

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of David Chambers W6657

Isabel Chambers

VA

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State of Indiana } to wit, Application for Pension
County of Montgomery }

On this the 14th day of September A.D. 1855 before me William P. Bryant, Judge of the Circuit Court held within & for the County & State aforesaid personally appeared in open Court, Mrs Isabel Chambers, aged Eighty two years a resident near Crawfordsville in Montgomery County & State of Indiana, who being 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 on the 29th day of July 1848, granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War: that she is the widow of David Chambers deceased, who was a Private (but she believes acted as a Sergent part of the time) in the company commanded by Captain Thomas Bell, in the Regiment of Infantry Commanded by Colonel [William] Grayson in the war of the Revolution. To the best of her knowledge & belief, her Husband, the said David Chambers entered the service in what is now known as Rockbridge County & State of Virginia, about the 17th day of March A.D. 1777, for the term of three years and continued in actual service in said war for the term of three years or more, during which time he was in the Battle of Monmouth [28 Jun 1778], but what other engagements he was in she is by reason of loss of memory unable to stated – and was honorably discharged, but the precise time & place of his discharge she is not able to state for the reason of her loss of memory as before mentioned

She further states that she was married to the said David Chambers in Augusta County in the state of Virginia on the twenty third day of October A.D. 1794 by one Reverend John Montgomery, and that her name before her said marriage was Isabel Vachub, That her said husband David Chambers was a millwright by trade & was killed while at work on a mill on or about the 1st day of April A.D. 1809: That she was married to him prior to the first day of January Eighteen hundred & at the time above stated; and she further states that there is a public record of her marriage, which she forwards with this her application or declaration but that she is in possession of no private record, either of her marriage the ages of her children or of the death of her husband such records having been destroyed. That she cannot file herewith his Certificate of Discharge for the reason that it has also been destroyed – And further she declares that she is now a widow & has remained a widow ever since the death of her said husband, & that she has never made any application previous to this, for the benefit of any pension Act.

Isabel herXmark Chambers

[The following is from a copy of a document in the [bounty-warrant papers in the Library of Virginia.](#)]

I do certify that the persons whose names are mentioned in the Acct's. enclosed were enlisted by me (Viz David Chambers on the 17th James Shields & James Wilson on the 28th of March 1777) to serve for the term of three years in the Regiment of Infantry commanded by Col William Grayson I do further certify that the deficiency of pay mentioned in their discharge (enclosed) was nothing more than the nominal sums in paper money as credited in their accounts.

Given under my hand this 8th of May 1783. Tho. Bell Capt./ Colo. Graysons Reg't.

NOTE: The file contains a warrant to 100 acres of bounty land on Beaver Dam Fork of Tradewater River in Kentucky issued 27 June 1783 to David Chambers. Another document shows that David and Isabella Chambers sold this land on 28 Dec 1797. On 14 Sep 1855 John Vachub, 68, stated that his sister, Isabel Chambers, was married at their father's house in Augusta County. On an application for bounty land dated 24 April 1856, Isabel Chambers was said to be 84.