

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Elisha Eastes (Eastis) W9419
Transcribed by Fred Weyler

Molly

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(p2 a certificate)
12.754 Kentucky R
Elisha Eastis
Clarke Co KY
Private under Col Richard Parker
Va line for one year.
\$8/mo commencing 21Jul1818
Paid thru Winchester OH.
Act of 18Mar1818 (invalid pension)

(p3 a certificate)
Kentucky
Molly Eastes widow of Elisha
Issued \$96/annum, issued 13Nov1851

(p4 form of Commonwealth of Kentucky)
Clarke Co 26 Jun1818, Elisha Eastes age sixty six (?)
One year at Halifax Co VA, 01Sep1777 or 1778by James Cunningham
Capt Charles Pelham of 1st Virginia Regt Col Richard Parker
Disch at West Point NY by Genl Thomas Muhlenberg
Was in Battle of Monmouth

(officers confirmed by Heitman)

Sally Eastis, age 38 of Ousley Co KY on 14Jun1840 testified for widow Molly
Perhaps a daughter though no relationship is recorded.

08Jul1850, Ousley Co KY Jane Estes, daughter of Elisha and Molly Collins Estes both deceased.
Names Elisha Estes and Hatten Estes as the only other living heirs.

(p16) 08Jul1850 Ousley Co KY, William Estes, no relationship declared that he made the coffin
and buried Molly Estes who died 05Jun1849..

02Feb1848 certificate ordering \$96/annum to Jane, Elisha, and Hatten Estes.

(p61) a pension certificate for \$53.33/annum to Molly Estes, issued 28Oct1845

(p62) 10Sep1844, Robert Collins of Clay Co KY age 71 testified for sister Molly Eastes

Other pages of customary forms and notes

Supplemented by Will Graves

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[p 4]
The Commonwealth of Kentucky

On this 26 day of June 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the circuit court, in and for the state aforesaid, personally appeared Elisha Eastis aged sixty-six years; – 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 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 is a citizen of the state of Kentucky, and a resident of the County of Clarke; and that he was enlisted for one-year at Halifax County in the State of Virginia on or about the first day of September 1777 or 1778 by one James Cunningham and served in the company commanded by Captain Charles Pelham of the first Virginia Regiment on the Continental establishment commanded by Colonel Richard Parker and 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 ___ 1778 or 1779, when he was honorably discharged from service at West Point in the State of New York by General Muhlenberg; that he was in service twelve months and was in the battles of Monmouth [June 28, 1778], and no other to the best of his recollection –

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 with transmitted.

Sworn and declared before me the day and year aforesaid.

S/ Jas Clark [James Clark], Judge

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District of Kentucky

On this 30th day of June 1820 personally appeared in open court being a court of record in the Fayette Circuit for said district, Elisha Eastis aged sixty-seven years, resident in Claiborne County in said state, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath declare that he served in the Revolutionary War as follows; that he served in Captain Charles Pelham's company of the first Virginia Regiment commanded by Richard Parker of the Virginia Continental line, that the date of his original declaration was on the 26th day of June 1818 and that the number of his pension certificate was 12754 and that I 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 whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an 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" passed on the 18th day of March 1818, and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property, or securities, 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.

Two horse creatures, two cows, three yearling calves and some little plantation utensils also some household furniture.

S/ Elisha Eastis, X his mark

And that he is a farmer by occupation, and that by old age and bodily infirmities, he labors with much difficulty, that he has four children living with him, to wit, Nancy 21 years old, Jane 18 years old, Elisha 15 years old and Agatha 15 years old and that his children are chiefly females and consequently not much benefit to him, and his son is quite young.

Sworn to and declared before me as Judge of Fayette circuit Court in open court June 20th 1820.

S/ W. Warren

[p 11: On June 14, 1844 in Owsley County Kentucky, Molly Eastis, 81, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Elisha Eastis; that she married him in Jefferson County Kentucky December 5, 1781; that her husband died March 3 1839; and that she remains a widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 14: On July 8, 1850 in Owsley County Kentucky, Jane Estes filed an application for such amounts as the heirs of Molly Estes might be entitled to; she states that she is the lawful child of Molly Estes late of said County who was a revolutionary war pensioner at the rate of \$53.33 per annum; that Molly Estes died June 5, 1849 survived by 3 children: to wit, Elisha Estes, Hatten Estes and Jane Estes. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 16: On July 8, 1850 in Owsley County Kentucky, William Estes gave testimony that he built the coffin for Molly Estes who died June 5, 1849. His relationship if any, to the family is not stated. He signed his affidavit with his mark.]

[p 25: On July 30, 1845 in Bourbon County Kentucky, William Jones a resident of Bourbon County Kentucky gave testimony that he is 66 years old on the 9th of Me; that his father and family left Virginia in the fall of the year 1784 and moved to Kentucky; that his family settled at Bryant's Station in Fayette County Kentucky; when they arrived there they became acquainted with Elisha Eastis and his wife Molly; several families at Bryant station moved to Roger station about 3 miles off; the families were his father's family, Mister Collins' family the father of Molly Eastis & Elisha Eastis and his family all moved to Roger station; that Elisha and Molly were married in Jefferson County before the deponent's family moved to Kentucky. William Jons

William Jones

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[p 52: On September 1, 1845 in Johnson County Missouri Edward Collins gave testimony that he is the brother of Molly, the wife of Elisha Eastes; that she was married to Elisha in Jefferson County Kentucky in 1783.

Edward Collins

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[p 54: On August 27, 1844 in Bourbon County Kentucky, William Collins, 64, gave testimony that he is the brother of Molly Eastis the widow of Elisha Eastes; that his sister was married to the veteran in 1783 and he has never heard their marriage doubted.

W. Collins

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[p 62: Deposition given by Robert Collins September 10, 1844 in Clay County Missouri in which he states that he is 71 years old, the brother of Molly Eastis the widow of Elisha Eastis; that his sister was married to the veteran in Jefferson County in 1781 or 2.

Robert Collins

[From [bounty land records in the Library of Virginia](#)]

A warrant of 200 acres issued to Elisha Estes for his service as a Sergeant in the Virginia Continental line upon Certificate of the Executive dated 16 June 1783. No land Bounty warrant appears to have issued for the service of Elisha Eastis – no Land Bounty warrant has issued for the services of James Eastes in the revolutionary war

Land office

3rd August 1822

Wm G. Pendleton, Reg.

Kentucky Madison County Sct.

Elisha Eastis Appeared before me a Justice of the Peace for said County and made oath that he enlisted in the company commanded by Captain Pelham of the first Virginia Regiment on the Continental line commanded by Colonel Richard Parker for 3 years in the Valley Forge and that he continued to serve until his 3 years had expired and was honorably discharged in the year 1780 by General Muhlenberg and that through the course of time he has lost his discharge and has never received his bounty land.

And he further makes oath that he was well acquainted with James Eastis who enlisted in the same company and Regiment with him for 3 years and that said James Eastis was in the service aforesaid a short time after the battle of Monmouth said James Eastis died before he had served out his said Period.

S/ Elisha Eastis

[Attested September 19, 1821]

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