

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Miles Gibson R7742 Margaret Nunnelley VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Georgia } August 11th 1846
Wilkes County } ss

On this the Eleventh day of August One thousand Eight hundred and forty six, personally appeared before me, Henry P. Wootten a Justice of the Inferior Court in and for said County, Margaret Nunnaly, a resident of Wilkes County State of Georgia, aged Eighty Seven years past, 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 4th 1836, and the act explanatory of said act, passed March 3^d 1837.

That she was married to Miles Gibson, who was a Revolutionary Soldier in the Line of Virginia; that the said Miles Gibson was a resident of Chesterfield County State of Virginia in the time of the War, and in the early part of the year 1777, he enlisted and went into the services of his Country from said County and State: declarant thinks for the period of five years, under Capt. George Marcrom [sic: George Markham; see endnote]; that he faithfully served out the period of his enlistment, and was discharged in October 1782, and returned home, and died in a few days afterwards: that the names of his Officers and other particulars connected with his services, the laps of time and afflictions have erased from her memory: that she has no documentary evidence in support of her claim: her husband's discharge having been lost about the time of his death; for she has not seen it since that period.

She further declares, that she was married to the said Miles Gibson in February 1774 by the attending Minister at her, and Parents Church, in the County of Chesterfield State of Virginia.

That her husband the aforesaid Miles Gibson died in November 1782; that she has no documentary evidence of her marriage, that she has never had any Family Record; that she was afterwards married to Israel Nunnaly [Israel Nunnelley (Nunnaly) R7741] in the year 1798, who died in the year 1826; and that she was a widow on the 4th July 1836, and still remains a widow, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

Margaret herXmark Nunnaly

State of Georgia }
Wilkes County }

Be it known that on this the Eleventh day of August one thousand eight hundred and forty six, personally appeared before me Henry P. Wootten a Justice of the Inferior Court of said County Chasteen Gibson a resident of said County and State aged Fifty-Seven years past who being first duly Sworn according to law, saith that he has been from his earliest recollection, well acquainted with Margaret Nunnaly (his Mother), and with Israel Nunnaly untill the period of his death; that the said Israel and Margaret Nunnaly were married in the year 1798, and that the said Israel Nunnaly died in the fall of the year 1826, leaving the said Margaret Nunnaly his widow, and that she has remained his widow ever since that period. [signed] Chasteen Gibson

[Punctuation edited.]

State of Georgia } On this 29th day of November Eighteen hundred and fifty five personally
County of Wilkes } appeared before the undersigned a Justice of the Peace within and for said
County and State aforesaid, Chasteen Gibson, aged sixty seven years, who being Sworn in due form of Law on his oath saith, That himself and Sophiah Mitchell of Holt County Georgia are the only living children of Margaret Nunnelley deceased widow of Israel Nunnelley a revolutionary soldier, dec'd, that the said Margaret Nunnelley was the daughter of William Flournoy dec'd. that the said Margaret was born and rais'd in Chesterfield County Virginia in which place the said Margaret was Married to Miles Gibson a Revolutionary Soldier dec'd in the year 1775 in Chesterfield Co. Va. for that the oldest son of Miles and Margaret Gibson was Born in the year 1776. That Nancy Gibson eldest daughter of the said Miles &

Margaret Gibson was Born on the 23rd day of December, 1778. That the said Miles Gibson went into the Revolutionary service against great Britain from Chesterfield County Virginia as a drafted or numbered man for the period of 18 months, after which the said Miles Gibson Elisted under the command of Capt. George Marcrum, and served until the close of the war, and was discharged at York Town and returned home to the place of his enrollment in the fall of the year 1783 and died in said County the precise time of which deponent does [not] at this time recollect. That after the death of said Miles Gibson his widow Margaret Gibson intermarried to Israel Nunnely in Chesterfield County Va. in the year 1792. That Sophiah Mitchell only daughter of Israel Nunnely and Margaret his wife was born Oct 1793. that the said Israel Nunnely went in to the Revolution from Chesterfield County V.a. at the commencement of the war as a regular soldier and served during the war and was discharged at York Town at the close of the same and returned to the place of his enrollment, and married at the time above stated. That deponent does not know what officers the said Nunnely was under, but thinks that him and Miles Gibson both serv'd in Capt Marcrums company, Goodes reg't of the Virginia State or Continental line [sic: Col. Robert Goode's regiment of militia] that their discharges are lost or mislaid so that deponent does not know where they are at this time. That the said Nunnely removed to the State of Georgia in the year 1801 or 2 and died in Taliaferro County Georgia on the 15th day of Oct 1826 leaving Margaret his widow and Sophiah, his only daughter, that the said Margaret Nunnely, widow of Israel Nunnely dec'd. died in Wilkes County, Georgia in Nov'r. in the year 1848 leaving this deponent and Sophiah Mitchell, who are her only living children. That deponent knows the above facts from personal knowledge, traditional evidence and Family records That deponent now makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the benefit of the pension Laws pass'd by the Congress of the united states for the benefit of the surviving Officers and Soldiers of the american Revolution their widows or living Children, that deponent refers the Com'r. of Pensions or his agents or attorneys to the declaration of his mother Margaret Nunnely dec'd. now on file at the department at Washington City D.C. which declaration was made by the said Margaret Nunnely in open Court in the Town of Washington, Wilkes County Georgia and forwarded to the department at Washington D.C. previous to the death of said Margaret Nunnely, the identical person who was the widow of Israel Nunnely and Miles Gibson as above stated That the above statement is all that deponent can at this time recollect as to the service Marriages and deaths of the said Gibson & Nunnely and the said Margaret Nunnely wid as aforesaid and mother of this deponent & Sophia Mitchell

Sworn to and subscribed before me the date above written

[signed] Chasteen Gibson

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[1 Dec 1855]

State of Georgia } Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace within and
County of Wilkes } for said County Samuel Flournoy aged Fifty Seven years, and after being sworn
in due form of Law, on his oath deposeth and saith, That, he has been personally acquainted with
Chasteen Gibson at this time a citizen of Wilkes County Georgia, that said Gibson and Sophiah Mitchell
are the only living Children of Margaret Nunnely dec'd the identical person, who was the widow of
Israel Nunnely, dec'd. that the said Margaret was born and raised in Chesterfield County, Virginia, that
she was the daughter of William Flournoy Sr. dec'd. that the said Margaret was married to Miles Gibson,
in said place in the latter part of the year 1775 or the first of the year 76, for, that the first son of Miles
Gibson and Margaret his wife was born in 1776 and that the eldest daughter of Miles & Margaret Gibson,
and mother of this deponent, was born on the 23rd day of December 1778. That, said Miles Gibson went
into the American Revolution against Great Brittain as a private, after his marriage that his first term of
service was for 18 months as a drafted or numbered man that he afterwards enlisted under one Captain
George Marcrum and served until the close of the war and was discharged at the seige at York and
returned to Chesterfield Co. Va the place of his enrollment, and died leaving Margaret his widow, who
after the death of Miles Gibson married one Israel Nunnely in the year 1792, for that Sophiah Mitchell
only living daughter of Israel & Margaret Nunnely dec'd. was born in Oct. 1793. That said Israel went
into service as a regular soldier from Chesterfield Co. V.a. at the commencement of the war and served

during the same. that deponent does not know what officers said Nunnely was under unless he served in Capt. Marcrums Co. Goodes Regt. That said Nunnely was wounded, but deponent does not know what battle he was wounded in that he died of said wound in Taliaferro County G.a on the 15th day of Oct. 1826. That his widow Margaret Nunnely died in Wilkes Co. G.a. in Nov. 1848. That said Miles Gibson & Israel Nunnely were discharged at York at the close of the war, that said discharges are lost, that deponent knows the above facts from personal knowledge, traditional evidence and family Records. That deponent knew Israel Nunnely and Margaret, his wife and Chas'n. Gibson and Sophiah Mitchell upwards of fifty years ago.

Samuel Flournoy

NOTES:

The file jackets is inscribed "See this woman's claim as widow of Israel Nunnelley or Nunnaly, Va. R7741."

George Markham was a Captain in the Chesterfield County Militia. Tours in the Virginia Militia were seldom for longer than three months each, and never for as long as five years. The 18-months service noted by Samuel Flournoy may have been in the Continental line.