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Revolutionary War Soldiers Buried in Delaware County

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- BURIED IN DELAWARE COUNTY

JAMES ANDREWS 1938243

Born: James Andrews may have been born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, since he was bound out for work there as a young boy. He was orphaned as a child.

Pension: James Andrews applied for a Pension R-213, in Pennsylvania, but was rejected.

Service Record: According to an affidavit filed in Delaware County, Indiana, by his son, Samuel D., in March 29, 1850, James Andrews enlisted in the army of the Revolutionary War. Not much is known of his service in the army. It may be correct to assume he served in Pennsylvania, since his pension was applied for in that state. It is also known he lived some years in Ohio, after the war, as sworn to by William Lee, a neighbor who knew the family several years. He died before the passage of the Pension Law by Congress. His service also was attested to by his eldest son, William P., then living in Jasper County, Illinois.

Marriage: We know he was married, as he had heirs, but no information concerning his wife. Children living in 1850 were:

William P., living in Jasper County, Illinois
Samuel D., living in Delaware County, Indiana
Rachel, who married John Crum, and lived in Delaware County, Indiana
Mary, who married James Mansfield, also in Delaware County, Indiana

Died: November 1816, in Delaware County, Indiana

Reference: Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Indiana" by Waters, 1954, p. 8

Research by: Dorothy Riggin Johnson

JOHN BARNES

Born: 1757

Pension Claim: R-520 Service in Maryland and Delaware. *(General Services Administration,-----*

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Service Record: John Barnes appeared in Delaware County Circuit Court, with John Tomlinson, Probate Judge, on August 8, 1838, at age 81 years old, and filed an affidavit attesting to his service in the Revolutionary War.

He was drafted in 1776, six months before the battle of Brandywine in Cecil County, Maryland. He served under General Rumsie and Colonel Hollingsworth, and was in active battle with the British for seven months in New Castle County, state of Delaware under Lt. David Thomas and Captain Isaac Lewis. He was wounded and discharged verbally.

Marriage: There is nothing known of his wife and family. Nothing was mentioned in the affidavit concerning them.

Died: Delaware County, Indiana

Research by: Cecil Beeson

WILLIAM BLOUNT

Born: 1756-1757 in Tennessee

Pension Claim: S-42088 Applied May 1, 1818, in his 62nd year, in Muskigum County, Ohio.

Service Record: He served as a private in Colonel Parker's Regiment, on the Virginia line.

Married: Married Mary McCoy, who was born in Tennessee. Seven years after the war they were living in Tennessee, Kentucky and Muskingum County, Ohio. They came to Perry Township in Delaware County, Indiana in 1820. William Blount entered land February 9, 1822, in Liberty Township, Delaware County, Indiana.

The children of this union are: Rachel, Andrew, Margaret, John, Hannah, William, Mary, Elizabeth, Amos, Richard, Thomas, Joseph and Aaron.
Full name

It was originally thought that "Blountsville" was named in his honor. However, more recent information has the village of "Blountsville" named for one of his sons who was a land owner there.

Died: In Delaware County, approximately 1831, as his will was probated May 3, 1833.

Buried: Corner of Ohio Avenue and Washington Street, under a sidewalk. This information supplied by old settlers who remembered. Reportedly on the south side of East Washington Street.

Reference: History of Delaware County, by G. W. H. Kemper

Research by: Cecil Beeson

CAMPBELL DALE

Born: 1756 in Worcester County, Maryland

Pension Claim: R - 2630 Maryland Campbell Dale was rejected a pension at first, but was granted December 29, 1837.

Service Record: Campbell Dale served in the Maryland Militia under Captain John Branard, Captain John Postly, Lieutenant Colonel William Permel and Brigidier General DeShield.

Married: He was married, but his wife's name is not known. The children of this union were: Rhoda, who married Henry Lethers, John and Elihu, for which there were no marriage records, and William who married Sarah Tabler. Campbell Dale came to Delaware County, Indiana before 1823. The town of "Daleville" was founded by him. Entered five separate land tracts in Salem Township in 1823 to 1827.

Died: circa 1841

Buried: Little Dale's Cemetery in Salem Township, where his sons and other family members are buried. There is a government marker on his grave.

Research by: Cecil Beeson, April 27, 1964

WILLIAM DAUGHERTY, SR.

Born: 1754 in Chester County, Pennsylvania

Pension Claim: W - 4182 Pennsylvania In 1851 this

pension was still being paid to his widow, Lydia, then living in Clinton County, Ohio.

Service Record: While a resident of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, James Daugherty volunteered in August 1777, and served three weeks as a private in the Pennsylvania troops under Colonel Thomas Gaddis, stationed at Fort Swearingen. He served one month later in that year in Captain Samuel Swindler's company guarding against the invasions of the Indians. He enlisted September 1, 1778 and served in Captain James Dougherty's and John Evans' regiment; joined General McIntosh's expedition to Fort Pitt, where he assisted in building Fort McIntosh. He also helped in building Fort Laurens, and was discharged at Fort McIntosh, March 1, 1779. He was afterwards called out on frequent alarms against the Indians. His service in all, amounting to nine months and three weeks.

After the Revolution, he lived twelve years in Bourbon County, Kentucky, then moved to Clinton County, Ohio, where he lived thirteen years. He then moved to Delaware County, Indiana.

The soldier, William Daugherty was allowed pension on his application February 12, 1834, at which time he was a resident of Delaware County, Indiana, where he had lived for five years.

Married: William Daugherty married in Pennsylvania, September 19, 1776, to Lydia Cox. After the death of William, the widow Lydia moved to Clinton County, Ohio, where she applied for a pension at 84 years of age. The pension was allowed. She died May 9, 1851. Their children were: Bridget Bell of Highland County, Ohio; James Daugherty of Clinton County, Ohio; Hannah Reed of Clinton County, Ohio; William Daugherty of Delaware County, Indiana; and Lydia Somers of Henry County, Indiana.

Died: August 31, 1841 in Delaware County, Indiana

Buried: On land owned by David Campbell in Yorktown, Indiana, now the Yorktown Cemetery on the bank of White River.

Reference: Taken from the War Record, procured through the General Services Administration in Washington D.C.

Research by: Cecil Beeson

SEWEL GILBERT

Born: December 29, 1765 in Cavendish, Vermont

Pension Claim: Number 3394, was applied for and received September 28, 1832, in Livingston County, New York. He was 67 years old on application for pension.

Service Record: Enlisted as a private in New Hampshire in 1780, and served nine months at that time under Captain White, Captain Comstock and Captain Green. He enlisted a second time in 1781 as a private from Cavendish, Vermont, and served nine more months.

Married: In 1838 he resided in Ohio. (Department of Interior, Bureau of Pensions) There was no mention of a marriage, either in his War Record or the application for his pension. We know he removed from Ohio to Delaware County, as his pension was paid here in 1842. (Bureau of Pensions)

Died: November 7, 1843 in Delaware County, at the home of his half-brother, William Gilbert.

Buried: He is buried in Beech Grove Cemetery on lot 173. He has the distinction of having a formal military funeral at the Courthouse.

Reference: Information taken from the War Record, and his pension application

Research by: Cecil Beeson

JOSHUA HOWELL

Born: In 1745, in Botetourt County, Virginia

Pension Claim: DAR records show Certificate #58, paid for services as Patriot.

Service Record: He was an ordinance officer taking care of provisions for the soldiers. Issued a certificate for beef impressed by the Commissioner of Provsions on November 10, 1781, under the act for procuring a supply of provisions and other necessaries for use of the army, May 1780. The said Joshua Howell is the ancestor who assisted in establishing American

Independence while acting in capacity of Patriot.

Married: Mary, who was born in 1748. There were eight children born in this union. The children were: Joshua Jr., born December 12, 1779; John, born December 10, 1783; Thomas, born 1780-1782; James, born circa 1787. All of the above born in Virginia. The remaining children are: Daniel, born 1787-1789, Jeremiah, born 1793; Abigail, born circa 1770, and Nancy born November 7, 1777. Mary died September 11, 1835 in Delaware County and is buried beside her husband in Collins Cemetery.

Died: July 2, 1836 in Delaware County, Indiana

Buried: In Collins Cemetery (corner of Godman and Harvey, in the West side of Muncie)

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ALEXANDER McCALLISTER

Born: April 22, 1761, in Chester County, Pennsylvania (from Bible records in Warren County, Ohio)

Pension Claim: R - 6601 Made a pension application July 1, 1835, Delaware County, Indiana, in which he claimed seven months service, but could not prove he served more than six months.

Service Record: In 1781, Alexander McCallister enrolled as a Private in 8th Class, with Captain Andrew Swearingen's 4th Company in Washington County Militia.

September 25, 1782, Alexander McCallister was a Private 8th Class, in Captain Bilderbeck's 4th Company, in the Washington County Militia.

Under the Militia Loan of April 1, 1784, a certificate of public debt, #2722, was issued to Alexander McCallister for active duty in Lieutenant Archibald Leech's Company for period of July 13 - August 13, 1782.

(Authority: Militia Loans of 1784-1785 Public Debt Records, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania)

Service Record Authority: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

Married: Ruanna In 1790, census records in Washington County, Pennsylvania, show McCallister married with one son under 16 years of age, three sons over 16 years of age, and eligible for military service, one daughter and a wife, Ruanna.

Since the Revolution, Alexander McCallister lived in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania; Fayette County, Kentucky; Warren County, Ohio; and then moved to Delaware County, Indiana.

Deed Records of Delaware County, Indiana:
Deed Book 4 of Del. Co. show Ruanna McCallister sold land to William McCallister, April 2, 1839.
May 12, 1848, show Ruanna appointed Administrix of the estate of Alexander McCallister, deceased.

Died: 1848 in Delaware County, Indiana, at 80 years of age.

Buried: Grave unknown. A United States Government Marker was dedicated November 8, 1964, and can be found on the site of his grandson's grave, a Civil War soldier, buried in Saunders Cemetery, Salem Township (two miles east of Daleville.)

Research by: Cecil Beeson, September 6, 1964

JOHN McCONNELL

Born: 1763-1764, and was of Scotch Irish ancestry

Pension Claim: No record of a pension

Service Record: There is no record of the command and services in this case, but there is a well defined tradition that he was seven years a wagoner in the Continental Army. That at one time, when the train was taken by surprise, and was attacked by the British, by his heroic efforts only, he and his team escaped the enemy and reached the Colonial Camp. In this escape he was shot and severely wounded. He served for seven years.

Married: Barbara Bowman, who was born in 1775 and was

of German descent. They lived first in Virginia and Tennessee, before removing to Scioto County, Ohio, and finally on to Delaware County, Indiana.

In 1832, one son, William McConnell, came to Delaware County, Indiana, entered 80 acres of Sec. 20 Twp. 20 Ra. 10, and in 1833 moved here from Scioto County, Ohio. It is thought the parents of William, John McConnell, the Revolutionary War soldier, came at the same time. There were seven children born to Barbara and John McConnell. Our only record of them was the Deed Record Book 9, pages 378-381, of Delaware County, in the Recorder's office. They were: John McConnell, Jr., William McConnell, Mary McConnell Willson, of Scioto County, Ohio; Elizabeth McConnell Rupe of Polk County, Iowa; Nancy McConnell Fitzpatrick and Moses E. McConnell of Keokuk County, Iowa. The previous names were listed as heirs of John McConnell. The wife, Barbara, preceded John McConnell in death. She died in December, 1838 at age 63 years, in Delaware County, Indiana, and was buried in ground known as Forest Park, but later removed to Beech Grove Cemetery.

Died: John McConnell died January 6, 1847, in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: Lot 186, in Beech Grove Cemetery

References: History of Delaware County, Indiana, by G. W. H. Kemper, M.D.
Deed Book 9, Delaware County, Indiana, pages 80, 378-381 and page 347

Research by: Mary Wimmer Young

LEMUEL PETERSON

Born: February 22, 1764, in Cumberland County, New Jersey.

Pension Claim: R - 21900, filed in New Jersey

Service Record: The Washington Bureau of Archives and Records lists him as a "Privateer serving in New Jersey."

At age 71 years, Lemual Peterson appeared in Delaware Circuit Court, and filed an affidavit attesting to his service in the Revolutionary War. From the affidavit we learn, in March

1777, he volunteered for part of his service, and served on a vessel commanded by Captain Samuel Seers. In one confrontation with the British, the British ship and its occupants were taken prisoners of the Colonial fleet.

He was drafted a second time, August 1, 1777, to serve on the same vessel until July 4, 1778, when he was discharged.

Married: The affidavit does not state, but his 18 years in the state of Delaware would indicate marital status, for he was living with his sons in Delaware County, Indiana in 1835.

We also learn from the affidavit, after his birth in 1764, in Cumberland County, New Jersey, he resided with his father and mother there until 1785, where he served in the Revolutionary War. He then moved to Kent County, Delaware, where he lived for 18 years, until 1803. He removed to Ohio and lived there until 1809. After which, he came to Delaware County, Indiana to live with his sons.

Died: Delaware County, Indiana

Buried: Unknown

References: *General Services Administration*
Bureau of Records Service
Washington, D. C.
Delaware County Circuit Court
Affidavit

Research by: *Cecil Beeson, February 1973*

WILLIAM POLEN (POLAND)

Born: October 14, 1762, in New Jersey

Pension Claim: S - 32453 To begin March 4, 1834, at the rate of $25.33 per annum and arrears. (Clerks Records, Book E, Vol. 7, p. 124)

Service Record: Enlisted from Virginia, September 1779, when he was one month under 16 years of age. He was a private under Captain Sisler; was present at the siege of Yorktown, and after the surrender of Cornwallis assisted in staking arms of the British. He volunteered again in 1780; this time in a Militia Company, under Captain Michael Dedinger, and served one month.

He proved seven months service in the Continental Army.

Two years after he came to Delaware County, Indiana, on November 14, 1832, William Polen appeared in the Circuit Court and filed an affidavit attesting to his service in the Revolutionary War. From the affidavit, we learned he moved to Berkeley County, Virginia, with his parents as a small child, and remained there until he went into the army. After the war, he moved to Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, and from there to Ohio. He was 70 years old when he filed the affidavit in Delaware County Court. He received a written discharge from Captain Swearingen, but he testified it was lost when his purse was stolen.

Married: No mention of his marriage, but tradition has it, that he was married to Elizabeth.

Died: February 19, 1837, at age of 75 years, in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: Rees Cemetery, East Burlington Drive, Delaware County, Indiana.

(Apparently, the name 'Polen' was changed in spelling, for in the 1850 Census Records of Delaware County, Indiana, it listed a James Poland, a Nancy Poland, and a Robert Poland.)

References: *General Services Administration*
National Archives Records Service
Affidavit filed in Delaware Circuit Court
1850 Census Records of Delaware County, Indiana

Research by: *Cecil Beeson*

JOHN QUINN

Born: November 25, 1749 or 1748 (hard to read affidavit) in Scotland.

Pension Claim: S - 38322 Pension granted from April 7, 1820 in Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

Service Record: On December 18, 1820, in the Court at Pittsylvania County, Virginia, John Quinn came to attest to his Revolutionary War Service. He stated that he enlisted as a private for the

term of three years from Pittsylvania County, Virginia. He served in the company commanded by Captain James Foster, in the Regiment commanded by Colonel Abraham Bluford. He continued to serve in said corps until December 13, 1779. He enlisted on December 7, 1776. He was discharged from the service at Petersburg, Virginia. He was in the battles of Brandywine and Monmouth. He testified that Major James Soyars was the only person who could swear and attest to his service.

James Soyars came to the quarterly Court in Pittsylvania, Virginia, and swore to the service of John Quinn as a Revolutionary War soldier.

He came to Delaware County, Indiana, before 1832, as he entered land here in Sec. 2 in Delaware Township on the 24th of November, 1832. He lived at or near Yorktown, Indiana.

Married: Since he was born in Scotland, he was married to Sarah Tapper in that country, after which he emigrated to America. According to the Estate Records in the Courthouse on May 1841, he had eight heirs mentioned. The children were: Margaret, married to John Strader, and lived in Morgan County, Indiana; John T., William H., Morrison, Jane Quinn Byers, Mary Quinn Cripe, Matilda, and Joseph C. Quinn.

In a census taken by the Government in 1840, the year in which John Quinn died, his name appeared.

Died: In Delaware County, May 1840, at age 81 years.

Buried: Yorktown Cemetery, Yorktown, Indiana

References: *War Record - Information from the affidavit*
Historical biography - History of Delaware County, Indiana, by G. W. H. Kemper, M.D.
Courthouse Records
1840 Government Census

Research by: *Cecil Beeson*

THOMAS THOMPSON

Born: June 24, 1757 in Chester County, Pennsylvania.

Pension Claim: R - 10557, applied for June 19, 1834 while residing in Hamilton County, Ohio. He was 77 years old at the time of application.

Service Record: June 18, 1834, in Hamilton County, Ohio, Thomas Thompson came before the Court of Common Pleas, to attest to his service in the Revolutionary War. He entered service from Salem County, New Jersey, as a private in the New Jersey troops in 1776-1777. According to his testimony on the affidavit, he claims 13 months service in the war. He served first under Captain John Noble Cummings and Colonel Shreve. He claimed he was in the battle of Springfield under Captain Williams and Colonel Cortner. He swore to several terms of service, and 13 months in all, only a verbal discharge. After his service, he moved to Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, and on to Hamilton County, Ohio for 22 years. He came to Delaware County, in 1839.

Married: There is no record of his marriage, but we do know he had an heir, Jesse Thompson, so we have to assume he was married.

Suit was filed by heir, Jesse Thompson, in Delaware County Court in 1854, for any money coming from the estate of Thomas Thompson under the Pension Act, as shown by the courthouse records here.

Died: No record, but know it was before 1854, in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: No record of where he was buried

BENJAMIN WALLIS

Born: January 12, 1758 in Caswell County, North Carolina. (Information taken from the family Bible, published 1820)

Pension Claim: S - 32571

Service Record: Benjamin Wallis appeared April 23, 1834, in a court in Lee County, Virginia, where he was living at age 76 past to swear to his

service in the Revolutionary War. He testified that he volunteered as a private, from Caswell County, North Carolina. He served under Captain Adam Sanders, and was in the 4th Regiment of the North Carolina Militia, under Major Taylor in the year 1780. He served 6 months and was verbally discharged.

In 1781, he volunteered again under Captain William Wilson, commanded by Colonel William Moore, and General Morgan. He served three months this time, and was verbally discharged by Colonel Moore. He served 14 months in all, and claimed a pension for that time served.

(From the Record's Book E, Vol. 1, page 135, Clerk's Office, he was paid $26.61 per annum.)

Married: Near the close of the Revolution, he married Sarah (Sally) Sargent, who was born May 17, 1772. The family lived in Tennessee most of their lives. Benjamin Wallis came to Delaware County, Indiana in 1836, and spent his latter days with his daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Newhouse, on what is known as the Conner Farm in Delaware County, Indiana, near the village of Bethel. (Information furnished by descendants)

The children born of the above union are: John, William, James, George, Elizabeth Newhouse, Ava Barker, Nancy Zion, Mary Burton, Milly R. Childs and Barthena Bailey.

Died: August 24, 1838, at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Newhouse, a daughter, living in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: Miller Cemetery, in Harrison Township, Delaware County, Indiana.

References: *Bible*
Descendants
Bureau of National Archives and Records Service, Washington D. C.
Pension Records
Delaware County Courthouse Records, Clerks Office

Research by: *Cecil Beeson*

ROBERT WATKINS

Born: 1754, in Maryland

Pension Claim: Applied November 13, 1832, at age 78 years, as recorded in Probate Record Book 1, 1831-1843, in Delaware County Records.

Service Record: Enlisted in the Militia Company of Captain George Avery, Lieutenant Goven Gorden, Ensign Philip Anderson, in the Regiment of Colonel Thomas Branden. He served as a dispatcher, carrying messages for the officers. At one time, he was taken prisoner of the Tories and was held captive for 4 weeks. He served one year and 8 months, from December 10, 1780 to July 1, 1782. He was verbally discharged by Captain Avery.

Married: Mary He testified that he lived with his father in union County, South Carolina, until August 1780, when he entered the service. From this information we have to assume he married after the Revolutionary War, as he testified he lived 20 years in South Carolina, 4 years in Kentucky, 1 year in Ohio, and then came to Delaware County, Indiana in 1832.

Died: November 13, 1834, in Delaware County, Indiana

Buried: One-half mile south of the John Truitt homestead on Muncie-Selma Pike, on the east side of the road. His wife is buried there also.

References: Probate Record Book 1, 1831-1843
Delaware County Courthouse
Application for pension

Research by: Mary Wimmer Young

WILLIAM WHICKER (WHICKAR)

Born: August 27, 1760, in Hanover County, Virginia, near Richmond.

Pension Claim: S - 3551 National DAR 3 503018

Service Record: In 1774, at age of 14 years, William Whicker volunteered with the Minute Men of Sumter and Marion. In 1777, he enlisted and served under General Taylor. In 1778, he

served under General Richard Caswell. In 1779, he transferred to command of General Davidson. In 1781, he received citation for Meritorious Service, and appointed 1st Sargeant. He served in five battles, and received a pension for loss of a thumb. Five enlistments are recorded at the War Department in Washington D. C.

Married: Sarah Bingaman, at the close of the war, in 1779. The children of this union are: Mathew Whicker, born 1789, married (2nd) Martha A. Smith; Asa Whicker, born 1790, married Charity; Luke Whicker, born 1792, who never married; Berry Whicker, married Lillian (Lillice) Campbell; Susan Whicker, born Oct. 20, 1782, married Jonathan Fisher; and Elizabeth Whicker, who married Stephen A. Covert. This family was listed in the 1840 Pension List of Delaware County, Indiana.

Died: November 2, 1851, at 91 years of age, in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: Strong Cemetery, Albany, Indiana

References: Mississinewa Chapter, DAR, Portland, Indiana
National Number #503018
Mrs. Lowell (Whicker) Whiteman
(Mrs. Kelro)
R.R. 2, Portland, Indiana

Research by: Adah Miller Finch
(Given to Cecil Beeson)

WILLIAM WHITGAR (WITCHER) SR.

Born: 1724

Pension Claim:

Service Record: Major in Patriotic Service

Married: Anne

Died: June 8, 1808, in Delaware County, Indiana

Buried: In Strong Cemetery, Albany, Indiana, Grave 1, Row 7, Lot 7, old part.

Reference: Think the above information was taken from the tombstone, and from

tradition he is considered a soldier of the Revolution. In June 1966, SAR dedicated and photographed his grave.
Roster 15, page 87
"Revolutionary Soldiers Buried in Indiana" by Waters, 1954, pg. 8

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, SR.

Born: March 1762 in South Carolina.

Pension Claim: S - 32595 Applied for a pension August 16, 1841, and was receiving a pension a short time before he died.

Service Record: Enlisted as a private from Virginia, and served 19 months in companies commanded by Captain Boyd and Captain Madison, under the leadership of Colonel Benjamin Kilgore.

Married: No record of his wife. We know he was married, however, as he had an heir, William Williams, Jr., who resided in Liberty Township. He was a teacher, and Justice of the Peace there.
Mr. William Williams, Sr. came to Delaware County, Indiana, before 1836, as he entered land in Sec. 27, in Liberty Township, on March 3, 1836. His name was listed on the 1840 pension list of Delaware County, Indiana.

Died: About 1842, in Delaware County, Indiana.

Buried: Liberty Township, 300 yards from the homestead, on land owned then by Mr. Eckenberger. No marker

References: Roster, Vol. 1, page 384
DAR Patriots Index of Soldiers Buried in Indiana, page 138

Research by: Mary Wimmer Young

If errors are found in transcription, the hand written records available are, at best, hard to read.

Compiled by: Mary Frances Abel