

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Govea (Govey) Clampitt (Clampet, Clampett)¹ Sarah Clampitt W18NC
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State of Tennessee Blount County:

Be it remembered that this day came Govea Clampitt a citizen and resident of and in said County who says he is, and appears to be, upwards of sixty-nine years of age before me James Turk presiding justice of the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions in and for the said County which court is a court of record and the said Govea Clampitt being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the 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" to wit that he the said Govea Clampitt is the same that enlisted under the command of Captain Matthew McCally [sic, Matthew McCauley] of Colonel Shepherd's [Abraham Sheppard's] Regiment of the North Carolina line the year before the battle of Monmouth under whose command this deponent served afterwards at the Battle of Monmouth [June 28, 1778]. This deponent enlisted during the war of the revolution and after continuing in the service of the United States on the Continental establishment as a private soldier against the common enemy, the British, until the conclusion of the war, this deponent was below Dover, twelve miles, in the State of Delaware discharged honorably, which certificate of discharge has by time been lost, or so mislaid that this deponent does not know where it is. That this deponent knows of no person in the bounds of this State that was present with him during any part of the said Term of Service and that he has no further or better evidence in his power to produce except the deposition of Wilson Keeble hereto annexed. That this deponent has been but a few years in this part of the United States. That he claims no pension from the United States or any of them otherwise than under the late act of Congress above mentioned -- And that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for Support.

S/ Govea Clampitt, X his mark

The above declaration subscribed and sworn to this 5th day of June A.D. 1818 before me the said S/ James Turk

[William Keeble gave a supporting affidavit as to his belief that the declaration is true based on having known the veteran for several years.]

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Name & Rank	Company	Date of Commission & Establishment	Rank	Occurrences
10th Regiment Govey Clampett Jr.	Abraham Shepard	1st April 1779	3rd	Comd. P. Mar: 79.
<p>State of North Carolina Secretary's Office 14th October 1838.</p> <p>This is to Certify that the above is a true abstract from the Musterroll of the North Carolina Continental Line in the Revolutionary War.</p> <p>Given under my hand at Office in Raleigh the date above</p> <p>Wm. Bell Secretary of State</p>				

[p 9: On November 4, 1839 in Blount County Tennessee Sarah Clampett, 66, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of Govey Clampett; that "he enlisted under Captain Mebane (or a person whose name sounded similar) and enrolled at Hillsboro North Carolina was at the battle of Monmouth & that she heard him speak frequently of a difference which accrued between General Washington & Lee [Charles Lee] at that place;" that she married her husband March 20, 1788; they were married by Eli McDonald Esquire in Orange County North Carolina and that her husband died November 5th 1818 and "that he was afflicted by a breast Complaint which was thought to be the cause of his death...." She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 14 family record]

Elizabeth Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born November the 15th 1789

John Clampet son of Govea and Sarah Clampet was born october 8th 1791

Celey Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born february the 18th 1795

Henry Clampet son of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife November the 29th 1799

Sarah Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born the 27th January 1802

Mary Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his Wife was born the 18th [?] of August 1805

Rachel Clampet Daughter Gavi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born July the 12th 1811

Sarah Clampet Daughter of Wateman Clifford and Elizabeth his wife was born the 25 of October 1814

James Clampet was born July 29th 1816

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Gov. Clampet and Sarah his wife
was born November the 7th 1789
John Clampet son of Gov. and Sarah
Clampet was born October 8th 1791
Leley Clampet Daughter of Gov.
Clampet and Sarah his wife was born
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Henry Clampet son of Gov. Clampet
and Sarah his wife November the 29th 1795
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[p 17: On March 22, 1866 in Knox County Tennessee, Alexander Kennedy, 64, a resident of the 12th District, Blount County Tennessee filed a claim in his capacity as the administrator of the estate of Sarah Clampett [sic], deceased, who died October 24, 1862 having never supported the rebellion or express any sympathy toward the rebellion. He seeks the pension due her from the time the pension was stopped on January 1, 1861 to the date of her death. He states that she was survived by Henry Clampett about 58 years old, a complete cripple and Manerva Latham, 56, both of whom have been loyal to the government of the United States all the time.

Alexander Kennedy
[Signature]

[Facts in file: p 20: widow born Oct. 25, 1774]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing June 5th, 1818, for service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]