

Pension Application for Reuben Bangs

W.18551 (Widow: Lucy) Married December 13, 1781, Rueben died July 11, 1822.

Declaration. Of Lucy Bangs in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 7th July 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."

State of Vermont

Orleans County SS.

On this fifth day of October AD 1839 personally appeared before the Probate Court within and for the district of Orleans Lucy Bangs a resident of [Stanstead?] in the Province of Lower Canada aged seventy seven years who being duly sworn according to Law doth on her oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 7th 1838 entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows":--That she is the widow of Reuben Bangs who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War that he enlisted in the seventh of February or March A.D. 1776 at Williamsburgh in the State of Massachusetts and County of Hampshire into the company commanded by Captain Allen and Sergeant Cleveland and went to the City of New York, and was there when New York was taken by the British.

That he enlisted for a year and was absent about a year.

That in the summer of 1777 he enlisted again into the same company and went ton Bennington Vermont, was in the battle and returned sometime in October of the same year --that in the year 1778. L He went to Dorchester Massachusetts and staid about three months under Captain Samuel Fairfield who was Captain of the Militia at that place.

She further declares that she was married to the said Reuben Bangs on the Thirteenth day of December 1781. That her husband the aforesaid Reuben Bangs died on the eleventh day of July A.D. 1822 and that she has remained a widow ever since his death.

That she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service; but the marriage took place previous to the first of January. Seventeen hundred and ninety four viz at the time above stated. (Signed) Rueben Bangs

The foregoing declaration of Lucy Bangs sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me. Joseph Wiggins, Judge Probate.