Southern Campaign American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension Application of James Davis S38655 VA
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To the honorable J. C. Calhoun Secretary of war. [5 March 1819]

The declaration of James Davis Sheweth that he enlisted as a regular soldier in the army of the United States in the revolutionary war at Goochland County Virginia in Capt. Nathaniel Lamb's [sic: Nathan Lamme's, pension application S46454] company in the second Regiment of the Virginia line for the term of eighteen months that he served the United States during the whole of said term of eighteen Months and was regularly discharged, which discharge after the conclusion of the war he sold for a trifle to a certain Col. Brown that he was in an engagement with the British a little before the siege of York [28 Sep - 19 Oct 1781], was present during the siege and at the Capture of Cornwallis and was discharged afterwards about eleven days before the expiration of his time. that he knows of no proof that he can make of his having served in the revolutionary war as as a soldier except his own Oath, that he is fifty six years of Age and afflicted with the Rheumatism & is poor and stands in need of the aid of his country for his support that he has never received a pension from the United States nor from any of the States and releases all claim thereto except his claim under the act act of Congress of 1818. He therefore prays for a pension according to the provisions thereof, he resides in White County in the State of Tennessee

NOTE: On 5 March 1819 James Williams stated that James Davis was "a regular member of the methodist church" and "has a large family."