

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Porter, Josephus Clinton Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
Represented Decatur County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 1826 eastern Ohio

2. Marriage (s) date place

Matilda Catherine Gardner ca. 1851 Crawell County, Ohio

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He organized the first society of the Church of Christ in Leora in June 1854 with about 25 members

B. Civic responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

C. Profession Minister (for 15 years at Leora); Teacher

4. Church membership Church of Christ

5. Sessions served 18<sup>th</sup> General Assembly 1880

6. Public Offices

A. Local Decatur County treasurer; county recorder; county superintendent

B. State \_\_\_\_\_

C. National \_\_\_\_\_

7. Death 19 Apr 1900 Los Angeles, California; buried Artesia Cemetery, Cerritos, California

8. Children Ralph Franklin; Robert Chester; Allie; Ida M.; Willmattie; John C.; Benjamin; Roy; Melvin C.; Annette B.

9. Names of parents James and Rachel (Jackson) Porter

10. Education *He was educated in public schools in his Ohio neighborhood*

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information *Republican*

- *He first located in Clayton County, Iowa in October 1853, but moved to Decatur County, Iowa in spring 1854*
- *He then lived for 2 or 3 years in Missouri and then returned to Decatur County, Iowa*
- *In 1882, because of failing health, he went to California where he lived until his death.*
- *He was pastor of the Christian Church in Leon, Iowa for 20 years;*
- *He taught in Leon, Iowa 1860-1868*







## 1850 United States Federal Census

Name: **Josephus C Porter**  
 Age: **23**  
 Estimated birth year: **abt 1827**  
 Birth Place: **Ohio**  
 Gender: **Male**  
 Home in 1850 (City,County,State): **Auburn, Tuscarawas, Ohio**  
 Family Number: **364**

Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">James Porter</a>	55
	<a href="#">Rachel Porter</a>	54
	<a href="#">Josephus C Porter</a>	23
	<a href="#">Elizabeth J Porter</a>	22
	<a href="#">Covington S Porter</a>	20
	<a href="#">Minerva L Porter</a>	18
	<a href="#">Mary A Porter</a>	16
	<a href="#">Cynthia E Porter</a>	15
	<a href="#">Michael M Porter</a>	13
	<a href="#">Henry A Porter</a>	11

**Source Citation:** Year: 1850; Census Place: Auburn, Tuscarawas, Ohio; Roll: M432\_734; Page: 28B; Image: 63.

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## 1870 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Josephus C Porter</b>	
Birth Year:	abt 1827	
Age in 1870:	43	
Birthplace:	Ohio	
Home in 1870:	Center, Decatur, Iowa	
Race:	White	
Gender:	Male	
Value of real estate:	<a href="#">View image</a>	
Post Office:	Leon	
Household Members:	Name	Age
	<a href="#">Josephus C Porter</a>	43
	<a href="#">Matilda C Porter</a>	35
	<a href="#">Franklin R Porter</a>	17
	<a href="#">Robert C Porter</a>	13
	<a href="#">Allie J Porter</a>	11
	<a href="#">Ida W Porter</a>	10
	<a href="#">Mattie Porter</a>	11/12

**Source Citation:** Year: 1870; Census Place: Center, Decatur, Iowa; Roll: M593\_386; Page: 224A; Image: 453; Family History Library Film: 545885.

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Ancestry.com. 1870 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch.

**Original data:**

- 1870 U.S. census, population schedules. NARA microfilm publication M593, 1,761 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.
- Minnesota census schedules for 1870. NARA microfilm publication T132, 13 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.

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## 1880 United States Federal Census

Name:	<b>Josephus C. Porter</b>
Home in 1880:	Center, Decatur, Iowa
Age:	53
Estimated birth year:	abt 1827
Birthplace:	Ohio
Relation to head-of-household:	Self (Head)
Spouse's name:	Matilda C. Porter
Father's birthplace:	Pennsylvania
Mother's birthplace:	Pennsylvania
Neighbors:	<a href="#">View others on page</a>
Occupation:	Preacher
Marital Status:	Married
Race:	White
Gender:	Male
Cannot read/write:	
Blind:	
Deaf and dumb:	<a href="#">View image</a>
Otherwise disabled:	
Idiotic or insane:	
Household Name	Age
Members:	
<a href="#">Josephus C. Porter</a>	53
<a href="#">Matilda C. Porter</a>	45
<a href="#">Chester R. Porter</a>	23
<a href="#">Allie J. Porter</a>	21
<a href="#">Ida M. Porter</a>	20
<a href="#">Wilmattie Porter</a>	11
<a href="#">John C. Porter</a>	9
<a href="#">Benjamin Porter</a>	7
<a href="#">Roy Porter</a>	6
<a href="#">Melvin C. Porter</a>	3
<a href="#">Anna B. Porter</a>	1

**Source Citation:** Year: 1880; Census Place: Center, Decatur, Iowa; Roll: 336; Family History Film: 1254336; Page: 251B; Enumeration District: 58; Image: 0284.

**Source Information:**

Ancestry.com and The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. 1880 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2010. 1880 U.S. Census Index provided by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints © Copyright 1999 Intellectual Reserve, Inc. All rights reserved. All use is subject to the limited use license and other terms and conditions applicable to this site.

Original data: Tenth Census of the United States, 1880. (NARA microfilm publication T9, 1,454 rolls). Records of the Bureau of the Census, Record Group 29. National Archives, Washington, D.C.

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ID: I03315

Name: Josephus Clinton "J. C." Porter

Sex: M

Birth: ABT 1827 in Ohio

Death: BET 1880 AND 1900 in Decatur Co., IA

Note:

Information from Illa Coffey When They moved to Leon, Dacatur co., IA (1855) the Gardners were among the chart members of the Disciples of Christ Church and J. C. Porter was the minister for the church for many years. He also taught school in the Leon Schools. They later moved to the Los Angeles, Ca area where it is said his son was the mayor at one time.

1860 Washington, Mercer, MO J. C. Porter 33 Oh clergyman; M. C. 25 Oh; FR 7 Oh; R. C. 3 IA; A. J. 1 IA

1870 Center, Decatur, Iowa Josephus C. Porter 43 OH minister; Matilda C. 35 OH; Franklin R. 17 OH school teacher; Robert C. 13 IA; Allie J 11 IA; Ida W. 10 MO; Mattie 11/12 Ia July

1880 Center, Decatur, Iowa Josephus C. Porter 53 OH bp Pa Preacher; Matilda C. 45 OH f- PA m- OH; Chester R. 23 OH; Alle J. 21 Iowa teacher; Ida M. 20 MO; Wilmattie 11 IA; John C. 9 IA; Benjamin 7 IA; Roy 6 IA; Melvin C. 3 IA; Anna B. 1 IA

■ Ancestry Hints for **Josephus Clinton "J. C." Porter**

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Father: [James Porter](#) b: 19 SEP 1794 in Fayette Co., PAMother: [Rachel Jackson](#) b: 1795 in PennsylvaniaMarriage 1 [Matilda C. Gardner](#) b: 18 OCT 1834 in Carroll Co., OH

Married: 25 SEP 1851 in Carroll Co., OH

Children

 [Raiff Franklin Porter](#) b: JAN 1853 in Carroll Co., OH

[Robert Chester Porter](#) b: JAN 1857 in Iowa

 [Allie J. Porter](#) b: OCT 1858 in Iowa

[Ida W. Porter](#) b: ABT 1860 in Iowa

[Willmattie Porter](#) b: JUL 1869 in Center, Decatur, IA

 [John C. Porter](#) b: APR 1871 in Center, Decatur, IA

[Benjamin Porter](#) b: OCT 1872 in Center, Decatur, IA

[Roy Porter](#) b: APR 1874 in Center, Decatur, IA

[Melvin C. Porter](#) b: OCT 1876 in Center, Decatur, IA

[Annette "Anna" B. Porter](#) b: APR 1879 in Center, Decatur, IA

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ID: I31156

Name: **Josephus C. PORTER** <sup>1</sup>

Sex: M

Birth: 1827 in Ohio

Census: 1880 Center Twp., Decatur Co., Iowa, E.D. 58.

Census: 1870 Center Twp., Decatur Co., Iowa

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Father: [James PORTER](#) b: 1795 in PennsylvaniaMother: [Rachel JACKSON](#) b: 1796 in PennsylvaniaMarriage 1 [Matilda GARDNER](#) b: 18 OCT 1834

Children

[Franklin R. PORTER](#) b: 1853 in Ohio[Chester Richard PORTER](#) b: 1857 in Iowa[Allie J. PORTER](#) b: 1859 in Iowa[Ida M. PORTER](#) b: 1860 in Missouri[Wilmattie PORTER](#) b: JUL 1869 in Iowa[John C. PORTER](#) b: 1871 in Iowa[Benjamin PORTER](#) b: 1873 in Iowa[Roy PORTER](#) b: 1874 in Iowa[M. C. PORTER](#) b: 1877 in Iowa[Anna B. PORTER](#) b: 1879 in Iowa

Sources:

Author: The Sesquicentennial History Committee, Maxine Renner Eberle, Chmn.

Title: Ragersville, Auburn Twp., Ohio, 1830-1980

Publication: Name: Berlin Printing, Berlin, Ohio, 1980;

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## Josephus C Porter

Birth **22 Aug 1826** in [, , Ohio, USA](#)

Death **19 Apr 1900** in [, Los Angeles, California, USA](#)

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22 Aug [, , Ohio, USA](#)

**1851** [Marriage to Mathilda Catherine Gardner](#)  
Age: 25 [, Carroll, Ohio, USA](#)

**1880** [Residence](#) [1 source citation](#)  
Age: 54 [Center, Decatur, Iowa, United States](#)

**1900** [Death](#)  
19 Apr [, Los Angeles, California, USA](#)  
Age: 73

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#### Parents

No Father

No Mother

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[Mathilda Catherine Gardner](#)  
1834 – 1909

[Franklin R Porter](#)  
1853 –

[Robert Chester Porter](#)  
1857 –

[Allie J Porter](#)  
1858 – 1944

[Ida W Porter](#)  
1860 –

[Wilmatte Porter](#)  
1870 – 1957

[John Clinton Porter](#)  
1871 – 1959

[Benjamin Porter](#)  
1873 –

[Roy Porter](#)  
1874 – 1957

[Melvin Claude Porter](#)  
1876 – 1966

[Anna B Porter](#)  
1879 –

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1 citation provides evidence for **Name, Birth, Residence**

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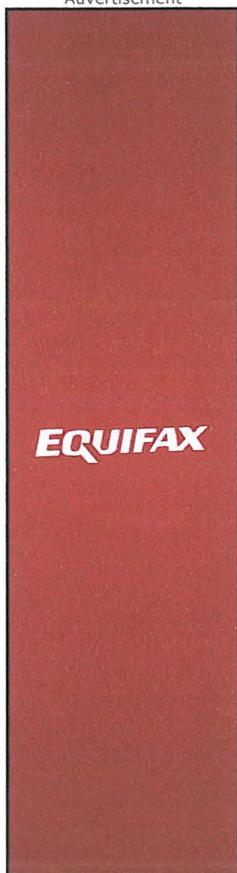
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Death: Apr. 19, 1900

Note: 73 yr 4 mo 26 da

Burial:  
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Death: May 21, 1909

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