

Candlestick Bases



In memoriam
Lucy Seymour Hatch
April 20, 1867



Lucy Seymour was a true pioneer woman, and the history found on her and her family has roots in the founding of our country. Her father, Zadock Seymour, fought in the Revolutionary War. Although a source could not be found, many online histories including his name state he survived smallpox and fought in Washington's Army.

Lucy Seymour Hatch was buried in Masonic Cemetery, Trinidad, Colorado. She was born in New York on March 1, 1806 and died November 18, 1867, as noted on our candle bases on the altar. She married Alexander Hatch in New York.

The 1850 United States Census puts her in Las Vegas, New Mexico territory. She is listed as "Mrs. Lucy Hatch." Her husband is not listed, but one daughter, Augustus, is listed with her. Her occupation is listed as "Boarding House." On the 1870 United States census, husband Alexander is in Trinidad, Colorado. He's alone and a butcher. On the 1880 United States census, husband Alexander is living in Trinidad with his daughter, Flora McClure, her husband, and 3 grandchildren (Flora, Mary, and George). Alexander is a farmer.

An August 19, 2008 article from the Trinidad Times Independent discusses the 2008 closing of Trinidad's Trinity Episcopal Church, which they reported began June 24, 1868, the year after Lucy died. They occupied a single church building for 120 years.

From page 41 of a 1910, not in copyright book, *The Descendants of Moses and Sarah Kilham Porter of Pawlet, Vermont*: "Alexander Hatch resided for a long time in Lockport, NY, but went overland to California in 1849, leaving behind his family in New Mexico, where he, himself, returned in 1851, taking up stock raising as a business, near Las Vegas, N.M. At the beginning of the Civil War, he was driven from his ranch by guerillas and Indians, but resettled in the same general neighborhood. In later years, he resided at Trinidad, Col."

The Rev. James Ragsdale of St. Elizabeth's brought these candlesticks to St. Elizabeth's Church after they were given to him at the closing of Trinity. Trinity had been Rev. Ragsdale's family church.