

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Chappell (Chapel) W6671 Polly (Mary) Chappell f105NC
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District of North Carolina: SS

On this 14th day of August 1818, before me the Subscriber, one of the Judges of the United States for the district aforesaid, personally appeared Samuel Chapel, aged 60 odd years, resident in Granville County in the said District, who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war." That he then or about the month of January 1777, in the County of Wake & State of North Carolina he the said Samuel Chapel enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Rochell [John Rochell or Rochelle], of the 9th Regiment, in the North Carolina line, on the Continental establishment, in the war of the revolution; that he continued to serve in the said Corps & others to which he was afterwards transferred, in the service of the United States against the common enemy, until the end of his said enlistment which was on or about the month of January 1780 & some time after when in February or March of the latter year he was discharged from Service in Halifax in the State of North Carolina, which discharge was taken from him while a prisoner at Charleston [Charleston South Carolina fell to the British on May 12, 1780]¹ & is to him lost; that he was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778] & Stony Point [July 16, 1779] = and that he is in reduced circumstances, & stands in need of the assistance of his Country for support. This declarant further states that after the aforesaid service, he served in the said war & in the said line & establishment, in the first Regiment, under Captain Dixon [sic, probably Tilghman Dixon], for the term of twelve months, and in one continued service, & was discharged last at Bacon's Bridge on Ashley River, in South Carolina, which discharge he has lost – that he was while in the latter service, in the battle of Eutaw Springs, and in a skirmish on Raft Swamp, he received a wound by a shot.

Sworn to & declared before me, the day & year first aforesaid.

S/ H. Potter, DJUSNC

State of North Carolina Granville County: Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions February Term
1825

On this eighth day of February 1825 personally appeared in open Court being a Court of Record for said County expressly made so by the laws of said State Samuel Chapel aged seventy

¹ <http://www.myrevolutionarywar.com/battles/800401-charleston/>

years, resident of the said County of Granville and State aforesaid who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows: that he entered the service on the 6th day of January 1777 in Captain John Rochell's company of the 9th Regiment of North Carolina infantry in foot on the Continental establishment under the General command of General Nash [Francis Nash] and afterwards under the command of Colonel Clarke [sic, Thomas Clark] who was the Colonel commandant upon the death of General Nash that he was afterwards transferred to Captain Beaman's [²] Company and was engaged in the Battle at Stoney Point under General Wayne [Anthony Wayne] that he was in the Battle of Monmouth before that time under the command of General Washington and at the battle of Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781] afterwards in Captain Dixon's [Tilghman Dickson] Company and that he continued in the service until the fall after the battle of Eutaw Springs when he obtained his discharge from Colonel Dixon [Henry Dixon] – And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident Citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act of Congress entitled “an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war” passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed; I own two hundred and two acres of land worth two dollars per acre and no more there is upon the said land a deed made to William S Sharpe & Co. or rather for his benefit for the purpose of raising the sum of \$350 and I own two mares and a colt worth \$20 each as an average value, nine head of hogs consisting of a sow and shoats worth nine dollars – one cupboard and ten chairs worth \$7.50, one chest – one bed, one pig and to decanters worth \$5.25 and two bottles worth \$.20 and an old cart worth \$10: that I am indebted independently of said trust to William A Sharpe & Co. \$86 due by hand [?] and \$35 due by account \$50.55 to Thomas D Bennehan and \$28 to different individuals and there is a suit brought against me for \$500. My occupation is that of a farmer being old and infirm I am unable to do much – my family consists of myself and wife about sixty-five years of age, and I have about \$15 due me from different persons in small debts and I have no other property except household and kitchen furniture that I have been before placed on the pension list and presume that all the evidence is filed in the war Department, that upon the passage of the act requiring eight Schedule I spoke to counsel and had a declaration made out which is lost or mislaid and which is the reason I have not before applied under the act. Sworn to in open court February Term 1825

S/ Stephen K Sneed, Clk

S/ Samuel Chappell, X his mark

[p 13: On August 19, 1845, in Wake County North Carolina, Mrs. Polly Chappell, 83, filed for a Widow's pension under the then various applicable pension acts stating that she is the widow of Samuel Chappell, late of Granville County and pensioner of the United States for his service in the revolution; that she was married to him March 4th, 1784; that her husband died March 31st 1845.]

[p 43: certificate of the North Carolina Secretary of State dated September 26, 1818 showing that

² In a later document, veteran refers to having served under a Capt. Bowman which is probably a reference to Capt. Joshua Bowman of the NC Continental Line who was killed at Charlotte in late March 1780.

Samuel Chappell Sergeant served in Captain Dixon's company having enlisted on April 24, 1781 for 12 months and left the service April 25, 1782; served in the 10th Regiment commanded by Abraham Shepard Colonel.]

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State of North Carolina, Office of Secretary of State

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Samuel Chappell a Sergeant in Captain Dixon's Company of the 10th Regiment, entered the service on the 24th day of April 1781 – for the term of 12 months, left the service 25 April 1782.

Given under my hand this 6th day of September 1851.

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

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State of North Carolina, Office of Secretary of State.

I, William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify, that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State, in the Revolutionary War, that Samuel Chappell a private Soldier in Captain Wade's Company of the 9th Regiment, entered the service the 25th day of December 1776 for the term of three years and was discharged on the first of February 1780.

Given under my hand this sixth day of September 1851.

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, and ending 31 March 1845, for service as a private and sergeant in the North Carolina Continental line.]