

Pension Application for John C. Decker

R.2830 [not much in this file, really bad spelling]

My Father John C. Decker was married to my mother his second wife 1790.

In the State of Connecticut, Town of Norfolk, my father enlisted in Collumbia [Columbia] Co., NY, and I claim eight months servis [service] from the fact that he told me with his own mouth that he served six months and was taken sick and sent home on furlow and before he got well so as to return the company or regiment, was, dismissed eh served as a carpenter on or near Lake Champlain, my father died 1834 in Steuben, Co., NY in the 88th year of his age.

My mother died 1843 in her 76th year of her age. Thare [there] is four children living there is two mor that we have not heard from for some times do not know whether living or dead.

Avoca May 5th 1854. Dear Sir the above is what I have got from my parents and if nessary [necessary] I would be qualified to it while my father was yet living I thought I would get a pension for him and wrote a letter to Graten H. Wheler then a congress [sic] man from this Co. and he wrote me an answer that he would do, all he could for me and thar I droped it, then my father gave me the details of his services the aprticular time he enlisted I do not remember I do not se why you could not receive this testimony as suficent the certificate from Albany is one witness that he did serve and now I give the time he did, serve my mother would be entitled to something if I could get anything you must have good patience for my [?] shud weary you, please write me a line.

I am yours be Eliphalet Decker.

LP Wald a Com. of pensions