

Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Pension Application of Edward Jarvis W7871 Mary Jarvis NC
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State of Kentucky Muhlenberg County Sct.

on this 27th day of August 1832 before the Honorable Alney McLean Judge of the Muhlenberg Circuit Court in Court sitting Edward Jarvis A resident of the County of Muhlenberg and State of Kentucky aged 69 years the 31st day of last July 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 of June 7th 1832 that he entered the service of the united States as a vollenteer private under the following named officers To wit Col Folsom [sic: Ebenezer Folsome] commanded the regiment Captain [John] Welch John Rochel [possibly John Rochelle] Lietenant Ensign not recollected and served as herein stated that on the [blank] day of [blank] he then residing in the County of Wake & State of North Carolina under Captain Welch as aforesaid for a Tour of three Months we were marched to Cross Creek or Fayette [sic: Fayetteville NC] where we remained during the Tour to guard the place we were then marched back to Hilsboro [sic: Hillsborough NC] & were discharged we drew our pay at Hilsboro that shortly after his return home he entered the service for six months the company was commanded by Jeremiah Mobley to which your affiant belonged Lieutenant Allen Ensign not recollected the regiment was commanded by Sanders [possibly Col. James Saunders] we marched to the relief of Savanah but it surrendered [sic: Savannah, 29 Dec 1778] before we got there we then marched up Savannah River on one side & the British on the other the British arrived at Augusta [30 Jan 1779] & lay there & we took possession Walleborns bluff that General Nash [sic: Gen. John Ashe] joined to watch their movements the British then marched down the River to Brier Creek crossed the river & burnt the bridge we marched down to the bridge & found it destroyed the British crossed Brier Creek come in upon us behind & defeated us [Battle of Briar Creek GA, 3 Mar 1779] & we lost many of our men in the retreat this took place in the state of Georgia before this battle I joined Colonel Archibald Little's [sic: Archibald Lytle's] regiment of Infantry & was under his command in the aforesaid battle we were then as well as now recollected marched to the two sisters & was discharged shortly after the Experation of his Tour aforesaid he volunteered under Woodson Daniel for the Term aforesaid the regiment to which he belonged was commanded by Col Sumpter or Sumner he does not recollect which [Gen. Jethro Sumner] we were marched from Hilsboro to Rudes Mill [sic: Rugeley's Mill about 12 mi N of Camden SC] & from that to the Battleground where General gates was defeated [Battle of Camden where Horatio Gates was defeated, 16 Aug 1780] that he was in the battle at Gates defeat he states that the american troops were dispersed & as well as he now recollects rallied at the Hawfield at Gen'l [John] Butler's after this Tour Expired he then entered the service again for the Term aforesaid under Captain Samuel Blye Lietenant [Charles] Edwards Ensign not recollected nor Colonel nor General he was then marched to the high or hanging rock ford [High Rock Ford] of Haw River he was sent out in a scout & whilst he was out the battle of Guilford [Guilford Courthouse NC, 15 Mar 1781] was fought he joined the army immediately after they did not reach the army until the battle was over altho the company was in hearing & marched rapidly to reach the Battle ground & did not reach the army untill after the engagement shortly after this Battle he was discharged he then entered the service as a County Ranger under Colonel John Pope for three months he was in no battle or skirmish the last Tour he served out his time on each of the aforesaid Tours & was honorably discharged & received discharges but took no care of them they are lost he was also in the service of the united stated in the last war & was in the battle at New Orleans that he moved from Wake County Carolina in or about 1792 to the Crab Orchard in Kentucky that he moved to Muhlenberg County Kentucky or what is now Muhlenberg County about 1799 as well as he recollects that in addition to the service herein set out he served another Tour under Colonel Farmer the Company commanded by Robert Lane that they made a forced march from Camden to the Eutaw Springs by the way of Thompsons Fort [sic: Col. William Thomson's home Belleville near Ft Motte SC] we arrived there just before day after

marching all Knight & was in the battle [Battle of Eutaw Springs SC, 8 Sep 1781] & after the Battle he was placed under the command of Col. Malmede [sic: Francis de Malmedy] a French officer & guarded the prisoners to Camden & from that place Waxall [sic: Waxhaws Settlement SC] we there delivered them over & then we were marched back to the high hills of Santee & discharged 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 & year aforesaid

Edward hisXmark Jarvis

Commonwealth of Kentucky

Muhlenberg county Sct [30 May 1833]

Personally appeared before me the undersigned a justice of the Peace for the county aforesaid, the said Edward Jarvis named in the foregoing declaration for a Pension to which this certificate is attached, who being duly sworn deposeth and saith that by reason of old age and the consequent loss of memory he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below and in the following grades For three months I served as a private in a militia Regiment commanded by Coln. Folsom and Capt. Welch & Lieutant John Rochel commanded the company to which I was attached. After this I served as a private during a six months tour in the militia Regiment commanded by Coln. Saunders and in Captain Mobly's company. Afterwards I served as a private three months in a militia Regiment commanded by Coln. Sumpter or Sumner and in the company commanded by Capt Woodson Daniel. After this I served as a private in the militia for three months under captain Samuel Blye & Lieut't. Edwards – the coln. & other officers not recollected. After this I served another tour of three months as a county Ranger under Coln. Eaton[?], I believe, and John Pope Captain. After this I served a three months tour as a private militiaman, Commanded by Robert Lane Captain, Farmer Colonel. I also entered the service as a private on a twelve months tour in the militia in the regiment commanded by Coln [blank] of which Sharp was Major [probably Joseph Sharpe] & Dixon Captain of my company. I served two and a half months on this Tour and then hired a substitute for the balance and was discharged. The lapse of time and my failing memory do not enable me to be more speciate as to times, dates, officers and class of troops – and for these services I claim a pension I further state in amendment to my original declaration that I have no documentary evidence of my service and cannot obtain the testimony of a living witness or witnesses to prove them. I was born in 1763 in Edgcomb [sic: Edgecombe] County North Carolina but removed in infancy to Wake county the same state where I was raised. I have no record of my age except an entry in an old family Bible which my parents me informed was made at the time of my birth. During the foregoing several terms of service I was wholly engaged in military duties and not employed in any civil pursuit. In further amendment of my said declaration I state the following persons citizens of the of the county aforesaid who can testify as to my veracity and their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution to wit, Capt John Smith, Colo William Martin, Isaac Ingraham, Thomas Barfield, Charles F Wing, Alney McLean James Wier &c

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NOTE: On 11 Nov 1854 Mary Jarvis, about 60, applied for a pension stating that she married Edward Jarvis in 1824, and he died in Feb 1836. In the file is a copy of the licence for the marriage of Edward Jarvis and Mary Forrester dated 8 Sep 1824 in Muhlenberg County.