



Face of Fillmore

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This week's Face of Fillmore turns once again to the more romantic side of life in Fillmore.

A visit to the home of Judy Robison Roberts on Canyon Road was a great example to me of preserving a family's past. In the front bedroom hangs a large frame and inside is a full-length wedding dress worn by Judy's grandmother. I had imaged brides of early days in the West with quite plain dresses, as there were obviously limited stores to shop in, but this dress has intricate detailing and is still very beautiful.

Judy is fortunate enough to have a journal of her grandfather, telling of their courtship and early life together.

Myrtle Catherine Morgan (her grandmother) was born in Layton in 1890 and her grandfather Brigham Bosworth was born in Kaysville in 1884. Brigham tells of their courtship:

"I took Myrtle Morgan out one winter. We had our fun with winter sports, including sleigh riding, dancing, house parties and the theatre. Those were the days of silent pictures and illustrated songs, which we enjoyed at the theatre. However, most of our courtship was carried on through letters. We were married March 30, 1910 in the Salt Lake Temple. I was 25 years old and Myrtle was 20. My sister Clara Browning and my Aunt Lizzie Decker went through the temple with us. In the evening we had our wedding reception in the Farmers' Union Hall in Layton. We had a grand celebration, including program, dancing and luncheon, including her mother's famous nut cake. Dr. Joseph Grant remarked that I had married the most beautiful girl in Davis County."

"We stayed in Layton a few weeks until spring got a little farther on its way. Then we packed our wagon with bedding, clothing, and wedding presents and were on our way



Brigham and Myrtle Bosworth



Wedding Dress

to the homestead. Hotels were not common in small country towns and it was customary to inquire of some prospective home for a night's lodging which we did, and we stayed with Danish family in Matua. Next morning, we paid for our night's accommodations and we were on our way again. We went to Preston that day and stayed at Uncle Jimmy Bosworth's that night and the next day went to Treasureton, Idaho."

Most of their married life was spent in the Kaysville area or in Idaho where they owned a farm. They even lived in Delta for a short period of time. While there, Brigham was a car salesman. When the children began school, the family moved to Preston, Idaho.

Sadly, in 1933, Myrtle contracted typhoid fever and died, leaving a family of nine children, the youngest being only two years old.

It is fortunate that the family still has such a precious remembrance for their large posterity of the Bosworth family to enjoy.