My father, Erastus Ires, was born at Farrington, Connecticut, Nov. 2, 1780. He died at Watertown, New York, Sept. 3, 1828. My mother, Lucy Paine, was born Dec. 25, 1782, at Amena, New York. They were married in December 1805. Their children were Joel, Jerome, Julius and Henry. My mother died October 20, 1839, at Nauvoo, Illinois. I was born March 8, 1817, at Watertown, New York and was married to John Pack, October 10, 1832. Our first child, Ward Eton Pack, was born April 17, 1834. My husband and I were baptized March 8, 1836, into The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. We migrated to Kirtland, Ohio, in the spring of 1837. There our first daughter, Lucy Amelia, was born on June 24, 1837. We left Kirtland in the spring of 1838 and went to Davis County, Missouri, twenty miles from Far West. We were in Far West at the celebration on July 4, 1838, when the cornerstone for a temple was laid. The Saints had a good time. It was a general time of rejoicing.

We crossed the Mississippi River at Atlas and settled four miles from Perry, Pike Co., Illinois. We moved to Nauvoo, in April 1840. November 6, 1840, our second son, George Caleb, was born. We were acquainted with Joseph and Hyrum Smith and have often listened to their teachings. In August 1843 I was sealed to John Pack for time and eternity by Hyrum Smith. Our third son, John Pack, was born October 5, 1843. June 27, 1844, Joseph and Hyrum Smith were slain in Carthage jail by a mob, and John Taylor was wounded four times, one bullet striking his watch which saved his life. The dead bodies were brought to Nauvoo, a sorrowful sight to behold. I saw them after they were placed in the Nauvoo Mansion where thousands gazed upon them in silent grief.

Julia Ives Pack died June 23, 1903. Funeral services were held in her home at Kamas, then her body was taken to Salt Lake City where a funeral was held in the 17th Ward, June 25, 1903. Interment was in the Salt Lake City Cemetery.

August 8th [1844]—A special conference was called by the Twelve who had returned from their mission. We learnt from them that it was their prerogative to preside instead of Sidney [Rigdon], as Sidney's, in consequence of unfaithfulness, ordination as prophet, seer and revelator had been taken from him and conferred on Amasa Lyman.