

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Thomas Grimmer W4974
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Mary Grimmer f27NC
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State of North Carolina, Halifax County

On this 12th day of June 1845, personally appeared before me Henry Applewhite – one of the acting Magistrates in and for said County & State, Mary Grimmer resident of said County & State, aged Seventy Eight 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 provision made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows, and also the act granting one year's pay to certain widows, passed on the 3rd of March 1843: -- That she was married to Thomas Grimmer, who was a private Soldier of the militia, and served two tours, three months each: -- That he first entered the Service some time in the year 1780 or '81; and that after having served the above said two tours as stated: He entered the service as a private Soldier in the North Carolina line for twelve months, and served out the time for which he entered as his discharge hereunto annexed will more clearly prove; and that he served under Captain Swan Trouton and his Colonel Commandant was Harry Hart otherwise called Hal Hart, as I have heard my husband say: whether the officers above mentioned were in the militia or Continental line of service, my memory does not serve me, but as well as I recollect they were in the Continental line of service. I was married to Thomas Grimmer deceased in the year 1786, And that Jerrey Nelms deceased then a magistrate in and for said County and State, solemnized the rites of Matrimony between the above said parties, and that my husband the aforesaid Thomas Grimmer died some time in the year 1805. Since that time I have remained a widow and resident of the aforesaid County. I was not married to my husband the aforesaid Thomas Grimmer prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, to wit, at the time above stated. I have no family record or document that will furnish evidence of the date of my intermarriage, with the said Thomas Grimmer I have no knowledge of any family record of the same having been kept by my parents. Sworn to and Subscribed on the day and date above written.
S/ Henry Applewhite, JP

S/ Mary Grimmer, X her mark

[p 7: On June 12, 1845 in Halifax County North Carolina, Sally Southerlin, 83, gave testimony supporting the services of Thomas Grimmer & the marriage of Thomas Grimmer to Mary Alsobrook. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]

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The Bearer Thos Grimmer a Soldier in the North Carolina State Regiment having compleated his Time of Service 12 months is hereby Discharged from the same.

Camp Hillsborough
October 11, 1782

S/ Joel Lewis
[indecipherable scribble] Troops

The Bearer Tho. Grimmer a soldier in
 the Maryland State Regiment having
 completed his time of service 12 months
 is hereby Discharged from the same
 Camp Hillsborough Fall 1782
 October 11 1782

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August 29 1782

this is to Certify that thomas Grimmer is permitted [sic] to leve [sic] Camp for the spe [sic, space?] of
 forti [sic, forty] dayes [sic] and then he is to return to Camp again Given under my Hand

S/ Robert Money Lieut.
 St. [State] Legin [Legion]

August 29 1782
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State of North Carolina, Halifax County

Personally appeared before me Henry Applewhite one of the acting magistrates in and for the
 County aforesaid, Mary Grimmer aged Seventy Eight years upon being first duly sworn according to
 law makes the following affidavit: -- That I was married to Thomas Grimmer my deceased husband

(who served in the Revolutionary War) on the 23rd day of February 1786 and that I had the following children by the aforesaid Thomas, to wit: -- Charlotty Grimmer, who was born the 22nd day of December following some 10 or 11 months after the marriage took place; and that I had the other following children by the said Thomas, viz.: -- Allen, William, Norphlet, Drew, Sention, Thomas and Haray Applewhite Grimmer, as will be more clearly shown by an original record of the births of said children, -- it being the only mode by which a record of the births of said children were kept by my said husband (Thomas) aforesaid; and that I was married at the time before mentioned by Jerry Nelms, (as stated by me in my overt declaration, now on file in the office of the Commissioner of Pensions as I am informed) then an acting magistrate in and for the County of aforesaid; and that he the said Jerry retained my license to have recorded in the clerks office, but owing to some cause unknown to me, it never was made a record of, and that the above as stated is the only and best evidence I have of my intermarriage with the said Thomas, (aforesaid) my deceased husband, except Mrs. Sally Southerlin, now living, who witnessed the performance of the marriage ceremony between my said husband, aforesaid (Thomas) and myself; and that my said husband Thomas Grammar died some times in the year 1802; and that he the said Thomas my deceased husband at one period of his service received a discharge (signed by Joel Lewis) for 12 months service, as I have often heard it read.

Sworn to & subscribed to this the 30th day of September 1845.

Test: S/ Henry Applewhite, JP

S/ Mary Grimmer, X her mark

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Family Record [exact as it appears]

Charlotty gremmer was born the 22nd of December 1780

Allen Gremmer was born the 23rd of November 1782

William Gremmer was born the 7th of February 1791

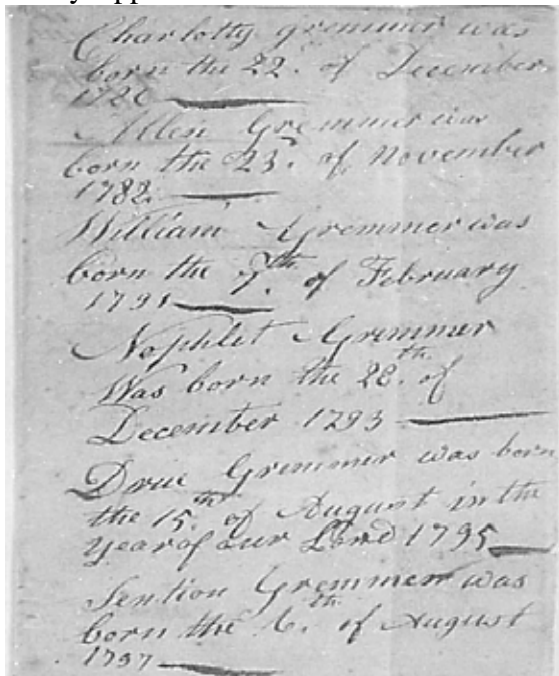
Nophlet Gremmer Was born the 28th of December 1793

Sention Gremmer was born the 6th of August 1797

Drue Gremmer was born the 15th of August in the year of our Lord 1795

Thos Tomas Greremmer was born the 8th of April In the year of our lord 1799

Hardy Applewhite Gremmer Was born the 30th day of May 1801



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[p 22: NC Comptroller's Certificate]

Raleigh N.C.
Comptrollers Office
I William H. Collier Comptroller of Public Accounts
in and for the State of North Carolina do hereby
Certify that the Name of Thomas Greenm^{er}
appears of Record in this office as having had
a Specie Certificate issued in his favor for
Nine Pounds Seventeen Shillings and had paid
(\$9.17.1) issued in payment for Military
Services given under my hand and
Seal This 10 day October A.D. 1845
See payment in Book of App^{ts} page 52
Wm. Collier Compt

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$52.20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1843, for her husband's service as a private in the North Carolina State Troops.]