

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Warren S11838
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State of Kentucky, County of Christian

On this 19th day of November 1832 at the house of Hedgeman Warren in the County & State aforesaid William Warren a resident of the house, County and State aforesaid aged as he supposes seventy years (70) who being first duly sworn according to the law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 as a supplement to the act of Congress of May 1828.

William Warren states that he entered the Army of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. William Warren states that he was born in Orange County, State of Virginia and his father dying when very young he went to live with his brother Robert in Culpepper [sic, Culpeper] County. By the death of his father he lost the record of his age. He lived with his brother until he died on his return from the Revolutionary service. He after this enlisted in Rockingham County, State of Virginia under Captain Wallace - the name of the Regiment he has forgotten and has forgotten the name of every officer of his company except Capt. Wallace and Corporal Hammonds who was his messmate and every officer of his Regiment except Col. Pickens [Andrew Pickens of SC?] who he thinks commanded him at the Battle of the Cowpens [January 17, 1781¹]. From the place of his enlistment he was marched to Hillsboro in North Carolina and then joined the Army under General Gates [Horatio Gates] and from there was marched down to Charlotte in the same State when General Greene [Nathanael Greene] took the command of the Army and was afterwards sent under General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] to the Battle of the Cowpens in South Carolina and was shot in the thigh and left upon the field. He was afterwards taken to the house of Kit Hicks by Mrs. Hicks and daughters where he was nursed and cured. The Army retreated to Virginia with prisoners taken at the Battle of the Cowpens and upon the return of same he joined his old company at Santee [River] and learned that his Captain Wallace was dead having lost his life at the battle of Guilford. He remained with the Army and fought the Battle at the Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781²] and then marched to the High Hills of Santee where he was stationed to the close of the war where, the British being gone from South Carolina, he was discharged on the way to Virginia. An orphan boy he remained (when he was discharged) at some latter time and then went to the State of Georgia. From the State of Georgia he returned to Pendleton, South Carolina when after some three years, he married Rebecca Cannon. There he lived for 15 years and removed to this County where he resided ever since.

Whilst in Georgia his discharge was stolen from him with his pocketbook. He was at the siege of Ninety Six but does not pretend to say the date. When his memory was better, he had some idea of applying for the pension but some of the neighbors children insulted his children on the subject and he gave up the idea but his debility and affliction from the wound increasing he is constrained to ask for the bounty promised when he enlisted and for that pay promised to those who enlisted and did service

¹ <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/cowpens.htm> and http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_cowpens.html

² http://www.carolana.com/SC/Revolution/revolution_battle_of_eutaw_springs.html and <http://gaz.jrshelby.com/eutaw.htm>

during that war. He would further State that he was sworn in at the house of old Mr. Harrison in Rockingham County.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to an annuity or pension except the present and declares his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of the United States.

Sworn & subscribed to the day and year aforesaid

William Warren, X his mark

I John Spurling a Justice of the peace in and for the County of Christian and State of Kentucky do hereby certify that I this day attended at the house of Hedgeman Warren which is the residence of William Warren who is very old and infirm and decrepit in one of his thighs from a wound received as he states at the battle of the Cowpens during the war of the revolution, and renders him very unable to attend the court, wherefore I administered to him in due form of law his oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration and I do further declare that I believe he is 70 years of age, that I have long known him and believe that he served as he states.

Given under my hand this 19th day of November 1832.

S/ John Spurlin, JP

[George Ward and Young Ewing gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for two-year service as a private in the Virginia Continental line.]