

## UTAH PIONEERS

and I am proud my ancestors were among them. I am the daughter of Ruby Pearl Arilla Luck LLOYD and she is the daughter of Clara Victoria Graves and John William Luck. Clara is the daughter of Henry Graves and Clara Sophia Higbee and Henry is the son of Daniel Graves and Mary Newman. Daniel Graves is my Great Great Grandfather.

Daniel Graves was born April 17, 1806 at Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, England. His father was Daniel Graves and his mother Mary Blanchflower. Daniel first married Sarah Baker on May 6, 1827 at Yarmouth, England. To this union 12 children were born, among them 3 sets of twins. Some of the children died at birth and others died quite small. There were only 3 children when Daniel left for the United States. Sarah died about 1838. We do not know anything about Sarah or the children at this time.

Daniel married Mary Newman on June 7, 1840 at St. Olaves, Southwork, London. She was the daughter of Henry G. Newman and Elizabeth Bull. Mary was born March 27, 1817 in Hayes, Middlesex, England. Daniel and Mary were the parents of 10 children; 7 of them were born in England and 3 were born in the United States (2 in Utah and 1 in Wyoming).

Daniel always took a great interest in education and devoted much of his time to the art of penmanship. He served Queen Victoria as a Tutor for her children and in 1842 specimens of his penmanship were presented to the Queen. In 1851, he entered a pen and ink sketch of the "Life of Christ" in the exhibits at the Worlds Fair being held in London that year. He received a medal and cash prize for his efforts.

Daniel Graves and his family joined the LDS church in December 1849. On April 9, 1855 he and his family left England on the ship "Germanicus". There were about 100 persons in the company that left and Matthew Rowen acted as president and Daniel served as secretary. On June 28, 1855 the party left St. Louis to come to Utah. C.A. Harper was the captain. They arrived in Salt Lake City on October 28, 1855 and from what we know moved to Provo shortly after they arrived. Their home was on Springville Road, directly across from the City Cemetary on the east side of the street.

Mr. Graves and his family were very active in the church. He and his wife walked to Salt Lake to attend conference. At one of these conferences, President Young promised them that before another session of conference they would have a conveyance to go in. A short time later, Daniel's son was offered a horse in exchange for some work and Daniel bought the material and made a buggy.

Daniel Graves took a great interest in agriculture and acted as the President of the Agriculture Association for a time. He lectured in nearly all the counties of Utah Territory. He made sericulture a study and from extensive researches he compiled a treatise on that industry. The text book was for the beginner in silk raising and the history of the silk culture. He corresponded with the Honorable J.M. Rush and Commissioner.

Norman in Washington, DC for many years.  
The following is taken from "The Founding of Utah" by Levi Edgar Young:

"In 1855 silkworms were raised extensively in Utah, for Governor Young had secured mulberry trees from France, and within a few years fifty acres of mulberry trees were planted in orchards in Salt Lake and Utah counties. Many of the colonists south of Salt Lake took up the silk industry, and in the early day homes silk shawls and gloves were made."

Daniel Graves had a ticket that was a life membership to the Utah Territorial Fair, by order of the Board of Directors of the Deseret Agriculture and Manufacturing Society.

An article in the Deseret News commending the State Fair exhibits in 1857 had this to say: "The penmanship of Daniel Graves was elaborately done, and the design attracted much attention together with his pen and ink sketch of the 'Life of Christ' which obtained for him a medal at the Worlds Fair in London in 1851."

In January 1859, Daniel helped organize the Utah County Branch of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society and was a delegate from Utah County Branch to meet with the Directors of the Society. In 1860, he was chosen as one of the Judges of the Fruit and Flower Exhibition. In March 1862, he became one of the directors of the Utah County Society and in January 1869, he was selected as secretary of the Utah Agricultural and Manufacturing Society.

In 1868, Daniel was propagating grapes and when President Young and his party were on a trip south, he invited them to go out and see his vineyard. He was very proud of his success in growing the vines on land that was previously considered worthless and he expected to harvest 2 tons of fruit that year.

In July 1869, Daniel wrote to the Deseret News from Provo that grasshoppers had been flying over the city for days, and that they were quite satisfied to have them pass up Provo.

For several years Daniel used a part of his land for a park or resort. It was a beautiful spot, with many flowers and trees and numerous statues. Many people went there for picnics. Later a dancing pavillion was erected and this together with the park of resort was operated by a son, Joshua Graves and Richard Sutton.

Mr. and Mrs. Graves celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary June 7, 1890. Daniel died October 17, 1892 at the age of 86 years. His casket was made of black walnut trees that he had grown on his own land. His wife, Mary Newman, died April 19, 1905, at Lake Shore, Utah. They are burried in Provo; Mary in the Provo City Cemetary.

The first son of Daniel and Mary was Henry Bull Graves. He was born August 12, 1841 in St. Olaves, London. He married Clarinda Sophia Higbee in Salt Lake in 1865. Clarinda is descendant of Isaac Higbee and Charlotte Carter Woods Higbee, but that is another story and they are both Utah Pioneers.

Elizabeth Sarah Graves was born June 24, 1843 in Marylebone, Middlesex, England and she died August 6, 1855. Daniel Robert Graves was born April 17, 1845, Marylebone, and he died April 12, 1871. Charlotte Maud Graves was born March 1, 1847 in London. She married Henry Chapple and she died December 22, 1892. Joseph Nephi Graves was born January 16, 1849 Watford, Herts, Hertford, England and died October 10, 1912. Lehi Moroni Graves was born November 4, 1850 in Kingslangley, Middlesex, England and died December 2, 1854. The next child, Mary Ann Rhoda Graves born June 5, 1852 in St. Olaves or Marylebone, Middlesex, England died during the journey to Salt Lake. The Church Journal History of June 28, 1855 states that: While traveling across the plains in their wagon, drawn by oxen, the little girl, Mary Ann, about 3 years of age, fell from the wagon, and a wheel passed over her head, causing instant death. This was a shock to the parents, and in fact to the whole company. They made a little grave by the wayside and were compelled to go on without her. Ebenezer Graves was born September 28, 1855 in Sweetwater, Wyoming and died October 2, 1856. Alma Graves was born November 4, 1857 Salt Lake City and married Elma Dahlia Dunyon. He died February 7, 1905 in Goshen, Utah. Joshua Graves was born December 16, 1859 in Provo and married Martha Hansen. He died January 7, 1935 in Lake Shore, Utah.

We are not sure what happened to the 3 children from Daniels previous marriage. Some sources say they made the trip to the United States but further research is required.



**Daniel Graves**

Born April 17, 1806, Yarmouth, Norfolk,  
Eng. Came to Utah 1854, Captain Harker  
Company. Artist.



**Joshua Graves**

Son of Daniel Graves and Mary Newman.  
Born Dec. 16, 1859, Provo, Utah.