influenced Rachel all of her life. She always spoke of this tragedy with great sadness as if she were living it all over again.

The family friendship with Aunt Mary Dixon lasted throughout their lives. She was always with Rachel when her babies were born or when they died. She sewed for all of them making white ruffled waists and kilts for the boys.

Rachel loved horses and had a riding pony when she was a little girl. In her early years of married life she had a fine horse and buggy to drive. She would take her children to the Utah Lake on picnics. One day she was on

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Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies her way to visit her brother, Burdell, and his family when her horse started to runaway with the buggy. It was a frightening experience and during this time someone spoke up and said, "*Rachel, there is a safety pin by your belt showing.*" This always made mother laugh, for her thoughts were centered on the welfare of her children rather than a safety pin. The horse was stopped by Uncle Bird and his son Will by holding a large pole across the road.

She had a great love for her mother-in-law, Ellen Rees Davies. She always respected her and tried to learn from her as well as from her own mother.

When Provo's first circus came to town Rachel was 10 years old. She went into one of the tents where the performers were dressing and was so amused with the corsets they wore, a performer gave one to her.

In later years mother took some of her children to the circus. A man kept walking up and down the bleachers, causing the audience discomfort. Mother said to him, "*Now look here my gentleman, you come down here once more and you'll get this umbrella over your head.*"



Mother: Rachel Emer Davies with Daughters: Back Row: Ruth, Bernice and Lila. Front Row: Fawn Lucile. Mother made forty gallons of mustard pickles in barrels and sold them to a Park City boarding house. Those pickles paid for the shingles for their new home built in the summer of 1889. She raised enough turkeys one summer to buy Charles his first overcoat after coming to America from Pembrokeshire, New Haven, Wales.

It would take two days to drive from Provo to Salt Lake by horse and buggy stopping at the point of the mountain the first day. They would hang their best hat and clothes in a pillow case on the bows of the wagon. When nearly in Salt Lake, they would shake off the hay seeds and change into their best clothes, then proceed to the old tithing yard with their team where the

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Joseph Smith Memorial Building now stands. Rachel took some of the children on the first trip the Rio Grande train made when it traveled to Heber. Father met them and ate dinner with them. He was returning from Park City where he had been hauling fruit.

Rachel had a love of beauty. She visited the Art Exhibit in Springville nearly every year, and could usually pick out the winning picture. She bought Chataqua tickets for her children to go and hear lectures and good music. These programs were staged in large tents and were given from morning to night. Rachel would also hire a dressmaker to make the girl's dresses, as ready made ones were not available. She subscribed to the latest fashion magazines in order to be current with the latest styles.

Education was a top priority for Rachel and for her children. She wanted them to attend the Brigham Young University, and worked hard to keep them there. Her highest ambitions were realized when each child graduated from grade school, high school and four graduated from college. Her brown eyes sparkled with pride, and joy filled her heart, when she would say, " *God has been so good to me. I have been greatly blessed. I have had 12 children, 30 grandchildren, and 33 great grand children.*" This was a perfect example of motherly love and loyalty. She always said, " *If you can't say something good about your own family do not say anything.*"



Lola Fern Davies - died of Croup at age six

She never had a quarrel with one of her daughter-in-laws or son-in laws. She didn't always approve of their ways, but never got into an argument with them.

When I think of the many hands and faces she washed, hungry mouths she fed, clothes she washed and ironed, holes she mended, sick whining babies she nursed back to health. I think of her slogan,, "*God fits the back for the burden.*" She had unbending health and strength and with heavenly trust she possessed the strength of ten.

Some of the great sorrows and anxieties that mother and father had were: the death and burial of daughters Vera, Florence, Lola, and Mabel; Verne's accident with a runaway horse who stepped on his head and broke the skull open. A silver plate had to be fitted over his brain to protect it. Lila's narrow escape from death with pneumonia, Father's broken leg, mother's broken arm and internal injuries. Rachel had a major operation (hysterectomy) at seventy five years of age which made her an invalid for two years before and a year after the operation. Her courage and fortitude in facing disaster was almost superhuman.

Many of the neighbors who knew her through all of these trials have said this many times.

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She loved the coming of spring, the first robins excited her, but she had a real dislike for fall and winter. Her thoughts of sickness always seemed to be connected with these seasons.

Rachel was concerned over the health of her children. She always wanted new inoculations or preventative medicines for her children. She saw to it that they had dental care since her own dentures bothered her so much both in pride and physical pain. She paid her bills promptly.

She cherished chastity above everything else in life. Many times she told us girls *“it would be much easier for her to see us in our graves than to have us live immoral lives”*. She gave us restricted freedom. Never placing too much confidence in us. Very little ever passed her discerning eyes. She could sense immediately if one of us ever told a falsehood.



Left to Right: Bernice, Fawn Lucile, Charles Hyrum, Father: Charles Edwin (age 76), Frederick Spencer, Verne Elmer, Lila Ethel, Ruth, and Mother: Rachel Emer Davis (about age 76). Picture taken in 1936.

The twilight of Rachel and Charles lives were made pleasant by frequent visits from their loving children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. The last words Bernice her daughter heard her mother say were these, *“If I had a million dollars I’d give them all to you if you would only come back and live with me as you used to do.”* These words rang in Bernice’s ear and some days she felt guilty that Zenos, her husband, and she didn’t make plans to fulfill her wish. *“I think it is the only wish my mother ever made of me that I did not grant willingly and gladly.”*

Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies passed away at age eighty four years old 4th November 1944 in Provo, UT just as quietly and peacefully as the melting of a newly fallen snowflake.

“Among many other fine qualities Grandmother Davies’ life is characterized chiefly by her gracious hospitality, quiet dignity, tireless industry, undivided loyalty, her unselfish

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service, and her steadfast devotion to her husband and children. There was a grace and charm about her that I am unable to describe in words.

At the time of Rachel's birth, Buchanan was the President of the United States. Abraham Lincoln was practicing law in Springfield, IL. and had not been seriously considered for the presidency, although later on in the same year he was nominated and elected."

This was taken from a tribute to Rachel at her funeral given by Hermese Peterson

Charles Edwin Davies and Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies had the following children:

1. Lenore GRAHAM born 2nd August 1877 in Provo, UT. Died 2nd February 1879 in Provo, UT of Diphtheria.
2. Charles Hyrum born 12th September 1881 in Provo, UT. Died 6th January 1962 in Provo, UT of a Gall Stone Operation.
3. Frederick Spencer born 18th July 1883 in Provo, UT. Died 7th January 1968 in Arcadia, CA of a Stroke.
4. Florence Myrtle born 1st January 1885 in Provo, UT. Died 13th November 1885 of Pneumonia.
5. Verne Elmer born on 25th August 1886 in Provo, UT. Died 30th December 1964 in Los Angeles, CA of a Brain Cancer.
6. Lila Ethel born 17th August 1889 in Provo, UT. Died 26th December 1968 in Provo, UT of a Heart Attack.
7. Vera born 17th April 1891 in Provo, UT. Died 25th December 1892 in Provo, UT eating colored candy.
8. Lola Fern born 20th February 1893 in Provo, UT. Died 8th October 1899 in Provo, UT of Croup.
9. Bernice "R" born 29th July 1897 in Provo, UT. Died 8th August 1951 in Salt Lake City, UT of a Blood Disease.
10. Mabel born 23rd April 1899 in Provo, UT. Died 31st January 1902 in Provo, UT of Measles.
11. Ruth born 31st March 1901 in Provo, UT. Died on 7th May 1992 in Salt Lake City, UT of Pneumonia.
12. Fawn Lucile (twin) born 31st October 1903 in Provo, UT. Died 8th October 1983 in Salt Lake City, UT of Heart Failure.
13. Unnamed Son (twin) born and died on 31st October 1903 in Provo, UT - Still born.

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Rachel Emer Davis Davies at age 64. Daughter Fawn made the black satin dress with a hand beaded collar when she was 17 years old.



Charles Edwin and Rachel Emer Davies



Children of Rachel and Charles Davies - Lola Fern, Bernice and Lila Ethel

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Left to Right: Charles Edwin Davies with sons Verne and Fred. Daughters, Bernice, Ruth, Lila and Fawn surround their mother: Rachel Emer Davies. The picture was taken in 1936. Charles Edwin Davies was 77 years old.



Picture of family home - 348 North 4th West, Provo, UT taken April 1964. It was built in 1906.

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Father John “Q” front right with his sons, clockwise Charles Edwin, John & Tom

John “Q” Davies, Father of Charles Edwin Davies was born in Haverford West, South Wales 10th October 1833. His parents were Richard Davies who was a millwright and Hannah Charles. John was a carpenter on the English ships where he sailed around the provinces of the English Crown. At the time of his marriage he was 21 years old and lived on Quay Street, Haverford West. He joined the Mormon Church in Wales and migrated to Provo, UT 28th August 1880 at the age of 47. He worked as a cabinet maker in Provo. He had blue eyes and brown hair. John enjoyed travel and died of old age in Provo, UT 22nd December 1913.

Charles Rees, Grandfather of Charles Edwin Davies (son of William Rees and Martha Reynish) was born 21st July 1806. (*found in the Talbenny Parrish Register 1791 Marriages. James Rees Minister*) He was christened 3rd of August 1806. (He had six brothers and one sister - William born 6th April 1792, Ann born 15th September 1794, chr 26th February 1795, Thomas born 11th January 1796, chr 21st April 1796, Peter born 2nd July 1797, chr 23rd July 1797, John born 7th February 1799, chr 3rd March 1799, Richard born 30th August 1800, chr 25th November 1800, George born 29th March 1804, chr 6th May 1804.) Charles married Maria Waters 2nd October 1824. She was christened 10th November 1793 in Walton West, Pembrokeshire, Wales, and died 10th December 1870 at the age of 83 and is buried in Dale, Pembrokeshire, Wales. (*found in the Dale Parish records page 56*)

They were parents of five children:

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Louisa chr 5th February 1825 in Dale, Wales

Ellen chr 24th May 1827 in Dale, Wales d 20th December 1904 Provo, UT

Charles Edwin chr 15th October 1829 in Dale, Wales

John chr 9th May 1841 in Dale, Wales

George chr 9th May 1841 in Dale, Wales



Ellen Rees, Mother of Charles Edwin Davies was born in Dale, Pembrokeshire, South Wales. Her parents were Charles and Maria Waters Rees. Ellen was the second child and the second daughter of a family of five children. She was baptized a member of the Mormon Church by Thomas Evans. Ellen Rees married John Davies 18th March 1855 in Haverford West at the age of 26. She was living in Dale at the time. Her father was an Agricultural Labourer. They migrated to Provo, UT 28th August 1880. Ellen was a housewife with good health who enjoyed her children and being charitable. Her eyes were gray and hair was dark brown. She died of phenomena in Provo, UT 28th December 1905.

Ellen Rees - Mother of Charles Edwin Davies
John "Q" and Ellen were parents of ten children:

Eliza b 12 Mar 1852 Dale, Wales d about 1898

Anna Maria b 20th February 1854 Dale md Henry Jordan Moore d 2 January 1951

Winnifred (twin) b 12th August 1856 Dale, Wales md Henry William Harris d 12/17
August 1887

Hyrum (twin) b 12th August 1856 Dale, Wales d 19 August 1905 Pilgrims Rest,
Lydenburg District, Province of the Transvaal, Union of South Africa.

Sarah Ann b 6th December 1857 Milford Haven md William Henry Freshwater d 11th
January 1924

Charles Edwin b 3rd December 1859 Milford Haven, Wales d 30th September 1943

Joseph Davies b 12th December 1862 Milford Haven md Martha Rebecca King d 1st
January 1884

John Davies b 11th July 1865 Neyland, Wales md Sarah Ellen Lunn d 4th April 1956

William Henry Davies b 4th July 1868 Neyland, Wales d 1876

Thomas Willard Davies b 25th October 1873 Neyland, Wales md Alice Boyle d 14th
March 1951

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Sarah Ann Davies and husband William Freshwater Davies



Winnifred Davies - sisters of Charles Edwin



Left to Right: Charles E. Davies, Maria Davies Moore, John Davies, Tom Davies & Sarah Ann Davies Freshwater

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Susan Ann Cole Davis mother of Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies daughter of Owen and Sarah Turnbaugh Cole, was born 18th June 1824 in Rochester, NY. She was the fifth of six children. Her brothers and sisters were William, Benjamin, David, Clara and Lucinda.

Being of Deutsch or German descent she understood and practiced thoroughly the thrift and industry which characterized her ancestry.

The message of Mormonism reached her family in New York. They joined the unpopular religion and moved to Kirtland, Ohio, where they could practice their new faith. It was in Kirtland where Susan Ann met and was courted by Joshua Davies. She was sixteen years of age when the two were married 12th November 1840 in Alton, IL.



Susan Ann Cole Davis

Their first child, William Dennis was born in Carthage, IL. where they lived a short time until the mob drove them to Nauvoo, IL. A second son Henry Lewis was born in Nauvoo. Susan Ann and Joshua were instrumental in helping to build the city of Nauvoo. At this time they were close neighbors to Joseph and Hyrum Smith. They also saw the mob violence and destruction of Nauvoo which put blacksmiths, carpenters and wheelwrights busy making and repairing wagons for the next chapter of history.

The Davis family crossed the Mississippi, settling at Stringtown, IA.

Joshua Martin, their third son, was born 3rd September 1847.

They next moved to Council Bluffs, IA where their fourth son, Heber C. was born 23rd October 1849. Heber lived only a few months dying 15th February 1850. In June 1850 they began crossing the plains to Salt Lake City. The children were too small to walk along the side of the wagon so had to ride from early morning until night in the wagon.

In route to Zion the small family contracted measles. They were all very ill, but Henry suffered the most. He was so near death that the family drove to one side of the road expecting him to die at any moment. It was thought in those days drinking water was very injurious to a person having measles so water was withheld from the children. Susan Ann, seeing that Henry was about to die, gave him all the water he wanted to drink. He made an unexpected recovery Susan Ann always contributed to the water.

During the trip to Utah, Susan Ann learned to make shoes. Her teacher was an Englishman in the party. This trade proved useful to her, for she made shoes both for her family and many residents in Provo.

September 1850 the Davis family reached the Salt Lake Valley. They remained only a few days before going south to Provo. At that time the Saints who had previously settled in Provo were living in a fort which was located in what is now known as North Park. Joshua built a small log house in the southwest corner of the fort. Three months later their first daughter, Emily Anner, was born.

Susan Ann delighted in making lovely things for her home. She made quilts, embroidered, dyed wool and wove it into cloth. She was hospitable and enjoyed visitors. She was also noted for her good cooking.

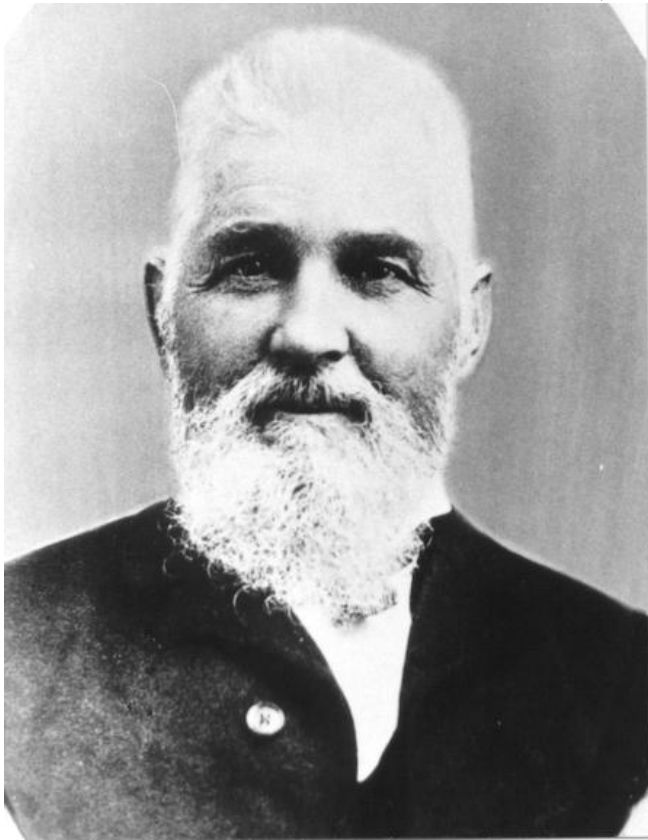
She possessed a keen sense of motherhood. Besides having eleven children of her own,, she raised three other children: Julia Cook Bigelow, Jasper Davis, a grandson, and Pearl Loveridge Jeppson, a niece.

She was an incessant. worker in the Relief Society helping often with the sick. She died 4th January 1891 when she was 63 years old.

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Lila Davies Buckley, a Granddaughter, recalls Susan Ann Cole Davis as a tall, stately, cultured and refined beautiful lady. She had a tender disposition, was very talented in cut work embroidery and her Granddaughter Bernice resembled her. She went blind at about 55 years of age due to diabetes. She would hold onto the backs of chairs in order to find her way around her house. Susan Ann had one of the finest homes in Provo. She was afraid of Indians.

Owen Cole, Grandfather of Rachel Emer Davis Graham Davies was the son of Abigail Prey and James Cole. He was born 13th January 1799 in Middlesex, NY or Gloucester, RI. He married Sarah Turnbaugh who was the daughter of William Turnbaugh and Rebecca. Sarah was born 30th October 1798 in West Brunswick or Sugarloaf, PA. She died 25th October 1842 in PA. Owen died 22nd December 1888 in Provo, Ut.



Joshua Davis - Father of Rachel Emer Davis Davies

Joshua Davis father of Rachel Emer Davis Davies was born at Alton, IL. 23rd December 1820. This is quite a coincident being born on the 15th birthday of the Prophet Joseph Smith just a few months after he received the first vision. He was baptized into the L.D.S. Church 16th April 1840 by Orson Hyde.

In 1840 Joshua married Susan Ann Cole. All of his family moved to MO, but he made his home in Nauvoo, IL. He was intimately acquainted with the Prophet Joseph Smith. He helped build the Nauvoo Temple. The family was in poor financial circumstances. One day Grandfather went to work with a pair of worn-out shoes that he had strapped together with hickory bark. The Prophet Joseph Smith noticed them and went to the store and bought him a pair of boots.

The night Joseph Smith was killed the mob took Grandfather's horses and he didn't find them for several days.

Two children, Henry and William

were born in Nauvoo. He braved all the hardships and injustices that the saints had to contend with at that time. He left Nauvoo in 1845. Due to financial circumstances he didn't reach Salt Lake City until the fall of 1850.

He had planned to settle in Salt Lake City, but his family had suffered so long for the want of food and with their provisions so scarce, he decided to settle in Provo City, at least for the winter. He had heard there were large quantities of fish in Utah Lake. Joshua and Susan Ann were one of the first few families to settle there. They lived in the fort the first winter.

The following spring he began preparing the soil for farming. The first piece of ground he took up was where Geneva now stands. The second piece was where the steel plant now stands. When the city of Provo was laid out, they numbered the blocks and placed the numbers into a hat to draw. Grandfather drew the lot where he resided all of his life at 1st South and 4th West.

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He fulfilled a mission to Missouri being set apart 26th December 1874 and returned home 4th April 1875 being called there by President Brigham Young. While there he visited all of his relatives. It had been a good many years since they met. He went to his father's home and found him chopping wood. He asked his father for a night's lodging and for something to eat. His father told him that he and his wife were getting old and really were not able to accommodate him. He told him if he would go around the next little hill there was a woman there that would give him a bed. On arriving there, he found that it was his brother Sam's wife. She did not know him at first but his smile was familiar. He had a scar on his forehead that he had received while skating on the ice when a little boy. He pushed his hat back and on seeing the scar she said, "*Oh, it's Uncle Josh*".

After supper they went back and spent the evening with his father and step-mother. His mother had died at the age of 45. They treated him royally while there. He converted his brother John to the Mormon religion, and interested the others to a considerable extent. His father died at the age of 78 and Joshua returned to Missouri at the time of his father's death. In settling the estate, Joshua sold his part for \$1000.00 and then returned to Utah. His Father's last wish was for Joshua to do his temple work for him. Joshua did the temple work for his father and his brothers John and Sam.

His first wife Susan Ann Cole died 4th January 1891 at the age of 63.

Eleven children were born to Joshua Davis and Susan Ann Cole Davis:

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| 1. William Dennis | b 8 th July 1842 | d 20 th August 1842 |
| 2. Henry Louis | b 20 th December 1844 | d 13 th February 1908 |
| 3. Joshua Martin | b 3 rd September 1847 | d 5 th May 1899 |
| 4. Heber Carlos | b 23 October 1849 | d 15 th February 1850 |
| 5. Emily Anner | b 23 rd December 1850 | d 23 rd October 1911 |
| 6. Susan Ann | b 31 st December 1852 | d 16 th April 1920 |
| 7. Orson Hyde | b 20 th May 1854 | d 30 th October 1854 |
| 8. Albert Marion | b 10 th December 1855 | d 28 th June 1904 |
| 9. Burdell Thomas | b 14 th January 1858 | d 26 th May 1919 |
| 10. Rachel Emer | b 21 st January 1860 | d 4 th November 1944 |
| 11. George Albers | b 9 th June 1865 | d 17 th October 1870 |

Joshua was the first sheriff of Utah County. He also operated the first threshing machine in the county. He died 21st November 1902 at the age of 80.

On 4th September 1851 Joshua married Elizabeth Jane Brandon, daughter of Keziah Fowler and George Washington Brandon as a second wife. She was born 10th March 1837 in Henry County, Tennessee, and died 9th June 1897 in Brigham City, UT. They were parents of one child:

Rosetta Maribee b 9th January 1853 in Provo, UT. d 13th October 1902 in Brigham City, UT.

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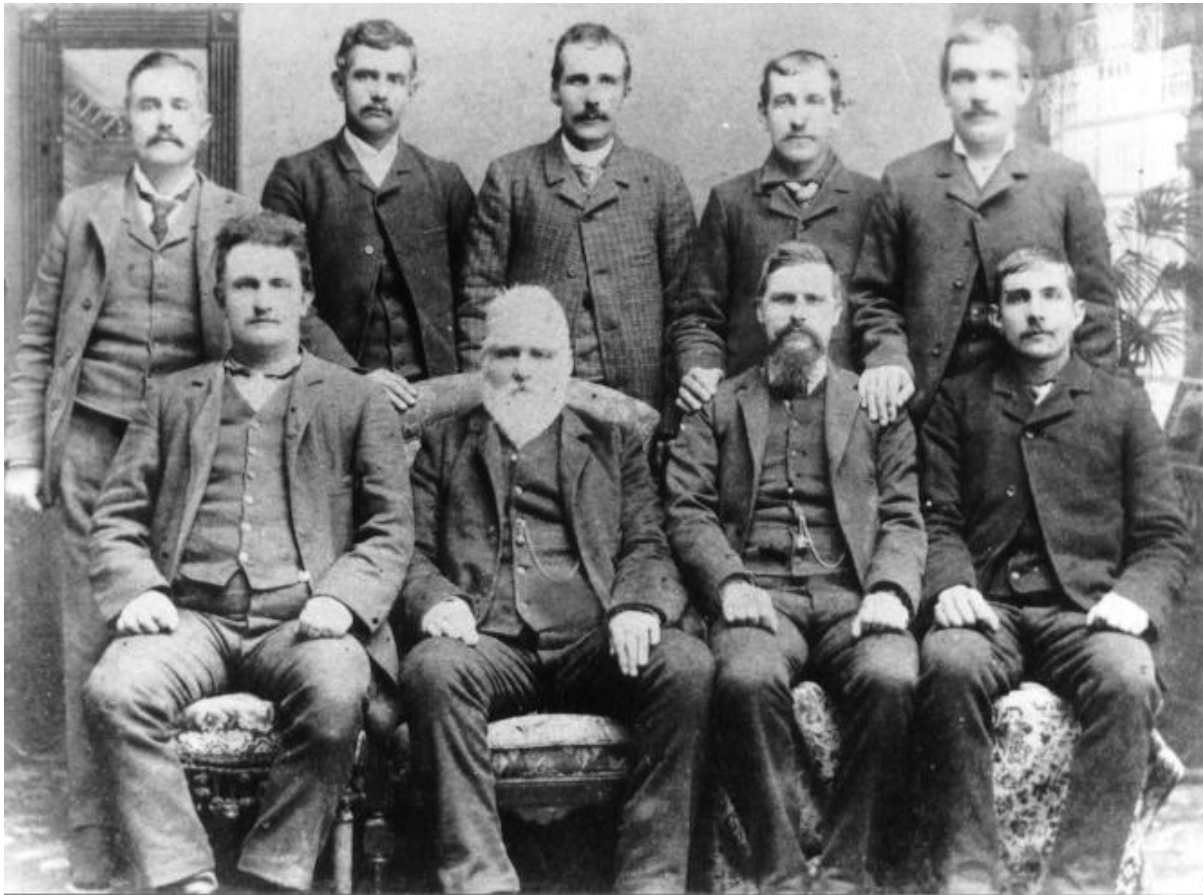
Johanna Anderson
Davies

Joshua married Johannah Anderson (b 5th September 1839 in Malmo, Sweden) on 9th November 1856 daughter of Joanna Berkerson and Ole Anderson. Johannah died 20th July 1925 in Provo, UT at the age of 85.

Six children were born of this union:

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| 1. Homer Andrew | b 20 th October 1858 | d 14 th December 1936 |
| 2. Dennis Joshua | b 7 th April 1861 | d 20 th April 1940 |
| 3. Norman Taylor | b 14 th July 1863 | d 19 th October 1929 |
| 4. Joanna Louisa | b 6 th July 1867 | d 10 th July 1947 |
| 5. Alwilda | b 3 rd May 1871 | d 21 st May 1949 |
| 6. Mary Caroline | b 1 st October 1873 | d 2 nd September 1960 |

Written by Wilda Davis York (a daughter) August 20th 1932 for the Family Reunion



Joshua Davis with sons 1st Row Left to Right: Henry Lewis, Joshua, George Washington, Albert Marion
2nd Row: Burdell, Joshua Martin, Homer, Norman & Dennis

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Obituary of Joshua Davis

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Mr. Davis is well remembered by the old settlers here as well as by many persons whom he met on his frequent visits to Missouri.

Joshua Davis, son of Dennis and Johanna Davis, was born December 23, 1820, at Alton, Illinois. He had five brothers and three sisters and all of them preceded him to the better land. His brothers were John, Samuel, Lewis, William and Robert, and they were the first settlers at Black Oak, Missouri; coming there in 1838. He was baptized April 16, 1840, a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Orson Hyde and confirmed the same day by John E. Page. He was married to Susan Ann Cole, Nov. 12, 1840, and to Hannah Anderson his second wife, Nov. 9, 1856. He went through all the persecutions of the saints in Illinois and Missouri. Left Nauvoo, Illinois, for Utah, May, 1846, and arrived in Utah, Sept. 6, 1850.

He was the father of eighteen children, twelve of whom survived him, the grandfather of eighty-six children and the great-grandfather of forty children. He died Nov. 21, 1902 and was buried in the Provo Utah cemetery Nov. 23, 1902.

Taken from an old newspaper clipping in Johanna Davis' Bible where it was glued.

Journal History, April 12, 1875

The following account of a visit to John Whitmer was published in the Deseret News of this date:

A Visit to John Whitmer - (one of the Eight Witnesses to the Book of Mormon)

Elder Joshua Davis of Provo called at this office a few days since, having just returned from a mission in the east, upon which he left last December. He went to Missouri and visited and labored in Caldwell, Clay, Ray, Davis and several other countries which were wholly or partially settled by Latter-day Saints in the early history of the church. Elder Davis says that the past winter has been the coldest known in that region within the memory of the oldest inhabitants, and that owing to drought and the ravages of the chinch bug the last two seasons, many of the people are bordering on starvation. The farmers in numerous instances are also without seed grain and potatoes and teams, having lost their stock through the intense cold.

On the 21st of last month, March, Elder Davis visited Mr. John Whitmer at Far West, formerly a member of the Church and one of the eight witnesses whose names are attached to the Book of Mormon. Mr. Davis stayed with Mr. Whitmer one night and part of two days. During the visit the two gentlemen spent most of their time conversing about Mormonism in the course of which Mr. Whitmer with uplifted hand declared "*I with my own eyes, saw the plates from which the Book of Mormon was translated and I also saw an angel who witnessed the truth of the Book of Mormon*". Mr. Whitmer also affirmed that Brigham Young was carrying out the very platform established by Joseph Smith while he was living. He inquired if the Indians were being baptized by the "Mormons" in Utah, and seemed to be pleased on learning that numbers of them had come forward of their own accord and demanded baptism at the hands of the Elders. He also told Mr. Davis that his brother David, one of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon, was residing at Richmond and keeping a tavern, and that Oliver Cowdery, another of the three witnesses to the Book of Mormon, died at Richmond Mo. in 1849. He was agreeably surprised to hear that Martin Harris, another of the three witnesses to the Book of

Mormon, was living in Cache Country, Utah, at the advanced age of ninety years and well. Mr. Whitmer inquired if the Prophet Joseph Smith ever gave a revelation on the subject of Celestial Marriage, and on receiving an answer in the affirmative requested Mr. Davis to send him a copy of it, for he would like to read it, as he had heard it denied that a revelation on that subject had ever been given. In closing their interview, Mr. Whitmer expressed a great desire to have news

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from Utah, but Mr. Davis told him it would be better for him and his brother David to pay a Territory visit during the coming summer.

The Messrs. David and John Whitmer left the Church in 1838 in consequence of the terrible persecution of the Saints and their expulsion from the State of Missouri. In consequence of their action in this respect they were permitted by the mob to remain in the State and retain possession of their property, as thousands of others might have done had they abandoned their faith. Since that time Mr. John Whitmer has become an intensive landed proprietor and now resides upon his property in the City of Far West, and we understand that he has never failed to bear testimony of the validity of the Book of Mormon whenever opportunity has present.

Deseret News 24: 173, Doc. Hist. 785



Dennis Davis,
Grandfather of Rachel Emer Davis Davies

Dennis Davis, Grandfather of Rachel Emer Davis Davies son of Robert and Ann Collins was born 5th February 1791 in Baltimore, MD. Dennis grew to manhood on his father's farm. During his early life he moved to Kentucky to become overseer on a large plantation. It was here in 1811 at the age of 20 that he met and married Joanna Thomas. While working on the plantation, and all ready to butcher pigs, an earthquake of such terrific force shook all the water out of the barrel and overcame the Negro slaves until they fled in terror and could not be persuaded to come back to work for several days.

Shortly after this they decided to move to Illinois. They bought three donkeys and packed their bedding and provisions on one donkey; mounted the other two and began their journey to Illinois. While traveling up a hill the donkey that was loaded with the provisions stumbled and fell. Most of their provisions were ruined including their flour, so for the rest of their journey their rations were very scarce.

They settled in Quincy, IL for a short time and from there they went to Alton, IL. where their family of five sons: Robert, John, Samuel, Lewis and Joshua,, and two daughters, Betsy and Polly were born. Dennis enlisted in the Illinois Militia at the age of 23 (15th May 1814). This was during the war of 1812. He served in Capt. Samuel Whiteside's Company. They called themselves "The Illinois Rangers". This was done in order to help protect the property of the soldiers who had to fight in actual war. Aunt Polly Moore's husband was also serving, so Grandmother went to stay with Aunt Polly at night. "The Indians at that time were mean and treacherous toward the settlers, being paid by the English \$5.00 for every scalp they could get.

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One morning Grandmother was preparing breakfast while Aunt Polly with her four children went out to feed the sheep and cattle. They were gone for quite a while. When the men returned home and Aunt Polly with her children had not yet returned, they became anxious and went to look for them. They found Polly and the four children brutally murdered and scalped by the Indians. They tracked the Indians for miles and miles through the forest along the Mississippi River, and finally overtook and killed them. They found the scalps of their dear ones. This was poor consolation for such a loss but such was the hardship of our pioneer forefathers.

Dennis had many faithful Black servants. One of the servants and her son, Dick, were bought at auction for \$700.00. She helped in the Davis household and became as a second mother to the children. Their own mother Joanna, was a very delicate woman and died leaving the family when they were very young. In 1853 Dennis married Nancy Potts. This was 42 years after his first marriage.

Dick, the Black boy showed his faithfulness and love for his master, Dennis, during the Civil War when the enemy came upon the Davis farm demanding money. Great grandfather had hid his money under a hog trough. He then hid himself in a cornfield. Dick, was left to guard the house. The soldiers came demanding the whereabouts of the owner of the farm. Dick wouldn't answer either question, consequently a rope was thrown around his neck with the threat of lynching. Even then he would not tell the secret. The soldiers went on without the loot. Dick endeared himself and gained a home as long as any of the family lived. During Dennis' last sickness, he made a bed beside that of his master's so that he could attend his every need. After Dennis died, Dick came to UT and made his home with Joshua Davis for a while; later he went to Park City to work in the mine. He died and was buried in Park City.

Dennis' son Joshua joined the Latter-day Saint Church and went West. His other children remained at Black Oak, Caldwell County, Mo. His daughter Polly left home after the Civil War to find her husband. She and her husband were never heard of again. Dennis spent much of his time and money in search of her.

According to the war and pension records we find Dennis' widow applied for a pension in Caldwell, MO. 21st March 1879. She stated that "*Dennis Davis was born in Maryland, that he was twenty-three years old when he entered the service, was a farmer, five feet ten inches tall, dark hair and dark complexioned. He died at Black Oak MO 20th February 1879*". General George Thomas of the Union army was Grandmother Joanna's brother. He was the outstanding general of the Union Army. He was so beloved by the soldiers that they called him "Pop Thomas". The family is also related to Jefferson Davis.

Dennis and Joanna Thomas Davis were parents of 9 children:

John T. b 31st October 1812

Robert b 24th October 1815

William M. b 2nd January 1818

Samuel D. b 10th February 1819 d 24th May 1882 - Settled in Black Oak 1838

Joshua b 23rd December 1821

Elizabeth A. b 28th October 1823

Lewis F. b 5th April 1825

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Mary F. b 30th January 1828

Clarisea b 6th September 1835

Written by Grandaughters Bernice D. Porter Oct. 27th 1934 and Wilda Davis York Aug. 20th 1932

THE DAVIS FAMILY

From D.A.R. Caldwell and Livingston County, Missouri 1886

St. Louis National Historical Co.

(Davis Township named for Dennis Davis)

Were we to omit an outline of this family history in the present volume we should feel our work incomplete, for in this portion, of the county there is not a more prominent or influential family to be found, and certainly none who command more respect than this one. Originally of Welsh origin, they early became settled in America. "Uncle Dennis" Davis, as he was familiarly called and known to the people of Caldwell and adjoining counties, made his home on the Chesapeake bay in Maryland. While a boy he ran away from home and went to the Blue Grass State, where in the fall of 1811 he was married to Miss Joannah Thomas. They continued to reside in Caldwell Co., Ky. until 1813, then moving to Madison County, Ill., near the present city of Alton, coming the entire distance on horseback and carrying their effects in packs. Until 1845 they continued to make their home in and about Madison county on at that date settled in the township which now bears their name, in this county.

Of the eight children born to himself and wife, John T. is the oldest, his birth occurring Oct. 31, 1812, in Caldwell county, Ky. the only one of the children born there. He was brought up on a farm in Illinois, receiving but limited educational advantages, and on February 3, 1831, was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Moore, whose birth occurred in Madison County, Ill., November 22nd, 1817 her parents having been among the first permanent settlers in the Mississippi valley. In 1840 John T. Davis came to this county, pre-empted land and by hard work made for himself and family a comfortable home. He was well known to early settlers here, enjoying unlimited esteem and respect. He died June 25, 1862, but his widow still survives. Their children were Rosa V., Mary A., Elizabeth, George W., Dennis J. T., Joannah, John T. Margaret H., Hannah P. and Walter S.

George W., the oldest son, is probably the best known member of the Davis family now living. He was born in this county March 15, 1844 and was reared to manhood upon his father's farm. In 1861 he became a member of the State Militia and like his father took a decided stand for the Union. While in the state service he saw considerable duty and in 1864 he joined the 44th Missouri volunteer infantry, Co. H, participating in the battles of Franklin, Nashville, Cedar Point, etc. and at Spanish Fort, his health becoming considerably impaired by sickness and exposure. Since the war he has followed farming and stock raising, in which he is recognized as successful and thoroughly informed. His marriage to Miss Paulina G. Noffzinger was consummated Oct. 5, 1865, she having been born at Tinney's Point, Mo. May 1, 1849. Their

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family consists of Rositta, Mary E., Ara, Isom, Laura, Emon, Ola M., Lute, Joshua, Clyde and Charley. Politically Mr. Davis votes with the Greenback party, supporting men best qualified to serve in official positions. He considers the county's interests his interests, and today is esteemed one of Caldwell's Best citizens.

John T. Davis Jr., son of John T. and Margaret M. Davis, is numbered among the progressive and enterprising young agriculturists of this township. He was born upon the homestead place September 19, 1852 there passing his youthful days and attending the neighborhood schools, and February 2, 1882, he was united in matrimony with Mary A. daughter of Michael Twomy, a prominent and well known farmer of Ray county, where Mrs. Davis was born Dec. 4, 1858. Four children have blessed this union: Clarence and Claude (twins) Walter and Michael. Mr. Davis is liberal in his political views, aiding measures and not party, and in the intellectual and moral development of the county, he is amongst the foremost.

Another son of Dennis Davis, was Judge Samuel Davis, a man whose memory is cherished by a host of acquaintances in this vicinity. Born in Madison County, Illinois, February 10, 1819, he married Nov. 25, 1838, Miss Margaret S. Owen, originally from Owen county, Indiana born Dec. 6, 1821. In 1839 they came to Caldwell County, the first among the Davis family to locate here and among the very foremost in the present township of Davis. Mr. Davis was a person of much natural ability, of decided and pronounced views regarding politics and religion and held during his lifetime many positions of honor and trust, the confidence and respect of all who knew him following him to the grave. He died May 23, 1882 universally mourned, his widow now resides upon the old homestead. To himself and worthy companion nine children had been born: Lucinda, Dennis W., Paulina, Payton L., Thomas B., John H., Margaret, Rachel and Samuel P. Most of these children are married. Dennis W. is a leading agriculturist of Lincoln township in this county; Thomas B. and Samuel P. reside in Ford county, Kansas. Payton L. lives here.

Payton L. Davis, has always made his home within this township, for he was born here April 22, 1846. His youthful days were divided between discharging duties about his father's farm and attending school, where he received a common English education, and he has continued to adhere strictly to farming and stock raising. His estate is one well improved, having upon it excellent graded stock of all kinds. Jan. 17, 1869, Miss Sarah L. Shaffer of Pennsylvania became his wife. She was born January 10, 1850, her parents, Daniel F. and Rebecca M. (Seitzinger) Shaffer, having located in Ray county, Mo., in 1854, and in Caldwell county in 1861. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are the parents of three boys, Edward, Ola T. and Amos S. Mr. Davis is a warm advocate and active worker in the ranks of democracy.

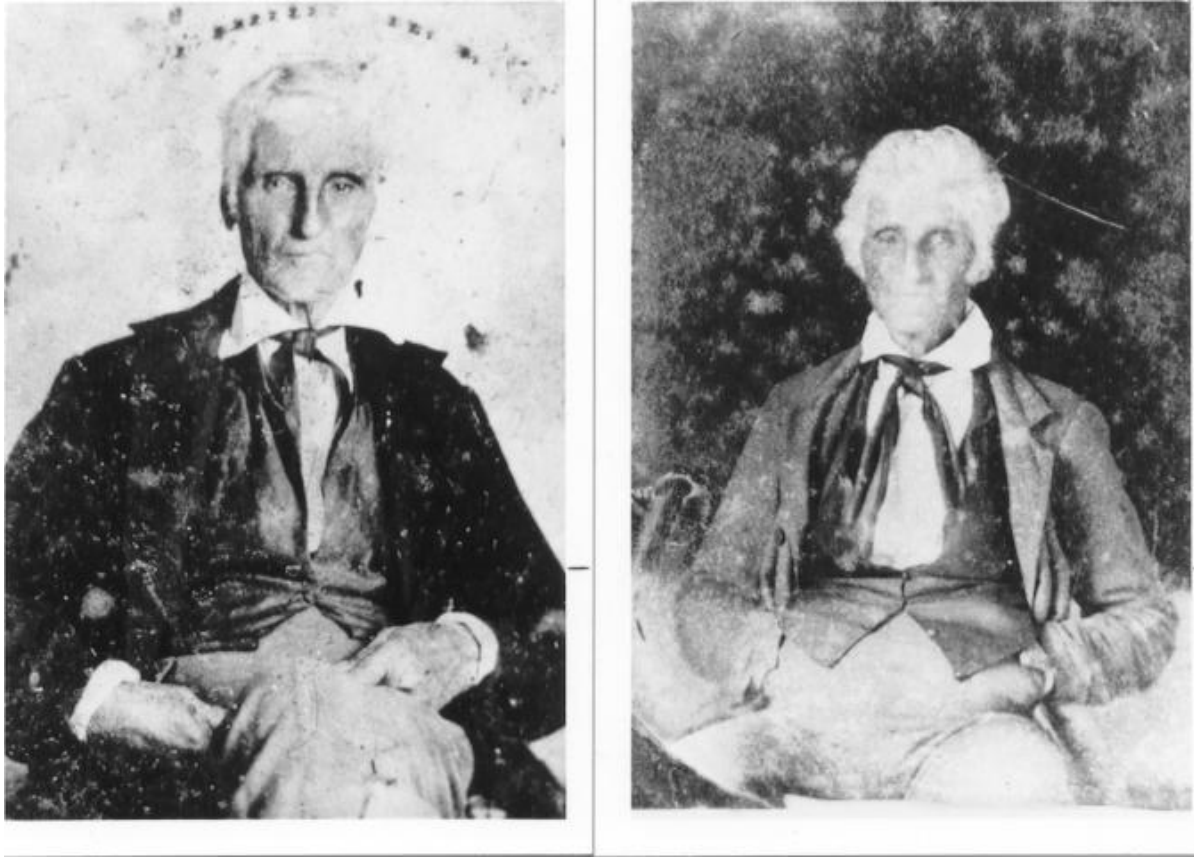
Before closing this sketch mention might be made of other members of the family of "Uncle Dennis" Davis. Lewis F. had an extensive acquaintance here, was four times married and reared a large family.

Joshua, another son, resides in Utah Territory. Elizabeth married John L. Shrum, an early settler of this locality, and a most upright citizen. Elizabeth is now married to Eben Fairchild, and they are residents of California (San Bernadino). Clarissa, died in Illinois, and Robert departed this life in 1848 while in route to Missouri from Illinois.

In taking a retrospective view of the career of the family referred to in this connection, as it relates to Caldwell county, we feel ourselves incompetent to add anything to what has already been said. Nor is it necessary. Almost without exception they have been a family moral, public

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spirited, industrious in early particular, and one by whose assistance the affairs of the county have been greatly benefited and encouraged. Their name is a synonym of honor.



Robert Davis - Great Grandfather of Rachel Emer Davis Davies

Robert Davis, Great Grandfather of Rachel Emer Davis Davies immigrated from Wales. He was in the Revolutionary War for 7 years serving as a body guard to George Washington. He married Ann Collins 9th July 1778 in Baltimore Maryland.

They are the parents of six children.

1. Elizabeth born about 1781
2. Jacob born about 1783
3. Alwilda born 13th July 1785
4. Robert born 18th August 1787
5. James born 5th April 1789
6. Dennis born 5th February 1791

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Rachel E. and Charles Edwin Davies

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Fred, Verne and Charles Hyrum - Sons of Rachel & Charles Edwin Davies



Florence Myrtle Davies - Daughter of Charles Edwin & Rachel E. Davies
1st January 1885 – 3rd November 1885

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Vera Davies - Daughter of Charles Edwin & Rachel E. Davies
17th April 1891 – 25th December 1892

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Charles Hyrum and Charlotte Busch Davies - May 1952 on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

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History written by his daughter
Rita Davies Williams

Charles Hyrum Davies, the eldest son of Charles Edwin Davies and Rachel Emer Davis Davies, was b 13th September 1881 in Provo, UT. The birthplace was a log house that his Grandfather Joshua Davis had built at 4th West and 3rd North. When Charles was 4 years old he was sent to kindergarten which was being held in an old Methodist church school house. It was just 1 block from home so Dad could walk there by himself. In 1887, Dad being 6 years old, entered the first grade at the Parker school and finished 8th grade there.

He was 15 years old when he worked on a railroad grade in Mercur during the summer and received \$90. From this money he paid his tuition at the BYU. The following 3 summers he worked in Provo canyon for the Telluride Power Co. mixing cement. He started at the BYU in 1896 and attended until the Spring of 1900.

When he was 18 years old he was baptized into the L.D.S. Church by Ben Bullock.

In September 1900 Dad began his teaching career at the Palmyra school in Spanish Fork where he had from beginners to 8th grade. His salary was \$50.00 a month for a seven-month school year. He continued teaching for 38 years covering most subjects and extra curricular activities.

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Charles Hyrum and Charlotte Busch Davies with children Rita (4), Bessie Marie (3) and Morris (1) taken 1907

On 7th May 1902 he married Charlotte Maria Busch (daughter of Charlotte Maria Young and Francis Joseph Busch b 2nd March 1878) in the Salt Lake Temple. They both taught at the Clinton school in Spanish Fork Canyon the following fall.

Dad was slick and clean, always wore dark suits, never got overweight, and smelled of nice shaving lotion each morning. He was a great teacher. I had him in the 6th grade, and he taught us much besides what was in the text books. One time he said, “Even if your clothes sometimes get worn threadbare, you will be well dressed if they are cleaned and pressed.” Another time he quoted from Alexander Pope: “Be not the first by whom the new is tried, nor yet the last to lay the old aside.” Dad opened his heart to us often and spoke of uplifting ideals and usually had a quote from some inspiring poem or a thought written on the board each week.

He taught us most of the songs in the little brown paperback ‘community song book’ without a piano or musical instrument. He sang in a mixed quartet for many funerals. He had a bass voice and Mother sang alto. His cousin Roy Davis was tenor, and Roy’s wife, May, sang soprano.

Dad’s spelling matches were a tradition. His classes learned to write the words correctly and also to spell orally very well. The rule at the spelling matches was to first pronounce the word, then spell it. The upper grades in each school in the Alpine District would challenge each other. Dad usually had the winners and wasn’t bashful about bragging about his spellers. He says, “My grades would often beat a school 4 or 5 times in front of their parents.”

During the summer and after school in spring and autumn he was running our 13 acre farm on which we grew fruit and vegetables, and often had sidelines such as bees, hogs, poultry.

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During World War I, he hauled fruits and vegetables to Park City, Tintic, and Heber. Onions were his specialty, and he made a sign to that effect, "ONIONS MY SPECIALTY". He also had this motto printed on the cardboard tags which were fastened on the onion sacks. Dad developed and raised his own onion seed and the family had a steady summer job weeding, hoeing, pulling, and topping, then sacking the onions. We also pulled, tied and washed the fresh vegetables which Dad or our brothers delivered to the grocery stores in Provo. Mother spent many hours on the telephone each summer taking orders for this produce.

I've heard Grandma Rachel Davies say, "Charlie is too busy for his breeches," for he kept everyone busy and sometimes got intensely nervous and impatient. One of his maxims was: "Here hath been dawning another blue day, think will you let it slip useless away? Out of the darkness each new day is born; into eternity at night will return. Here hath been dawning another blue day. Think will you let it slip useless away?" No, Dad didn't endure many empty minutes while he was young and able.



Family of Charlotte Busch and Charles Hyrum Davies

Back Row Left to Right: Everette, Bessie, Morris, Rita and Montez. Front Row Ramona, mother holding Vivia, father holding Grant and Afton

Dad began going to summer school at Logan, with a view of securing a degree in Agriculture. In 1924 (with nine children) Dad was awarded his Masters degree in Agriculture.

Summers as well as winters Dad had the Future Farmers of America of the Provo Bench area to direct in their farming and livestock projects. In October 1937 Dad was treasurer for Utah's FFA band, numbering 110 boys who traveled to Kansas City to play at the 10th National Convention. He also attended when he served as President of the Utah State Agriculture Teachers,

Each year Dad took teams of boys to the state and county fairs to judge stock, and poultry. He did a great deal to educate many boys of the area in the best farming methods. In

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the summer he took his boys on a good fishing trip to Wyoming or Idaho. an Men who were students of Dad's tell us how they liked him as a teacher and friend.

After Dad's retirement from teaching in 1938 he was in charge of the Japanese Labor camp for Utah County. This was during World War II.

In 1938 Dad went to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester; he had suffered severe pain in the right side of his face for several months. He thought it might be caused by his teeth, though they were almost perfect with no cavities. His dentist agreed and extracted all of them, but the pain continued so he made arrangements to go to the Mayo Clinic. Dad had 3 major operations while there, and the pain in his jaw and face stopped when the doctors removed a tiny section of one of the main nerves.

Dad served as a Sunday School teacher and Superintendent, and worked in the MIA. He served as chairman of the building committee when the new chapel was started in 1925 and in 1960 he and Mother donated the ground for the chapel that is located on their farm ground in the river bottom west of Provo.



Charles Hyrum and Charlotte Busch Davies - Mesa, Arizona 1940's

The folks took their first trip to Mesa, AZ. in 1941. In 1947 the folks bought 10 acres of land East of Mesa in an area called Apache Junction, where they built a home. It took 3 winters to complete it. While Dad was creating, Mother was crocheting, knitting, and wishing to see more of our country. This was the 9th home Dad and Mother had built. Dad was quite a carpenter, schemer, and painter, and most of the places he built were small and used as rentals. In 1946 they bought 2 other lots in the city of Mesa, and in 1947 they bought the big old home of his parents at 348 North 400 West in Provo. They remodeled the inside and lived there until June 1953, when they sold it to W. H. Hoover. They moved to 358 North 5th West in Provo, where they lived until their deaths.

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Dad was an avid collector of keepsakes and souvenirs, and depth pictures, teaching contracts, school notebooks, ticket stubs, and programs right up to his death. We had a fine library in our home as we grew up. Our parents often made sacrifices to make it possible to buy fine books for us.

Dad also collected carpenter tools. He had many good tools that his Grandfather, John Q. Davies, gave him. The past was important to him and he rather clung to it as the years went by. To look ahead and anticipate old age was painful to him.

Charles had surgery twice in 1961, and died after surgery at the Utah Valley Hospital in Provo on 6th January 1962. He was buried on 9th January 1961 in Provo, UT.

They were parents of three sons and six daughters:

1. Rita Myrl b 12th February 1903 d 18th June 1994
2. Bessie Marie b 10th October 1904 d 9th June 1996
3. Morris Edward b 4th July 1906 d 28th March 1983
4. Montez b 2nd July 1908 d 28th July 1996
5. Everette Edward b 16th February 1910 d 9th December 1981
6. Ramona b 25th February 1912 d 18th May 1994
7. Afton Edith b 9th January 1914
8. Grant Busch b 15th March 1916 d 1 June 1993
9. Farrel b 24th February 1918 d 4th October 1969
10. Vivia Louise b 19th January 1921 d 28th September 1999

Thus some tall tree that long hath stood
The glory of it's native wood,
By storms destroyed of length of years,
Demands the tribute of our tears.
The tree that took long time to raise,
To dust returns by slow decays,
But, when it's destined years are o'er,
We must regret the loss the more.

This poem was read as part of Dad's Life Sketch at his funeral.

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Charlotte Busch Davies surrounded by her six daughters - May 7th 1952 (50th Wedding Celebration)
Standing Left to Right: Montez, Bessie, Rita and Ramona. In front: Afton and Vivia



Charles Hyrum and Charlotte Busch Davies Family

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Ellen Rees - Mother of Charles Edwin Davies



Ellen Rees with two of her daughters

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Rita Myrle Davies Williams daughter of Charles Hyrum Davies² (Charles Edwin¹) and Charlotte Marie Busch was born 12th February 1903 in Provo, UT. She was the first of ten children. Rita attended the Provo Schools and had her father as her 6th grade teacher. She graduated from BYU in 1930 with a BS degree in elementary education.

In 1924 Rita left for a two year mission to the Western States serving most of her time in Denver and Omaha. She met Thomas Horton Williams, son of John R. and Martha Jane Horton Williams from Blackfoot, ID while teaching school in Idaho, and they were married in the Salt Lake Temple 5th June 1930.

Tom and Rita made their home on a farm eight miles west of Blackfoot, ID. All of her children are blessed with a musical education from their mother teaching vocal, piano and organ lessons. She was an accomplished pianist as well as a fine artist, painting in both oils and watercolors. One of her paintings took first place in a showing and is in the Provo City and County Building.

She has served as church organist throughout her life as well as many other

Rita Myrle Davies Williams
callings. Rita enjoyed traveling with her husband Tom to Russia, Europe, and to the Holy Land.

Tom died 1st December 1976 while Rita died 18th June 1994. They are parents of five daughters:

1. Carol b 10th July 1931
2. Charlotte b 25th April 1934
3. Mary b 21st February 1938
4. Rita Rae b 27th July 1942
5. Martha Jane b 24th April 1945 md Eddie J. Ellis

Rita and Tom cared for three of his sister's children in their home, and loved them as their own:

1. Avalon Ranquist Clark (Lowell)
2. Harold Alexander Ranquist (Rose)
3. Max Robert Ranquist (Arlene)

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Rita wrote the following remembrances in her life story about Grandmother Rachel Davies.

“Grandmother Davies’ Thanksgiving and Christmas tables were a great sight , and she made the best mince pies, roast turkey, and bread that ever were made and she never used a recipe. There was a great ‘jollification’ hugging and kissing, and much laughter when Aunt Arva and Uncle Vern, Aunt Pearl and Uncle Fred, Aunt Lila and Uncle Ross, Aunt Bernice and Uncle Zenos were together with Ruthie, Fawn and our family. Grandmother would usually retell her story of how Uncle Vern would climb to the highest pantry shelf and look for hours, if need be, to find Grandma’s cookies or pies she had hidden for the family. Grandpa would usually just sit quietly by, perhaps stroking his neat mustache a little and his blue eyes twinkling.

Betty and I slept overnight with Ruth and Fawn, Dad’s younger sisters, in the basement a few Christmas Eve’s. We also stayed the night before the Fourth of July a few times towing our beds a block way from the house so we could better hear the boom of the cannons at four o’clock in the morning. Then later in the morning, our families would always go downtown to see the Fourth of July Parade. We would eat ice cream cones and show off our new summer dresses, and a parasol was a must.

A few Sunday afternoons, when our family all went downtown to Grandma and Grandpas, someone would say, ‘Let’s make a freezer of ice cream.’ I remember we kids were sent to Allen’s Ice House to buy ice for it. We would take the little red wagon, a gunny sack, and a dime to buy ice for it.

Grandpa Davies’ garden of peonies, roses, daisies and myrtle north of the house were beauty spots of mine.”



Rita Myrle Davies and her husband Thomas Horton Williams

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Rita Davies and Thomas Williams Family - 1954. Back Row Left to Right: Carol, Charlotte, Thomas.
Front Row: Mary, Rita, Martha Jane and Rita Rae.



Carol Williams and David Doxey

Carol Williams Doxey daughter of Rita Davies Williams³ (daughter of Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) was born 10th July 1931 in Thomas, ID, eight miles west of Blackfoot. She graduated from Thomas High in 1948, attended Ricks College and graduated from Utah State University in Logan, UT in 1952 with a BS Degree in Homemaking Education and a minor in Music. Carol went on a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to the Samoan Islands. She met her husband there - David Ford Doxey, b 2nd January 1935 in Ogden UT to Thelma Ford and Jack Clark Doxey. Carol and Dave were married 14th April 1958 in the Salt Lake Temple.

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Carol has taught school both in ID and in UT however since their marriage Carol and Tom have made their home in Ogden, UT. She has served in both Primary and Relief Society, Den Mother for 15 years and has used her musical talents as a vocal soloist in many community, church and funeral services. David has served as a Bishop in the Ogden area three separate occasions. He retired in 1996 as a Journeyman in Sheetmetal.

They are the parents of eight children:

1. David Ford Jr. b 5th April 1959
2. Kaio Alan b 7th February 1962
3. Todd Thomas b 14th May 1963
4. Carolyn b 6th October 1964
5. Jack Williams b 2nd August 1966
6. Charlotte b 27th October 1968
7. Thomas Williams b 15th May 1970
8. Daniel Adam b 22nd January 1973



Sally JoAnn, David Ford, Jacob and Logan Doxey

David Ford Doxey, Jr. son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 5th April 1959 in Ogden, UT. David graduated from Ogden High School, in 1977. He filled a full time mission to the Japan Nagoya Mission 1978-1980 for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. He married Sally JoAnn Crouch (b 30th April 1957 in Ogden, UT daughter of Bonnie Black and Raymond Crouch) in the Ogden L.D.S. Temple. David is a Journeyman Sheetmetal Mechanic. He enjoys outdoor activities and has been involved in the scouting program for many years. He and his wife started a home business in kaleidoscopes. They live in Ogden, UT and are parents of two children:

1. Jacob David b 6th June 1989
2. Logan Lee b 24th April 1994

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Kaio Alan Doxey, son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 7th February 1962 in Ogden, UT. Kaio, is a Samoan name where both parents served missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Kaio grew up in Ogden graduating from Ogden High in 1980. He served an L.D.S. Mission to Hamburg, Germany from 1981-83. Kaio graduated from Weber State College with a AA and Bachelor of Integrated Studies

degree in 1986 and in 1991 received a Doctorate of Chiropractic degree from Los Angeles College. He married Jeanenne Sherrow (b 5th January 1966, daughter of Gay Lundskog and John L. Sherrow) in the L.D.S. Ogden Temple 22nd May 1986. He presently resides in Galt, CA where he owns his own chiropractic practice, and is the team doctor for the Pop Warner football teams. Kaio is active in his Church, and enjoys being with his family.

They are parents of six children:

1. BreiAnn b 11th March '1987
2. Tessa Marie b 31st August 1988
3. Kaio Adam b 19th April 1990
4. Shannon b 9th August 1992
5. Marriah b 10th October 1994
6. Zackary Ford b 9th June 1996



Todd & Linda Doxey and Family

Todd Thomas Doxey, son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 14th May 1963 in Ogden, UT. He served in the LDS Japan Sendai Mission. Todd married Linda Christensen, (daughter of Josephine Hamblin and Milton D. Christensen) 23rd November 1988 in the LDS Salt Lake Temple.

Todd graduated from the U of Utah with a BS and a Masters in Public Health. He graduated with a Doctorate from Los Angeles College of Chiropractic, and is now practicing in Ogden. Todd and Linda are active in the LDS Church. They have five children:

1. Preston Todd b 1st September 1989
2. Grant Ford b 21st November 1990
3. Allison Rose b 11th, June 1992
4. Megan b 20th September 1993
5. Malorie b 20th September 1993

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Kylan D., David Clark and Violet Lauren Taylor

Carolyn Doxey Taylor daughter of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 6th October 1964 in Ogden, UT. Her Great Grandmother Charlotte Davies wrote about her birth in her journal. She was the oldest daughter of an oldest daughter of an oldest daughter and has felt a strong matriarchal bond to her family. Carolyn graduated from Ogden High in 1983, and received her BA Degree in English from Weber State College in 1990. She served an LDS Church mission to the Netherlands and is currently serving as her ward choir director. Carolyn married

Scott S. Taylor (b 25th March 1964 son of Shirley Stowers and Stanton Taylor). He has worked in computers at Weber State, and is actively involved in scouting. They reside in Ogden, UT and are parents of three children:

1. Kylan D. b 10th May 1989
2. David Clark b 8th September 1992
3. Violet Lauren b 10th September 1995

Jack Williams Doxey, son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) was born 2nd August 1966 in Ogden, UT. He graduated from Ogden High School in 1984. He served in the LDS England London Mission. Jack married Denise Memmott, (daughter of Florence and Leo Memmott) on 16th June 1988 in the LDS Salt Lake Temple. Denise served in the LDS Georgia Atlanta Mission. Jack attended Weber State and is in Computer Software Marketing and Consulting. They have lived in Los Angeles, CA, London, England, and Atlanta, GA. and presently reside in Dallas TX.

They are parents of four children:

1. Makae b 2nd March 1990
2. Luke Williams b 14th May 1991
3. Nathaniel b 6th May 1994
4. Breckell b 6th December 1995

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Charlotte & Scott Jordan

Charlotte Doxey Jordan, daughter of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 27th October 1968 in Ogden, UT. She graduated from Ogden High in 1987, and graduated with a BA Degree in Family Studies from Weber State U. in 1994. She served an LDS mission to Argentina. Charlotte married Scott Allan Jordan (b 7th November 1970 in Allentown, PA to Jane Louise Heffelfinger and John Lawrence Jordan Jr.) in the Salt Lake LDS Temple on 31st July 1992.

Charlotte is a full-time homemaker and loves being with her children. Scott graduated from Weber State U. with a BA in Communications and is presently a consultant for South Western Great American Opportunities of Nashville, TN. They love serving in their Church and have purchased a home in Ogden, UT. They are parents of three children:

1. Maggie b 1st September 1993
2. Scott Alan, Jr. b 19th April 1995
3. Hannah b 8th February 1997



Maggie, Scott Alan, and Hannah Jordan

Thomas Williams Doxey, son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) was b 15th May 1970 in Ogden, UT. He graduated from Ogden High School in 1988. He served in the Michigan Lansing LDS Mission. Thomas married Kimberlie Huntsman (daughter of Shirley Roberta Jacobson and Lory Raymond Huntsman) on 11th December 1993 in the LDS Salt Lake Temple. Thomas attended Weber State U. and is a loan officer living in Ogden, UT. He and his wife are active in the LDS Church. They are parents of three children:

1. Andrew Thomas b 21st January 1991
2. Regan Hunter b 27th February 1996
3. Whitney Caitlin b 9th April 1997

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Daniel Adam Doxey, son of Carol Williams Doxey⁴ (Rita Davies Williams,³ Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and David Ford Doxey was born 22nd January 1973 in Ogden, UT. He was the last child of eight in his Doxey family. Daniel graduated from Ogden High in 1991 and is presently attending Weber State U. studying Business Marketing. He served an LDS mission to Padova Italy from 1992-1994. He is working for Channel Reps Inc. of Atlanta, GA as a software marketing representative. Daniel married Jennifer Wilmer Smith of Cleveland, OH December 1994. They live in Ogden, Ut. They are parents of two children:

1. Daniel Ford b 20th October 1995

Jennifer, Daniel Adam, Daniel and Madeline

2. Madeline Jennifer b 25th November 1996^{Doxey}



Charlotte and Bob Pounds

Charlotte Pounds daughter of Rita Myrl Davies Williams³ (Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and Thomas Horton Williams was b 25th April 1934 in Thomas, ID. Charlotte was the second of five daughters who grew up on a farm so learned to thin sugar beets, weed, haul hay, raise a garden and milk cows twice a day. She does not like milk due to this experience. Charlotte remembers going to the Eastern Idaho State Fair in Blackfoot as the highlight of the year. She graduated from Snake River High and attended Ricks College. In 1955 she

married and moved to North Central Kansas and is presently living in the Kansas City area. Her husband, Bob owns a Sign Shop and they enjoy Grandchildren, Church activities and friends.

Mary Williams Wray, daughter of Rita Myrl Davies Williams³ (Charles Hyrum², Charles Edwin¹) and Thomas Horton Williams was b 21st February 1938 in a hospital because she was six weeks early. Her two older sisters were born at home. Mary learned all the chores of farm

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Mary & Douglas Wray

life as well as the joys such as riding *Old Strawberry* a favorite pony. Music was a big part of growing up in her family; learning to play the piano and singing brought many opportunities. She graduated from Snake River High in 1956, attended USU and Ricks College before marrying Douglas C. Wray (b 20th December 1937 to Lorraine Chamberlain and Hyrum Clifford Wray) on the 10th May 1957 in the L.D.S. Idaho Falls Temple. She has worked for twenty years doing sales and marketing, clerking, secretarial and communications work. She enjoys teaching cooking, sewing, being a mother and Grandmother. Douglas is currently employed by Lockheed Martin. They live in Shelley, ID and are parents of nine children:

1. Douglas b and d 11th February 1958
2. Mary b and d 28th December 1958
3. Vincent H. b 4th Marh 1960
4. Layne Thomas b 1st October 1961
5. Ann b 8th May 1963
6. Val C. b 25th January, d 26th January 1966
7. Darrin James b 24th January 1967
8. Sheldon David b 18th August 1970, d 14th January 1992

9. Dwight

Davis b 1st June 1972

Vincent H. Wray, son of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born 4th March 1960 in Blackfoot, ID. He is the oldest living of nine children. He grew up on a small dairy farm in Riverside, just west of Blackfoot for 11 years. At that time the family moved to Shelley, ID. Vincent graduated from high school in 1978 and served an LDS mission to Duesseldorf, Germany. Vincent married Jill (b 2nd July 1960 in Portland, OR. daughter of LaRee Oler and Gary Hammer) on 24th June 1981 in the LDS Idaho Falls Temple. She graduated from BYU in Elementary Education and has taught school, piano lessons, and has created a craft business in her home which is marketed nationally. Jill is currently teaching school in Shelley, ID.

Vincent received a BS degree from USU in Dairy Science, and a Masters in Ed. at Idaho State U. He is currently teaching and coaching at North Freemont High School in Ashton, ID. They reside in Shelley, ID, and are parents of five children:

1. Joshua H. b 19th July 1982
2. Andrew Vincent b 13th April 1984
3. Taylor C. b 12th February 1986
4. Chase Hyrum b 11th August 1989
5. Paige b 21st September 1991

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Vincent and Jill Wray Family



Layne and Mary Wray Family

Layne Thomas Wray, son of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born 1st October 1961 in Blackfoot, ID. He served a LDS mission to Concepcion, Chile and married Mary Ellen Misak on 11th September 1986 in Idaho Falls, ID. Layne graduated from Utah State U. and currently works as an engineer for Newport News Reactor Services in ID. Mary is a homemaker. They live in Shelley, ID. and are parents of three children:

1. Scott b 28th June 1987
2. Ryan b 13th December 1988
3. Jeanette b 13th June 1990

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Ann Wray and Robert Sidney Ahrendsen Family

Ann Wray Ahrendsen, daughter of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born 8th May 1963. She was reared in Shelley, ID. Ann attended Ricks College, and graduated from Idaho State University in Elementary Ed. She married Robert Sidney Ahrendsen in the LDS Idaho Falls Temple on 3rd January 1985. Sid is a counselor for the Sugar City school district while Ann has a preschool in their home in Rigby, ID. They are parents of five children:

1. Kaylee b November 1986
2. Kyle Sidney b July 1988
3. Lyndee b October 1990
4. Ashlyn b September 1993
5. Jacob b July 1997



Darrin James and Stephanie Wilson Wray Family

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Darrin James Wray, son of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born 24th January 1967. He was reared in Shelley, ID. and attended Ricks College and Utah State U. He served an LDS mission to Tokyo North, Japan. Darrin married Stephanie Wilson (daughter of Kathleen and Curtis Wilson b on 15th February 1969). They currently reside in Roy, UT where Darrin works at Hill Air Force Base as an Environmental Engineer. They are active members of the LDS Church, and enjoy sports, reading, music and parenting. Darrin and Stephanie are parents of five children:

1. Arrin C.
2. Bethany
3. Kaisha
4. Nicholas Wilson
5. Whitney



Sheldon David Wray

Sheldon David Wray, son of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born 18th August 1970 in Blackfoot, ID. He graduated from Shelley High School in 1988, attended Ricks College and served a 2 year LDS mission to Bangkok, Thailand.

Sheldon was a good student interested in drafting and gifted in sports. He also enjoyed drama and singing with a group called “The Brothers.” He was a hard worker, made friends easily, and always looked out for the underdog.

Sheldon died 14th January 1992. He is buried in the Riverside-Thomas ID Cemetery.



Hyrum C. Wray

Dwight Davis Wray, son of Mary Williams Wray⁴ (Rita Davies Williams³, Charles Hyrum Davies², and Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Douglas C. Wray was born on 1st June 1972 in Idaho Falls, ID. He was the youngest of nine children in his family. Dwight graduated from Shelley High School in 1990, graduated from Ricks College, and received a BA and MA degree from Utah State U. He is currently pursuing a doctorate degree at Idaho State University in biology.

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Dwight served a LDS mission to Munich, Germany. He married Jennifer Ward (b 16th December 1975 to Jean Chipman and Richard Hal Ward) in the LDS Manti, UT Temple on 16th June 1995. He enjoys being with his family as well as basketball, hunting and most sports. His philosophy of life is to keep things simple and do the things that make you truly happy. Dwight and Jennifer are parents of one son:

Hyrum C. Wray b 5th August 1996

Dwight and Jennifer Wray

Rita Rae Williams, daughter of Rita Myrl Davies Williams³ (Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and Thomas Horton Williams was born 27th of July 1942 in Blackfoot, ID. She married David Jay Hale (b 6th January 1940 to Phyllis Watson and Nathan Hale) in Blackfoot, ID 12th October 1962. Rita Rae is employed by Idaho Home Care and Hospice. David has his own shop, *David's Wood Works* in Riverside, ID, where they reside.

They are parents of six children:



Rita Rae & David Jay Hale
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1. Sheila b 19th February 1964 in Idaho Falls, ID. md Darwin Ray Park. They have three children and live west of Moreland, ID.
2. Blaine David b 15th December 1965 in Idaho Falls, ID. He currently lives in Idaho Falls, ID.
3. Lisa b 6th July 1969 in Sterling, IL md David Walters. They have three children and reside in Logan, UT.
4. Kristine b 28th October 1973 in Dixon, IL. md Dan McKay. They have two children and live in Provo, UT.
5. Jason Ray b 2nd September 1976 in Blackfoot, ID. Currently serving an LDS mission in Roseville, CA.
6. Russell John b 2nd January 1978 in Blackfoot, ID. Currently serving an LDS mission in Fresno, CA

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Bessie Marie Davies Thompson, daughter of Charles Hyrum Davies² (Charles Edwin Davies¹ and Charlotte Marie Busch was born 10th October 1904 in Springville, UT. Her parents were both teaching school at the time in Springville, UT. Bessie was educated in Provo schools and graduated from Brigham Young U., majoring in Clothing and Textiles. She had a beautiful soprano voice and took several years of voice lessons during her college years. Bessie taught school in East Orange, NJ and while in the East married Newcomb Butter Thompson in New York City. They lived in Chicago 30 years where her husband was in the wholesale sugar business. Bessie was active in the North Shore LDS Ward and worked in Marshall Field Department Store several years.

After her husband retired they moved to Prescott, AZ where he died and is buried. Bessie then moved to Mesa to be closer to the L.D.S. Temple. She learned Spanish at age 70 so she could serve the temple patrons.

She was always a talented seamstress and expert knitter. She once knitted a sweater while traveling to Chicago and back on a vacation trip while her sister Afton drove the car. Bessie died 9th June 1996 and is buried in Prescott, AZ.

They were parents of one child:

Charles Thompson (They have 4 grandchildren.)

Morris Edward Davies, son of Charles Hyrum Davies² (Charles Edwin¹) and Charlotte Marie Busch was born 4th July 1906 in Springville, UT. He was baptized a member of the LDS Church on 16th August 1914. Morris married Emma Marie Gudmundsen (b 30th April 1908 in Lehi, UT daughter of Lutisha Austin and Abraham Gudmundsen) on 27th November 1927 in Salt Lake City, UT. He was a salesman by trade. He died 24th March 1983 in El Cajon, CA. and was buried 29th March 1983 in Boulder City, NV. Morris and Emma were parents of five children:

1. Colleen Marie b 14th January 1930
2. Barbara Ann b 24th February 1931 in Bountiful, UT. md Robert Dean Ellertson on 7th July 1951 md Jarvis Edwin Seegmiller on 12th September 1995
3. Paul Morris b 17th April 1938 in American Fork, UT. md Myrn Jacobs 15th December 1972
4. Mary Kaye b 8th July 1944 in Provo, UT
5. Lola Montez b 28th January 1954 in Provo, UT. md Ronald Hunt

Colleen Davies Keith Boulter, daughter of Morris Edward Davies³ (Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and Emma Marie Gudmundsen was b 14th January 1930 in American Fork, UT. She was the first of five children. Colleen spent her growing up years in various towns in UT. She graduated from Provo High School in 1948 and married William Penrod Keith in August 1948 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

William was b 26th June 1929 in Elberta UT. He has been a salesman in Bountiful, UT, Las Vegas, NV, and Sacramento, CA. retiring in Vancouver, WA. William died in 1998. Colleen married a former school friend on 15th January 2000 in Jackson Hole, WY. They reside in Thayne, WY.

Colleen remembers Grandpa Charlie's farm and getting pecked by the chickens, Grandma's vegetable dinners and playing with her cousins.

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Colleen and William are parents of five children:

1. Russell b 10th August 1950
2. Scott b 23rd March 1952
3. Kelly b 28th April 1954
4. Leticia b 27th August 1962
5. Patrick b 26th April 1970

Russell William Keith son of Colleen Davies Keith⁴ (Morris Edward Davies³ Charles Hyrum Davies² Charles Edwin Davies¹) and William Penrod Keith was b 10th August 1950 in Provo, UT. He graduated from high school in Sacramento, CA and joined a musical group called *Waterfall*. They traveled the Northern CA area and the Pacific NW. Russell married Linda Stockbridge in 1971 in Sacramento, CA., divorced in 1989 and married Michael Randall in 1992. He enjoys hiking, mountaineering and is presently employed at an R.V. Center.

Russell and Linda are parents of three children:

1. Eric b 16th April 1972
2. Jessica b 25th August 1974
3. Casey b 27th April 1979

Kelly Keith Holt daughter of Colleen Davies⁴ (Morris Edward Davies³ Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and William Penrod Keith was b 28th April 1954 in Bountiful, UT. She graduated from high school in Sacramento, CA. and joined her brother Russell in the musical group *Waterfall*. She married Steven Holt in 1971. He owns his own business working as an electronics technician. Kelly has been a housewife and mother. She is currently employed as a physical therapist in Folsom, CA. where she and her husband reside.

They are the parents of three daughters:

1. Mandy b 31st January 1973
2. Katy b 8th May 1980
3. Emily b 11th November 1983

Leticia Keith Effinger daughter of Colleen Davies⁴ (Morris Edward Davies³ Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and William Penrod Keith was b 27th August 1962. She graduated from high school in Vancouver, WA. and spent several years doing modeling and TV commercials. She married Mark Effinger in July 1990. Leticia and her husband run their own laser manufacturing firm in Vancouver, WA.

They are parents of two children:

1. Kaleigh b 3rd July 1993
2. Dustin b 2nd January 1996

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Patrick Jairus Keith son of Colleen Davies⁴ (Morris Edward Davies³ Charles Hyrum Davies² Charles Edwin Davies¹) and William Penrod Keith was b 24th April 1970 in Las Vegas, NV. He graduated from high school in Vancouver, WA where he played in the band and on the golf team. He married Nicole Lydic in June 1991. Patrick is currently manager of a retail furniture and appliance store in Portland, OR where they reside.

They are parents of two children:

1. Audrina b 6th August 1992
2. Jairus b 24th September 1994

Mary Kaye Davies Jones daughter of Morris Edward Davies³ (Charles Hyrum Davies² Charles Edwin Davies¹) and Emma Marie Gudmundson was b 8th July 1944 in Provo, UT. She was the fourth of five children spending her growing up years in Provo, UT. When eighteen years of age her family moved to Las Vegas, NV. Mary Kaye married Joseph Marion Orr (son of Hazel Stroud and Talmadge B. Orr) on 5th September 1964. They divorced and she married Basil Clement Jones (b 28th May 1936 in Edmonton, KY. to Margaret Free and Basil B. Jones) on 8th July 1981. Mary Kaye currently works for the State of Oregon while her husband is a real estate broker. Her hobbies include sewing, gardening, reading, traveling and photography. They live in Salem, OR. Basil's daughter Danielle Cheree Blagg b 11th August 1967 md Robert Stenquist and has two children: Haley Lauren Stenquist b 7th December 1992 and Brook Ashley Stenquist b 10th October 1995 who Mary Kaye enjoys grandmothering.

Mary Kaye and Joseph Orr are the parents of one child:

- Scott Joseph Orr b 5th May 1973

Diane Davies Ryan daughter of Grant Busch Davies³ (Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and Elva Lamb Davies was b 19th May 1944 in Riverton, WY. She was the youngest of three children. Her two older brothers, Richard Everett Davies reside in Fairfax, VA, and Byron Grant Davies in Scottsdale, AZ.

Diane is a graduate of U of CA at Berkeley with a teaching credential from San Francisco St U. She is currently residing in Santa Rosa, CA and enrolled in Human Resources Management program at Sonoma St U. She has spent 10 yrs in pharmaceutical sales and the last 8 years as a supervisor, manager, and trainer for a major department store. Divorced, no

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children. Current hobbies include playing , learning, and working with computers and her Cairn Terrier Heidi.

Favorite memories involve traveling and living in Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, and Jordan as a child and teenager with her parents. (Her father, Grant was an employee of USAID.) Other favorite memories include summers in Provo and Orem as a young child visiting all the aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents on both sides of the family. She remembers playing Chinese Checkers with her grandmother Charlotte at their wonderful old house in Provo. One time they drove to Mesa, AZ, where Charles and Charlotte spent their winters. She has a small painted clay bowl sitting on her kitchen counter today - a gift from her grandmother from that visit.

Colleen Davies Keith, daughter of Morris Edward Davies³ (Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and was b 14th January 1930 at American Fork, UT. She was the first of five children. Colleen spent her growing up years in various towns in UT. She graduated from Provo High School in 1948 and married William Penrod Keith in August 1948 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

William was b 26th June 1929 in Elberta UT. He has been a salesman in Bountiful, UT, Las Vegas, NV, and Sacramento, CA. They currently reside in Vancouver, WA retired here he is retired Colleen spent summers picking fruit on Grandpa Charlie's farm and remembers getting pecked by the chickens, Grandma's vergetable dinners and playing with her cousins.

They are parents of five children:

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They traveled the Northern CA area and the Pacific NW. Russell married Linda Stockbridge in 1971 in Sacramento, CA., divorced in 1989 and married Michael Randall in 1992. He enjoys hiking, mountaineering and is presently employed at an R.V. Center.

Russell and Linda are parents of three children:

1. Eric Keith b 16th April 1972
2. Jessica Keith b 25th August 1974
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Kelly Keith Holt daughter of Colleen Davies⁴, (Morris Edward Davies³ Charles Hyrum² Charles Edwin¹) and William Penrod Keith was b 28th April 1954 in Bountiful, UT. She graduated from high school in Sacramento, CA, joined her brother Russell in the musical group *Waterfall*. She married Steven Holt in 1971. He owns his own business working as an electronics technician. Kelly has been a housewife and mother. She is currently employed as a physical therapist in Folsom, CA. where she and her husband reside.

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1. Mandy b 31st January 1973
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Marjorie was given piano lessons at an early age, and it became her great love and life's work. She began accompanying her mother to sing at only 9 years of age, She played for all the school choirs and accompanied dancing classes during her teen years. Marjorie and Charles moved to Southern CA as newlyweds and made their home there until 1969 when they moved to their present location in Grants Pass, OR. Charles worked in the laser research field at Hughes Malibu Laboratory. Marjorie began teaching private piano lessons when she was 23 years old and has continued on a fairly regular basis ever since. Upon moving to Oregon, she studied at Southern Oregon State College and became affiliated with the Oregon Music Teachers Association and Music Teachers National Association earning her state certificate in Piano. She has performed with the Rogue Valley Opera and presented several music programs in schools and churches both in OR and in UT. Present memberships include serving as a member for the Josephine County Community Concert Assoc. and Friends of the Symphony Board.

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Carolyn Leavitt King, daughter of Kathleen Louise⁴ (Afton³ Charles H.² Charles¹) and Lyn P. Leavitt was born 1st May 1959 in Moab, UT. She spent most of her growing up years in Mapleton, UT, and later was raised by her Grandparents Porter R. and Nyda P. Leavitt. Carolyn spent two years with her father in Pirmasens, Germany at the age of 12 and married at the age of 15 to a young man in the navy. She has lived in Okinawa Japan, AZ, MS. UT and is currently living in Douglasville, GA.

Carolyn enjoys gardening and working out doors and learning. Giving birth and raising her four wonderful children have been a great strength to her. She married Frank Garrison King in June of 1992. He has since past away; but will be remember as a very warm kind hearted man who loved life, people and enjoyed serving others. His parents hailed from Allentown, PA. They were sealed in an L.D. S. Temple the spring of 1996. She is currently a manager of a locally country cooking restaurant.

Memories of Grandma Afton Atkinson: I remember being very young and her always coming to see me on my birthday. I remember the warmth and love and patience she had for me. She taught me how to knit, crochet and she always had a cabinet with a lot of arts and crafts in her dining room to play with. I remember her yard being immaculate and her wearing gloves on her hands. The round cement blocks in her back yard were fun to hop, skip and play on. These visits were very special and so was she. I will treasure these memories forever.

Her philosophy about life: We are products of our environment. Our children are products of there's. If our image that reflects to another is that of love, then a seed will be sown and more love will thrive. In the world of misunderstanding it only takes one person to make

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the change and the other to reflect it. If we all would do our part, what a beautiful place it would and could be.

Kathleen Louise Atkinson Baumgardner, daughter of Afton Edith Davies³ (Charles H.² Charles¹) and Gordon T. Atkinson was born 19th June 1939 in American Fork, UT. She was the first child of three. She was the organist in the Pleasant Grove 2nd Ward when growing up and also the Relief Society organist in Springville after her marriage.

She spends a lot of time with her husband Stanley Leon Baumgardner, working road construction and going with him as often as she can. They have a nice 5th Wheel so it is home away from home. She enjoys spending time with her children and grandchildren, sewing, crocheting, yard work & enjoying life. She also spends as much time as she can with her Mom who is a great help to Kathleen.

My Dad, Mom, myself and brothers vacationed one year in Yellowstone Park with Grandpa Charles and Grandma Charlotte Davies. As Grandpa was setting up his tent I went over to help him. He had me doing one thing then told me to do another then another. I was always taught to complete one job before starting another, so I felt this was rather strange on Grandpas part. To this day this stands out in my mind and I still find it difficult to start one thing, switch to another and try to do another.

She wore her Grandma Davies wedding dress on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, May 7, 1952. She was 12 years old at this time and it was a great honor to be able to do this. I remember Grandpa had a firm tenderness. Grandma had a tender firmness.

MEMORIES written in 1992

“How blinded we become under everyday pressures when with just a moment set aside to open our minds and insight to ourselves and feelings, we can cope with any problem.”

She is the mother of three children:

1. Debra Lynn Chandler md Ronald Wayne Chandler. They have four children: Candi Lynn, Crissi Lee, Cammi Anne and Cole Brad. They reside in Spanish Fork, UT.
2. Carolyn Louise King She has four children: Melissa, Joshua, Holly Mae

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- and Jeremy. They reside in Douglasville, GA.
3. Michael Gordon Angus He has one son Shawn Michael Angus. Michael resides in Spanish Fork, UT.
 4. Patricia Lynn Kirkman md William Kirkman. They have one boy Nathan and

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Afton Edith Davies Atkinson, daughter of Charles Hyrum and Charlotte Bush Davies, bom in Provo, Utah January 9, 1914, the seventh of 10 children.

In May of 1908 my parents moved to the 13 acre farm in Northwest Provo which Father bought from Grandfather Davies. Montez was bom in the farm home in July of that year as were the 6 younger children in 1910, 1912, 1914, 1916, 1919, 192 1.

I remember having a wonderful, happy childhood with loving parents and siblings. Grant and I were especially close playmates, spending many hours in the Summer in a'play house⁷ acting out family roles. We have kept in close touch through all the years and honored him by naming one our sons Grant Davies Atkinson.

Our parents provided unlimited opportunities and facilities for each of us to study music both instrumental and vocal and instilled a lifetime enjoyment in good books and music. In the Spring when I was completing my Junior year a the Lincoln High School in Orem, the music teacher asked Dad if he would buy a cello and have me take lessons through the Summer so I would be ready to play in the orchestra, Dad agreed and so vath 6 other cello students, I had cello lessons in the morning 5 days a week for 6 weeks in Provo and when school started in the Fall of 1930, 1 played in the orchestra and was the first cello player in all of the high schools in Alpine School District. It was an enjoyable experience and led to a deep appreciation of th instrument. I played a cello solo at our high school graduation in May 193 1.

After attending Brigham Young University for 3 years, I married Gordon T. Atkinsc the Salt Lake Temple September 18, 1936. We were married by George F. Richards, fat LeGrand Richards, an apostle. Gordon was always a considerate, kind, and loving husband and father. We were married 22 years when he died November 15, 1958. At that time I was working as a Deputy in the Utah County ClerWs office in Provo, In the Spring of 1959 1 qu@@job and went to BYU full time that Summer and all of the 1959-1960 school year, I graduated in June of 1960 and in the Fall taught 3rd grade at the Harrington Elementary School in American Fork, Utah. After 5 years teaching, I was hired as a certified librarian for the school district. I operated the Central Elementary School library in Pleasant Grove and supervised 5 other school libraries in Orem and Pleasant Grove. This was a good experience and rewarding in many ways I retired in May of 1978, a year early, and have enjoyed a life of church, family, and community activities since.

My family has always come first in my life; my first love and concern, and they will always be first.

Our children are:

1. Kathleen Louise Atkinson Baumgardner
Husband: Stanley Baumgardner
3 children:
Debra Lynn Chandler
Caroline King

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Michael Angus

2. Curtis Gordon Atkinson

Wife: Kathie Lee Rodeback 6 children:

Alan Richard Atkinson

Aaron David Atkinson

Gordon Thomas Atkinson

Anmnae Atkinson

Alisa Atkinson

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Everette Edward Davies, grandson of Charles Edwin and Rachel Emma Davis Davies. Born in family farm home Provo February 16, 1910, the 5th child of his parents.

Was always a hard worker, had a brilliant mind; also a talented participant in High School sports at Lincoln High School. Graduated Utah State College in Logan as an agricultural major. Spent his working years as an employee of Union Pacific Rail Road and Campbell Soup Company as a buyer of vegetables for that company. Lived several years in Fort Wayne, Indiana area where he farmed and raised chives to be added to cottage cheese.

At retirement moved to Sacramento, California where he owned several rental units. Died and was buried there in 1981. Married Florence Schenck December 20, 1930, later divorced. Married Grace Whitcomb July 5, 1943; had no children.

When about 17 spent full Summer in Buhl, Idaho area, clearing a large piece of farm ground Dad had bought as an investment. Spent time as an amateur boxer while in Idaho. Was an outstanding student and achieved academically and in business.

Afton remembers his doing her a good service. Once when their parents were away, she took the Model "A" out for a trial run. While attempting to drive the car back in the shed, she drove into and knocked some vertical boards loose and they were dangling. When Everette learned of this he took a hammer and fastened them securely in place. Course—quietly, their parents didn't learn of the mishap at all.

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Grant Davies Atkinson', son of Afton Edith Davies' (Charles Hyrum Davies') and Gordon T. Atkinson was born 23' October 1946 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah. He is the third of three children. He was raised in Pleasant Grove, Utah County, Utah all of his life and attended schools there graduating from Pleasant Grove High School in 1964. He was active in athletics and played clarinet in the school band. Attending one year at Brigham Young University and then served an LDS mission to the Central States. While in the mission field he visited many church history sights and served as a guide at the Liberty Jail during the Summer of 1966. Returning home he completed a bachelors degree in psychology and began teaching school at Brighton High School in Salt Lake. During his Junior year of college he met and married Sherrie Meredith 13 November 1968 in the Salt Lake Temple. They are the parents of six children, five boys and one girl and invited a Mormon student into their home for eight years. Grant returned to college and obtained a masters degree in counseling and guidance and now serves as a school guidance counselor at Brighton High. Sherrie received training as a nurse which has been valuable in raising seven children. Both have been active in the LDS Church serving in many callings and positions. Sherrie has been a ward and stake Young Womens President, Primary and Relief Society Counselor, teacher and secretary and has served as director of the local Church Family History Center. She currently enjoys her grandchildren, substitute teaching and doing genealogy for herself and others. Grant has served as Elders Quorum President three times, Ward Executive Secretary, Young Mens President twice, Bishop, and various positions in scouting and the Aaronic Priesthood. He is currently a high councilman in the BYU 8' Stake and is director of the Family History Center and Sherrie is the Assistant Director. He enjoys camping, fishing, Corvettes, genealogy and spending time with his family. Grant also has worked as a brick mason since 1972 and is a licensed contractor and owns his own company. Both look forward to the years ahead filled with family associations, church service and missions together. The family has traveled regularly especially in the West and throughout Utah. Special places are the Uintas and the Boulder Mountain area of South Central Utah. Grant and Sherrie live in Lindon, Utah County, Utah.

Children:

1. Mark Grant Atkinson b 21 April 1971 md Malinda Rachelle Austin 2 July 1993
2. Amy Lee Atkinson b 30 May 1972 md Kelly Dean Alvord 20 Feb 1993
3. Paul Thomas Atkinson b 22 January 1975 to marry Mindie Hreinson 20 Dec 1996
4. Brad Charles Atkinson b 23 April 1976
5. Jeff Davies Atkinson b 23 July 1978
6. Brett James Atkinson b 19 March 1980

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Mark Grant Atkinso@, bom 21 April 1971 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah is the oldest of six children of Grant Davies Atkinson' (Afton Edith Davies², Charles Hyrum Davies') and Sherrie Eileen Meredith. He attending schools in Lindon and Pleasant Grove, Utah graduating from the high school. Mark is an Eagle Scout. He entered the Utah National Guard during his senior year and completed training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. The military has taken him to Korea and Panama as well as sights in the United States. He served an LDS mission to Porto, Portugal and speaks Portugese. On returning home he was accepted in to the Police Officers Standards and Training Academy and graduated in police work. He worked as a Deputy Sheriff in Uinta County for two years and then returned to Utah County to pursue work in landscaping and to attend Utah Valley State College in computer science. He married Malinda Rachelle Austin of LindotV Utah on 2 July 1993 in the Salt Lake Temple and they are the parents of one son, Austin Atkinson bom 14 October 1994. They currently reside in Orem, active in the LDS Church..

Amy Lee Atkinson⁴, bom 30 May 1972 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah is the second of six children of Grant Davies Atkinson ³(Afton Edith Davies', Charles Hyrum Davies') and She,ffie Eileen Meredith. She attended schools in Lindon and Pleasant Grove, Utah and was active in student gov ent. She attended Utah Valley State College on scholarship and received a degree in accounting and worked as the accounts receivable officer for Word Perfect for two years, She attended the semester abroad program through Brigham Young University in Jerusalem and also visited Egypt. Upon her return home she married Kelly Dean Alvor^{4f}, Pleasant Grove 20 February 1993 in the Salt Lake Temple. He had served a mission to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and was employed at Word Perfect Manufacturing as a supervisor and was attending Utah Valley State College. They currently reside in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where Kelly will graduate May 1997 with a degree in physical therapy. They plan to return to Utah to establish a home. They are the parents of one son Ryan Kellv Alvord bom

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Paul Thomas Atkinson', bom 22 January 1975 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah is the third of six children of Grant Davies Atkinson' (Afton Edith Davies, Charles Hyrum Davies') and Sherrie Eileen Meredith. He attended schools in Lindon and Pleasant Grove, Utah and was active in wrestling, golf, and soccer. Paul is an Eagle Scout. He attended one semester at Utah Valley State College before receiving a call to serve a LDS mission to Melbourne, Australia. He had many positive experiences there and served the last 9 months on the island of Tasmania. He returned in February 1996 and has worked two jobs since, during the day employed in forming and pouring concrete foundations and evenings with the Alpine Credit Union. He is currently still working for the credit union and is enrolled full time at U'VSC in business management. Paul plays the guitar and enjoys music. He @ ed 20 December 1996 in the Salt Lake Temple to Mindie Hreinson of Pleasant Grove, she has an associates de e from Snow College. They plan to make their first home in the Pleasant Grove area,

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(Afton Edith

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Jeff Davies Atkinsoir, bom 19 July 1978 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah is the fifth of six children of Grant Davies Atkinsoir (Afton Edith Davies, Charles Hyrum Davies) and Sherrie Eileen Meredith. He attended schools in Lindon and Pleasant Grove, Utah where he was active in wrestling and excelled in computer aided drafting. Jeff is an Eagle Scout. He has worked in the masonry construction business to pay for his college education and is currently enrolled at Utah Valley State College in computer aided drafting. He plans a mission in July 1997. Jeff enjoys fishing and camping as well as computers. He plays the guitar, trumpet and harmonica.

Brett James Atkinsoir, bom 19 March 1980 at American Fork, Utah County, Utah is the sixth of six children of Grant Davies Atkinsoir (Afton Edith Davies, Charles Hyrum Davies) and Sherrie Eileen Meredith. He attended schools in Lindon and Pleasant Grove, Utah where he was active in wrestling as a youngster and is on the high school golf team. He is currently finishing his Junior year, Brett is an Eagle Scout. He enjoys camping and fishing, riding the four wheelers and works in the masonry construction business with his father. He enjoys music, both listening and playing and takes lessons on the banjo. He plans to attend college and to serve an LDS mission,

Life Story of Moitez Davies Harding

Our lives are shaped and molded largely by the experiences and the people we encounter.

Although influences vary, our character and personality traits can be traced to those closest to us. Our parents, brothers and sisters, and grandparents all contribute towards building our most inner selves. If I were to paint a picture of my Grandmother, Monte-z Davies Harding with words, I would use words like surprising, intense, unabashed, thoughtful, honest, perseverant, understanding, and creative..

Grandma was bom on the second of July, 1908, in Provo. That year Henry Ford built his first automobile, Utah had been a state for 12 short years; Halley's Comet came through when she was about

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two-years old. Her mother, Charlotte Busch Davies, and father, Charles Davies, had five daughters and three sons. Charlie and his wife Lottic each worked hard supporting and teaching their family; Their hard-working philosophies were passed on to their children and grandchildren. Times were hard when Montez was young,, her Mother, Father, Brothers and sisters worked long hours to get along. During the winters her father was principal and teacher of the local school. Both her Father and Mother pursued education past the age where others might have given up, During the summers the family pitched in together raising all manner of vegetables for sale around the area ... sometimes Montez got to go along with her Dad when he took a truckload of fresh vegetables up to the m'ners in Eureka. Somewhere along the trip they would stop, build a fire, and cook their dinner. She enjoyed spending time with her Dad.

Most times she would stay and work the farm with her Mother, Sisters and Brothers; hoeing and working the vegetables, washing each radish or onion and bunching them for sale. Great Grandpa Davies believed it important to teach the value of hard work, paying each child in cash for the work he or she had done. He used to say that “Money isn’t [eve@hing](#), but it sure beats what comes second”. Grandma was never afraid of hard work; given a choice between sitting and doing she always chose to do something, and do it to the best of her ability. Sometimes when she and her brothers and sisters were working she would entertain them by doing “shows” or by getting them to sing together to help the time pass a little quicker. Boredom was definitely not an option in Montez’s life,

When she was in her teens Montez worked at the Geneva Resort out by Utah Lake, Once after work she decided to take a boat ride with a friend; after a good ride the boat developed some kind of trouble; stranding them both until early the following morning. Never a wallflower, if there was something exciting and fun going on, she would be there **in** the middle of it.

Relationships

Grandma met and married Maurice Harding ‘in 1929; they drove to the Logan LDS Temple; honeymooned at Yellowstone; Their life together was always eventful, never boring ;always a **surprise** around the comer. When Maurice served as Mayor during the war years, she supported and offered ideas and her help whenever possible; they divided up the work and somehow got it done. Grandma occasionally got away

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from things and traveled with Maurice ... sometimes by train, or by car. They made trips to the east, out west, and later went to Europe and Hawaii. On one trip together to California she suffered serious eye problems... she was forced to ride back to Utah with her eyes covered and was in great pain. They e'oyed their time together, and made time to be together. They encouraged all sorts of education in their Six children, allowing each to choose their own direction. As a couple they were always willing to help those around them, and never held back whatever support they could offer. Any holiday was an excuse for Montez to show people how much she cared for them ... she would make the smallest holiday special; her own way, with **thoughtful** gifts or a special dinner,

Montez worked at hiendships like she worked at her life. Instead of spreading her affeccions among many . , she concentrated on a few, finding people she liked that most matched herself, no apologies, but a directed **intensity**. If there was a cause she believed in, she would throw all cautions to the wind in its' support. Words like ambivalent, wishywashy, or mundane were not words to describe Montez. Life around Montez was never a smooth, methodical Fem's wheel- much more a wild, intense roller coaster.

Music

A major force in Montez's life began at an early age, Before she began school she learned to read music and play the piano. Her Mother strongly encouraged each of her children to pursue their talents in music; to Grandma it was perhaps what she e@oyed most in life. She became a Primary organist at age Ten, barely able to reach the foot pedals; later she accompanied Dance bands and different musical groups; She found music "a necessity to daily living as important to her as food and drink". She said she learned to read music "almost before she could read words ... she could never remember a time when she couldn't." I remember knocking on the door to visit Grandma and Grandpa; hearing Grandma **playjng, I** would sit on the porch until she had finished; I enjoyed the melodies she played, what was more important, **She** enjoyed them as well. The same year she was manied to Maurice she was hired to play at a local Kindergarten for around 50 Cents a week. She sang as well as played, performing both in trios and duets, with sister and friends, attending symphonies and concerts with great interest throughout her **life**.

Passions

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Never one to sit, Montez's gardens received much of her attentions. Hours were spent organizing, weeding, digg'ng, watering, and cleaning in the yard. She said she planned her garden so there would always be "something pretty to look af"; she planted perennials throughout-, and provided countless others with starts from her yard. The brightest colors seemed to please her the most, and her garden was always beautiful to look at.

Her **creativity** extended to craft work; making something useful or beautiful from nothing **mg** rooms and

, *fill*' closets with p 'ects to beautify her home. Beautiful rugs, needlepoint, and other projects were started and completed, then usually given to a loved one. She volunteered her talents in craft work; making hand puppets for children in the hospital, organizing performances and quilt-giving to the elderly at a local retirement home. Idleness to Montez was unthinkable, wasteful, and wrong.

Montez didn't believe in doing someth' 'ust because she was supposed to, or **mgj** because it was what everyone else did. She did what she did, she believed what she believed, and she lived as she lived because it **fit** her, with no apologies. Life to her seemed too precious to waste on doing what was expected.

My grandmother never fit into anyone else's mold, and always sought to improve herself and those around. Some quotes from around that seemed to fit Montez:

"What this world needs is fewer politicians and more grandmothers"

"Make the most of what you've gof"

"You can't March to the beat of somebody else's Drum"

"If you can't be with the one you love, Love the one you're with."

"No Man was ever shot do' dishes"

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2nd - Morzis Edward Davies b 4 July 1906
3rd - Mary Kaye Davies Orr Jones
4th - Scott Joseph Orr

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Mazy Kaye Jones, daughter of Morris Edward Davies (Emma Maxie Gudmundson b 30 April 1908), bom 8 July, 1944 in Provo, UT. She was the 4th of 5 children spending afl of her growing up years in Provo, UT. When 18 years old moved with parents, older brother and younger sister to Las Vegas, NV. Worked for federal government at Nevada Test Site. Married Joseph Marion Orr (Hazel Stroud and Tabnadge B. Orr) 5 Sept. 1964.

Resided in So. Calff./So. Nevada and Arizona. Was active in both American Business Womens' Assn. and Eastern Star. Divorced 1981. Re d Basil Clement Jones (Margaret Pree and Basil B. Jones) 8 July 1981. Basil was bom 28 May 1936 in Edmonton, KY. He spent his growing up years in Kentucky and Ind@ eventually moving to Illinois then Las Vegas, Nevada. Mazy Kaye and Basil moved to Salem, OR in 1981, started their own used car and convenience store business in 1982. Both were active in Oregon Independent Automobile Dealers' Association with Basil serving as president. Mazy Kaye served as vice-president of the ladies' a 1985-86. Basil eventually became a real estate broker and Mary Kaye went to work for the State of Oregon in April, 1990, where she is still employed. Her interests and hobbies include her two granddaughters, Haley Stenquist, 4 years old, and Brooke Ashley Stenquist 1 year old; interior decorating, sewing, gardenmg, worlang with cMHren m the Salem school district mentorstup program, traveling, photography, and crochebng.

My memories of my grandmother and gran(-- t tier Davies are filled with good food, listening to my aunts sing, and the farm. I remember family reunions in the park and wonderful Chnstm packages twd up mth colozed ribbon contammg some special thmg that grandmother had made espec@ for me.

Mary Kaye and Joseph Orr are the parents of one child.
Scott Joseph Orr, b 5 May 1973

Basil is the pairnt of one child.

DanieDe Cheree Blagg Stenquist b 11 Auguat 1967 md Robert Stenquist
Haley Lauren Stenquist b 7 December 1992

Brook Ashley Stenquist b 10 October 1995

Jacob Curtis Atkinson

3. Grant Davies Atkinson

Wife: Sherrie Eileen Meredith

6 children:

Mark Grant Atkinson
Amy Lee Atkinson Alvord
Paul Thomas Atkinson
Brad Charles Atkinson
Jeff Davies Atkinson
Brett James Atkinson

There are 15 grandchildren: 10 grandsons and 5 granddaughters. At this time there are 10 great grandchildren.

On the attached sheet is a poem I wrote in 1974 honoring Grandfather Davies and my father Charles Hyrum Davies.

. **Frederick Spencer DAVIES** was born on 18 Jul 1883 in Provo, UT. He died on 7 Jan 1968 in Arcadia, CA. He was married to Cynthia LaPearl Wightman DAVIES (daughter of William Charles Wightman, Jr. DAVIES and Harriet Sophia Jones WIGHTMAN) on 29 Jun 1905. **Cynthia LaPearl Wightman DAVIES** was born on 13 May 1884 in Payson, UT. She died on 14 Oct 1972 in Scottsdale, AZ. Frederick Spencer DAVIES and Cynthia LaPearl Wightman DAVIES had the following children:

- 24 i. **Byron Charles DAVIES** was born on 3 Jun 1906 in Payson, UT. He died on 1 Jul 1923 in Payson, UT.
- 25 ii. **Kathryn DAVIES** was born on 28 Mar 1908 in Payson, UT. She died on 9 Jul 1996 in

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- Scottsdale, AZ.
- 26 iii. **Marion Maxine DAVIES** was born on 12 Mar 1910 in Castlegate, UT.
 27 iv. **Frederick Spencer DAVIES** was born on 17 Aug 1916 in Provo, UT.
 28 v. **Stanton Wightman DAVIES** was born on 27 Mar 1918 in Provo, UT.
 29 vi. **Robert Sherwood DAVIES** was born on 12 Nov 1922 in Provo, UT.

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1. Davies Family. Family Bible of the Davies Family.
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