

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Isaac Garvin (Garven) W8837

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State of Kentucky Lincoln County Sct.

On this 5th day of December 1832 personally appeared before Robert Miller a Justice of the Peace in Lincoln County Kentucky Isaac Garvin a resident citizen of Lincoln County aged seventy-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 may by the act of Congress passed June 7, 1832. That on or about the __ day of__ in the year 1780 he enlisted as a soldier in the Army of the United States for the term of eighteen months, in the Virginia line upon Continental establishment. That the company to which he belonged was commanded by Captain Bell & Lieutenant Evans [William Evans¹]: the company of Captain Bell [probably Capt. James Bell] rendezvoused at Staunton in Augusta County Virginia, that he the said Garvin at the time he enlisted in the Army resided in the County of Rockingham said State of Virginia. That the company to which he belonged was marched to Hillsboro in North Carolina, that his company after being marched to the South were attached to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Abraham Buford, who commanded as he believes the first Virginia Regiment, but as to the number of the Regiment, he says he may be mistaken, but believes it was the first, he is certain that the Regiment to which he belonged was commanded by Colonel Abraham Buford. He states that the troops were marched from Hillsboro to Salisborough [Salisbury] in said State of North Carolina where they were joined by other troops. He states that he was at the battles at Camden [August 15-16 1780], Guilford [March 15, 1781], Ninety Six [May 21-June 19, 1781] & Eutaw Springs [September 8, 1781]. That General Gates first had the Command of the Southern Army & after his disaster, the Army was commanded by General Green [Nathanael Greene], who led the troops on to victory & to glory. He states that after having served out the term of his enlistment faithfully he was discharged in the latter part of the year say December 1781 his discharge he has lost or mislaid, not concerned that it would be of much importance to him. He states that he can prove by the affidavit of Osburn Coffey², who is now living in Casey County Kentucky, that he the said Garvin served in the Army of the Revolution upon Virginia Continental establishment for the term of eighteen months, & that he was in the engagements with the enemy, at Camden, Guilford, Ninety Six & Eutaw Springs & that he, Garvin, was discharged at the expiration of his term of service – that he knows of no other person than Osban Coffey by whom he can prove he was in the Service of his Country.

He states that he was born in Lancaster County in the State of Pennsylvania. That he has no record of his age.

¹ [William Evans S25069](#)

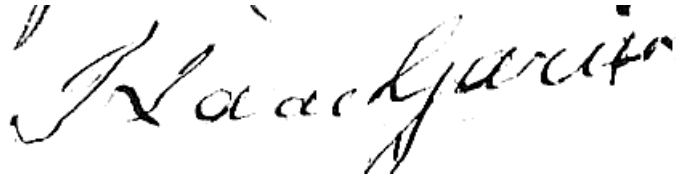
² [Osborn Coffey \(Coffee\) W8612](#)

He states that after the close of the war he removed to & settled in Kentucky & has resided in Lincoln County Kentucky for more than fifty years.

He states that he has forgotten the name of the officer who gave him his discharge it having been lost as before stated many years since. To the seventh interrogatory he states that he is & has been for many years acquainted with Walter Anderson a clergyman & Samuel Shackelford who reside in the neighborhood where I live & who can testify as to my character for veracity, & their belief of my services as a Soldier of the revolution. He states that he has resided about nine miles from the Courthouse of Lincoln County that he is at this time afflicted with the rheumatism & by reason of his advanced age & the general debility of his health, he is unable to appear in open Court & make oath to the foregoing declaration.

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 and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

S/ Isaac Garvin

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Isaac Garvin". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid, with some flourishes at the end of the name.

[Walter Anderson, a clergyman, and Samuel Shackelford gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

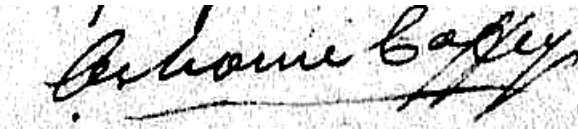
[f p. 9]

State of Kentucky Casey County to wit

On this 6th day of December 1832 personally appeared before me John Riffe a Justice of the Peace in Casey County Kentucky Osburn Coffey a citizen of said County, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he is upwards of seventy-three years of age that he was in the Army of the revolution in the year 1780 & 1781, that he was personally acquainted with Isaac Garvin during these years & served with him in the Army, each of us belonged to the Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment, the Regiment was commanded by Colonel Abraham Buford, this affiant & the said Isaac Garvin were in the Regiment of Colonel Buford when it was marched from Hillsboro to Salisbury where he in North Carolina. This affiant & the said Isaac Garvin were in the battles of Camden, Guilford, Ninety Six & Eutaw Springs – during a part of the year 1780, the troops were under the command of General Gates & after the disaster which happened to the southern Army whilst General Gates had the command, he was superseded in the command by General green who was sent from the northern Army to take the command of the southern Army. This affiant states that he knows of his own knowledge that the said Isaac Garvin served in the Army of the revolution for the period of 18 months in, as he believes, the first Virginia Regiment upon Continental establishment & after the expiration of his term of enlistment he the said Isaac Garvin was legally & regularly discharged. This affiant states that he may be mistaken in the number of the Regiment, but in relation to all of the other matters he has a distinct & clear recollection. He has been acquainted with Isaac Garvin for upwards of 50 years & for the last 32 years said Garvin has resided in Lincoln County & believes him to be a worthy honest citizen & in whose statements just reliance should be placed.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year above written.

S/ Osbourn Coffey

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anthony Bailey". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

[f p. 13: On February 24, 1840 in Lincoln County Kentucky, James Garvin aged about 71, made application for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Isaac Garvin late a pensioner of the United States; that she married him June 28, 1791; that her husband died March 1. 1833; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[f p. 15: John Bailey certified that Isaac Garman and Jane Huston were joined together in matrimony June 28, 1791. Said certification of their marriage was filed in Lincoln County Kentucky.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March fourth, 1831, for 18 months service as a private in the Virginia service. Veteran's widow was pensioned at the rate of \$60 per annum commencing March fourth, 1843.]