



Edward Partridge

1793–1840

First bishop in the Church

Tarred and feathered by Church opponents

After being called as bishop, Edward asked his wife, Lydia, to pray for him so he could fulfill his calling in a way that pleased the Lord. After Edward's death, the Lord told Joseph Smith that He had received Edward "unto myself" because of his diligence (Doctrine and Covenants 124:19).