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Pension Application of Jared (Garrett) Smith W8743  
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District of Kentucky

On this 6<sup>th</sup> of June 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Circuit Judges for the Comwlth [Commonwealth] afsd personally appeared Jared Smith aged 65 years resident in Sott [sic: Scott] County and state aforesd, who being by me first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress entitled an act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War; That he the said Jared Smith [enlisted] in the year 1776 in the State of Virginia for three years in the company commanded by Capt John Lee in Colo. Gibsons [George Gibson's] Regiment its number he cant recollect [2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, Virginia State Line], in the continental line and that he served out the said time of 3 years and was Descharged at York Town Virginia and that he afterwards served as a militia man and was at the taking of Lord Cornwallis [at Yorktown, 19 Oct 1781]. That he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. Sworn to and Declared before me this Day and year aforesd

Benj. Johnson Circuit Judge

NOTES:

James Herndon of Owen County KY deposed that "Jarrett Smith... was called Gasper Smith Garvey Smith and some time Garsy Smith."

On 25 Aug 1837 Margaret Smith, 72, of Owen County KY applied for a pension stating that she married Jared Smith on 4 May 1779 in Fauquier County VA, and he died 11 Dec 1820. As evidence of the marriage she submitted a family record transcribed as follows:

Elisabeth Smith was born the 12<sup>th</sup> of march 1780

Betsy Smith was bon January the 28<sup>th</sup> 1783

On 27 Sep 1839 Margaret Smith applied again for a pension, giving her age as 75.

On 8 Apr 1844 an Elizabeth Smith, 78, of Fountain County IN, deposed that she had been a neighbor of Jared and Margaret Smith in Fauquier County VA and in Scott County KY.

On 9 Aug 1848 Margaret Smith applied again for a pension, giving her age as 84 and the year of marriage as about 1780. This application was supported by a deposition by Jarrott Smith and Susan Smith. One Polly Briant deposed that Jared Smith was in the Revolutionary War after his marriage, and that she "saw him pass my fathers with his Knapsack and I was frequently at his house during his absence in the army and do well know his daughter Elisabeth was an infant at that time."

In an application for bounty land dated 7 May 1855, Margaret Smith's age is given as "about 92."