

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension Application of Jordan Milam: W25709

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State of Tennessee } Circuit Court Sept term 1832
Hickman County } On this 12th day of Sept 1832 personally appeared in open Court,
before the Circuit Court of the County of Hickman aforesaid Jordin Milam aged 83 years the
26th Feb next who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following
declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed
June 7 1832. That he entered the service of the united states in the year 1781. the latter end of
March or first of April as a substitute in the place of Launceford Hall for the term of three
months in the Virginia Militia under Capt David Lanier. in a short time he went from our
company and Josiah Shaw took the command of the Company. I think Debrix [Doverix] Gilliam
was our Sarjant Abraham Penn was Col & one Hughes was Major [possibly Archelaus Hughes]. I
resided in Henry County State of Virginia when I substituted. from there I marched to a place
called the troublesome old Iron works & joined the main army under Gen. Green [sic:
Nathanael Greene, after the Battle of Guilford Courthouse, 15 Mar 1781] from thence we
marched to Ramseys Mills on Deep River from thence we marched through the State of North
Carolina & into the state of South Carolina to Campden [sic: Camden] in the same evening we
had a skirmish [about the time of the Battle of Hobkirk Hill, 25 Apr 1781] I remained here ten
days after my term of service had expired waiting for reinforcements to arrive before I should
go home when they arrive I was discharged & went to my residence in the County of Henry
aforesaid

I remained at home but a few days before I was drafted for three months & marched into
service at Pittsylvania old Courthouse from thence we was marched to Pittsylvania new Court
house remained there some days for reinforcements from thence I was marched to Prince
Edward Courthouse from thence to the Hickory fork Church [probably Hickory Nut Church 8
mi. NW of Williamsburg], from thence to Carters ferry on James River from thence to
Dandridges old fields (where there was a duel fought between two officers) On our march
Majr. Pannell[?] got shot accidently Our officers were Capt Swanson Lieut Abn'r. Reeves or
Middleton Woods James Spencer Commissary Col [St. George] Tucker & Gen. [Robert] Lawson.
from the old fields we marched to Botoms Bridges [Bottoms Bridge] on a creek called
chickahominy from there I was marched to James Town & there we met the main army under
Gen Washington returned to Henry County aforesaid & was there discharged for a tower of
three months serving in all six months. I hereby relinquish every claim whatever to a pension
or an annuity except the present and declare that my name is not on the pension roll of any
agency in any state or Territory

Jordan hisXmark Milam

NOTE: A typed summary adds the following: "In 1837, his postoffice address was Centerville,
Hickman County, Tennessee. In October, 1851, he moved from Hickman County, Tennessee, to
the state of Arkansas, and November 21, 1851, settled in Carroll County, that state, where he
died December 31, 1851, at the house of Samuel Milam no relationship was shown." On 12 Apr
1855 in Carroll County AR Mary Milam, about 84, applied for a pension stating that she
married Jordan Milam on 2 Aug 1792, and he died 31 Dec 1851. On 11 Jul 1855 in Marion
County AR she applied for bounty land, giving her age as 82 and stating that as Mary Peacock
she married Jordan Milam on 2 Aug 1791 in Abbeville District SC. She stated that her husband
died in Carroll County. One of her applications was supported by her sons, Henry and Edward
S. Milam.