

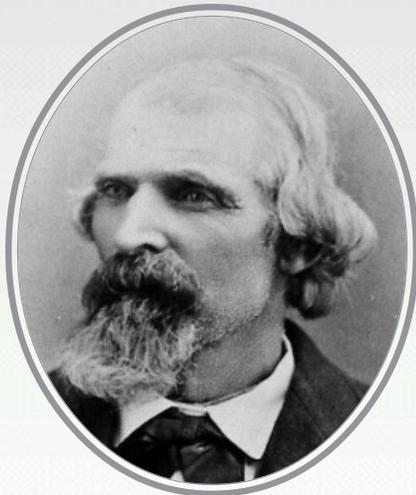
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Fourth Generation Ancestors



Samuel Allen Wilcox
Born: 1819 New York



Martha Bolton Parker
Born: 1820 Canada



Samuel Allen Wilcox & Martha Bolton Parker

Samuel Allen Wilcox, son of Silas Wilcox and Margaret Belinda Allen, was born on 22 Mar 1819 in Norfolk, St. Lawrence, New York. He died on 7 Apr 1898 in Cedar Fort, Utah, Utah.

Samuel married (1) **Martha Bolton Parker**, daughter of Joseph Parker and Lucy Boyd, on 17 Jan 1838 in Mountain, Dundas, Ontario. Martha was born on 23 Jan 1820 in Mountain, Dundas, Ontario. She died on 23 Jan 1912 in Wardboro, Bear Lake, Idaho.

They had the following children...

Malinda Wilcox	5 Dec 1838	Mountain, Dundas, Ontario
Lucy Wilcox (stillborn)	1840	Mountain, Dundas, Ontario
Sarah Jane Wilcox	24 Oct 1841	Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois
John Dingman Wilcox	23 Apr 1843	Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois
Asenath Viola Wilcox	1 Apr 1845	Nauvoo, Hancock, Illinois
Adam Wilcox	11 Feb 1847	Bonaparte, Van Buren, Iowa
Samuel Allen Wilcox Jr.	9 Mar 1850	Hamburg, Fremont, Iowa
Joseph Wilcox	30 Nov 1851	Hamburg, Fremont, Iowa
Silas McCaslin Wilcox	10 Jan 1854	Hamburg, Fremont, Iowa
Phebe Roseltha Wilcox	21 Mar 1857	Hamburg, Fremont, Iowa
Boyd Extine Wilcox	2 Sep 1859	Hamburg, Fremont, Iowa
David Almearn Wilcox	11 Oct 1862	Cedar Fort, Utah, Utah

Samuel also married (2) Anna Christina Petersen on 21 Oct 1872 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah.





Life Sketch of Samuel & Martha

Samuel Allen Wilcox
1819 New York - 1898 Utah Territory

Martha Bolton Parker
1820 Canada - 1912 Idaho

Samuel's childhood...

Samuel Allen Wilcox was born March 22, 1819, in Norfolk, New York, the eldest son of Silas Wilcox and Martha Belinda Allen. In his youth, his parents moved to Mountain, Dundas, Canada, where Martha was born. Samuel was religiously inclined.

Martha's childhood...

Martha was born January 23, 1820, in Mountain, Canada. She had two fathers: Richard Bolton, her biological father; and Joseph Parker, her stepfather who raised her. She dearly loved both of them. Her mother was Lucy Boyd.

Martha's father, Joseph Parker, owned a maple grove. As a young girl, she helped make maple syrup from the sap of maple trees. The family boiled the

maple sap down in huge kettles until it was the consistency of syrup. Then the children dipped some out and sprinkled it around on the snow. It immediately formed into delicious candy. Martha often went out by the maple grove at night and howled like a wolf, and the wolves would answer from all directions.

Martha was a high-spirited and intelligent girl full of life and girlish pranks. But along with her fun loving nature, she had a deeply religious side.

Her parents, Joseph and Lucy Parker, taught her to believe in God and Jesus Christ. The family lived the best they knew how. Martha often asked religious denominations the question, "Where are the prophets, and will there be any more prophets?" The answer was invariably, "No, prophets are not needed in this enlightened age of the world." Martha often wept as a child to think that she could never see a Prophet of God.

Marriage and a new faith...

In 1837 two elders came to Mountain proclaiming that the Lord had again visited the earth and had chosen the young man, Joseph Smith, to be His prophet. Both Samuel's parents, Silas and Margaret Wilcox, and Martha's parents, Joseph and Lucy Parker, were ready



Samuel Allen Wilcox.



Martha Bolton Parker Wilcox.



Winter in present-day Nauvoo the beautiful.

to listen. Samuel and Martha married January 17, 1838. Martha was soon to be eighteen and Samuel nineteen. Then on September 14, 1839, Samuel and Martha were baptized. Their parents also joined the Church soon after.

As soon as Samuel and Martha were baptized, they longed to see the Prophet and be with him and his people. On August 15, 1840, they bade farewell to their home and friends and started their pilgrimage of 1500 miles by team. Their small company of travelers included Samuel and Martha Wilcox and their baby daughter, Malinda Wilcox; Martha's parents, Joseph and Lucy Parker; Martha's sister, Asenath Parker; Samuel's parents, Silas and Margaret Wilcox; Samuel's sister Phebe, and brothers, David and Silas; and Martha's cousins, John and Lydia Dingman.

Nauvoo the beautiful...

After almost two months, they arrived in Commerce, later called Nauvoo, on Friday, October 9, 1840. There had just been a conference that caused great rejoicing. The Prophet Joseph Smith had revealed the law of baptism for the dead. The next Sunday they saw the Prophet and heard his voice. He said there had to be a temple built with a baptismal font to do this work. Martha could not describe the feelings that thrilled her soul when she heard his voice and knew that she was sitting in the presence of a Prophet of God!

Samuel and Martha witnessed many early Church history events. Martha was a member of the first female Relief Society held in the upper room of the house of the Prophet Joseph Smith. She heard the Prophet preach the King Follett funeral sermon. Samuel took his turn serving in the Nauvoo Legion and worked on the Nauvoo Temple. They were in Nauvoo on June 27, 1844, when the Prophet Joseph Smith and Patriarch Hyrum Smith were slain and saw them in their gore.

On August 8, 1844, Martha heard Brigham Young preach to the Saints and saw him transfigured before them. Martha saw it with her own eyes and sprang to her feet, for she thought it was Joseph. She saw the mantle of the Lord fall on Brigham Young.

An ungodly mob threatened to annihilate the whole church and offered peace if the Saints would say that Joseph Smith was a false Prophet and deny the Book of Mormon. This the Saints would not do, so they were driven from their homes, their beautiful city, and their temple in the cold winter of February 1846. Many were laid down by the wayside, worn out with hardships and privations.

Farewell to Nauvoo...

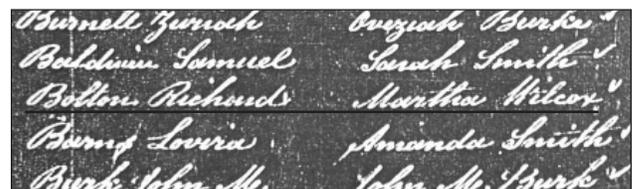
Samuel and Martha lived in and near Nauvoo until they were driven out by a mob in April 1846. They left everything in the house except their clothing and bedding. Samuel took his family, his good span of horses, his wagon, and milk cow, and crossed the Mississippi River and traveled to Bonaparte, Van Buren, Iowa.

Samuel had neither tent nor wagon cover to shield his family from the cold winter blast. What to do he did not know. He built a structure to protect his family of mud, willows and timber. He made a fireplace and chimney out of thick heavy sod, and a roof of willows and dirt. Martha was quite sick, had four little children to care for, and gave birth to a son, Adam Wilcox, in this mud house. In spite of her circumstances, she found this home to be most comfortable.

With his family settled, Samuel went to find work. He worked for a week doing some hauling. When the man who hired him found he was a Mormon, he told him, "I will not pay a G.D. Mormon one cent." Samuel returned to his family without a mouthful of food.

In a few days, another man wanted some hauling done. Samuel told this stranger that his circumstances for food were very poor. The stranger gave Samuel flour and groceries to help him along.

When Samuel finished the hauling, the man told



Martha Bolton Parker was baptized for her biological father, Richard Bolton, in 1844 as practiced in the early days of the Church.

Martha . . . was always preaching the Gospel and loved the Lamanites. One old woman that was going to be killed came to her to hide. Martha put her in her beautiful white feather bed, and the Indians searched in vain. She later went to another tribe, and there she was saved. Many Indians came to visit Martha, and she fed them. One Indian baby funeral was held on her porch.

—Malinda C. P. Lisonbee (Granddaughter)

him he could have whatever pay was right as he had not kept track. Samuel went home and discovered he had one hundred dollars over his wages. He took it back to the man and said, “You have paid me over my wages.” The man laughed and said, “Mr. Wilcox, you are the most honest man I ever saw. There is not one in a thousand that would have done that.”

Settling Iowa...

Samuel and Martha caught up with the Saints near Winter Quarters but could not go on. They spent the next fifteen years helping to settle Iowa.

In Hamburg, Fremont County, they prospered eventually owning 320 acres. They raised corn, grains, and livestock. The family had their own smoke cellar and cured their own meat which Samuel freighted to the nearest cities. Martha sheared sheep, then washed, spun, and wove the wool into flannel.

Everything went well for the Wilcox family until South Carolina seceded from the Union on December 20, 1860. When Samuel heard the news, he said to Martha, “Well Mother, we must get out of here, for South Carolina has seceded just as Joseph said it would.” Samuel was offered a deed to a quarter section of land if he would give up going to Utah. Samuel said, “All the money in Fremont County will not hinder me from going!” They sold their lovely farm getting what cash they could and taking cattle for the remainder. The Civil War began April 12, 1861. Samuel’s brother, Silas A., fought in this war.

Moving west...

In May 1861 they started west. Samuel and Martha each drove a team and wagon and their sons drove the cattle.

They stopped to befriend a couple that was expecting a baby and needed help. Martha said, “Sam, our teams and cattle are tired. Why can’t we stop here and turn them out on this good grass and let them rest and fatten up. Then when these folks are ready to go on, we can hurry up and overtake the company.” Samuel’s heart was as big and warm as that of his wife, so they stayed.

The family arrived in Salt Lake Valley on October 7, 1861 and eventually settled in Cedar Fort, Utah, east of American Fork—where they remained.

Samuel was a man of enterprise. Besides farming and raising stock, he built a saw mill that he operated for many years.

The family owned its own loom and spinning wheel. Martha made suits for the men and dresses for the girls.

Martha established a little school in her home for Indian children. She taught them to read and write. How they loved her dearly. A little Indian boy came to her home and told her, “The Indians are going to attack in the morning. Don’t tell anyone I told you.” Martha warned the settlers, and they all got into the fort. When the Indians came and found them all in the fort, they left. Martha never told who the little boy was, not even her husband.

Samuel’s mission...

Samuel left for a mission to East Canada on October 30, 1871. His journey took him to Fremont County, Iowa, where he saw his old place and farm. In his heart he said, “What is that all worth; in my eyes nothing at all. I would not give one principle of the Gospel for the whole of this fine farm.” Illness kept Samuel from a full term mission. He was too ill to go



The rebuilt Nauvoo Temple. Samuel helped build the original Nauvoo Temple.



Samuel and Martha traveled thousands of miles by wagon. Pioneer wagon on display in the Museum of Church History and Art in Salt Lake City.

into Canada. He returned home March 19, 1872, three days before his fifty-third birthday.

A second family...

Shortly after his return—at Martha’s suggestion and full cooperation—Samuel became a polygamist. He married Anna Petersen on October 21, 1872. Martha and Anna got along very well. Samuel loved his wives and divided his time between them. Martha continued living in her own home, and Samuel provided a separate house for Anna. Both bore him many children, Martha eleven and Anna nine.

Tribute to Samuel...

Samuel was a man of quiet disposition, never meddling in other people’s affairs. But he was also jovial as well as kind and very generous to those in need. He was so pleasant and very gracious. His twinkling eyes were surrounded with smile wrinkles. He was a staunch and true Latter-day Saint and never let an opportunity go by without bearing his testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel. He was a good provider and worked very hard.

Tribute to Martha...

Martha was a woman rich in faith and had an unshakable faith in the Church and its Prophets. She

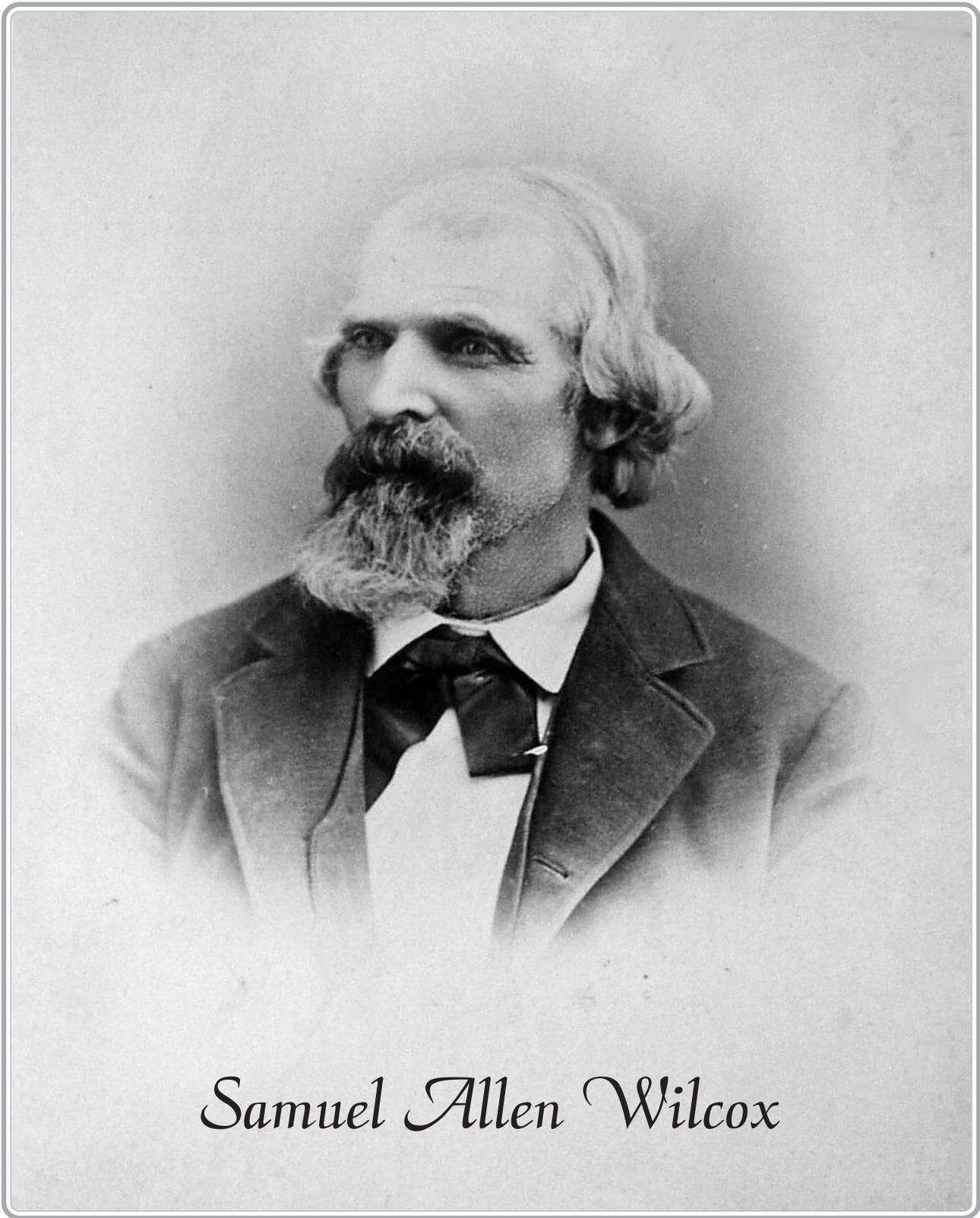
bore a frequent and powerful testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel and urged righteous living. She gave comfort to those in need. She gave of her substance to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. She had a strict disposition and kept her home immaculately clean. She studied the scriptures all her life and was called, “The Walking Bible.”

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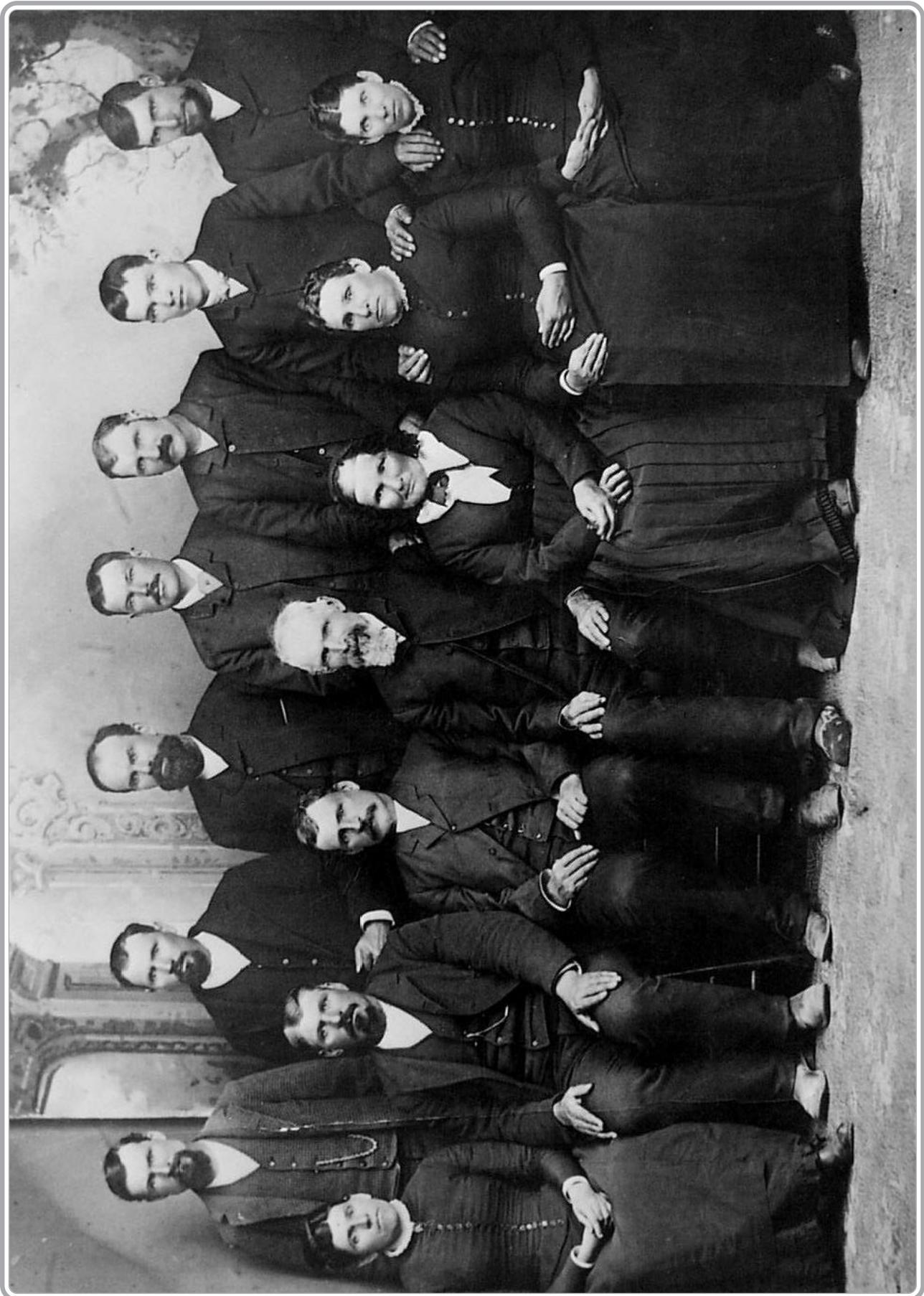


Samuel Allen Wilcox and second wife, Anna Petersen. Their family back from left: Mary Inger Wilcox, Martha Cordelia Wilcox, Bertha Charlotte Wilcox, and James Alfred Wilcox. Center: Margaret Marn Wilcox, Samuel Allen Wilcox and Anna Petersen Wilcox, and Anna Laura Wilcox. Front: Helen Mar Wilcox, Ross Ernest Wilcox, and Ole Able Wilcox.



Samuel Allen Wilcox

1888 Facing page: Family of Samuel Allen Wilcox joined together to be sealed as a family in the Logan Utah Temple. Back from left: Samuel Allen Wilcox Jr., Silas McCaslin Wilcox, William Christopher Wilcox (bro. of Samuel Allen Wilcox), David Almearn Wilcox, Joseph Wilcox, Frank Austin (son of Sarah Jane Wilcox), and Boyd Extine Wilcox. Front: Phebe Roseltha Wilcox, Adam Wilcox, John Dingman Wilcox, Samuel Allen Wilcox and Martha Bolton Parker, Sarah Jane Wilcox, and Asenath Viola Wilcox.





Life Sketches of Samuel's & Martha's Parents

Silas Wilcox

1795 Connecticut - 1865 Iowa

Margaret Belinda Allen

1798 New York - 1847 Winter Quarters

Silas' childhood...

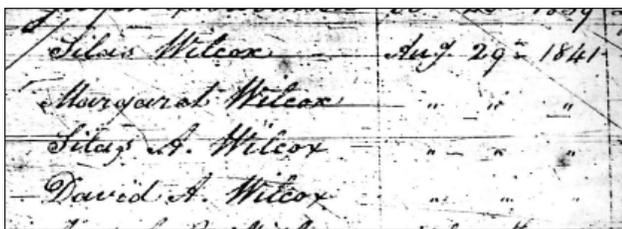
Silas Wilcox was born August 23, 1795, in Berlin, Hartford, Connecticut, to Israel Wilcox and Anna Dowd. In 1806, when Silas was in his eleventh year and still a minor, he lost his father. Silas went to Stockridge, Windsor, Vermont, to live with his half-brother, Amos Wilcox, who was twenty-one years his senior.¹

Margaret's childhood...

Margaret Belinda Allen's parents, Samuel Russell Allen and Sarah Jane Powers, were living in Clinton County, New York, when she was born on January 11, 1798. Before her birth, both of her grandfathers, Jonathan Allen and Nathaniel Powers, fought in the American Revolutionary War. Margaret's grandfather, Jonathan Allen; and her father, Samuel Allen; moved to Madrid, St. Lawrence, New York.

Marriage and family...

In his young manhood, Silas settled in Norfolk, St. Lawrence, New York, about ten miles from Madrid where Margaret was living. They married in Madrid on January 17, 1818. Their first child, Samuel Allen Wilcox, was born in Norfolk on March 22, 1819. The child was named in honor of Margaret's father, Samuel Allen. Silas and Margaret had two more sons, Silas and David.



Silas Wilcox handed in membership certificate dated August 29, 1841, to Church clerk in Nauvoo.



Early homes of Silas Wilcox, Margaret Allen, Joseph Parker, and Lucy Boyd.

Silas moved his family to Mountain, Dundas, Canada, just across the St. Lawrence River from Norfolk. Here a daughter, Phebe, joined the family on April 23, 1836.

Silas and Margaret heard the Gospel in Mountain and joined the Church. Not long after joining the Church, they traveled 1500 miles by wagon to Illinois to be with the Saints. They traveled with their son Samuel, his family, and his wife's family. Silas and Margaret's sons, David and younger Silas, were seventeen and fifteen. Little Phebe was five.

In 1841, the year after they arrived in Nauvoo, their son William was born. That same year a temporary baptismal font—in the unfinished Nauvoo Temple—was dedicated. Silas was immediately baptized for his father, Israel Wilcox; his sister, Anna Davis; and his brother, Timothy Wilcox. In 1844 Margaret was baptized for her grandparents, Nathaniel Powers and Jerusha Hart.

Without Margaret...

In 1847—the year following the expulsion of the Saints from Nauvoo—Margaret died, possibly at Winter Quarters. Her son William was six and her daughter Phebe was eleven. William and Phebe went to stay with their brother, Samuel Allen Wilcox. Silas married a second wife, Eunice Mosier. He made his home in Preparation, an early Mormon community near

Moorhead, in Spring Valley Township, Monona, Iowa. He raised sugar cane, wheat, and potatoes.

Silas's son Samuel left for Utah in 1861. Silas was in his sixty-sixth year and in the midst of litigation to reclaim his confiscated land. He remained in Iowa.

When Silas became ill, he went to stay with his daughter Phebe, now Phebe Woodland. Here he died on October 5, 1865.

Tribute to Silas and Margaret...

Silas and Margaret sacrificed much for their faith, giving up their homes, traveling hundreds of miles, and enduring the many hardships of the early church. They did not let howling mobs stop them from doing work for their deceased ancestors. Margaret was a pioneer who gave her life for her Church. Silas was an educated man with beautiful penmanship and good English. He had a humble heart, a contrite spirit, and great love for his children and grandchildren.

Joseph Parker

1795 Canada - 1870 Utah

Lucy Boyd

1802 Canada - 1845 Illinois

Joseph's childhood...

Joseph Parker was born in the Canadian wilderness of snow and cold in Mountain, Dundas, Canada, on February 18, 1795. He was the fifth son of Robert James Parker and Providence Miller. The eighteenth century was drawing to a close.

W of Name	Persons Baptized	For whom Baptized	Relationship
1844 Aug 4	Margaret Belinda	Louise Allen Amanda Langworthy Nathaniel Powers Jerusha Brooker Darius Steele Nathel Montgomery	Sister in law Cousin Grandfather Grandmother Uncle Aunt

Margaret Belinda Allen was baptized in the Nauvoo Temple on August 4, 1844, for her grandparents, Nathaniel Powers and Jerusha Hart—called Jerusha Brooker in this baptismal record, her name from a second marriage.

Thomas Boyd ran away from a prosperous home in Ireland and joined the army. He became a United Empire Loyalist stationed in Canada. He met and fell in love with Marie Barbé (Barbara) Marot dit Labonte, a French girl. They must have spoken the language of love, as Thomas spoke no French and Barbé spoke no English. Because Thomas was Protestant and Barbé was Catholic, the young couple eloped. Lucy's father, James Boyd, was born to this union. Thomas served the King eighteen years from 1765 to 1783. After the American Revolution, Thomas was awarded 978 acres of land by the Crown.

Lucy's childhood...

Lucy was born in the beginning of the nineteenth century on May 2, 1802. Her parents, James Boyd and Martha McIntire, were living in Johnstown, Grenville, Ontario, at the time of her birth, but soon moved to Mountain, Dundas, Ontario.

Lucy's mother, Martha McIntire, practiced law. In making a plea in court, she was very entertaining and was noted for her wit and humor.

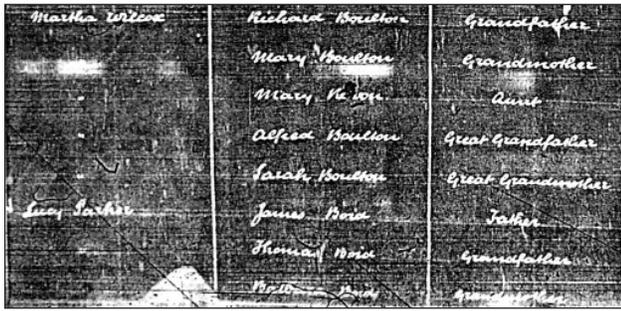
Lucy's grandfather, Thomas Boyd, was a Loyalist stationed in Canada during the years of the American Revolution.

Marriage and family...

After Joseph and Lucy met and married, they made their home in Mountain, the town where they both lived as children. They had a family of daughters.

Joseph went by bob sleigh for supplies. It was getting dark when he started home. A big pack of wolves started following him. Several times he threw a piece of meat hoping he could make a little headway. As soon as the wolves fought over it and ate it, they were after him again. When Lucy heard Joseph's horses running for home, she ran out and opened the gate. As she slammed the gate, the wolves piled against it. Joseph and his horses were safe.

Joseph and Lucy were very religious people and taught their daughters to believe in Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ. When the missionaries came to Mountain, the Parker's eldest daughter, Martha Bolton Parker, was the first to join the Church along with her



Lucy Boyd Parker was baptized in the Nauvoo Temple on June 2, 1844, for her father, James Boyd; and her grandparents, Thomas and Barbara Labonte Boyd. Lucy's daughter, Martha Bolton Parker Wilcox, was baptized the same day for her Bolton grandparents and great grandparents.

young husband. They were a very religious couple. Joseph and Lucy joined soon after as did their son-in-law's parents, Silas and Margaret Wilcox. The Church was just nine years old.

Not long after joining the Church, the six of them, Joseph and Lucy Parker, Samuel and Martha Wilcox, and Silas and Margaret Wilcox, and their families, traveled 1500 miles by wagon to Nauvoo to meet the Prophet Joseph Smith and live among his people.

Joseph and Lucy Parker and their daughter and son-in-law, Martha and Samuel Wilcox, were members of the Nauvoo Second Ward.

Farewell to Lucy, Nauvoo...

Lucy died in Nauvoo on August 25, 1845, during trouble times when mobs were raging. A thirteen-year-old daughter, Lucy Parker, died that same year. Joseph Parker had to leave without his wife and child when the Saints were driven from the city in 1846.

Joseph and his younger daughter, Asenath Parker, crossed the Mississippi River and the state of Iowa and joined the household of his eldest daughter and husband, Martha and Samuel Wilcox. They lived in a farming community on the frontier called Hamburg in Fremont County, Iowa.

After his daughter Asenath married, Joseph lived with her and her husband, James Spicer.

Joseph eventually left Iowa and crossed the plains. He died on July 15, 1870, in Cedar Fort, Utah, where his daughter Martha lived.

Tribute to Joseph and Lucy...

Lucy may not have died at the hands of the mob, but

she was a martyr for the Church none the less. Joseph made two pioneer treks to be with the Saints, one from Canada to Nauvoo, and one from Iowa to Utah.

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Samuel Wilcox	31	m	Free
Martha	30	f	
Malinda	12	f	
Sarah	9	f	
Joseph	7	m	
Asenath	5	f	
Adam	3	m	
Samuel	2	m	
Wm. (David)	9	m	
Phoebe	15	f	
Joseph Parker	55	m	Free
Asenath	16	f	

Joseph Parker and young daughter Asenath recorded in 1850 Census of Fremont County, Iowa, with son-in-law, Samuel Allen Wilcox. Samuel's brother William and sister Phebe are also in the household, because they had lost their mother.