

SERVICE

NUMBER

Va.

Peake, William N. 6863

or Peak

BLN 26770-160-55

Elizabeth

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1743
Kentucky
Elizabeth Puck
Widow of William
who served in the Revolutionary
war, as a *Private*

scribed on the Roll at the rate of
40 Dollars 00
cents per annum, to commence on
4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the
18th day of Feb'y 1857
and sent to
H. S. J. Talbot
President

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act
July 29, 1848, Page 176. Vol. A,

J. D. Combs Aug 30 / 1854
L. S. Guthrie April 11 57
- vouchers for amount of \$50.00
referred to J. and June 6, 1857
S. S. Guthrie June 17



Reg. 6 mss. 60469

Cir L. T. Guthrie Dec/55
to same Mar/56

60, 4 69 Mar 25/62
Apr 11

Elizabeth Peake
Wm Peake

Capt.
Col.

Ensign
Dis.

Revolutionary War
Pensioners.

Ky. July 4th - 1872

W. 160 Bedford Co. N.Y. 1872

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L. T. Guthrie
Bedford
Orville Co. N.Y.

26549
Henricus

William Peake
of Henric Co. in the State of Henricus
who was a private in the army, commanded
by Captain Lane of the 1st regiment
of the Continental Army in the year
1776

Inscribed on the Roll of Henricus
at the rate of \$1 Dollars 00 Cents per annum.
to commence on the 1st day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension filed the 14 day of March
1834 and Henricus
Henricus

Amount to the 1st of March 1834
Pension allowance ending Sept 30 1834
\$140.00

{ Revolutionary Claim }
{ Act June 7, 1832 }

Recorded by J. W. [Signature] Clerk,
Book 6 Vol. 7 Page 23

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State of Kentucky
Wm. County

Be it known that on the 4th day of February 1834 personally appeared before William McBracken a Justice of the Peace in and for Wm. County Kentucky and one of the Justices of the Wm. County Court William Peake a resident of the said County & that aged 69 years who being first duly sworn according to law upon his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated that to say being a resident at Wheeling on the Ohio River in the State of Virginia he did in the month of April in the year 1788 enter the service of the United States as a private volunteer soldier upon a term of six months in the Company of Captain Ebenezer Lanes - that he was kept stationed at the fort at Wheeling as a part of the Garrison of that place during the whole period of his said engagement except when absent on scouting parties which was several times the case during the spring & summer of the said year - that the country was a frontier and much plagued by the Indians and that it required the vigilance and exertions of all the able bodied men in that quarter to repel their incursions & punish them when made - he states that he served out his said term of engagement actually full and was discharged at the termination thereof.

He further states and declares that afterwards in the month of March 1790 as well as he remembers he again entered the service of the United States as a private volunteer soldier in the Company of Capt. Mitchell upon a term of six months - that he still lived at Wheeling and the Indians during this year were much more troublesome than they had been the year before - that he was kept stationed a part of his time during his said engagement at the fort at Wheeling in Garrison for the defence of the place and during the remainder thereof he was actively engaged in scouting and spying parties against the - He recollects that at one time he assisted

in pursuing a party of Indians across the Ohio River that upon that occasion he was without any provisions whatever ^{four days} He states that he performed actual and active service during the whole period of his said engagement and at the termination thereof having fully and faithfully performed the same he was discharged

He further states and declares that in the month of April as well as he remembers 1785 he again entered the service of the United States as a volunteer Indian Spy for the term of three months under Captain William ~~that his residence was still at Wheeling and the range of Country over which he had to exert in spying extended a considerable distance above and below Wheeling and back from the Ohio River that he was during the whole period of his said engagement actively and actually engaged as an Indian Spy and after having fully and faithfully performed his duty as such during the whole period of his said engagement he was discharged~~

He states and declares that he is growing old and his memory is greatly impaired by the lapse of time but from his present best recollection he did serve in the manner above stated - that ~~he did not~~ he did not serve less than 12 months as a private volunteer soldier and 3 months as an Indian Spy during the Revolutionary War and for that service he claims a pension

He states that he has no documentary evidence and that he knows of no person whose testimony he can procure who can testify to his service

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the Agency of any State

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid

Wm Beake

Interrogatories sent to the above named applicant by the Court said Justice -

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in Prince William County Va in 1765

2d Have you any records of your age, and if so where is it?

William Parke

Interrogatory put to the above named applicant by
the Court said Justice -

1st Where and in what year were you born?

Answer I was born in Pruned Williams County Va in 1765
2^d Have you any record of your age, and if so where is it?

Answer - I have at home in my Bible

3. Where were you living when called into service, where have
you lived since the Revolutionary War and where do you
now live?

Answer I lived at Wheeling Virginia when I entered the ser-
-vice and there continued until the year 1792 when I
moved to Ky to that part of it now known as Franklin
County when I continued to live till about 16 years ago
when I moved to Elbert County Ky where I have lived ever
since -

4th How were you called into service, were you drafted
did you volunteer or were you a substitute and if a
substitute for whom?

Answer I volunteered

5th State the names of some of the regular officers who were
with the troops where you served such as Captains & militia
regiments as you can recollect and the general circumstan-
-ces of your service

Answer - There were no regular officers with the troops where
I served - the country was a frontier one and thinly peopled
- men were scarce and we had no officers higher than Capt

My services were performed in the fort at Wheeling and in
scouting parties against the Indians - and in spying - I was
a spy three months and a private volunteer 12 months

6th Did you ever receive a discharge from the service, if
if so by whom was it given and what has become of it?

Answer - I never rec^d any written discharge

7th State the names of persons in your ~~present~~ present
present neighbourhood to whom you are known and
who can testify as to your character for veracity and
their belief of your service as a soldier of the Revolu-
-tion

Answer - I will name John C. Head & James Davis

I sworn to and subscribed the day before aforesaid

William Parke

State of Kentucky
Yrimble County, ss.

On this 4th day of April
A.D. 1855 before me John M. Stewart a Justice
of the Peace in and for the County & State aforesaid
said personally appeared Elizabeth Peak
aged about Eighty years a Resident of Yrimble
County & State of Kentucky who being duly
Sworn according to Law, declares that she
is the Widow of William Peak deceased,
who was a Soldier in the Revolutionary
War, but she does not now remember
the names of the officers or the Company
& Regiment with which he served, but
states that she is the widow of the identical
William Peak deceased who was a Revolu-
-tionary Pensioner in the County of Yrimble &
State of Kentucky up to the time of his
death which she thinks was in the month
of October — in the year A.D. 1839 —

That she is the identical Elizabeth Peak
who applied for & obtained a Pension
about five years since, at the Rate of
Forty dollars (\$40) per annum ~~which she~~

That she is the identical Elizabeth Peak
who has an application now on file in the
Department for an increase of Pension &
that her Pension Certificate is on file in
said application — She Refers to the
Declarations & proofs on file in each
and all of said Claims as evidence in
this application & as evidence of the services
of William Peak in the Revolutionary War.
She states that she was married

to the said William Peak in Scott County
& State of Kentucky on or about the _____ day
of _____ and that before
her said marriage her name was Elizabeth
Forts - that her said husband died in
Trimble County & State of Kentucky on or
about the _____ day of October - 1839
that she has never married since
& is still his Widow - For proof of all
which she refers to the declarations
& proofs above named

She makes this Declaration
for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty
Land to which she may be entitled under
the Act passed March 3^d 1855
never having received Bounty Land, or
knowing that she is entitled except for
the above service, and she believes that
no Bounty Land was ever received by her
said husband. and hereby constitutes and
appoints L^o J^r Guthrie of Beaford
Trimble County & State of Kentucky
her true & Lawful Attorney to prosecute
said claim & to obtain from the proper au-
thorities at Washington City or elsewhere,
certified Copies of any Army Records, or
of any Records on file in the Departments
or elsewhere that may be necessary to establish
her said claim as fully as she could do
if personally present, & hereby Revokes
all authority that may have been given for
the above specified purpose to any other
person

Elizabeth ^{Widow} Peak (Seal)

Sworn to subscribed and acknowledged

State of Kentucky
Trimble County 3^d Sect

Be it known that on this 3^d day of October 1843 personally appeared before Wesley Wright a justice of the peace in and for said County and one of the justices of the Trimble County Court Elizabeth Peake a resident of the said County and about 70 years who being duly sworn according to law upon her oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed July 7th 1838.

She states that her maiden name was Elizabeth Scotts and that she was duly and legally married to William Peake in Scotts County Ky on the day of 1791 that her said husband was a soldier of the Revolution and after their marriage they continued to live in Scotts County Ky until somewhere about the year 1818 when they moved to the present County of Trimble then Kirby County where they continued to live up to the time of his death which happened on the 28th day of September 1839. She states that he was on the pension roll of the United States as she is informed under the Act of June 7th 1832 but at what rate per annum she does not now with certainty remember not having his pension certificate in her possession but labours under the impression that it was at the rate of 40 or 50¢ a year. She refers to his pension papers & the record of his certificate for instance of his service & the amt of pension paid him. She states that she has no family record and has to rely upon her memory in relation to the time of her marriage the Book containing the record of her marriage & the ages of their children was loaned to one of her neighbours many years ago and was never returned and has been so lost that she cannot now procure it. And she also states that several years ago the clerks office in

Scott County Ky was burnt down and the Books & papers as she is informed Consumed so that her Marriage license & Bond is now as she supposes destroyed.

She states that she is not able on account of her age and bodily infirmity to attend Court to make her declarations and that she has not married since the death of her said husband but remains his Widow - Sworn to and subscribed the day & year aforesaid.

Elizabeth ^{the} Peake
marks

And I the said W. J. Wright - Justice of the peace and one of the Justices of the Trimble County Court do hereby Certify that the said Elizabeth Peake on this day personally appeared before me and made, subscribed and was duly sworn to the foregoing declaration - And I further Certify that I have personally known the said Elizabeth Peake for many years that she is the Widow of William Peake who was a revolutionary pensioner and that she has not intermarried since his death. I further Certify that the said Elizabeth is a credible person & that her statements are entitled to full credit - Given under my hand this 3^d day of Oct. 1843.

W. J. Wright Jps. C.

The deposition of Robert Frost taken on the 3^d day
of Oct. 1843. who being duly sworn states that he is
the son in law of Mrs. Elizabeth Peake having married
her youngest daughter. He states that she is the widow
of William Peake dec^d. who was a revolutionary person
-er and that he died as deponent has been informed
by the family in Sept. 1839. and she has not mar-
-ried since his death but remains ^{his widow} - Deponent says
from the best information he has been able to ob-
-tain from the family her oldest child John Peake
died about two years ago and at the time of his
death was upwards of forty years of age. He further
states that she is quite old and infirm inasmuch
that it would be attended with risk and uncertainty
for her to attend Court to make her declarations and
she is now unable he thinks to do so. Sworn to and
subscribed the day & year first above written
Robert Frost

State of Kentucky
Fleming County 3^d Oct
I M. J. Wright - a justice of the peace
in and for said County. Certify that the foregoing dep-
-ositions of Robert Frost was this day taken subseri-
-bed & duly sworn to before me and that the said
deponent is a credible person & his statements are
intituled to Credit. Given under my hand this 3^d
day of Octo 1843.
M. J. Wright J. P.

The deposition of Andrew Mitchell taken on the 18th day of November 1843. Both being duly sworn according to law. Depositor says that he is a resident of Trimble County Ky. and is now about 61 years of age. that he was well acquainted with William Peake dec^d. in his lifetime and knew the family well for many years previous to his death and has continued his acquaintance ever since. that the said William Peake was a revolutionary pensioner and died in the fall of the year 1839 leaving his widow Elizabeth Peake who still survives and who has not intermarried since his death and who deponent is informed is making an application to be placed on the pension list on account of the revolutionary services of the said William Peake her husband.

This deponent says that the said William & Elizabeth Peake have ever since his first acquaintance with them been recognized as man & wife and have raised a large family of children the oldest of whom by name John Peake died more than ten years ago and this deponent is confident must have been over 40 years of age when he died. This deponent has often seen the family record of W. Peake at his house and has seen the time of his marriage to his wife (whose maiden name was Elizabeth ~~Peake~~) therein stated and he is very confident that it may have said to have taken place in 1791. and he does not doubt but that said marriage actually took place that year. He states that the family of the said Peake is highly respectable.

Sworn to and subscribed the day & year first above written

Andrew Mitchell

State of Kentucky
Trimble County }
} Jct

I W. J. Wright a justice of the peace in and for said County hereby certify that the foregoing

October 4, 1938.

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Mr. William R. Vanice
57 Haven Avenue
Arcadia, California

Bl-J/ady
William Peake
W.6863

Dear Sir:

The data contained herein were obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, W.6863, based upon the military service of William Peake in that war.

William Peake or Peak was born in 1765 in Prince William County, Virginia. The names of his parents are not shown.

While a resident of Wheeling, Virginia, he enlisted in April 1781, and served six months as private in Captain Ebenezer Lane's Virginia Company. He enlisted in March 1782, and served six months as private in Captain Mitchell's Virginia Company against the Indians. He enlisted in April 1783, and served three months as an Indian Spy in Captain Williams' Virginia Company.

He was allowed pension on his application executed February 7, 1834, while a resident of Henry County, Kentucky.

He died the twenty-eighth day of either September, October or November, 1839, in Trimble County (formerly Henry County), Kentucky.

Soldier married in 1791 or 1792 in Scott County, Kentucky, Elizabeth Ferts.

She was allowed pension on her application executed October 3, 1843, while a resident of Trimble County, Kentucky, aged about seventy years. In 1837 she was living in Johnson County, Indiana.

They had a large family of children. The eldest

son John died about 1833, their second son was Christopher, who was living in 1850, no other names given. Robert Frost married their youngest daughter and she was living in Trimble County, Kentucky, in 1843.

In order to obtain the name and address of the person who received the last payment of this pension, you should apply to The Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, Records Division, Washington, D. C., and furnish the following data: "Elisabeth Peaks, widow of William, Certificate No. 742, issued February 16, 1861, rate \$40.00 per annum, commenced March 4, 1848, Act of July 29, 1848, Kentucky Agency".

Very truly yours

A. D. HILLER
Executive Assistant
to the Administrator