

Obituaries

Samuel Obed Crosby, Jr.¹

CROSBY—at Panguitch, Garfield County, at 5 p. m., May 1st, after a week's illness, of a complication of meningitis and peritonitis, Samuel Obed Crosby, Jr. He was the eldest son of Elder Samuel Obed Crosby, and Hannah Adelia Bunker, was born at Panguitch, Garfield County, U. T., March 28th, 1873, was a loving, dutiful son and a faithful Latter-day Saint. He held the office of a deacon, and while at his former home at Bunkerville, Nevada, was president of the Deacon's Quorum of that place. He was also an active member of the Sunday School, Y. M. M. I. A., and a very promising student of the Stake Academy of Panguitch. The obsequies² were conducted in the Stake Tabernacle, May 3d, 1889, his remains being deposited in the Panguitch cemetery. May He “who doeth all things well” comfort his relatives in their sad bereavement.—COM.

Samuel Obed Crosby, Sr.

Resident of Panguitch Falls a Victim To Blood Poisoning.³

Blood poisoning following an operation caused the death Tuesday night at Panguitch of Samuel O. Crosby, a prominent resident of that place. Mr. Crosby was the son of Jesse W. and Hannah E. Crosby and a native of Salt Lake, having been born here in 1850.⁴ At the age of 11 he moved to St. George, where he lived for a number of years, moving later to Panguitch to engage in business. From here he

¹ Deseret Evening News, 6 May 1889.

² Funeral.

³ Deseret Evening News, 27 March 1903.

⁴ Sam was born 26 August 1849 in Salt Lake City.

went to Bunkerville, Nev., in 1880,⁵ where he remained for some time, returning later to Panguitch, where he has resided ever since. From 1894 to 1896 he filled a mission in Great Britain, where he presided over the Liverpool conference.⁶ He also taught school for a time and was chorister at Panguitch for several years. In politics he was an ardent Democrat. He leaves a wife and eight children to mourn his unexpected taking off. The funeral will take place in Panguitch, with interment in the family plot beside his father, who died there a number of years ago.

PANGUITCH.

SAMUEL O. CROSBY DEAD

Prominent and Much Respected Citizen of Southern Utah⁷

Special Correspondence.

Panguitch, Garfield Co., March 26.—Elder Samuel Obed Crosby of this place underwent a surgical operation on the 5th of this month, Dr. J. J. Steiner officiating. The operation was a success, but brother Crosby took a heavy chill directly afterwards, and continued to chill until the 24th inst., when he expired. All that loving hands could do was done for him, but to no avail. The funeral services were held today at 2 p. m. The speakers were Elders A. D. Clark, G. H. Wilson, Joseph Houston, President Cameron, W. T. Owens and Bishop Heywood. All paid feeling tribute to the great worth of the departed, commending his honesty and benevolent and charitable disposition. The dedicatory prayer at the grave was offered by Elder M. M. Steele.

Samuel O. Crosby was the son of Jesse W. and Hannah E. Crosby, and born in Salt Lake City Aug. 26, 1849. Came to St. George with his parents in 1861. Married Hannah A. Bunker in Salt Lake City June 10, 1872, and settled in Panguitch. Hearing of the United Order being established in Bunkerville, Nevada, he moved his family there in May 1879, and when the order broke up he returned

⁵ Sam moved to Bunkerville, Nevada in January of 1877. Hannah and the children joined Sam in late 1879 or early 1880.

⁶ Sam served in the Liverpool conference during the first year of his mission. He presided over the Manchester Conference during his second year in England.

⁷ Deseret Evening News, 2 April 1903, 7

to Panguitch the last of May 1888. He left on a mission to England in the fall of 1894 and returned in 1896, having been gone two years. He was the father of 11 children. Three daughters and four sons survive him. Brother Crosby was certainly one of God's noblemen, and will be greatly missed in the community. At the time of his death he was a member of the High Council and President of the High Priests' Quorum.

The snow is pretty much all gone from this valley, but we have enough in the mountains. Farmers are preparing to put in their springs crops.

Hannah Adelia Bunker Crosby

HANNAH A. CROSBY⁸

PANGUITCH—Hannah Adelia Crosby died here Sunday, March 13, after an illness of several weeks. Funeral will be held here probably Tuesday moon [sic].

Mrs. Crosby was born in Ogden, April 25, 1853, a daughter of Edward and Emily Abbot Bunker. With her parents she moved to Dixie in the fall of 1861. Living in Toquerville the first year; in 1862 she, with the Bunker family, moved to Santa Clara, where her father was bishop. On June 10, 1872, at the Endowment House in Salt Lake she married Samuel O. Crosby and they came at once to live at Panguitch, then being settled the second time.

They stayed here until 1879 when they moved to Bunkerville, Nev., and returned here to make their home in 1888. She has been prominent as a Relief society worker and for many years was stake president of the Panguitch stake Relief societies. Her husband died in the spring of 1903 and this has been her home all the time with the exception of a short stay in Veyo, Utah, and at Beaver, where she went to send her children to school.

Never strong in body she has been a tireless worker in pioneering the five settlements of Toquerville, Santa Clara, Panguitch, Bunkerville and Veyo.

She is survived by three sons, John S. Crosby of Panguitch, Edward of Mt. Emmons, Stephen of Delta, and three daughters, Mrs. Elida Haycock of Burley, Idaho, Mrs. Naomi Bliss of 529 Center street, Salt Lake, and Mrs. Beula[h] Allen of Panguitch, 35 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

⁸ Deseret Evening News, 14 March 1932.

HANNAH B. CROSBY⁹

PANGUITCH—Funeral was held Tuesday in the North ward for Hannah Adelia Bunker Crosby, 79, pioneer of Panguitch, Toquerville, Santa Clara and Bunkerville, Nev., who died here Sunday night of general debility. Speakers were Maria L. Heywood, Sarah D. Spratt, Bishop Hans P. Ipson, and a brother, George Bunker of Provo. Interment was in the city cemetery.

Mary Ann Owens Crosby

Mrs. Mary Crosby Dies¹⁰

Mrs. Mary Ann Owens Crosby, 69, died Wednesday evening of a coronary occlusion.

She was born at Panguitch in 1884, a daughter of William Thomas and Margaret Caroline Jones Owens. She resided here all her life.

On Nov. 4, 1908 she was married to John S. Crosby in the Manti Temple. for many years she was a practical nurse in Garfield County. She served on a mission in the East Central States.

Surviving are her husband; 8 sons: Silas O., Dee W., of Salt Lake, Jay M., Arthur G., of Panguitch, Ellis O. of San Jose, Cal., Theron D. of Logan, William T. of Vernal, John G. of Layton; 17 grandchildren, a step-mother, Elizabeth Owens of Joseph; brothers and sisters: Ray Owens of Delta, Mrs. Scott Worthen, Ernest, Joseph, and David Owens, and Mrs. Marion Englestead of Panguitch. Mrs. Gwen Varner of Ogden, Delwin and Waldo Owens and Mrs. Richard Beck of Joseph, Ralph Owens of Salt Lake, Mrs. D. C. Hendrickson of Ogden.

The following services were held Monday in the North Ward chapel under direction of Bishop N. O. Henrie; Prelude, Irene McEwen and Nina Steele; song "Oh My Father", Choir; Prayer, Wallace Miller; song "Whispering Hope", Dorothy

⁹ Deseret Evening News, 17 March 1932.

¹⁰ Garfield County News, 11 February 1954.

Crosby; talk, Beulah Allen; song “I Will Steer My Bark”, Bell Cooper and Grace Masterson; talk, Ceasar Myers; organ and piano duet, Irene McEwen and Nina Steele; talk, Cleo Hatch; song “Invocation”, Hetta Reid, Kate Chidester, Cleo Marshall, Gwen Anderson, Gwen Davis, Hope Williams; talk, Vernon Holman; song “Sometime We’ll Understand”, choir; Prayer, Wilford Roe. The grave was dedicated by James I. Hatch.

John Silas Crosby

John S. Crosby Dies At St. George Buried At Panguitch On January 4th¹¹

John Silas Crosby, 84 of St. George died of natural causes Dec. 31st in a St. George hospital.

Son of Samuel Obed and Hannah Adelia Bunker Crosby, he was born April 11, 1880 in Bunkerville, Nevada. He married Mary Ann Owens on Nov. 4, 1908 in the Manti LDS Temple; she died in Feb. 1954. He married Louise Poe Jan. 13, 1959 in the St. George LDS Temple.

Mr. Crosby taught school 32 years in Panguitch. He served one term as county attorney, and engaged in the livestock business.

Mr. Crosby had been an ordinance worker in the St. George LDS Temple the past eight years. He served in the Southern States LDS Mission, was a high priest, stake clerk and member of the high council in Panguitch.

Survivors: widow; eight sons: Silas O., Dee W. and Theron D., Salt Lake City; William Thomas, Bountiful; John Gordon, Clearfield; Ellis O., Los Gatos, Calif.; Jay M. and Arthur G., Panguitch; 31 grandchildren; 3 sisters, Mrs. J. Earl (Beulah) Allen, Panguitch, now serving an LDS Mission with Mr. Allen in Boon, Iowa; Mrs. George (Elida) Haycock, and Mrs. Edwin (Naomi) Bliss, Salt Lake City.

Funeral services were held Jan. 2nd in St. George, and the following additional services were held Jan. 4th in the Panguitch North ward chapel:

Prayer in home, Bishop Dan S. Crosby. Prelude and postlude music, Irene McEwen and Nina H. Steele; song, “Oh My Father”, choir; prayer Sam E. Allen; talk, Caesar Myers; tribute (written by Beulah Allen), Bishop Dan S. Crosby; duet, Leila Crosby and Dorothy Bracken; talk, President Vernon L. Holman; quartet,

¹¹ Garfield County News, 7 January 1965.

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”, Jay A. Riggs, Frank Daly, Robert Owens, Kent Hortin; tribute written by Eleanor Bruhn, Elizabeth Elmer; remarks, Bishop D. Kern Owens; song, “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”, choir; prayer Konroy Henrie. The grave was dedicated by Frank K. Richards; burial was in the Panguitch Cemetery.