

# Timeline for King Darius Shirts

Son of Peter & Margaret Cameron Shirts

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1. 1833 – Birth: 8 July , St. Clair, Columbiana, Ohio
  - Kannaraville Ward Records FHL Film#206049.
  - Patriarchal Blessing (see 15 March 1854)
2. 1841 – Baptized
  - International Genealogical Index – IGI [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org)
3. 1842 - 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Nauvoo Illinois. Shows Peter Shirts, Margaret Shirts, George Shirts, Derius Shirts {under 8}, Maroni Shirts, Carlos Shirts, Sariah Shirts and Bassi Shirts whom the record states as being dead.
  - 1842 Census of Nauvoo, FHL fiche #6101611.
  - Nauvoo Lands & Records Office
4. 1844 - 27 June; he was almost 11 years old when the Prophet Joseph Smith was martyred at Carthage Jail, Carthage, Illinois.
5. 1848 – 20 January; Signed letter to the Postmaster General for the establishment of a post office near the Log Tabernacle [Kanesville] This was also signed by Peter, George, and Don Carlos Shirts.
  - Journal of History, 20 Jan 1848, pages 3 & 14, Archives of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints
6. 1848 – 2 July; Shirts Branch, page 9, .....the following persons was baptized(rebaptized) by Thomas W. Smith July 2, 1848 .....Sariah Shirts, Darius Shirts.....
  - Shirts Branch Record, FHL Film #0001923. Record of Members and Historical Record 1848-1851.
  - Kannaraville Ward Records, microfilm # 026049
7. 1849 – 18 April; Howard Egan Company(1849) : departure 18 April 1849. Listed are Darius (13). He was actually 16.
  - Mormon Pioneer Overland Travel, 1847-1868, 1849 Howard Egan Company
8. 1849 – 7 August, Arrived in the Great Salt Lake City with Captain Howard Egan's Company. Details of the trip is in the diary of Peter O. Hansen, who reports that "Darius" is 13 years old but he was actually 16. Peter Shirts did not arrive in Salt Lake until October of 1850.
  - Journal of History 7 Aug 1847 pages 1-3 and supplement pg. 14. Archives of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints.

9. 1850 - June, His mother dies of Cholera while on route to Salt Lake with the Benjamin Hawkins Train. Her husband Peter wrapped her in a sheet and buried her near the Platte River in a wagon box coffin. She is found in the 1850 Utah Mortality schedule. It reads as follows: Margaret Shirts, age 42, Female, White, Free, Married, Born - Ohio, died - June 1850, Cause - Cholera.
  - <http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#p=0> Search: "Margaret Shirts"  
1850 Mortality Schedule, Iron, Utah Territory  
Film#: 1550328 Item#: 00068
10. 1850 – Shirts Branch Record, page 8; Listed some of the children in the branch over the age of 8 years old in 1850 ..... George Shirts, Derias Shirts, Don C. Shirts, Sariah Shirts.....
  - Shirts Branch Record, FHL Film #0001923, Record of members and Historical Record 1848-1851, pg. 8
11. 1850 – Federal Census, Weber County, Utah Territory, Darius Shirts [Appears as Daines Shirts in the Index of Ancestry.com] Darius is staying with the family of a Cyrus Canfield. It lists his age as 15. [he would have been 17], birthplace Ohio. This census also lists a Clarissa Shirts age 34.
  - 1850 Weber, Utah Territory, Roll: M432\_919; page:156; Image 319.  
[www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)
  - Family Search Records – Pilot, 1850 US Census, Weber, Utah Territory, Darius Shirts, Film # 025540, Image 00323, Dwelling 122, Household id., 122  
<http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#p=0>
12. 1850 – Federal Census, Iron County, Utah Territory, Darius Shirts, age 18, Fishermen, Birthplace Ohio. This census also shows his father Peter Shirts age 42, and his siblings George - age 19, Don Carlos – age 16, Saria – age 12, and Ann - age 2.
  - 1850 United States Federal Census, Iron Utah Territory, Roll:M432-919, page 21, Image 43]Note: You can find this image at [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com) but there are no Shirts in the index, they must have been skipped. However if you use the name “Daniel Miller” who appears at the top of the page , you can bring up the image.
  - Family Search Records – Pilot, 1850 US Census, Iron, Utah Territory, Peter Shirts, Film #25540, Image 00047. Dwelling 63, Household id., 63  
<http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#p=0>
13. 1850- Federal Census, Utah, Utah Territory, Darius Shirts appears as Davias Shirts in the index of Ancestry.com. This census shows him in the household of a Charles and Lydia Hopkins and states that he is 17 years old. It lists his occupation as a fisherman. This census also lists his sisters Saria (indexed as Laria) age 12 and Ann E. age 2.
  - 1850 United States Federal Census, Utah, Utah Territory, Roll:M432\_919; page 137; Image 277 [www.ancestry.com](http://www.ancestry.com)

- Family Search Records- Pilot, 1850 US Census, Utah, Utah Territory, Darias Shirts. Film #25540, Image#00281, Dwelling 266, Household id. 266, <http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#p=0>
14. 1851 – May 12; Appears in Census of Iron and Weber Utah Counties. He is listed as a fisherman
    - UHQ Magazine, April 1937, US Census of Utah 1851, copied by George O. Zabrishkie & Dorothy L. Robinson, page 131.
  15. 1852 – Move to Cedar City; Military Companies had teamsters – he as assigned to handle equipment and drive supply wagons. Includes Peter, George, and Darius.
    - pg. 155, A Trail Furnace – Southern Utah's Iron Mission, see source, pg. 161, #58
  16. 1854 – Darius earned \$2.50 for calling a dance.
    - Pg. 357, A Trial Furnace – Southern Utah's Iron Mission, see source pg. 366, #55 -Iron County Journal
  17. 1854 – 15 March; Received his Patriarchal Blessing.

Patriarchal Blessing upon the head of Derius Shirts son of Peter and Margaret Shirts Born St. Clair Columbiana Co. Ohio Aug. 8, 1833 given under the hands of Elisha H. Groves Patriarch March 15, 1854 Cedar City, Iron Co., Utah Territory

Brother Derius In the name of Jesus of Nazareth by virtue of The Holy Priesthood in me vested I place my hands upon thy head to seal upon thee a Patriarchal or Fathers blessing which shall rest upon thee and thou shalt \_\_\_\_\_ realize the fulfillment there of Thou art in the days of thy youth Thou must treasure up knowledge and wisdom keeping all the commandments of the Lord thy God hearken to the voice and counsel of thy Father and those whom Heavenly Father hath placed over thee in the Priesthood to counsel and direct the way of the youth in as much as thou will observe this counsel which I give unto thee by the voice of inspiration thy life shall be precious in the sight of thy Heavenly Father thy days shall be many upon the earth The holy angels will be with thee and in their hands they will bear thee and deliver thee from all thy enemies and from him who hath the power of death Thou shalt become a teacher to many of the Lamanites thousands of them by thee shall be introduced into the new and everlasting covenant who shall look unto thee as children would a father thou shalt lead many of them forth against the Gentiles agreeable to the record in the Book of Mormon thou shalt become an actor in the avenging of the blood of innocence upon them that dwell upon the earth the angel of vengeance shall be with thee shall strengthen and serve thy \_\_\_\_\_ before thee and fight thy battles Thou shalt behold the day when one shall put a thousand to flight and two their ten thousand and thou shalt have wisdom given unto thee that thou mayest be able to fill any mission or station wherein thou mayest be called. Thou art of the seed of Abraham of the house of Jacob and the blood of Dan on the side of thy mother which hath descended through German Descent a lawful heir to the fullness of The Holy Priesthood thou shalt receive in due time that thou mayest be able to act with thy father and brothers in the redemption of thy progenitors thou shalt become a father in

Isreal thy posterity shall multiply and become numerous upon the earth I seal upon thy head the blessings of thy fathers Abraham Isaac and Jacob Thou shalt receive of the dewes of heaven and of the fruits of the earth and all things needful to render life happy and agreeable Thou shalt behold the overthrow of many cities and the downfall of many people for the days of vengeance draweth nigh Thou shalt behold the winding up scene the coming of Thy Redeemer the reign of peace spreading upon the earth Thou shalt receive of the blessings and privileges in the Temple in Zion be anointed a King & Priest unto the most High God receive thy crown Kingdom Dominion Power and Eternal Glory be numbered with the hundred forty and four thousand be thou therefore faithful and yield to no temptation and these blessings shall be sure unto thee I seal them upon thy head in the name of Jesus of Nazareth Even so. Amen

- Archives of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter day Saints; "Derius Shirts"  
Vol.35 page 351. Archives of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
18. 1854 – 19 May; News article. Indian Mission, Harmony, Washington County, Utah. On Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> ..... some ten Indians arrived, being a war party of the Paiedes going south to steal children of a part of the same nation if they would give them up – if not, to fight and kill till they could take them by force. Br. Peter Shirts talked to them, thro’ his sons [King Darius ] who are good interpreters, and we talked with them and told them the Great Spirit was not well pleased with men when they fought and killed. We said much to them, and soon their fiery, warlike spirit began to give way, and they listened attentively for hours. They left with milder and better feelings.
    - Utah Digital Newspapers – Deseret News 1854-06-22  
<http://dream.lib.utah.edu/digital/unews/>
  19. 1855 - 05 February, married to Margaret Haslam. Deseret News 14 March 1855. Reads: MARRIED in Harmony, January 1, 1855 by Elder John D. Lee, Mr. LEWELYN HARRIES to Miss CATHARINE HAYDEN. Also Mr. WILLIAM BEDDOE to Miss MARY PARCELL, Also Mr. GEORGE SHIRTS to Miss ELIZABETH WILLIAMS. February 5, by Elder R.C. Allen, Mr. DARIUS SHIRTS to Miss MARGARET ASLAM.
    - Deseret News 14 March 1855 (pg. 7) – Utah Digital News Papers page 17,  
<http://dream.lib.utah.edu/digital/unews/>
  20. 1855 – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March; Bishops in those days were required to report cases of abuse, as they are today, and when the Bishop was away, the first counselor was in charge. Billy Young and Peter Shirts were good friends, but he found it his duty to report Peter when he beat his grown sons. [Journal of Thomas Brown] Friday, 30 March, 1855 .... In consequence of a charge against Peter Shirts for abusing his son Darius... charge laid by William Young, Bishop’s Counselor and the Bishop having gone to Great Salt Lake to conference. A trial before the Seventies was counseled..... T.D. Brown presiding, Lorenzo Roundy and J.R. Davies speaking (witnesses) proved that Peter Shirts had acted unkindly in passion to his son..... the boys being reproved for acts of disobedience. Decision (was made) that Peter Shirts go to Darius and confess to him before his wife and

pray with him and for him and for himself, asking forgiveness. And give his sons Darius and Carlos 10 acres of land each, reserving 18 acres for himself. (Also) that Darius work with him and for him till harvest and he sustain him and his wife till then. All satisfied.

- Life and Times of William (Billy) Young, Tennessee Frontiersman, Utah Pioneer; By Gary Dean Young. Page 91.
  - Journal of Southern Indian Mission, pgs. 111-112]
21. 1855- 7 December, Birth of child; William Darius Shirts, Harmony, Iron, Utah
- Kanarraville Ward Records film #026040.
  - State of Utah Death Certificate, Mountain Home, Duchesne, Utah, 21 June 1920.
22. 1856 – On 4 Jan 1856, a petition was signed by the total adult male population (Including 32 men) asking for an autonomous county government. Names the new county Washington, with the county seat at Harmony. The petition was granted and the government set up on & February with John D. Lee as probate judge, clerk, and assessor. On the 8 February 1856, the first business of the court was to try a case against Enos an Indian accused of killing and carrying off two sheep and some flour. The trial was held in the carpenter shop of A.S. Haden and Billy Young. The court went through all the legal procedures. The meeting was called to order, the case stated, and a defense provided for the Indian. Upon complaint of Robert Dickson against one Enos. An Indian for larceny. A call session of the Probate Court was held at Harmony, Washington County, Utah Territory on Thursday the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 1856 at 10:00 AM ..... Darius Shirts and Lemuel Lee acted as interpreters for the court, (Which indicated that they had learned the Indian language well) ..... A verdict was rendered that the prisoner was found guilty and should be punished by wearing a heavy chain on his leg and hard labor for three months.
- Life and Times of William (Billy) Young, Tennessee Frontiersman, Utah Pioneer; By Gary Dean Young. Pages 95 & 96.
  - Washington County Probate Court Record, FHL Film #0484838
23. 1856 –16 April ; A mass meeting was called by the President [Lee] to ascertain the minds of the people respecting the deliberations of the forgoing council in relation to the erection of the public works. The Bishop [Davies] was called to lay the subject before the brethren, which he did briefly; showing what the public works were, viz., the Meeting House, wall, gate, and guard house. Pool in the center of the fort; the privies each side of the gate, and grading the Fort. It was motioned by E. H. Groves, seconded by W. Littlefield that we build the meeting house by donation as counseled by Erastus Snow and the Missionary brethren who visited us last January. The motion was carried unanimously. It was then introduced by the President that we would divest every man of his property and put a poll tax of \$25.00 on every man over 18 years of age. And also a levy tax on all taxable property of 15 percent, and said that such means was considered advisable by the council to carry on the public works. Bros. Dalton, Blackburn, and Riddly said they always understood that the public works were to be built by taxing the

lots in the Fort. Others of the brethren had the same impressions. The Bishop [W.R. Davies] stated where that idea had originated; it was introduced and preached by Geo. S. Clark until the brethren thought it was a law. It was motioned by Bro. H. Barney, seconded by the Bishop [W.R. Davies] that the people sanction the proceedings of the council after which several of the brethren made remarks, some of which were insulting to those who had sat in council, whereupon President Lee uttered a prophecy concerning Isaac Riddle and said that inasmuch as he felt in his heart to withhold his property from building up the Kingdom of God, that he would see the day when he would be as poor as any man here without a roof to his name, as the Lord lived. He then said, "Let every man vote as he felt and let the votes be recorded. Those that voted for more, that their [?] would recur to his, that when he had property he would not use it for the building up of the Kingdom of God and that no one would assist him at that time. The following are the names of those who voted for:

There are 25 names listed as the voters among them are Peter Shirts, Geo. Shirts, Dennis (Darius) Shirts, Carlos Shirts.

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24. 1856 – Thursday 6 November; Names of those baptized, Confirmed the same day. George Shirts baptized by H. Barney – Confirmed by Bishop [W.R. Davies], Elizabeth Shirts baptized by H. Barney – Confirmed by E. H. Groves, Darius Shirts baptized by H. Barney – Confirmed by E. H. Groves, Margaret Shirts baptized by H. Barney – Confirmed by J. D. Lee, Don Carlos Shirts baptized by H. Barney – Confirmed by H. Barney. [This was probably a baptism for renewal of commitments.]
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25. 1856 – 17 November; This evening the deacons Quorum met with the Bishop [Davies] and his council. The two teachers and the deacons bore their testimony of the work and spoke their resolutions to press forward, after which the old brethren gave good council to the young brethren to obey their parents, etc. Louis Gerber is the officiating deacon for this week. Elisha [Samuel] Groves officiated the first, John Alma Lee second, and Louis Gerber is the third officiating Deacon. Derias Shirts is this weeks acting Teacher, overseeing the Deacons officiating.
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26. 1856 – Monday Evening, 22 December; The lesser priesthood met. Singing, prayer by Derias Shirts. They all spoke their testimonies and their determination to press forward. Commencing with the Deacons, all the brethren felt a lively interest in the work. And rejoiced in the goodness of God.
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27. 1856 - Utah Statehood Census; King D. Shirts, Washington County, page 1085. I find this indexed in Ancestry.com but there is no image available.
- Utah 1856 Statehood Census Index [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com)
28. 1856 – Utah Statehood Census; Darius Shirts, Beaver County, Beaver Valley Township, page 004. I find this indexed in Ancestry.com but there is no image available.
- Utah 1856 Statehood Census Index [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com)
29. 1857 – 1 January; This day was kept with fasting and prayer, and the saints met in mass at 11 oclock. E.H. Groves, W. Littlefield, Lee and Barney spoke on the event of another new year and the necessity of leading the lives of saints. The Bishop [W.R. Davies] then made a few remarks concerning living our religion, and read the chatsichism [sic] to the saints and spoke some on it.
- After the meeting, at 3 oclock, a dinner was provided by Brother Lee to which all the Fort was kindly invited to partake of. All were in attendance and before dinner Don Carlos Shirts was married to Mary Adeline Lee, by J.D. Lee. After which ceremony dinner was served in good order by J. R. Davies, Geo. Shirts, Derias Shirts, Mrs. Rachel Lee, attendants on the table. After all had partaken, the tables were cleared and the company returned and resumed their seats and the evening was spent very pleasantly in singing songs and giving toasts to the newly wedded pair. A New Years Song” and “A Nuptial Song”, both composed by J.R. Davies and sung.
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  - Journal of Rachael Andora Woolsey Lee, 1856-1860, copied by Brigham Young Library, 1970. Page: 21.
30. 1857 – 5 February; This being fast day, all the saints meet at 11 A.M. The Bishop [W.R. Davies] called on several of the brethren to speak. A good spirit prevaded the meeting after the brethren had spoken on the reformation. The Bishop then said that the privilege was given us once more to bless our children all under 8 years old, whether they were blessed before or not. The following children were then blessed. .... Peter Shirts children; Elizabeth Ann age 7- blessed by C.W. Dalton, Elsy age 3 - blessed by Bishop W.R. Davies, Peter age 10 months - blessed by E.H. Groves, George Shirts age

not listed – blessed by E.H. Groves, George Rhily age 8 months – blessed by H. Barney,. Derias Shirts' son Wm. Derias age 1 year – blessed by H.Barney.

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31. 1857 – 9 March; The Lessor Priesthood met. Singing. Prayer by D. Shirts. Pres. Barney spoke on the principle of obedience, alluding to Joseph of old. He also exhorted to pray prevailed among the saints. Benediction by Pres. Barney.
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32. 1857 – 26 April; Saints met at 10 A.M. Singing. Prayer by H. Barney. Singing. C.W. Dalton addressed the meeting on his departure north, and the good feelings he had towards his brethren in this southern country. He was followed by J.D. Lee who said he had his best feelings, etc. The Bishop [W.R. Davies] said that those who wished to be baptized that it would be attended to at intermission. [Listed those baptized] . After confirmation, J.R. Davies and H. Barney bore testimony and the Bishop spoke a word to the brethren of the lesser priesthood to tarry after dismissal. Benediction by E.H. Groves. The lesser priesthood met. Singing. Prayer by D. [Darius] Shirts. The Teachers and Deacons were then called upon to speak by the Bishop. They did speak. There were then some business items transacted for our good. Benediction by the Bishop.
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33. 1857 - 21 June, His eldest brother George Washington Shirts died; About quarter past four o'clock elder George Shirts departed this life, having been lingering with sickness some four or five weeks, but he had been very sick the last two weeks. his sickness seems to be a wasting away or consumption with worms in the stomach, A great quantity of which he voided. At dusk he was interred with the usual rites of burial. Obituary: George Shirts was a faithful young Elder in the Church. He was beloved by everyone who knew him. He was diligent and industrius and endeavored according to his knowledge to do what was right. he leaves a young widow and a son to bemoan his loss. His memory will long be cherished by those that knew him.
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34. 1857 – September; It was in September 1857 he received a summons to join a posse of men lead by John D. Lee to appear in the Mountain Meadows to help massacre the people from Kansas and Missouri, or the Missouri Wildcats as they called themselves. He was stricken seriously ill at the time he read the summons, but was able to go back to work after the terrible tragedy. This was three months before his second son Moroni was born. Soon after the massacre he was “invited” many times to go riding in a black top buggy with John D. Lee. Finally one day he accepted the invitation, but before going he sharpened his pocket knife just incase a duel should occur. On their travels they talked about everything except the massacre. Apparently Mr. Lee got wise to the preparation Darius had made; (he kept his hand in his pocket on his knife, with the blade open ready for action); and returned him safely to his home. He never bothered Darius again.
- This story was written by Meleta Shirts Cottam a grand-daughter and is on file at the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Museum in Salt Lake City, Utah, I have found no other sources to prove this story.
35. 1857 - 10 October; He is listed as a “Fifer” in the Utah Territorial Militia, Nauvoo Legion: 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment Battalion & Company, Muster Rolls 10 October 1857, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Fort Harmony. His father Peter Shirts is listed as a Private in the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion.
- Pages: 491&492, A Trail Furnace – Southern Utah’s Iron Mission
36. 1857 – Darius Shirts along with his brother Carl and several others including Seth Johnson, camped on the La Verkin Creek [Utah] and made a road up great Hurricane Fault. After a month they made a road calling it Johnson’s Twist. In the year 1917 this road evolved into State Highway 15 .....
- Hurricane Valley Journal, Vol. 3, June 01, 2000 – Eastern Washington County News
37. 1857 - 23 December, Birth of child; Moroni Shirts, Harmony, Iron, Utah.
- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm #026049
  - State of Utah Death Certificate, Richfield, Utah, 07 March 1932
38. 1859 – 30 March; The following brethren has sold out here and gone to settle at Virgin City, viz., Bishop Davies first counselor H. Barney, A.G. Ingram, Daraius Shirts and Don Carlos Shirts.
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39. 1859 – 27 July; listed as a citizen of Virgin City with 4 in family. Also listed is Don Carlos with 4 in family.
- Journal of History, page 1, Archives of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
  - History of The Church DVD, pg. 615

40. 1860 – 11 January; Birth of child – Margaret Ann Shirts, Virgin, Kane, Utah.
  - Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm #026049
  - State of Utah Death Certificate, Cedar, Iron Utah, 04 March 1926
41. 1860 – 24 July; Federal Census, Virgin City, Washington County, Utah. K.D. Shirts, [indexed as R.D. Shirts in Ancestry.com] age 25, male, Farmer, born in Ohio, value of real estate \$100, personal estate \$300. Census also shows his wife Margaret, age 24, born in England, and his children William D. age 4, Moroni age 3, Margaret A. age 7 months. It shows the birthplace of all the children as Utah.
  - 1860 United States Federal Census, Virgin City, Washington, Utah Territory, Roll: M653\_1314; page 1029; Image: 497 [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com)
  - 1860 US Federal Census, virgin City, Washington, Utah, Publication #M653, Content Source: NARA, page: 142 [www.footnote.com/image/74086128](http://www.footnote.com/image/74086128)
42. 1862 – 8 April; Birth of child – George Henry Shirts, Midway, Wastch, Utah.
  - Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
  - Escalante Ward Records Microfilm # 025924
43. 1863 – 11 April; Received his endowments at the Endowment House.
  - International Genealogical Index – IGI, [www.familysearch.com](http://www.familysearch.com)
44. 1863 – 11 April; Sealed to his spouse Margaret Haslam.
  - International Genealogical Index – IGI, [www.familysearch.com](http://www.familysearch.com)
45. 1864 – 23 March; Birth of child – Miriam Elizabeth Shirts, Virgin, Kane, Utah.
  - Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
46. 1866 – 15 March; Birth of child – James Ellis Shirts, Kanarriville, Kane, Utah.
  - Kannaraville, Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
47. 1868 – 18 April; Birth of child – Joseph Francis Shirts, Kanarriville, Kane, Utah.
  - Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
48. 1868 – 12 October; Darius Shirts registered an animal brand. His brand looks like an Uppercase “D” with an Uppercase “S” only the “S” is laying on it’s back and it’s head is touching the “D’s” belly! There is another person who had the same exact brand so this next part was important. Darius’s brand was to be on the Left hip or Thigh. The other guy “David Shand” was to place his brand on the Right hip or Thigh. This record also shows that Darius was from Kannara, Kane Co.
  - Book of Recorded Marks and Brands, Embracing all the marks and brands recorded from the First Organization of the Territory to December 9<sup>th</sup>, 1874, Near Five Thousand in Number except those voluntarily relinquished and a few for which the recording was not paid. Compiled with great care, and published by Authority of the Legislative Assembly. Printed at the Deseret News Steam Printing and Publishing Establishment, Salt Lake City. Page 22.
  - Utah State Archives and Records Service, Series 540, Reel 1, Volume Dec1849-Dec1874, page 22, <http://history.utah.gov/>

49. 1868 – 12 October; Darius Shirts registered an animal brand. This is listed under “Marks Connected with Swallow Fork in Right Ear” Swallow Fork in right ear and under slope of same. Oct. 12, 1868, K.D. Shirts, Kannara, Kane Co.
- Book of Recorded Marks and Brands, Embracing all the marks and brands recorded from the First Organization of the Territory to December 9<sup>th</sup>, 1874, Near Five Thousand in Number except those voluntarily relinquished and a few for which the recording was not paid. Compiled with great care, and published by Authority of the Legislative Assembly. Printed at the Deseret News Steam Printing and Publishing Establishment, Salt Lake City. Page 160.
  - Utah State Archives and Records Service, Series 540, Reel 1, Volume Dec1849-Dec1874, page 160, <http://history.utah.gov/>
50. 1870 – 27 February; Birth of child – Mary Ellen Shirts, Kanarrville, Kane, Utah.
- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
  - State of Utah Certificate of Death, Park City, Summit, Utah, 24 July 1942
51. 1872 – 12 July; Birth of child – Reece Napoleon Shirts, Kanarrville, Kane, Utah.
- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
52. 1870 - 18 July, United States Federal Census, Kannarah, Kane, Utah. Darius Shirts indexed in Family Search Records -Pilot as Durius Shirts. In this census Darius, age 37, is listed as a farmer with a real estate value of \$400 and a personal estate value of \$350. This census also lists his wife Margaret age 34, his children William age 15, Moroni age 14, Margaret age 10, George age 8, James age 5, Joseph age 2, and Mary age 4 months.
- 1870 US Census, Kannarah, Kane, Utah, Family Search Records – Pilot, <http://pilot.familysearch.org/recordsearch/start.html#p=0> They did not list any film or image numbers for this image. The image has the page #475 and a stamp of Oct. 20, 1870. The enumerator ‘s page number is 5.
53. 1874 – 26 December; Birth of child – Sariah Jane Shirts, Kanarrville, Kane, Utah.
- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm #026049
54. 1876 – 9 September; A subpoena was filed - from Brigham Young to testify against John D. Lee in the Mountain Meadows Massacre Trial. I also find a subpoena for a C. Shirts filed 21Aug1876.
- Utah State Archives, Research Center, People VS John D. Lee, 2 pages, Inventory for District Court {2<sup>nd</sup> District} Criminal Case Files, 1855-1895 {Series 24291}, Case 31.
55. 1877 – 10 July; Birth of child – John Wesley Shirts, Kanarrville, Kane, Utah.
- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049
56. 1880 – 1 June; Federal Census, Escalante Precinct, Iron County, Utah. King Darius Shirts [appears as King D. Shirte in the Index], Age 48, white male, Laborer, Born in Illinois, Father born in Pennsylvania, Mother born in Pennsylvania [obviously the birth information in this census is wrong I checked and there were no state border issues.] This census also shows his wife Margaret age 44 as well as his children George H. age 18,

James E. age 17, Joseph F. age 15 , Mary E. age 13, Reece N. age 11, Seriah J. age 5, and John W. age 2.

- United States Federal Census, Escalante, Iron, Utah, Roll : T9\_1336; Family History Film:1255336; Page 332.4000; Enumeration District; 19.  
[www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com)

57. 1880 – 12 August; Birth of child – Alice Malinda Shirts, Escalante, Garfield, Utah.

- Kannaraville Ward Records Microfilm # 026049

58. 1882 – 26 March; Died. Age 49. Escalante, Garfield, Utah. He caught a severe cold while playing violin for a dance, which developed into pneumonia.

He was buried in the Escalante City Cemetery in Utah. The grave location is #1061

- Utah State Historical Society; Utah Cemetery Inventory <http://history.utah.gov/>
- Death notice: Reads - Died at Escalante, Garfield County, March 26, 1882, K.D. Shirts. born July 8th, 1833.

Utah digital News Papers <http://digitalnewspapers.org>  
Deseret News, 1882 May 31 page 304 [Item 16].

- Cause of death was written by Meleta Shirts Cottam a grand-daughter and is on file at the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Museum in Salt Lake City, Utah, I have found no other sources to prove this story.

59. 1950 – 15 November; Sealed to his parents. Temple: St. George, Utah

- International Genealogical Index – IGI, [www.familysearch.com](http://www.familysearch.com)

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