

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Jeffries (Jeffris)¹ W9076 Nancy Jeffries f69VA
Transcribed by Will Graves 12/18/13

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State of Kentucky Sct.

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the act of Congress entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the revolution" approved on the 15th day of May 1828 I William Jeffris [sic] of Henry County in the State of Kentucky do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the revolution for and during the war, and continued in its service until its termination, at which period I was a private in Captain John Watts 'company in the first Virginia Regiment of cavalry of the Virginia line. And I also declare that I afterwards received certificates for the reward of eighty dollars; to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th day of May 1778 –

And I further declare that I was not on the 15th day of May 1828 on the pension list of the United States. Witness my hand this 30th day of October in the year 1829
S/ William Jeffris, X his mark

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
8 December 1829

William Jeffris [sic] of ___ in the County of Henry in the State of Kentucky has applied to the Secretary of the Treasury for the benefits of the act, entitled "An act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Revolution," approved the 15th of May, 1828. He states that he enlisted in the Continental line of the Army of the Revolution, for and during the war, and continued until its termination, at which period he was a Private in Captain Watts Company, in the Cavalry regiment of the Virginia line; and that he received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars, provided by the resolve of the 15th of May, 1778; and further, that he was not on the 15th of May, 1828, on the pension list of the United States, and that he has received as a pensioner since the 3rd of March, 1826, nothing

The Third Auditor is requested to report how far the several statements are corroborated by the records in his Office.

By order of the Secretary
S/ F. A. Dickins

¹ BLWt275-60-55

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
10th of December 1829

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to William Jefferies [sic] (Dragoon) in the Virginia line

It further appears that William Jefferies is not now on the pension list of any agency, and has not been so since the 3rd March 1826—~~at the rate of ___ dollars per month.~~

S/ Peter Hagner, Aud.

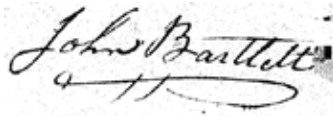
State of Kentucky Jefferson County: Sct.

Before me William Tompkins a Justice of the peace for the County & State aforesaid personally appeared John Bartlett a reputable citizen of said County who made oath that William Jeffris by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed, is generally reputed and believed to have been a soldier in the Army of the revolution in manner as therein stated, and further that said Bartlett served at the same period of time with said Jeffris in the same Regiment and distinctly recollects him, as the person he declares himself to be.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 30th day of October 1829

S/ Wm Tompkins, JP JC

S/ John Bartlett



State of Kentucky Jefferson County: Sct.

before me Robert Miller a Justice of the peace for Jefferson County & State of Kentucky personally appeared Charles Langsdoan a reputable citizen of said County who made oath that William Jeffris by whom the foregoing declaration was subscribed is generally reputed & believed to have [been] a soldier in the Army of the revolution as therein stated, and further that said Langsdoan served at the same period of time in the same Regiment with said Jeffris and recollects him as the person he describes himself to be.

Subscribed & sworn to before me this 6th day of November 1829

S/ Charles Langsdoan, X his mark

[p 29: In a document acknowledged December 7th, 1852 in Henry County Kentucky, Nancy Jeffries, 81, gave testimony that she is the widow of William Jeffries, a revolutionary war pensioner whose pension certificate she hereby surrenders; that the deceased pensioner resided in the state of South Carolina about 35 years and then removed to the State of Kentucky about the year 1812 to the County of Henry where he died May 30, 1850. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p. 33: On January 11, 1853 in Trimble County Kentucky, Jesse col gave testimony that he was well acquainted with William Jeffries, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$100 per annum and with his wife Nancy Jeffries whose name before her marriage was Nancy Connell; and that he the affiant was present at the marriage of William Jeffries to Nancy Connell by a magistrate in Spartanburg district South Carolina in or about the year 1790 to the best of his recollection.

Jesse Connell

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[p 6: On September 7th, 1853 in Henry County Kentucky, Nancy Jeffries, 83, filed for a widow's pension under the 1848 act stating that she is the widow of William Jeffries, a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$100 per annum for his service in the revolution as a Dragoon in the Virginia line; that she was married to him March 4, 1790 by one James Harrison, JP in the state of South Carolina, Spartanburg County; that her husband died in Henry County Kentucky Me 30th, 1850.

Nancy Jeffries

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[p 35: On March 4th, 1854 in Henry County Kentucky, Susan King, 62, gave testimony that she is the oldest and first child of William and Nancy Jeffries; that a man by the name of Perry wrote the names of her father's family in her father's Bible; that Perry made the mistake of writing her mother's name in the Bible as Elizabeth instead of Nancy; that the affiant was born in the spring of 1791; that her name is the first name on the family register; that she moved about 8 or 10 miles from her mother and father when she married and has never lived further from them than that; that her brothers and sisters are now scattered about in the states of Indiana & Missouri except Mariah the youngest child who now lives with her mother; that her father never had but one wife and that is her mother.

Susan King

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[p 10: On August 18, 1855 in Henry County Kentucky, the widow, 85, filed for her bounty land entitlement as the widow of William Jeffries; she states that she was married to him in Spartanburg district South Carolina by one Isham Harrison a justice of the peace; that her name prior to her marriage was Nancy Connell. She signed this document with her mark.]

[p 4: family record:

Births

Susanah [Susannah?]² Jeffriss daughter [daughter] of William Jeffriss & Elizabeth his Wife was born April 4th and in the year of our Lord 1791

Martha Livana Jeffriss was born September the 6th and in the year of our Lord 1796

George C Jeffriss son of William Jeffriss and Elizabeth his wife was born September 5th and in the year of our Lord 1798

Elizabeth Jeffriss was born September the 10th and in the year of our Lord 1800

James Tillett Jeffriss was born December 17th and in the year of our Lord 1802

Josiah Jeffriss was born January 25th and in the year of our Lord 1806

Susanah

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Washington Jeffriss was born December the 17th and in the year of our Lord 1808

Harvy [Harvey?] Jeffriss was born January 5th and in the year of our Lord 1810

Jane Jeffriss was born April the 10th and in the year of our Lord 1812

Mariah P. Jeffriss was born January the 14th and in the year of our Lord 1814

John Jeffriss was born June the 11th and in the year of our Lord 1816]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$100 per annum for service as a Dragoon in the Virginia Continental line. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]

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Addendum to William Jeffries (Jeffris) W9076
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[The following are from [bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia](#) indexed as Jeffryes, William.]

I do Certify that Wm. Jeffryes enlisted July 1780 for the war in 1 Regm't Lt. Dragoons as witness my
hand Wm. Barrett [sic: William Barret VAS1197] f'ly Capt.
Examined & passed Baylors [George Baylor W5966] Dragoons
refer to Capt. Parsons [William Parson R16965] discharge
S. Hawes [Samuel Hawes BLWt1066-450] Com'r

Agreeable to a Resolution of Congress, bearing date the 26th day of May, 1783 the Bearer hereof Wm.
Jeffereys of the 1st Cavalry Regm't has leave of Absence untill called upon by proper authority to join
his corps, or is finally discharged Will. Parsons Jun'r Capt. Comd't. 1 R. Lt. D.
Charles Town [Charleston SC] 3^d Jul 1783

Mecklenburg County 14 August 1784

In Consideration of full value Received I do assign my whole right, title, profits, and immunitys,
proceeding from my Service as a Soldier in 1st Regm't. of Lt. Dragoons, to Joshua Humphreys and desire
that whatever persons, that may have the settling my account, may pay him in the same manner as if I
were present myself, Sign'd in the presence of

Their
William X Johnson
John JJ Jones
marks

William hisXmark Jeffreys

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