

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Orr VAS342

Faith Orr

[vsl 25VA](#)

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

I do with the advice of Council hereby certify, that Faith Orr widow of William Orr who was a private in Buford's detachment and died in the service of the United States is entitled to the sum of six pounds yearly; which allowance is to commence from the first day of January 1787

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, at Richmond, this 16th day of April 1787.

Meriwether

S/ Edm. Randolph

[f p. 21]

I do with the advice of Council hereby certify that Faith Orr Widow of William Orr, who was a Soldier in Colonel Buford's Detachment and died in the service of the United States, is continued on the list of Pensioners with an allowance of 6 pounds yearly commencing the first day of January 17 90. Given under my hand as Lieutenant Governor (in the absence of the Governor) at Richmond this 16th day of April 1793.

Sam Coleman

S/ James Wood

[Note: most of the documents in this file are orders to the sheriff to pay the widow the pension due her. There are no further details of the veteran's service.]

Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, *Revolutionary War Pensions Awarded by State Governments 1775-1874, the General and Federal Governments Prior to 1814, and by Private Acts of Congress to 1905*, Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Company, 2011, p. 608 contains an entry stating that the veteran was taken prisoner at Buford's defeat [May 29, 1780] and died in captivity.