

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Bounty Land Warrant information relating to Emanuel Olvis [a/k/a Emmanuel Alvis] VAS339  
vsl 2VA

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[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I hereby certify that Emanuel Olvis Enlisted under Captain Samuel Timson to serve in the State Regiment of Artillery for 3 years and has served as a good Soldier for that time, July the 10<sup>th</sup> 1783.

Richard Crump Captain Lieutenant

the above Soldier enlisted the 25<sup>th</sup> of September 1777

Saml Crawley Capt.

Emanuel Olvis served  
three years in the Virginia "artillery"

S/ Thomas Mathews

Late Lieut. Col. &c

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Note: Paul Heinegg in his List of Free African Americans in the Revolution: Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland and Delaware (followed by French and Indian wars and colonial militias) posted at <http://www.freeafricanamericans.com/revolution.htm> contains the following information regarding this veteran:

*Emmanuel Alvis was a soldier serving in the Revolution on 15 June 1778 and 21 June 1779 when the York County court allowed his wife Mildred Alvis pay for her subsistence [Orders 1774-84, 163, 219]. He was called Emanuel Olvis on his discharge which stated that he enlisted on 25 September 1777 under Captain Samuel Timson, decd., to serve in the State Regiment of Artillery for three years and he served that time [Revolutionary War Bounty Warrants, Olvis, Emanuel, Digital Collections, LVA]. He was taxable in York County on 4 cattle in 1785, taxable on 2 tithes in 1797, 1798, 1802, 1803, 1805, and a tithe in 1806 and 1807. Milly Alvis was head of a household of 1 "free Negro & mulattoes over 16" in 1813 [PPTL, 1782-1841, frames 106, 180, 199, 209, 227, 235, 274, 284, 304, 314, 325, 384]*