

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Israel Meadows W8451 Barbara Meadows f52VA
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Kentucky

Israel Meadows of Estill Co. in the state of Kentucky who was a private in the regiment commanded by Colonel ___ of the Virginia line, for the term of Two years
Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky at the rate of 8 Dollars per month, to commence on the 22nd of September 1818.

Certificate of Pension issued the 12th of May 1819 and sent to Judge James Clark William Winchester Kentucky.

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| Arrears to the 4 th of Mar: 1819 | 43.43 |
| Semi -anl. all'ce ¹ ending 4 th Sep. 1819 | <u>48.</u> |
| 5 Mo. 9/30. 4/31 | \$91.43 |

{Revolutionary claim, Act 18th,1818}

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky, Estill County, Sct.

On this 22nd day of September -- 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the circuit court, in and the state aforesaid, personally appeared Israel Meadows aged sixty two;-- who being by me first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following statement and declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late law of Congress. Entitled, "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War;" that he is a citizen of the state of Kentucky, and a resident in the county of Estill --; and that he was enlisted for two years at the Sweet Springs in the state of Virginia on or about the ___ day of July in the year 1776, by one James McNutt and served in the company commanded by Captain Massy Arbuckle [Massy Arbuckle, sic, Mathew Arbuckle] of the 12th or 13th regiment Virginia line on establishment that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States, in the Continental Army, against the common enemy until about the day of August 1778, when he was honorably discharged from service at Point Pleasant in the state of Virginia that he was in service two years and three months having served 3 months longer than he enlisted for, and was in ~~the~~_{no} battles of any importance and that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has lost his discharge, and has no evidence in his power, of his services and discharge, other than that which is here transmitted.

Sworn and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S. Jas. Clark
Circuit Judge

¹ "Semi-annual allowance"

Alexander Reed² states upon oath the he was a soldier in the war of the Revolution and served in the same company with the within named Meadows for about the period of eighteen months and knows that the said Meadows did serve for that period in the company and Regt. [regiment] mentioned in the statement of the said Meadows, he thinks the regiment was the 12th that when he was removed from said company and Regt. he left the said Meadows in it and understood that him was marched to the frontiers near Point Pleasant.

Sworn to before me the day and year first afsd [aforesaid]

Jas Clark

Circuit Judge

I, Jas Clark Judge, &c. as afore said, do certify, that it appears to my satisfaction, that the said Israel Meadows did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the preceding declaration, against the common enemy, for the term of nine months and upwards, on the continental establishment; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me, to the Secretary for the Department of War, pursuant to the directions of the aforementioned act of Congress and it further appears to my satisfaction, that said applicant is in such indigent and reduced circumstances, as to require the aid of his country, pursuant to the above recited act.

Jas Clark

Circuit Judge

Schedule

Commonwealth of Kentucky Clarke County Sct

On this 23d day of October 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of Record for Said County so Expressly constituted by the act of assembly creating it, Israel Meadows, aged Sixty five years, Residence in Estill County, who being first duly Sworn, according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he Served in the Revolutionary War as follows, as a private in Capt. Arbuckle's [Mathew Arbuckle's] Company of Genl. Harris' brigade or division of the Virginia line but Regiment not Recollected nor the name of the centenal [sic, colonel] as the difirent [sic, deponent][?] Served on the frontiers the date of his original declaration is the 22nd day of September 1818, and that he is enrolled on the pension list roll of Kentucky agency by a War Office Certificate no 10,533 and dated 12th day of May 1819, 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, disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby So to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of an Act of Congress entitled as act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval Services of the United States in the Revolutionary war," passed on the 18 day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust, for me any property, or Security, 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 to wit,

One mare of the value of \$20

“ cow “ “ “: “ \$10

House hold and Kitchen furniture \$20

² Sic, [Alexander Reid S36872](#)

And Farming utensils \$50

That the debts due to him are not more than equal to what he owes other people that he has no trade and is or by a common labour that his wife aged Sixty three years that he and she are infirm and unable to Support themselves by their own labour and with out this aid of public or private bounty that they cannot exist

Signed Israel Meadows

Sworn to and declared on the 23d day of October 1820 before Henry W. Calemes presiding Justice of Said court Actually Sitting

J. James Bullock Clerk

of said court do hereby certify

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Kentucky

Barbara Meadows widow of Israel Meadows who was a private in Virginia Line.

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of 80 dollars __ Cents per annum, to commence on the 4th day of March, 1843.

Certificate of Pension issued the 11 day Feby. 1844 and sent to Chr. Chinn Harrodsburg, Ky.

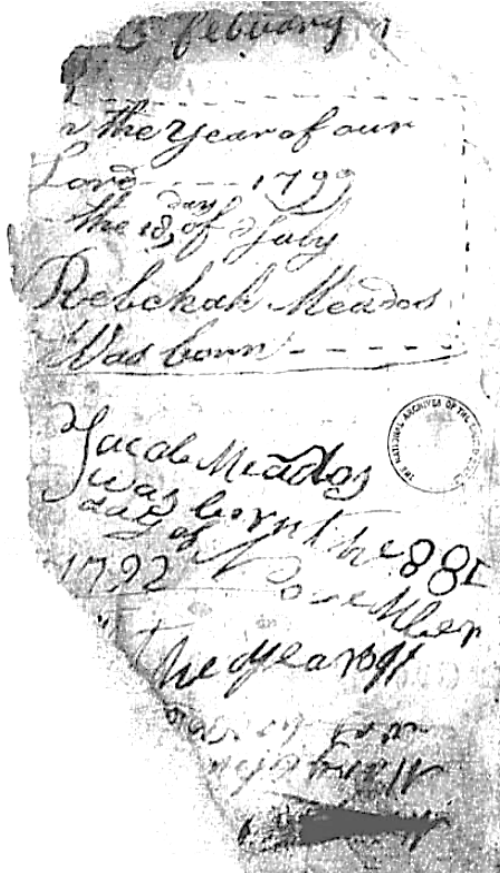
[Act of March 3, 1843]

Recorded in Book A Vo. 1 page171

Page 14 [Bible record: text of the printed page is in Dutch]

...the year of our Lord ---- 1799 the 18 day of July Rebekah Meadows was born --

-- Jacob Meadows was born the [?] 1792 [?] the [?]



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The deposition of Mrs. Elizabeth Cole taken this the 26 day of July, 1839, to be used in favor of application of Mrs. Barbara Meadows for a pension under New Act of Congress passed July 7th, 1838.

Deponent being fifty-two years old last December deposes and saith that she is the daughter of Israel Meadows and Barbara Meadows his surviving widow she knew her Father the said Israel Meadows was a pensioner on roll of Kentucky agency at the time of his death and the said Israel Meadows died on the thirteenth day of September Eighteen hundred and Twenty-Seven. And that her mother the aforesaid Barbara Meadows has remained a widow ever since to the present period. She further saith that her Father many years prior to his death had a family record containing the ages of all his Children-ages in a little old family Dutch Bible, which Bible some year prior to his death got very wet during a freshet and all of the record was destroyed with the exception of a small part which is very much mutilated but yet contains enough to see the age of the seventh Child Namely Jacob Meadows was born the 8th November seventeen hundred and ninety^{one or} two which record the deponent is quite confident in the handwriting of her Brother Jacob Meadows now a resident of the State of Indiana, their Oldest Sister if living, would now be about sixty years her Oldest Brother William Meadows is now fifty-eight years old the said Bible and record was in the possession of her Father many years prior to his death and has been in her Mother's possession ever since. The leaf containing the record of her Brother Jacob's age she this day makes part of her deposition. And further Saith not.

Elizabeth Cole, X her mark

State of Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

The above deposition was the day sworn to and Subscribed by Elizabeth Cole before knew the undersigned Justice of the peace in and for the County of Fayette and State aforesaid and I certify the said Elizabeth Cole a woman of good moral Character and a person of truth. Given from under my hand the 26 day of July 1839

S/ Hubbard B. Taylor, JPFC [Justice of the Peace, Fayette County]

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February 21, 1938

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Israel Meadows S.8451 [sic, W8451]

Mr. Azel Meadows

P.O. Box 94

Huntington, West Virginia

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Israel Meadows, of Augusta County Virginia, and later of Greenbrier County, that state, also, record of Mathew or Mathias Meadows, who served as an "Indian fighter" in 1793, with Hugh Caperton.

The records subsequent to the Revolution and prior to the War of 1812, have been searched and no record found of a Mathew or Mathias Meadows, who served in the Indian Wars. Such claims are the source of the data furnished by this office.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, S.8451 [sic, W8451], based on the military service in that war of Israel Meadows.

The date and place of birth and the names of the parents of Israel Meadows are not shown.

Israel Meadows enlisted at Sweet Springs, Virginia, in July 1775, served as a private in Captain Matthew Arbuckle's Virginia Company, was stationed at Point Pleasant, at the mouth of the Kanawha River, and was discharged in August 1, 1778.

Early in 1800, he moved to Madison County, Kentucky, where he resided a few years, then moved to Estill County, Kentucky, where he was living and aged sixty-two years, when he was allowed pension on his application executed September 22, 1818.

He died September 30, 1827, in said Estill County.

The soldier married Barbara Green, born on "Easter Day in the year of General Braddock's Defeat," names of her parents not shown. Both were then of Greenbrier County, Virginia, but they were married in Botetourt County, that state. In October, 1838, the widow stated that she married Israel Meadows on July 8, year not remembered, but that her first child was born the spring after her marriage and "if living would be sixty years old next spring." In October, 1838, Zachariah Phillips stated that he was born in 1763, and that he married Nancy, oldest child of Israel and Barbara Meadows, and that his wife, "if living, would be 60 years old next spring." In 1839, the widow stated that she was married in 1778 or in 1779; in 1842, she made another statement in which she said that her previous statement, that she was married in 1778 or 1779, was an error, as she had become convinced that her marriage took place in 1776, she having been a married woman at the time her husband was in the army. No definite date was established for the marriage.

Barbara Meadows was allowed pension on her application executed October 5, 1838. Said application was made in Estill County, Kentucky.

She stated that she had ten children by her marriage with Israel Meadows: the names of some of the children follow:

Oldest, daughter Nancy Meadows previously referred to: would have been aged 60 years in 1839, who married Zachariah Phillips and was dead in 1839.

Oldest son, William Meadows.....aged 58 years in 1839.

Daughter, Elizabeth Meadows.....born in December, 1786, married ----- Cole and in 1839, made affidavit in Fayette County, Kentucky.

Seventh child, son Jacob Meadows...born November 6, 1792, in 1839, living in Indiana.

Tenth child, daughter Rebeckah Meadows....born July 18, 1799.

The names of the other children are now shown.

In order to obtain the data of last payment of pension, the name and address of person paid and possibly the date of death of the Revolutionary War pensioner, Barbara Meadows, widow of Israel Meadows (W. 8451), you should address the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, this city, and furnish the following data:

Barbara Meadows, widow of Israel Meadows

Certificate No. 4918

Issued February 11, 1844

Rate, \$80.00 per annum

Composed March 4, 1843

Ask of March 3, 1843

Kentucky Agency,

Very truly yours
A.D. Hiller
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator

The following was added by Will Graves

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 11: On October 5, 1838 in Estill County Kentucky, Barbara Meadows, "an aged woman" made application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Israel Meadows; that she was married to him before he entered the service in the company of Captain Matthew Arbuckle, under Colonel Lewis; that she was born on Easter day in the year of General Braddock's defeat which she is told was in 1755; that she was married at the age of 23 going on 24 years of age and on the 8th day of July but she cannot recall the year; that there being no Parson near to where they lived they went over Peters mountain and were married on the East side thereof at the house of one Henry Smith but whether it was in Greenbrier County or not she does not know; nor does she recollect the name of the Parson who married them; her first child was born the next spring after their marriage and if living would be 60 years old; that her husband died in the month of September she thinks 11 years ago; that her husband was a pensioner for his service in the revolution at the rate of \$96 per annum. She signed her application with her mark.]

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The deposition of Gordin Griffen [sic, Gordon Griffin] a resident of Bath County Kentucky taken to be read as evidence in favor of the Application of Mrs. Barbara Meadows for a pension.

Deponent being eighty-five years old deposes and saith that he was well acquainted with Israel Meadows Deceased and Barbara his wife before they were married and ever since. The aforesaid Israel Meadows & Barbara was married in the County of Greenbrier in the State of Virginia in the year 1775 or 6 he deponent was not at the wedding but was in the neighborhood when it took place and was informed of it at that time. He cannot speak positively of the date of the marriage but knows it was before the aforesaid Israel Meadows Enlisted as a regular soldier under Captain Arbuckle who belonged to Colonel Lewis's Regiment and the said Israel marched with the said Captain Arbuckle down to the point in the State of Virginia and there continued until his term of enlistment expired and while the said Israel was stationed at the point his wife the aforesaid Barbara made some clothing and sent to him by my Brother William Griffin who then belonged to the same Regiment and the deponent thinks to the same Company that Israel Meadows was then, the deponent speaks positively when he says that the aforesaid Israel & Barbara was living together as man & wife and recognized as such before the said Israel marched

as a regular soldier under Captain Arbuckle and they so lived together until the death of the said Israel, the said Israel died in Estill County Kentucky some 14 years since.

S/ Gorden Griffen, X his mark [sic, Gordon Griffin]

[p 41: Isabella Howard of Montgomery County Kentucky also gave an affidavit in which he testified that Israel and Barbara Meadows were married as early as 1776; she based her recollection on the fact that her husband Henry Howard³ to whom she was married in 1777 belonged to the same Regiment as Israel Meadows.]

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)] 8-page file

added 12/23/18

[p 1]

Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

Israel Meadows – Appeared before me a Justice of the peace for said County and made Oath that he enlisted in the year 1776 for Three years in the Company Commanded by Captain Arbuckle in the 12th Virginia Regiment Commanded by Colonel Innis [James Innis, James Innes] – And that he continued to serve in said Service until the year 1779 at which time he was honorably discharged at the Kenhawa [Kanawha River] and that he has never received his land Warrant for said Service and that he wishes the same to be granted to him

S/ Israel Meadows, X his mark

Sworn to and Subscribed before me and I certify that the deponent Israel Meadows is a credible Witness on Oath. Given under my hand this 11th day of May 1822

S/ R S Todd, J.P.F.C.

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Colonel Innis did Command said Regiment which was Called the 12th and he knows that said Meadows was honorably discharged as this deponent was in the Revolutionary War himself

S/ Daniel Hiskill [?],⁴ X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 10th day of December 1821

S/ Edward Payne, J P F C

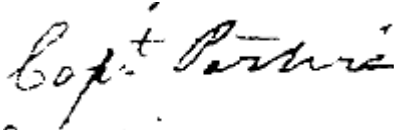
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Kentucky Fayette County to wit

Reuben Coffe Appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made Oath that he Enlisted in Virginia in the year 1778 for 3 years in the Company Commanded by Captain Parters [?]⁵ in the 12th Virginia Regiment on Continental line Commanded by Colonel Francis Taylor and he continued to serve in said service until the year 1781 at which time he was honorably discharged in Winchester and he has lost his discharge and has never received his land Warrant

³ [Henry Howard W8948](#)

⁴ This was interpreted as "Hakill" but it looks like Hiskell to me. I could find no record of a Revolutionary veteran by either of those names.

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S/ Reuben Coffe, X his mark

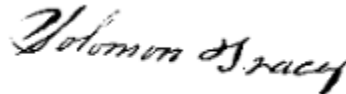
Sworn to and subscribed before me & I certify that the above named Reuben Coffe is a credible Witness so far as I know and believe. Given under my hand this 5th of September 1821

S/ O. Keen, J P

Kentucky Fayette County Sct.

Solomon Tracy appeared and made Oath that he was acquainted with the above named Reuben Coffe and knows that said Coffe Enlisted and Served in the Revolutionary War as he has stated in his Affidavit above – and that said Reuben Coffe was a reputable and honest man [as] far as this deponent knows and [p 7] believes

S/ Solomon Tracy



Sworn to and Subscribed before me a Justice of the Peace for the said County and I certify that the above deponent is a credible Witnesses on Oath as far as I know and believe.

Given under my hand this 28th of March 1822

S/ Wm Davenport, J P F C

Israel Meadows-Reuben Coffe 7 miles above Iles Mill on Licking
R Coffe

Israel Meadows

private 3 years

Reuben Coffe

private 3 years

1873 May Both claims allowed 3 years each private in Continental line

no warrants for Land Bounty appeared to have issued for the Services of Israel Meadows
or Reuben Coffe

Land Office

22 November 1822

S/ Wm G. Pendleton, Reg.

Certificates Issued

Not Drawn

[p 8: Reuben Coffe appointed Thomas Miller of Richmond as his attorney and agent to act on his behalf in obtaining his land warrant. The power of attorney was dated September 5, 1821.]