

Joseph and Benjamin Porter

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Joseph & Benjamin Porter

Age: Not listed

Sons of Chancy W. & Emma Porter

Deceased: Dec. 12, 1846

Disease: Not listed

Birth Place: Winter Quarters, Camp of Isarel

Birth Date: Sept 15, 1845

No. of Grave: 38

Birth Date: Dec. 11, 1846

Death Date: Dec. 12, 1846

Cause of Death: unknown

Burial Place: Winter Quarters grave #38

Father's Name: Chancy Warriner Porter

Mother's Maiden Name: Amy Sumner

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Winter Quarter 15th, 14th, 11th wards

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Great Salt Lake County, house #7, p.73.
Chancey W age 39, Lydia Ann age 24, Persiller age 7, Nancy age 6, Warner age 3, Cynthia age 2, Chancey age 0.

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Samuel Gully/Orson Spencer Company left Kaneshville, Iowa May 28, 1849 and arrived Sep. 22-25, 1849 Chauncey and Priscilla. Lydia Ann Cook Porter, Alma, Malinda Ann, Sarah Angeline, Nancy Aretta, and Warriner Ahaz came a year earlier with Willard Richards company which left July 3, 1848 from Winter Quarters and arrived Oct. 10, 1848.

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

-Amy died April 6, 1847 in Winter Quarters. Exactly one month later Chauncey married Lydia Ann Cook on May 6, 1846. (emailed page, p.254, 255)

-Amy was Chauncey's first wife. Together the couple had Alma, Malinda Ann, William, Sarah Angeline, Nancy Aretta, Hyrum, and Joseph and Benjamin were last. Later he married Lydia Ann Cook and Pricilla Strong. (emailed information)

-Chauncey was baptized Aug. 10, 1830 or 1831. He was a millwright, sawyer, and carpenter. (emailed info, p. 259)

-Amy was raised a Quaker. In 1831 her whole family joined the church but after Joseph Smith's death they eventually fell away except for Amy. She died of scurvy. Before her death Amy told her husband that he was to marry Lydia Ann Cook. (notes emailed to us from David L. Porter which his sister Marie wrote on the family group record.)

-Chauncey sent his first wife and 5 children along ahead since he was unable to sell his property in time to travel with them. He followed with his other wife.

(<https://history.lds.org/overlandtravel/sources/13873602231665065703-eng/mattice-nancy-areta-porter-a-sketch-of-the-life-of-nancy-areta-porter-mattice-1-4-trail-excerpt-transcribed-from-pioneer-history-collection-available-at-pioneer-memorial-museum-daughters-of-utah-pioneers-museum-salt-lake-city-utah-some-restrictions-apply?firstName=Lydia%20Ann%20Cook&surname=Porter>)

-Lydia almost had her baby stolen from her by the Indians on the trek to Utah. First an elderly man wanted to buy her 5-year-old step daughter when he saw that Lydia's family was the largest. He offered 25 horses and a pile of buffalo robes. Lydia turned him down. Then a group of Native American's encountered them. One of the squaws asked to hold baby Warriner and as soon as Lydia handed her the baby she ran back to her crowd of friends shouting. Only after Captain Andy Cunningham threatened to go to war to get the baby back and had the men get their guns was Warriner returned. (<https://history.lds.org/overlandtravel/sources/13873602231665065703-eng/mattice-nancy-areta-porter-a-sketch-of-the-life-of-nancy-areta-porter-mattice-1-4-trail-excerpt-transcribed-from-pioneer-history-collection-available-at-pioneer-memorial-museum-daughters-of-utah-pioneers-museum-salt-lake-city-utah-some-restrictions-apply?firstName=Lydia%20Ann%20Cook&surname=Porter>)