

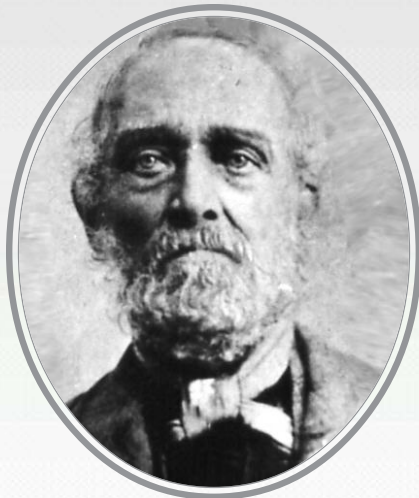
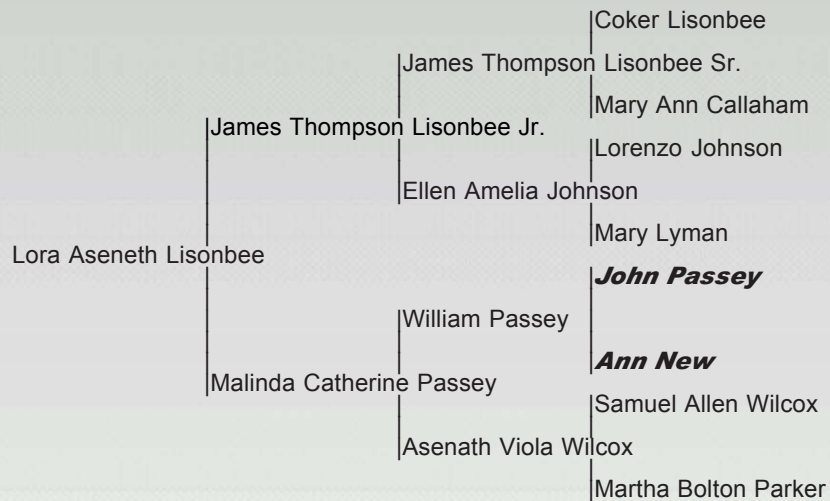
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# Fourth Generation Ancestors



John Passey  
 Born: 1810 England



Ann New  
 Born: 1816 England



# John Passey & Ann New

**John Passey**, son of Thomas Passey and Margaret Showell, was born on 17 Dec 1810 in Twynning, Gloucester, England. He died on 21 Mar 1883 in Paris, Bear Lake, Idaho.

John married **Ann New**, daughter of William New and Elizabeth Collins, on 17 Apr 1836 in St. Nicolas Parish, Worcester, Worcester, England. Ann was born on 20 Oct 1816 in Upton on Severn, Worcestershire, England. She died on 6 Apr 1911 in Paris, Bear Lake, Idaho.

They had the following children...

Thomas Passey	23 Sep 1837	Strensham, Worcester, England
William Passey	29 Dec 1839	Strensham, Worcester, England
Fredrick Passey	7 Sep 1842	Strensham, Worcester, England
George Passey	14 Dec 1844	Strensham, Worcester, England
Herbert Passey	18 Apr 1847	Strensham, Worcester, England
Mary Passey	Sep 1848	Strensham, Worcester, England
John Parley Passey	12 Jun 1851	Strensham, Worcester, England



# Life Sketch of John & Ann

## John Passey

1810 England - 1883 Idaho

## Ann New

1816 England - 1911 Idaho

### John's childhood...

John Passey was born December 17, 1810, in Twynning Parish, Gloucester, England. His parents were Thomas Passey and Margaret Showell. He was the eldest son in a family of nine children.

### Ann's childhood...

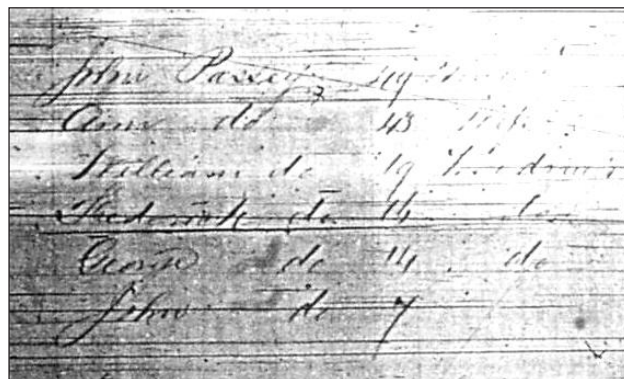
Ann's parents, William New and Elizabeth Collins, had six children. Ann was their fourth. She was born October 20, 1816, in Upton on Severn, Worcester, England. Her parents had her christened on March 22, 1818 in the parish church.

### Marriage and Family...

John and Ann were married April 17, 1836, in St. Nicolas Parish in Worcester, Worcester, England. John was smaller in stature than Ann who was nearly a head taller than her husband.



Early homes of John Passey and Ann New.



John Passey family listed on British Mission emigration record as passengers on the *Underwriter* sailing from Liverpool, England, to New York City.

John and Ann moved to the small village of Strensham, Worcester, England, where a daughter and six sons joined the family. Five sons grew to manhood.

The land in Strensham belonged to a handful of farmers. These farmers gave employment to the balance of the community, including John. There was one church that everyone attended, the Church of England. Here in this church, John and Ann's sons learned the alphabet and the rudiments of an education.

John and Ann suffered from hunger in England. When Ann gave birth to her second child, William, on December 29, 1839, the family lived in very poor circumstances. She nearly became blind while nursing baby William. Blood came instead of milk because of her lack of food.

John and Ann buried two babies in Strensham in 1849, a little baby daughter and a two-year-old son.

### A new faith...

When Ann heard the elders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, she wanted to embrace the Gospel. But her husband John, threatened to drown any man that attempted to baptize her. His wife reminded him that he had never heard the elders preach. There were others who also did not like the elders. A mob gathered at Ann's baptism and began throwing rotten eggs. She did not let this deter her determination. She and her sister Sarah were baptized on the same day in 1850 as the mob pelted them with eggs. When John learned that she had been baptized, he wept. He

started reading the tracts she left around the house and decided to listen to the elders. He was baptized three weeks later after attending three meetings.

John and Ann stopped attending the Church of England. The landlord greatly reduced John's wages to pressure them into remaining active in the Church of England. John would not yield, so the farmer let him go. The other farmers in the community joined in the persecution and refused him work as well.

The Passey family was starved into seeking employment elsewhere. They moved to Birmingham, Warwick, England—forty miles away—and prospered. Here they remained for nine years and saved enough money to take the entire family to America. This would have been impossible in Strensham.

The Pasesys were active members of their new faith. As an Elder, John baptized his four eldest sons in England, Thomas and William in 1851, and Frederick and George in 1854. He was branch president during his years in the Birmingham Branch and baptized many others and performed numerous priesthood ordinations and blessings of babies.

### ***Farewell ole England...***

All the family went to America. Their eldest son, Thomas Passey, went first. The rest of the Passey family followed later. They sailed from Liverpool, England, on the ship *Underwriter*, with 594 Saints on board, on March 30, 1860, and landed in New York on May 1, 1860. For a year the Pasesys found work wherever they could and saved money to go to Zion. When they reached Winter Quarters, they joined the Joseph Horne Company and started across the plains on July 1, 1861.



Early pioneer trail of John Passey and Ann New. They took a steamer from New York City to Boston, the train from Boston to Omaha, and another steamer from Omaha to Florence (Winter Quarters), where they joined a wagon train traveling to Salt Lake City. Florence is currently part of Omaha.

**A**s a child I took dainties to my great-grandmother [Elizabeth] Collins New, who joined the Church in her old age. [My] . . . great grandchildren are the seventh generation in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. I had the privilege of seeing the people of these seven generations during my life upon the earth. I know William New and Elizabeth Collins New were both buried in Upton on Severn, as I have seen their graves when a child. [Elizabeth] was fair complexioned and good looking. She was baptized a member of the Mormon Church in her old age.

—Great granddaughter Sarah Jane Neat

The company had a camp routine including prayers each night and morning. In the morning the bugler called the company together with his horn. John was a violinist, a left-handed fiddler. In the evening he furnished the music for the camp's usual dancing and amusement. They danced the Quadrille, Scottish, Waltz, and French Tour.

The company arrived in Salt Lake City, Utah, on September 13, 1861. The persecution that they experienced in England was now far behind them both in years and miles.

After crossing the plains, John and Ann settled in Salt Lake City, then Cedar Fort, Utah, and then moved to Paris, Idaho, in the Fall of 1865. There they remained.

Paris was a howling wilderness then. The bear and mountain lion inhabited the forest and the wolf, coyote, fox, and badger roamed the plains. When the grain froze or the grasshoppers took the crops, flour had to be obtained from other valleys.

The Pasesys experienced hard times in this cold country, but their home was a comfortable. It had two rooms with a cellar and a lean-to as another room. One room had a slate rock floor and the others had wooden floors. Many homes in the area had straw for floors.

One wintery day after a heavy snowstorm, John shoveled the snow and became exhausted. As he lay dying he whispered his last words to Ann, "I feel sorry for you tonight." He passed away on March 21, 1883, at age seventy-two.

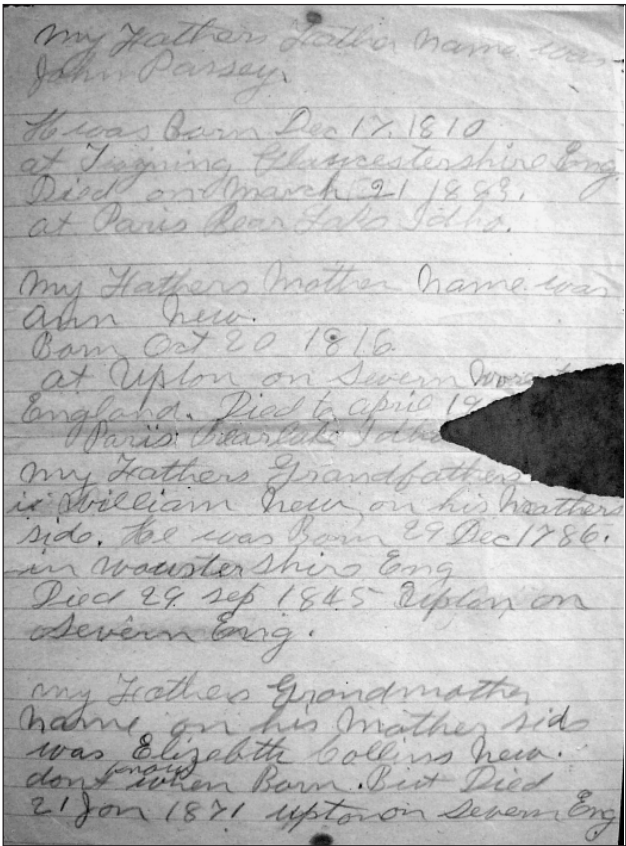
Ann was a widow for twenty-eight years. She lived



near her children in a small house built by her son, Fred. Although she was almost blind, she lived alone and took care of her house. She was ninety-four years old when she died on April 6, 1911, in Paris, Idaho.

**Tribute to John...**

In the face of persecution, John remained steadfast. He was never known to waiver in his faith and was firm to his death. He was a kind man who was dearly loved by his grandchildren. He always had a flower garden.



**Tribute to Ann...**

Ann was a kindhearted woman and always worked for the benefit and comfort of others. She couldn't stand gossip and was never heard to speak evil of anyone. She was a good cook and kept her home immaculate. She could laugh at her mistakes and was able to face life with a good sense of humor.

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Left: My father's father's name was John Passey. He was born Dec. 17, 1810, at Twynning, Gloucester, Eng. Died on March 21, 1883, at Paris, Bear Lake, Idaho.  
My father's mother's name was Ann New. Born Oct. 20, 1816, at Upton on Severn, Worcester, England. Died 6 April 19 . . . Paris, Bear Lake, Idaho.  
My father's grandfather's name is William New on his mother's side. He was born 29 Dec 1786 in Worcester, Eng. Died 29 Sep 1845 Upton on Severn, Eng.  
My father's grandmother's name on his mother's side was Elizabeth Collins New. Don't know when born, but died 21 Jan 1871 Upton on Severn, Eng. (Her death date is actually 25 Jan 1871).

—Malinda Catherine Passey Lisonbee

Name	Birth	Town	County	Baptism Date	Branch	By Whom
John Passey	17 Dec 1810	Twynning	Gloucester	14 Jan 1830	Stratford-on-Avon	E. Passey
Ann Passey	20 Oct 1816	Upton	Worcester	28 Apr 1830	Stratford-on-Avon	E. Passey
Thomas Passey	23 Sep 1837	Stratford	Warwick	3 Jun 1857	Stratford-on-Avon	E. Passey
William Passey	29 Dec 1839	Stratford	Warwick	3 Jun 1859	Stratford-on-Avon	E. Passey
George Passey	16 Jan 1846	Stratford	Warwick	23 Jul 1866	Birmingham	E. Passey
Frederick Passey	7 Sep 1847	Stratford	Warwick	23 Jul 1866	Birmingham	E. Passey

John Passey family on page 7 & 9 of Birmingham branch register of members. Listed are John Passey and wife Ann, and four sons, Thomas, William, George and Frederick.