

Pension Application for Peter Sniffen or Sniffin

W.19072 (Widow: Mary) Surviving children: Sarah Comstock, Ruth Peter, Elizabeth Anthony. Oldest daughter Charlotte "Dyed" the 19 of May 1795 and was in her sixteenth year of her age. Solomon B. Kniffin dyed the fifteenth day of July 1817. Peter Kniffin died January 23rd 1821 in the 70th year of his age. Mary Kniffin died 21 January 1841. Mary died the day after giving the following deposition.

State of New York

Saratoga County SS.

On this twentieth day of January eighteen hundred and forty one, personally appeared before [blank] Mary Sniffin of the town of Stillwater in the County aforesaid aged eighty three years, who first being duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress passed 4th July 1836. That she is the widow of Peter Sniffin who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War in Colonel Thomas Regt in Capt. Lawrence's Company New York Militia.

That she was married in a place called Lower Salem in West Chester County by Parson Mead on the tenth day of September seventeen hundred and seventy seven. That she knows of no record and that Parson Mead is dead.

That in about one year after my marriage, the said Peter went to [?] Bridge and stood guard a short time. Then to Thorn Neck where he remained some time and that he served at other times in all not less than eighteen months. And that the said Peter died on the seventy third day of January 1821 in the seventieth year of his age, that she has remained a widow ever since.

Sworn and subscribed on the day and year above written before me. [No signature from the deponent or the person taking the deposition.]

In pursuance of a law passed the 27th of April 1784, entitled "An act for the settlement of the pay of the Levies and Militia, for their services in the late war, and for other purposes therein mentioned," the following certificates have been issued, bearing interest at five percent per annum, viz:

1778, November 12, Peter Kniffen, Private 5-1—2

1779, September 17, Peter Sniffen, Private 10-15-1

1779, May 15, Peter Kniffen, Private 16-5-11

1779 June 30, Peter Kniffen, Private 6-3-4 [all crossed out]

10 mo. 21 da.

State of New York Comptroller's Office, Albany June 24th 1842.

I hereby certify the above to be true extracts from book no. 9, now remaining in this office and that the service for which the certificates above named were issued, were performed under the following officers, voz:

First under Capt. Caleb Lawrence in Col. Thomas's Regt.

Second under Capt. Caleb Lawrence in Col. Thomas's Regt.

Third under Capt. Caleb Lawrence in Col. Thomas's Regt.

Fourth under Lieut. Joseph Vail in Col. Samuel Drake's Regt.

Philip Phelps Dept. Comptroller.