

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to William Batchelder VAS2328
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[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed under Batchelder, William.]

The affidavit of Ann Waide of King William County State of Virginia now seventy nine years old after being first sworn according to law, deposeth and sayeth she knew that her husband John Waide, Thomas New [S38258] and William Batchelder enlisted in the Revolutionary war, under Colo. Ben Temple [Benjamin Temple BLWt2214-450] of this County and that they marched to the North, and that Mr Waide and Mr New served three years, and Mr Batchelder served until his death she thinks rather upwards of two years. For the services of her husband John Waid she has received compensation from the Government through the agency of John J. Roane a member of Congress from this County. She further states she is the half sister of Sally New the wife of the said Thomas New; and further this deponent sayeth not.
[22 Aug 1835] Ann Waide

The affidavit of James Jones of King William County and old Revolutionary Soldier now in his eighty seven year after being first duly sworn according to law deposeth and sayeth that he was perfectly acquainted with Colo. Benjamin Temple of King William County and that he served with him in the army in the year 1775 at the Town of Hampton in Virginia, at which time said Temple was a Captain and I belonged to his company. and further this deponent sayeth not.
[17 March 1836] James hisXmark Jones

The Affidavit of Leonard Shackelford [S6085] of King & Queen County an old Revolutionary Soldier now in his 77th year of age, Being first duly sworn, deposeth & saith that he knew, Colo Ben Temple very well, was acquainted with him previous to his going into the Revolutionary War, that Colo. Temple came to Wmsburg [Williamsburg] as a captain in the Fall of the year seventeen hundred & seventy five, and that the said Capt Ben Temple of King William, went on from Wmsburg to the North, where I met with him on my arrival there, at Middle Brook in the Jerseys [Middlebrook NJ] – and he had been promoted to Colo. before I arrived [31 Mar 1777], and also left Colo Temple in the Army when I came away – And Further this deponent saith not
Given under my hand this 21st March 1836



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The affidavit of Capt James Jones [S5624] a revolution Soldier in the nintieth year of his age who after being sworn according to law deposeth and says that he was well aquainted with William Batchelder of s'd county – that he enlisted as a regular soldier in a company of cavalry commanded by Capt Benja Temple and afterwards marched to the North and was attached to Col Blands [Theodorick Bland VAS1859] Regiment, and that his death ocured during the term of his service to which facts this deponant gave a certificate (now lost) about four years since and further desposeth not
[26 Jun 1836] James hisXmark Jones

At a Quarterly Session Court, held for King William County at the Court House on Monday the 28th day of August 1837.

It being proven to the satisfaction of the Court, by the Oath of Edward Pollard, it is Ordered to be certified that Catharine Crouch, Christopher Batchelder and William W. Batchelder are the only children & heirs of Thomas Batchelder dec'd which said Thomas Batchelder dec'd was the brother and only heir of William

Batchelder dec'd who was a soldier in the revolutionary War.
[30 Aug 1837]

To his Excellency the Governor & to the Honourable the Privy Council of the Commonwealth of
Virginia

Your memorialists Reuben Crouch & Catherine his wife who before her marriage was Catherine Batchelder a daughter and heiress of Thomas Batchelder and Christopher Batchelder & Thomas Dabney Committee of William W Batchelder a person of unsound mind all of King William County beg leave respectfully to represent, that said Catherine Crouch, Christopher Batchelder and William W Batchelder are the only children & heirs of Thomas Batchelder dec'd late of said County who was the only brother and heir of William Batchelder dec'd formerly of said County who on or about the [blank] day of [blank] 1775 enlisted as a regular soldier in the Virginia Continental Line in the War of the revolution in a Company of cavalry commanded by Captain Benjamin Temple for the term of three years and immediately after his enlistment he was marched to the north and was attached to Col'n Blands Regiment in which he served about two years and then died in service in some one of the norther states without ever returning home but what battles he was in, & in what different sections of the country he served or at what time & place precisely he died it is out of the power of your memorialists at this distant day to ascertain & prove when there is scarcely any living testimony of such matters remaining – Under the foregoing circumstances your memorialists are advised that as the only heirs of said Thomas Batchelder dec'd who was the only heir of said William Batchelder dec'd they are intitled to Military Land Bounty for the services of said William Batchelder dec'd as a Soldier of Cavalry in the Virginia Continental Line during the war of the revolution for three years as he died in service. They therefore respectfully pray that your honourable body will allow them so much Land as by Law they are entitled to under the fore going circumstances and will direct the Register of the Land Office of Virginia to issue a warrant or warrants for the same. They beg leave to refer to the accompanying Documents marked A, B, C, D and E as evidence to support their claim and as in duty bound will ever pray &c &c.

Herbert A Claiborne Atty for the Memorialists

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