

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Nicholas Manuel: R6887

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North Carolina}

Sampson County} on this the 11th day of November 1845 came before the undersigned one of the acting Justices of the peace and a member of the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the said County of Sampson, Milly Manuel a resident of the aforesaid County & State 88 years Eighty 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 act of Congress passed on the 4th July 1836. for the benefit of certain Widows

that she is the widow of Nicholas Manuel Dec'd of the said County who was a Draughted soldier in the war of the Revolution as follows one (18) Eighteen months Tour one (90 nine months Tour and one Three months Tour. in all her husband the said Nicholas Manuel served Two years and a half faithfully as she has heard him say

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel was under the command of Captain Kinion Hubbert and others - and was in the battle of Briar Creek [Briar Creek GA, 3 Mar 1779] and was in the seage of Charlston [Siege of Charleston SC, 29 Mar - 12 May 1780] as she has often heard him say.

That she has caused diligent search to be made for her husbands discharge which she has a very perfect recollection of having seen, particularly a printed one.

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel lived in N.C. when he was called into the service

That she cannot now tell the date of her marriage to the said Nicholas Manuel but that he the said Nicholas Manuel served both before and after the marriage

That she was married to the said Nicholas Manuel before Gen. Wallis was taken [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781]. that her first child to wit: Sheadrack was born on the day that Wallis was made prisoner

That she was married in Duplin Co. N.C. by Fleet Cooper Esqr.

That her husband the said Nicholas Manuel died on the 27th day of March (1835) Eighteen hundred & thirty five

Milly herXmark Manuel

NOTE: On 30 Mar 1855 Shadrack Manuel, heir to Nicholas Manuel, assigned power of attorney to pursue any pension due for his father's service. In the 1830 federal census for Sampson County NC Nicholas Manuel is recorded as a "Free Colored Person."