

JOHN LEWIS MORSE

1866-1920

John Lewis Morse was born in Logan, Cache County, Utah on December 7, 1866, five months after his parents came to Utah from Wales. He was the son of Alice and John Morse and was the sixth in a family of ten, seven of whom survived: Sarah Ann, Hyrum, John Lewis, Brigham Lewis, Alice Elizabeth, James Edward, and Berkeley Hugh.

John Lewis married Emily Kirby on July 11, 1887 in Logan, Utah. They made their home in Hyde Park, Utah. Seven children were born to them while they resided there:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Married To Whom</u>	<u>Died</u>
Ada Emily	5 May 1888	Dowd Napper	1939
Myrtle Alice	20 Jan 1890	John T. McCabe	1932
Grace	8 Oct 1892	Renald Griffen	
Lester John	15 Sep 1895	Tessie Cook	1975
Gerald Victor	20 Oct 1902	unmd	1921
Uarda	5 Feb 1908	Alton K. Harris	1969
Brigham Glen	25 Feb 1911	Susannah Stuart	

John built a two room home out of logs when he and Emily first moved to Hyde Park. Several years later he built another home where they lived until their deaths.

Carl Duce purchased and remodeled the home which is located at 158 East Center in Hyde Park. John was a farmer who milked cows and farmed land south-east of Hyde Park. Part of the land was known as Morse's Knoll and has many beautiful homes on it today. His son Brigham owns and operates ten acres of it.

John hauled milk from North Logan and Hyde Park to Richmond. During the summer he used a wagon and horses. During the winter months he would use a bob-sleigh and horses. His wife Emily would heat some large rocks in the oven and wrap them in a blanket to keep his feet warm. It wasn't an easy job but he didn't complain. It was his job and he got it done. He was a good horse-man and he was kind to all animals. He enjoyed ball games and possessed a unique record of having never been in bed a single day in life with illness.

His friends and neighbors had a high respect for him. He had a very quiet and retiring disposition, and was a good citizen in aiding all public causes both religiously and civically.

He bought the first Victorola in Hyde Park, and his home was always open to friends and relatives to listen to records and have a good time.

John Lewis died October 8, 1920 at his home in Hyde Park at the age of 54 years, of a brain hemorrhage. He is buried in the Hyde Park Cemetery.

Recalled from memory by Brigham Glen Morse, his son, 1977.