

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Amos Nunnery S8923

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State of North Carolina, Cumberland County } Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions September  
Term 1832.

On this third day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court the Court aforesaid now sitting Amos Nunnery a resident of the County & State aforesaid aged Seventy-One 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 Act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He first entered the Service in Edgecombe County North Carolina in Captain Griscom Cofield's [sic, Gresham Coffield's] of which Brittain Jones was Lieutenant: from the County of Edgecombe his company marched to Bass's [?] ferry on Neuse River where he joined Colonel Shepherd's [Abraham Sheppard's] Regiment of North Carolina Militia from thence the Regiment marched to Cross Creek (now Fayetteville) from thence we marched South crossing Drowning Creek at Cole's Bridge to the Pedee River which they crossed at Haley's ferry marched thence to Camden South Carolina where Colonel Shepherd's Regiment joined Brigadier General Butler's [John Butler's] Regiment where he remained encamped within three miles of the Town for most of the time of his service they having been stationed there for the defense of Camden. He was discharged in the latter part of March following the expiration of his tour of six months Service this he believes was in the year 1777. The year following he again entered the Service in Edgecombe County in a Company commanded by Captain Edward Hall & of which \_\_ Nichols was Lieutenant: his company was attached to Colonel Johnson's [Jonas Johnston's] Regiment of North Carolina Militia, this Regiment rendezvoused in the town of Tarborough marched thence to Cross Creek on to the State of South Carolina where his Regiment again joined General Butler's Brigade near the Georgia line that shortly thereafter General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] took the command of all the troops Regulars & militia that the troops crossed into Georgia below Augusta & went to that Town, after marching [indecipherable word, could be "some" or "seven"] days down the Savannah River the troops again crossed into South Carolina in pursuit of the British which was continued for a good many days. General Lincoln having halted his men to recruit them & horses at Edisto [indecipherable word, could be "nearly"] two days thence the pursuit was continued to Bacon's Bridge near Dorchester about 40 or 50 miles from Charleston during this pursuit the enemy stopped at Stono where they threw up breastworks where a Battle [Battle of Stono Ferry, June 20, 1779] was fought between our troops & the enemy this affiant was not in the Battle being sick about two or 3 miles off. That he was discharged in the month of September or October following when he entered the service this term it was for four months after he crossed the State line but owing to the wishes of the officers he remained in service this tour for nine months. About 12 or 18 months after his discharge he again entered the service in

Edgecombe County in Captain Henry Scarborough's Company of which Randall Hancock was Lieutenant. This company was attached to [Lt. Col.] Henry Hart's Regiment of North Carolina militia, from the town of Tarborough he marched up the County through Hillsboro and Salisbury into South Carolina where they joined General Smallwood's [William Smallwood's] troop near the Hanging Rock South Carolina was at the surrender of the Tories under Colonel Rugeley [Rugeley's Mill, December 4, 1780]. This capture was made without firing a Gun the American troops having surrounded a block house occupied by the Tories & some British a plan was fallen on to represent cannon by the means of a pine log which was blackened & put on the wheels of a wagon this item deployed in view of block house & they were summoned to surrender which they did supposing that our troops had cannon. This tour was for six months. He again entered the Service in Captain John DeCoin's Company of Light horse which was Governor Martin's life Guard this tour was for four months, during this Service he was in different parts of the State of North Carolina but not beyond it. He again entered the Service in Captain Randall Bass's [?] Company but before he marched from Tarborough Peace was made.

I was born in Edgecombe County North Carolina 17 January 1762.

I have no record of my age. The Prayer book in which it was made has been lost many years.

I was living in the County of Edgecombe when I entered the Service, since the War ended I have most generally resided in the County of Cumberland & now reside there.

By was a volunteer except when I went with Captain Hall. I then went in the place of Michael Edwards for four months of the tour, the balance of that Service I was a Volunteer.

The officers I knew by the name and addition to those stated in my Declaration were Colonel William Washington of the Dragoons, General Morgan [Daniel Morgan] who commanded the Rifle men, Dr. Parsons & some who were surgeons.

I received discharges from all my Captain's but have lost or mislaid them so that I cannot find them.

I would refer to Jonathan Evans & Jonah Evans Esq. to prove my character. I could refer to many others.

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.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Witness: S/ D. McDiamid[?], Clk

S/ Amos Nunnery, X his mark

[Jonathan Edwards and John Maxwell gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

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North Carolina, Cumberland County

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in & for said County Amos Nunnery who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the periods of the war of the Revolution when he performed the several tours of service set forth in his Declaration But according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades. For six months I served as a private soldier in Captain Coffield's Company. For nine months I served as a private soldier in Captain Edward Hall's Comp any. For six months, I served as a private soldier in Captain Henry Scarborough's Company. For four months I served as a private in Captain John DeCoin's Company of Light Horse making in all of my actual service two years & one month and for such service I claim a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 13<sup>th</sup> of May 1833.

S/ C. Murchison, JP

S/ Amos Nunnery, X his mark

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Personally appeared in open Court Zachariah Reeves and Sherwood Fort who being duly sworn according to Law deposeth as follows. Z. Reeves says that he is well acquainted with Amos Nunnery of this County that he knew said Nunnery in the Army during the Revolutionary War in Captain Cofield's Company & knows that said Nunnery served in the said company 3 or 4 months.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court 3 September 1832

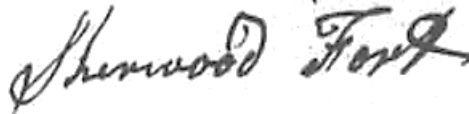
S/ Zach Reavs<sup>1</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Zach Reaves".

Sherwood Fort states that he is well acquainted with Amos Nunnery of this County that he has known him from a boy that he met said Nunnery going to the South as a Soldier during the Revolutionary War some short time before the Battle of Stono & he further states that he has heard of his performing several tours of service during the war.

Sworn to & subscribed in Open Court this 3<sup>rd</sup> September A.D. 1832

S/ Sherwood Fort<sup>2</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sherwood Fort".

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$83.33 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 24 months in both the North Carolina infantry & cavalry, all in the militia.]

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<sup>1</sup> [Zachariah Reaves S41973](#)

<sup>2</sup> [Sherwood Fort S8499](#)