

Lemmon Family. Received from Newell Anderson

In 1863 Robert S. Lemmon emmigrated from Ireland and settled at Baltimore, Maryland where he remained for a number of years. He strongly advocated the question of American liberty and when Independence was declared in 1776 he was at the front and aided in bearing the brunt of the battle. He was present at General Braddock's defeat and also at the capture of Cornwallis.

Robert S. Lemmon had four sons: Robert Jr. William, James and John of whom Robert Jr. died at New Albany, Indiana. William went to Louisiana and later to Mississippi where he passed away. James served as a messenger boy in the Revolutionary War carrying messages between George Washington and his father Robert S. Lemmon. He was at the time, a youth of seventeen. He lived in Pennsylvania until 1786 and then moved to Kentucky. His younger brother died (John) in Kentucky in young manhood. James Lemmon subsequently removed to Corydon, Harrison County, Indiana. In the year 1816, he married Sarah Carr who became the mother of Washington Lemmon.

Washington Lemmon was born 6 October 1806 in Shelby County, Kentucky and was reared to manhood in Harrison County, Indiana. In 1830 he moved to Adams County, Illinois where he resided for twenty years. In 1841 he joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and asisted in building the Temple of Nauvoo.

During the time that Joseph Smith was a dandidate for the Presidency of the United States, Mr. Lemmon made compaign speeches in his behalf throughout Illinois. He was absent in Indiania at the time Joseph Smith suffered martyrdom at Carthage. For two years Mr. Lemmon resided at Council Bluffs and on 10 September 1852 arrived at Utah. He settled on a farm in Mill Creek Ward of Salt Lake County and became a prosperous agriculturist of that region.

At Corydon, Indiana in August 1826 he married Tamar Stephens, a daughter of John Stephens. They had a family of twelve children--eight boys and four girls. They all reached adult age.

Washington Lemmon was a prominent church man and served as Bishop's councilor for more than twenty years. He died 2 October 1902 at the notability of 96 at Cottonwood, Salt Lake County, Utah.