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Dear Logan Family History Center,

I'm from Morgan, Utah and work at the Morgan Family History Center. Sometimes we share our Family History Success Stories and I thought you might enjoy one.

Sunday morning, January 3rd, I was on the computer trying to learn Family Insight. Family Insight is a computer program that helps you move information from a PAF file into the new FamilySearch and also lets you take information from the new FamilySearch program and put it into a PAF file.

As I worked with this program I generated a list of individuals who needed their temple work performed. I randomly selected a woman to send her through new FamilySearch and prepare a FOR when I noticed her husband's work was not done. I also noticed that he was born in 1917 and I realized I could not do his work unless I had his death date. I felt like I should search the Social Security Death Index but I was hesitant because I have not been real successful with the SSDI. I was pleasantly surprised when I found him!

When I looked at his death date it was January 2, 2009. Remember, the Sunday I was working with this family was January 3, 2010. We can't do temple work for someone until they have been dead for one year. The earliest time I could have generated a FOR for this family was Sunday, January 3, 2010.

As I began to understand what had just happened I took a closer look at the man's name. He seemed to be familiar to me in some way. As I checked further, I realized Richard and I had meet him at a Shelby Family Reunion in Tennessee several years ago and he had taken us around the area looking at Shelby Family grave sites.

The Spirit bore testimony to me that James Milton Shelby was alive and wanting his work performed.

I haven't seen spirits in the temple, but I have heard that they are there. I haven't heard voices or dreamed dreams directing me to do a certain person, but I have heard of that happening. I share this story with you because I want to bear my testimony that God lives, that this is His work and we are His helpers. It won't matter how many earthly things we accomplish in this life, but it will matter how hard we try to help ourselves, our descendants and our ancestors receive the ordinances and blessings of the temple. Today my husband and I finished James Milton Shelby's temple work. We also completed his wife's work and are in the process of searching for his wife's family to perform their temple ordinances.

Sincerely,  
Sister Susan Wiscombe  
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