

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Joseph George W7515 Margaret George VA
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State of Virginia } SS
Hardy County }

Personally appeared before me the subscriber a justice of the peace in and for the said County of Hardy and State of Virginia on this 25th day of December 1833, Joseph George a resident of the said County of Hardy and state of Virginia, aged 72 years 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 7 1832 That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein after states, That in the year 1781, he entered the service under Capt. James Cunningham, Lieut William Bullet, Ensign Ezekiel Bogart, as a substitute for Joseph Vanmeter (in the Hampshire Virginia Militia. That he Rendesvoused at Romney in Hampshire County State of Virginia) for a Tour of three months. We marched from Romney by the way of Winchester, through Faquire [sic: Fauquier] County to Falmouth and there crossed the [Rappahannock] River to Fredericksburg where we were detained some time waiting for our arms to be Repaired, from thence we marched to the neighborhood of Williamsburg where we joined the main army Thence we marched though Williamsburg some small distance where we were stationed for a short time. From this place we made short excursions in to the country roundabout where we were stationed, at length we Received information that Cornwallis was in little york where Affiant was actively engaged until the expiration of his tour having served three months – That some short time after Affiant returned home he was Drafted and placed under the command of Capt Stevenson the Lieutenants name affiant does not Recollect our Ensigns name was Daniel Ashby, our Company met at Romney in Hampshire County State of Virginia and marched by the most direct rout to the Barracks near Winchester in Virginia where we were employed in guarding the Brittish prsoners, who had previously been taken at Yorktown [19 Oct 1781] In this service Affiant served full three months and was discharged. (this last service Affiant performed in the fall and winter of 1781) which made Affiants services amount to six full months besides going to and coming from his said services Affiant hereby Relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or an annuity except the present, and he declares that his name is not on the pension Roll of any agency in any state or Territory. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

Joseph hisXmark George

The following are the answers to the interogatories prescribed by the War Department

1st I was born in Richmond County State of Virginia in the year 1761

2nd My age was recorded in my Fathers family Bible

3rd I was living in Hampshire County when I was called into the service and I now reside in Hardy County owing to a division of the County

4th I served first as a substitute, and afterwards I was drafted

5th I knew Col Dark [sic: William Darke], Maj'r Reed, and I often saw General Washington in the time I was at Yorktown

6th I Received my Regular discharges signed by my Captains but I have lost them

7th I can Refer to John Crow & Daniel J Arnold who can testafy to my Character and their belief of my having Been a Revolutionary soldier Sworn & subscribed this day & year aforesaid

Joseph hisXmark George

NOTES: On 9 Aug 1838 Margaret George, 74, applied for a pension stating that she married Joseph George on 28 Dec 1784, and he died on 23 June 1837. She submitted the family record from her Bible, transcribed below. One Thomas George certified the death of Joseph George.

Jeremiah George was Born March 30th 1785

Elizabeth George was Born April 11th 1786

David George was Born June 26th 1788

Caty George was Born June 7th 1791

John George was Born October 26th 179[page torn]

Sarah George was Born January 1th[?] 179[page torn]

Nansy George was Born May 29 Day 179[page torn]

Alsly George was Born January 1th 1801

Thomas George was Born August 7th 1803

Rebekah[?] George was born December 14 1807

Joseph George Was born April 23 1810