

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Abraham Mayfield R7060

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State of South Carolina Greenville District: SS

On this the nineteenth day of March 1833 personally appeared in open Court Abraham Mayfield a resident of the District and State aforesaid, aged Sixty Six years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by 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. That is to say,

1<sup>st</sup> Tour He entered the service in the fall of the year 1780 about the first December to the best of his recollection as a drafted militia man, in the County of Bute in North Carolina, & was rendezvoused at Warrenton Court House under the command of Capt. George Nazrey [George Nasworthy], where they remained about two weeks.

Near Christmas, he received a dismissal [sic] with orders to be in readiness to march at a minute's warning. On the first of February 1781, he was ordered to rendezvous at Warren C. H. and was marched immediately from there to Guilford C. H. commanded by Capt. George Nazrey. Here he remained until Monday preceding the Battle which was fought at that place on the 15th March,<sup>1</sup> when being sick he, with about 30 other soldiers in a like ill health were sent home on furlough. He did not recover his health in time to return to the Army during this tour of three months.

2<sup>nd</sup> Tour In August 1781 he was again drafted in Bute County, and was rendezvoused at Halifax Town on Roanoke River, & was there stationed for eleven or twelve weeks under the Command of Capt. John Cokely when the Army was about to be marched towards Wilmington, near the sea board, my father (being unwilling for me to go where he considered it to be very sickly, at that season of the year) relieved me by substituting William King in my place to serve the remainder of my time which was a term of three months. The surrender of Cornwallis [Yorktown, October 19, 1781] occurred soon after the end of my second tour & I was never again called into the Service. Thus personally and by substitution he declares he served six months. He received a discharge which he entrusted to his father's keeping which has been lost. He has no other documentary evidence useful in his case.

He was born and raised in Culpeper County, Virginia, when he was about ten years of age, his father moved to & settled in Bute County (now Warren) North Carolina -- here he

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_battle\\_of\\_guilford\\_courthouse.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_guilford_courthouse.html)

resided with his father until he moved to South Carolina in which State I have been living for the last forty-six years, & now reside in Greenville District where he has resided for the last forty-three years.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to any pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State.

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid in open Court  
S/ J. McDaniel, CCP

S/ Abraham Mayfield, X his mark

I do hereby certify, on my oath, that I have been personally acquainted with Abraham Mayfield whom I have just seen signed the foregoing Declaration, for the last fifty-five years; and do know that he served in the Army of the United States in the Revolutionary war, and believe his declaration is entitled to full credit.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid in open Court.  
S/ J. McDaniel, CCP

S/ Henry Wood,<sup>2</sup> X his mark

[Thomas Hutchings, a clergyman, and Josiah Kilgore gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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<sup>2</sup> [Henry Wood R11785](#)