

# Life Sketch of William Garrett

William Garrett was the son of William Garrett and Sussanah Welding. He was born December 26th 1817 at Willenhall Warwickshire England. He married Maria Maycock April 4, 1841. He lived in Willenhall until 1848 then moved to Halton. In 1849 he moved to Claredon, and in 1850 moved back to Willenhall. He was superintendent of brickmaking at all these places.

On October 22, 1852 he was baptised and confirmed a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints by Wm. Speakman. Soon after joining the church he was set apart as president of the Coventry Branch of the Warwickshire conference. He held this position for 14 years and kept an open house for the traveling elders of the Church in England.

He resigned the position of President in 1861 and commenced to make preparations to leave for Utah. Not being able to all come to Utah at the same time, he sent part of the family in 1861, others in 1862, and the remainder of the family came with him in 1866.

Arriving in Wyoming on the Missouri River, he started from this place across the plains with ox team, on July 24, 1866 being a member of Captain Thompson's Company; and he arrived in Salt Lake Valley September 28th 1866. Soon after arriving in Salt Lake he moved to Bountiful. He received his endowments in 1868 at Salt Lake. In the spring of 1870 he moved to Nephi. He was ordained a High Priest November 20, 1870 by Wm. H. Warner. He made the first brick ever made in Nephi. In 1873 he moved back to Bountiful to Superintend the making of the brick to build the Z. C. M. I. store in Salt Lake City.

He died June 10th 1887 at Bountiful, Utah. He was a faithful Latter-Day Saint until his death. Dependability and punctuality were two of his outstanding characteristics - to him being late was the unpardonable sin. He never believed in long meetings. While he was president of the branch he always started and closed his meetings on time. If a speaker spoke overtime he pulled his coat tail to let him know that it was time to stop.