

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of James Hooper W4457

Elizabeth Hooper

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Georgia DeKalb County

On this ninth day of October 1832 appeared before the Inferior Court held in and for the County and State aforesaid James Hooper a resident of said County and State of Georgia aged eighty-six years the 5th day of November next 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 the 7th 1832. That he enlisted in the Army of the United States in the year 1778 with Captain John Stokes in the Battalion commanded by Major Massy [possibly Major Thomas Massie] in the Sixth Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel Simms [Charles Simms] and under the command of General Weaton [George Weedon] Lieutenant Maborn [probably James Maybon or Maben or Mabin] was one of the subaltern officers of the company that he served twelve months in this tour of enlistment that he served another tour of about three months under an enlistment as a minute man for twelve months that he enlisted under Captain Glenn [probably John Glenn] who was promoted & he then served under Captain Dixon commanded by Colonels Morgan [perhaps Haynes Morgan] and Lewis [perhaps Charles Lewis], that he resided in the County of Lunenburg State of Virginia that he served a six weeks tour in North Carolina that he was in the battle at Guilford North Carolina [Guilford courthouse, March 15, 1781] which was the only general engagement he was in during the war & this during his six weeks tour of service. That he started to march from Lunenburg under the command of Captain Richard Wyatt a Militia officer, that joined Major Cunningham's [perhaps William Cunningham's] detachment at a short distance and marched under Major Cunningham to Washington's Army at Valley Forge passed through Maryland, that he marched after he left Valley Forge through Connecticut and New York and moved about the various Lee according to the movements of the British Army. This was during the twelve months service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency in any state.

The Deponent further saith that from his services of three months and six weeks he had no written discharge but a [indecipherable word]¹ verbal one from the officers commanding. From his service of twelve months he had a written discharge which was given at Middlebrook, and signed as Deponent believes by General Washington – which discharge is lost. Deponent knows of no individual now living by whom he can prove said services.

¹ *unwritten*

S/ James Hooper, X his mark

Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid

S/ W. T. Colquitt, JIC

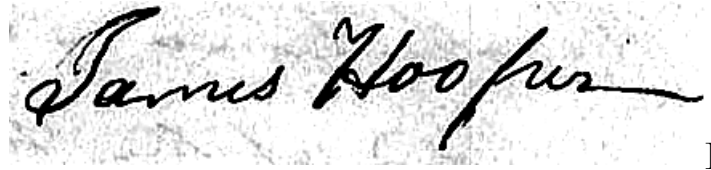
[p 42: Nathan Williford gave a standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 42: Benjamin Plaster gave a separate standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 13: On January 7, 1839 in DeKalb County Georgia, Elizabeth Hooper, 86, filed an application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of James Hooper, a revolutionary war pensioner; that she was married to him January 6, 1781; that he died April 28, 1836; that she was married to him by the Reverend Parson James Craig in Lunenburg County Virginia; that she and her husband removed from Lunenburg to Franklin County Georgia from which they removed about 14 years ago to DeKalb County; that she has no evidence of her marriage other than the record of the births of her 8 children the eldest son being born 57 years ago in the month of December last; and that she remains a widow.

S/ Elizabeth Hooper, X her mark

[p 31: James Hooper, son of the veteran and his wife gave testimony in DeKalb County on April 25, 1840 off indicating the family record as being in the hand writing of his father.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Hooper". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The letters are fluid and connected, with a prominent flourish at the end of the word "Hooper".

[p 4: Family Record:

Father & Mother

James Hooper Sr. was born 25 October 1746

Elizabeth Hooper was born first January 1753

Milley H Hooper was born 20 December 1781

Thomas C Hooper was born 18 September 1784

Polley Hooper was Born 9 September 1788

James Hooper Jr. was born 14 September 1790

Obadiah Hooper was born 25 January 1792

Elizabeth Hooper was born 25th January 1794

Jiney Read was born the 20 of December 1806

Thomas Jefferson Reed was born 10th of October 1808]

[p 40: On August 21st, 1839, in Carroll County Georgia, Mary Hooper gave testimony that she was well acquainted with James Hooper and Elizabeth his wife; that she, affiant, lived in Lunenburg County in Virginia and knew the veteran and his wife; that she knows they were married 50 years or more ago by Parson James Cregg [sic] and that they lived together as husband and wife and raised a family of children. Her relationship, if any, to the veteran and/or his widow is not stated.

Mary Cooper

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[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$53.33 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as a private for 16 months in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]