

Peter Christian Anderson Sr. & his wives, Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen & Christina Nielsen

PeterChristianAndersonSr.docx, © 2018 by Robert A. Christiansen

- Part 2 contains full dates and marriage information for older family members.
- My website, *bigpigeon.us*, contains this file in **Mormon History > A House Divided**.

Part 1 – Peter Christian Anderson Sr. Narrative, updated 26 Feb '18

Peter Christian Andersen (1828 – 1903) was born to Ane Katrine Pedersen and Christen Andersen in Ørsø, Dronninglund Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark. His patronymic name in Denmark was Peder Christian Christensen.

As a teenager, Peder Christian was apprenticed into the building trades and developed skills as a millwright and a wheelwright, skills he later used in Utah. He may have been serving in the Danish Royal Navy just before he emigrated.

In December 1853, P. C. Nelson baptized Peder Christian into the Mormon faith. Peder Christian's parents and five of his siblings had also converted and emigrated late in 1854, intending to go to Utah.

Peder Christian left Denmark with his bride-to-be, Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen, left Denmark late in 1855.

About Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen: Kirsten Marie Jacobsen (1835 – 1872) was born in Vesterskov, Voer Sogn, Hjørring Amt to Jacob Christensen and Johanne Gourtsdatter. Voer Sogn neighbors Dronninglund Sogn to the north.

Peter Christian and Kirsten Marie left Copenhagen with a party of 447 Scandinavian Mormons on the steamship *Loven* on 29 Nov 1855. They traveled to Liverpool and then crossed the Atlantic on the *John J. Boyd* on a long and vexing voyage.

In December 1855 while at sea Peter Christian and Kirsten Marie married.

After crossing the plains, Peter Christian and Kirsten Marie settled in Moroni in Sanpete County. Peter abandoned his patronymic surname of Christensen and became Andersen/ Anderson. Their Moroni household as enumerated in the 1860 census consisted of Heber C. Anderson, Christena, Peter C., and Heber C.

During the Blackhawk War Peter C. Anderson served in the Utah Territorial Militia from 1 May 1867 to 1 Nov 1867 with Company C, Cavalry, 5th Battalion, 1st Regiment.

In the 1870 Moroni census, Peter Christian Anderson was enumerated as a farmer.

Kirsten Marie died in Moroni in 1872 and is buried in the old Moroni Cemetery. She died leaving six children, the youngest being two years old.

After losing his first wife, Peter Christian Anderson married Christina Nielsen in 1873.

About Christina Nielsen: Christina Nielsen (1853 – 1889) was born in Denmark, married Peter Christian Anderson, and died in Sanpete County in 1889. She may have used the surname "Rasmussen" earlier. At this time, I have no further information.

In 1877, the Peter Christian Anderson family moved to the Wales area, Wales being a coal-mining town in the west end of Sanpete County about ten miles southwest of Moroni. In the 1880 Wales census Peter Christian was again enumerated as a farmer.

Peter Christian's second wife, Christina (Nielsen) Anderson died in 1889 in Wales, having given birth to six children, the youngest being under a year in age.

In the 1900 census, Peter Christian was still living in Wales Precinct, along with five of his children. His oldest child, Peter Christian Anderson Jr., lived next door.

Peter Christian Anderson died in Wales, Utah in 1903. By the time of the 1910 census, only three unmarried children remained in the Peter Christian Andersen household, namely Heber, Erastus and Annie.

Listed here are the known children of Peter Christian Anderson. In 1938 when a family reunion was held in Wales, nine of Peter Christian Anderson's twelve children were still living. Like their father, Peter Christian's children generally used the spelling *Anderson*.

The six children of Peter Christian Anderson and his first wife, Kirsten Marie Jacobsen:

- Peter Christian Anderson Jr. (1857 – 1942) married Hannah Williams Rees. Two of their sons, John Rees Anderson and David Rees Anderson, were among the 172 men who died in the Castle Gate Utah mine explosion north of Price, Utah on March 8, 1924.
- Heber Christian Anderson (1859 – 1924) remained in Wales in the Peter Christian Anderson home and never married.
- Anna Maria Christina Anderson (1862 – 1949) married William Bryant Gardner, the brother of Fred Gardner who is mentioned immediately below.
- Amelia Anderson (1863 – 1954) was the first wife of Charles Frederick "Fred" Gardner, who took additional wives in the early 20th century. Amelia lived in Arizona. Amelia and Fred married in Navajo County, she died in Maricopa County and is buried in Cochise County.
- Ephraim Anderson (1865 – 1940)
- Lavinia Anderson (1870 – 1969)

The six children of Peter Christian Anderson and his second wife, Christina Nielsen:

- Erastus Anderson (1875 – 1958)
- Christina Anderson (1877 – 1952)
- Helena "Lena" Anderson (1880 – 1913)
- Caroline Anderson (1883 – 1950)
- Mary Adaline Anderson (1885 – 1888)
- Annie Margretha Anderson (1888 – 1972)

Peter Christian Anderson and his second wife are buried in the Wales Cemetery in Sanpete County. His first wife, Kirsten Marie Jacobsen, is buried in the Old Moroni Cemetery.

Part 2 – Peter Christian Anderson – Older Family Members

three lists generated from *St. Paul's* database, updated 26 Feb '18

- 1 Parents & siblings of Peter Christian Anderson.
- 2 Children & selected grandchildren of Peter Christian Anderson & his first wife, Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen.
- 3 Children & selected grandchildren of Peter Christian Anderson & his second wife, Christina Nielsen.

1 Parents & siblings of Peter Christian Anderson.

Christen Andersen (abt 15 May 1796 - 11 Oct 1855) & Ane Katrine Pedersen (abt 14 Jun 1805 - 30 Dec 1855)

m. abt 23 Oct 1825, Dronninglund Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark

Ane Margrete Christensen (29 May 1826 - 28 Dec 1915) & Christian Peterson (1829/31 - 24 Sep 1911)

m. 18 Apr 1852, Dronninglund Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark

Peter Christian Anderson Sr.* (7 Jul 1828 - 3 Dec 1903) & Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen (25 Sep 1835 - 28 Apr 1872)

m. Dec 1855, Atlantic Ocean

Peter Christian Anderson Sr* (7 Jul 1828 - 3 Dec 1903) & Christina Nielsen (1853 - 15 Mar 1889)

m. 6 Sep 1873, Utah

Maren "Mary" Christensen (abt Feb 1831 - 7 Feb 1922) & Jens Christian "James" Christensen (Apr 1843 - 4 May 1939)

m. 2 Aug 1868, Skæve Sogn, Hjørring Amt, Denmark

Christine Anderson (25 Dec 1833 - 12 Jun 1910) & Anders Jorgen Mortensen (21 Sep 1833 - 13 Oct 1884)

m. 22 Aug 1857, Parowan, Iron Co., UT

Ane Marie Anderson (18 Jun 1837 - 28 May 1872) & Jens Christian Nielsen (10 Aug 1830 - 26 Dec 1920)

m. 2 Oct 1856, Big Cottonwood, Salt Lake Co., UT

Niels Christian Anderson (28 Jul 1840 - 11 Mar 1855)

Else Marie Anderson (29 Sep 1848 -)

2 Children & selected grandchildren of Peter Christian Anderson & his first wife, Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen.

Peter Christian Anderson Sr. (7 Jul 1828 - 3 Dec 1903) & Kirsten Marie "Christina" Jacobsen (25 Sep 1835 - 28 Apr 1872)

m. Dec 1855, Atlantic Ocean

Peter Christian Anderson Jr. (10 Oct 1857 - 19 Jul 1942) & Hannah Williams Rees (13 Apr 1860 - 18 Jun 1937)

m. 1887

Heber Christian Anderson (15 Nov 1859 - 24 Apr 1924)

Anna Maria Christina Anderson (14 Mar 1862 - 17 Aug 1949) & William Bryant Gardner (23 Nov 1853 - 30 Jul 1924)

m. 6 Jun 1879, Tuba City, Navajo Co., AZ

Amelia Anderson (27 Oct 1863 - 17 Sep 1954) & Charles Frederick "Fred" Gardner (15 Apr 1858 - 29 Dec 1926)

m. 11 Jul 1880, Tuba City, Navajo Co., AZ

Ephraim Anderson (30 Sep 1865 - 11 Nov 1940) & Eliza J. Edmunds (23 Jun 1868 - 10 Jun 1941)

m. 23 Mar 1892, Sanpete Co., UT

Lavinia Anderson (10 Jan 1870 - 3 Nov 1969) & William George Francom (27 Jan 1870 - 22 Nov 1946)

m. 21 Feb 1895, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., UT

3 Children & selected grandchildren of Peter Christian Anderson & his second wife, Christina Nielsen.

Peter Christian Anderson Sr. (7 Jul 1828 - 3 Dec 1903) & Christina Nielsen (1853 - 15 Mar 1889)

m. 6 Sep 1873, Utah

Erastus Anderson (23 Mar 1875 - 9 May 1958) & Malinda Christena Nielsen (1891 - 1954)

m. 24 Sep 1913, Sanpete Co., UT

Christina Anderson* (23 Nov 1877 - 20 Nov 1952) & John Anderson Brewer (1872 or 10 Apr 1874 - 21 Jul 1924)

m. 23 Nov 1898, Wales, Sanpete Co., UT

Christina Anderson* (23 Nov 1877 - 20 Nov 1952) & William Stewart Seely (14 Jan 1881 - 4 Jul 1952)

m. 26 Oct 1927

Helena "Lena" Anderson (14 Aug 1880 - 4 Jun 1913) & Wales Davis Thomas (27 Jul 1875 - 23 Apr 1931)

m. 5 May 1909, Sanpete Co., UT
Caroline Anderson (12 May 1883 - 19 Sep 1950) & Henry John Reese (11 Jul 1879 - 4 Jul 1940)
m. 15 Feb 1905, Manti, Sanpete Co., UT
Mary Adaline Anderson (3 Sep 1885 - 12 Nov 1888)
Annie Margretha Anderson (5 Aug 1888 - 22 Sep 1972) & Ephraim T. Thomas (31 Dec 1886 - 11 Mar 1967)
m. 30 Oct 1912, Manti Temple, Manti, Sanpete Co., UT