Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements and Rosters

Virginia documents pertaining to Thomas Shelton VAS4428
Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris.

[From bounty-land records in the Library of Virginia.]

The affidavit of William Smith of Rapp'k [Rappahannock] County state of Va. a soldier of the Revolutionary War, and now in the 95 year of age. Taken this 26 day of March 1850

This affiant says that Thomas Shelton a soldier of the Revolution enlisted in the year 1775 in the county of Culpeper and was in the company of Capt George Slaughter [W8729] with himself, and said company was marched to the south and from there, to Philidelphia where said Shelton died of the small pox, and father this affiant sayeth not.

Given under my hand this 26 day of March 1850

William hisXmark Smith

To his Excellency John B Floyd Esqr.

Your petitioner, Judith Dodson in behalf of herself and Nancy Dodson, sister, and only heirs of Thomas Shelton dec'd a soldier of infantry from the County of Culpeper state of Virginia, of the Continental line in the Revolutionary army, and enlisted about the year 1775, in the Command of George Slaughter, and died in the City of Philiadelphia.

The claim of her brother is established by the Commissioners report in the Executive of Va the session of the Legilature 1834. 35 with the affidavit of Mr Smith of Rapp'k County herewith annexed. Your petitioner, Represents to your Excellency that I am now aged woman living in Rapp'k County and the only heirs of Thos. Shelton dec, and Respectfully ask that you will extend to them the remuneration that was promised our brother by the several acts of the Va Legislature in remuneration of services in that War. And your petitioners in duty bound will ever pray

June 8 1850

Judith herXmark Dodson

test/ William R Robson

Warrant for 200 acres Issued to Thomas Shelton May 1st 1783 for services as private in the State line who enlisted for the war, served three years [sic: see endnote], and discharged by order of Government

16 Sept 1850. Advised to be rejected -200 acres of land having already been allowed, per memorandum from the Land office.

Allowed from Oct'r 1775 until the close of the War – the soldier allowed 200 acres was in the <u>State line</u>. This man was in the continental line. Smith proves it & our army register shews it & that he has received no pay J B Floyd

NOTE: The Revolutionary War formally ended in November 1783.