

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Richard Jones W26799

Mary Jones

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State of Tennessee, Sumner County 1832

September Term of the Circuit Court for said County –

On this the 20th day of September 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Honorable Thomas Stuart Judge &c, now sitting Richard Jones a resident of the County of Sumner and State of Tennessee aged sixty-six the 8th day of June 1832, 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 --

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated -- He entered the service of the United States under Captain Besheres [Asa Brashears] in the State of North Carolina in the year 1780 where he was at that time resided and marched to the State of South Carolina where they had an engagement with the Tories and a parcel of British officers at a place called Colson's [July 21, 1780]<sup>1</sup> on the Pedee River -- General Davidson [William Lee Davidson] was the commanding officer, and during the engagement received a wound which caused him to remain at that place for some length of time. From this place he was marched through different portions of South Carolina, and went to the Cheraws, which had been consumed by fire some short time before the Army reached -- and pursued the enemy to Cambden [sic, Camden]. The Army was now under the command of General Gates bracket Horatio Gates] -- Applicant was not in the battle that was fought at Camden [August 15-16, 1780] having been left behind with the sick during this service Applicant believes that he was some part of the time under the command of General Sumpter [sic, Thomas Sumter].

From this place applicant returned home, where he received orders to march to New Providence on a term of duty of 2 months and 14 days under the command of Captain Besheres and General Davidson as the commanding officer –

After this term of service expired applicant returned home, and remained for some time when he volunteered under Colonel James Martin who raised a company of horsemen to suppress the Tories and British foraging parties in the County of Guilford. James Martin the officer under whom he first volunteered was wounded at a place called Alimance [Alamance] in a skirmish with the British when his Brother Samuel Martin took the command of the Company - Applicant served in all between 8 and 9 months.

After his term ended at New Providence he was discharged by General Davidson, which

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution\\_colsons\\_mill.html](http://www.carolana.com/NC/Revolution/revolution_colsons_mill.html)

has been lost or mislaid. This was the only discharge but applicant received --

He states that he was born in the State of North Carolina, he thinks in the County of Guilford He has a record of his age in his Bible at home at the time he entered the service he was living in the County of Guilford in the State of North Carolina where he continued to reside until he removed to the County of Sumner in the State of Tennessee where he has been living about 45 years.

He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the roll of the Agency of any State.

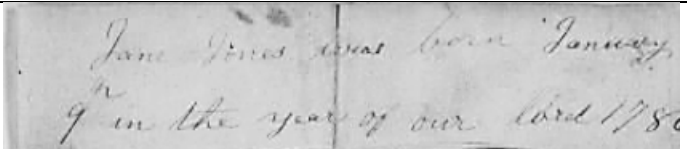
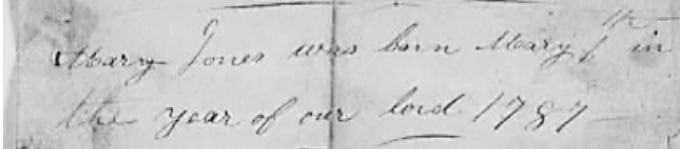
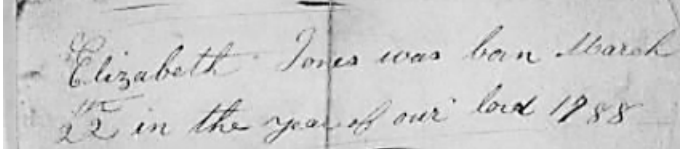
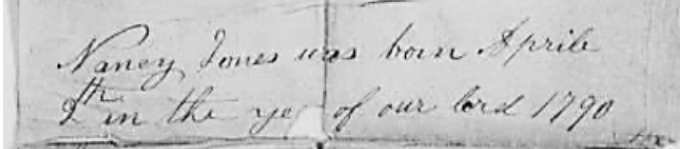
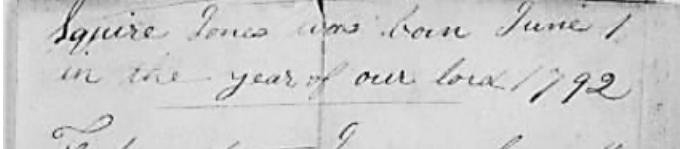
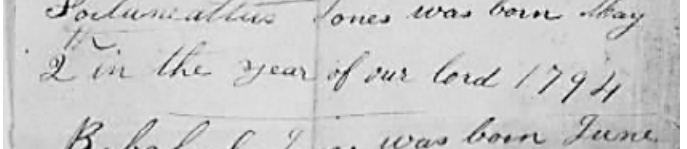
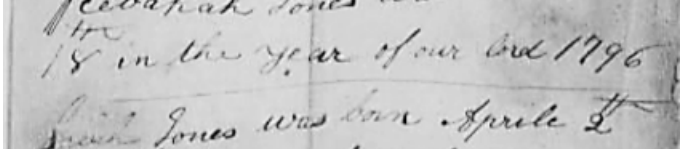
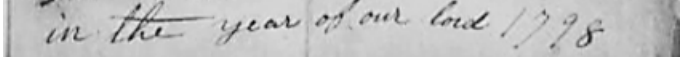
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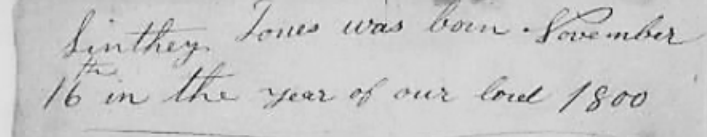
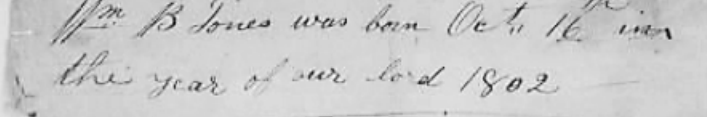
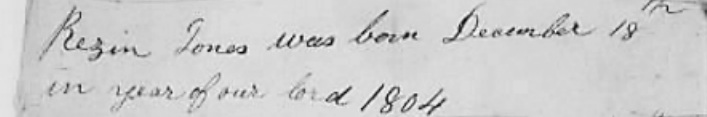
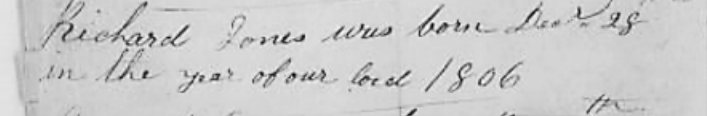
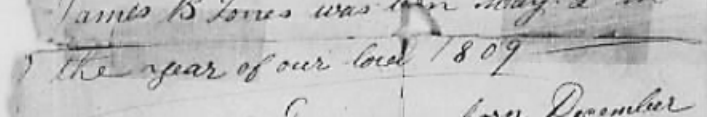
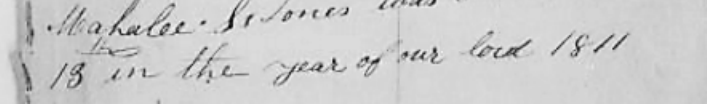
S/ Richard Jones, X his mark

S/ L. W. Baldrige, Clerk

[William Walton, Elijah Flack and James Jones gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

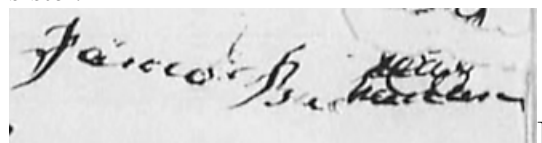
[pp 9-10 Family Record:

Jane Jones was born January 9 <sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1786	
Mary Jones was born May 1 <sup>st</sup> in the year of our Lord 1787	
Elizabeth Jones was born March 22 <sup>nd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1788	
Nancy Jones was born April 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1790	
Squire Jones was born June 1 <sup>st</sup> in the year of our Lord 1792	
Fortuneattus Jones was born May 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1794	
Rebahah Jones was born June 18 <sup>th</sup> in the year of our Lord 1796	
Selah [?] Jones was born April 2 <sup>nd</sup> in the year of our Lord 1798	

<p>Sinthey Jones was born November 16th in the year of our Lord 1800</p>	
<p>Wm B. Jones was born Oct. 16th in the year of our Lord 1802</p>	
<p>Rezin Jones was born December 18<sup>th</sup> in the year while Lord 1804</p>	
<p>Richard Jones was born December 28th in the year of our Lord 1806</p>	
<p>James B. Jones was born May 2nd in the year of our Lord 1809</p>	
<p>Mahalee S. Jones was born December 13th in the year of our Lord 1811</p>	

[p 12: On November 25, 1839, in Sumner County Tennessee, Mary Jones filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Richard Jones, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him December 29 1785; that he died August 14, 1837. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 47: On December 12, 1839 in Davidson County Tennessee, James Buchanan, a resident of said County and state aged 77 years gave testimony that he was present at the marriage of Richard Jones to his wife Mary in the month of December 1785; that Mary Jones is the affiant's sister.



[Facts in file: the widow moved to White County, Illinois by 1843]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$26.66 per annum commencing March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1831, for service as a private for 8 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]