

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William P. Thomasson (Thompson) W6280

Mary f25NC

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State of South Carolina, York District

Personally appeared before me W. J. Clawson Commissioner and Equity for York District, and Magistrate ex officio, James Thomasson Senior who being duly sworn according to law deposeth and saith as follows, to wit:

He is the brother of William P. Thomasson deceased – that the said William P. Thomasson formerly resided in the State of North Carolina in Granville County, and subsequently removed to the State of South Carolina York District, where he resided until the time of his death.

He further saith that he knows of the service of the said W. P. Thomasson in the War of the Revolution, as an officer and private in said war. His first tour of service was under a Captain Jamison [John Jamieson] of North Carolina, Colonel Taylor's [Joseph Taylor's] Regiment, where he remained in service for 12 months, and upwards. The second tour of service, commenced shortly before the fall of Charleston, but does not know under whom he served in said campaign; but well recollects he was absent between three and four months. When he returned home, to procure clothing, and again left for the Army where he remained to this deponent's knowledge until after the surrender of Cornwallis. He entered the service sometime in the year 1778 and was almost constantly in service until the time above specified period deponent has often heard his brother William P. Thomasson say he was in the following battles – to wit, the battle of "Briar Creek" [March 3, 1779], Charleston [Charleston SC fell to the British on May 12, 1780], Hanging Rock [August 6, 1780], Camden [August 15-16, 1780] and Guilford [March 15, 1781]. At the last of these battles mentioned, the said W. P. Thomasson was under the command of General Green [sic, Nathanael Greene]. This deponent knows of his own knowledge, being at the American's camp shortly after the battle, and saw the said W. P. Thomasson in service.

This deponent further says that he was present at the marriage of W. P. Thomasson and Mary Reeves, the present claimant. That the said marriage took place in the fall of 1782 in the State of North Carolina. The marriage ceremony was performed by __ Higgs Esq. of said State. The said William T. Thomasson and Mary Reeves, now Mary Thomasson, continued to live together as husband and wife, up to the time of his death which took place in the beginning of the year 1818, thinks about the last of January. Since the death of said W. P. Thomasson, Mary Thomasson his widow, has removed to the State of Georgia, where she now resides.

Sworn to and subscribed Before me May 29, 1846

S/ W. J. Clawson, C. E. Y. D.

S/ James Thomasson

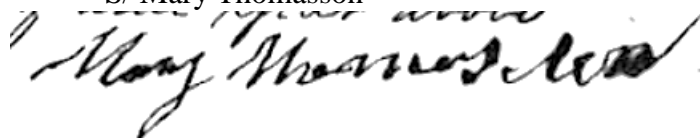


State of Georgia, Walker County

On this Eleventh day of June in the year 1846, personally appeared before me, Andrew L. Barry, an acting Justice of the Inferior Court, in & for said County, Mary Thomasson, a resident of the said County of Walker aged 82 years on the 31st day of December next, 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 the 7th 1838, entitled An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows: -- That she is the widow of William P. Thomasson, who first entered the service of the Revolutionary war as a private and substitute in the stead of his father, Thomas Thomasson, about the year 1778, in a company as well as this declarant recollects commanded by Captain Jamison. After the said William P. Thomasson had served out the time for which his father was drafted, he immediately entered the service in his own place where he continued to serve, except at short intervals while on a visit to his friends by permission of his commanding officers, till the surrender of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown. Sometime after my said husband, William P. Thomasson, commenced his services as a revolutionary soldier, he was promoted and held some office, but what office this declarant is not now able to say – but only recollects that the said William P. Thomasson then wore a hat or cap such as were usually worn by Officers, and had much to do with the provisions and military stores of the Army in the discharge of which duties some considerable writing was required to be performed by him. It may be that he was Quarter Master, but this declarant cannot be certain as to his grade. The said William P. Thomasson, my husband, resided in the State of North Carolina, Granville County when he entered & returned from the service – and the battles in which he was engaged were Briar Creek and Guilford and some others of which she has no positive or distinct recollection. This declarant has no distinct recollection of the field and staff officers under whom her aforesaid husband served, but has heard him frequently speak of being with Generals Greene, Lincoln, Taylor and Colonel Butler. She further declares that she was married to the said William P. Thomasson on the 23rd day of November in the year 1782 – and that her husband the aforesaid William P. Thomasson and, died on the 31st day of January in the year 1818 – that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794, viz – at the time above stated. And this declarant further states that she has no documentary evidence in support of her claim. Sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written.

S/ A. L. Barry, JIC

S/ Mary Thomasson



State of Georgia, Walker County

Personally came before me Andrew L. Barry an acting Justice of the Inferior Court in & for said County Mary Thomasson who being sworn according to law saith that the annexed leaf is the genuine record taken from her family Bible, of the ages and marriage of herself and husband William P. Thomasson – and that the same is in the handwriting of Beverly Daniel of North Carolina – has been made more than twenty years, and has been in her possession ever since.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th June 1846.

S/ A. L. Barry, JIC

S/ Mary Thomasson

Family Record

Marriages	Marriages
William Thomasson and his wife Mary was	William Thomasson was married to Mary Wright

married Nov. 23 rd 1782 Lemuel Thomasson & Jane his wife was married January 28 th 1808 Anne G. Thomasson was married to John H Rooker [could be Booker] January 25 1809 James Thomasson and Jane his wife married January 30 th 1823 Polley Thomasson was married to Jacob H. Clawson May 8 th 1810 Lucy Thomasson was married to Sam Henry Sept. 17 th 1814	March 7 th 1816 Thomas Thomasson will be married in August 17th 1823 Thomas Thomasson was married to Sarah Roach December the 4 th 1823 C. L. Thomasson was married to Martha Ford the 22 nd of April 1830 Paulin A. H. Booker was married to Allen Anderson [?] 27 of September 1836
Births	Births
William P. Thomasson was born February 4 th 1763 Mary Thomasson was born December 31 st 1764 Anne G. Thomasson daughter of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born July 4 th 1783 Lemuel Thomasson son of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born December 7 th 1785 Polley Thomasson daughter of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born January 10 th 1789 William Thomasson son of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born August 13 th 1791 Lucey Thomasson daughter of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born April 27 th 1794	Thomas Thomasson son of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born January 23 rd 1797 James Thomasson son of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born January 9 th 1800 Charles L. Thomasson son of William Thomasson & Mary his wife was born April 10 th 1803 Beverly D. Thomasson son of William & Mary Thomasson his wife was born November 10 th 1805 James M. Thomasson son of Lemuel & Jane Thomasson his wife was born May the 18 th day 1809

Georgia Walker County: Personally appeared before me, Andrew L Barry an acting Justice of the Inferior Court for said County B. D. Thomasson who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that his father William P Thomasson died on the 31st day of January in the year 1818 and that his mother, Mary Thomasson the wife of the said William P Thomasson has remained a widow ever since his death, to the present time.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th June 1846

S/ B. D. Thomasson



[On February 10, 1849, Mary Thomasson, 83, of Carroll County, Ga., filed a petition saying she was the same person as was drawing a widow's pension of \$20/annum.]

[Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$20 per annum commencing March 4th, 1836, for her husband service as a private for 6 months in the North Carolina militia.]