

**Pension Application for William Baldwin**

W.21624 (Widow: Sarah) Married May 15, 1775. William died October 7, 1819.

I William Baldwin of Pelham in the County of Hampshire & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do testify & say; that I enlisted as a corporal in the service of the United States & joined the company commanded by Capt. Spaulding, in the month of March, which was in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred & seventy six, which company composed a part of the regiment commanded by Col Read.

The ensuing summer I marched to Canada & soon returned to Mount Independence where I served as a carpenter in the public service about one year.

In the year seventeen hundred & seventy seven I enlisted as a carpenter in a company of artificers commanded by Capt Thayer, in the regiment commander Col. Baldwin of Brookfield, in which company I served nine months. In the summer of the year seventeen hundred & seventy eight, I again enlisted as an artificer at West Point, in the Regiment under the command [of] Colonel Koscinko, where I served about six months when I was honorably discharged.

That I do further testify that I am sixty eight years of age & destitute of property & need the said of my country for support. (Signed) William Baldwin

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Franklin SS. April 21, AD 1818. There personally appeared William Baldwin signer to the foregoing declaration and made solemn oath to the truth of the same. Before me. Jona. Leavitt. L Judge of the Circuit Court of Common Pleas.