

was inconsolable. He stopped eating and eventually died due to grief over his mother's death. Clarence Bartram Marsing died on November 5, 1899, just over two (2) months after the death of his mother. Clarence Bartram was buried in Price, Carbon County, Utah. Loretta Tucker Johnson attended to the children's needs until Carlos Batrum was eight (8) years old.

Batrum eventually arranged to have his half brother, Martin Luther Marsing and Martin's wife, Lucy Fidelia Powell care for Emma Caroline and Carlos Batrum while he continued to work in the coal mines in Castle Gate, Carbon County.

Martin Luther Marsing and his wife, Lucy Fidelia Powell eventually moved to Duchesne, Duchesne County with their family. They took Emma Caroline and Carlos Batrum with them to Duchesne.

Eventually, Batrum Marsing became too ill to continue working in the mines. He had developed a bad heart and Black Lung (coal workers' pneumoconiosis). Black Lung results from inhaling coal dust over a long time. Coal dust collects around the small airways (bronchioles) of the lungs. It spreads throughout the lungs and shows up as tiny spots on an x-ray. The coal dust doesn't block the airways; however, it can develop into a more serious disease called progressive massive fibrosis, in which large areas of the lungs become scarred. Progressive massive fibrosis may worsen even after a person is no longer exposed to coal dust. The scarring can destroy lung tissue and the blood vessels in the lungs. Batrum's death certificate indicates he died of Chronic Nephritis (inflammation of the kidneys).

Unable to work, Batrum moved in with his half brother, Martin Luther Marsing. He helped around the house and assisted Lucy Fidelia doing light housework such as cooking and doing the dishes.

On May 7, 1920, Nicolai Bertrand Nicolaisen aka Batrum Marsing died at the home of half brother, Martin Luther Marsing and Lucy Fidelia Powell in Duchesne, Utah. Batrum was 64 years old when he died. His son, Carlos Batrum Marsing remembers being present when Batrum died. Carlos said Emma Caroline was in the kitchen and he was in the bedroom with Batrum when he died. He said it was a blessing when Batrum died because of the prolong suffering he had gone through with his bad health. On May 11, 1920, Batrum was buried in the Duchesne City Cemetery, Duchesne, Duchesne County, Utah. The cemetery is located at the mouth of Indian Canyon on the southern outskirts of Duchesne.

### **BOTHILDA (MATILDA) NEILSON**

Bothilda (Matilda) Neilson was born on October 19, 1860 in Genarp, Malmous, Sweden. She was the daughter of Nils Carls Son and Elna Nils Datter. It is not known when or how she immigrated to the United States. Also, it is not known how she traveled to Utah once she had arrived in the United States.

She apparently resided in or near Salt Lake City for a period of time as she identified her residence in Salt Lake County on her Certificate of Marriage. It is not known how or where she met Nicolai Bertrand Nicholaisen aka Batrum Marsing. However, they were married on April 3, 1894 in Cleveland, Emery County, Utah.

It is not known if Matilda Neilson was previously married. Records indicate that Emma Caroline Marsing was born on September 10, 1888 in Salt Lake City, Utah. Emma was born six (6) years prior to the marriage of Batrum Marsing and Matilda Neilson. Also, records indicate there was an infant daughter born in 1893 and died the same year. This daughter was also born in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Matilda Neilson and Batrum Marsing resided in Castle Gate, Carbon County, Utah during the birth of their two sons, Clarence Bartram and Carlos Batrum. Clarence Bartram Marsing was born on September 3, 1896 in Castle Gate. Carlos Batrum was born on August 8, 1899 also in Castle Gate.

Matilda Neilson Marsing died on August 25, 1899; 17 days after the birth of Carlos Batrum. Her death certificate indicates the cause of death was Chronic Entro Colitis (a degenerative disease of the large intestines). She was listed as buried in a now unmarked grave in the old Castle Gate Cemetery in Castle Gate, Carbon County, Utah. The cemetery is located near the junction of Highway 6 and Highway 191; Highway 191 runs from Castle Gate through Indian Canyon to Duchsene Utah. Although the grave is not marked, there is a large stone marker outside the cemetery that identifies those known to have been buried in the cemetery. Matilda Neilson Marsing's name appears on the marker.

#### **NIELS LARSON (MARSING)**

Niels Larson was born on December 23, 1828 in Dybeck Ostra, Vemmenhog, Malmohus, Sweden. He was the son of Lars Martensson and Bengta Hansson. Niels Larson has been identified in records using various derivatives of his name, including:

Nils Larson  
Niles Larson  
Niels Larsson  
Niels Larsen

He ultimately petitioned the Utah Territorial legislature to legally change his name to Niels Larson Marsing. Family histories indicate the reason he gave for changing his name was that when he first arrived in Salt Lake City there were so many Larsons, Larsens, and Larssons that he felt no one would ever know him as an individual. Marsing is also a Swedish last name.