Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of Robin (Robert) Hood Harris R4665 Transcribed and annotated by C. Leon Harris. Revised 23 March 2012.

State of North Carolina } SS Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
County of Granville } November Term A.D. 1843 —

On this the first Monday [6th] in November A.D. 1843, personally appeared before the worshipful, the justices for the County of Granville, holding the Court aforesaid, Mima Harris, aged seventy years & one month, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on her oath make the following Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress passed July the seventh one thousand eight hundred & thirty eight, entitled "An Act granting half pay & pensions to certain widows":

That she is the widow of Robin Hood Harris ["Robert" apparently changed to "Robin" here and elsewhere] who was a private soldier in the Cavalry of the North-Carolina Militia in the war of the Revolution, commenced in the year 1776: that he served under Captain Richard Cook, for six months, & was in one battle—

She further declares that she was & is a resident of North Carolina, in the County of Granville, & was married to the said Robin Hood Harris in the August of the year one thousand seven hundred & ninety-three: the marriage License being dated on the 9th day of said month, that she was married by Robert Reed, an acting justice of the peace in & for the County of Granville: That her husband, the aforesaid Robin died on the seventh day of September, A.D. 1803, with what disease she knows not, tho' it appeared like a cholic: That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the army nor after the first day of January, one thousand seven hundred & ninetyfour, but at the time above stated—

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NOTES:

Samuel Chappell (pension application W6671) stated that he remembered Robin Hood Harris in the cavalry, having first noticed him because of the unusual name. Peter Cash (S8142) also made a supporting statement.

The file includes a copy of a bond made on 9 Aug 1793 in Granville County NC by Robin Hood Harris and William Ogilvie for the marriage of Harris to Mima Harris. On 24 Feb 1853 Fanny Emry of Wake County NC, daughter of Robert Hood Harris and Jemmima Harris, stated that they had both died in Granville County, and that she and Jemmima Sheron were the only two surviving children.