

### Pension Application for Stephen Barker

W.10371 (Widow: Elizabeth, Betsey, or Bes) Stephen Barker and Betsey Barker married July the 8<sup>th</sup> 1805.

Stephen born August the 2d 1759.

Betsey Barker born August the 16<sup>th</sup> 17[?]

Betsey Barker born February the 2d 17[?]

Harriet Massy born August the 10<sup>th</sup> [?]

[?] born March 23d 1800.

William Massy born July the 17<sup>th</sup> 1804.

Lewis Barker born March the 24, 1806.

Salley Barker born in October 18<sup>th</sup> 1807.

John Barker born September the 9<sup>th</sup> 1809.

Stephen Barker Junior born March the 30<sup>th</sup> 1812.

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The Commonwealth of Kentucky

Fleming County SS.

On this ninth day of September 1818 before me the subscriber one of the Judges of the Circuit Court, in and for the state aforesaid personally appeared Stephen Barker aged about fifty nine who being by me first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following statement and declaration in order to obtain the provision made by the late law of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War."

That he is a Citizen of the State of Kentucky and resident in the County of Fleming at Poughkeepsie in the State of New York on the second day of May 1778 under Capt. Dewitt in Colo Gansevort's Regt., and when the new arrangement took place was transferred to Colo VanScolks [sic] first New Yourk [sic] Regt in Capt. Sytug's County and continued there until the conclusion of the war.

When he was honorably discharged from service at or new Newborough [sic] in the State of New Yourk. That he was in service upwards of five years and was at the taking of Lord Corn Wallace and a great many other skirmishes not now recollected and was in the battle at New Town against the Indians. And that he is in reduced circumstances and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support, and that he has lost his discharges and has no evidence in his power of his services and discharge at this time but those hereunto annexed.

Sworn and declares before m e the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) A. Beatty. (Adam Beatty, Judge)

Letter in file dated January 21, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim W.10371, it appears that Stephen Barker was born, August 2, 1759 or 1760, place not stated.

He enlisted at Poughkeepsie, New York, May 2, 1778 and served as a private in Captains Swartwout's and DeWitt's Companies, Colonel Gansevort's Third New York Regiment, was transferred to Captain Sytez's Company, Colonel VanSchaick's First New York Regiment, was in the battle of Newtown and at the taking of Cornwallis and served five years.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 9, 1818, at which time he was living in Fleming County, Kentucky. He died, September 16, 1843, in Grant County, Kentucky.

The soldier married, July 8, 1805, in Madison County, Kentucky, Elizabeth or Betsey Massy. She was born February 2, 1781.

She was allowed pension on her application executed November 17, 1853, at which time she was living in Grant County, Kentucky.

In 1820, the following children were referred to:

Lewis, aged fourteen years, Sarah, aged twelve years; Julia, aged ten years; Ellison, aged eight years; Reuben, aged six years; Simeon, aged four years; Nancy, aged three years; and Ivy, aged one year. In 1854, a son, L.O. Barker was living in Walton, Boone County, Kentucky.

There are no further family data.