

## Calvin Durand Family



Merrie Meade

Originally from Clintonville, NY, Calvin Durand came to Chicago and worked in the grocery business with his brother Henry (also of Lake Forest). Calvin was a member of the Chicago Board of Trade Battery during the Civil War and was a prisoner-of-war in several Confederate prisons. Calvin and his wife Sarah built their home Merrie Meade on Mayflower Road in 1875.

The extended Durand family was active at Lake Forest College, Lake Forest Academy, First Presbyterian Church, and Ferry Hall. Mrs. Durand used to let the girls from Ferry Hall use their cow pasture as a short cut to town. Calvin was mayor of Lake Forest from 1891 to 1895 and helped to bring telephone service to town.

Their daughter, Harriet, married Cornelius Miller Trowbridge, an early student at Lake Forest Academy. Harriet and Cornelius's daughter, Katherine, married Edward Arpee, author of the 1961 history of Lake Forest. In a nod to her ancestors, current resident Harriet Durand Arpee Sherman attended Ferry Hall.

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