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Bounty Land Warrant of James Crane (Craine) BLWt444-300 VA
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I do Certify that James Craine served as a Captain in the Virginia Continental line till the close of the revolutionary war

Richmond January the 6th 1809 Jno. Heth [John Heth] late Lieut Virg'a line

[Certified 7 Jan 1809] I was well acquainted with Captain James Crane, but Cannot ascertain his entrance, or time of service in the arm of the United States. I have also had the most intimate acquaintance with the gentleman who signs the above Certificate from his earliest infancy. I know that he served in the Virginia Continental line from the year 1777 until the Close of the Revolutionary war. Mr. Heth was always esteemed a brave and meritorious officer. I consider him a man of the strictest honor and Veracity.

Richmond 6th January 1819

James Wood. formerly B. Genl./ Continental Army

The State of Virginia,

City of Richmond, viz:

I do hereby certify, that Capt James Craine, Deceas'd. late of the County of Lancaster, enlisted in the service of the United States, during the revolutionary War, as a Soldier in Capt. [Richard] Parker's Company, who was afterwards Col. Parker; killed at the seige of Charlestown, South Carolina [mortally wounded at Charleston 24 Apr 1780], that when the nine additional Battalions, were raised by an act of Assembly, of the State of Virginia in 1776, Capt. Craine was promoted to a first Lieutenancy. That he served the whole War, and left the Army at the close of the War a Captain – that he was a deserving and meritorious officer – These are facts within my personal knowledge.

Given under my hand this 5th Day of Jan'y. 1809

John Heath/ Member of the Privy Council of Virginia

[The following is from [bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia](#):]

I do hereby Certify that Capt James Craine was appointed an officer with the Virginia Continental Line the [illegible] November one thousand seven hundred seventy six, and continued in actual service till the 25th May 1782 Given under my hand at Fredericksburg the 13th of May 1783

P Muhlenberg BG [Peter Muhlenberg]

NOTE: On 2 Nov 1808 Thomas D. Downing of Northumberland County VA certified that James Craine died when his daughter, Maria, was an infant, that she was born in Feb or March 1787, and that she was the wife of Edwin C. Brown.