

## Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Reed R8676

Sybill or Sabrina

f17VA

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State of Indiana Fountain County: SS

On this 17th day of April A.D. 1855 before me a Justice in and for said County of Fountain & State of Indiana duly authorized by law to administer oaths in and for the County and State above named personally appeared William Furr aged ninety years, a resident of Fountain County in the State of Indiana, who being duly sworn according to law declares that during the revolutionary war he resided in the County of Loudon [Loudoun] in the State of Virginia and was intimately acquainted with James Reed and distinctly remembers when the said James Reed entered the service in the revolutionary war, and about the time he returned from serving in said War, he entered the service sometime in the year 1776 and was absent from home & he did not hear anything of or from him until he returned from serving in said War and according to the best of his recollection said James Reed did not return from said War after he entered the services as aforesaid until about the close of said War, I have often heard said James Reed speak about his service in said War & speak of incidents that occurred during the time he served, I heard him tell a circumstance of his horses running away while he was calling provisions for the Army & how near they came being killed & his wagon being born all to pieces and said that they were only saved by some Bridge timbers that stopped them; he also spoke frequently of hardships he underwent while in the service, he also spoke of the Captain and he was under & said his name was John McGeth I myself was well acquainted with Captain McGeth, he also lived at that time near Nation ford in Virginia, and from every fact & circumstance & circumstances with said James Read I am fully satisfied that he served in the war of the revolution as a "Teamster."

About five or six years after said James Reed return from said war & serving in the same he married my sister Sabrina Furr. I was present at the wedding and saw them married, they were married by a Baptist preacher whose name I cannot now recollect it has been so long ago, I lived with James Reed & his wife Sabrina about six years after they were married and moved with them from Loudoun County Virginia to Fleming County Kentucky and lived with them as one of the family they were married at my father's house in Loudoun County Virginia, Jacob Reed, James Reed, Stephen Reed & William Reed are the only surviving children of James Reed & Sabrina Read deceased and the said children lived with their father & mother until after they arrived at the age of twenty-one years; James Reed died about eight years ago in Maysville, Mason County Kentucky and was buried with the honors of War in memory of his services as a Revolutionary Soldier. Sabrina Reed died about six years since in Maysville Mason County Kentucky with an attack of Cholera aged about eighty years; and he further states that she died the widow of said James Reed. And he further states that he has no interest whatever in the claim of the heirs of said James & Sabrina Read deceased.

S/ Charles Tyler

S/ William Furr, X his mark

[f p. 9: Marriage bond issued to James Reed and Jacob Reed August 30, 1784 in Loudoun County Virginia conditioned upon the marriage of James Read to Sybell Furr, spinster of Shelbourne Parish.]