

Edward Tuttle

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Edward Tuttle

Age: 55y; 1m; 17d

Relationship: Husband of Catharin Tuttle

Deceased: Aug. 17th, 1847

Disease: Chills & Fever

Birth Place: Massachutts

Birth Date: July 1st, 1792

Grave No. 200

Birth Date: July 1, 1792

Birth Place: Chelsea, Suffolk, Massachusetts

Death Date: August 17, 1847

Cause of Death: Chills and fever

Burial Place: Winter Quarters Grave #200

Father's Name: Joseph Tuttle

Mother's Maiden Name: Elizabeth Pratt

Spouse's Name: Catherine Vaneve Geyer

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Winter Quarters Ward 22

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census?

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Came west with the Heber C. Kimball Company in 1848

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

After the martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith and his brother Hyrum, the Tuttle family began making preparations for the journey west. Edward and Catherine received their washings and anointings and endowments January 3rd, 1846 and were sealed in the Nauvoo Temple on January 29th, 1846. Their daughters Martha Ann Tuttle and Mary Ann Tuttle received her endowments in the Nauvoo Temple on February 6th, 1846. By the time the Tuttle girls were being endowed the wagons were already beginning the 1846 exodus of Nauvoo. Mary Ann Tuttle records: "I was camped on the bank of the Mississippi River when the mob came all painted black, and searched the wagons, took our guns and insulted the women as we waited to be ferried across the River.

Finally we got across and started on our journey and arrived at Winter Quarters where we camped for the winter.”

The Tuttle family finished selling what they could and left Nauvoo in June of 1846. They traveled to Winter Quarters, (Florence) Nebraska, arriving in the fall of 1846 where a dugout was constructed as a temporary home. In the spring of 1847 they moved six miles from town onto a little farm. Here Edward found work. To help the family survive through the winter of 1847-1848 they planted a small garden. Edward is killed It is reported that it was the cattle that allowed the saints to survive through the winter of 1846-1847 since it was impossible to grow enough crops to feed the thousands that waited to travel west. Four to five thousand cattle were kept near Winter Quarters and many men had to help tend them. While bringing in some of the Church’s cattle one evening, Edward was gored by one of the bulls. Edward suffered with chills and fever and died from the effects of his wounds. The cause of death was most likely infection. Edward was buried at Winter Quarters, (Florence) Douglas County, Nebraska on August 17th, 1847. After Edward’s death Catherine moved back to town. The first company had started its westward trek so there were now a few vacant houses. Catherine lived there until the spring suffering many hardships. She was now without her husband of 32 years and was forced to take her children across the plains alone. Traveling west with the Heber C. Kimball Company Catherine was 51 when she joined the Heber C. Kimball Company which started for Utah June 7th, 1848. There were 662 individuals in the company when the company began its journey from Winter Quarters, Nebraska. Catherine traveled with Heber C. Kimball Company who arrived in Salt Lake City on September 24th, 1848. Catherine’s son Henry, now 21 years old, helped his mother, two sisters and a brother make their way to the Utah Valley with the wagon train. In Norton Jacob’s journal is found a list of men that were to take turns guarding their camp. Catherine’s son in law Walter Elias Gardner and his father Elias Gardner are listed in the 10th Company along with her son John W. Tuttle. Mary Ann who would in time marry Walter Elias Gardner and her daughter Martha who had already married Walter were also traveling with together with Catherine.

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Catherine married James Davenport in 1852.