

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Nash VAS361

vsl 6VA

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

Petition for bounty land

James Nash – Soldier – S. Line [s State Line]

There is nothing offord [sic, of record?], in support of this claim, but the statement, or declaration, on oath of James Nash – that he enlisted & served in the Virginia State line, for 3 years –

Respectfully submitted

John H Smith, Commissioner &c.

May 10, 1834

To his Excellency  
Governor Tazewell

Westmoreland County. State of Virginia. The Affidavit of James Nash of said County aged about Sixty years old declares upon oath. That in the year 1778 he enlisted under Captain John Masesell of the Artillery in the Virginia line of Continental Troops for three years; That he was marched from Leeds Town in said County to Hampton in Virginia and Stationed in the Fort there called Fort Henry. That he staid there about eighteen months and with sixteen others went as a guard to some stores and Clothing to Richmond City. At this place he was put under the Command of Captain Christopher Roane with whom he was marched to Hillsboro in North Carolina, from thence he was marched to Guilford Court House, and from thence to near Camden where he was in the Battle of Gates defeat [August 15-16, 1780] – from thence he fell back with the Troops to Hillsboro, from thence he was marched to the Bigg [Big] Pedee River and from thence to the Cheraws, at which place his time of Service expired, he was then brought to the City of Richmond in Virginia and by the said Captain Christopher Roan [sic] discharged and returned home, to Westmoreland County. This Affiant further states that he has had by his wife nine children, has had to labor hard to raise them, and lost two sons in the late War is now old and extremely infirm, and stands in need of Assistance from his Country, his discharge is worn out & lost – that after his return home, he was drafted from his native County and was at the Siege of York &c.

Taken & sworn to before me a Justice of the peace for the County of Westmoreland.

S/ Saml. Templemane

S/ James Nash, X his mark

[attested April 27, 1818 in Westmoreland County.]