

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Samuel Musgrove W9583

Elizabeth Musgrove f43VA

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State of Indiana Parke County SS

On this 13th day of November in the year 1832 personally appeared in open Court before Joseph Potts [Indecipherable word]¹ Judge in and for the County of Parke and State of Indiana the said Court being a Court of Record now sitting Samuel Musgrove a resident of Sugar Creek Township County of Park – aforesaid, Aged seventy-two years four months and seventeen days who being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of Congress passed June 7th 1832 = That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated "to wit" That sometime in the month of Me in the year 1776 at the County of Louden [Loudoun] State of Virginia near the Town of Leesburg = he enlisted as a soldier under Captain Thomas West, William George first Lieutenant and Thomas Warnum [?] second Lieutenant and Thomas Smith Ensign , and his Major 's name was Williams – it was either the 3rd or 7th Regiment of the Virginia Line his Colonel 's name was Rawlins [probably Rawlings], started on the said Expedition from the Town of Leesburg – thence to Frederick Town a distance of twelve miles from the Potomac [River] – which is twelve miles from Leesburg in all twenty-four miles distant from Leesburg – there we drew our Rifles, thence to Lancaster Virginia from there to Philadelphia = stayed in Philadelphia two or three weeks, in the Barracks; from thence to Trenton from thence to Fort Lee, on the North River and from thence to Fort Washington, on the opposite side of the River from Fort Lee, sometime in the month of November in the fall of 1776 at the Battle of Fort Washington [November 16, 1776], he was taken prisoner together with 2500 soldiers by General Howe: was a prisoner six or eight weeks and was then paroled home, got home in the month of March or April 1777, in the month of May or June in the year 1777 went to see a Brother he had living in Botetourt County was where he understood that all the Prisoners taken at Fort Washington were regularly exchanged and were at perfect liberty to enter the Field again = Sometime in the fall of 1777 at the County of Botetourt State of Virginia volunteered in a campaign against the Indians under Captain Joshua Wilson Lieutenant Joshua Morton, Ensign David Higgins = Started from Botetourt from there to Roanoke River – from there to Allegheny Mountains = was engaged in the said campaign two months, was engaged in the first campaign about ten months in the said first campaign was drafted. 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 that he knows of – if any on the State of Virginia.

S/ Samuel Musgrove



¹ Probate [might be intended to be "Probate"]

He made the following answers to the Questions propounded to him by the Court. That he was born in the County of Loudoun State of Virginia on the 17th [?]² day of June 1760, has no record of his age = except the Bible kept by his Father in Loudoun County Virginia who is now dead and that he lived in the County of Loudoun Virginia when called into service – and from there moved to Tennessee in the year 1802 = from there to the State of Alabama – and from there to the State of Indiana where he now resides. Was enlisted into the Service of the United States in the first campaign spoken of in his Declaration = and that he cannot state the name of any other officers than those mentioned by him? Except that his General commander in the tour from Loudoun County until he was taken a Prisoner at Fort Washington was General Washington = particularly at the time he was taken prisoner = however he left Fort Washington on the morning of the day that he was taken prisoner, crossed over to Fort Lee = he never did receive any discharges.

The name of the person to whom he is known in his neighborhood are Richeson H Gatewood & James Montgomery

[Richison H. Gatewood & James Montgomery gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[p 15: On September 14, 1849 in Parke County Indiana, Elizabeth Musgrove, 76 as of January 11, 1847, made application for a widow's pension under the 1836 act stating that she is the widow of Samuel Musgrove (also spelt Musgrace on his pension certificate), a revolutionary war pensioner; that she married him on May 20, 1790 in the now County of Hawkins [?]³ State of Tennessee then a territory; that her husband died April 3, 1847 in Parke County Indiana. She signed her application with her mark.]

[p 16: On September 14, 1849 in Parke County Indiana, John Musgrove, 50 as of October 16, 1846, gave an affidavit in support of his mother's application for a pension authenticating the family record of births, deaths and marriages and stating that he was his parents 3rd child.

John Musgrove]

[p 17: On September 14, 1849 in Parke County Indiana, Samuel Musgrove, 44 years old as of July 6, 1847, also gave testimony in support of his mother's application for a widow's pension and stating that he was his parents 4th child.

Samuel Musgrove]

[Note: the following are images of the family record filed with the papers in this file. There is no summary of this record in this file, probably because the pages are so heavily damaged as to

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make reading them difficult, it not impossible in some instances. I've posted them for whatever they may be worth to interested family members.]

FAMILY RECORD

BIRTHS.	DEATHS.
<p>James Mills Junior Was born in the year of our Lord 1800 August the 9 this 28 of October the 1821 millennium</p>	<p>William King Died the 7 of Oct in the year 1800</p> <hr/> <p>Benjamin Musgrave dec October the 20th 1821 Aged 30 Years 9 Months & 15 days</p> <hr/> <p>Polly Gatenwood on the night of our Pa 1811</p>

FAMILY RECORD

DEATHS.	DEATHS.
<p>Benjamin Musgrave died the 20th of July 1831</p> <p>James died the 12 of July 1831</p>	<p>Benjamin Musgrave died the 20th of April year 1829</p> <p>Jack son Musgrave died the 12 of July 1830</p> <p>W.B. son of Musgrave</p>

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

Samuel Muffrove
and Elizabeth
were married
on the day of
April in the year of
our Lord 1790

James White
and Elizabeth
Mus Grove
were married the
30 of April in the
year of our Lord 1826

William Jackson and
Elizabeth Muffrove
were married
on the 13th in the year 1810

Richardson Hunt
Gatewood was born
June the 6th 1791
And was married the
4th of April 1821.

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

BIRTHS.

Samuel Muffrove
was born June 27th
in the year of our Lord
1760

James Mally Muffrove
was born Novemb
in the year of

Elizabeth Muffrove
was born January 1st
in the year of our Lord
1771

Benjamin Thompson
was born January 13th
in the year 1806

Polly Muffrove was born
on the day of December
1st in the year of our Lord
1774

Elizabeth Muffrove was
born May the 20th 1809

Fiddie Lewis Muffrove
was born 18th of October 1817

Peggy Muffrove was born
November 15th 1813

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for service as

a private for one-year in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned in a like amount.]