

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Early Albertson ¹ W32

Elizabeth Albertson

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State of Tennessee, Fentress County

On this the 28th day of May 1834 personally appeared before me Joshua Owen an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County of Fentress aforesaid Early Albertson a resident citizen of the County of Overton State of Tennessee Living in twenty or thirty yards of Fentress County and it being a great distance to any Justice of the peace that lives in Overton County and there being a Justice Living close to him in Fentress County is the reason why he gets his business done in said County of Fentress and he being from bodily infirmity and old age unable to Travel, he states that he was born the 25th day of June 1756 agreeable to his record in his Bible as taken from the original and after being duly sworn for that purpose on his oath makes the following Declaration in order to obtain the Benefit of the act of Congress of the 7th June 1832.

He states he entered the Service of the United States in the Revolutionary War in Pitt County North Carolina sometime in March 1776 a drafted private under Captain Stansel [Godfrey Stancil] and Colonel Simpson [John Simpson] and marched to Wilmington and stationed one quarter of a mile below that place under General Caswell [Richard Caswell] and having served out said Tour of one month he was verbally discharged and returned home.

He again entered the service on the 30th day of January 1777 a volunteer private under Captain Mayo [John Mayo] and Colonel Armstrong and marched to New bern [sic, New Bern] and stationed there some time and Thence to Halifax and finally was dismissed some time in May having served three months and eleven days, he had a written dismissal from his Colonel that his Long ago Lost knows not how.

He again volunteered in the month of May 1778 under Captain John Smith and Colonel Winn [George Winns] and marched to Augusta and stationed there a few days and having served two months he was discharged he had a written discharge from his Lieutenant Thomas Muse. He has lost said discharge a great many years ago and has no documentary proof and knows of no person by whom he can prove his Service he has no doubt but that he can prove his good character for veracity and reputation as a soldier by his neighbors generally, that is as a Soldier of the Revolution some of whom he will name Thomas Beaty Esq., Allen McDonald and Jesse Wood and Esq. Owen of Fentress County and in fact by the generality of the people in Fentress and Overton Counties, he states that it is out of his power to procure the Testimony of a clergyman without considerable Trouble which he is unable to undergo, Applicant was born in Pitt County in North Carolina he remained in North Carolina until the year 1785 thence to South Carolina and moved back to North Carolina, thence to East Tennessee twenty eight miles above Knoxville in Jefferson County, thence to Pulaski County Kentucky, thence to his present neighborhood where he has remained ever since the year 1805. He hereby Relinquishes every claim whatsoever to a pension or annuity Except the present and Declares his name is not on the

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Pension Roll of the agency of any State.

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ Joshua Owen

S/ Early Albertson



[Jacob Smith & Thomas Beaty gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

States Tennessee, Overton County

On this 19th day of September 1843 before me the Subscriber a Justice of the peace of the said County of Overton personally appeared Early Albertson who on his Oath declares that he is the same person who formerly belonged to the Company commanded by Captain James May & Godfrey Stansel the Regiment Commanded by Colonel John Simpson in the service of the United States, that his name has been placed on the pension roll of the State of Tennessee, that he received a certificate of that fact under the signature and seal of the secretary of War which certificate on or about the fifth day of March last was lost or so mislaid that the same cannot be found as to the particular circumstances under which the loss took place affiant can only speak from information but for further particulars in relation thereto he refers to the accompanying affidavit of Edward N. Cullom in whose care and possession Affiant placed his original certificate for safe keeping and who has more fully explained the circumstances of the loss and which affiant believes to be true.

Sworn and subscribed before me on the day and year aforesaid.

S/ James H. Ferril

S/ Early Albertson

Justice of the peace

[p 8: On June 18, 1845 in Fentress County Tennessee, Elizabeth Albertson a resident of Overton County Tennessee made application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she was born July 5th, 1759; that she is the widow of Early Albertson, a revolutionary war pensioner who died October 31, 1844; that she married him in Guilford County North Carolina March 2, 1780; that they were married by Esquire Bruce; that she has no record of her marriage but has a record of the births of all her children in a paper writing belonging to her son John Albertson in Fentress County Tennessee. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 9: On July 4, 1845 in Fentress County Tennessee, John Albertson gave testimony in support of his mother's application for a pension; he states the ages of his father's family are shown in a Bible record made by the affiant along with the ages of affiant's children; that affiant was the 5th child of his parents.



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[p 14: family record:

A genealogy of the Names and ages of early Albertson and his family beginning with himself
Early Ablertson departed this life October the 30th aged 88 years and four months and four days

I Early Albertson was born June 25th 1756

Elisabeth Albertson was born July the 5th 1758

Solomon our first, a son, was born January the 31st 1781

Martha our second, a Da., was born February 24th 1782

Early our third, a son, was born October 24th 1784

our first child born and died november 10th 1818
our second namely Martha Albertson was born march 2nd 1818
our third namely Sarah Albertson was born the 26th february 1821
our fourth namely Early W. Albertson was born october the 1st
our fifth namely Solomon Albertson was born august 2nd 1827
our sixth namely Samuel Albertson was born may the 6th 1830
our eighth namely Elizabeth Albertson was born oct 8th 1832
our ninth namely Benjamin Albertson was born April 29th 1834

[p 15: misc. family information:

Zasther Smith was born November the 22nd 1834

Isaiah Coppock was Born September the 16 at 12 O'clock in the afternoon 1778

Isabela Coppock was Born April 10 in the year of our lord 1781]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$21.22 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 6 months and 11 days service as a private in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]