

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elisha Lunsford R6522

Eve Mary

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State of Missouri County of St. Francois

On the 3rd day of May in the year of our Lord 1842 personally appeared before the honorable County court of the County of St. Francois Eve M. Lunsford a resident of the State of Missouri and County of St. Francois aged seventy-three 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 the 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows. That she is the widow of Elisha Lunsford deceased who was a private soldier in ranks of the North Carolina Militia he lived in Granville County North Carolina and was drafted for three months in the year of 1776 she believes, but having no documentary evidence at hand she relates from other sources of information. That the above named Elisha Lunsford did serve the above time in the war of the revolution and returned to Granville County North Carolina his former place of residence and some short time after about the year of our Lord 1778 he was again drafted for three months more and went and served that term of service and returned to the above named County the place of his former residence. And about the year 1780 he was again Drafted for nine months and went and served that term of service in the same above named Revolutionary war his Captain in this last named service was by the name of Archibald litle or lytle [sic, Archibald Lytle] his service was mostly performed in South Carolina he was part of the time on Savannah River in the above State. He was also part of the above time at Ninety Six he was not in any general battles During his service but was in several skirmishes and after some time spent in South Carolina he the above named Elijah Lunsford returned to North Carolina in charge of some prisoners which was brought on to Raleigh he being one of the guard And some short time after this last named service He was called on again to serve in the eighteen months tour so called and he being much waried with service he gave a young man a lively horse bridle and saddle to serve in his place which last mentioned service was about the close of the Revolutionary war about which time he the said Elisha Lunsford removed from Granville County NC to Wilkes County in same State where he became located for many years until he removed to the State of Kentucky Wayne County where he deceased on the 9th day of March 1821. She further declares that she was married to the above named Elisha Lunsford on the 8th day of May 1784 and that her Husband the above named Elijah Lunsford died on the 9th day of March 1821 after having lived with her from the

time of the above marriage till the aforesaid 9th of March 1821. And that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 viz. at the time above stated and that the said Eve M. Lunsford never has been married to any other person but remains a widow. The above named marriage between Elisha Lunsford and Eve M. Lunsford the aforesaid was celebrated on the day and year above written this on the 8th day of May 1784 by John Jetley of the County of Surry and State of North Carolina a minister of the gospel in the above named County and State of, and that the aforesaid Elisha Lunsford did die deceased on the 9th day of March 1821 leaving her the said Eve M. Lunsford with four children under sixteen years of age who then lived in the State of Kentucky and in the County of Wayne. From which place she removed to the State of Indiana and from thence to the State of Missouri of which states she is now a resident.

S/ Eve M. Lunsford, X her mark

I James Lunsford do hereby certify that the above named Elijah Lunsford whose name is found in the declaration above deceased on the 9th day of March 1821 aged sixty-two years a record of which I have kept in my possession ever since in hand writing of Christopher Huffaker this 26th of May 1842

S/ James Lunsford

This day came James Lunsford before me John Cobb Clerk of the Circuit Court of the County of St. Francois in the State of Missouri and made oath that himself and Christopher huffaker both of the County of Wayne and State of Kentucky did administer owned the estate of Elisha Lunsford deceased in the year 1821 the same whose name is found in the foregoing declaration And according to the family record among his papers he was married to the above named Eve M. Lunsford on the 8th day of May 1784 and had fourteen children who was then living and heirs of the said estate the oldest of which was born February the 10th 1785

And the said James Lunsford further states that according to the same family record he himself being one of the heirs as this 6th and born January the 3rd 1795 the above named heirs all being the children of the above named Elijah Lunsford and Eve M. Lunsford after her marriage.

S/ James Lunsford

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of November A.D. 1842
Witness my hand and seal of said circuit court at Farmington in the said County of St. Francois the 7th day of November A.D. 1842

S/ John Cobb, Clerk

[fn p. 26: Isam Lunsford testified on March 14, 1844 in St. Francois County of Surry that he was present at the time Elisha Lunsford died on March 9th, 1821 in St. Francois County Missouri.]