

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Frederick Shaver (Server, Shaffer)¹ S32517 f59VA
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State of Tennessee Greene County: On this the 24th day of July 1833 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for the County aforesaid Frederick Shever a resident of said County aged seventy-five years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832. That he enlisted for the term of three years in the Army of the United States on the 15th day of October in the year of our Lord 1779 in the town of Woodstock, County of Shenandoah & State of Virginia in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Kirk and first Lieutenant Henry Davine [?] in the 16th or 18th Regiment commanded by Colonel Camel [Campbell?], that he continued to serve in said Corps for 2 years & 9 months – after which time he returned home on furlough & finding his father in a declining state of health was permitted to remain by furnishing a substitute for the residue of his term which was 3 months, this term was served in the State of South Carolina and under one enlistment. That he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any Agency in any State. This applicant states that he has lost his discharges.

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid
S/ Me. Payne, D. C. S/ Frederick Shaver

State of Indiana County of Clinton: SS: On this 30th day of April A.D. 1855
Personally appeared before me, a justice of the peace, within and for the County and State aforesaid, Frederick Shever aged ninety-seven years, a resident of Warren Township in the County of Clinton and State of Indiana who being duly sworn according to law, declares that he is the identical Frederick Shever who was a private in the company commanded by Captain John Kirk Lieutenant Colonel forgotten Major ___ in the (he thinks the 8th) Regiment of Virginia – militia or Regulars in the war of the Revolution with Great Britain 1775 that he entered the service at Miller's town (Woodstock) Shenandoah County Virginia day of ___ 1775 or 6 for the term of 3 years and continued in actual service for the period of 2 years and 9 months during which service he was in actual service in said War under General Morgan and at the close of the war. He was honorably discharged at or near Charleston South Carolina on account of sickness having performed actual service in said John Kirk's Company of at least 2 years & 9 months the exact dates of enlistment & discharge he does not recollect with any certainty. He states that he is now a pensioner of the United States & receives \$80 per annum a copy of his certificate of pension & refer to the pension office for proof & in the papers on file. He makes this declaration

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for the purpose of procuring a warrant under act of 3rd March 1855.

He hereby declares that he has not received a warrant under this or any other act of Congress and never made any other application only the pension – for said service, I received pay from the United States – any discharge was signed by someone of my officers & has been lost, and I refer to the muster rolls of said company and the proof & papers on file in case of my application for a pension.

S/ Frederick Shever, X his mark

[Facts in file: Veteran died December 18, 1855 in Clinton County Indiana. His wife died in July 1845 her name is not given in the file. They both died at the home of their youngest son Benjamin A. Shaffer who in 1856 was 46 years of age and living in Carroll County Indiana. The veteran was said by his son to have been 100 years and 5 days old when he died.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service.]