

Letter from Zemira Palmer to his sister
Lovina Palmer (Munro/Brandon/Bulkley)

Enterprise Washington Co
Utah Territory
June 1st 1879

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Dear Sister ^ I received your letter of May 17th yesterday & take this chance to reply as I expect to go away for two or three weeks. I do not expect to come north very soon So you may have what mother willed me. I did think I would have something got with it as a keepsake to remember her by but I think I shall not forget her very soon. If it is necessary for you to have an order from me to get it you can show them this letter which wil be sufficient I think. We are all tolerably well at present. I can see that I am gradually failing in strength of body as well as mind. & Sally is breaking down fast & may say literally wearing out for she works as hard as ever & will not be talked out of it. We got some letters from the children in Arizona yesterday

Lovina is likely living in Draper or Springville.

Zemira's mother, Phebe, died in Draper 28 Feb 1879

Phebe's son, Zemira Kartchner, born 12 Apr 1879 in Snowflake dies 8 months later 28 Dec 1879

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Zemira's 3 oldest; Alma, Lydia, Phebe, all married Kartchners, all on same day. Called to go to Arizona by Brigham Young with William Decatur Kartchner.

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