

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Frederick Yontz W7378 Maria Barbara Yontz f58NC
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Day of Virginia, Wythe County: to wit

On this eleventh day of February in the year 1833 personally appeared in open Court before Robert Adams, John A. Sanders, Robert Crockett, & James T. Gleaves, the County Court of said County of Wythe, now sitting, being a court of record, George Frederick Yontz a resident of the County of Wythe and State of Virginia, aged seventy-five years during the present month having been born on the 14th day of February in the year 1758, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. He entered the service, aforesaid, as a volunteer, whilst he was a resident of the County of Rowan in the State of North Carolina, about the middle of November in the year 1778, under a certain Captain Nicholas [Jacob Nichols] in Colonel Locks [Francis Locke's] Regiment, General Rutherford [Griffith Rutherford] Commanded the Brigade to which Colonel Locke's Regiment was attached. He believes, however, that General Lincoln [Benjamin Lincoln] was the superior commanding officer. He does not now recollect the names of any other officers under whom he served except Majors Smith and Nelson. On this tour of service, he marched from said County of Rowan in North Carolina, where he resided, into South Carolina near a small town on the Savannah River called Purysburg, having passed, on his march, through Camden and within about 10 miles of Charleston in South Carolina. He served five months on this tour of service and was discharged about the middle of April in the year 1779 – during this tour his services were performed altogether on the Savannah River at and near where he was first stationed, sometimes, perhaps, as far as 20 or 30 miles from Purysburg. He received a written discharge from this tour of service but has long since lost it. He served a second tour of three months continuance, under a certain Captain Lopp [John Lopp]. He entered this tour of service, as a volunteer, some time in the month of November in the year 1780, as well as he now recollects, while still a resident of said County of Rowan in the State of North Carolina – during this tour of service which ended, as well as he recollects, sometime in the month of February in the year 1781, he was stationed in the said County of Rowan where he resided until towards the last of the tour when the company was called on to escort some prisoners from Salisbury a small town in said County of Rowan to Hillsborough in the same State – on the way to Hillsboro with said prisoners he passed through Salem. As well as he now recollects, all his Superior Officers were the same in this second tour of service as in the first, viz., Colonel Locke, General Rutherford &c.. As well as he now recollects neither himself nor did any of the Company receive a written discharge at the end of this three months tour. The whole company was discharged at the same time. Immediately after his return home, with the company, from the

second tour of service – only a few days thereafter, he again volunteered into service and continued in this last tour of service for one month only. On this last tour he served with about 30 others forming a troop of Cavalry under Captain Lopp, the same individual under whom he served his said second tour, and was marched from the said County of Rowan where he still resided, into the neighborhood of Cape Fear [River] against some Tories. The troop of Cavalry in which he was took several of the Tories and carried them to Salisbury: after which, at the expiration of our one month from the time he entered on this last tour of service, the troop in which he was, was disbanded. He cannot say, with certainty, to what Regiment this troop of Cavalry was attached – he believes, however, it was attached to the same Regiment, in which he performed his two first tours of service. During his service he was in no regular battle. He has no documentary evidence of his service, and knows of no person who can testify to the same.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

Sworn to & subscribed the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Geog. Fred'k Yontz

*2 year aforesaid
Geo Fred'k Yontz*

[Casper Yost, a clergyman, and James T. Gleaves gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 13: On June 10, 1844 in Wythe County State of Virginia, Maria Barbara Yontz, 78, filed for a widow's pension. In her application, she states that she is the widow of George Frederick Yontz a soldier in the Virginia [sic] militia; that she married her husband in November 1785 and that her husband died March 5, 1839.

Maria Barbara Yontz

[p 39: On December 21, 1844 in Wythe County Virginia, John Yontz gave testimony that he was well acquainted with the veteran and his wife Nicole and that the veteran died March 5th, 1848 [sic 1838] and that Maria remains his widow. The relationship, if any, of the affiant to the veteran is not stated.

John Yontz

[p 19: On December 21, 1844 in Wythe County Virginia, Maria Barbara Yontz gave testimony authenticating the family record as being genuine and in the handwriting of her husband George F. Yontz. She signed this document with her mark.]

[pp 5-7 family record in some foreign language which I cannot read. According to documents in the file, the children of the veteran and his wife were named: Maria, Catharine, Barbara, Bernard, Elizabeth and Frederick.]

1786 Dänisch June 17
Läng wurde ist ...
Lofset zu ... mit
... ..

1795 Dänisch June 18
Läng ist ...
zu ... mit ...
Lofset

1799 Dänisch June 16
Läng ist ...
zu ... mit ...
Lofset

1800 Dänisch June 2
Läng wurde ist ...
zu ... mit ...
Lofset ...

1801 Dänisch June 17
Läng ist ...
zu ... mit ...
Lofset

1802 Dänisch June 17
Läng wurde ist ...
zu ... mit ...
Lofset

1805 Da i ee June 23
dag for i ee j t w i ee f o r e
g u e t o r u e u i t w i e n e
F r i e d r i c h

1808 & Da i ee June 31
S u n d a g m a i j t w i e n e
f o r d e g u t o r u e u i t w i e n e
F a l l e t R i e b

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$30 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for his service as a private for 9 months in the North Carolina militia. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]