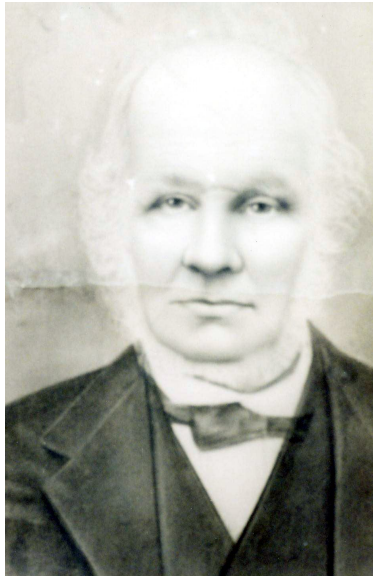


A Sketch of the Life of James Joseph Keep

Written by his daughter Sarah Keep Buttars



James Joseph was born 25 September 1804 to James Joseph Keep Sr. & Ann Evans. James married Ann Miller 25 July 1836 at Reading, Berkshire, England. He had also previously married Elizabeth Pair a widow with a family. They were married for 9 years. She died. He was 21 (1825) when he married her.

He was an apprenticed bricklayer. His father died when he was five. His father was only 20; his Mother then married Richard Barnett.

He live with his grandparents for a few years. He joined the Wesleyan or Methodist Church for 9 years, then he went to the Baptist Church for awhile with his wife but didn't believe the church to be true.

Baptized 3 July 1848 by John Legg into the L.D.S Church at Newbury, Eng.
Deacon 19th Jan 1851 by Thomas Squires at Newbury, Berkshire, England.
Elder 18 May 1851 by Thomas Squires at Newbury, Berkshire, England.
High Priest 21 Sept 1868 by Bishop Wooley in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Came to America in 1866.

Came to Clarkston in 1869.

Died in Lehi 14 March 1899 in his 95th year.

Buried in Clarkston 20th March 1899.