

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of Govea (Govey) Clampitt (Clampet, Clampett) Sarah W18  
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State of Tennessee Blount County: Be it remembered that this day came Govea Clampitt a citizen and resident of and in said County who says he is, and appears to be, upwards of 69 years of age before me James Turk presiding justice of the Court of pleas and quarter Sessions in and for the said County which court is a court of record and the said Govea Clampitt being duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war" to wit that he the said Govea Clampitt is the same that enlisted under the command of Captain Matthew McCally [sic, Matthew McCauley] of Colonel Shepherd's Regiment of the North Carolina line the year before the battle of Monmouth under whose command this deponent served afterwards at the Battle of Monmouth. This deponent enlisted during the war of the revolution and after continuing in the service of the United States on the Continental establishment as a private soldier against the common enemy, the British, until the conclusion of the war, this deponent was below Dover, 12 miles, in the State of Delaware discharged honorably, which certificate of discharge has by time been lost, or so mislaid that this deponent does not know where it is. That this deponent knows of no person in the bounds of this State that was present with him during any part of the said Term of Service and that he has no further or better evidence in his power to produce except the deposition of Wilson Keeble hereto annexed. That this deponent has been but a few years in this part of the United States. That he claims no pension from the United States or any of them otherwise than under the late act of Congress above mentioned -- And that from his reduced circumstances he needs the assistance of his country for Support.

S/ Govea Clampitt, X his mark

The above declaration subscribed and sworn to this 5th day of June A.D. 1818 before me the said S/ James Turk

[William Keeble gave a supporting affidavit as to his belief that the declaration is true based on having known the veteran for several years.]

[fn p. 9: On November 4, 1839 in Blount County Tennessee Sarah Clampett, 66, filed for a widow's pension as the widow of Govey Clampett; that "he enlisted under Captain Mebane (or a person whose name sounds some more) and enrolled at Hillsboro North Carolina was at the battle of Monmouth & that she heard him speak frequently of a difference which accrued between General Washington & E. at that place;" that she married her husband March 20, 1788; they were married by Eli McDonald Esquire in Orange County North Carolina and that her husband died November 5th 1818.]

[fn p. 14 family record]

Elizabeth Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born November the 15<sup>th</sup> 1789

John Clampet son of Govea and Sarah Clampet was born october 8<sup>th</sup> 1791

Celey Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born february the 18<sup>th</sup> 1795

Henry Clampet son of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife November the 29<sup>th</sup> 1799

Sarah Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born the 27<sup>th</sup> January 1802

Mary Clampet Daughter of Govi Clampet and Sarah his Wife was born the 18<sup>th</sup> [?] of August 1805

Rachel Clampet Daughter Gavi Clampet and Sarah his wife was born July the 12<sup>th</sup> 1811

Sarah Clampet Daughter of Wateman Clifford and Elizabeth his wife was born the 25 of October 1814

James Clampet was born July 29<sup>th</sup> 1816

[facts in file: fn p. 20: widow born Oct. 25, 1774]