

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Love S21350

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State of Tennessee Maury County: Circuit Court October Term 1834

On this 4th day of November 1834 personally appeared in open Court before Lunsford M. Bramlett Judge of the said court now sitting James Love a resident of Maury County in the State of Tennessee aged seventy-one years 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 seventh 1832.

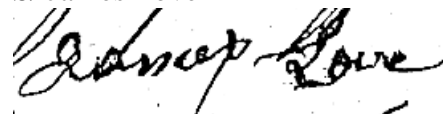
That he entered the ~~Army~~ Service of the United States under the following named officers & served as hereinafter stated –

Affiant entered the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, he believes in the year 1779, he was drafted in the State of Virginia then called Montgomery County but now Wythe County under one Captain Robert [p 11] Sawyers & Robert Love was Lieutenant – Rendezvoused upon Cripple Creek on its borders of New River – at which place Colonel Campbell took command several companies having rendezvoused at that place a Captain William Love was long the other officers he cannot recollect = from Cripple Creek Colonel Campbell marched up towards the head of New River in search of Tories – thence marched to the Big Glades on New River thence to the Lead mines in said Montgomery County, there Declarant's company was discharged to wit the company of said Captain Sawyers, this trip was performed by mounted men entirely, during this Service the troops were employed mostly in scouting about in small parties searching for the Tories, he believes this tour commenced sometime in the month of May 1779 & was for three months, the whole of which time Declarant was engaged in actual service. We killed no Tories in this tour except a man who was [p 9 & 12] taken & condemned by a court-martial at the house of Mr. Cox, he was hung on Cox's gate – saw no part of the United States Army except said Campbell's Regiment to which Declarant belonged – Sometime in the year 1780 Declarant was drafted sometime in the month of August, he believes about the middle of August in the said County of Montgomery in Virginia he was in Captain James Montgomery's Company – in the Regiment of Colonel Crockett – rendezvoused at the lead mines in said County he saw there a Major Quirk & a Captain Evins [probably Evans] & a Captain Taylor that he understood to belong to the regular Army. Captain Evins had 30 or 40 men with him that he had recruited to take to Kentucky – he remained at the lead mines about

six or eight weeks guarding the minds from the Tories – at the end of which time news came that the Tories had collected at or near the Shallow Ford of the Yadkin [River] in North Carolina. Colonel Crockett marched us on towards said Ford & got as far [as] Moravian [p 8 & 13] Towns – there we met Major Floyd¹ who had just defeated the Tories at Shallow Ford [October 14, 1780], he understood the Tories had 18 killed – Major Floyd had eight wounded & one killed. On Saturday we got to Moravian Towns & on the next Monday Colonel Crockett & Major Floyd marched with their troops to reinforce Colonel Campbell at Kings Mountain we marched on until about Wednesday first after, when we met Colonel Campbell [William Campbell] & Colonel Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland] coming from Kings Mountain – we turned back with Colonel Campbell & marched back to Moravian towns, to the middle town called Bethlehem – we remained at Bethlehem some time & then marched back to the lead mines & was there discharged while he remained at Bethlehem he was guarding the prisoners – this tour was for three months, Campbell had a British Captain prisoner – the whole of the above service amounts to six months. He has no discharge – & never had any. [p 6 & 14] Declarant was born in the year 1762 on the 10th of March he has a record of his age made by his father in the old Presbyterian Confession of Faith as above – He was born in the County of Augusta State of Virginia – At 12 years old his father moved to Montgomery County in Virginia & was living in said Montgomery County when called into Service – he lived in said Montgomery until shortly after peace was made, he then moved to the County of Washington County State of Tennessee but then North Carolina, he lived there about six years then moved to Buncombe County North Carolina & lived there five years then moved to Kentucky in Logan County lived there five years, then moved to Williamson County Tennessee lived there six years, then moved to Maury County Tennessee & has lived here ever since which is about 25 or six years – he served as a private in the aforesaid service. [p 7 & 15] He has no written evidence of his services & knows of no one living by whom he can prove his services but Robert love his brother who lives in the state of North Carolina about 300 miles distant, this declarant is old & has no way of getting his brothers testimony. Joseph Payton & Thomas Walker will testify as to the opinion head of me in the County where Declarant live.

He hereby 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.

S/ James Love



[p 4 & 16: Joseph Payton, a clergyman, and Thomas Walker gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for service as a private for six months in the Virginia militia.]

¹ Major Joseph Cloud, not Floyd, commanded the Virginia militia that the test up aided in the engagement at Shallow Ford.