

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of James Camron (Camron) W3767 Anna C. Cameron VA
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 19 May 2018.

State of Kentucky }
Floyd County } SS.

On this 17th day of September 1832 personally appeared before the Justices of the Court of Floyd County James Camron a resident of said county and state of Kentucky aged seventy four years 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 7th 1832, that he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1779, with one Abram Tipton [R18512] (a recruiting officer) and served in the Western Reigment, (the number of it forgotten) but it was known by the name of the Western Batalion [sic: Western Battalion] before mustered into service the continental line, under the following named officers, to wit Joseph Crockett [S46377], Colo. Abram Tipton Captain, Henry Dearrin [sic: Henry Dearing] Leftenant. He enlisted for two years and received the bounty in Continental money, he left the service some time in November 1781, he resided when he entered the service in the state of Virginia in the County of Shanandoah [sic: Shenandoah], five miles from Millerstown [now Woodstock] He stats that dureing his two years service he never was in one single Battle, for the information of the department he will detail all the circumstances which came under his knowledge dureing his service, where the Regment first assembled to duty the Regt. was marched to Winchester Va we there remained till the next spring, from there we went to Albermarle Barracks [sic: Albemarle Barracks 4 mi NNE of Charlottesville]. we there guarded the prisoners [captured at Saratoga on 17 Oct 1777 and taken to Albemarle Barracks in Jan 1779] till the fall following, and from there we marched to Fredrick Town [sic: Frederick] in the State of Maryland, and took with us the prisoneers from the Albermarle Barracks and delivered them up there, we remained in Fredrick Town that winter till Spring [1781], from there the Reigment marched early in the Spring to Shepherdstown Va and remained till May or June, from there we marched to the Monongalia [sic: Monongahela River] keeping the greater part of Bradock road [sic: Braddock Road], from there the Reg't. went to Fort Pitt down from a place called the new Store [now Elizabeth PA], from Fort Pitt we raised the boats that was sunk at Fort Pitt, and proceeded down the [Ohio] river, we stoped at Island below fort Pitt, and three of the soldiers was killed by the indians they had scatered off from the army to shoot at a mark, and when the was cutting the bullets out they were all three shot down, (the indians escaped & crossed the river on a canoe before they could be overtaken, from the Reigtment dropt down to the falls of Ohio [at present Louisville] where Gen's Clark [George Rogers Clark VAS269] commanded. we there remained till my time expired. He rec'd his discharge, and took the Kentucky Trail after passing Logans fort [1 mi W of present Stanford in Lincoln County KY] and returned by the road that went by the Crab Orchard [probably Fort Witten near Tazewell VA, now a tourist attraction] and reached home in January. He knows that his name was on the muster rolls. He states that during the time he staid at the Fall of Ohio, Capt Tipton, Captain [John] Chapman both got killed by the Indians in passing Logans fort to the Falls [2 Sep 1781]. – He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state Sworn to and subscribed, the day and year aforesaid,

James hisXmark Camron

Commonwealth of Kentucky }
Floyd County To wit }

James Camron a Revolutionary pensioner of the Untied States states that during the whole of his service in the army of the Revolution he served as a Coporal, which will be found by reference to my name appearing as such on the Rolls of the war Department, he served for two years under Gen'l George Rogers Clark, at the falls of the Ohio. he was placed on the pension roll on the 17th of May 1833. his no as endorsed on the back of the seal is 13542 he desires his pension to be increased from the pay of a private

to the pay of a Corporal. he served under Capt Abra Tipton, Lieut Henry Deering, Col. Joseph Crockett. Sworn to and subscribed this 22^d day of Sepr 1834. James his mark Camron

[The following are from [rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

The Memorial of James Cameron of Floyd County in the state of Kentucky: To his excellency the Governor of the Com'lt of Virginia respectfully sheweth that he entered the service of the United States in the war of the Revolution to the best of his recollection in the latter part of the year 1779 then in the Vally of Virginia County of Shanandoah under the Capt. Abram Tipton The Col was Joseph Crocket which enlistment was for and during the war of the Revolution The company was marched from there to Albemarle Barracks [several undeciphered words] from there to Frederick town in the state of Maryland and from there [one or two undeciphered words] marched to the western part of Pennsylvania State [several undeciphered words] there was engaged in gitting a supply of provisions for the western army – we descended the Ohio river to the falls now Louisville Ky and there joined what was Call'd the Illinois Regiment commanded by Gen'l. George R. Clark. your petitioner was shortly after he entered said service appointed a Corporal and so served until the end of the war your petitioner believes that his service ended in about two years from the time of his enlistment but your petitioner is old and infirm and has but bad recollection as to the [three undeciphered words] but your petitioner well recollects that he served until the whole Regiment & Gen'l Clark was discharged at the falls of Ohio and that his Capt Tipton was killed near that place [one or two undeciphered words] further your petitioner is not aware that he [two undeciphered words] to prove his service as he is old and not able to travel to obtain the evidence of those that served with him further [two undeciphered words] obtain a pension from the U.S and [two or three undeciphered words] personal proof

your Memorialist has never Call'd on the state of Virginia for the bounty in Land promised for [two or three undeciphered words] therefor your excellency will take the same into consideration and grant such quantity of Land warrant as may be due to a Corporal for such service and [undeciphered word] in duty bound will ever pray &c

James hisXmark Cameron

[Certification mostly illegible except for the date, 12 Aug 1835.]

NOTE: On 26 March 1846 Anna C. Cameron, 84, of Tazewell County VA, applied for a pension stating that she married James Cameron on 20 July 1784, and he died 25 Oct 1838. John Thompson stated that he had been present at the marriage of James Cameron and Anna C. Spangler, which took place at his father's house. His brother Archibald Thompson stated that he had been in the oats field at work at the time. A record of the marriage was searched for unsuccessfully in Montgomery County VA. As proof of marriage Anna C. Cameron submitted an original family record. Duncan Cameron, 52, stated that his mother, Anna C. Cameron, was of "Dutch" (German) extraction, and the original family record was mainly written in German by his brother. In the original family record the surname is spelled An English translation is transcribed below. On 30 Nov 1848 Anna C. Cameron was said to be 92.

Elisabeth is born into this world October 17th 1785

Daniel is born December 13th in he year 1787

Jacob is born into the light of this world on the 5th of February in the year 1792

Dungen Cameron is born on the 5th of September 1794

James Cameron is born on the 7th of February 179[?]

Mina (or Mary) Cameron is born on the 26th day of December 17[??] into this world

Felix Cameron is born on the 17th day of October 1798 on a Wednesday