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Virginia documents pertaining to William Cook VAS536 Mary Cook
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 20 Jan 2018.

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

[Parts missing from the left edge of the online image are inferred and shown in brackets.]

[Frederic]k Sct. June Court 1786

Ordered that it be certified that Mary Cook a pension[er] and Relict of William Cook dec'd. who was a soldier in [on]e of the Virginia Regiments on Continental Establish[m]ent continues a widow and live in this County [w]hich is ordered to be certified

A Copy

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The within Mary Cook lives in Frederick and is in Indigent Circumstances. She has either two or three Children – her late husband Wm. Cook belonged to the 8th Virg'a Regiment and Died in Service of the United States. James Wood late B. G. [Brigadier General]

I do with the advice of the Council hereby Certify That Mary Cook widow of William Cook who was a private in the 8th Virg'a Regiment & died in the service of The United States, Is entitled to the sum of Twelve Pounds years, which allowance is to commence from the first day of January 1786.

Given under my hand as Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia at Richmond, this 22^d day of February 1787.

T. Meriwether

Edm'd. Randolph

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Rec'd. May 10th 1787 the with order in full from the Sheriff of Fred'k. Mary herXmark Cook

[The file includes many documents similar to the above issued annually until 2 April 1816. There is then a lapse until 1823, when Mary Cook assigned power of attorney to collect the pension due to her.]

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) in two separate files.]

I do hereby certify that William Cook inlisted into the Continental Army in the year 1778 for the War, and died in Service sometime in the year 1781, he left Mary Cook his Widow, Thomas Cook his Heir at Law, and several other Children who are now Inhabitants of the County of Frederick. Given under my hand this [undeciphered] April 1784 James Wood late B.G.

The above is a Copy from the Original lodged in this Office.

Auditors Office June 24 1784/ Edmund B Lacy[?]

Some time in the year 1793 I applied to Alexander White esq'r at the request of Thomas Cook, and received a certificate, issued some time in the year 1784 by the then Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, certifying that Thomas Cook, representative of Wm Cook dec'd a private in the Virginia line was entitled to the the proportion of Land allowed, a Soldier, for the War, which was attested or countersigned by Thomas Meriweather, and after I rec'd said Certificate I either by some accident mislaid or lost the same. Sam'l Kercheval

Winchester 7th Novem'r 1794