

Pension Application for Daniel Parrish or Parish

W.18446 (Ruth Williams—Former Widow) Ruth married Daniel Parish June 2, 1779, who died Feb 4, 1800.

State of New York

Cayuga County SS.

On this 5th day of April 1839 personally appeared before me first Judge of the court of Common Pleas of Cayuga County aforesaid, Ruth Williams a resident of Springport in said County aged 82 years 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 of the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836 and the act explanatory of said act passed March 3, 1837.

That she was married to Daniel Parish who was a Sargeant in the company of Melitia [Militia] or State troops commanded by Captain Townsend and in the Regiment commanded by Col. Hathorn as she believes.

She further says that according to her best recollection she removed with said Daniel Parrish from the town of Warren in the County of Litchfield in the State of Connecticut. Soon after the second day of June 1779 to the County of Westchester in the State of New York.

That he the said Parish according to her best recollection entered said service soon after said removal and in the same or succeeding year but at what time she cannot state particularly. That he continued to service one year and was then dismissed and returned home.

That according to her best recollection the said Captains name was Henry Townsend but of this she is not positive. She further states that the said Daniel Parish enlisted according to her best impression and was stationed on the lines at or near Bedford in the said County of Westchester.

She further states that she knows of no battles in which he was engaged, and that she has no discharge or other documentary evidence of service.

She further declares that she was married to the said Daniel Parrish on the Second day of June (1779) seventeen hundred and seventy nine, at the town of Warren in Litchfield County Connecticut.

That her husband the aforesaid Daniel Parish died on the 4th day of February of 1800. That she was afterwards married to Peter William who died on or about the month of December 1827 and that she was a widow on the fourth day of July 1837 and still remains a widow as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. (Signed with her mark) Ruth Williams

Sworn to & subscribed on the day & year above written before. J. L. Richard, one of the Judges of Cayuga.

Letter in folder dated March 4, 1937, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter in which your request the Revolutionary War record of Daniel Parrish who served from New York and the War of 1812 of John Parrish, his grandson, who is buried in Shiawasee County, Michigan.

The records of Daniel Parrish who served in the Revolutionary War, and John Parrish who served in the War of 1812 are furnished you herein. It is not shown that the latter was a grandson of Daniel the Revolutionary War soldier.

DANIEL PARRISH—W.18446.

The data given herein were found in the papers on file in pension claim, W.18446, based upon service of Daniel Parrish in the Revolutionary War.

Daniel Parrish enlisted April 22, 1778 and served eight months as sergeant in Captain Henry Townsend's Company Colonel John Hathorn's New York regiment; he served subsequently as private and sergeant in Captains Edmund Baker's and George Lane's companies, Colonels Henry Ludington's and Roswell Hopkins' New York regiments.

The soldier married June 2, 1779, in Warren, Litchfield County, Connecticut, Ruth Eldred; the names of her parents and the date and place of her birth were not given. Just after their marriage, they lived in Westchester County, New York.

Daniel Parrish died February 4, 1800. His widow, Ruth, married Peter Williams, who died sometime in December 1827; the date of marriage of said Ruth to her second husband was not given.

Ruth William[s] was a resident of Springport, Cayuga County, New York, in 1839, aged then eighty-two years. She died June 25, 1840 in said Cayuga County.

Daniel Parrish and his wife, Ruth, had children; the names of the only two surviving children in 1847 were Eldred Parrish of Delaware County, New York, and Betsey Roberts, of Detroit, Michigan.

The pension which was due Ruth Williams at the time of her death on account of the service of her first husband, Daniel Parrish, in the Revolutionary War, was allowed the two children, named above.

In 1847, Albert Roberts of Wayne County, Michigan, stated that he was acquainted with Ruth Williams in Cayuga County, New York, in June 1837, that he left that county then for three years, that he returned June 24, 1840, saw her the day before her death, and was present at her funeral. He did not state any relationship to Betsey Roberts, Ruth's daughter.

JOHN PARRISH—S.14610

The data given herein were found in the papers on file under S.O. 14610, based upon service of John Parrish in the War of 1812.

John Parrish enlisted in Hamburg, New York, served one month and twenty-seven days as private in Captain Frederick Richmond's company of New York militia, and was discharged September 24, 1813. It was stated also that he enlisted in September 1812 and served as private in Captains Benjamin Clough's and Ezekiel Cook's companies of New York militia near Buffalo, which service was rendered as substitute for his older brother, Lewis Parrish.

The soldier applied June 2, 1851 for the bounty land which was due on account of his service in the war of 1812. He was then a resident of Genesee County, New York, aged fifty-five years. On this application, he was allowed 40 acres of bounty land on warrant #48001, under the Act of 1850. He applied April 4, 1855 for additional bounty land under the Act of 1855. On his second application, he was allowed 120 acres of land on warrant #18927. Act of 1855.

In 1871, John Parrish resided in Chesaning Township, Saginaw County, Michigan. His brother, Lewis Parrish, resided then in Wisconsin.

John Parrish married June 26, 1817 in Hamburg, New York, Clara C. Vincent.

There are no further data pertaining to the soldier's family.