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DATE ARRIVED 1866 NAME OF COMPANY Thomas Ricks

NAME OF PIONEER Charles Buck

(Complete name including ALL married names of women)

BIRTH DATE & PLACE 6 Feb 1839, Woodlawn, Hucknall, Toekard Nottinghamshire, Eng.

DEATH DATE & PLACE 10 Jul 1889, West Weber, Weber, Utah

SPOUSES (1) HANNAH CHANTRY (2) \_\_\_\_\_

(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS: Joseph Buck FATHER Mary Dobb Meakin Buck MOTHER

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# **HISTORY OF CHARLES BUCK**

*By Eileen Buck, 2<sup>nd</sup> Great Granddaughter*

Charles was the sixth child born to Joseph and Mary Dobb Meakin Buck on 6<sup>th</sup> February 1839 in Woodlane, Hucknall, Torkard, Nottinghamshire, England. Little is known of his youth. But upon reaching adulthood, he fell in love and married Hannah (Annie) Chantry. They were married 22 December 1859 in Lambley, Nottinghamshire, England. Hannah is the daughter of John Chantry and Ann Bonnington of Arnold, Nottinghamshire, England.

Charles worked in the coal mines for many years and as a result, suffered from ill health because of the dampness. The family grew and on the 12<sup>th</sup> January 1861 William Henry Buck was born in Hucknall, Nottinghamshire, England and in that same year Charles and Hannah heard the gospel of Jesus Christ and was baptized on 30 December 1861. They continued to live in England giving birth to their second child Joseph Buck on 10<sup>th</sup> January 1864.

On 19<sup>th</sup> December, 1865 their first girl was born and they named her Mary Ann Buck, Charles and Hannah decided to migrate to America and so on 30 April 1865, Charles, Hannah (Annie), William Henry, Joseph, and little Mary Ann said goodbye to their friends and family and sailed to America on the ship "John Bright" from Liverpool. They sailed on the ocean for six weeks sailing into New York harbor on 6<sup>th</sup> June 1866. They came through Castle Gardens to enter America. They came to America with a host of other saints looking for a better life and one that they might live without the persecution by those against their beliefs.

On arriving at Wyoming, Nebraska (on the west bank of the Missouri River about forty miles south of Omaha) they joined the Mormon train lead by Capt. Ricks and started for the Rocky Mountains on 8<sup>th</sup> July 1866. The train consisted of 251 individuals and 46 wagons. Charles was 27 years old at the time. The crossing was mostly uneventful, with little sickness and the passengers were mostly healthy, all except for Annie (Hannah) who was sick all the way.

Charles own words recount their voyage "We arrived in Salt Lake City in the fall of 1866. We was on the water 6 weeks and crossed the plains to Utah in Captain Ricks Company and I walked most of the way, till my feet bled. We brought three small children, me and my wife. We spent a day or two in Salt Lake City at some peoples place and because the baby cried they turned us out into the street at night. We had to walk the streets until we could find another place to stay."

"We came to Ogden as soon as we could. I worked on the railroad for a while, then I worked at Hooper a short time on the farm, then I moved my family from Ogden to West Weber to take up farming. We lived in a dugout. As time went on we moved into an adobe house. During that time I helped make brick and we built a brick house. We burned sagebrush to burn the brick with."

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Hannah's account of their first days in Salt Lake reads similar but with a little more detail: Hannah says that they signed up with Captain Thomas E. Ricks Company to come to Salt Lake City. Hannah said she was ill and had to ride in the wagon most of the way to Salt Lake. The company arrived September 4, 1866. She states that they went to stay with a family over night, but because Mary Ann was teething, their hosts turned them out in the middle of the night and Hannah and Charles each carried a baby and walked around Temple Square until morning and little William held on to one of their hands.

Hannah states that they lived in Ogden for the first three years and then moved to West Weber where they resided until Charles death. Charles and Hannah are both buried in the West Weber Cemetery and their portraits are on display at the Museum in Ogden.

Charles and Hannah were blessed with eleven children in all, five boys and six girls. One girl named, Eliza and one boy named, Elisha died as infants. Mary Ann died when she was 9 years old. They lived in West Weber for most of their stay in America and made great friends there. Their children were William Henry, Joseph, Mary Ann, Hannah Elizabeth, Sariah, Charles James, Sarah, Selena, Eliza, Nephi Chantry; and Elisha.

Hannah and Charles were sealed to each other for time and all eternity on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 1867 in the Endowment House. Each of their children that were born in America, were sealed to them at that time. The three older ones were sealed at later dates.

Charles became sick for a time and his daughter says "mother would walk the seven miles to Ogden to work all day, then walk back in the evening and carry the flour on her back which she had been paid with. Annie Lizzie said sometimes her pay was the cracklings from the rendered lard, then they would eat that on their bread. She said they lived in a dugout about 40 rods from where Will Fronks house (1925) stands in West Weber".

Selena, one of Charles and Hannah's children, recounts her father would care for the children while Hannah worked in Ogden. After a while they were able to purchase a team of horses and they would drive the team to Ogden to deliver the eggs and butter to sell. During the spring when the river was high, they would have to unhitch the team on the west side of the river and walk across the railroad bridge carrying the butter and eggs and then carry their provisions back across the bridge and hitch up and then go on home.

Charles wanted to do temple work, but his baptism records were lost along with the records in England where he lived with his family, so his baptism was performed all over again in the winter of the year, they broke the ice in the river and he was re-baptized. But his records were located in Arnold Branch in England stating the 30 December 1861 was Hannah's and Charles official date of baptism. Charles was ordained a seventy on the 16<sup>th</sup> March 1884 and a High Priest in April 1889.

His church callings consisted of being second counselor to James F. Hunter in the Elders Quorum 6th January 1876. The Quorum was reorganized and he was chosen to the same position 4<sup>th</sup> August 1876. He was a second counselor to Levi A Cox of Hooper before he was a counselor to Brother Hunter.

Mary Gibson, a midwife of the time, said that she would rather have Charles help her in caring for the sick than most women. He was very handy to have around in time of need.

Charles was tall and straight in stature, with dark brown hair and blue eyes. Hannah had dark hair and brown eyes. Charles and Hannah made a good life out of farming and raising sheep. Charles and Hannah received their patriarchal blessings on 18 Jan 1869 in Ogden Weber Utah by Patriarch John Smith and received a second blessing on 31 Jan 1889 in West Weber Utah by the same patriarch. Charles made his declaration of Intention to become a United States Citizen in 3<sup>rd</sup> District Court on 18 January 1876 in Ogden Weber Utah and completed his citizenship on 10th July 1876 in the same court.

Charles passed away at the age of 50 on 10<sup>th</sup> July 1889 in West Weber, Utah; he suffered sometime before he passed, leaving six children at home with his wife, Hannah. The two oldest were already married at the time.

Charles and Hannah were described as being stern by nature, thrifty and honest. They enjoyed their family and loved the gospel. Hannah was the Relief Society President in West Weber for thirty plus years. The story is told that Maggie McFarland Bingham (Parley Bingham Senior's wife) said that she knew both Charles and Hannah. That while Parley was on a mission for the church and soon after he left, their family cow died so they didn't have any butter. Charles would stop each week on his way to town and leave them two pounds of butter. He did this for the remainder of the time that her husband was gone on his mission. She never forgot his kindness to her and her family.