Jens Andersen

Jens Andersen was born on February 9, 1830 in Vindbye, Vind, Ringkobing, Denmark. Nothing else is currently known about his early life. He sailed to America on the packet ship *B.S. Kimball*\(^{35}\), departing from Liverpool, England on May 8, 1863 and arriving at New York on June 15, 1863\(^{36}\). A further account of the journey to Utah was found on the *Mormon Immigration Index* CD published by the church:

> The 'B. S. Kimball' cast anchor in the harbor of New York in the evening of Saturday, June 13th, and on the 15th the passengers were permitted to go ashore. In the evening of the same day the emigrants continued by train to Albany. There a fine boy was born. The company then proceeded to Florence, Nebraska, from which place the journey across the plains was commenced in connection with the other company from Scandinavia. . . . \(^{37}\) This company is likely the John F. Sanders Company, which has no roster, but is referenced in journal accounts of fellow B.S. Kimball passengers.\(^{38}\)

The John F. Sanders Company journeyed to Utah from July 6, 1863 to September 5, 1863. Jens Andersen married Bengta or Betsy Swenson on July 30, 1865 in Smithfield, Cache, Utah. More information about their life together can be found in her life sketch elsewhere in this book. He died on October 3, 1915 in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake, Utah\(^{39}\).

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35 See also http://www.xmission.com/~nelsonb/ship_desc.htm#bskimball.
36 Ancestry.com passenger list (image 10 of 13).
38 *Mormon Immigration Index*.