

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Fitzhugh Peregrine

VA
(Elizabeth C.)

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[p2] New York certificate 875
Elizabeth C. Fitzhugh, widow of
Peregrine Fitzhugh who died Nov1811
Wayne Co NY
Aid de camp & Capt. of Dragoons
Regt of Col. Baylor of Virginia
Issued 25May1849 @ \$600/annum

[p3] certification of marriage

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State of New York
Wayne County

On this 25th day of April 1837 personally appeared before the court of oyer & terminus held at the court house in Lyons in and for said County of Wayne, Elizabeth C Fitzhugh a resident of the Town of Sodus in the county of Wayne and state of New York aged seventy one years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed 4th July 1836.

That she is the widow of Peregrine Fitzhugh who was a captain in the third regiment of dragoons of the Virginia continental line in the Revolutionary Army commanded by Col^o George Baylor. She further declares that she was married to the said Peregrine Fitzhugh in the month of December 1781 (the day of the month she does not recollect). That her husband the aforesaid Peregrine Fitzhugh died in the month of November 1811 and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by a reference to the proof hereunto annexed. She further declares that according to the best of her belief, her husband joined the army as a Lieutenant in the year 1778 was afterward promoted to captain and remained in the army until the end of the war.

Elizabeth C. Fitzhugh

[certification
D. Chapman, deputy clerk
Cullen Foster, clerk

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I do hereby certify that my brother Peregrine Fitzhugh was a Captain in the 3^d Regiment of Dragoons commanded by Col^o George Baylor in the Virginia Line of the army of the Revolution. That I parted with him after the siege of York Town when the British Troops under Cornwallis surrendered to the American and French armies. That Captain Fitzhugh was attached to the family of Gen^l Washington and after the surrender, returned to Maryland where sometime in the Fall of 1781 he married Miss Eliza C. Chew, the present Mrs. Fitzhugh. That after the Siege of York I proceeded under Genl. Sinclair with that part of the army ordered to join Genl. Green in

South Carolina having been attached to the same Regt of Dragoons in which Captain Fitzhugh held his commission and in which to the best of my knowledge and belief he continued in service to the end of the war. He was in actual service from the time of his appointment in the army in the summer of 1778 to the surrender of Cornwallis in October 1781, a part of the time in captivity at KatBush [?] on Long Island having been made prisoner at Tappan in the state of New ~~York~~ Jersey when the regiment was nearly cut in pieces. I can account in no other way for his not having joined the Regiment in South Carolina as than his having leave of absence until ordered to the Southern Army. I do not recollect there being any supernumerary officers in the 3d Regt of Dragoons. The field officers commanding it were Col. Baylor, Col. Washington, Major Call & Major Logan

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All of whom are dead, Capt. Churchill Jones and Capt. Monroe were _____ Regiment with other officers of inferior grade whose names I do not recollect. Upwards of fifty years having past since the Army was disbanded about the last of June or First of July 1783 in or near Charles Twon. The present Mrs. Elizabeth C. Fitzhugh now of Lodus in Wayne County State of New York is the widow of the late Captain Peregrine Fitzhugh who died at Lodus and she has never since remarried.

W^m Fitzhugh

Subscribed & sworn to this 28th day of February 1837

Before me O.M. Willey, JP

Of Livingston County

State of New York

[certification

Ogden M Willey

E. Clark, clerk

J.W. Curtiss, deputy clerk

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Albany certificate 875

Elizabeth C Fitzhugh widow of

Peregrine Fitzhugh Lt/Capt/Aid

Col Baylor of Virginia

Issued 18May1837 @ \$512.50

With \$3075 arrears

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Marietta, May 11, 1837

Dear Sir,

I take my pen to answer the inquiry if I know how long the late Peregrine Fitzhugh served as an officer in the Revolutionary Army, and particularly whether he served to the end of the war.

I knew Mr. Fitzhugh well and was upon friendly and intimate terms with him from early youth until the time of his passage. I was well acquainted with all the family, his gather the late Col. William Fitzhugh was a member of the convention that framed the Government of Maryland in the year 1776. I was clerk of that convention. I was acquainted with his two other sons George and William.

It was a notorious fact and well known to me that Peregrine Fitzhugh was an officer in the Revolutionary army and at one period of the war attached to the family of the commander in chief. But I cannot undertake to say that he served to the end of the war. It is my firm belief and impression that he did. Too many years have elapsed to admit of the precise recollection of such a fact, depending upon memory alone.

I am with respect & esteem,
Your obdt servant,
G. Duval

[additional pages were inquiries, statements, and rulings regarding the amount of Elizabeth Chew Fitzhugh's pension which resulted in the 1837 certificate being replaced at the higher amount per the certificate as transcribed from the second page of the file]

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This is to certify that Capt. Peregrine Fitzhugh an officer of the Virginia line upon continental establishment received a commission in Baylor's light dragoons 5th May 1778 and continued in service till the termination of the war.

G. Weedon M;G

Fredericksburg
October 3d 184

Executive department
August 20.1946

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a paper preserved among the files of this department.

Wm H Richardson O. C.

[p44 contains a letter from Treasury third auditor's office in the case of Elizabeth Fitzhugh re/ Lt William Fitzhugh instead of Capt Peregrine Fitzhugh]

[p48 is an undated certificate to increase the pension amount to \$550/annum.]