Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Pope R8331 Penelope fn30NC
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[fn p. 3 family record]

The Ages of Children born of John Pope and his wife Charry Pope was born October 14 Day 1788

Winefred Pope was born April 14th Day 1791

Jesse Pope was born May 22 day 1793

Elizabeth Pope was born November 29 Day 1795

Carter Pope was born March 20 Day 1798

Nancy Pope was born August 18 Day 1800

Mary Pope was born February 5 Day 1803

Penelope Pope was born August 4 Day 1806

John T. Pope was born August 16 Day 1812

The Ages of Children of Benjamin Tanner and his wife Elizabeth

Carter Pope Tanner was born the 14th day of July 1819

Drusillah Tanner was born 7th day of September 1821

Alfred Tanner was born the 1 day of September 1824

Elizabeth Tanner was born 18 June 1827

Maredy Jacken Pope -- son of William Pope & Wineyfred his mother was born in the year of our Lord July the 9th 1820

Elizabeth Pope was born December the 27th 1821

Nancy Pope was born November the 6th 18[illegible]

[illegible entries] was born October 23 1826

Mandy Pope was born October the 7th 1828

[the following entries MAY be slaves since only the first name is given for each]

Ginney was born January the first day 1807

Giford was born October the 3rd day 1830

Lewis was born May the 1 day 1832

Henry was born January the 5 day 1834

Wilis was born August the 1 day 1835

George was born October the 9 day 1837

Sam was born April the 20th 1839

Walker was born the 15 of December 1840

Harret was born the 15th of July 1842

London was born in the 19 day of February 1845

James was born the 4 day of March 1847

Lucy was born December the 25 1848

Deaths

John Pope was born October the 3rd A.D. 1762 John Pope Senior died on the 12th of July A.D. 1834 Charry Pope daughter of John and Penelope Pope died in August A.D. 1801 Jesse Pope Died on the 29th of August 1822 Penelope Pope died the 14th day of July 1850 in the 78 year of her age

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State of North Carolina Rutherford County

On this 30th day of August 1853 personally appeared before the Court of Pleas & quarter Sessions opened and held at the Court House in the Village of Rutherfordton County of Rutherford North Carolina Philip Watkins son-in-law and administrator of the estate of Penelope Pope deceased widow of John Pope deceased who was a militia soldier in the Revolutionary service against Great Britain, his memory perhaps does not serve him to convey with all the requisitions of the President and Secretary of War of the 17 July 1838 -- He recollects hearing his father-in-law John Pope deceased say that he was in the militia service of the State of North Carolina or Virginia, he recollects of hearing him say that he was in service at the taking of Petersburg Virginia by the British, he does say he was in that battle in service he also states that he distinctly recollects of hearing his father-in-law state that he was in service at the siege & Battle of Yorktown at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis, he was employed in preparing the breastworks at that time and place he does not recollect how long he said he served altogether, but he is sure he heard him say he served first and last several tours, he thinks he heard him say that he served under Captain Whitehead commanded by Colonel Wells. He states that his fatherin-law John Pope said he was a native of Virginia, removed to the County of Nash North Carolina where he married his wife Penelope.

He is no record of their marriage to his knowledge, -- a record taken from the family Bible is here with transmitted which shows the ages of their children which he desires to be placed on file which proves they must have been married years previous to the year 1794, he states his father-in-law John Pope died at his residence on Broad River then Rutherford County North Carolina (having removed from Nash County North Carolina some 35 years ago to Rutherford County North Carolina) on the 14 day of July 1834. That his wife Penelope survived him and died at her residence now Cleveland County formally Rutherford County North Carolina on the 14 day of July 1850 at the advanced age of about 77 years, she never having married after the death of John Pope deceased aforesaid but remained a widow until her death, He claims as Administrator of Penelope Pope deceased the Pension due to her for her husband being a Revolutionary Soldier for 3 years and 4 months and 10 days under the act of June 7th 1832 and he claims under the provisions of the acts passed in behalf of Widows of Revolutionary soldiers of the 7th of July 1838 March 3rd 1843 June 17th 1844 and February 2nd 1848, he is in possession of no documentary proof of the aforesaid John Pope's services.

He further states that Penelope wife of John Pope deceased aforesaid maiden name was Penelope Taylor.

S/ Philip Watkins, Ad.