

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Mozley (Mosely) W25721 Martha Mozley f41VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 7/30/13

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District of West Tennessee

On this 9th day of July 1822 personally appeared in open Court the Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions for the County of Bedford in said State – the same being a court of record, James Mozley resident in said County of Bedford, aged sixty-two years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the acts of Congress of the 18th of March 1818 & the first of May 1820. That he the said James Mozley enlisted for the term of twelve months in the year 1775 in the company commanded by Captain William Fountain in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Parker in the line of the State of Virginia that he continued to serve in said Corps until his time expired when he was discharged at the city of Williamsburg Virginia. During this service he was in the battle of Gwinns Island [Gwinn Island, July 8-10, 1776] when Governor Dunmore [John Murray, Lord Dunmore, last Royal Governor of the colony of Virginia] commanded the enemy. Afterwards in the year 1776 he reenlisted for three years in the company commanded by Captain Samuel J. Cabbel [Samuel J Cabell] in the 9th Regiment commanded by Colonel George Mathews in the Virginia line on the Continental establishment, he continued to serve in said Corps for about 18 or 20 months when he was transferred to Captain Lambert's Company in Colonel Morgan's [Daniel Morgan's] Rifle Regiment, he served some time in said company when he was transferred to Captain Anderson's Company in the same Regiment in which Corps he served the remainder of his three years for which he had enlisted; when he was discharged at Trenton in New Jersey – He was in the battles of Brandywine [September 11, 1777], Germantown [October 4, 1777], Monmouth [June 28, 1778], Camden [either the first battle of Camden on August 15-16, 1780 or the 2nd battle of Camden also known as the battle of Hobkirk Hill, April 25, 1781], Bluford's defeat [Abraham Buford's defeat or the Battle of the Waxhaws, May 29, 1780] & little York. And he has no evidence in his power of his said services excepting his own oath, his discharge is having been destroyed accidentally by fire near 25 years since. –

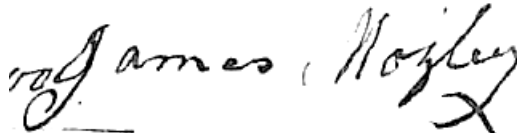
And in pursuance of the act of the first of May 1820, I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed

Schedule of the property of James Mozley

2 feather beds & furniture	\$30.00	2 Pails	\$1.00
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2 Bedsteads	3.00	1 washing tub	.50
2 Pots	5.00	1 Piggin	.25
1 Oven	1.50	2 Spinning Wheels	3.00
4 Pewter plates	.60	1 Handsaw	1.50
2 Earthen Do	.50	1 Drawing knife	.75
½ Doz. knives & forks	2.00	1 Club axe	<u>1.50</u>
1 Tin Bucket	1.00		
1 Cow	9.00		
1 Yearling	2.00		\$63.50

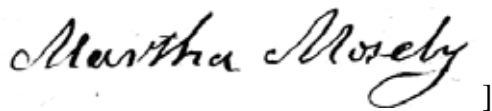
S/ James Mozley



His occupation is that of farming, & owing to his age & increase of debility of Constitution, He does not think that by his personal industry & exertions he can procure a necessary & competent support for himself & family – He has a wife named Martha aged 38 years – three daughters living with him Mary aged 12, Maria ten years & Jane six years old – three boys William 8 years old, Dickson 4 years old, Daniel Seaborn aged 6 weeks. These children ought to be educated in such a manner as to make them useful & respectable citizens – the Defenders & the mothers of the Defenders of the rights & independence of the Republic. The means of accomplishing this laudable object are not in the power of the declarant – who was toiling in the service of his country whilst others were accumulating property for themselves & their children.

Sworn to and declared on this 9th day of July 1822 in open Court
S/ J. McKissick S/ James Mozley

[p 9: On April 2, 1853 in Dickson County Tennessee, Martha Mosely, 68, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of James Mosely, a pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she married him to the best of her recollection on March 27, 1821 and that her husband died in Marshall County Tennessee September 25, 1836.



[p 10: Jaine Moris gave testimony that she was present when Martha and James were married in Marshall County Tennessee on the 27th day of March 1821; that they were married by John Caltan, a Baptist preacher.]

[p 13: On June 8, 1855 in Hickman County Tennessee the widow then stating her age as 69, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of a revolutionary war; she states that her name prior to her marriage was Martha Trammel. She signed this document with her mark.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$8 per month commencing July 9th, 1822, for service as a Sergeant for 4 years in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$96 per annum commencing February 3rd, 1853.]