Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Isaac Rose, Richardson Rose, and William Rose VAS4301 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From rejected claims in the Library of Virginia.]

To his Excellency Littleton W. Tazewell, Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia. the Memorial of John Rose now in his 74th year of Loudoun County, Virginia, respectfully represents, that, his Brothers Richardson, Isaac & William Rose served in the Virginia Line of Continental Troops in the war of the Revolution, and first as to the services of Richardson Rose: Your Memorialist knows that his Brother Richardson was about 23 years old, when in 1775 he Enlisted for the war in Fairfax Co. Va. in a Company Commanded by Capt. Fitzgerald [John Fitzgerald BLWt764-300], 3^d Va Reg't Command by Col. Weedon [George Weedon BLWt2418-850] – he went into said Reg't Early in 1775 when it was first formed – was at Gwinns Island in Chesapeake Bay when the British were driven from it [Gwynn Island, 11 Jul 1776] – march'd from Norfolk to Gwinn's Island – thence march'd to the north – cross'd at Georgetown Ferry on the Potomac where your memorialist saw Richardson and saw the Reg't cross – was in the Jersies with his Regiment when the Battle on Sullivan's Island took place [in SC, 28 Jun 1776]: Richardson Died in the service at White Plains in the winter of 1776 [undeciphered] his father and family rec'd information of his Death by Rheumatism – [undeciphered word] that Richardson enlisted as a Private, but has understood and believes that he was made a Sergeant & acted as such, for he was brave and Enterprising.

And respecting Isaac Rose your memorialist states, that Isaac was about 21 years old when he enlisted as a Private for 5 years, in the fall of 1776 in Fairfax Co'y in Col. Stephens' [Edward Stevens VAS1922] 6th Va Reg't Capt. Tom West's [Thomas West] Company – this fact your Memorialist knows: He also knows that Isaac served out his 5 years and was honorably discharged. In 1794 He came to live with Memorialist at his farm in Loudoun County & heard him say he was in the Battle of Brandywine [11 Sep 1777], Germantown [4 Oct 1777] & Monmouth [28 Jun 1778] and frequently [undeciphered word] Gen'l [Charles] Lee for his conduct at Monmouth & was wintered at Valley forge Pa. in winter of 1777.

And respecting William Rose, your memorialist states, that William was about 18 when he entered the army for 5 years at same place, that is near to Cameron Run Fairfax Co'y & in same Company and Regiment with his Brother Isaac; on account of [part missing at bottom of page] his brother was opposed to his entering the army so young – [part missing at bottom of page] him, (Little) that William acted as Ensign in his Co'y at the Battle of Brandywine – where he was first wounded in the arm, but continued fighting 'till he rec'd a shot in the Breach and fell dead on the field. This fact your memorialist also had from his Brother Isaac. Such facts stated in this memorial as come from others to him, your memorialist believes to be true – and for the rest they are facts within his own knowledge. Your memorialist being born in 1761 was 14 in 1775.

Your Memorialist further states, that all the three Brothers above mentioned Died unmarried and without issue and the Legal representatives are first, your Memorialist, residing in Loudoun County Vg'a second, his Brother George Rose, if living, residing in Harrison Co'y, Kentucky, and third, his brother James Rose, if living, residing in Champain Co. [sic: Champaign County] Ohio.

Your Memorialist has no evidence to sustain his claim but his own affidavit, once present to your Excellency & not acted on, he presumes, because it was unaccompanied by a Memorial & not rec'd 'till after your Rule of Aug. 18 1834. He trusts the names of his Brothers may be found on the Army Register

In conclusion, your Memorialist asks that such allowance of Bounty Land may be granted as the Law in such cases provides, and the warrants withheld till a power of att'y is rec'd from Geo. Rose. Power of Att'y being herewith forwarded from you Memorialist, and James Rose. and your Memorialist for himself, and Brothers, will ever pray &c. [signed] J'n Rose

[15 May 1835]