

Mary Keziah Higbee Zabriskie

From the original Sexton Records:

Not listed.

Burial unknown but daughter in Grave No. 170

Birth Date: September 5, 1821

Birth Place: Tate township, Clarmont, Ohio

Death Date: March 17, 1947

Cause of Death: Unknown

Burial Place: Unknown

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

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Listed as family #611 in District 21, Pottawattamie County, Iowa

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Lewis may have come with the Warren S. Snow in 1852

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

When Lewis Curtis Zabriskie was not yet even ten years old, his mother died, leaving a young family of children for his father, Henry to care for. This must have been a trying experience for a young father of only about 32 years. The mother died between 1820 and 1823. The father of Lewis Curtis Zabriskie married another young woman of about 24, Nancy Newgin, daughter of Edward and Francis Fisher Newgin. She being born 14 March 1800 at Dansville, Lincoln County, Kentucky. In 1825, October 23, a son Zeno was born to this union. January 24th of the year 1828 another son, Jerome, was born at Vermillion County, Indiana. Also another son was born two years later, November 9th. About 1832, Napoleon Bonaparte Zabriskie was born at Vermillion County; Abraham, another son was born 8 September 1834. In the year 1832, on 11 of August, Henry and Nancy Zabriskie joined the Mormon Church. Henry was baptized by Dan Catheart. While still at Vermillion County, another son was born, Alma, born 3 April 1836.

Lewis Curtis Zabriskie met a young Latter-day Saint girl, Mary Keziah Higbee, daughter of Isaac and Keziah String Higbee. Her parents had first fled from Clay County, Missouri and were part of the exodus from Missouri to Quincy, Adams County, Missouri. Lewis Curtis Zabriskie was now 21 years old and Mary Keziah Higbee 17 years of age. A marriage date of the two was shown as 15 April 1839. Oreen Walker of Orem, Utah, found this in the Ackerman Genealogy, a compilation of descendants of Albert Zabriskie of Poland. This date has not been proven in the actual marriage records but we are hoping to find proof in the near future. The only records actually found are stated above which were compiled by an Ackerman. To this union of Lewis Curtis and Mary Keziah was born, first, a son, William on 13 September 1839 at Quincy, Adams County, Illinois.

They, having left Nauvoo earlier than the exodus of the Saints, learned of the plight of the Mormon people; therefore, they began their trek to join the Saints at Winter Quarters. Near a place called Florence, the mother Mary Keziah, died, just two months after the birth of her baby, Mary Amanda Margaret. This dear mother left a family of five children, the oldest being about seven and one-half years and the youngest only two-months old. The father, Lewis, with his five, small children was at Winter Quarters shortly after; for there this baby daughter, then only a little over five-months old, died.

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Lewis married Sarah Ann Park on July 25, 1847. Together they had 10 children together. Lewis Park Zabriskie was born and died on July, 1848. James Hyrum was born on July 17, 1849 in Kanesville and then died on December 24, 1853 in Provo, Utah County, Utah. The Company they came West with is unknown, but they probably traveled in 1851.

They stayed in Provo until about 1860 when they moved to Fairview, Sanpete County and then to Spring City, Sanpete County. Lewis died on November 17, 1872. Sarah remained in Spring City and passed away on December 29, 1906.