

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Carrigan R1728

Jane Carrigan

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State of Tennessee County of Maury: On this 3rd day of February 1853 personally appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the peace for said County of said State, Mrs. Jane Carrigan, a resident of said County and State, aged about ninety-eight 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 act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838, entitled, "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows:" that she is the widow of James cardigan who was a Lieutenant in Captain Trousdale's Company of the 3rd Regiment or Hillsboro Regiment of North Carolina troops commanded by Colonel Litle [sic, Archibald Lytle] in the war of the revolution. She states that her recollection is indistinct as to the nature or extent of the service of her husband, the said James Carrigan – she believes that he either served five or three months as Lieutenant, and that his time expired a few days before the city of Charleston was taken. She refers and this connection to the proof furnished from the Comptroller's Office of the State of North Carolina: She states that in consequence of the infirmities of old age, her memory does not serve her and that she is unable to declare in what manner her husband the said James was enlisted in the service, or in what marches or battles he was engaged. She further declares that she was married to the said James Carrigan on the third day of April in the year 1790 – that the witnesses to said marriage are dead, and that the family Bible kept by her husband and self in which the exact date of their marriage was recorded, was destroyed by fire some years since that her recollection is the marriage ceremony was performed by Robert Maban, then one of the officers duly authorized to do so, of the County of Orange in the State of North Carolina and for proof of her said marriage she here refers to the testimony in that the half, here with filed. And she further declares, that her husband, the aforesaid James Carrigan died on the 10th day of October in the year 1830. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January 1794, to wit at the time above stated. For proof of the death of her husband she refers to the affidavit of Andrew Mills here with filed as a part of this her declaration.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day & year above written.

S/ Ephraim Davis, JP

S/ Jane Carrigan, X the her mark

[p 4: Andrew Mills gave testimony that he was acquainted with James and Jane Carrigan while they lived in Guilford County North Carolina and after they moved to Tennessee; that he had occasion to be and Orange County in 1806 or 1807 and met with a gentleman by the name of

Robert Maban who inquired concerning Jane and James Carrigan stating that he was a relation of theirs and performed their marriage ceremony; that on this trip the eldest son (not named) of Jane and James Carrigan was accompanying him and he introduced that son who was then 18 years of age to Robert Maban as the son of Jane and James Carrigan.]

[p 9: affidavit dated February 28, 1853 from the North Carolina Comptroller Generals office showing various payments made to one James Carrigan for military services during the revolutionary war. In this certificate, the Comptroller general certifies that James Trousdale was a Captain in the Hillsboro district and that Archibald Lytle was a Colonel in the revolutionary Army.]