James Benson & Almira Jordan

James Benson, the son of Alva and Cynthia Vail Benson was born February 6, 1828 in Henricks, Johnson County, Indiana. James married Almira Melinda Jordan on December 21, 1848. Both were from Big Pigeon.

Almira was born March 1, 1828 in Pleasant, Brown County, Ohio. She was born to Nathaniel and Barbara Curtis Jordan. The couple had a son, Alva James, who was born on February 9, 1850 in Big Pigeon.

The 1850 U. S. Census listed James Benson, dwelling #665, age 22; Almira, age 22; and Alma, age 8 months. The couple went west in 1851 in an unknown company. They first settled in Springville, Utah County, Utah Territory. They had four children while living there. They relocated to Hyrum, Cache County, Utah. Their last child was born in Hyrum. Both James and Almira died in Hyrum, 1862 and 1896 respectively.