

Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements

Pension application of James Baker W9338

Elizabeth

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State of Kentucky, Madison County

This the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1851 Before me William Stapp the undersigned a Justice of the Peace within and for the County and State aforesaid duly authorized to administer oaths according to law personally appeared Mrs. Elizabeth Baker a resident of said County aged 86 years, after being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the Act of Congress passed July the 4<sup>th</sup> 1836 granting pensions to certain widows and any other acts which may provide for her: That she is the widow of James Baker deceased who was a soldier in the Army of the Revolution, in the State of North Carolina and served several tours at or near to the close thereof that the first tours of his service – was in the militia service previous to their marriage of which she now recollects but little that in the year 1781, he entered the service of the said war for the term of 12 months & served in the Continental line of N. C. under Colonel Shepard [sic, Shephard] as a private until the spring of 1782 in the company commanded by Captain Yarborough [Edward Yarborough]. That the most of his militia service was performed some where in North East part of N. C. That he served several tours in the militia in different places & at different times under Colonel Wynns [sic, probably Col. Benjamin Wynn] & others not recollected. She further declares that she was married to her said husband James Baker deceased in Burke County State of N. C. on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1781. That her name before her marriage was Elizabeth Montgomery [sic, Montgomery?]. That her said husband died in Madison County State of Kentucky on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year 1831. That she is now the widow of the said James Baker deceased having remained so ever since his death as aforesaid. That her said husband never drew a pension for his said services nor neither hath she. That he often talked of trying to obtain a pension in his lifetime but from the negligence of his agent, himself or some other cause unknown to her he never made any application. That she has ever since his death (until recently) been of the impression that there was no provision for the widows of those who had not applied and established their claims before their death. Consequently she deemed it useless to make any application from the fact of her husband's death previous to establishing his claim, all of which will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereunto annexed accompanying this application.

S/ Elizabeth Baker, X her mark

State of Kentucky, Madison County

I, Elizabeth Baker of said County do on my oath make the following statements as a supplement to my Declaration filed in the pension office by James S. Fish of Mt Vernon Kentucky in April Inst.

That my husband James Baker deceased served several tours in the militia as a private in the early part of the Revolution, that he went one tour from Hertford County N. C. and one from Halifax County and others not recollected, that in the year 1781, he entered the service of said war in Rowan County N. C. and served as a private in the Continental line of N. C. under Colonel Shepard of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment in the Company Commanded by Captain Yarborough until 1782 (12 months), that the family record hereto attached is the original and true record of her family. This the sixth day of November 1851.

S/ Elizabeth Baker, X her mark

S/ S. C. Johnson, JP

S/ E. B. Wallace

I hope the Commissioner of Pensions will take up my case again as soon as practicable and forward my certificate when issued to James S. Fish of Mt Vernon Kentucky.

S/ Elizabeth Baker, X her mark

S/ S. C. Johnson, JP

S/ E. B Wallace

James Baker Born the 9 Nov 1755

Elisabeth Baker Born Nov the 27 1766

James Baker married Elisabeth Baker formly Elisabeth Montgomery the 20 day of august 1781

Rebeca Baker was born noven the 20: 1782 [?]

Charles Baker was born Jan the 4: 1784

Marget Baker was born feb the 18: 1787

Sary Baker was born feb the 2: 1789

Elisabeth Baker was born may the 31: 1791

Jane Baker was born Sept the 20: 1793

James Baker was born dec the 5: 1795

Mary Baker was born april 1797

Elias Baker was born april the 2: 1799

John Baker was born april 1801

Nancy Baker was born June the 30: 1804

Rachel Baker was born June the 30, 1804