

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Arthur Markum (Marcum) R6907 Anna Markum f14VA
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State of Tennessee Scott County: Sct.

On this the first day of November 1851 personally appeared before me Amos McDonald a Justice of the peace in and for the County and State aforesaid Anna Markum widow of Arthur Markum, deceased, aged seventy-eight years who being duly sworn for that purpose on her oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed for the benefit of widows of Revolutionary soldiers.

Declarant states that she is now seventy-eight years of age that her name before she was married was Anna Bransgrove that she was fifteen years old at the time she was married & that she was married in Washington County in the State of Virginia. Declarant further states that she was sixteen years younger than her deceased husband when they were married that she was married by Nicholas Reagans a Preacher of the gospel. She further states that her said husband was an enlisted soldier in the Revolutionary War for the term of twelve months and served out his term of twelve months & had a written discharge for said service which discharge he kept until his death & was burnt with her house which took place on the 25th day of September 1832 in the County of Campbell State of Tennessee where Declarant has lived ever since his death which took place in the year 18⁷⁵¹ Declarant further states that she and her said husband lived in the County of Washington State of Virginia from the time they were married for about the Term of six years and then moved to Campbell County Tennessee to the same place where he died and where she has lived ever since his death. Declarant further states her Residence has lately been included in Scott County a new County lately laid off Declarant cannot give the date of her said Deceased husband's enlistment and service but that she was about seven, eight or nine years of age at the time he enlisted that her said husband's father and her father lived close neighbors in the County of Washington State of Virginia. Declarant states positively that she well recollects that her said husband came to her father's house on the night after he had enlisted and told that he had enlisted and had enlisted under Captain Billy Campbell [William Campbell] and she well recollects that he was absent for a long time and was in the service in the Revolutionary war as was then said by her father's family and others and well recollects his returning home from the service and coming again to her father's house and that they were all glad to see him she can further state that she was married to her said husband in the fifteenth year of her age. Declarant cannot give the name of the Colonel and number of the Regiment now if she ever knew but clearly remembers that's his Captain's name was Billy Campbell. Declarant states positively that

she well remembers that one Richard Crabtree² enlisted the same time and in the same Company and returned home the same time – that his father lived close to her father – And also the father of her husband Arthur Markum and she also well remembers that one John Hill who was also a close neighbor enlisted at the same time and in the same Company and returned home at the same time. She further states that said John Hill is now dead and Richard Crabtree is also dead and that these are all that she now remembers of that served with him. She further states that the said Richard Crabtree drew a pension for many years before his death she thinks drew \$96 a year that he lived many years in Campbell County Tennessee and died there about the 28th day of April 1850. Declarant further states that the place where she now lives and has lived for upwards of 50 years is in an extreme Hill country and remote from any County seat until the new County was laid off in which she is now included and has never until lately about 3 years ago she was told that she could likely get a claim and that she then wrote on for proof of her marriage and obtained it which Record proof she encloses here with as part of this declaration. She further states that she has been from the time she got this prove been put off from time to time by persons who promised to have the case attended to for her until the present. She states that she is old and unable to attend Court and much needs the amount due he [her] if anything. She prays an examination of the Rolls of Captain Campbell's Company for the name of her Deceased husband and believes it will be found with the names of Crabtree and Hill as soldiers of said Company. She further states that she believes that she can prove that her husband went into and returned home from some under Captain Campbell by Evan Walden who was then a boy and lived close to her said husband – and who now lives somewhere in Kentucky that said Walden was after that in the war of 1812 from Campbell County Tennessee. She prays an examination of her Claim and an answer directed to William J Dabney at Albany Kentucky who she has employed to prepare her claim.

Sworn to and subscribed to this first day of November 1851 before me
S/ Amos McDonald, JP
S/ Anna Markum, X her mark

[p 2: abstract of the marriage records of Washington County Virginia showing the marriage of Arthur Marcum to Ann Brunegrove June 25, 1794.]

² No veteran by this (or any similar name) was pensioned by the federal government based on service rendered while living in Virginia.