

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Taylor W6230

Elizabeth

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State of Virginia Caroline County: SS

On this the 26 day of April 1843 personally appeared before me Burton B Wright a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid Elizabeth Taylor a resident of the County aforesaid and State of Virginia aged about one hundred 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 Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838. That she was married to one Spencer Lovern [?] who after marriage and nearly at the beginning of the Revolutionary war enlisted in the United States service and that after he the said Lovern had been some time in the Army she heard of his death which report proved to be true. That she remained the widow of said Lovern until at or near the close of the war when she was married to Samuel Taylor of King & Queen County by Parson Carter [?] and that although she cannot tell how long the said Samuel Taylor was in service during the Revolutionary war yet she knows he had first finished his enlistment and had always heard from him and others especially his brother Bartholomew and Major Taylor that he served nearly the whole war. That he was in the northern and southern Army and that he drew his pay and after marriage a short time he and his Brothers above named all three drew their land somewhere in the West, but what he did with it she knows not, she has often heard her deceased husband Samuel Taylor above named tell of the sufferings he underwent for want of food and raiment in the said war, when her deceased husband died which took place in June 1807 his discharge was among his papers but they are now lost. That she is now and has remained the widow of said Samuel Taylor.

S/ Elizabeth Taylor, X her mark

Land Office, Virginia, March 2nd, 1844

I certify that Samuel Taylor, Bartholomew Taylor and Major Taylor drew land bounty on the 14th of April 1783; and I further certify, that there is no evidence in this Office showing the place of their residence.

Test: J. H. Parker, Reg. L. Office

Samuel Tayler [sic], Soldier in the sixth Virginia Regiment, having faithfully served three years, the term of his Enlistment, is hereby discharged. And Commissaries are requested to furnish him with provisions till the 26 instant.

Given at Morris Town December six, 1779.

Saml. Hawes Lt. Col. 6 V. Regt.

N. Gist Col. Comdt. 2 B. G.

Executive Department March 2, 1844

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a paper on file in this department.

S/ Wm H. Richardson, S. C.

[Note: a digital image of the above discharge is posted on the website of the Virginia State Library at

http://image.lva.virginia.gov/cgi-bin/drawer?retrieve_image=Revolution&type=rw&reel=26&start=324&end=324

A handwritten discharge document on aged paper. The text is written in cursive and reads: "I do hereby certify that [unclear] soldier in the 6th Virginia Regiment having faithfully served Three years the term of his enlistment is hereby his discharge and Commutation and is furnished him with Provision like the 26th [unclear] given at [unclear] Dec 6th 1779". Below the main text, there is a signature that appears to be "C. [unclear] Col [unclear]" and the initials "L B G".

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[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her Husband's service as a private in the Virginia Continental line for two years.]

[Note: there are several supporting affidavits in this file from witnesses who said they knew the three brothers, Major, Bartholomew and Samuel Taylor and heard from them about their services in the Revolution. "Major Taylor" is his name, not his rank. The following documents are posted on the Virginia State Library site relating to Major and Bartholomew Taylor:

This is to certify that Major Taylor inlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia May the first 1781 & has served until this present time & is discharged by Order of the Governor & Council. Given under my hand this sixth day of April 1783

H [?] Armistead Capt.

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enlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia May
the first 1781 & has served until this
present time & is discharged by Order
of the Governor & Council. Given under
my hand this sixth day of April 1783

H. Armistead Capt.

This is to certify that Bartholomew Taylor
enlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia June 1, 1779 [?] to
served during the War & has served until
this present time & is discharged by
Order of the Governor & Council. Given
under my Hand at Hampton this sixth day of April 1783
H. Armistead Capt. M. [?]

This is to certify That Bartholomew Taylor
enlisted in the Cavalry of Virginia ^{June 1, 1779}
serve during the war & has served until
this present time & is discharged by
Order of the Governor & Council. Given
under my hand at Hampton this sixth
day of April 1783

H. Armistead Capt. M.