

## Helen Louisa Eldredge

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Helen Louiza Eldrige

Age: 0y; 2m; 22d

Relationship: D of Horace & Betsey Eldrige

Deceased: Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1847

Disease: Canker

Birth Place: Win Qu.

Birth Date: June 8, 1847

Grave No. 216

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Birth Place: Winter Quarters, Nebraska Territory

Death Date: August 30, 1847

Cause of Death: Canker

Burial Place: Winter Quarters Grave #216

Father's Name: Horace Sunderlin Eldredge

Mother's Maiden Name: Betsy Ann Chase

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Winter Quarters Ward 5

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Listed as family #4 in Great Salt Lake, Utah Territory

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Came west with the Brigham Young Company in 1848

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

He remained a member of the Baptist church, however, until the spring of 1836, when for the first time he heard the gospel of Christ taught in its fulness, and he was soon afterwards baptized. During the summer of 1836 he married Miss Sarah Gibbs. Later he would practice plural marriage and father a total of twenty-eight children. After his marriage he settled on a farm near Indianapolis, Indiana; but prompted by the spirit of gathering, he sold his farm in the fall of 1838 and went to Missouri. He located at Far West, Mo., where he purchased a large farm and a house and lot in the town, expecting to make the place his permanent home. But he shared in the disappointment of thousands of other Saints who went to Missouri with similar anticipations. He had occupied his new home only a few weeks when the fires of mobocratic hatred towards the Saints burst forth with such fury that they had to flee, and in December, 1838, Brother Eldredge

left Far West and returned to Indiana. He always retained the title to his real estate in Missouri, and never received a dollar for it. During the fall of 1840, he joined the fast gathering community of Saints at Nauvoo, Ill., and was present at the breaking of ground for the Nauvoo Temple, an event which occurred shortly after his arrival. He resided in Nauvoo till the exodus therefrom in the spring of 1846, and shared in the expatriation of the inhabitants of that devoted city and in their march through the wilderness to Winter Quarters. Here he, with his family, spent two winters, and here he buried two children, victims of the monstrous Missouri Mobs, starvation, and deprivation.

([https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/2887720?p=2955327&returnLabel=Horace%20Sunderlin%20Eldredge%20\(KWJZ-WJ8\)&returnUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.familysearch.org%2Ftree%2Fperson%2Fmemories%2FKWJZ-WJ8](https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/2887720?p=2955327&returnLabel=Horace%20Sunderlin%20Eldredge%20(KWJZ-WJ8)&returnUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.familysearch.org%2Ftree%2Fperson%2Fmemories%2FKWJZ-WJ8))