

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Randolph Yarborough R11924

Mary Yarborough f34NC

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State of Kentucky, Bath County

On this 8th day of July 1839, Personally Appeared before the County Court of said County Mary Yarborough a resident of said County, aged 81 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 4th, 1836. -- That she was married in Randolph Yarborough who was a regular soldier in the War of the Revolution, that he served in Captain Powell's [William Ptolemy Powell's] Company until wounded at Halifax in North Carolina in May 1781, and after his recovery from the wound there received, he enlisted for 12 months under Captain Kidd [Joseph Kidd] and served his term of one year as a Regular Soldier with the said Captain Kidd, That he served the whole time in Halifax North Carolina; after the War was over, she with her husband removed to Kentucky.

She further declares that she was married to the said Randolph Yarborough on the 28th day of March 1781, and that her husband the said Randolph Yarborough Died on the 27th day of July 1804, and that she hath remained a widow ever since, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. -- Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written, before the said Court.

S/ Mary Yarborough, X her mark

At same time and place Personally Appeared William Boyd who being Sworn according to law, deposeth and saith that he is well acquainted with the said Mary Yarborough who is the Sister of his said deponent's wife. That he knew also her husband the said Randolph Yarborough deceased who died on the 27th day of July 1804, -- That he believes from information that the said Randolph Yarborough was a Revolutionary Soldier, that he was wounded at Halifax¹ while in the service -- That the information obtained was from the said Randolph Yarborough himself, and others to wit: Robert Bailey, William House and John Bailey² -- also I was informed by the said Randolph Yarborough that he received a wound at Halifax in North Carolina and that after he recovered of said wound, he enlisted under Captain Kidd for the year, which service or term of service he served -- And I do moreover state that I have seen the scar, representing a bullet shot, that entered his right side and came out near the spine.

And further this deponent saith not.

S/ William Boyd, X his mark

¹ May 7, 1781 http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_halifax.html

² Probably the same man as [John Bailey R377](#) for whom Mary Yarborough gave a supporting affidavit and who lived in Bath County, KY, when he filed for his pension for service in VA

[Nancy Boyd, sister of Mary Yarborough also gave a supporting affidavit. Lucy Boyd, also a sister of Mary Yarborough, gave a supporting affidavit.]

State of Kentucky, Morgan County

On this 27th day of April 1852 personally appeared before me Caleb L. May an acting Justice of the Peace within and for the County & State aforesaid Thomas Yarborough age 67 years a resident of Morgan County in the State of Kentucky who first being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration, that he is a son of Mary Yarborough (Deceased) Late of the same County & State & formerly of Bath County in the same State, who was the widow of Randolph Yarborough (Deceased) of Fleming County in the State of Kentucky and formerly a soldier in the ___ line in the Army of the revolution. That his Father the said Randolph Yarborough always told him that he enlisted in ___ County in the State of North Carolina about the ___ of ___ for ___ in the company commanded by Captain Powel & he thinks the Regiment commanded by Colonel William Linton [William Thomas Linton], and that he the said Randolph Yarborough was wounded at the Battle in the town of Halifax when it was taken by the British by an ounce ball which entered his body immediately under the left nipple & lodged against his back bone which disabled him from service until after his time had expired under Captain Powell. And that after he got entirely well he again enlisted at Halifax in North Carolina to serve during the war under Captain Kidd, Colonel Linton & served until the close of the war. And was discharged but he does not recollect of hearing his father state where at. States that he has often heard his Father the said Randolph Yarborough Deceased & his mother the said Mary Yarborough (Deceased) telling of his services in the different Campaigns & that his mother the said Mary Yarborough (Deceased) was in the country when Halifax was taken by the British & that the British surgeon cut the ball out of his Father's back & dressed the wound & that his Mother came in afterwards & stayed with him until he got well. That his mother & his Father was married during the war that he always understood that they were married some time before the battle of Halifax that his Parents lived in Halifax when it was taken. That they must have been married about the year 178_ [last digit left blank] as he is the oldest Child and now 67 years old & from the earliest of his Recollection they lived peacefully together as Husband & wife & was always reputed as such & that his Father the said Randolph Yarborough died in Fleming County in the State of Kentucky about 1810 and that his mother the said Mary Yarborough died in Morgan County in the State of Kentucky on the ___ day of February 1849 without ever drawing anything for the Revolutionary Services of her Husband the said Randolph Yarborough Aforesaid & that she remained his widow until her death as above stated, and that his mother of the said Mary Yarborough as hitherto made Application & to the testimony on file & the records of said N. C. troops he refers for evidence in support of his application. That there are three Children living Viz. Thomas Yarborough aged 67, William Yarborough aged 50 years & Lucy Tanner aged ___ [blank in original]: that he makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining amount of pension due in consideration of his father's services aforesaid.

S/ Robert K. Graves

S/ Thomas Yarborough, X his mark

[widow's maiden name: Mary Bailey; married by one John King, a Baptist preacher before the Battle of Guilford]