

### **Pension Application for Nathaniel Burchard**

W.20807 -- Widow Mariam or Miriam who died October 31, 1846 in Seneca NY. Surviving children, Ira D. Burchard, Lucinda Ellis, Joseph Burchard, Samuel Burchard, Sally Arket & Parmelia Thompson. Nathaniel died February 27, 1843. They married October 13 1785.

State of New York

Otsego County SS.

Be it remembered that on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 before me Abijah H. Beach one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for Otsego County personally appeared Nathaniel Burchard a resident of the Town of Unadilla in said County who being duly sworn according to law doth declare & say that he served the United States in the Revolutionary War as a private soldier in the company commanded by Captain Israel Smith in the Regiment commanded by Colo. Phillip V'n Courtland in the line of the State of New York on the Continental Establishment that he made application for a pension on the eleventh day of April 1818 in conformity with the law of Congress passed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 that he received a certificate of Pension from the War Department of the United States dated the sixth day of December 1819 and numbered 16,234 and the said Burchard doth further say on his oath as aforesaid that he is over fifty eight years of age.

That he is a common Laborer and that by reason of age & bodily infirmities he is unable to do half a days work in a day that he has a wife who is fifty nine years of age and has been confined to her bed for six years past by sickness & general debility. Our son Joseph of a feeble constitution can work some part of the time one daughter Lorana aged 28 years feeble & sickly from infancy one daughter Rebeckah 12 years old much afflicted with bodily complaints. One daughter Sally 19 years of age in good health & is employed to assist & nurse the family that he has been at much experience for doctoring & nursing & necessarys for several years past and has not had the means of defraying it otherwise than by the help of poor masters of the town & the Charity of Individuals until he received his pension money which is now his greatest dependence and further the said Nathaniel Burchard did thereupon take and subscribe before me the said Abijah H. Beach a Judge as aforesaid on oath in the words following viz. I Nathaniel Burchard do solemnly swear that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner whatever disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provision of an act 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 passed the 18<sup>th</sup> day of March 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property or securities contracts of debts due to me nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed. (Signed) Nathaniel Burchard

Sworn to & subscribed on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 before Abijah H. Beach, Judge as aforesaid

A schedule containing the whole estate and income both real & personal of Nathaniel Burchard necessary clothing & bedding excepted taken & subscribed by the said Burchard before me the said Abijah H. Beach on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June 1820 viz.

1 Cow & 7 pigs 20 days old \$5.50

The milk of one cow this summer (not my cow)

1 sheep 1.00

A share in an old plow and an old wagon 5.00

7 harrow [?] 1.25

2 old axes & 1 old hoe 2.25

Some few articles of house furniture very old and not sufficient for the familys use and not a feather bed in the house nor sufficient bed cloths. \$21.00 Nathaniel Burchard