

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hooper ¹ W25792 Mary Ann Hooper f55VA
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James Hooper's Declaration

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act entitled "An act for the relief of certain Surviving Officers and Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May 1828, I James Hooper of Henrico, in the County of Henrico in the State of Virginia do hereby declare that I enlisted in the year 1776 in the United States Army of the revolution, under Lieutenant William Gregory, and was attached to Captain James Mabin's Company under whom I served until the spring of 1781. I then reenlisted for and during the War under Captain Henry Young & served in his company of Infantry which belonged I believe to the 2nd Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment as a private (or artificer, I being sometimes employed as a Wheel Wright) until we were reduced by furlough given us by Captain Young to last until we should be again called into service, which call was never made, The furlough was given me, after it was considered the War had ended. I do further declare that all my papers in relation to this business have been destroyed or lost, I having no knowledge of their ever being useful, did not take care to preserve them. Witness my hand this 24th day of April 1829

S/ James Hooper, X his Mark

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
23 May 1829

James Hooper of Henrico in the County of Henrico in the State of Virginia has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private or Artificer in Captain Young's Company, in the Second regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by ¹ the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated

¹ BLWt263-60-55 and BLWt4-100-55

by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
25th May 1829

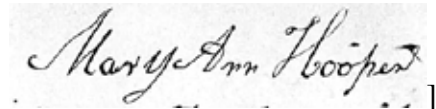
— It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to ___ in the ___

It further appears that James Hooper is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826— at the rate of ___ dollars per month.

The name of James Hooper cannot be found among those of the Virginia line to whom Certificates for the gratuity of \$80 were issued. His name does not appear at all on the record of settlements of the Virginia line.

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

[p 8: On May 15, 1854 in Richmond Virginia, Mary Ann Hooper, aged about 60 years, filed for a widow's pension under the 1853 act stating that she is the widow of James Hooper who was a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$80 per annum under the act of May 15, 1828; that she married him in Henrico County October 20, 1809; that her name prior to her marriage was Mary Ann Childress; that her husband died January 10, 1833.



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[p 31: The widow died in Henrico County Virginia October 24, 1879.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

I certify it appears from a list of such of the names of the Soldiers of the Virginia State line on Continental establishment as received Certificates for the balance of their full pay agreeably to the Act of Assembly passed the November Session 1781 that a Certificate issued on the 11th day of June 1784 in the name of James Hooper a Soldier of Infantry for £19.12.4.

Given under my hand in the Auditors Office this 23rd day of April 1829

S/ James E Heath, Auditor

Henrico County, to wit:

This day Henry Woodcock personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace and made oath that he served in the latter part of the Revolutionary war with James Hooper who was a private (or Artificer) in Captain Young's Company of Infantry in, I believe, the 2nd Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment, and who enlisted for the War, and served as an Artificer till we were reduced by furlough given us by Captain Young, to last until should again be called into service, which call was never made. The furlough was given after it was considered the War had ended. Given under my hand in Henrico County this 28th day of April 1829

S/Samuel Pleasants

To the Governor & Council of Virginia

The Petition of James Hooper a Revolutionary Soldier (or artificer) who enlisted in the spring of the year 1781 under Captain Henry Young for & during the War, who belonged to I believe the 2nd Virginia Regiment on Continental establishment of infantry after having served as a private in the northern and southern Army's about 5 years; as a private in Captain James Mabin's Company of Infantry & acted after his re-enlistment in Captain Young's Company sometimes as an Artificer (a Wheelwright) and never having received his bounty in land to which he is advised he is entitled, prays the Honorable Executive of Virginia will direct the Register of the Land Office to issue to him Warrants for the Amount of bounty in land to which he may be entitled according to law, his papers are lost, that he begs leave to introduce such testimony in support of his claim as he is in hopes will be considered satisfactory. The documents accompanying this petition is believed to be sufficient &c &c

Test: Thomas Underwood

S/ James Hooper, X his Mark