

ETHELWYNNE STRINGHAM COLLETT

I, Ethelwynne Stringham Collett, was born July 25, 1876, in Salt Lake City, Utah.

My parents were Philip Stringham and Caroline Ann Crouch. We moved to Ashley Valley in the fall of 1878, a family of three girls, I being the second girl. I spent a happy girlhood with my goodly parents. I went to church and school and helped on the farm. I later traveled back and forth (at that time with horse teams) to Salt Lake City. I went to school and worked out for my living. I attended the dedication of the Salt Lake Temple, April 8, 1893. I went through the Temple for my Endowments when I was 22 years old. While I was in Salt Lake City, I was asked by the Uintah Stake to take the Sunday School Kindergarten course. I also took a night Missionary course. Later at Salt Lake City, after I was married I was called by the Uintah Stake Primary to take a six week course so I could help in the Primaries in the Stake. At that time I did work in the Temple for the dead.

January 20, 1904, I was married in the Salt Lake Temple to Sylvanus Collett. Later my husband was called by the government to take charge of the Dixie Forest Reserve Sept. 21, 1905. We lived at Saint George for two years, working in the church and Temple.

May 20, 1907, we came back to Ashley Valley and lived in Naples Ward. July 5, 1909 we moved to Maeser Ward. We worked in the church organizations.

Now I will tell you the different things I did in the Wards and Stake; I was a stake Primary President and Counselor, Stake Chorister, Counselor in Maeser Primary, and Boy Trail Builder teacher for a good many years. Chorister, both in Stake and Ward Relief Society. Stake Secretary in Relief Society, President of the Y.M.M.I.A. In Maeser, also class leader, worked in Stake Kindergarten, also, in Maeser Ward as teacher, Relief Society Block teacher, and class leader. Taught a Religion Class in the Public School. Ward Chorister and Sunday School Chorister in Naples Ward. Twelve years Sunday School Chorister in Maeser Ward.

I taught Music and singing in Maeser schools. Taught Boys and Girls Hominica music. Taught 20 boys singing in Naples Ward, called Naples Ward singing class. Spent eight winters in Mesa, Arizona working in the Temple most of the time. Now at this time 1960, I am a Relief Society Block teacher and Chorister in the Buna Vista Daughters of the Pioneers.

I helped my husband raise his four children, left motherless; Wiley Sylvanus, 17; Orin, 11; Alice, 6; Byron Sylvester, 3. They are all married and have nice families and are all Letter-Day Saints. I have 17 step-grand children and 21 step-great grandchildren.

We had five children:

1. Claude Stringham Collett born 29 Oct. 1911. He died Feb. 7, 1912.
2. Howard Samuel Collett Born 11 July, 1914. He married Fern Walkup Aug 18, 1935. Fern was born Sept. 23, 1916.
3. Edna Collett Raines born April 2, 1916. She married Adrian A. Raines June 13, 1943. Adrian was born Aug 6, 1910.
4. Edith Collett was born July 1, 1918. She married Clarence J. Hatch Clarence was born Feb. 7, 1919.
5. Carl Stringham Collett was born June 10, 1922. He married Donna B. Williams. Donna was born Nov. 9, 1926.

Howard & Fern Collett have five children and are now living in Glines Ward.

1. Coleen
2. Rose was born June 17, 1939. She died Oct. 10, 1959.
3. Floyd Howard
4. Judy
5. Jack

Edna and Adrian A. Raines had five children, one died at birth. The family are living in Maeser Second Ward. Adrian is working at the Dinosaur National Monument, helping with Cub Scouts, Pony League Baseball and etc. Edna is teaching school, a Den mother of Cub Scouts, and Relief Society Block Teacher. Their Children:

1. Janice
2. Adreana
3. Darlene
4. Robert Joseph

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"A smile is a light in the window of the soul, indicating that the heart is at home."

Edith and Clarence J. Hatch have five children. Edith is substitute teaching in Elementary school, Sunday School Chorister, Primary Chorister, Theology Teacher in Relief Society. Clarence does Architectural work and is a F.H.A. Housing inspector in Salt Lake City. He is teaching in Aaronic Priesthood, etc. Their Children:

1. James Aaron
2. Catherine Jean
3. Susan Ann
4. Ruth Elaine
5. David Sylvanus

Carl Stringham and Donna Collett have five children. They live in Maeser Second Ward. Carl is manager of a service Station at Dutch John, Utah. He is a ward block teacher in the Maeser 2nd Ward. Donna is the President of the Primary of the Maeser Second Ward., etc. Their children:

1. Craig Williams born
2. Randy
3. Carl Ray
4. Terrell born
5. Donetta born

I am proud of my dear children. May I live worthy of the same!

I have Nineteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. I will be 84 years old this coming July 25, and I am in good health.

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