

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Meredith W9565 Mary Meredith f35DEL
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[Indiana, Franklin County]

For the purpose of obtaining the benefits of the Act entitled "an Act for the relief of certain surviving Officers & Soldiers of the Army of the Revolution approved on the 15th of May 1828" I Samuel Meredith of the County of Franklin & State of Indiana 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 George Handy's¹ Company in the Regiment or Legion commanded by Colonel Henry Lee [Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee]. I enlisted in the State of Delaware, and I also declare that I was entitled to receive certificates for the reward of eighty dollars under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th May 1778 and I further declare that I was not on the 15th May 1828 on the pension list of the United States. Witness my hand this 7th day of August 1828

Test S/ Reuben Blackford S/ Samuel Meredith, X his mark

The State of Ohio Butler County: SS

Before me Reuben Blackford a Justice of the Peace in & for the County aforesaid Personally appeared this 7th day of August 1828 Ebenezer Wood of Butler County Ohio & John Dickerson of the State of Indiana who did severally make oath that Samuel Meredith 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 these deponents do severally make oath that they each served in the Legion of Colonel Henry Lee & they believe that Samuel Meredith who has subscribed the foregoing declaration is the same individual who served in said Legion and that said John Dickerson on his oath says that he was well acquainted with said Samuel Meredith before he enlisted & after the close of the war & he knows that he served until the close of the war and was discharged after peace had been declared.

Sworn & subscribed before me this 7th August 1828

S/ Reuben Blackford, JP S/ Ebenezer Wood²
S/ John Dickerson,³ X his mark

¹ [George Handy BLWt1061-300](#)

² FPA S40722

³ [John Dickinson \(Dickerson\) W7026](#)

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Revolutionary Claims
Treasury Department,
September 13, 1828

Samuel Meredith of ___ in the County of Franklin in the State of Indiana 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 Handy's Company, ~~in~~ ~~the ___ regiment of the~~ Lee's Legion 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

Treasury Department,
Third Auditor's Office,
19th September 1828

It appears by the records of this office, that a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars has been issued to Samuel Meredith in ~~the~~ Leigh's Legion

It further appears that Samuel Meredith 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.

[p 22: On April 9, 1842 in Franklin County Indiana, Mary Meredith, 82, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of Samuel Meredith, a Dragoon in Lees Legion in the Virginia line who was a pensioner under the 1828 act; that she married him March 12, 1788; that her husband died November 29, 1841; and that she remains his widow. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 6: Copy of a certificate dated November 11, 1789 signed by Rev'd Joshua Dewese listing marriages solemnized by him including the marriage on March 12th, 1789 of "Samuel Merydith and Mary Breadley both of Kent County in Delaware State."]

[p 26: On June 4, 1842 in Butler County of Ohio, Elizabeth Hodson gave testimony that she was present and witnessed the marriage of Samuel Meredith to Mary Meredith his widow in Kent County Delaware on March 12, 1788. She signed her affidavit with her mark.]