Pension Application of John Lonass W19252 Mary Fardin MD
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

State of Virginia }
Morgan County } To wit, On this 27th day of November 1837, personally appeared before the County Court of Morgan in the State aforsaid Mary Farden, a resident of said County and State aged 77 years on the 15th of August last, 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 July 4th 1836, and the Act explanatory of said Act, passed March 3rd 1837: That she was married to John Lonass, who was a private soldier in the German Regiment of the State of Maryland in the War of the Revolution. She states that according to her recollection, her said husband enlisted in said Regiment and entered service the 1st of August in the year 1780, but she cannot state the names of the officer he enlisted under, as her memory is not perfect on that point at this period. He enlisted in Federick Town [sic: Frederick] in Maryland was marched to Annapolis, and from thence to the South, and served in the Southern States till his death. The exact period of his death she cannot state, but he died whilst in the said service in the South. She states that it has been so long since her removal from the State of Maryland, that she does not know whether any of the comrades of her said husband are now living. She further states that her said husband enlisted for three years. He was a resident of Federick County Maryland at the time of his said enlistment. She further declares that she was married to the said John Lonass in the month of February in the year 1779. She cannot recollect the day of the month. She states that herself & her said husband were unlettered, and kept no record of their marriage. She states that her only child by her said husband was born fifteen months after her said marriage. That her said son was called John, and if now living, resides in the state of Ohio. That her friends wrote to him about 12 months since, but have received no answer from him. She states that her said son John Lonass was born on the 31st May 1780. That her said husband John Lonass died as before stated in the service, and she cannot state the precise date of his death. That she was afterwards married to Aaron Fardin, who died on the 21st day of Feb'y 1834: and that she was a widow on the 4th day of July 1836 and still remains a widow, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. Mary herXmark Fardin

Land Office, Annapolis, 29th Nov'r, 1837;
I hereby Certify, That it appears by a pay roll remaining in this office, That John Lonass, a private, received of John Hamilton Agent of the Maryland Line, $24.60 cts arrears of pay from the 1st August, 1780, to the 1st of January, 1783, – Total received $85.10 cts and in the margin of Remarks opposite his name, it is stated, That he died the 2nd of October, 1782, and the balance of pay paid to Wm. Hicks, Adm'r. George G. Brewer/ Reg'r. Land Off. W. S. Md.

NOTE: A document in the file states that the administrator of the estate of Mary Fardin received her final pension payment up to the date of her death, 17 March 1841. The file contains a family register transcribed below, certified as being from Aaron Fardin's prayer book.

Aaron Farding his Book May 17th 1782
Aaron Farding his Book 1782
All Saints 1783
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Joseph Farding February the 9th 1777 [last digit unclear]
James Harrison the same year Born Oct 25th I Born in 176[?] as my father saes
John Lonis was born may the 31 17[??]