

Pension Application for Robert Relay

Rr.8697 (Widow: Mary Callow married Robert Relay May 17, 1780. Robert died November 6, 1834 and Mary died September 5, 1848. In 1850, Jane Ann Walker states she is the youngest of fourteen children and only surviving child of Robert and Mary.)

State of New York

County of Albany SS.

On this 4th day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine, personally appeared before the Justice's Court of the City of Albany (the same being a Court of Record) Mary Relay a resident of the City of Albany, aged seventy six years, 1& upwards, who being first duly sworn, doth on her oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress, passed July 4, 1836.

That she is the widow of Robert Relay, who was a soldier in the service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, & served as such in the company commanded by Captain Lemuel Conklin, in Col. Ferris's Regiment, and as she believes, under other officers, but she cannot state their names.

She further declares that she was married to the said Robert Relay on the seventeenth day of May in the year one thousand seven hundred & eighty – That her husband the aforesaid Robert Relay, died in the City of Albany, on the sixth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty four—and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

She further declares that she was married at her father's house, near Poughkeepsie, in Dutchess County, by a Presbyterian Clergyman then residing in Pleasant Valley, in said County of Dutchess—His name was either Chase or Case & which she does not recollect.

That her name before her marriage was Mary Callow. (Signed) Mary Relay

Sworn to & Subscribed in open court on the day & year first above written.
Witness the seal of said court & the signature of the clerk thereof. John G. Wasson,
Clk &c