

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

**PENSION REQUEST OF WILLIAM CAMPBELL  
S 35,826**

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William Campbell -- S 35826; BL. Wt. 1754-100  
Continental (enlisted in New Jersey)  
1820 residence Ohio Co.. Ky., aged 67 Yrs.  
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10,267

Kentucky

William Campbell of Ohio County in the state of Kentucky who was a private in the Legion commanded by Colonel Lee of the Continental Virginia line. for the term of six years.

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky at the rate of 8 Dollars per- month. to commence on the 13 of July 1818.

Certificate of Pension issued the 6 of May 1819 and sent to Henry Brodnax, Hartford Kentucky.

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| Arrears to 4th of March 1819 | 61.96 |
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| Semi-anl. all'ce ending 4 Sept. 1819 | <u>48.—</u> |
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109.96

(Revolutionary Claim )  
(Act 18th March, 1818 )

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**1818 PENSION APPLICATION**

(Reverse side of 1818 pension application:)

William Campbell Declaration  
Private  
Col Lees Regiment  
1777 - 6 years

on roll  
Admitted

(written sideways on same side of paper)

In Testimony Whereof I have hereunto set my hand &, caused my ; Seal of office to be affixed this 13 day of July 1818. Ch. Henderson.  
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Ohio County Commonwealth of Kentucky

William Campbell ..... declaring that in the Year- of 1776 or .....  
Germantown in the State of New Jersey ... inducted in the Continental line under .....  
in Col. Lee's regiment

(...this document is almost completely illegible .....)

his  
William x Campbell  
mark

State of Kentucky Ohio County Sct.

I Charles Henderson Clerk of the Circuit Court ..?.. for the County  
Aforesaid do certify that Henry P. Brodnax whose name is affixed to the foregoing Certificate is & was  
at the time of signing a presiding Judge in & for the circuit afores'd Duly Commissioned & qualified  
and that the said Certificates are in his hand writing.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Caused my Seal of office to be affixed this  
13th, day of July 1818. Ch. Henderson.

State of Kentucky  
Ohio County

This day came William Campbell before me of the Circuit Judge in & for the state aforesaid.  
and Swore in the Holey [Evanqalist ?I of Almighty God that the facts stated in this his declaration are  
true to the best of his knowledge and belief. Given under my hand & Seal this 13th day of July  
1818.

Henry P. Brodnax

I do also certify that from the proof made it is my Opinion that William Campbell is in meager  
circumstance and deserves the assistance of his Country. Given under my hand & seal this 13  
July 1818.

Henry P. Brodnax

**1820 PENSION APPLICATION SUPPLEMENT**

The Commonwealth of Kentucky Ohio County (Etc ...??)

At a County Court held for Ohio county at the court house in Hartford on Monday the 13th day of November 1820 personally appeared in open Court (the said Court being a Court of Record) William Campbell age 67 years resident in the County aforesaid who being first sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows. First that he enlisted in the State of Jersey as a Private in Capt. Michael Rudolph's company of light infantry in Col Lees regiment. That he the said Campbell Served in the Company & that regiment four years Six months & four days from the time of enlistment until the time of Discharge & was honorably Discharged as a Soldier that whilst in the Service he was at the Storming of Stoney point and one of the Company that he was at the taking of the fort at Pawleys Hook was from there marched into Carolina & was at the taking of several forts one on a river called Pee Dee one on Congree one in Georgia Called Brown's fort that he was also in the battle at the Utaw (sic ) Springs & the battle of Gilford & several Small engagements. That his original declaration was made on the 13th day of July 1818. That he was placed on the pension list -Fall of -the Kentucky agency at 8 Dollars per month by Certificate bearing date the 6th day of May 1819 that he has not recived (sic) as yet any part of has pension Except as to the 4th day of March 1820 And the Said William Campbell do [sic] Solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen on the 18th day of March 1818 of the United States and that I have not Since that time by Gift Sale or in Any manner Disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby So to Diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress Entitled an act to provide for Certain Persons engaged in the land and Naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War passed the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person interest for me any property or Security contract or Debt due to me nor have I any income other that what is Contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed & by me Subscribed to wit-.

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| 2 Horse, one worth 50, one 20 | \$70 |
| 7 head of cattle              | 38   |
| 5 head of sheep               | 10   |
| 31 head of hogs               | 50   |
| 3 bed Furniture               | 35   |
| Household & Kitchen furniture | 15   |
| Farming Utensils              | 12   |

That he is by occupation a farmer but able to Do but little labour Owing his age & being hurt that he recieved in his neck. in turning a boat that he has but three children living with him all three Girls, the older about 18 years the second about 15 & the youngest about ten. The wife aged about 56 or 57 and crippled with the Rheumatic pains so that She Cannot walk but very little.

his  
Wm. x Campbell  
mark

Sworn to and Declared on the 13 Day of November 1820 before the Worshipful County Court of Ohio County in Open Court.

Benj. Kelly presiding JPOC

I Charles Henderson Clerk of the Ohio County Court do hereby Certify that the foregoing oath and the schedule thereto annexed are truly copied from the Record of said Court and I do further Certify that it is the opinion of said Court that the total in Value of property Exhibited in aforesaid schedule is Two hundred and Thirty Dollars.

Given under my hand this 17th day of November 1820.  
Ch. Henderson

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**1831 BOUNTY LAND APPLICATION**

State of Kentucky  
Ohio County Sct

August 10th 1831

To the Secretary of War of the United States

Sir:-

I hereby acknowledge as Attorney in fact for William Campbell, who was a private soldier of Lees Legion Virginia line of the Revolutionary War, acknowledge the Receipt of a Warrant for one hundred acres of land, No :1754 and dated 20<sup>th</sup> July 1831. Respectfully yours {signed} Dillis Dyer.

State of Kentucky ) Sct  
Ohio County )

I William Campbell aged Seventy- seven Years do upon oath testify and declare that in the year 1777 or 78 I enlisted for the term of During the War and served in the Regiment under the Command of Colonel Henry Lee in Captain Michael Rudolph's company of Light Infantry of the Virginia Line and that I continued in the service afs'd untill the close of the War when I was regularly discharged from the Regiment commanded by Col Henry Lee.

I further declare that I have never- received a warrant for the Bounty Land promised to me on the part of the United States nor have I ever assigned or transferred my claim in any manner whatsoever.

Therefore know all men by these presents that I William Campbell aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Dillis Dyer of Ohio County and state aforesaid My true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to demand and receive from the Secretary afsd and my said Attorney is hereby fully authorized and empowered to constitute and appoint one or more substitutes or attorneys under him for the special purpose above expressed.

And I hereby also assign to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States all my right title interest and claim to this warrant which to me shall be granted and do authorize and empower my said Attorney Dillis Dyer to demand and receive for me in lieu thereof government certificates or scrip to the full amount of said Warrants.

Attest: his  
Richd Elliott William + Campbell  
mark

I Thomas Pender aged 70 years do upon oath declare that I have been long acquainted with William Campbell who has subscribed the above declaration in my presence and well known that he is the identical person he therein represents himself to be and furthermore I do believe that he did perform the military service therein stated.

Attest: his  
Rich'd Elliott Thomas x Pender  
mark

State of Kentucky ) Sct  
Ohio County )

Before me Richard Elliott a Justice of the Peace in and for the County afsd personally appeared William Campbell subscriber to the foregoing Declaration and in my presence acknowledged the Power of Attorney thereunto Subjoined to be his free act (&) Deed: and likewise personally appeared Thomas Pender who hath subscribed the above certificate of identity both to me well known

to be men of respectability and truth and made oath to the truth of the Depositions by them respectively subscribed This 16th day of May 1831. {signed} Rich'd Elliott

State of Kentucky Ohio County

I Charles Henderson, Clerk of the County Court for the County aforesaid do Certify that Richard Elliott is now and was at the time of signing an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the Said County duly Commissioned and qualified to all whose official acts as such due faith and credit should be given.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto Set my hand & Caused my Seal of office to be affixed this 17 day of May All 1831. {signed} Chas Henderson.

(written below this in a different handwritrtq)

Joined 4th troop, 1st July 1779 - See Rolls Lees Legion

Declaration in 1818 - enlisted in 1776 or 1777 under Sergt PETER FAULKNER in Col. Lees Reg't served from the time of his enlistment to the close of the war in Capt Rudolphs Company.

2nd declaration enlisted in Michael Redlolph Company of light Infty in Lees

Regt -- served in Said Company - 4 yrs. 6 mos. 4 days from the time of enlistment until time of discharge. Nov. 1826

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| 80.421? | 1 Jan. 1782  | 87.400 |
| 80 4?   | 1 Jan 1783   | 87.415 |
| 87.4`   | 15 Nov. 1783 |        |

87.451 Payd  
80. " Lees Legion

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LETTERS FROM COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS

Chicago USA  
855 Eastwood Ave

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1918

Commissoner of Pensions

Washington DC

Dear Sir

In 1840 William Campbell was drawing a Rev. pension in Ohio County. Kentucky and was then 87 year of age.

I am very desirous of knowing more about this ancestor and would be very grateful if You would give me his service (I think it must have been from N. Car.) and the details as far as possible which he must have given in his application, especially name of his wife and children if possible to give them from it.

Thanking you in advance, I am. Yours Very Truly (signed) Ella G. Shields.

In reply to your request of ..(blank).. received ..(blank.).. for a statement of the military history of William Campbell a soldier of the Revolutionary war, you will find below the desired information contained in his application for pension on file in this Bureau S. F. 3 5,826

Length of Service: 4 yrs., 6 mo. & 4 days

Captain: Michael Rudolph

Colonel: Henry Lee's Continental Reg't

Battles engaged in: Stony Point, Paulus Hook, Guilford. Eutaw Springs. Residence of soldier at enlistment: Enlisted at Germantown, NJ

Date Of application for pension.- July 13, 1818. His cl. was al.

[claim was allowed)

Remarks: In 1820 he referred to his wife. aged 56 or 57 and daughters. aged 18, 15 and 10 yrs. no names stated.

Respectfully ..(blank).. Commissioner.

March 30, 1939

BA--J/SDY

William Campbell

S. 35826

Mrs. Howard T. Fewell  
1011 Texas Avenue  
Texarkana, Texas

Dear Madam

Reference is made to your letter relative to soldiers of the Revolutionary War, John Howell and William Campbell.

Because of the great demand for Revolutionary War data and the limited trained clerical force available for furnishing such information, it is impossible to comply in full with each request pertaining to soldiers of that war.

The record of William Campbell is furnished you herein as found in the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claims for pension and bounty land based on his service in that war.

William Campbell enlisted in Germantown, New Jersey, served as private in Captain Michael Rudolph's Company, Col. Henry Lee's Continental Regiment: was in the Battles of Stony Point, Paulus Hook, Guilford and Eutaw Springs, and served four years, six months, four days, and to the close of the war.

He was allowed pension on his application executed July 13, 1818, at which time he was about sixty-five years old, and a resident of Ohio County, Kentucky.

May 16, 1831 he applied for bounty land while living in Ohio County, Kentucky. He was allowed one hundred acres of bounty land, on account of his services in the revolutionary War, on Warrant No. 1754, which was issued July 20, 1831.

In 1820 William Campbell's wife was fifty-six or fifty-seven years old, and his daughters were aged eighteen, fifteen, and ten years, no names stated. There are no further family data.

In order to obtain the date of last payment of pension. the name of person paid and possibly the date of soldier's death, You Should apply to the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office. Records Division, Washington D.C.. and cite the following data.

William Campbell. Certificate No. 10267. issued May 8, 1819, rate \$8.00 per month, commenced July 13, 1818, act of March 18, 1818. Kentucky Agency.

For information in regard to the location of the land You should address the Commissioner of the General Land Office, this city (Wash. D.C.) and furnish that Official the number of the Warrant, Acreage, and date of issuance.

Very truly yours,  
A. D. Hiller  
Executive Assistant  
To the Administrator

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From: Microfilm M881-93. Revolutionary War Army. Compiled Service Records of Soldiers:  
Continental Troops -Lee's Legion.

There was also a Daniel Campbell. Private. Lee's Legion - 25 Aug. 1783.

There was also a Dennis Campbell, Private, Lee's Legion, in Lt. Charles Stockley's book of  
accounts - paid \$16.60 in 1783. Warrant for 100 acres issued Sept. 19, 1803.

Pe-ter- Faulkner, Lee's Legion, Continental Troop5. Rev. War. Private - Sergeant. Peter  
Faulkner. Cpl. 2nd Troop. Lee's Legion. Date of enlistment April 7, 1778. Term: War-. Sergt. August  
1st '79. Peter Faulner - Corp. Lee's Par. Leg. April 6, 1778 to Jan. 1. 1779. New Jersey Records.  
Peter Faulkner Priv. Lees Par. Leg. March 2, 1777 to Apr. 6. 1778. New Jersey Records. Peter  
Faulkner Sergt Lees Part. Legion Jan. 1, 1779 to June 17, 1780. New Jersey Records.

Michael Rudolph (Rudolph) appears with the rank of Capt. - Lee's on a paymaster General's return of  
Specie pay due the Officers of the Virginia Line. The name is borne under the following heading.  
"Alphabetical list of Officers of the Virginia Line who were arranged on the 1st of January 1783 and  
continued in Service to the end of the War, with pay they have Received and ballances due

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| Return dated Jany 10, 1786 |     |
| Pay due in 1782            | 100 |
| Pay due in 1783            | 200 |
| Pay received in 1782       | 100 |
| Pay received in 1783       | 150 |
| Ballance due the Officer-  | 50  |

Michael Rudolph - Sergt. Major-. "We the Subscribers have received Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> 1778 of  
Capt. Robert Forsyth Pay Master Our Pay and Subsistence in Full for the Month of July last.  
Roll dated Oct. 9. 1778

Michael Rudolph - Sergt. Maj. Lees Legion. Date of enlistment. April 7 1778. S.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Apl. '79. Lt.  
4<sup>th</sup> Troops July 1, '79. Capt. Nov. 1, '79

### **WILLIAM CAMPBELL – BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

William Campbell was born in 1753c, probably in New Jersey (according to census records of his  
children). He entered service in the Revolutionary war in about 1776 or 1777 under Sergeant Peter Faulkner and  
was a member of the elite infantry force organized by General George Washington in 1779 for the attack on  
Stony Point. Every member of this infantry force was a veteran of at least two years combat experience. These  
infantry forces were made a part of Lee's Legion. He first enlisted in Germantown, New Jersey. He served as a  
private in Capt. Michael Rudolph's company of light infantry in Col. Henry Lee's Continental Regiment. He  
served in this company for a little over four and one-half years. He was in the battles of Stony Point (on the  
Hudson River) and Paulus Hook (across the Hudson River from the southern tip of Manhattan Island) in the fall  
of 1779. His company was then marched into the Carolinas where he was at the taking of several forts, one on  
the Pee Dee River and another called Brown's Fort [Fort Cornwallis] in Georgia. He was a part of Major  
General Nathaniel Green's southern army and took part in the battle of Guilford Court House, South Carolina on  
15 March 1781 against the British troops under Cornwallis. The final battle mentioned by William Campbell  
in his pension request was that at Eutaw Springs, South Carolina which occurred on 08 Sept 1781. General

Green's army then bottled up the British army in Charleston, SC until 14 Dec. 1782 when they were transported by ship to New York. and England. Lee's Legion were a part of the troops that occupied Charleston. His last pay record is dated 15 Nov 1783.

What happened to William Campbell in the intervening twenty plus years, between 1783 and William's appearance in Ohio Co., KY is unknown.

William Campbell purchased 200 acres of land on Caney (or Carny) Creek. in Ohio Co., KY from Thomas and Ann Lewis on 06 Aug 1804 for 57 pounds, 8 shillings. This land was paid for in property which was not specified. Andrew Campbell was a witness to this deed. William sold Andrew Campbell one-half of this land on 10 Oct. 1809 for 25 pounds and the other half on 18 Feb 1811 for \$200 paid in property. In both deeds, William Campbell signed with "his (x) mark" which indicates that he was probably uneducated. In the 1811 deed, his wife, Ann Campbell, also signed indicating that the name of William's second or third wife was Ann and that he married her between 1809 and 1811.

In 1818 William Campbell applied for a pension from Ohio Co., KY for his Revolutionary War service for which he was to receive a pension of \$8.00 per month. In 1820, at the age of 67 years, he appeared in the Court of Ohio Co., KY to state that he had not yet received complete payment on his pension. At that time he indicated that he had three daughters (not named) living with him, ages 18, 15 and 10. His total assets were two horses, 7 cattle, 5 sheep, 31 hogs and some household furniture and farming utensils valued at \$230. He said that he worked as a farmer but could do little work because of his age and the neck injury he received in turning a boat. He also indicated that his wife was 56 or 57 years old (b. 1763c] and so crippled with rheumatism that she could hardly walk.

William Campbell applied for bounty land on 16 May 1831 while living in Ohio Co., KY. He was allowed one hundred acres of bounty land on account of his services in the Revolutionary War, on Warrant No. 1754, which was issued 20 July 1831.

In 1835, the court ordered any Constable of Ohio Co. to confiscate any property William Campbell might have for a debt of \$26.99 plus interest and costs he owed to Robert Mitchel. A notation indicated that no property was found. Later that same year, the court issued an injunction preventing John W. Crow from paying William Campbell the \$40 dollars he owed him until William had paid his debt to Mitchell. In 1837, William Campbell in his response stated that the money was a part of his Revolutionary War pension and as such could not be taken to pay his debts. I was unable to discover how this case turned out.

In the 1810 census of Ohio Co., KY, William Campbell was over 45, his wife was 26 to 45 and he had 1 dau. 16 to 26, 1 dau. 10 to 16 and 3 daus. less than 10 years old. In 1820, he and his wife were both over 45 and they had two daus. 10 to 16 and one dau. less than ten living at home. In 1830, William was aged 70 to 80 and living in his household was 1 female age 70 to 80, 1 female aged 15 to 20 and another male aged 50 to 60. In 1840, William was aged 80 to 90 and had a female aged 50 to 60 living with him. Sometime between the census of 1840 and his son's letter of 1846, William Campbell had moved to IL with his son-in-law Asa Allen. He died in that same time period.

### **CHILDREN OF WILLIAM CAMPBELL**

The following is a partial list of children of William Campbell.

1. Andrew Campbell: b. 25 Nov 1785 in NJ; d. 14 Nov 1855 in Scott Co., IN; md/1: Mary ..?..; md/2: Katherine Loney(?)



2. Abigail Campbell: b. 1800 in VA; d. 1852 in Pike Co., IL; md: Asa Allen on 15 July 1822 in Ohio Co., KY.
3. Sarah "Sally" Campbell: b. 06 Dec 1791; d. 15 March 1833 in Ohio Co., KY,- md-. Felix Barnett on 26 Oct 1815 in Ohio Co., KY.
4. Elizabeth Campbell: b. 1810c, KY; d. 1844 in Pike Co., IL. Described as his youngest sister by Andrew Campbell in his 1846 letter. Her name appears on the same tombstone with her brother-in-law, Asa Allen as "Elizabeth Campbell (Aunt)". Evidently never married.
5. Sophia Campbell: b. 1792 in KY; d. in Taney Co., MO; md: Levi Wooley on 01 Aug 1814 in Ohio Co., KY.