

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Jesse Brewer W5872

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State of North Carolina Halifax County: On this 4th day of July 1846 personally appeared before me William R Smith an acting Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, Franky Brewer, a resident of said County and State, aged eighty-four 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 June 7th, 1838, entitled an act, granting half pay and pensions to certain widows; also the act of Congress passed March 3rd 1843, granting years pension to certain widows; and the act of 17th of June 1844, continuing the pensions of certain widows.

That she is the widow of Jesse Brewer Deceased formerly a resident of the County and State aforesaid, who was a Private Soldier of the North Carolina Militia in the War of the Revolution. That he was drafted three times to go into the service of the United States in said War of the Revolution, and that he served out three tours of three months each, and the aforesaid War, as she has always understood from her husband the aforesaid Jesse Brewer, fully believe such to be the fact; for her and her husband the aforesaid Jesse, were both, raised in the same neighborhood, and she well remembers that he went into the service three different times. That she does not know the number of the Regiments in which her husband the aforesaid Jesse Brewer served, but that she recollects two of the officers under whom she has heard him say he served, the is: Walton and Shivers, both (she thinks) her husband said, were Captains; the names of the other officers under whom he served, she does not recollect, though she has frequently heard him speak of them. That she was married to the aforesaid Jesse Brewer, and the County aforesaid, on the 4th Sunday in August 1784, by Jeremiah Hilmens [?], who at that time, was an acting Magistrate in and for said County; That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but that the marriage took place previous to the 1st of January 1794, the is: at the time above stated; which will more fully appear by reference to the family record, hereunto attached, which was taken out of her old family Testament, and contains the true ages of all her children by her husband the aforesaid Jesse Brewer, as set down by Stephen Williamson, at the request of, and in the presence of her said husband, Jesse Brewer.

That she is now a widow and has remained a widow ever since the death of her husband the aforesaid Jesse Brewer, which took place the 19th of September 1818.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year aforesaid before me.

S/ W. R. Smith, JP

S/ Franky Brewer, X her mark

Ages of the children of Jesse Brewer & his wife Franky

Turner Brewer was born November 14th 1785

Thomas Brewer was born July 24th 1788

Absilla Brewer daughter of the above was born January 22nd 1791

Robert Brewer was born December 31st 1793

West Brewer was born August 9th 1796

Drew Brewer was born May 5th, 1799

Elizabeth Brewer was born August 8 1802

Cary Brewer was born July 15th 1805

Jesse Brewer was born December 24th 1812 [date of the year is unclear]


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State of North Carolina Edgecombe County: On this 3rd day of December 1846, personally appeared before me Robert Bynum an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County aforesaid, Micajah Pettway,¹ a Private and Adjutant in the War of the Revolution, and a Pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$189.99 per annum, aged eighty-six years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath, certify that he was acquainted with Jesse Brewer of the State aforesaid who he has understood intermarried with Franky Stamper of the County of Halifax State aforesaid; and well knows that the said Jesse Brewer was a private Soldier of the North Carolina Militia in the War of the Revolution; for he served in the same Regiment with said Brewer in the aforesaid War of the Revolution; that he does not now recollect the number of the Regiment in which he and the said Brewer served, but well recollects that Colonel John Branch, and Lieutenant Colonel Henry Hart commanded the Regiment to which they belonged; and that General Allen Jones commanded the Brigade. He further certifies that the aforesaid Jesse Brewer (as well as he can recollect) was in service as much as six months in said, if not more. –

Sworn to and subscribed the day and year above written before me.

S/ Robert Bynum, JP

S/ Micajah Pettway

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Micajah Pettway". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[fn p. 19: certificate issued by the clerk of court for Halifax County North Carolina stating that he had searched his records and found no record of the marriage of Jesse Brewer to Franky Stamper. His certificate is dated December 12 1846.]

[fn p. 20: certificate dated January 18, 1853 from the North Carolina Comptroller generals office showing payments made to a Jesse Brewer for military services during the revolution.]

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State of North Carolina Halifax County: At a court held for the County and State aforesaid on the 21st day of February 1853 it was ordered to be certified that it appears to the court by satisfactory evidence that Jesse Brewer who was a revolutionary soldier died about the year 1818 and left surviving him at his death his widow Franky Brewer, that the said Franky Brewer

¹ [Micajah Pettaway \(Petway, Pettway\) S3668](#)

continued to be the widow of Jesse Brewer until her death which occurred on the 12 day of April 1850, That the said Franky Brewer left at her death the following children namely Turner Brewer who has since died, Betsey Brewer now Betsy Whitehead, Absala Pully, Cary Brewer and Jesse Brewer who are still surviving her. It is also ordered to be certified that W R Smith is the administrator of Franky Brewer duly qualified according to the laws of this state. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & official seal in the year of our Lord 1853.

S/ Wm W. Daniel, Clerk

[Widow was pensioned at the rate of \$28.30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1848 and ending April 12 1850.]