## Margaret Belinda Allen Wilcox

## From the original Sexton Records:

## Not listed

Birth Date: January 11, 1798

Birth Place: Clinton county, New York

Death Date: 1847

Cause of Death: Unknown

Burial Place: Winter Quarters calculated from time of death

Father's Name: Samuel Russell Allen

Mother's Maiden Name: Sarah Jane Powers

Spouse's Name: Silas Wilcox

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

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

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Silas didn't go west. In the 1860 Iowa census, he was living in Preparation, Monona, Iowa. He had remarried.

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

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 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. (https://www.familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/1960330?p=17810501&returnLabel=Margaret% 20Belinda% 20Allen% 20(LZ69-

8QM)&returnUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.familysearch.org%2Ftree%2Fperson%2Fmemories%2FLZ69-8QM)