

Pension Application for James Adams

S.22075 Born June 30, 1744. Died Dec 6, 1833.

I James Adams of Hardwick, County of Caledonia and state of Vermont, depose and say, that I was born in Worcester, in the County of Worester State of Massachusetts, June 30, 1744, I have no record of my age I resided with my Father in Worcester untill I was twelve years of age, he removed from there to Leciestar in said Worcester County, residing about three years; from there to New Braintree in said County, at which last mentioned place I resided until the year 1802 when I removed with my family to this town, having been a resident ever since.

In the year 1775 very soon after the battle of Bunker Hill. I enlisted as a private for eight months, Samuel Billings of Hadwick in said Worcester Col, was Captain, Barnabas Sears of Hardwick was Lieutenant.

I left New Braintree for Roxbury the last of June, when he remained on duty until the expiration of eight months, the term for which I enlisted, I received a verbal discharge from Capt. Samuel Billings and returned to my residence in New Braintree.

In May 1776 I entered in Capt Daniel Warner's Company in Hardwick for the term of six months as orderly sergeant as will more fully appear from the Orderly Book herewith transmitted. Was marched from Hardwick via Hartford to New Haven, in the State of Conn, thence we were transported by water to New York and remained in the City untill the Army was withdrawn by Gen. Washington, and the City taken possession of by the British troops.

I was in the battle at White Plains, at the expiration of six months. I received a verbal discharge from Capt Warren returning directly to New Braintree this was the last of November the first of December 1776. Jon'a Holman of Satton Mass was our Colonel and Barnabas Sears of Hardwick was Major, do not recollect any other officers.

I hereby relinquish every claim to a pension or annuity except the present, and declare that y name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, and I further say I was eighty eight years old the 30th day of June last part. (Signed) James Adams

Subscribed and sworn to before me. Jno. P. Fuller. Assistant Judge Col C. Court.

Letter in file dated August 10, 1931, written in response to an inquiry.

Your are advised that it appears from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, S.22075, that James Adams was born June 30, 1744, in Worcester, Massachusetts.

He lived with his father, whose name is onot given, in Worcester, until about twelve years of age, then moved to Leicester, Massachusetts, and lived three years, when they moved to New Braintree, Massachusetts, where he was living, when he enlisted and served with the Massachusetts Troops as follows—in 1775, eight months as private in Captain Samuel Billings' company and from May 1775, six months as orderly sergeant in Captain Daniel Warner's company in Colonel Jonathan Holman's regiment, land was in the battle of White Plains.

H stated that he moved with his family in 1802 to Hardwick, Caledonia County, Vermont.

He was allowed pension on his application executed August 12, 1832, then a resident of Hardwick, Vermont.

He died December 6, 1833.

There are no further data as to family.