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Elizabeth

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Virginia

Reuben Smith

of Pittsylvania in the State of Virginia
who was a private in the company commanded
by Captain *Spicer Neal* of the Regiment commanded
by Colonel *Beath* in the Virginia
line, for the term of 18 months
from April 1779 to 1780

Inscribed on the roll of Virginia
at the rate of *sixty* Dollars per month, to
commence on the *24* day of *April* 1830

Certificate of Pension issued the *24* of *April*
1830 and sent to *Hon. J. Da-*
venport F.R.

Arrears to 4th of *Sept.* 1830, \$ *34.92*
Semi-annual all'ce ending

\$ 34.92.

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Acts March 18, 1818, }
{ and May 1, 1820. }

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North Carolina
Elizabeth Smith,
widow of
Va. Reuben Smith
who served in the Revolutionary

war, as a private
Increased from \$60
Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
76 Dollars

Cents per annum, to commence on
the 1st day of March, 1848.
1st July 1848

Certificate of Pension issued the
25th day of July 1855
and sent to

H. G. Paul
President

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act,
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Edward Smith was born th 29 octbr. 1784

Abigail Smith was dte nd 23 debr. 1786

Howard Smith was dte th 30 noobr. 1788

Paulen Smith was dte th 10 noobr. 1790

Thomas Smith was dte th 6 aprill 1793

William Smith was dte th 29 octbr. 1795 ^{THE}

Isley Smith was dte th 8 febr. 1799

Charles A. Smith was dte th 9 febr. 1801

Salley Smith was dte th 1st Januy. 1805

John W. Smith was ^{Born} 23rd July 1807

Nancy A. C. Smith was Born
10 Nov 1811

Among the rest, young Edwin bow'd,
But never talk'd of love.

In humble, simplest habit clad,
No wealth nor power had he;
Wisdom and worth were all he had,
But these were all to me.

The blossom opening to the day,
The dews of heaven refin'd,
Could nought of purity display,
To emulate his mind.

The dew, the blossom on the tree,
With charms inconstant shine;
Their charms were his; but, woe to me!
Their constancy was mine.

For still I tried each fickle art,
Importunate and vain;

And

Abby Smith 1811

State of Maryland ss

Rockingham County } On the 25th day of February 1870 Personally
a Special Elizabeth Smith Widow of Peuben Smith
a Resident of Rockingham County Maryland aged seventy four
years the 6th of October last 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 16th 1838 entitled an act granting half pay and
pensions to certain Widows that she is the Widow of Peuben
Smith who was a Soldier in the Revolutionary War a private
in Capt Gray's Company and Col Heath's Regiment for further
particulars she refers the Honorable Secretary of War to Her
Vouchers Decisions file in His office about the 2nd of
April 1830 on which day a Pension Certificate from the
War department issued to her for Eight Dollars per
month for more Mercile Satisfaction a copy of her pen-
sion Certificate is herein copied in the following words

War department Revolutionary claim I certify that in con-
formity with the Law of the United States of the 18th of March
1816 Peuben Smith late a private in Capt Gray's Company
and Col Heath's Regiment in the Army of the Revolution is
entitled on the Pension Act of the Virginia Agency
at the rate of Eight Dollars per month to commence on the
24th day of April one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty
eight the War office of the United States this 24th day
of April one thousand Eight Hundred and thirty
eight
Examined and countersigned
I do Certify
Geo H Colton
Secretary of War

Which Pension Certificate is numbered 20-139
payable on the 1st of March and 1st of September in Every
year by the president of the U S Branch Bank at
Peachmond via Prussia by Wm Wilson Clerk
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And she further swears before the County Court of Rocking-
ham now in session that she was married to the said
Pheben Smith on the 16th day of November in the year seven
teen hundred and Eighty two and that her husband
Pheben Smith she aforesaid died on the 3rd of December
1831 at his own residence in Pictoufawiea and that she
was not married to him prior to his leaving the service
but the marriage took place previous to the first day of
January seventeen hundred and eighty four to wit
on the 14th of November seventeen hundred and
Eighty two and that she is now his being Widow and
the same married by a Baptist Minister living in said
County of Rockingham by the name of Williams granting the benefits
of the act on Congress passed July 7th 1838 and her husband
Pheben Smith departed this in Pictoufawiea County now
on the 3rd of December 1831 and that she is now his being
Widow and has remained his Widow ever since his death
and they lived together as man and wife from the date
of our marriage till the day of his death and that we had
the children born of my body to the said Pheben Smith
which is herein named to wit Edward Smith born
the 29th of October 1784 living in Pictoufawiea the said
was born 23rd December 1786 living in St Louis Howard Smith
born 30th November 1788 dead Pheben Smith born 10th
of November 1790 dead Thomas Smith born 6th of April
1793 dead William Smith born the 29th of October 1795 de-
parted this the 6th of February 1799 dead Charles P Smith
born Feb 9th 1801 living in Rockingham the said
1st of January 1805 dead John W Smith born January
8th 1807 living in Rockingham Nancy M Smith born
10th of November 1811 dead

All of which appears in a Family Record hereto annexed
And that I am a resident of Rockingham County North Carolina in
the year 1830 And the said Elizabeth Smith

Truly believes Every claim whatsoever to a Pension or annuity
Except the Principal one and declares that her name is not on the
Pension Roll of the Agency of any State Yes declaratory was
Sworn to and subscribed in open court at Waverly in
Rockingham County North Carolina the date above mentioned
date above written

Sworn to before me
This 25th February 1846.

J. H. Reid, Clerk

Elizabeth Smith
mark

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Rockingham County } And the said Court do hereby declare their

opinion after investigation of the matter and hearing the
proof of the marriage of Elizabeth Smith to Leuben Smith
now dead and naming the family friend of said deceased
together with the proof of said Leuben Smith's death on the
2^d of December 1831 who was a Rector of the United
States and that the person Applicant Elizabeth Smith
is the living widow of Leuben Smith and is of the age
that she states and had the behelden Bond of her body
by the said Leuben Smith the deceased Husband
that is named in the declaration and further that she
and the witnesses whose affidavits are taken are all
credible witnesses and their statements are entitled to
credit given under our hand this 20 day of
February - 1840

J. Peck
Clerk of Court
R. Walker

Subscribed and sworn to before me
Rockingham County } Court of Pleas & Sessions
February Term 1840.

I Joseph C. Holt, Judge of the Court of Pleas & Sessions
for the County of Rockingham, do hereby certify that
Walker & Co. of S. Charlotte N.C. who are named
in the foregoing document and are now at the time
of making this return, being parties of the plea do not
for the County of Rockingham aforesaid, and that their
respective affidavits are given and that their
jura facta are true and as they ought
to be given to their official Oaths. Given under
my hand & official seal at Greensboro North Carolina
on the 25th day of February 1840. Being Town
town
J. C. Holt

North Carolina }
Rockingham County } 35

It is known that before me J. G. Morton an acting Justice of the peace for the County afore named Personally appeared John W. Smith son of Reuben and Elizabeth Smith and made oath in due form of Law that the paper appended to his mother's declaration heretofore to be the family record of my father Reuben Smith is the true record of his family and believes that it is in his father's hand- writing and that he John W. Smith took said Reuben from a Book that was kept in his father's family record to send to Washington City and that said Book has been kept in my possession ever since the death of my father and that Elizabeth Smith is his true Widow bearing the Benefits of the act of Congress passed July 7. 1838 and that my father Reuben Smith died in Rytymana on the 2nd of December 1831 and that I have in my possession of nearly Six Dollars he gave me sworn and subscribed this 26th of January 1848. Before me John W. Smith

J. G. Morton }
State of North Carolina }
Rockingham County }
I, J. G. Morton a Justice of the Peace of said County now acting Justice had from a Personal acquaintance with John W. Smith who swore to the above entitled his full faith and belief he is about the age of 33 years

J. G. Morton J. P.

We Reuben Smith, Joseph Baker and James Hearndon are held and firmly bound unto Benjamin Harrison Esq. Governor or chief Magistrate of the State of Virginia in the sum of Fifty pounds to be paid to the said Benjamin or his successor in office we bind ourselves our and each of our joint and several heirs, execs. and admors. firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals and dated this 14th day of Novem. 1782.

The Condition of this obligation is that whereas a marriage is intended to be had and solemnized between Reuben Smith of the County of Goochland and Elizabeth Smith of the County of Powhatan - Now if there is no just cause for obstructing the said marriage this obligation is void otherwise to remain in force and virtue -

(Signed) " Reuben Smith (Seal)

" James Hearndon (Seal)

" Joseph Baker (Seal)

I Richard O. Graves, Deputy Clerk of the County Court of Powhatan in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a marriage License Bond now remaining among the files and records of the said Court - I give under my hand this 8th day of June 1839 -

R. O. Graves DC

North Carolina }
Rockingham County }

Be it known that before the
Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for
said on the 25th day of February 1840

Presumably appeared Charles B. Smith he being first
duly sworn according to Law deposits and says that
Reuben Smith was my father according to traditional
relation and upon my first recollection that Reuben
Smith my father and Elizabeth Smith my mother
were living together as man and wife and did continue
so to be till the day of his death which happened in
Pittsylvania County Virginia on the 9th of December
1831 and that he drew a Pension of twenty five
Dollars per annum and that my Mother Elizabeth
Smith is his living Widow and has remained as
such ever since his death till the present time
and that she moved from the County of Pittsylvania
Virginia to Rockingham County North Carolina in the year
1832 and has remained there ever since
and the said Charles B. Smith is of the age of thirty-
nine years sworn and subscribed

before me this 25th of Feby. 1840. Charles B. Smith
J. S. Olden, C. C.

Virginia, Pulley and County

On the nineteenth day of October one thousand eight hundred and twenty nine, personally appeared in open Court being a Court of record for the County of Pulley, Reubin Smith resident in the said County, aged sixty eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth verily make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and 1st May 1820, that he the said Reubin Smith entered for the term of eighteen Months on the day of April or May 1779 in the State of Virginia, was placed under the Command of Captain Thurston Baynes, with whom he remained until he went to Petersburg, where he was placed under the Command of Captain Gray, under whom he went to Charleston South Carolina, where Gray resigned and he was then placed under the Command of a Capt. Buel whose given name is believed to have been Roberts and whose Company was attached to Nathl. Ballions in the line of the State of Virginia on Continental establishments and South Brigade, where he remained until Charleston was taken by the enemy from whom he escaped. He then joined a Regiment or Battalion Commanded by a Col^l Davis who at that time was stationed at Charleston Court House, where he remained until his term expired, He was discharged by Col^l Davis at Charleston Court House in the State of Virginia.

but has lost his discharge, and he hereby relinquishes every claim to a pension except the present that his name is not on the rolls of any State except the State of Virginia, and that the reason he has not made earlier application for a pension is that until age has infirmed him, he was able to earn a support, and he was unwilling to tax the government while his health and strength remained unimpaired -

I take in pursuance of the act of the 1st May 1820 I do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift, sale or in any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the Land and Naval Services of the United States in the Revolutionary war" passed on the 18th March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities, contracts or debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me submitted, That since the 18th of March 1818 no material change has taken place in my property - The following is a schedule of my property to wit:

136 acres of land worth 18¢ per acre	\$2448.
2 Horses worth	40
1 Cow, 1 calf & 2 yearlings	43
8 head of sheep @ 5¢	40
2 head of hogs @ 4¢	8
3 pots, etc. @ 2¢ each @ 6¢	2

plates, dishes, cups, saucers, knives, forks, &c.	1
old & much broken	2.50
2) ploughs of gear (old) of	2.00
stair bars, (old) do	
and some articles not recollid, but small,	
and of little or no value.	5

Reuben Smith

It is certified by the Court that it satisfactorily appears that the said Reuben Smith did serve in the Revolutionary War as stated in the preceding declaration against the Government enemy & served therein for the full period of his enlistment, that is for eighteen months. It is also ordered to be certified that from proof adduced before the Court the annual profits of the estate of the said Reuben Smith does not exceed Thirty dollars.

November 20th 1829

Reuben Smith who came into Court in October last and made a declaration in order to obtain the provisions of the Act of Assembly of the 18th day of March 1818 and of the first day of May 1820 this day came into Court and in addition to the said declaration declared and oath that his family consists of himself and his wife about sixty seven years of age which is ordered to be certified.

I the undersigned Justice of the Peace of the County of Pittsylvania County in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that it appears to the satisfaction of the Court

State of North Carolina }
County of Rockingham }

On this the 3^d day of April 1855
Personally appeared before me a Justice of the peace within and for the County & State aforesaid a Mrs Elizabeth Smith aged ninety-one years a resident of the County and State above written who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of Reuben Smith (Deceased, who was a private Soldier in the war with Great Britain known as the war of the revolution, she cannot now state the name of the Captain under whom her said husband served, but thinks he was in a Regiment commanded by one Colonel Heath, that her said husband was enrolled in Groshland County State of Virginia for during the continuance of the war, that he served in said war for at least fourteen days and was honourably discharged at the declaration of peace, some time in the fall of the year 1780. She further states that she was married to the said Reuben Smith in Pamhattan County in the State of Virginia some time in the year 1782. by one Parsons Williams, a Minister of the Gospel and that her name before her said marriage was Elizabeth Smith that her said husband died at his residence in Pittsylvania County State of Virginia on the 2^d day of December AD 1850 and that she is now a Widow

She further states that she applied to the Department of the Interior for a Pension under the act of February 2^d 1848 and obtained Certificate No 1,484 entitling her to a pension for ^{life} and to which she now refers the Department for proof of her said husband's service and her marriage & his death She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March the 3^d AD 1855

Elizabeth Smith
mark

State of North Carolina }
County of Rockingham } 25

I hereby certify that Elizabeth Smith
Widow of Reuben Smith and the within Claimant
from her appearance being very old and infirm is unable
to travel with convenience from here to the Court House
it being the distance of about 19 miles to make her
declaration that she resided to this or to about 8 years
ago as I was informed but have been acquainted with
her myself personally about seven years though I
had no acquaintance with her previous to my
removal into this county and here into this State
but she was here represented as the widow of Reuben
Smith. That she is still a widow and a lady of high
respectability and her declaration is entitled to full
faith and confidence. Given under my hand
and seal this 9th day of August 1839
N. G. Gordon J. P.

State of North Carolina }
County of Rockingham } 25

The affidavit of Charles N. Smith aged 38 years
and Geo. W. Smith aged 32 years who being first
dearly sworn, doth or their oaths state that they are the
sons of Reuben and Elizabeth Smith that their father
Reuben Smith drew a pension of ninety six Dollars per
annum for services rendered in the Revolutionary
war that he [Reuben Smith] died in the County
of Pittsylvania in the State of Virginia where he
had resided for upwards of twenty years on the 2nd
of December 1831 that their mother Elizabeth
Smith is the within Claimant that from the family
Record she [Elizabeth Smith] was married to Reuben Smith
their father & her husband on the 14th day of November 1787
that she is now a widow and has remained so ever
since the death of their father [Reuben Smith] that
she removed from the county of Pittsylvania in the
State of Virginia to the County of Rockingham

State of North Carolina
Rockingham County, etc.

On the 9th day of August 1839
personally appeared before me H. Morton a Justice of the
Peace in and for the above named Elizabeth Smith a resident of the
State of North Carolina in the County of Rockingham aged seventy
three years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on her
Oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of
an Pension under the act of Congress passed July 11th 1836. That she
is the widow of Reuben Smith who was a Soldier in the Army of the
Revolution and who remains a person of twenty six Dollars
or more under the act of Congress passed the 15th day of March
1818 and annexed as a copy of the certificate given him by the War-
Department granting him the Pension.

War Department, Revolutionary Claim
Certify that in conformity with the Law of the United States of the
18th of March 1818. Reuben Smith, late a private in
Captain Gray's company and Colonel Heath's regiment in the
Army of the Revolution, is inserted on the Pension list, Roll of
the Virginia Agency, at the rate of Eight Dollars per month,
to commence on the twenty fourth day of April one thousand
eight hundred and thirty. Given at the War Office of the
United States, this 24th day of April one thousand eight
hundred and thirty. J. D. Eaton

Examined & Counter signed,

J. L. Edwards

And the declaration and vouchers now in the possession of the War-
Department upon which said Pension was granted is respectfully
referred to in the material and particulars of the service rendered by
his deceased husband Reuben Smith, she further declares that she was
married to the said Reuben Smith on the 14th day of November 1782
that her husband the aforesaid Reuben Smith died on the 2nd day of
December 1831 and that she has remained a widow ever since that
period as well more fully appears by reference to the proof previously
submitted.

Given and subscribed on this day and
Count above written before me

Elizabeth S. Smith
mark

H. Morton
attest Daniel Perry