

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Allen Shrewsbury (Shrewsberry) R9539 Nancy f32VA
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State of Kentucky Sct.

On this fourteenth day of August 1843 personally appeared before the County Court of Garrard now sitting and being a court of record Nancy Shrewsbury a resident of the County of Mercer and State of Kentucky aged Seventy-four 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 provision made by the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows." That she is the widow of Allen Shrewsbury who was a private in the Army of the Revolution said Allen Shrewsbury entered the service of the United States under the following named officers to wit General Muhlenberg [Peter Muhlenberg], Colonel Meriwether [probably Thomas Meriwether], Major Declamon [sic: Christian Charles de Klauman] (a Frenchman, or reputed such) Captain John Trigg and Lieutenant John Davis and served as herein stated – He enlisted as a volunteer in the month of August in the year 1780 and left the service of the United States about the 21st of March 1781 – that he was in no engagement – that he resided in Bedford County Virginia when he entered the service – that he marched from New London in Bedford County Virginia down the South side of James River to its mouth and there remained in the service of the United States as a private soldier until the last of February or 1st of March; when he returned through Petersburg to New London, Bedford County Virginia where he was discharged, that he volunteered for six months and served over the time. She has no documentary evidence of the Services or discharge of said Allen Shrewsbury and has obtained the above facts of his services in the Army from a written declaration made by him for the purpose of obtaining a pension but died before his proof &c was prepared to send to the War Department at Washington.

She further declares that she was married to the said Allen Shrewsbury on the 16th day of March in the year 1790 – That her husband the aforesaid Allen Shrewsbury died on the 5th day of March 1843 – that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the 1st of January 1794 viz., at the time above stated and that she is a widow.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written in open Court before the County Court of Garrard

S/ Nancy Shrewsbury, X her mark

State of Kentucky Sct.

On the 14th day of August 1843 John Buford a reputable witness and a resident of the said County of Garrard appeared in the County Court of Garrard now sitting and being first duly sworn according to law makes the following statement – That he is seventy-five years of age,

that he was a private in the Army of the Revolution and served with Allen Shrewsbury. That said Shrewsbury belonged to Captain John Triggs Company in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Meriwether – that said Shrewsbury served as well as deponent can recollect about as stated by his widow in the above declaration – That he saw Allen Shrewsbury and the above Nancy Shrewsbury together in the year 1791 and then reputed as man and wife, and that they lived together as man and wife as far as deponent knows or believes until said Shrewsbury's death.

S/ John Buford¹

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Buford". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end.

[f p. 2: Finding dated March 27, 1852 by the Jefferson County Kentucky court that Allen Shrewsbury died March 10th, 1843 survived by his widow Nancy Shrewsbury who died February 24, 1846 who died survived by Sarah Donoho, her only living child.]

[f p. 3: affidavit dated March 20, 1852 filed in Mercer County Kentucky by Sarah Donoho in which she states she is the only living child of Nancy and Allen Shrewsbury, both deceased; that when her mother died February 24, 1846 she left 3 children: Mary Shrewsbury, Milley Fleming and Sarah Donoho. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[Note: beginning at page 24 of the Fold3 file, the documents relate to a veteran named Frederick Shriber (or Shriver) FPA S41136 who filed under the 1818 Act as a continental soldier in the in Moses Hazen's Regiment—Pennsylvania line.]

¹ FPA S30301