

Pension Application for Lewis Day

S.43459

State of New York SS.

On this thirtieth day of June in the year 1820 personally appeared in open court, being a court of record for the County of Montgomery in said County Lewis Day aged fifty seven years resident in the Town of Lake Pleasant in County of Montgomery aforesaid in the said state, who being first duly sworn according to Law, doth on his oath declare that he served in the revolutionary war as follows, to wit, that he served in the army in the capacity of a fifer for the term of three years—

That he served in Captain Jacksons Company in Colonel Ansel Tuppers Regiment being the tenth regiment of the Massachusetts Line, and was serving under Captain Jackson until he was discharged—

That he has made a declaration setting forth his services in the revolutionary army, which declaration was dated the seventh day of May one thousand eight hundred and eighteen—and that he has received a pension from the United States and that the number of the pension certificate is 4,185 and I 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 otherwise 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 an act of Congress entitled and act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war passed the 18th day of March 1818—and that I have not nor has any person in trust due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed.

And that I am by occupation a Farmer and am able to assist but little in the support or my self & family, by reason rheumatic complains and ill health otherwise— Sarah my wife aged forty three years infirm and weakly, James my son aged nineteen slender constitution not able to assist me as much as boys of his age generally Lewis aged thirteen years, Eleonar aged Eleven years, Sally aged nine years, Almira aged four years which five persons and children are all that reside with me in family and form whom I receive my assistance towards their and my support, all which I declare to be just & true. (Signed) Lewis Day

Sworn to and subscribed & declared at Johnstown in the County of Montgomery aforesaid the thirteenth day of June 1820. John McCarthy Clerk

Letter in folder dated November 21, 1938, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your request for information relative to Lewis Day, a Revolutionary War soldier who died November 19, 1843.

The data which follow were obtained from papers on file in the pension claim, S.43459, based on the Revolutionary War service of Lewis Day.

He enlisted, date and place of enlistment not given, and served two or three months as fifer in Captain Allen's New York company. He next enlisted about the first of June 1780, and served nine months as fifer in Captain Silas Gray's company in the

4th New York Regiment commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Weisenfels. He enlisted about December 10, 1781, as fifer in Captain Jackson's company in Colonel Anselm Tupper's Massachusetts regiment and was discharged about April 1, 1783.

Lewis Day was allowed pension on his application executed May 7, 1818, at which time he was fifty-five years of age and was living at Lake Pleasant, Montgomery County, New York.

In 1822 Lewis Day was living in Mayfield, Montgomery County, New York.

He died November 19, 1843.

Lewis Day stated that when he was discharged from service in the Revolution, his parents were living in Spencertown, New York.

In 1818, Lewis Day stated that his father had died some years before and that his mother and brother (name not given) had gone to the western or southern frontier.

In 1820, Lewis Day referred to his wife, Sarah aged forty-three years, and to his children, James, aged nineteen years, Lewis aged thirteen years, Eleanor aged eleven years, Lewis aged thirteen years, Eleanor, aged eleven years, Salley, aged nine years, and Almira, aged four years.

In 1852, one Phineas Bemis of Mayfield, Fulton County, New York, stated that Lewis Day was his father-in-law, Phineas Bemis also stated in 1852 that he and the following were heirs of Mary Bemis, deceased: Alpheus Bemis, William Bemis, Fanny Woodworth, Polly Donalson, Nancy Clark, Betsey "Hilliard", and Lovina Thurston.

The papers in this claim contain no further data relative to the family of Lewis Day.