

Pension Application for Peter Van Nooy or Vernooy

R.10880 (Widow: Mary or Maria) Peter died June 11, 1813.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

On this 29th day of May 1840 personally appeared before me Samuel Stilwell one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the County aforesaid, Mary Van Nooy a resident of the town of WaWarsing [sic] county and State aforesaid aged ninety three 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 made by the act of Congress passed July 4th 1836.

That she is the widow of Peter Van Nooy who was a soldier in the war of the Revolution. That she was married to the said Peter Van Nooy on the 11th day of September 1773 at her father's house in the town of Marbletown County and State aforesaid by the Rev [blank] Romaine pastor of the Dutch Reformed Church in the Towns of Rochester and Marbletown. That during the said war they resided on the West side of Shawangunk Mountain on what was called the Western Frontiers in WaWarsing Ulster County.

That the house occupied by herself & husband was used as a fort that soldiers were stationed there and the said Mary attended to the cooking, and that her said husband when not engaged at home in the capacity of a Soldier was out on duty along the lien of said Frontiers at Peenpack, Mamakating, WaWarsing, Kingston and as far North as Albany on different tours of service and was commanded by different officers. Sometimes under Captain Schoonmaker, Capt Westbrouck, Capt Bevier, Lieutenant DeWitt, Lieut Jansen and sometimes under the command of a Sergeant and on account of old age and loss of memory she cannot recollect all ;the different officers names that her said husband served under nor give the dates or the length of the different tours of service but well recollects that her said husband was out every season on duty and alarms on said Frontiers during the war. And that she has no any documentary evidence in her possession in support of her said husbands services but must rely on the records and such living witnesses as she may be able to procure. She further declares on oath that the reason why she has not applied previous to this time was that some of her children were opposed to it.

She further declares on her oath that her said husband Peter Van Nooy died the eleventh day of June 1813 and that she has remained his widow ever since the death of her said husband Peter Van Nooy. She further declares that her name previous to marriage was Mary Clearwater. (Signed with her mark) Mary van Nooy

Sworn and subscribed before me by making her mark. Day and year above written. Samuel Stilwell one of the Judges of Ulster County Courts;.