

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of John Netherton W5416

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[Because of poor penmanship this transcript should be used with more than usual caution.]

State of Kentucky.    }

County of Shelby   } Sct,

This 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 1832 personally appeared in open court, before me Saml Tolla sole Judge of the circuit court of Shelby county now sitting John Netherton Sen'r resident of the county of Shelby state of Kentucky aged eighty five 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 act of congress pass'd June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers & served as is herein after named. He [illegible word] in the year 1776 or 1777 he resided in the county of Shenadore [sic: Shenandoah, named Dunmore County until 1778] in the state of Virginia he was appointed & commissioned by the governor of Virginia a captain of Militia and in 1776 or 1777 was ordered to join the army. He cannot recollect the place where he joined the army. He recollects he pass'd. through Frederic [sic: Frederick] town Maryland He was in company with Captain Thos Roun [Thomas Roun?] the two companies together made 100 men his two Lieutenants were named Wm. Thomas [William Thomas] & Henry Netherton his Ensign was nam'd William Ragan. Abraham Byrd was one of Capt. Roun's[?] Lieutenant He was a volunteer & serv'd a three months campaign. He was not in any battle nor can he recollect the names of any of the regular or continental officers. [See endnote regarding this tour.] After he returned home a requisition was made for men to join Gen'l. [Lachlan] McIntosh to go against the Indians. He was commissioned a Major by the Gov'r. of Virginia Thos Allan [Thomas Allan] was his colonel this detachment march'd. to through Winchester Va. through Hampshire county to the monongahala river [sic: Monongahela River] where Colo. Richard Campbell of the regular army took the command we then march'd on & joined Gen'l. McIntosh at or near Wheeling – where he remained untill discharged this campain was three months he thinks. he was a vollunteer – Abraham Tipton was the Adjutant of Colo. Allan's regiment. He was in no Engagement. After his return he was commissioned a Colo. a requisition was made for volunteer militia June previous to the surrender of Cornwallace [sic: Cornwallis, 19 Oct 1781] the [illegible word] were to rendezvouze at Fredericksburg [sic: Fredericksburg] He state he repaired there as directed, but there not appearing a sufficiency of men Gen'l. Weden [sic: George Weedon] who was present (as was Genl Lafayette) directed him to return & get more volenteers. He did so but before he had procured the number he rec'd. news of the surrender of Cornwallace & did not again join the army. about the year 1790 he moved from Va to the State of Tennessee and settled on the river call'd French Broad where he resided about five years He then removed to Jefferson county in the State of Kentucky where he resided untill a few years past he moved to where he now lives in Shelby county which is not more than ten miles distant from his residence in Jefferson He has had his house burn with all his papers amongst which were his commissions. He knows of no persons by whom he can prove his services except by his two sons John & Henry Netherton. He hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension or annuity except the present & declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid   [signed] John Netherton Sen'r

I do hereby Certify that Colonel John netherton of Shanandoah County and State of virginia went out as a Col'ne in the servise of the united states in the old revolutionary war at which time my father James mathes went as a Comisary under his Command and after his return Command a regiment a length of time in the said County

August 6<sup>th</sup> 1832 [Oldham County KY]

Henry Mathes

I do hereby certify that Colnel John netheton in his return from an expedition in the revolutionary war Stopt and encamped with his regiment from Virginia on my Father's farm in Allegany [sic: Allegheny] County Pennsylvania about five miles from Pittsburg – during one night I know s'd. Netherton the present applicant for the benefit of the act to be the same. [6 Aug 1832, Oldham County] Reuben Ross

NOTES:

The following is in the pension application S32148 of John Buskirk: "when the regiment to which he belonged had marched to Monockasy creek [sic: Monocacy River], 7 miles from Frederick's town [Frederick MD], almost the whole regiment mutinied, and when Col. Netherton found he could not restore order, he marched the whole body back to Fredericktown [present Winchester VA]."

On 20 July 1855 Rebecca Netherton, 82, of Johnson County IN, applied for a pension stating that she married John Netherton on 5 May 1808, and he died on 31 Oct 1834. On an application for bounty land dated 30 Nov 1855 her age was said to be 81, her maiden name was said to have been Rebecca Frasier, the place of marriage was said to have been Jefferson County KY, and it was stated that John Netherton died in Oldham County on 28 Oct 1832. A document in the file certifies that on 3 May 1808 a license was issued for the marriage of John Netherton, Sr. and Rebecca Frazer.

A letter dated 23 March 1863 states that Rebecca Netherton had died.