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Born at Girard, Macoupin County, Illinois, November 16, 1845; son of Julius and Celia (Powell) Sanders; married Cynthia, daughter of Jacob L. Miller at Prescott on October 2 18 73 (about 1875).

Children, Edward, Lena (Mrs. Blackburn), born, 1878.

Went with his parents to Colorado and came with them to Arizona; listed, Territorial Census, 1864, age 18, born in Illionis, occupation - Farmer, resident in Arizona 3½ weeks; U.S. Census, 1870, at Prescott, age 23; occupation - Farmer; property valued at \$2,000; U.S. Census, 1880, age 35, occupation - Stock raiser; the Prescott Courier of May 18, 1888, stated that he is "running his station at Yager Canyon on the road to Jerome in good style"; at a pioneer reunion held in Phoenix on April 13, 1921, he is quoted in the Arizona Republican as saying:

The Barnhart family was at Beaver Springs in the Sacramento Valley when the Indians tried to steal cattle from their herd in the night. A party of white men went in pursuit of the Walapais and finally caught up with them. They were not ten feet from us "that one with the knife is mine" shouted one of the leaders of the party. "I want to scalp him with his own knife" and I will say here that he did.

We then proceeded to Hardyville where Captain Hardy greeted us. "What luck" he shouted as we approached. "Pretty good but not as good as we wanted" we replied. Captain Hardy then proceeded to serve the drinks and he sure had plenty of them.

Died at the Arizona Pioneers Home in Prescott, October 13, 1927, aged 81; buried Pioneers Cemetery, Prescott.

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Arizona Registrar of Vital Statistics, 1927, no. 412  
The Prescott Courier, May 18, 1888, 4:2  
The Arizona Republican, Phoenix, April 14, 1921, 12:4

Recorder's office, Prescott

## WANTED

1. ✓ His middle name from the Great Register.
2. ✓ The ~~maiden name~~ of his wife and the date and place of their marriage.
3. Obituaries in the Courier and Journal - Miner and other newspaper references to him. *none*
4. If his daughter, Mrs. Lena Blackburn, is still living in Prescott, she may have a Sanders family Bible. *no*