

Solomon Angell

Solomon Angell was born 21 April 1806 in Florence, Oneida, New York.¹ He was the third of ten children of James William Angell and Phoebe Ann Morton.² Solomon and his family moved to North Providence, Providence, Rhode Island when he was four years old.³ He married Eunice Clark Young in 1828 in Providence, Providence, Rhode Island. They had nine children. On the 1830 census, they were still living in North Providence.⁴ The family had moved to Genesee County, New York, in 1832, where Solomon's mother heard the missionaries and the family joined Mormon Church.

Solomon was a member of Zion's Camp, the expedition from Kirtland, Ohio, in 1837 to relieve the Saints in Missouri who were suffering persecution. After the camp was disbanded, Solomon returned to Kirtland.⁵ He belonged to the Nauvoo Legion.⁶ In 1840, they were living in Hanover, Licking, Ohio.⁷

Solomon, his mother and his younger brother and family departed to go west on 5 June 1848 with the Brigham Young Company.⁸ However, when they arrived at Winter Quarters, Solomon was instructed to remain to handle Church affairs. So Solomon put his widowed mother in the care of his brother and sent them on.⁹ Solomon and his family followed a year or two later with the Ira Eldredge Company. He was living with Eunice and four children in Great Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah Territory, in 1850. He married Lucy Ann Fry in 1852 in Salt Lake City; they had one daughter. He married Lucinda Clark in 1857 in Salt Lake City; they had two children (Lucinda had eight children by a previous marriage).¹⁰

In 1860, Solomon was living with Eunice, Lucy, and two children in Great Salt Lake City Ward 8, Salt Lake, Utah Territory. Lucinda and her children lived nearby.¹¹ Solomon helped to open the first granite ledge in Cottonwood Canyon where granite was cut to build the Salt Lake Temple. He was in charge of stone cutting according to specifications given by his brother, Truman O Angell, church architect.¹² He was a millwright by profession, but also a carpenter and cabinet-maker. He carved much of the fancy work in Salt Lake building with his pocketknife, and made furniture for his home and others. He helped build the wall that encloses the Salt Lake Temple block.¹³

In August 1863, his wife Lucy died in Salt Lake City and was buried there.¹⁴ He married Anna Cassia Johansson in October in Salt Lake City; they had four children.¹⁵ Then Solomon and Eunice were called to go to southern Utah to help colonize that part of the territory. They first went to Toquerville and then settled in Long Valley in 1865, where they lived in a tent. The Indians drove them out and they found a sheltered place and called it Pocketville. Eventually a fort was built and it was called Fort

¹ Membership of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830-1848.

² *Familysearch.org*

³ United States Census, 1910, 1920; Solomon Angell and Eunice Clark Young, by Sandra Jones (*Familysearch.org*).

⁴ United States Census, 1830.

⁵ Elder Solomon Angell, 1806-1881 (*Ancestry.com*).

⁶ Solomon Angell and Eunice Clark Young, by Sandra Jones (*Familysearch.org*).

⁷ United States Census, 1840.

⁸ Utah Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database, 1847-1868.

⁹ Utah Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database, 1847-1868.

¹⁰ *Familysearch.org*

¹¹ United States Census, 1860.

¹² Solomon Angell and Eunice Clark Young, by Sandra Jones (*Familysearch.org*).

¹³ *Familysearch.org*

¹⁴ Utah Salt Lake County Death Records, 1849-1949; Utah Deaths and Burials, 1888-1946.

¹⁵ *Familysearch.org*

Johnson. The rains were torrential and often swamped their home. Eunice became very ill and was left an invalid with arthritis for the rest of her life; she was bedfast the last ten years.¹⁶

He aided in the settling of Virgin City, Pocketville, Toquerville, Harrisburg, St George and Leeds. He built a home in each place, working as a blacksmith and dentist. He made coffins, his children's shoes, planted gardens and orchards, and brewer beer and made wine. With other pioneers, the Angell's established this Washington County community and here they spent the remainder of their lives.

Solomon was the presiding elder of the Leeds Ward in the St George Stake from 1869-1876.¹⁷ In 1870, he was living with his invalid wife Eunice in Leeds.¹⁸ She died in Leeds after a lingering illness of ten years and was buried in the Leeds Cemetery.¹⁹ On the 1880 census, Solomon was a carpenter, living with Anna and four children in Leeds, Washington, Utah Territory.²⁰ He died at his home in Leeds, 20 September 1881, and was buried next to Eunice in the Leeds Cemetery.²¹ Lucinda died 1904 in Salt Lake City and is buried there.²² Anna died 1914 in Leeds and is buried there.²³



Solomon Angell's house (image from *Ancestry.com*)

¹⁶ Solomon Angell and Eunice Clark Young, by Sandra Jones (*Familysearch.org*).

¹⁷ Elder Solomon Angell, 1806-1881 (*Ancestry.com*).

¹⁸ United States Census, 1870.

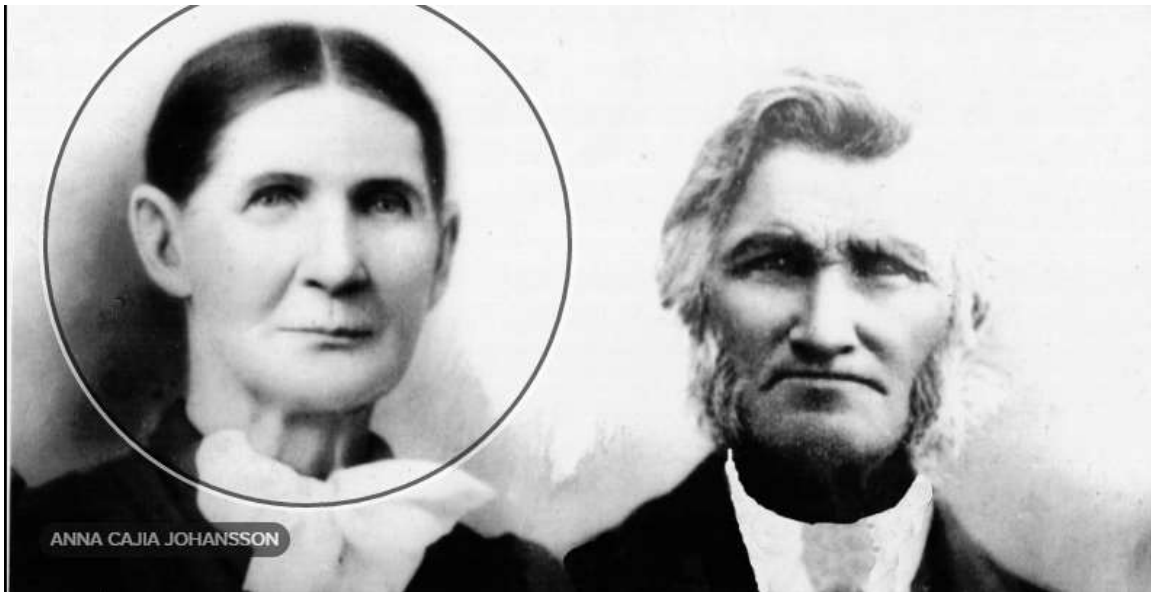
¹⁹ *Ogden Junction*, 22 March 1879; Utah Obituaries from Utah Newspapers, 1850-2005; Utah Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database, 1847-1868.

²⁰ United States Census, 1880.

²¹ Membership of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830-1848; *BillionGraves.com*

²² Utah Deaths and Burials, 1888-1946.

²³ Utah Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel Database, 1847-1868; *Findagrave.com*



Anna and Solomon Angell (image from *Familysearch.org*)



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