

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Elliott (Elliot) R3301 Miriam Elliott f20SC
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State of Tennessee Marion County

On this 17th day of August 1833, personally appeared before me Isaac Hicks, one of the Justices of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions of said County, at the House of William Elliott in said County, the said William Elliott, a resident of Marion County and State of Tennessee, age sixty-nine years, on the 14th day of November next, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832. -- That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated, viz. That in the latter part of February, or forepart of March, in the year 1781, as nearly as he can Recollect, this declarant Volunteered to serve for the term of Ten months in a company commanded by Captain William Alexander Lieutenant Robert Walker (the Ensign's name he has forgotten) in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Wade Hampton (the names of the other field officers of the Regiment he has also forgotten) That he resided in the County of Mecklenburg in the State of North Carolina when he entered the service. That he was marched under said company officers, from Mecklenburg NC to Congaree River in the State of South Carolina, where they joined Colonel Hampton's Regiment in the American Army commanded by General Sumpter [Thomas Sumter]. That shortly after the troops were embodied they laid siege to Friday's Fort, -- were repeatedly repulsed and unable to take the Fort. That the Army was marched from there to the Siege of 96 [Siege of Ninety Six, May 22-June 19, 1781], leaving this applicant in the Hospital sick of the small pox, where he lay unable to perform duty for about nine weeks, that as soon as this applicant had recovered from sickness, he was placed as a guard over the Hospital and Baggage while the Army (having returned from 96) were marched to the Eutaw Springs [Battle of Eutaw Springs, September 8, 1781]. (This period of his service was in the month of September 1781, as well as he can recollect.) The Army having returned from the Eutaw Springs to Congaree River, they were from there marched down to Orangeburg near Edisto Bridge, and then lay siege to Orangeburg and captured [May 11, 1781] upwards of 100 Tories, amongst whom was there Colonel and a British Major, in which event this applicant participated. That this applicant was then detached and marched under command of Lieutenant Hemphill to the four hole Bridge about 40 miles above Charleston SC where he remained with a part of the troops, as a Guard until the month of December following when he was there discharged, having served 10 months, the term for which he volunteered. This applicant states that he was not during his service with any other troops than those he has named, nor did he know any other officers, and that he has here given a detail of the particular circumstances of his service as nearly as he can recollect them and that he has no documentary evidence, and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service. -- This applicant states that he was born on the 14th day of November 1764 in York County Pennsylvania. That he has a Record of his age

which descended from his parents. That he was living in Mecklenburg County in the State of North Carolina when he was called into service, where he lived till after the revolutionary war. That he removed from there to Walker County Georgia where he lived 2 years, from there he removed to Jefferson County, East Tennessee where he lived 20 years or upwards, from there he removed to Bledsoe County, Tennessee where he lived about 10 years and from there he removed to Marion County Tennessee where he now lives. That he cannot state the names of any other officers than those he served which he has already done as he was with no other officers or troops except those already named, and that he has given the general circumstances of his services, as nearly as he can recollect them. That he was regularly discharged from the service, but cannot recollect now what officer it was given, and that shortly after he received it, he sold his claim of pay for his service and let his discharge go to the persons to whom he sold his pay, and has never since heard of it. This applicant states that he is acquainted with and refers to the following named gentleman of his neighborhood, to wit, John Carmack, Ephraim Thurman, John Kelly, General William Stone, Jesse Heard, Hiram Haney, Major Henry Tatum & Reverend George Walker some of whom can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his services as a soldier of the Revolution. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of the agency of any State.

S/ William Elliott, x his mark

S/ Isaac Hicks, JP

[George Walker, a clergyman, and Henry Tatum gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 7: On July 22, 1842, in Marion County Tennessee, Miriam Elliott, 74, filed for a widow's pension stating that she is the widow of William Elliott; that she married him June 22, 1790; that he died June 27, 1834; that her husband was a pensioner of the United States for his revolutionary services at the rate of \$42 per annum. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 10: On July 22, 1842, in Marion County Tennessee, Josiah Hill Elliott, son of William Elliott, gave testimony that William Elliott kept a large family Bible in which he recorded the ages, marriages and deaths of the family, that upon one page of said book marked 677 was recorded the date of the marriage of said William Elliott and his wife Miriam which entry reads as follows "William Elliott and Miriam Leith was married June 22nd -- 1790 -- and the 26th year of his age, and the 22nd of her age -- he born November 15 -- 1764. -- She born October 12 -- 1768." He testified that the entry was in the hand writing of his father and has remained in the family Bible in the possession of his mother who now lives with him and that the page has been cut out and is attached to this affidavit. Signed Josiah Laith Elliott.

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[p 11, Bible record:]

Marriages

"William Elliot and Miriam Leith was married June 22nd 1790 in the 26 th year of his age and the 22 of her age he born November 14 1764 she born october 12 1768

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Joanna Elliot was married to James Walker aprile 4th 1818 [? last digit]

Betsy Elliott was Married to Preston [?] Robertson June 27th 1816

Nancy Elliot was married to Jessee Kurd July 28 1818

Miriam Elliott was married to Hiram Heiney September 28th 1820

Josiah L. Elliott and Caty Moore was married Aprile the 12th 1821

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Nancy Elliot was married to Jesse Howard July 28 1818	in the 23 year of his age he born March the 8 th 1813
Miriam Elliott was married to Hiram Quincy September 20 th 1820	she born July the 6 th

Births

Jesse Roberts was born November 15, 1776

Lucy Roberts was born April 17th 1779

Cornelius Roberts was [born] April 15th 1798

Lovey Roberts was born January 5th 1800

Silas Roberts was born September 27th 1803

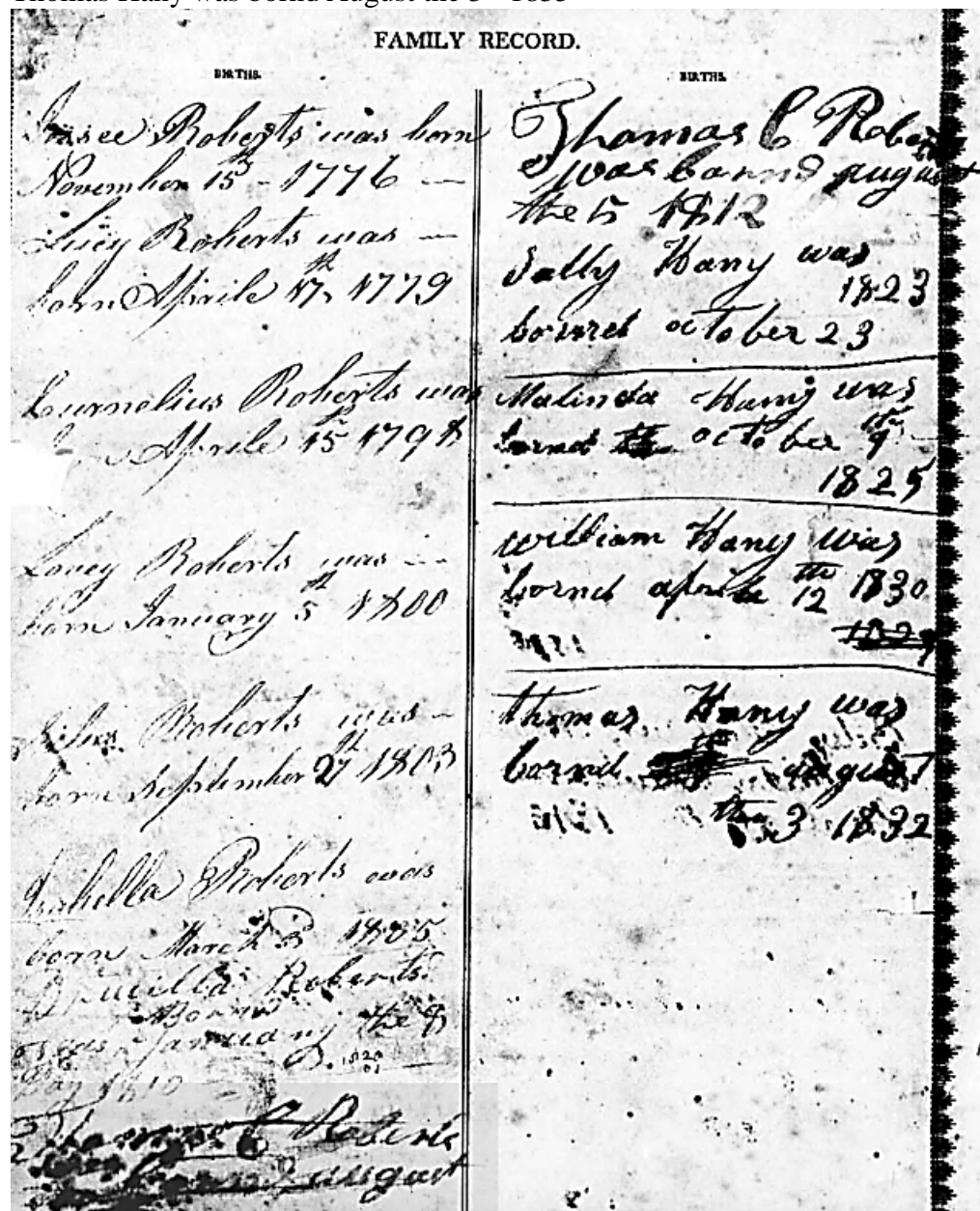
Isabella Roberts was born March 3rd 1805

Drucilla Roberts was Born January the 8 Day 1810

Thomas Roberts [illegible]

Thomas C. Roberts was born'd August the 5 1812

Sally Hany was born October 23 1823
 Malinda Hany was born October 9th 1825
 William Hany was born April 12th 1830
 Thomas Hany was born August the 3rd 1835



[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$41.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private of cavalry for 10 months in the South Carolina militia.]

South Carolina Audited Accounts¹ relating to William Elliott
 Audited Account Microfilm file No. 2209
 Transcribed by Will Graves

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¹ The South Carolina Audited Accounts (AA) are now available online at <http://www.archivesindex.sc.gov/>. To find the AA for a specific person, click on the [Just take me to the search page](#) link, then enter the person's surname first in the "Full name" box followed by a comma and the person's Christian name.

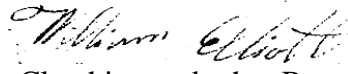
[p 45: the image of this document is very faint in parts]

Know all men by these presents that I William Elliotte [sic] of Mecklenburg County have this Day bargained & Sold unto William Alexander the Chance due me from the State of South Carolina for my Services as a soldier under General Sumter for the full Su[paper torn]enty pounds Specie. Witness my hand & Seal this 27th Day of November 178[paper torn]

Witness

S/ David Allison

S/ William Elliott {Seal}



Said Alexander is to receive whatever Cloathing and other Bounties may be due to me from the said State

Witness

S/ David Allison

[p 47: illegible image of a document that appears to be signed by William Alexander]

[p 48: another very poor quality image of a document which reads as best I can decipher as follows:

North Carolina

Mecklenburg County Sct.

This day appeared William Elliotte [sic] before me the Subscribing Justice for the County aforesaid & made Oath that he served as a Soldier in the ten Months Service in the State of South Carolina and [text too faint to discern] B. Genl. [text too faint to discern] for such he was to receive a Negro – that he has not [text too faint to discern that he has [text too faint to discern] no pay as Satisfaction for the Same whether in Whole or in part. Sworn to this 21st November 1783. [Balance of the document is too faint to discern although it does appear that it was signed by William Elliott]

[p 50: Printed form of Indent No. 2108 Book X dated January 21st, 1788 “delivered to Mr. William Elliott this our Indented Certificate for the Sum of 22 pounds 9 Shillings and 10 pence Sterling (Special Bounty) and arrears of Cloathing, Service in Sumter’s [Brigadier General Thomas Sumter’s] Brigade per Certificate of the Commissioners for adjusting the Claims against said Brigade.”]

[p 51: Reverse of the above Indent bearing only endorsements by William Alexander and Josiah Smith. How these men acquired an interest in the Indent is not disclosed by the documents in this file.

S/ Wm Alexander²



² This is the signature of Captain William Alexander under whom the veteran served during the 10 months service known as "Sumter's Rounds" in which the soldiers were paid in Negro slaves confiscated from the Tories. Such compensation was known as "Sumter's Wages."