

PART 5: JAMES AND HARRIET REID

CHAPTER 4: DEATH

James' Death

On November 11, 1938, James was reported ill in the Neola News. He and his daughter, Bertha Reid Slaugh had made the trip to Neola from Vernal to visit his other daughter, Lillian Reid Wilkerson. While there he became ill.

<p>Roosevelt Standard, Neola News November 11, 1938</p>
<p>Mr. Reid and Mrs. Bertha Slaugh of Vernal were visiting here at the home of their sister, Mrs. Lillian Wilkerson, last week. Their father who has made his home here with his daughter for some time, has been ill for the past week.</p>

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He died at the home of his daughter Lillian Reid Wilkerson, on November 16, 1938, in Neola, Utah.

<p>Roosevelt Standard November 24, 1938</p>
<p>Early Settler Of Ashley Valley Dies at Daughter's Home</p> <p>NEOLA -- James Reid, 85 years of age, who for a number of years has resided in Neola with his daughter, Mrs. Thad Wilkerson, passed away November 16th. Death was caused by complications due to old age. The body was taken to Vernal for burial where Mr. Reid had lived during the greater part of his life.</p> <p>The following Neola people attended the services which were held last Friday afternoon: Mr. and Mrs. Thad Wilkerson, Mrs. Samantha Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Jensen, Bishop W. K. Dye, Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Wilkerson, Kate Duncan, Margaret Baxter, Mrs. William Crozier Sr.</p>

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Death Certificate

STATE OF UTAH
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

1. PLACE OF DEATH
 County Duchesne
 Precinct Neola
 or Town or City Neola No. _____ St. Neola Ward _____
If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME (instead of street and number)

2. FULL NAME James Reid

3. Residence No. James Reid St. Neola Utah
(Usual place of abode) (If non-resident give city or town and State)

(a) Length of residence in city or town where death occurred. Years 3 Months 7 Days 4
 (b) How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? Years 75 Months 7 Days 6

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

4 SEX male 5 COLOR OR RACE white 6 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, or DIVORCED (Write the word) widowed

19 DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) Nov 16 1938

7 DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) April 29th 1853

8 AGE Years 85 Months 7 Days 18 If LESS than 1 day, _____ hrs or _____ min.

9 OCCUPATION OF DECEASED:
 (a) Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as engineer (type of), miner, bookkeeper, etc. farmer
 (b) Industry or business in which work was done, as railway, mine (kind of), bank, etc. own farm
 (c) Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) 1933 (d) Total time (years) spent in this occupation 60

10 BIRTHPLACE (City or Town) Torrace Moore
(State or Country) Wigtonshire Scotland

11 NAME OF FATHER Richard Reid

12 BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Scotland
(State or Country)

13 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Margaret McRowen

14 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER Scotland
(State or Country)

15 INFORMANT (Signature) Lillian Wilkerson
 Address Neola, Utah

16 BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL
 Place Verona Date Nov 19 1938

17 UNDERTAKER Sivan
 Address Verona Utah

18 FILED Nov 16 1938 F. P. Whitmore Registrar.
 REGISTERED NUMBER 2

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended deceased from as doctor in attendance 1938
 I last saw him alive on _____ 1938;
 death occurred on the date stated above, at 12 M m. Duration _____
 The principal cause of death and related causes of importance were as follows:
general debility
incidental to old age 21
no mtd
 Other contributory causes of importance: _____
 If operation, date of _____
 Condition for which performed _____
 Was there an autopsy? _____
 If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following:
 Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ Date of injury _____ 1938
 Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county and State)
 Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place: _____
 Manner of injury _____
 Nature of injury _____
 Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? _____
 If so, specify _____
 (Signed) F. P. Whitmore
Nov 17 1938 Address registrar

The death certificate was filed in the Neola Precinct, Duchesne County, Utah. The certificate lists:

Date of birthday: April 29, 1853

age: 75 years, 7 months, 6 days

occupation: farmer (with own farm), discontinuing this work in 1933

birthplace: Torrace Moore, Wigtonshire, Scotland

father's name: Richard Reid of Scotland

mother's name: Margaret McRowen (misspelled) of Scotland

Informant: Lillian Wilkerson

Cause of death: general debility incidental to old age (21 days).

Vernal Express

Funeral for James Reid Held at Glines

November 24, 1938³

GLINES (Special)-Funeral services were held Friday at 1:00 p.m. at Glines Chapel for James Reid, pioneer resident of the ward, who died Nov 16 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lillian Wilkerson of Neola. Services were conducted under the direction of the ward bishopric, with Bishop John B Eaton officiating. Music was furnished by a mixed chorus composed of Mrs. Belle B Perry, Mrs. Lela Batty, Mrs. Maryetta Wardle, Mrs. Margurite Curtis, Herb Bell, John Hodgkinson and Cecil Billings. They were accompanied by Mis Enid Reid. They sang "There is Sweet Rest in Heaven," "Sometime we'll Understand" and "Shall We Meet Beyond the River?" At a special request, Mr. Reid's granddaughter, Mrs. Thelma McConkie sang "Lay My Head beneath a Rose".

offered by George W Perry and the benediction by Myron D Perry of the ward bishopric. The speakers were Bishop Dye of Neola, Louis B. Gardiner and Archie Johnson.

The pall bearers were Cecil Reid, Glad and Duane Peterson, grandsons, and Lee Murray and Thomas Timothy.

Interment was in the Maeser Cemetery under the direction of the Swain Funeral Home. Lionel Jensen dedicated the grave.

James Reid was born in Torrance Moore, Wigtonshire Scotland April 29, 1853. When ten he sailed with his grandparents for America on the vessel "Antarctic." They were in a company of over 400 Latter-Day Saint converts enroute to Utah. During the voyage they encountered many hardships and there was much illness and many deaths as a result of an epidemic of measles. They were seven weeks and three days making the voyage from Liverpool to New York. By train and river boat the group was transported to Florence, Neb.

They were met at Omaha by 75 ox teams and wagons from Utah and started their journey across the plains. Soon after arriving in Salt Lake City Mr. Reid went to Beaver to live where he had varied experiences with the Indians. At the age of sixteen he was drilled in the Black Hawk war under Captain Joseph Betterson.

On Dec 25 1876 he was married to Harriet Valentine.

While living in Beaver he buried three of their children. In 1897 with his wife and five children he moved to Lucerne Valley now known as Manila, where he acted as presiding Elder for three years. The family moved to Ashley Valley in 1899 and the Glines ward in 1900 where he has resided until the past year.

His wife preceded him in death, August 1923. Surviving are the following children William Reid of Vernal, Mrs. Samantha Peterson and Mrs. Lillian Wilkerson Neola, Mrs Rose Gray Los Gatos Cal, and Mrs. Bertha Slauch of Vernal. All except Mrs. Gray were in attendance at the services. Surviving are also twenty grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Those here from outside points were Mrs. Samantha Peterson and children, Reid and Verla. Mrs. Joe Duncan Mr. and Mrs Cecil Peterson Mrs Thelma McConkie Mr and Mrs Thad Wilkerson and children Glade Duane Cleo and Dale Peterson Mr and Mrs Lionel Jensen Bishop Dye and Mr and Mrs Wilkerson all of Neola and Mr And Mrs Hyrum Slauch of Davis Ward.

People Mentioned in the Obituary:

Bishop John B Eaton

60-year-old, neighbor of the Reids and Wardles

William Reid

Son of James

Thomas Earl Timothy

married to stepdaughter of William Reid, age 32

Enid Reid

This is the granddaughter of James who wrote the biography that James dictated. She was 23 at the time of the funeral. She also sang at the funeral.

Enid was living with her father, William Reid, either in the same house or next door to James in Ashley.

Maryetta Wardle

James' son was William Reid who had married Eda Wardle.

The Wardles were neighbors of James in Ashley. James' peer was Huber George Wardle. Huber had a son Lawrence who had just married Maryetta Preece.

She was just 27 when she sang at the funeral.

Lee Murry

Lee Murry married William Reid's daughter, Theda. Theda was James' granddaughter. Theda was probably at the funeral but is not listed as she was not a singer, pallbearer, or out-of-town.

Samantha Reid Peterson

Daughter of James

Reid Peterson

son of Samantha Reid Peterson

Verla Peterson

daughter of Samantha Reid Peterson

Ketura (Katie) Peterson Duncan (Mrs Joe Duncan)

daughter of Samantha Reid Peterson

Cecil Peterson & Palmira (Mr & Mrs Peterson)

son of Samantha Reid Peterson

Cecil, the pallbearer, was listed as Cecil Reid in the obit; but was Cecil Peterson

Thelma Peterson McConkie

daughter of Samantha Reid Peterson

Sarah Lillian Reid Peterson Wilkerson (Mrs Thad Wilkerson)

Daughter of James

Glade Earl Peterson

son of Sarah Reid Peterson

Duane Peterson

son of Sarah Reid Peterson

Dale Peterson

son of Sarah Reid Peterson

Cleo Peterson

daughter of Sarah Reid Peterson

Bertha Reid Slaugh and Hyrum (Mr & Mrs Slaugh)

Daughter of James

Rose May Reid Gray (Los Gatos, CA)

Daughter of James

(was not in attendance)

James' Burial

James was buried on April 29, 1938 in Maeser Fairview Cemetery, Vernal, Utah. He was buried in Maeser Cemetery in Vernal, Utah, on November 18, 1938.

LOT: Maeser_L817_S1 MEMORIAL ID 117736617

James Reid

BillionGraves Index

Name:	James Reid
Event Type:	Burial
Event Place:	Vernal, Uintah, Utah, United States
Cemetery:	Maeser Fairview Cemetery
Latitude:	40.450562
Longitude:	-109.593887
Birth Date:	29 Apr 1853
Death Date:	27 Nov 1938
Affiliate Create Date:	2012-09-07 10:56:24
Affiliate Image Identifier:	2114200
Age (Estimated):	85
Photograph Included:	Y
Birth Date:	29 Apr 1853
Death Date:	16 Nov 1938
Cemetery:	Maeser Fairview Cemetery

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He was buried with his son Ross, daughter Caroline Ella, and wife Harriet.



 James Reid
Born: 29 Apr 1853
Died: 27 Nov 1938

 [Maeser Fairview Cemetery](#)
300 S 3500 W
Vernal, Uintah, Utah
United States

 Headstone Description
Son
Daughter
Mother
Father

Recognition

From 1846 to 1869, the Mormon Trail carried over 60,000 Latter-day Saints to Salt Lake City. James Reid and his grandparents would be among those Saints. Later in life, James Reid was recognized as one of the early Mormon Pioneers:

James Reid

Utah Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database, 1847-1868

Name:	James Reid
Event Type:	Immigration
Event Date:	1863
Event Place:	Deseret, United States
Sex:	Male
Birth Date:	29 Apr 1853
Departure Date:	1863
Death Date:	28 Nov 1938
Company Name:	Company Unknown

¹ Roosevelt Standard, Neola News, November 11, 1938

² Roosevelt Standard, November 24, 1938

³ Vernal Express | 1938-11-24 | Funeral for James Reid Held at Glines

⁴ Affiliate Record Identifier: 117736617 Maeser Cemetery, Vernal, Utah