

## Wilber & Caroline Earl

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Wilber & Caroline Earl

Age: 0y; 11m; 15d (Wilber) & 2y; 3m; 10d (Caroline)

Relationship: son of & daug. Of Wilber & Harriet Earl

Deceased: April 13<sup>th</sup> (Wilber) & April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1847

Disease: Scarlet fever

Birth Place: Near Garden Grove (Wilber) & Lee County, Iowa (Caroline)

Birth Date: April 29, 1848 (Wilber) & Jan 9, 1845

Grave No. 281

Caroline Earl

Birth Date: January 9, 1845

Birth Place: Lee County, Iowa

Death Date: April 19, 1847

Wilbur Earl

Birth Date: April 29, 1846

Birth Place: Garden Grove, Decatur, Iowa

Death Date: April 13, 1847

Cause of Death: Scarlet fever

Burial Place: Winter Quarters Grave #281

Father's Name: Wilbur Joseph Earl

Mother's Maiden Name: Harriet Beard

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

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Listed as a chair turner and family #22 in Great Salt Lake, Utah Territory

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Came west with an unknown company in 1848

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

Joseph "Wilbur" Earl, another son of Dorcas, was born about 1817 in Franklin County, OH, where his father was a Methodist preacher and furniture maker, and died in August 1874 in Pine Valley, UT, and is buried there. Wilber was closely associated with Sylvester all his life and

Sylvester makes many references to his brother Wilbur in his Memoirs. A good share of his story parallels that of Sylvester. Wilbur went with Sylvester to Illinois on 1 Oct 1838 following his mother's death, and was baptized by Sylvester on 24 Oct 1838 in Schuyler County, IL. Wilbur married Harriet Beard in about 1848 after the Saints were driven out of Nauvoo. Two children of theirs, named Caroline and Wilbur died and are buried at the Winter Quarters burying ground in Florence, NB. Wilber and his wife went west with the Saints and lived for a time in Salt Lake City, Ogden, and Springville, UT, where they raised a family of nine children (including the two who died), the first born in 1845 in Illinois and the last one in 1864 in Utah. In November 1861 Wilbur and his family moved to Pine Valley, UT, at the same time Sylvester and his family moved there, and his activities in that area pretty much paralleled those of Sylvester. He was a school teacher for much of his life, and one of his students wrote of his teaching that he was "the best school teacher I ever went to." He and his wife had nine children, the first born in 1847 and the last one in 1864. He remained active in the Mormon Church throughout his life, as did his family. Winona Wittwer wrote that she had met one of Wilbur's granddaughters, Inez E. Sigmon of Hoytsvilie, CA, a daughter of Wilbur's son George Earl who married Zilpha D. Fuller. Inez told Winona that her mother, Zilpha, was the first white child born in Las Vegas, NV. ([https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/8120942?p=15238515&returnLabel=Wilbur%20Joseph%20Earl%20\(LCRF-JJQ\)&returnUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.familysearch.org%2Ftree%2Fperson%2Fmemories%2FLCRF-JJQ](https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/8120942?p=15238515&returnLabel=Wilbur%20Joseph%20Earl%20(LCRF-JJQ)&returnUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.familysearch.org%2Ftree%2Fperson%2Fmemories%2FLCRF-JJQ))