

Orson H. Ellsworth (Alsworth)

From the original Sexton Records:

Name: Orson H. Alsworth

Age: 1y; 0m; 5d

Son of David & Catherine Alsworth

Deceased: Nov. 12, 1846

Disease: Canker

Birth Place: Town of Lee, Lee Co., Iowa

Birth Date: Nov. 7, 1845

No. of Grave: 60

Name of Deceased: Orson H. Ellsworth

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Death Date: Nov. 12, 1846

Cause of Death: Canker

Burial Place: Grave #60 Cutler's Park

Father's Name: David Alsworth (Ellsworth)

Mother's Maiden Name: Catherine Lancaster McGilvery

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

Where was the family in the 1850 U. S. Census? Great Salt Lake County, Utah Territory, house number 202, pg. 38. (David age 48, Catherine age 47, James age 16, Lucinda age 14, Ephraim age 9, Anna age 7)

Which Pioneer wagon train took the family west? Unknown one that traveled in 1848

Any interesting facts or stories that might have been submitted.

-David was born in Vermont on Oct. 8, 1804 and died in Kanab Utah. Catherine was born in New York on Jan 31, 1803.

-David's older brothers Benjamin and German also joined the church and were living in Pottawattamie, Illinois at the time of Orson's death.

-David was first married to Diana Livingston and together they had two children.

-After his marriage to Catherine he married Nancy Jane McFerren on March 28, 1857 in Payson Utah. Nancy was born in Ireland. Her first husband, John, died the day they arrived in Salt Lake Sep. 24, 1856 after their handcart trek.

-David and his family welcomed Elder Kimball and Luke Johnson in New York. The family gave the missionaries money and cried when they left. One year later David and his family joined the church. (Life of Heber C. Kimball, p. 80).

-David attended the dedication of the Kirkland Temple in 1836.
(<https://familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/10168206>).

-On Nov. 15, 1843 David's first wife, Diana died. Catherine was a widow when he married her. (Life Sketch of David Ellsworth, by Mabel Allen Lines, 1959, <https://familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/10168206>.)

-George A. Smith ordained David to the office of 70. David was known as an expert in horticulture. He lived in Payson and later Kanab where he planted fruit trees, grapes, and berries. (Life Sketch of David Ellsworth, by Mabel Allen Lines, 1959, <https://familysearch.org/photos/artifacts/10168206>.)