Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of William Shreve (Shreeve) S30697

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State of Kentucky Jessamine County: Sct.

On this 15th day of January 1844 came in open Court in and for the County aforesaid Mrs. Ann Shreve a resident of said County who after being duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision of the act of Congress passed the 7th of June 1832.

Affiant states that she is the widow of William Shreve, that said William Shreve departed this life on the 26th of January 1837 in the town of Nicholasville County aforesaid, that said William Shreve as this affiant is informed & believes, was a Soldier of the Revolutionary war and in the Virginia Service, that during the war while said William Shreve was at College and young he volunteered for a tour and marched into Service for ten [? word written over and unclear] months. The Captain in Company he served not now recollected, that he was under General Nathaniel Green [Nathanael Greene] and as said Shreve always said was at the battle of Guilford courthouse [March 15, 1781], that she has heard said Shreve say that he entered the service of Armonds [Tuffin Charles Armand, Marquis de la Roueire] Corps or Regiment, and served in it to the time it was disbanded how long she does not recollect to have heard him state but from the best information she believes he served to the time he engaged, and was honorably discharged, that he said Shreve lost his discharge, that She is not in the possession of any documentary evidence to establish said Service, nor does she know of any living witness who can prove the Service as stated in Armonds Corps, but it is possible that Mr. James Martin may ecollect something of his service at Guilford Courthouse, said William Shreve never made any application for a pension, in his lifetime nor never would do so although often requested, that said William Shreve was in his 77th year of his age when he died, which took place at the time aforesaid. that said William Shreve intermarried with the affiant (whose maiden name was Ann Barnett) on the 5th day of February 1809, that said Ann this affiant is now the widow of William Shreve, further this affiant sayeth not.

Sworn to & subscribed in open court the day & year aforesaid,

S/ Ann Shreve

Ann Shreve

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The deposition of James Martin taken at his residence of Jessamine County State of Kentucky on the 16th day of January 1844

Affiant being in the 86 year of his age, States as follows on being interrogated

State Mr. Martin if you are a pensioner of the United States, for revolutionary Service, and also State if you have any knowledge of the Service of William Shreve of Nicholasville now deceased, as to any services he may have done in the revolutionary war,

Answer,

Deponent states that he is a pensioner of the United States, under the Act of the 7th of June 1832, that he entered the Service of the Revolutionary war sometime after its commencement and enlisted for the war & served to the end thereof under the command under General Green, that during the revolution at the battle of Guilford Court house he recollects to have seen William Shreve in the service, said Shreve was one of the students at College at Halifax Virginia, when he volunteered and was in the action at Guilford, as I was told, that he has understood frequently that said William Shreve was afterwards in the service of Anmonds [sic] Corps after the battle of Guilford that the said William Shreve moved to Kentucky many years ago, and died in Nicholasville Jessamine County, Kentucky and that Ann his widow is now living in Nicholasville (Kentucky) that said Shreve was generally reputed to have been in the service for Virginia, for a long time, and died a wealthy man, and never made application for a pension as ever this deponent heard of, and further this deponent sayeth not.

S/ James Martin¹

James Marsh

[Veteran's a heirs were awarded a pension at the rate of \$100 per annum commencing March 3rd, 1826 and ending January 26 1837 date of his death for his service for 2 years as a Dragoon in the Virginia Continental line.]

¹ James Martin S31236