

Pension Application for Moses Sherwood

W.19352 (Widow: Applonea)

Continental, New York

Family Record. [Children of John Sherwood born November 9, 1786. Son of Moses and Applonea Sherwood]

Mary Sherwood born Oct 29 in the year of our Lord 1818.

Cynthy Sherwood Born November 25 in the year of our lord 1820.

Ausin Sherwood Was in the year of our lord Boarn Feb. 4th 1823.

Elizer Ann Was Borne Dec'm 18th in the year of our Lord 1824

Edward Sherwood was Borne Apriel 4th in the year of our Lord 1829.

John Sherwood Junior was Born Oct. 22 in the year of our Lord 1832, died August the 20th 1832.

State of New York

County of Westchester SS.

Applonea Sherwood the widow of Moses Sherwood deceased who was a revolutionary war pensioner of the United States at the time of his death being duly sworn says that she was married by the Reverend Mr. Ruysdike as stated in her declaration for a pension heretofore made by her before Albert Lockwood Esquire, Supreme Court Commissioner & at the time therein stated, that she has a perfect recollection of it. And she further saith that she has no record of the births or ages of any of her children nor is there any in existence. That she knows of other than the record of her son John Sherwood hereto annexed which was made by or for himself which record is correct. And she further states that she had one son older than the son John who died twenty seven years ago, and that he was two years older than said John that they were both born in lawful wedlock. And she further saith that none of her children were ever baptized to her knowledge or belief, and that she has no record evidence of their ages or births and further the deponent saith not. (Signed with her mark) Applonea Sherwood.

Sworn to and subscribed this 26th day of February 1839, before me. Albert Lockwood, Supreme Court Commissioner.

Westchester County SS.

Samuel Youngs (1) of the Town of White Plains and County of West Chester, being duly sworn on his oath saith, that he the deponent was a Lieutenant in the Continental Army in the regiment commanded by Col. Weisenfelts in the line of the State of New York in the year 1782 and this deponent further saith that he was well acquainted with Moses Sherwood named in the annexed pension application of that time and this deponent has a perfect recollection of his entering in said Wisenfelt's Regiment on or about the first day of April 1782 aforesaid and he was according to the best of this deponent's recollection and belief attached to Captain White's company in said regiment and this deponent further saith that he was afterwards during the year last aforesaid transferred to the Regiment commanded by Col. Lamb on the continental establishment in the line of the State of New York and that he the said Moses Sherwood was honorably discharged from the service at West Point in the said State of New York in or about the month of January according to the best of the recollection and belief of this deponent in the year 1783, and further this deponent saith not. (Signed) Sam'l Youngs

Sworn this 21st July 1831 before me Alex'r Banks Com. of Deeds, &c.

Declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

State of New York

County of Westchester SS.

On this second day of August in the year 1832, personally appeared in open court before the Surrogate of the Surrogate Court of the County of Westchester and State of New York, now sitting, Moses Sherwood a resident of the town of Mount Pleasant in the said County and State, aged seventy years, who being first duly sworn according to Law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated. That is to say he entered the said service in the Militia of the State of New York as a volunteer on or about the first of May 1779 (2) for the term of one year in the company commanded by Captain William Dutcher in the regiment Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel James Hammond. (3) That he served on the American lines, in the said County of Westchester from that time until some time in the month of June following when he was taken a prisoner by a detachment of British troops and carried to the City of New York and confined in the sugar house in that city until about the twentieth of October following when he was exchanged, and that he immediately returned to the said County of Westchester and joined the said company and regiment and served in the same until the expiration of said year when he was discharged but does not recollect whether he received a written discharge or not.

That in the latter part of the month of May 1780 he enlisted in the Continental service at the manor of Philipsburgh now town of Mount Pleasant and County of Westchester aforesaid for the term of one year, and was attached to the command of Colonel (4) in the quartermasters department; that he was stationed at Kings Ferry in the said County and continued in the said service about six months—when he hired a substitute who served the remainder of said year and was honorably discharged from said service at said Kingsferry, in the month of May 1781.

That he inlisted for the term of nine months on or about the first day of April in the year 1782 in the State of New York in the company commanded by Captain Andrew White in the Regiment commanded by Col. Wisenfelts, in the line of the State of New York, that he served the said term as stated in a declaration made by the said Moses

Sherwood in the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Westchester, a copy of which is hereunto annexed, and also copies of the affidavits proving such service; the originals of which are as he is informed on file in the War Department and to which he refers.

That he was born in the said County of Westchester in the year 1762, that he has no record of his age; that he lived in the said County of Westchester at the times he entered the service as herein before set forth, and has lived in the same place ever since the revolution with the exception of four years; that there is no clergyman in his vicinity; but that the names of the persons to whom he is known in his present neighborhood and who can testify as to his character for veracity and their belief of his service as a soldier of the revolution are Aaron Sherwood and Benjamin Brown.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed) Moses Sherwood

Sworn to & Subscribed the 22nd day of August 1832 before me, I. Wand Surrogate.
Letter in reply to an inquiry dated November 21, 1932.

Reference is made to your letter in which you request information in regard to Moses Sherwood, a soldier of the Revolutionary War and a pensioner of Westchester County, New York.

The data furnished herein are obtained from the papers on file in pension claim, W.19352, based upon the service of Moses Sherwood in that war.

Moses Sherwood was born in the year 1762, in Westchester County, New York.

While a resident of Westchester County, New York, he volunteered about May 1, 1779, served as a private in Captain William Dutcher's Company, Lieutenant Colonel James Hamman's New York Regiment, was taken prisoner sometime in June, was carried by the enemy to the Old Sugar House in New York and confined there until October 20, when he was exchanged, returned to his company in Westchester County and served until the expiration of service of one year; he enlisted the latter part of May, 1780, at the Manor of Philippsburg (which was later Mount Pleasant), Westchester County, and served six months in the quartermaster department under Colonel Hows, most of the time stationed at Kings ferry in that county. He enlisted April 1, 1782, served as private in Captain Andrew White's Company, Colonel Weisenfels' New York Regiment, was transferred some time in May and served in Captain Moody's Company, (6) Colonel Lamb's New York Regiment until sometime in January, 1783, when he was discharged at West Point.

Moses Sherwood was allowed pension on his application executed August 2, 1832, at which time he resided in Mount Pleasant, Westchester County, New York; he had resided in that county all of his life, with the exception of about four years.

The soldier died February 17, 1837, in Mount Pleasant, New York.

Moses Sherwood married sometime in October, 1783, in New Hackensack, Dutchess County, New York, Applonea, or Apolonia Rosencrantze.

The soldier's widow, Applonea, or Apolonia Sherwood was allowed pension on her application executed August 31, 1838, at which time she was seventy- six years of age; she resided then in Mount Pleasant, New York.

The soldier and his wife had children, the oldest, a son, whose name is not given, had been dead about twenty-seven years in 1839, and it was stated that at the time of his death he was married and had four children, the name of his wife or children not stated; John two years younger than the above noted son, was born November 9, 1786 and, in 1839 was living in Mount Pleasant, New York, he married on January 17, 1818, Fanny Weeks, who was born April 2, 1797, and the names of their children are as follow—Mary, born October 29, 1818; Cynthy, born November 25, 1820; Ausin, born February 4, 1823; Elizer Ann, born December 18, 1824; Edward, born April 4, 1829; and John Sherwood, Junior, born October 22, 1832, died August 20, 1832. (?) (7) No other names of the soldier's children were given.

In 1838, the soldier's brother, Aaron Shearwood (as his signature appears), was sixty-nine years of age; he resided then in Mount Pleasant, New York. One Gershom Sherwood owned a farm in Westchester County, New York, in 1817, no relationship to the soldier's family stated.

End Notes—Moses Sherwood—W.19352

1. Samuel Youngs had served in Captain Andrew White's Company in Colonel Frederick Weisenfels Regiment of New York State Levies of 1782. Samuel Also had served in Weisenfels' in 1781 as a Lieutenant in Captain Thomas Hunt's Company.
2. Moses is in error of the year for this service as William Dutcher had been appointed Captain on September 13, 1775 in Colonel Joseph Drake's First Regiment of Westchester County militia but on June 16, 1778 Daniel Martling was appointed Captain of this company. The other company officers were: Gershom Sherwood as the First Lieutenant, John VanWart as the Second Lieutenant and Peter Pawling was the Ensign.
3. James Hammond (Hamman, Hammon, etc.) was the Lieutenant Colonel of the First Westchester.
4. Moses is either referring to Colonel Hugh Hughes or Colonel Udney Hays of the Quartermaster Department.
5. Moses is not listed as part of Captain Andrew White's company but is listed as belonging to Weisenfels Levies. According to the "Payroll of Levies Under the command of Col. Frederick Weisenfels who were drafted from his Regiment into the Continental Army for the month of May 1782", Moses is listed as follows:

Names		commencing 1782	Ending 1782
Moses Sherwood	Private	May 1	May 31
Month	Dollars Month	Amount of Pay	

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FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 77, Folder 169, National Archives, Washington, D.C.

6. Andrew Moody was a Captain in Colonel John Lamb's Second Regiment of Continental Artillery. In checking the Muster Rolls for this company, none of the 1782 levies are listed in this company. FROM: Revolutionary War Rolls 1775-1783, Series M-246, Roll 119, Folder 45, National Archives, Washington, D.C. However in Folder 50, Roll 120, are six muster rolls for these levies and Moses is listed on all of them. The levies were never listed as part of any particular company but they were obviously serving in the various companies.
7. This date of death appears to belong to John Sherwood Junr but if it does, it is incorrect.