

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Humphrey Hunter W3998

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State of North Carolina Lincoln County

On this 19th of March 1852 personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the State and County aforesaid, Dr Cyrus L Hunter a resident of said County aged 44 years who being first duly sworn according to law, on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the acts of Congress passed 7th of July 1838.

That he is the son and sole Executor of Reverend Humphrey Hunter who was a private in the war of the Revolution in 1775 in company of Captain Charles Polk of Charlotte which was called out to subdue the Tories near Cross Creek, now Fayetteville; he served for three months in this duty. Next campaign he entered the service and was appointed a Lieutenant and Captain Robert Mebane's company of cavalry in the month of June 1776 and was in service four months; and with his company marched under General Griffith Rutherford against the Indians; after conquering them, he returned;

He again entered the Army early in the summer as a Lieutenant in Captain Givins [Samuel Givens?] Company; This company rendezvoused at Salisbury 1780 and scoured the Tory settlements on Uwharrie and Deep Rivers, and joined General Gates at Cheraw and was [with] that General at the fatal battle of Camden 18th Aug 1780 [August 15-16, 1780] where he was captured, and carried to Orangeburg South Carolina, where he remained as a prisoner three months, making a tour of service of six months;

The next campaign he entered the Army as a Lieutenant under Captain Wade Hampton, the Regiment commanded by Colonel Henry Lee, and was with his Regiment in the hard fought battle of Eutaw [Eutaw Springs] in September 1781 a tour of three months.

The whole length of service is about 16 months – he is

Wilmington campaign 3 months

Cherokee campaign 4 months

Camden campaign 6 months

Eutaw campaign 3 months

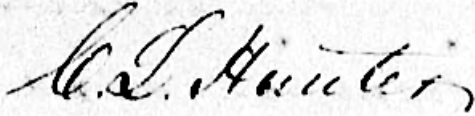
exclusive of some scouting services:

He was married to Jane Ross 31 December 1789. He died 21st Aug. 1827. His widow died the 18th of March 1843, leaving three children viz. Colonel E. R. Hunter of South Carolina, Mrs. Nancy Bynum widow of J. W. Bynum and the applicant who is sole Executor.

Sworn and subscribed to before me the date before named

S/ John H Wheeler, JP

S/ C. L. Hunter



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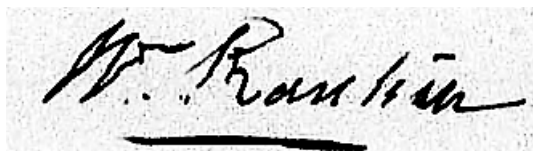
State of North Carolina Gaston County

On the 3rd day of March A.D. 1852 personally appeared before me one of the Justices of the Peace in and for the State and County aforesaid William Rankin,¹ a Pensioner of the United States, and now in his ninetieth year, who after being duly sworn according to law on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed 7th of July 1838 entitled "an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows." That he was well acquainted with the late Reverend Humphrey Hunter of the County and that he served with him in the Revolutionary war in two campaigns: First with him in the battle of Camden under General Rutherford, said Hunter being a Lieutenant and Captain Givens' Company. This campaign was of 3 months duration. Humphrey Hunter was there made prisoner after that disastrous battle and held in confinement in Orangeburg S C about 3 months. He also declares that he served with him at the battle of Eutaw Springs. Said Hunter being a Lieutenant in company of Captain afterwards Colonel Hampton of the cavalry. Colonel Henry Lee was the commanding officer. He further declares that he understood and firmly believes that said Hunter was in two other campaigns viz. the Wilmington & Cherokee Campaigns, besides forming much scouting service. He further declares that he was well acquainted with Mrs. Jane Hunter, widow and relic of the late Reverend Humphrey Hunter: That she lived within 4 miles of his residence, and died 18th March 1843 without receiving the benefit of the act of Congress for such cases made and provided. Her husband died on the 21st of August 1827. They were married as he understood in December 1789, and have 3 living children viz.: Mrs. Nancy Bynum, widow of the late J W Bynum, Colonel G R Hunter of South Carolina and Doctor Cyrus L Hunter who is the Executor.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd of March 1852.

S/ A. W. Davenport, JP

S/ Wm Rankin



[fn p. 10: family record:

Births

Nancy was born 21 December 1790

the Twins was born 10th of February 1793

George Ross was born 19th of January 1795

Henry was born 16th of April 1797

Henry Stanhope was born on the 11th of June 1799

Isabella Montgomery 22nd April 1802

Jane Caroline 8th of February 1805

Cyrus Lee was born 13th of December 1807

¹ [William Rankin S7342](#)

Elwina was born 23rd December 1810
Humphrey Hunter was born May 14th 1755
Jane Ross Hunter was born December 27 1771
Sophia G Forney was born October 27th 1809

Debts

The twins one died 11th other 15th of February 1793
Henry died 17th April 1799
Jane Caroline died 6 December 1822
Henry Stanhope died 23rd of December 1823
Humphrey Hunter died 21st August 1827
Elwina died 21st March 1831
Jane (Ross) under died March 18th 1843
Isabella M Crockett died February 2nd 1844

Marriages

Humphrey Hunter & Jane Ross were married 31st December 1798
Cyrus L Hunter & Sophia G Forney were married January 16th 1834

[Veteran's widow's heirs were granted a pension of \$116.66 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836 and ending on the date of the death of the widow.]