

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of George Blakey <sup>1</sup> W8367      Margaret Blakey      f68VA  
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State of Kentucky, Logan County

On this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 1832 personally appeared before the County Court of said County George Blakey a resident of said County in the State aforesaid aged Eighty one 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 provision made by & of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. That he enlisted in the army of the United States in the year 1776 in the month of February, in Thomas Patterson's Company for two years & served in the 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Virginia Line commanded by Colonel Buckner [Mordecai Buckner]. He enlisted under the said Captain Patterson in the County of Buckingham & State of Virginia & aided the said officer promising he would give him for doing so the office of orderly sergeant or first sergeant. That as soon as the said company was raised & the said captain appointed him sergeant as aforesaid, they were marched to Williamsburgh [Williamsburg] & there entered into the aforesaid Regiment. The Regiment remained at said place until the fall, when they marched to the North & joined Washington on his retreat from New York. Continuing with Washington's army, he was, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December marched in the night to Trenton through rain, Hail & Snow & reached that place on the morning of the 25<sup>th</sup> & they then killed & took 1,100 or 1200 of the Hessians. From this, they marched back to their camp at the Schuylkill near Philadelphia & remaining there a few days, they returned again to Trentown [sic] & while there had a small engagement with the British, from which Genl. Washington's army retreated over the Creek that there runs into the Delaware River upon the Bridge & encamped near the Bridge, the British encamped on the Battleground near the bridge on the opposite side, so that the sentinels of the one army were posted at one end of the bridge & of the other at the other end. During the night the American army were ordered to make up the fires & make a silent parade & was marched to Prince Town [sic, Princeton], leaving the fires burning. At which place attacked the British and defeated them. From Princeton the army was marched to Morristown where it took up its winter quarters. In this time Captain Patterson died of the Small Pox and He, Said Blakey, was after this took place transferred to Samuel J. Cabill's [Samuel Jordan Cabell's] Company belonging to General Morgan's [Daniel Morgan's] command. In the Opening of the Spring campaign, Morgan, to whose command the said Blakey now belonged, had frequent small

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engagements with the British in most or all of which he, said Blakey, was immediately engaged & in many quick & hard marches. Sometimes, two or three fights with the British of a day & so continued till Morgan was commanded to unite with General Gates [Horatio Gates] in opposing Burgoyne. The said Blakey however a few days before the said Morgan's troops marched to unite with Genl Gates [Horatio Gates], was taken violently ill in so much that when he was put into the Baggage wagon to be taken to the Hospital at Philadelphia he was unconscious & when he was taken out at said Hospital. He does not recollect how long he was sick at Philadelphia but recollects that when Morgan returned from aforesaid expedition he joined his command, he now sufficiently recovered to do so & then under his immediate command continued ranging & fighting the enemy as they had done before he went against Burgoyne & until they took up their winter quarters in the neighborhood at a place called the White Horse; quartering, however, mostly in the families in that vicinity, by their consent. In February during the winter, said Blakey & his brother W. Blakey received a written discharge, which he the said George has since lost or mislaid. He then returned to the Buckingham County, Virginia, having served two years, the time for which the said company of the said Captain Patterson was enlisted.

After remaining at home a few months, there being a call on the Virginia militia, he volunteered in a company commanded by Captain Anthony Winston & served a tour of three months. Said company was marched to Cabin Point upon York River where they were stationed the whole time of the service.

After this he volunteered again in a company commanded by Captain Thomas Henderson attached to the Regiment under the command of Colonel Abraham Penn & was marched to encounter Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] at King's Mountain, but before they reached that place the battle was fought & they met portions of the men returning from the battle. Colonel Penn than took up his line of march toward home; being bantered, however, on the way by a Captain of a Tory party to meet him with a Captain's company at the Flower Gap on a particular day, Captain Henderson's' Company to which he as aforesaid belonged volunteered for that purpose & went to the place at the time appointed for the purpose of a fight, but found no Tories & encamped on the ground for that night. From thence they marched homewards & was again discharged from the service.

Previous to the last mentioned expedition, however, he was given the command of a small company of men with a drove of Beeves for the use of the American army in the frontiers of Virginia. Being again returned to Buckingham County, Virginia, the said Blakey entered a company commanded by Captain Thomas Anderson engaged in boating flour down James River for the use of the army & so continued till Cornwallis was captured at Little York. He would further State that during the time of his said first two years enlistment & service he was at Mud Island & Fort Mifflin at the time when those places were besieged by the British, but does not recall the particular officers commanding at those places when so besieged. Again he would State that previous to his said enlistment for the said two years & in the year 1774 or 5 he volunteered on an expedition against the Indians under the command of Colonel Andrew Lewis & in the company of Captain John Fields & at Point Pleasant fought the Indians from morning till night with but short intervals.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or a annuity except the present & he declares that his name is not on the pension roll of any agency of any State whatever. Sworn to & subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

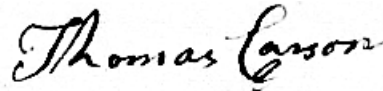
S/ George Blakey



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I do Certify that George Blakey Served as a Regular Soldier in the United States Service During the Revolutionary war that he belonged to Captain Patterson's Company which Company was Enlisted for the Term of Two years. Given under my hand in Butler County Kentucky the 28<sup>th</sup> June 1832. I do further Certify that I served near Ten Months with said Blakey and left him in the Army when I quit it and that we both belonged to Colonel Morgan's Rifle Regiment.

S/ Thomas Carson<sup>2</sup>

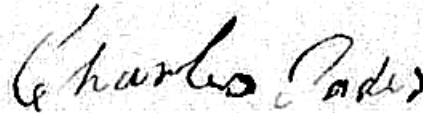


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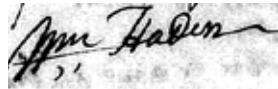
I do hereby certify that George Blakey served as a Regular Soldier in the United States Service during the revolutionary war, and that him and myself once belonged to the same company which was commanded by Captain Samuel Cabal of Colonel Morgan's Rifle Corps.

S/ Charles Eades<sup>3</sup>

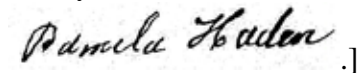


[p 12: On September 25, 1843, Margaret Blakey, widow, age 75, filed in Logan County, Ky, for a widow's pension; that they were married in Henry County, Virginia on the 19<sup>th</sup> January 1787; that she and her husband in the company of about 700 people moved from Virginia to Davidson County Tenn in the 1790 and in 1795 moved to Logan County, Ky.; that her husband died on September 8, 1842. She signed her application with her mark]

[p 20: On January 8, 1844 in Logan County Kentucky, William Haden gave testimony that in the year 1808 he married Pamela the daughter of George and Margaret Blaky [sic]; that Margaret is now a widow and is living in the affiant's house me: that the family Bible containing the family record of said George is now in the possession of the widow; that the leaf of the Bible attached is that family record.



. In addition, at the same time Pamela Haden gave testimony that the family record is in the hand writing of her brother William W Blaky [sic]



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[Bible Record]

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<sup>2</sup> [Thomas Carson S31596](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Charles Eads S30392](#)

### Marriages

George Blackey was married to Margaret Whitsitt, January 10, 1787  
William Blackey was married to Susan C. H. Breathitt, January 9, 1821  
Thomas Blackey was married to Ann H. Whitsitt, January 28, 1823  
James W. Blackey was married to Nancy J. Haden, January 28, 1823  
Churchill H. Blackey was married to Sally J. Haden on \_\_\_ day 1826  
George D. Blackey was married to Lucy L. Thomas, Feby. 23, 1830  
Pamela Blackey was married to William Haden, Dec. 13, 1808

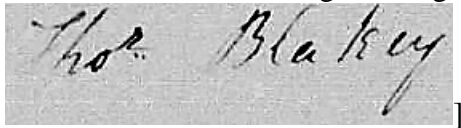
### Births

Pamela Blackey was born, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> 1787  
Reuben Blackey was born, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> 1789  
William W. Blackey was born Feby. 5<sup>th</sup> 1792  
Thomas Blackey was born June 17<sup>th</sup> 1794  
Elizabeth W. Blackey was born Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 1796  
Churchill H. Blackey was Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1799  
James W. Blackey was born Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> 1801  
Sarah P. Blackey was born April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1804  
George G. Blackey was born Feby. 5<sup>th</sup> 1822  
Ann E. Blackey was born Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 1823

### Deaths

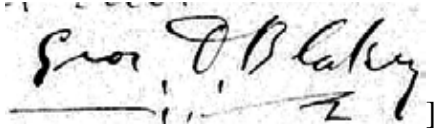
Reuben Blackey died Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 1790 aged 9 months  
Wm. W. Blackey died Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1824 aged 32 years  
Churchill H. Blackey died Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1826, aged 27 years  
George Blackey, departed this life September 8, 1842, Aged 93 years lacking 2 months & 2 weeks]

[pp 24-25: These pages contain what appear to be affidavits given by Thomas Blakey and Pamela Haden but the digital image is posted are too faint to decipher



Thomas Blakey ]

[p 64: On February 4, 1857 in Logan County Kentucky, George D Blakey gave testimony that his mother has lost her pension certificate and he request the issuance of a duplicate certificate so that she can draw her pension.



George D Blakey ]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$80 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for 2 years in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]