

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Lee W4013  
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Elizabeth Lee

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State of North Carolina, Johnston County

On this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1845 personally appeared before me Barzillai Blackmon one of the Acting Justices of the peace in and for said County of Johnston Mrs. Elizabeth Lee a resident of the aforesaid County aged 80 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Acts of Congress of July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1838, and of March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1843, and of June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1844 &c--

That she is the widow of the late James Lee who was a private Soldier under Captain Raiford for eighteen months and who she has reason to believe and does believe he served out the said eighteen months faithfully and the war of the Revolution--

That she is not able to tell what Regiment her said husband belonged to or the date on which the said service was performed -- That his discharge is lost.

She further declares that she was married to the said James Lee on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July 1785. That her husband the aforesaid James Lee died on the 15 day of September 1835. That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 1794, Viz., at the time above stated --

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written.

S/ Barzillai Blackmon, JP

S/ Elizabeth Lee



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State of North Carolina, Office of Secretary of Statements

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that James Lee a private Soldier, in Captain Raiford's Company of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment,<sup>1</sup> entered the service on the day of \_\_\_ 1782 for the term of 18 months.

Given under my hand this first day of June 1846.

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<sup>1</sup> J. D. Lewis advises that the designation of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment as the regiment in which a veteran served was often the NC Secretary of State's 'default' designation when he could not find muster rolls giving the actual regiment in which the veteran served.

S/ Wm Hill, Secy of State<sup>2</sup>

[p 8: Copy of a marriage bond dated July 6, 1785 issued to James Lee and Stephen Lee conditioned upon the marriage of James Lee to Elizabeth Raines. Certified by the clerk of court of Johnston County North Carolina as a true copy of said bond.]

[p 3: On January 12, 1847 in Johnston County North Carolina, Durham Lee, aged about 60 years, gave testimony that he had been acquainted with James Lee husband of Elizabeth Lee for all of the affiants life; that the affiant has often heard the veteran speak of having served in the Revolution and the veteran enjoyed a history of having served as a soldier in the revolution in his neighborhood. He signed his affidavit with his mark. His relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum for her husband service as a private in the North Carolina Continental line.]

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<sup>2</sup> This certificate relates to [James Lee S7145](#), not this veteran. That veteran died without a spouse surviving him. Consequently, it is impossible for this claimant to have been his widow.