

John Bradshaw And Ann White Bradshaw

Shannon's great-great-grandparents

History of John Bradshaw and Ann White

(My Great Grandfather)

John Bradshaw was born 14th December 1795, at Cossall Nottinghamshire, England. The son of John Bradshaw and Olinda Hazeldine. His parents were married at Cossall, Notts, England 20 January, 1795. His father died 12 April 1796 at Cossall. His mother remarried 27 April 1801 at Cossall to William Chambers. He grew up in this same area and became a Laborer at different trades.

He married Ann White at Heanor, Derbyshire, not far from Cossall, the 27 August 1817. His wife Ann White was born at Shipley Derbyshire, 21 May 1799, daughter of George and Mary White.

They had the following children, John White Bradshaw born 2 February 1819, in Derbyshire; Mary Bradshaw born about May 1818; Samuel Bradshaw born 6th November 1822 at Ilkeston Derby; Richard Bradshaw born 28 October (about 1824); Edward Bradshaw born 15 August 1827 at St. Alkmond Parish in Derby, as was Richard; Catherine Bradshaw, christened 3 August 1829 at St. Werburgh, Derby.

John Bradshaw and his wife Ann were baptized by Elder Isaac Roome, 10 August 1848 at Derby, Derbyshire England. He was 52 years old and she was 49. They were confirmed members of the church three days later. He was ordained an Elder 31 August 1848. Their oldest son John White Bradshaw and his wife joined the church three months earlier than they did. All of their children and the in-laws were baptized into the church in 1848 and 49. This family of Bradshaws were the first Bradshaws to join the church in Derby, Derbyshire. John Bradshaw and his wife and two unmarried children (Catherine must have died in early childhood) Mary age 32 and Samuel age 27 were emigrants from Liverpool, England. On the 1st of November, but did not set sail until 4th of January 1851, on the ship (The Ellen). After they arrived at New Orleans, they left almost immediately and went to St. Joseph Missouri and were registered in the Membership Records of the branch there in August 1851. I would guess they were about six weeks crossing the ocean.

A company of emigrating Saints at Six Mile Grove, six miles west of Winter Quarters on June 9, 1853. Danial A. Miller was made Captain, and the company was known as the Captain Danial A. Miller Company. John Bradshaw and his wife Ann White Bradshaw were among the saints listed on this company, on August 15, 1853.

This company arrived in Salt Lake City, 9 September 1853. John Bradshaw and his wife Ann were again listed with the saints who arrived in Salt Lake City with this company. They came with another family by the name of Stone John, had no property (as wagons, oxen, or horses) listed to them. This company consisted 282 people, 470 head of cattle, 70 wagons, 27 horses, 154 head of sheep, and two 2 miles.

John Bradshaw and his wife Ann White Bradshaw received their endowments and were sealed in the endowment house, in Salt Lake City, 21 March 1857 by Brigham Young. The same day their son and his wife (Samuel and Mary Ann Elsie) received their endowments and were sealed also.

What happened to their daughter Mary is not known. Some say she married outside the church, which made the family so unhappy they seldom spoke of her. She was last heard of in St. Joseph Missouri where she was registered in the branch there.

John Bradshaw and his wife Ann went to Cedar City, Utah. For a while therein about 1857 they settled in Virgin City, Utah where they lived until they died.

John Bradshaw died 27 August 1865. His wife died 25 August 1875. It is said that John Bradshaw was a very particular man in many ways. He always did a good job, and always cleaned his tools each day. It would make him very upset if some one brought borrowed tools back dirty.

David Bradshaw (a Grandson) told that after John died, his wife went to live with her son Samuel, and he remembers seeing her smoke a corn cob pipe. Of course, in those days there wasn't much said about keeping the word of wisdom, and she was considered a worthy member of the church. She spent her last days in helping those in need. She carried food and other things to an old Indian who had consumption and was left behind the rest of the tribe to die. She walked about a mile each week to care for him. She treated everyone with kindness.

Both John Bradshaw and his wife died in full faith in the gospel and left a great heritage. One missionary promised him he would live to sit under his own fig trees, which he did. The following taken from Deseret News, Vol. 24, Page 519. (died at Virgin City Can County 25 August 1875, Ann White wife of John Bradshaw Sr. age 75, deceased, was born at Ilkeston Derby, Derbyshire England.