

## Southern Campaigns American Revolution Pension Statements & Rosters

Pension application of John Beatty and George Beatty W2909 Sarah Beatty f65VA  
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[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. The word 'illegible' or 'indecipherable' appearing in brackets indicates that at the time I made the transcription, I was unable to decipher the word or phrase in question. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading skills fail to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1786." Please call material errors or omissions to my attention.]

[p 1: Cover sheet of a file labeled for John Beatty S\_\_

Va. Beatty, John S\_\_

(see Beatty George widow Sarah Va. W2909)

*John Beatty, Virginia was a revolutionary War pensioner, his claim is in W2909 of Sarah his widow who is pensioned as former widow of his brother George.]*

[p 1: Cover sheet of file labeled Beatty George W2909 Sarah

*[This woman married two brothers. George was her first husband. Her second husband John Beatty was a Revolutionary War pensioner, see his claim within.]*

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky Montgomery County, Sct.

On the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December 1819, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Circuit Court, in and for the state aforesaid, personally appeared John Beatty aged sixty-three years; who being by me 1<sup>st</sup> duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement and declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late 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;" that he is a citizen of the State of Kentucky, and resident of the County of Montgomery; that he was enlisted for twelve months at Loudoun County in the State of Virginia on or about the \_\_ day of \_\_ 1778 and served in the company commanded by Capt. Briscoe [probably Reuben Briscoe] of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Col. Heath [William Heth] & was at one time as he believes under the command of Capt. Payton [possibly John Peyton, more likely Valentine Peyton] of the same Regiment - that he continued to serve in the said Corps or in the service of the United States in the Continental Army against the common enemy until about the \_\_ day of \_\_ 1779 when he was honorably discharged from the service in Middlebrook by Col. Heath in the State of Jersey - that he was in service 12 months and was in no battle during that time - that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has lost his discharge, and has no evidence in his power, of his services and discharge; other than that which is hereto transmitted,

Sworn and declared before me the day and year aforesaid

Matthew Adams states on oath that the said John Beatty is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the support of the United States by pension - That he has no land to which he has other than at best a doubtful title, & that only a small quantity & for which he yet owes \$200, that his personal property is not worth more than that sum, That he lived in the same neighborhood & was mustered in the same company with said Beatty at the time he was drafted. That the draft was not in the militia, but to serve in the regular service - that he was drafted in [sic and] did serve as he has stated 9 months & upwards he believes the whole 12 months, which he was bound to serve, that he is

now his neighbor & believes he speaks truly in the declaration above set forth.

I Eli Shortridge Judge &c as aforesaid do certify that it appears to my satisfaction that the said John Beatty did serve in the revolutionary war as stated in the preceding declaration against the common enemy for the term of 12 months and upwards whether on the Continental establishment or not I am not prepared to say; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me to the Secretary of the department of war pursuant to the directions of the of above-mentioned act of Congress; and it further appears to my satisfaction that the said of applicant is in such indigent circumstances as to require the aid of his country, pursuant to the above recited act.

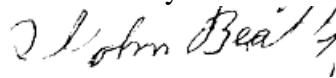
S/ E. Shortridge {Seal}

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State of Kentucky, Montgomery County

On this first day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Justice of the Montgomery county court now sitting John Beatty a resident of Kentucky in the County of Montgomery aged 75 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7<sup>th</sup> 1832. He states that he has been previously on the pension roll under the act of Congress of March 18<sup>th</sup> 1818 and that he had received on half years salary and that his pension was discontinued under the act of May 1820 in consequence of his not furnishing a schedule agreeable to the terms of the last recited act. He resided in the state and county aforesaid when he made his first application at which place he now resides. He states that in the year 1778 he entered the service of his country in the Revolutionary war as a private in the regular service in Capt. Biscow's [probably Reuben Biscoe's?] company in the 3rd Virginia regiment commanded by Col. Heath [William Heth] stationed at Valley Forge and continued in the regular service for the term of 12 months at the end of which time he received a discharge for farther particulars he refers to his former declaration made in pursuance of the act of 1818 now filed in the war office department. In addition to that declaration he states that he performed a tour of two months as a Sergeant in the militia service in Capt. Hancock's [possibly Simon Hancock's] company and Col George West's Regiment of Virginia militia that the said tour was ended about the time that Corn Wallace [sic, Cornwallis] surrendered [October 19, 1781] to the American Army and that he was at the siege of York on the Glosster [Gloucester] side in cannon shot. He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not at this time on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

S/ John Beatty



Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid

S/ M. Harrison, Clerk

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Declaration; In order to obtain the benefits of the act of Congress on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 1838 and the 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1842

State of Kentucky, County of Montgomery

On this eighteenth day of October eight hundred and forty three personally appeared before the Magistrate court of the county of Montgomery and state of Kentucky, Sarah Beatty [sic] a resident of the county and state above written, aged seventy four years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the acts of Congress passed July 7, 1838 and the 23 of August 1842; granting pensions to widows of persons who served during the Revolutionary War in the continental line from the county of Lowden and state of Virginia, she states that she has heard her husband George Beatty say that he

enlisted for one year in the war of the Revolution she is unable to tell the Captain's name and the regiment he served in but she well recollects hearing her husband say that he enlisted at the same time and under the same officers that John Beaty enlisted under and heard them say that they were in the same mess after the death of George Beaty she married John Beaty, brother of my first husband, who drew his pension and proved his service by Matthew Adams. She further she further states that she has heard her last husband and Matthew Adams frequently say that her first husband was in the same company and the same mess with John Beaty her last husband who drew a pension of forty dollars per year. The above named Matthew Adams is dead she refers to the evidence that give [sic, gave] John Beaty his pension prays that be taken as she does not know of any person that is living that knows of his service. She states that her husband George Beaty had a discharge but it has got lost, she has heard him say that he had a very sever spell of sickness whilst he was in the service which impaired his health so that he was not a healthy man after it. She knows that he did not enjoy good health after she became acquainted with him, she says that he said he was healthy when he enlisted form the exposure in the army he said he never recovered from the sickness he had in the army. The part of a leaf is the record of my children that I had by my first husband, the youngest one that I had when I was married to him is not down owing the death the of his father when he was small. The record is in my first husband's hand write the leaf from the New Testament is the record of my children that I had when I was married to my last husband John Beaty. She also declares that she was married to the said George Beaty the fifth of February seventeen hundred and eighty six, that her husband the aforesaid George Beaty died on the latter part of October on the first of November seventeen hundred and ninety nine we was married in the County of Loudoun State of Virginia his death took place in the county of Montgomery State of Kentucky. She further declares that after the death of the husband aforesaid she was married to John Beaty on the sixteenth of July eighteen hundred and one in the county of Montgomery State of Kentucky, that he died on the ninth day of June eighteen hundred and thirty nine in the county of Montgomery, Kentucky and that she is still a widow.

S/ Sary Beatey, X her mark

Sworn and subscribed on the day and year first above written before the Magistrate Court of the County of Montgomery, State of Kentucky, being a Court of record holden by a Justice of the peace in and for the County aforesaid, I John Berry, certify that Sarah Baty Personally appeared in open Court and subscribed and made oath to the truth of the foregoing declaration in Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Subscribed my name this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 1843.

S/ John Berry, JP

I William Hensley a resident of the county of Montgomery and state of Kentucky aged seventy years state that the year seventeen hundred ninety eight I became acquainted with George Batey and his wife Sarah and recollect that he died in the year seventeen hundred and ninety nine, she then married John Baty in the year eighteen hundred and one and lived with him until his death which took place in eighteen hundred and thirty nine. I know that she is the same woman that was living with George Beaty when he died. I knew her children. That [illegible words] the ages set forth on the family record which I believe is a genuine family record of her family. I have frequently heard John Beaty and Matthew Adams say that George Beaty was in the war of the revolution and had a sever attack of sickness while he was in the army. I have examined the declaration and believe it contains the truth. I Matthew Adams aged fifty four years and a resident of the above written county and state, state that I have frequently heard my Father, Matthew Adams and John Beaty say that George Beaty was in the war of the Revolution and served as stated by her declaration. I believe the family record is a genuine family record and I have examined the declaration and believe it contains the truth.

S/ William Hensley, X his mark

S/ Mathew Adams

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Daniel Beatty was born July the 11<sup>th</sup> 1802

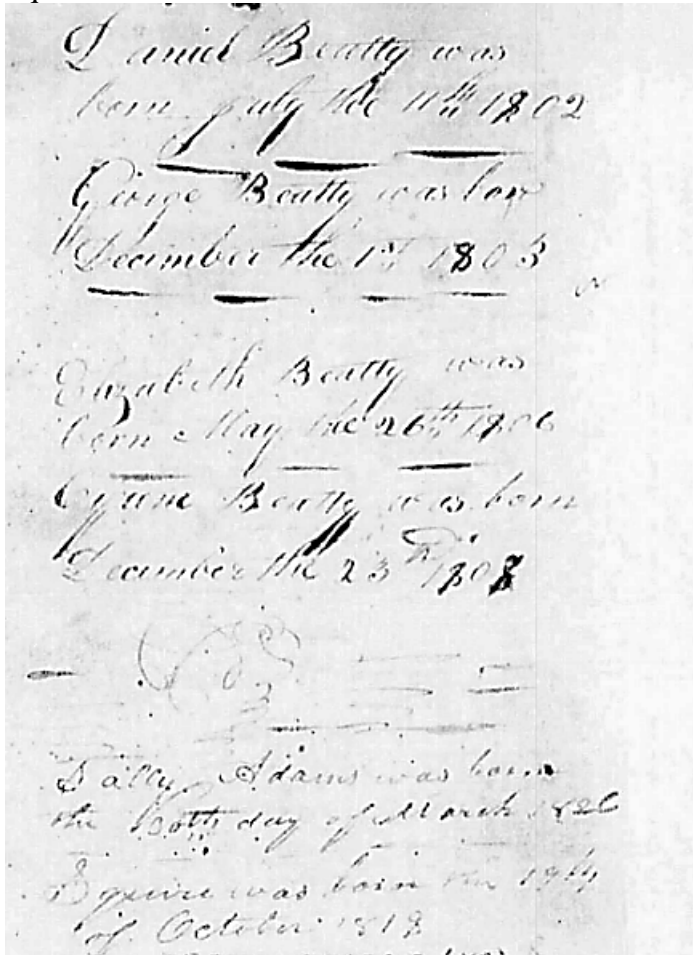
George Beatty was born December 1<sup>st</sup>, 1803

Elizabeth Beatty was born May the 26<sup>th</sup> 1806

Cyrene Beatty was born December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1808

Sally Adams was born the 30<sup>th</sup> day of March 1826 [?]

Squire was born 19 October 1818



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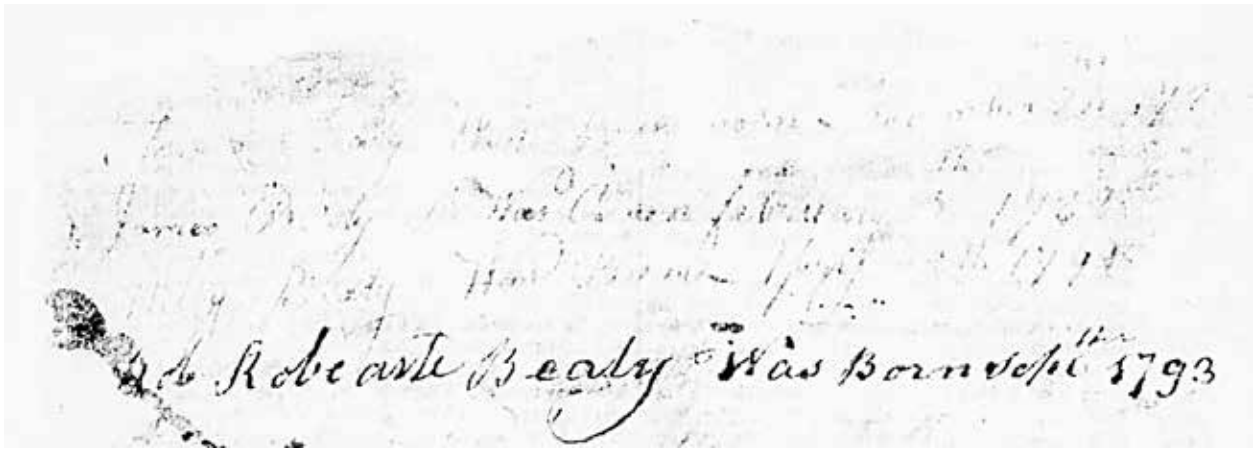
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James Beatty was born February [too faint to discern] 1788

Milly [?] Beatty was born July [too faint to discern] 179? [last digit too faint to discern]

Robearte Beatty was born September 6<sup>th</sup> 1793

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[John Beatty was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum commencing March 4, 1831, for service as a private for one year in the Virginia service. His widow was pensioned at the rate of \$40 per annum as the widow of George Beatty.]

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<sup>1</sup> In a letter dated January 20, 1932 in response to an inquiry regarding these veterans, the Bible record of the family of George and Sarah Beatty was transcribed to include the following entries:

Thomas born November 24, 178-

James born February 5, 1788

Milly born April 12, 1791

Robearte born September 6, 1793

Andrew born February 12, 1796

one other the youngest, whose name and date of birth or not stated