

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Taylor W22381

Christina Taylor

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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

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State of North Carolina, Ashe County: Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions November Term 1832

On this 12th [?] day of November personally appeared in open Court before the Justices of our Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions for said County now sitting Isaac Taylor a resident of the County and State aforesaid aged __ 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 7th 1832.

I Isaac Taylor was born in Craven County State of South Carolina near the Waxhaw Settlements and am Seventy-one or Seventy-two years of age since July last. About the year 177? [last digit is illegible] my father was drafted to serve on the waters of the Catawba & Wateree Rivers to suppress the Tories. I being then 14 or 15 years of age proceeded to the Camp with him which was stationed at the High Hills of Santee where Colonel Robert Patton commanded about 300 militia. My father being in a very feeble health I offered my services in the place of his which was accepted and I joined the Company of volunteers under Captain Walker [Samuel Walker]. Of the body of militia under Colonel Patton he marched with the greater part to Charleston. The remainder under Captain Walker ranged about the waters of the Wateree, the Catawba & Pedee [Rivers], sometimes at Camden, sometimes at Cheraw Hills, occasionally encountering with small bodies of Tories, one of whose principal officers by the name of Kulp we Killed. In this Tour I served three months. About two months after I returned home from my first Tour another call was made for the militia to march against the Tories on Lynches Creek the waters of Pedee River – I volunteered & entered the Service under Captain Walker at Rocky Mountain on the Catawba River where Colonel Patton who had returned from Charleston joined us with about 200 men. We marched from this Station against a Tory Captain Leonard on Sandy River from which place the Tories retired to Lynches Creek to which place we proceeded and being driven from there he dispersed his men & went home where he was hunted by one of our officers named Ferrill and killed. From Lynches Creek we marched to Mecklenburg County in North Carolina where we rendezvoused for a while. Our next movement was back to Rocky Mount where we remained about three weeks & next marched towards the High Hills of Santee – During this Tour the whole body under Patton were occasionally together & sometimes we were with General Sumpter's [sic, Thomas Sumter's] Army but generally our company of volunteers under Walker were marching as a scouting party from place to place – in this Tour I served three months. Within a few weeks after the expiration of the last Tour an express arrived that Colonel Fanning [David Fanning] a Tory officer had some of the Whigs hemmed in at the flat Swamps on the Pedee River. I again volunteered and marched under Captain Walker, at this time Sumter was upon the Santee and Patton on Sandy River. Our Company marched as far [as] Pedee River and found that the Whigs had made their escape, we

turned our march to Salisbury in North Carolina where we remained about four weeks. Our next movement was to Mecklenburg in North Carolina where we were stationed for some time & proceeded to the Waxhaw Settlements and this ended our Tour of three months during the whole of which I was in service. During my absence on the last Tour my father had sold his land in South Carolina and within a month or two after my return home I removed with him to Mecklenburg County North Carolina, here the first & only service I performed was when the Tories encouraged by the fall of Charleston in the year 1780 [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780] and the approach of the British, were meeting in considerable bodies in [the] County of Lincoln & the surrounding country I volunteered under Captain Robert Alexander & joined a body of men in the fork of the Catawba [River] under Colonel Hill [presumably William Hill of South Carolina]. Early in the summer we marched down to the Rocky Mount under Captain Alexander where we remained as a check upon the Tories for several weeks; we removed from this station up to Mecklenburg in North Carolina & our march encountered in the Waxhaws a body of Tories whom after a short fight we dispersed we again moved & took a Station not far from Kings Mountain – when the battle at that place occurred [October 7, 1780] we were a few miles distant the remainder of the Tour was spent in scouting about Camden, Cheraw & on the Pedee, it was six months in duration, the whole of which time I was in active service. After its expiration I Joined General Green's [Nathanael Greene's] Army, chiefly for personal safety – about the close of hostilities in the Country where we resided, I moved with my father to Rowan County where I resided nine years, and then removed to this (Ashe) County where I have resided ever since except about five years during which I lived in Kentucky. I had three discharges signed by Colonel Patton and one signed by Colonel Ferrill for my services but was inattentive in their preservation and they were lost through neglect. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written.

S/ T. Callaway, Clk

S/ Isaac Taylor, X his mark

by S/ R. Gentrey, D. Clk

[certificate of Joseph Plummer, a clergyman and Gideon Lewis, a neighbor, in support of the veracity, age and reputation as a soldier of the Revolution of Isaac Taylor].

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State of North Carolina, Ashe County

I know of no person in this or any of the adjoining Counties who can testify to my Service as a revolutionary Soldier. I resided in South Carolina and in North Carolina near the South Carolina line during the time when I performed my services as a revolutionary soldier. For a long period I have had no knowledge of those persons who were with me in [the] army. A Bible that was given me by my father contained a register or entry of my birth but about six years ago I made a present of it to my daughter who at that time moved to West Tennessee. I have already procured the testimony of Gideon Lewis & Joseph Plumer as to my character & the belief of my revolutionary services. I can also refer to Col. Jesse Ray, Colonel George Dower, Isaac Weaver Joshua Weaver & Sidney Manwell for the same purpose.

S/ Isaac Taylor, X his mark

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[Bible record in this file: relevance is not clear:

William Weaver was Born April 1, 1783

Valentine Weaver was Born May 1, 1787

John Weaver was Born Nov. 19, 1790
James Weaver was Born April 15 1799
Isaac Weaver deceased this Life in the 66 year of his age in the year of our Lord 1814
Grace Weaver was born Jan the 29 1795
Lettecha Lewes a Daughter of Gideon Lewes [sic, Lewis?]
Rachel Weaver was Born October the 6 day 1821
Was Born April the 20th 1797 [WTG thinks this relates to Lettecha Lewes [sic, Lewis?] above]
William Lewes [sic, Lewis?] was Born January 15th 1799

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another Bible record [very difficult to decipher]:

Grace the daughter of Isaac and Rachel Taylor was born the 21st day of April 1766

Sarah the Daughter of Isaac and Rachel Taylor was born the 2nd day of Feb. 1768

Grace the daughter of Isaac and Rachel
Taylor was born the 21st day of April 1766
Sarah the Daughter of Isaac and Rachel Taylor
was born the 2nd day of Feb. 1768

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Rebecca Taylor was Born the 29th of Dec. 1769

Elizabeth Taylor was Born the 2nd Day of September 1770

Jacob Taylor was Born the 19th Day of January 1774

William Taylor was Born the 24th Day of April March 1776

Rebecca Taylor was born
the 29th of Dec. 1769
Elizabeth Taylor was Born
the 2^d Day of September 1771
Jacob Taylor was Born
the 19th Day of January 1774
William Taylor was
Born the 24th Day of
March - - - 1776

[p 17: In Clark County, Illinois Charles Vanover gave an affidavit that the Weaver Bible records were of the children of William Weaver, Sr. "... and sets forth the names of the children of said William Weaver Senior with the exception of the name of Grace Weaver who is a Daughter to Isaac and Christina Taylor and is the wife of Samuel Weaver that the entry of the name of Grace Weaver was made some 25 years ago and after her name had become Weaver by her inter-marriage with said Samuel that the original family Record of Isaac and Christina Taylor was taken by their Daughter to Tennessee many years ago and he presumes was destroyed as they had their house and its contents burned. That he believes the entry of the name of "Grace Weaver" was made by her husband after her marriage but that the ink becoming pale the Baptist Minister in North Carolina took a pen and with good ink made the letters over again or followed the old marks. This was done more than 20 years ago. He believes the age of Grace Weaver as given in said Record is correct - that Isaac Taylor the husband of the said Christina died on the ___ day of May 1834 and that said Christina has not since intermarried but still is the widow of the said Isaac Taylor.

S/ Charles Vanover, V his mark

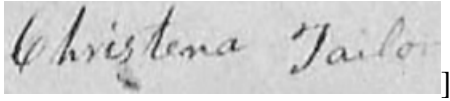
S/ Wm Manly, 25th day of Feb. 1843

[p 19: Jonathan Miller gave an affidavit in Ashe County, NC dated April 14, 1843, that he is the brother of Christine [sic] Taylor the widow of Isaac Taylor, a pensioner for his services as a Revolutionary soldier; that she married him sometime prior to 1794, the said Christine having intermarried with Isaac sometime between 1780 and 1787; that said Isaac died in Ashe County, NC some 8 or 10 years past.

Jonathan Miller

[p 64: A certificate dated April 17, 1843 issued by the Comptroller Office for the State of South Carolina listing indents issued to a Mr. Isaac Taylor for 124 days of militia duty in 1781 & 1782; for 62 days duty at Orangeburg under Colonel Thompson [sic, Colonel William Thomson] in 1781; for 44 days duty at four holes Bridge under Colonel Bratton [William Bratton] in 1782; and for 28 days duty in the fork of at Edisto River under Colonel Winn (note date of service given).]

[p 21: On December 31, 1844, Christina Taylor, aged 73, a resident of Jasper County, Illinois, filed an application for a pension as the widow of Isaac Taylor a Revolutionary War soldier; she states she married Isaac on the Sixth day of March 1786; that Isaac died on the 17th May 1834. She signed her name “Christina Taylor”.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christina Taylor". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background. The name "Christina" is written in a larger, more prominent hand than "Taylor". The signature is enclosed in a small rectangular box with a closing bracket on the right side.

[p 23: Rachel Luallen, gave an affidavit in Morgan Co., Tennessee that she is the daughter of Isaac and Christina Taylor and that annexed is a record taken from the Bible formerly belonging to her parents—must be referring to one of the records above. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

[p 29: Affidavit of John Giles of Rowan County, NC that there is no record of a marriage bond for Isaac Taylor to Christina Miller in that county's records.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$50 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 15 months in the South Carolina and North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$27.22 per annum.]