

# JOHNSTON, WILLIAM J.

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JOHNSTON, WILLIAM J. \_\_\_\_\_

Born at Baltimore, Fairfield County, Ohio, August 21, 1824.

Son of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Married, (1) Elizabeth Harris at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_, from whom he was divorced January 9, 1864.

(2) Ellen Jane Perks at Salt Lake City, January 26, 1864, who died at Mesa, Arizona,  
August 30, 1937.

Children, Samuel, George, Margaret (Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_), Elizabeth L. (Mrs.  
\_\_\_\_\_), Rebecca (Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_) and Jessie (Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_).

Enlisted at Council Bluffs July 16, 1846, to serve one year as Private, Captain  
Brown's Company C, Mormon Battalion; marched through what is now southern Arizona  
and honorably discharged at Los Angeles, July 16, 1847; participated in the  
discovery of gold at Sutter's Mill, California, January 24, 1848; returned to  
Arizona in 18\_\_\_\_ and resided near Mesa.

Died at Ramah, \_\_\_\_\_ County, Arizona, September 26, 1912, aged 88.

Buried \_\_\_\_\_ Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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