

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Smith R9726

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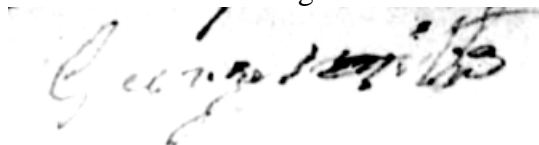
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State of North Carolina Ashe County: On the 24th day of October A.D. 1834 personally appeared before Bedent Baird, George Smith resident of said County aged 87 years the 11th day of last March who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 – That he entered the service of the United States under the following officers & served as herein stated, to wit: that he entered the service for a three months tower [tour] by a draft or number sometime in March in the year 1781 under command of Captain John Weathers who marched him from Edgecombe County in North Carolina to the Shallow Ford on Broad River in South Carolina, thence advanced to the Enoree River, where he was taken sick with the fever where he was left behind, while the rest advanced towards Charleston to reinforce General Moultrie, that before he recovered, report came that Charleston & a part of the American troops had surrendered to the British as prisoners of War, that after his recovery & return home at Warren Court he saw & conversed with his said Captain John Weathers who told him he had got his Parole, but had left it at home, which he says he never got. That in April the year 1782 he volunteered as a waggoner for a three months tower in company with six other public wagons loaded with bacon that delivered it to a quarter master in a little town or village somewhere in South Carolina, the name of the place & the agent, both forgotten; & then on his return back for another load of bacon he caught & was taken sick with the smallpox, where he lay several weeks on the Catawba River where he lay sick a long time & after a little recovered he returned home, but in and infirm State of health for some months & was not required all called on for his service anymore as peace was soon proclaimed. That he relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ George Smith

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "George Smith", written in dark ink on a light background.

[Barzilla McBride, a clergyman, and Jacob Green gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

State of North Carolina Watauga County

On this 9th Day of November 1852 personally appeared in open court in the County & state aforesaid Sarah Eggers Daughter of George Smith a Revolutionary Soldier and made oath to the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832, 4th of July 1836, that her father George Smith always during his life said he was in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary war as to the length of time or the officers he said he served under I cannot say but have been informed that he said he served two Towers [tours] as a militia soldier & the said Sarah Eggers is sixty-three years old & that her father George Smith Deceased the 30th [?] day of April 1838 leaving a widow who died on the 8th [?] day of March 1842 and that according to the family record that has been kept they were married in Granville County North Carolina in the year 1775 and that she claims the benefit of the Act of Congress of June 7 1832 & July 4, 1836, 7 July 1838 which makes provisions for the widows of the Revolutionary Soldiers & their children, after her Death there was some six months ago two others of my sister still living but whether they are still living as yet I cannot say – they both lived out of this State their names are as follows Betsey McKelroy the other Susan Daugherty. My mother's name was Elizabeth Smith and according to my father's family Register my father was born in the year 1747 & my Mother was born in the year 1749 and that I am well aware that my father George Smith never drew a pension and that I am well aware that my Mother Elizabeth Smith never made any application for a pension during her life.

S/ Jno. Hardin, JP

S/ Sarah Eggers, X her mark

[fn p. 4: Bedent Baird, 82, gave a supporting affidavit in which he said he was acquainted with George Smith for the 30 years prior to his death; that Sarah Eggers is the daughter of George and Elizabeth Smith; that he recalls George Smith talking about his service in the revolution; that Smith said he was in Charleston South Carolina and served there and he was at the battle of Guilford in North Carolina.]

[fn p. 6: Jehiel Smith, 47, gave testimony that he was present at the death of George Smith; that Smith died April 30th 1838 and his wife Elizabeth died March 8th, 1842; that the family record of said George Smith is now in his possession; that said record is in different handwriting.]

[fn p. 7: family record

George Smith is 2 years 5 months and 30 days older than his wife

George Smith and Elisabeth Earls was married in Granville County North Carolina June 8th the year 1775

George Smith was born March 11 1747 and deceased April 30 1838 on Monday about one and a half hours before sunrise with a shout

Elisabeth Earls now the wife of George Smith was born September 10, 1749: the above Elizabeth Smith departed this life on the 8th day of March about 15 minutes after 9 o'clock 1842 at night aged 92 years 5 months and 8 days and was buried at the common graveyard on Cove Creek Ashe County North Carolina State

Charles Earls Son of Elizabeth Earls born December 1773

Mary Smith daughter of George & Elizabeth Smith born May 21, 1777

Elisabeth Smith daughter of George & Elisabeth Smith born May 25 1779

Abner Smith son of George and Elizabeth Smith born July 4th 1781

Susanna Smith daughter of George & Elizabeth Smith born October 3rd 1783

Marthew Smith daughter of George & Elizabeth born July 25, 1785

Absalom Smith son of George and Elizabeth Smith born April 7th 1787 died December 1814
John Smith son of George & Elizabeth Smith born September 27 1778, Deceased September
30th 1793

Sarah Smith daughter of George & Elizabeth Smith born October 3 1789

Nansy Smith daughter of George & Elizabeth Smith born February 4th 1795 died 3rd September
1823

Smith Isaac was born September 3 1805

Susanna Isaac was born December 5 1806

Fell Isaac was born December the 27 1809

Highly Isaac was born January 1811

Bennet Isaac was born October 5 1813

Elizabeth Isaac was born November 23, 1817