

LUCY CHAPMAN COOK

DAUGHTER OF AMASSA CHAPMAN AND ANN DARBY MOTHER OF HENRY FREEMAN COOK

BORN: 5 May 1787 Hancock, Berkshire, Mass.

DIED: 16 Oct 1857 Cedar Fort, Utah, Utah

FATHER: AMASSA CHAPMAN

MOTHER: ANN DARBY

HUSBAND: WILLIAM COOK 6 Sep 1780 - 4 Nov 1840

MARRIED: 19 Dec 1805 PITTSFIELD, BERKSHIRE, MASS

CHILDREN: AMASSA COOK 16 Apr 1807 -
EDWIN COOK 10 Feb 1809 - 9 Oct 1877
WILLIAM COOK 25 Jan 1811 - 24 Oct 1894
HENRIETTA COOK 31 Mar 1813 - "Infant"
HENRY FREEMAN COOK 12 Jan 1815 - 14 Apr 1882
ANNE E. COOK 17 Apr 1818 - 7 Jan 1840
BENJAMIN T. COOK 25 Feb 1821 - 24 Mar 1902
HARRIETT COOK 7 Aug 1824 - 1899

LUCY CHAPMAN was the mother of HENRY FREEMAN COOK
who was the father of WILLIAM COOK
who was the father of BARNES ALMA COOK
who was the father of SHELDON BARNES COOK
who was the father of RONALD SHELDON COOK

This life sketch of LUCY CHAPMAN was prepared by her Great grand-daughter GERTRUDE C. JACKSON. Some information representing new research since the life sketch was first written has been added by Ronald S Cook - Most of what has been added can also be found in the history written of William Cook, Henry Freeman Cook and Sophronia Storbridge Cook. — July 1997.

LUCY CHAPMAN

Lucy Chapman was born May 5, 1787. She was the third of nine children born to Amassa and Ann Darby Chapman.. The other children included Amassa, b. September 29, 1793 (m. Emily D. Cooley); Ann, b. 1785 (m. Nathaniel Harris); Lois, b. 1736 (m. Abiel Cook); Cynthia; Lyman (m. Hannah Robbins); Hiram, b. 1795 (m. Levinia S. Root); Henry, b. 1797; Isaac, b. 1799 (m. Typhenia Root). All of Amassa and Ann's children were born in Hancock, Berkshire, Massachusetts. According to family tradition Lucy lived with her family in Hancock as she grew up.

LUCY MARRIED WILLIAM COOK

Lucy married William Cook December 19, 1805 at the First Church of Pittsfield, in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Lucy's marriage to William is the first event in Lucy's life that we have an official record of. The record can be reviewed in the records of the First Church of Pittsfield, Salt Lake Family History Library Microfilm # 0928674 page 203.

AMASSA AND ANN DARBY CHAPMAN

Lucy Chapman's parents, Amassa Chapman and Ann Darby, lived most of their married life in Hancock, Berkshire, Massachusetts. Lucy's father, Amassa, died November 1, 1822 in Hancock. From the Egremont, Massachusetts Congregational Church record, page 148 we learn that "Mrs. Chapman (Anna Darby Chapman, widow of Amasa Chapman), aged 89 years, died May 29, 1852. (Larry Piatt, Cook Strobridge Rocker researcher's report, April 2009)

WILLIAM AND LUCY PURCHASE LAND IN HERKIMER, NEW YORK

On December 23, 1806, just one year after they were married, Lucy and William bought 1½ acre of land in Warren, Herkimer, New York. Two months later on February 18, 1807 they brought 40 acres of land in Warren. I found the following in Herkimer County, New York land records in January of 1997:

23 December 1806 BOUGHT ONE (1½) ACRE AND A HALF OF LAND IN WARREN, HERKIMER, NEW YORK

"THIS INDENTURE made the twenty third day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and six Between Denison Tisdale of the Town of Warren, County of Herkimer and State of New York of the first part and William Cook of the Town County and State aforesaid of the second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of twenty Dollars lawful money of the State of New York to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt where of is hereby confirmed and acknowledge hath granted unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever all that certain piece or parcel of land laying situated and being in the Town of Warren, known and distinguished by being a part of lot number ninety in the second tract of Staley's patent said land is bounded as follows, beginning... to the place of beginning, containing one acre and a half of land..."

The document was signed the date "aforementioned" delivered the 25th day of December 1806 and recorded April 18th one thousand eight hundred and eight at two o'clock, PM. Herkimer County New York land records, Liber [Book] #3, page 354, Salt Lake Family History Library Film #842720

18 February 1807 BOUGHT FORTY (40) ACRES OF LAND IN WARREN, HERKIMER, NEW YORK

"THIS INDENTURE made the eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight-hundred and seven between Samuel Woodworth and Lovine, his wife and Alanson Woodwrrth and Betsy, his wife of the Town of Warren County of Herkimer and State of New York of the first part and William Cook of the Town and County and State aforesaid of the second part, witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of five hundred and twenty Dollars to us in hand paid by the said party of the second part...assigns forever all that certain piece or parcel of land laying and being in the town of Warren in the County of Herkimer and State of New York and is

part of lot number ninety-six in a patent granted to Rudolph Steiler? (Slater?)... beginning... to the place of beginning, containing forty acres of land..."

The document was signed by Samuel Woodworth and Lovina Woodworth, his wife, and Alanson Woodworth and Betsy Woodworth, and witnessed on the 18 day of February 1807, and recorded February 18th one thousand eight hundred and seven at five o'clock PM. (Herkimer County, New York, Land Records, Liber [Book] #2, pages 526 & 527, Salt Lake Family History Library Film #842720)

20 January 1810 **FORTY (40) ACRES OF LAND IN WARREN, HERKIMER, NEW YORK**

"THIS INDENTURE made the twentieth day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and ten Between William Cook and Lucy, his wife, of the town of Warren, County of Herkimer and State of New York of the first part, and Elisha Standish of the town of Half-moon, Saratoga County, state aforesaid of the second part, Witnesseth, that said party of the first part, for and consideration of the sum of six hundred and twenty dollars money on account of the United States to them in hand paid at or before.... All that certain piece or parcel of land laying and being in the town of Warren, County of Herkimer, state of New York..... being a part of lot number ninety-six... beginning..... to the place of beginning containing forty one acres and two roads...."

The document was signed by both William Cook and Lucy Cook, his wife and witnessed the 23rd day of January, 1810, and was recorded February 26, 1811, at 12 O' Clock MD. (Herkimer County, New York, Land Records, Liber [Book] #5, pages 368 & 369, Salt Lake Family History Library Film #842722)

THE BIRTH OF LUCY AND WILLIAM'S CHILDREN

Lucy and William's oldest son, Amassa, was born in Warren on April 16, 1807, which indicates that they must have been living in Warren at the time. The land in Warren was all sold on January 20, 1810. They must have moved to Homer, Cortland, New York, before the sale of their land because Lucy and William's second son, Edwin A. Cook, was born in Homer February 10, 1809. The remainder of Lucy and William's children were born in Homer:

LUCY AND WILLIAM WERE THE PARENTS OF EIGHT CHILDREN

Lucy and William were the parents of eight children as follows:

1. Amassa, born April 16, 1807 in Warren, Herkimern, NY. Amassa and his wife Laura lived in Pinfield and Brighton, Monroe, NY until about 1880. They had eight children, namely Hezekiah, Emily D., Jane, Charles Edward, Eliza, Esther, William, and Florence Sebia. We have not been able to find the place or date of his death.
2. Edwin A Cook was born February 10, 1809 (Cemetery records in Fon du Lac, WI states that he was born in 1811) in Homer, Cortland, NY. Edwin and his wife Almyra Doud, had nine children, including: Jaroldine, Janette, Malette, Adeline, Willie H., Lucy A., Turman D., Mary and William A. Edwin died and was buried October 9, 1877 in the Rienzi Cemetery, Empire, Fond du Lac, WI.
3. William Cook was born January 25, 1811, in Homer, Cortland, NY. He moved to Kalamazoo Michigan and then followed his brother, Henry Freeman Cook to Cedar Fort Utah where he died October 24, 1894. He married twice (Fannie Simmons and Margaret Bird). There is no record that he had any children.
4. Henrietta Cook was born March 31, 1831 in Homer, Cortland, NY. She died as in "infant."
5. Henry Freeman Cook was born January 12, 1815 in Homer, Cortland, NY. He

married Sophronia Storbridge 9 April 1837, we think in Cortland, NY. They had ten children, including: John, James Henry, Hannah, Mary Jane, Charles, William, George, Harriet Ann, Jennette and Murette. He also married Julia Ann Rucker 12 March 1857 in the Endowment House in Salt Lake City, Utah, and together they had four children, including: David Franklin, George Henry, Florence Malinda and Ada. Henry Freeman Cook died in Cedar Fort, Utah April 14, 1882.

6. Anne E. born was born April 17, 1818 in Homer, Cortland, NY. She died without marrying 7 January 1840 in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

7. Benjamin Franklin Cook was born February 25, 1821 in Cortland, NY. He married Catherine Voss. He died March 24, 1902 in Oakfield, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. He had no children.

8. Harriet Cook was born August 7, 1824 in Homer, Cortland, NY. She married a Benjamin Dolphmire. She is listed in the 1850 census as living with Henry Freeman Cook and his family in Pottawattami, Iowa. She was twenty-six years old and had a son, Wm, one year old. We have been unable to find anything about her after 1850.

LUCY AND HER FAMILY LIVED IN HOMER UNTIL ABOUT 1836

Sometime between 1809 and 1811 Lucy and William moved to Homer, Cortland, New York. The history of Courtland County states that this was a heavily forested area, and in those early days could only be reached by boats on the rivers or trails through the woods. We do not know how long they lived here. We believe it was from about 1811 to about 1837. During that entire time we find no record that they ever purchased land anywhere in Cortland County.

MOST OF THE COOK FAMILY MOVED TO MICHIGAN

Lucy and William and their family lived in Homer, Courtland, New York until at least 1835. The 1835 New York state census lists a William Cook with the correct number of persons in his household, indicating that they were still living in Homer at the time of the census. The 1837 Michigan State Census of Kalamazoo County, Michigan lists a Cook, William, 60, living, probably in the home of his brother Abiel, with a male under 21 and females under 15, 21 and 50. Also living in the home was his son Henry, under 30, his nephew, Hiram (Abiel's son), under 30, and Abiel's son-in-law Edward Willan (Willard), under 30. Footnotes to that census also indicate that in 1838 William was on the "assessment roll" in Comstock, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

MICHIGAN STATE CENSUS OF KALAMAZOO COUNTY - 1837

Michigan's first state census was taken in October and November of 1837. "By an act of the state legislature approved 27th March 1837 the township collectors were designated census enumerators. The act required that they should visit each house in their respective townships and make an enumeration of all the inhabitants, except Indians not taxed, residing therein, on the second Monday of October 1837, and the act further specified that the names of all males over 21 years of age should be entered on the list." (Salt Lake Family History Library, film # 925967)

Michigan State Census for 1837

HEAD OF FAMILY	Males to:									Females to:											
	5	10	15	21	30	45	50	60	75	80	5	10	15	21	30	45	50	60	75	80	
Cook, Hiram					1																
Cook, William (76)				1				1				1	1			1					
William, Edwin (Edward Willard)					1																
Cook, Henry					1																
76	On Comstock assessment roll in 1838																				

DAUGHTER, ANNE E. COOK, DIED

Lucy and William's sixth child and second daughter, Anne E. Cook, died January 7, 1840 in Kalamazoo, Michigan. She was 21 years, 8 months and 21 days old at her death.

WILLIAM COOK DIED

William Cook died in Kalamazoo, Michigan, November 4, 1840, eleven months after the death of Anne. He was 60 years, 1 month and 29 days old when he died. We have no official record of his death, only family records.

One of William's great-granddaughters reported that she learned that William was the first person buried in the Comstock, Kalamazoo, Michigan Cemetery. We have not been able to verify this report.

LUCY LIVED WITH HER SON, HENRY FREEMAN AND HIS FAMILY AFTER WILLIAM DIED

Lucy lived another 16 years, 11 months and 12 days after William died. She spent most of the rest of her life living with Henry Freeman and his family.

In the early part of 1843 Lucy's son Henry Freeman and his wife heard and accepted the Gospel of Jesus Christ and were baptized into the "Mormon" Church. A couple of years later when Henry Freeman and Sophronia moved to Nauvoo, Lucy went with them.

When the Saints were driven out of Nauvoo, Lucy again went with her son, Henry Freeman and his family, first to Council Bluffs, Iowa, then to St. Louis. Here they joined the Warren Snow Company and began the long journey to Utah. They arrived in Salt Lake in October 9, 1852.

They spent the winter in Big Cottonwood, Salt Lake County. The next year they were sent by President Brigham Young to Cedar Valley, Utah County. They helped settle the town of Cedar Fort, living for a time in the Fort built of Cedars. However, because of trouble with the Indians and the fact that the fort was not completed their first winter in Cedar Fort was spent living in a 12' X 14' dugout along the banks of the Jordan River near Lehi.

Moving to Cedar Fort was to be Lucy's last move to a new home. She died 16 October 1857 and was buried in the old Cedar Fort Cemetery. She had traveled a long way from Hancock, New York where she was born, from Comstock, Kalamazoo, Michigan, where she left most of her children and where she buried her husband. Lucy Chapman Cook was 70 years, 6 months and 4 days old when she died. She was truly a pioneer.

Lucy's son William later accepted the Gospel. Between 1870 and 1880 he moved from Kalamazoo Michigan to Cedar Fort. He is listed as living with Henry Freeman Cook and his family in Cedar Fort on the 1880 census. This made two of Lucy's sons that lived in Cedar Fort and that were buried near her.

We have no record that Lucy ever joined the "Mormon" Church while still living. In fact, Proxey baptismal records indicate that on 13 May 1874, Hannah Cook Dayton, a granddaughter of Lucy Chapman Cook, was baptized in proxey for "Lucy Chapman." That same day "Henry F Cook" was baptized in proxey for William Cook, his father and the husband of Lucy Chapman Cook, Job Cook, Abial Cook (brothers of his father), Amassa Chapman, his grandfather, the father of his mother, Lucy Chapman and Amassa Chapman, his great grandfather and the grandfather of his mother Lucy. Henry, probably more than any other would have know whether or not his mother had joined the Church. And it was probably him that prepared the records necessary for his mother and father to be baptized in proxey.

However, in the Patriarchal Blessing given to Lucy Chapman Cook 12 August 1857, just two months and 4 days before her death, it states, "you have embraced the gospel, left your family and gathered with the saints in the valleys of the mountains..." (See below) This would lead one to believe that Lucy might have been baptized before her death. Otherwise, this

patriarchal blessing was given to a non-member of the “Mormon” Church.

The following Patriarchal Blessing for Lucy Chapman Cook I received from my father Sheldon Barnes Cook. I do not know where he obtained it. It was in a folder with other Patriarchal Blessings for Henry Freeman Cook, William Cook, Henry's brother, Sophronia Strobridge Cook, and William Cook, Henry's son. I also found a copy of the blessing in a note book containing several other blessings. All of the blessings were in the handwriting of Alice Adeline Southam Cook, wife of Barnes Alma Cook a grandson of Henry Freeman Cook and great grandson of Lucy Chapman. Using both copies of the blessing I have tried to copy it as it was written.

PATRIARCHAL BLESSING,

Given Cedar Valley, August 12, 1857 by John Young upon the head of Lucy Cook, born May 8, 1787, Hancock, Berkshire County, Massachusetts, daughter of Amasa and Ann Chapman.

Sister Lucy, in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ I lay my hands upon your head and bless you in the Lord's name, and say the blessings of the heavens shall rest upon you, and your last days shall be your best days. You have embraced the gospel, left your native home and gathered with the saints into the valleys of the mountains, and you shall be blessed with the light of the holy Spirit, and it shall rest upon you, and you shall be comforted, and Satan shall not have power over you to affect you. I bless you with health as far as it is consistent with your age. You shall be blessed with health and vigor, live on the earth where the saints are till you are satisfied with life. You shall be the blessed of the Lord; you have embraced the gospel with an honest heart. I seal you up to the day of redemption and say unto you that your name is written in the Lamb's book of life, and if you continue faithful it never shall be erased from that place. Your name shall be had in honorable remembrance in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, be remembered with that company which John saw that no man could number, of every kindred, tongue and people; live to see the light of heaven ushering in of the fullness of light and of the principles of eternal truths and salvation. Be of good cheer, do all the good you can, fail not to uphold the authorities of the kingdom, speak comforting words to the afflicted. Your posterity shall be numerous upon the earth, and you shall be inclined to do good and you shall rejoice in the day of the Lord Jesus Christ in consequence of embracing the gospel, and of doing what good, you could. Your family and posterity shall do much good, and they shall be known among the saints, even the Israel of God in the last days. It matters not whether you stay here long or short, or whether you are the Lord's; all is yours, and you are Christ's and Christ is God's. Be humble and faithful and you shall be blessed with all the blessings, and all your desires before the Lord. I do it by virtue of the holy priesthood, the holy sealing powers to bind on earth and seal for heaven, and upon conditions of the obedience of his people all is theirs, I do this in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen.

J Y Long Reporter

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