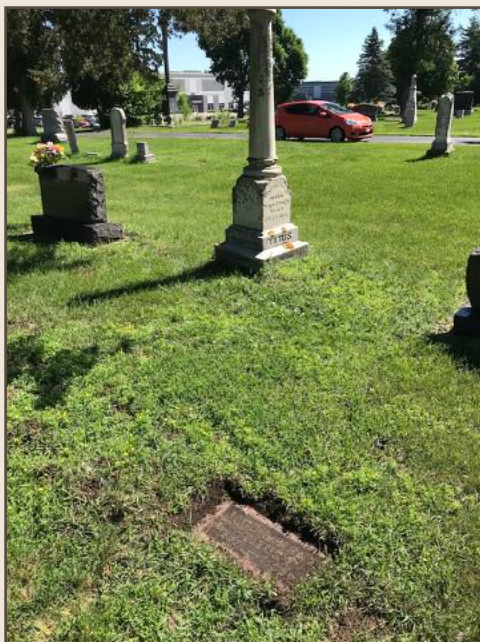


Moses Starr Titus was a farmer. He also organized one of the first schools in the Minnesota River Valley.

Moses and Jane quickly prospered on their new homestead.

Moses Starr Titus, for 26 years a resident of Shakopee, and 34 years an inhabitant of Minnesota, died on September 22, 1878. He was 58 years old.

Jane Lamont Titus died on March 26, 1899 at age 72. She was buried at the Valley Cemetery in Shakopee.



Shakopee City, Minnesota Territory



Shakopee ca 1858 Edwin Whitefield.
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Both the town site plat filled in the summer of 1855 and the second one filled on December 27, 1855 had the inscription 'Plat of Shakopee City.' Posted mail called the area Shakopee, MT (Minnesota Territory).

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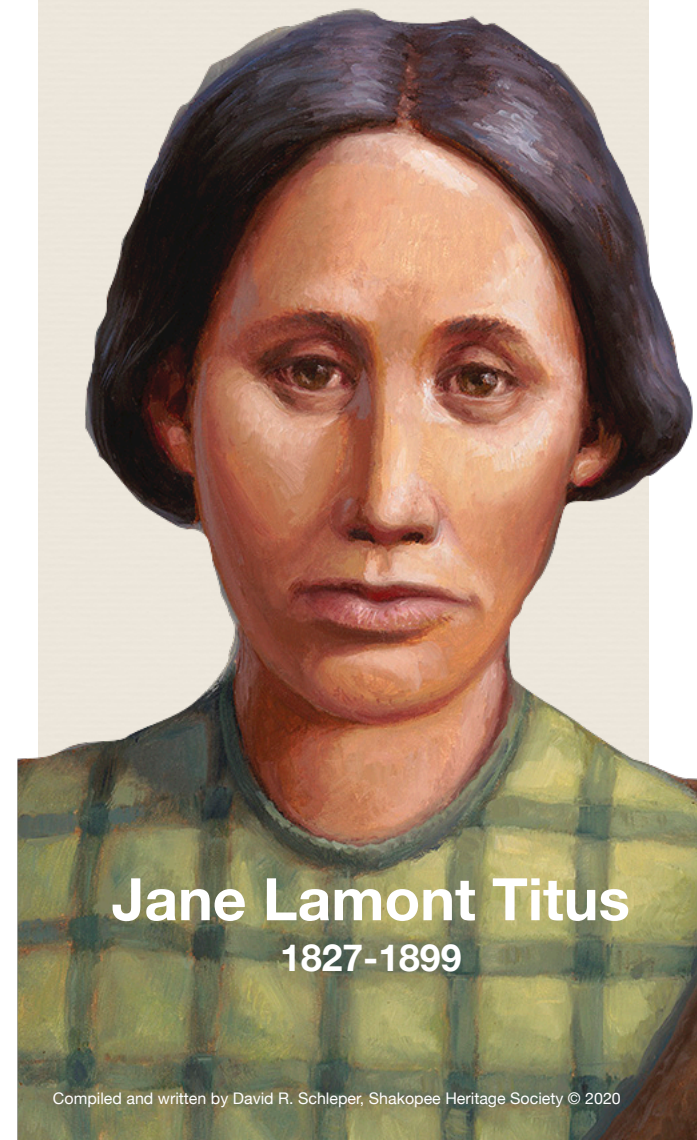
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Jane Lamont Titus

1827-1899



Samuel and Cordelia Eggleston Pond and family (Elnathan, Rebecca, and Jennette Clarissa) and Jane Lamont (in blue) at Prairieville in 1847. Painting by Dave Geister and the Shakopee Heritage Society 2019.

Jane Lamont was around 13 years old. She spoke the Dakota language. She did not speak English.

She was born on January 11, 1827. It was 1840, now, and Jane Lamont's mother, Han̄yetu Kihnaye Wiŋ (Hush the Night) was Dakota. Jane Lamont's grandparents were Maŋpiya Wiçašta and Caŋ Paduta Wiŋ of the Bde Maka Ska band who lived in the southern shore in Minneapolis. Maŋpiya Wiçašta was also known as Cloudman, and Caŋ Paduta Wiŋ was known as Red Cherry Woman.

Jane's father, Daniel Lamont married Han̄yetu Kihnaye Wiŋ (Hush the Night) *à la façon du pays* around 1824. He married a second time to Margaret, daughter of Markpeemane, or Walking Cloud, a Sisseton leader in 1827. Besides Jane, Daniel Lamont also had two sons, Colin and Charles.

Daniel died in 1837.

In the spring of 1840, Samuel Pond was planning to abandon the Lake Harriet mission. Han̄yetu Kihnaye Wiŋ (Hush the Night) had known the Pond's while living in their father's village called Heyate Otuŋwe, or the village at the side. It was near a marshy area, later called Lake Calhoun, and now known as its original name, Bde Maka Ska.

Han̄yetu Kihnaye Wiŋ asked Samuel Pond to take Jane and raise her with the Pond family. This fluidity of family comes from Indian tradition. "This had always been a part of active life, this ability to hand over a child to a sister, or to someone else, to raise for a while if you're having trouble," said author Louise Erdrich.

Jane Lamont lived with Samuel and Cordelia Eggleston Pond, as well as Gideon and Sarah Poage Pond at Oak Grove and at Shakopee for 13 years. She learned English.

In 1847, Samuel and Cordelia Eggleston Pond and family, along with Jane Lamont, moved to Tínta Otuŋwe, which Samuel named Prairieville.

Moses Starr Titus met Jane while at Bde Maka Ska (Lake Calhoun).

On March 14, 1850, at the age of 21, Jane Lamont married Samuel Pond's nephew, Moses.

In the fall of 1851, Moses came to the residence of his uncle, Reverend Samuel W. Pond, Jr., and spent the winter here in Prairieville.

In the fall of 1852, Moses Starr Titus and Jane Lamont Titus, along with their first child, Seymour Starr Titus, built a house. In 1860, the house was moved 2 blocks west and a little north. The land for the cabin was the area that Jane Lamont Titus bought from land script from the government.



Jane and Moses built a large residence not too far from the Pond's residence, which they lived in until they both died. A picture from the Scott County Historical Museum shows the home, built in 1868.

Moses and Jane had four children, three sons and a daughter: Seymour Starr Titus (1851), Henry Harlan Titus (1854), Moses Starr Titus (1858), and Jane Marilla Titus (1866). Moses Starr and Jane Lamont Titus were involved in the founding of the Presbyterian Church, and they took an active role. Jane was remembered as a woman of kindness and mercy. As a wife and mother, she was true and tender, and as a mother she exerted all a mother's love and watchful care.



Moses Starr Titus (1819-1878), Jane Lamont Titus (1827-1899), and children Seymour Starr Titus (1851), Moses Starr Titus (1858), and Henry Harlan Titus (1854). Missing is Jane Marilla Titus. Picture ca. 1860. Picture from Lisa Ferguson and the Shakopee Heritage Society.