

Lydia Adeline Owen

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Lydia Owen

Age: 35y

Wife to Seeley Owen

Deceased: September 19, 1846

Disease: Fever

Birth Place: Vermont

Time: 1811

No. of Grave: 8

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Name of Deceased: Lydia Adeline Owen

Birth Date: 1 July 1811

Death Date: Sep. 19, 1846

Cause of Death: Fever

Burial Place: Grave #8 Cutler's Park

Father's Name: Ira Owen

Mother's Maiden Name: Betsy Ann Castle

Husband's Name: Seely (Seeley) Owen

Which Winter Quarters Ward or Iowa Branch was the family: Winter Quarters 11th

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Great Salt Lake County, Utah Territory, family #1, page 148

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Seeley took the Brigham Young Pioneer Company on April 16, 1847 20 miles from Winter Quarters on the banks of the Platte River. They arrived July 21, 1847.

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

- She and her husband were both born in Milton, Vermont and were cousins. Together they had one child, Ann.

- He married Elizabeth Luther Pickle March of 1847 but left with the Brigham Young Company less than a month after their wedding. She followed him to Utah two months later in the Jedediah M. Grant – Joseph B. Noble Company with his daughter Ann.

- While crossing the plains with the Brigham Young Company he was a member of the gun crew and so was assigned to haul the cannon at the back of the wagon train. They fired it a couple times in Indian Country as a warning but never used it against actual Indians. (Journal of Thomas Woolsey, compiled by Lucy Brown Archer. Accessed Aug. 5, 2016 at <http://www.orsonprattbrown.com/MormonBattalion/thomas-woolsey1805-1897.html>)

- He was given his mother's maiden name, Seeley at birth.

- In 1881 Seeley was killed in an accident while working on the railroad at age 76, in Flagstaff Arizona.

- He married his third wife, Helen Louisa Frederick Jefferds in 1853. Less than four years later they were divorced.

- In 1857 he was a member of the Provo Militia. And in 1866 he's still in the Provo Militia but has advanced from private to sergeant.

- The 1850 census lists him as a farmer.

- He is a chair maker in the 1860 Census.

- In the 1870 U.S. Census he is listed as a carpenter.

- The 1880 Census lists him as a stockman.