

Pension Application for Peter Ellwood or Elwood

W.16568 (Widow: Peggy) Peter died Dec. 30, 1831.

Letter in folder dated February 19, 1934, written in response to an inquiry.

The data contained herein are obtained from the papers on file in the Revolutionary War claim for pension, W.16568, based upon military service of Peter Elwood, in that war.

Peter Elwood served nine month in 1777 as a batteauaman under Captain William Peters. He also served nine months in 1779 and nine months in 1780 as a batteauaman under Captain Samuel Gray. He enlisted, place not stated, in April 1782, served as private under Captains Guy Young, Joel Gillett, Nathaniel Henry and Jacob Diffendorff in Colonels Marinus Willett's and Samuel Clyde's New York Regiments and was discharged the last of December 1782. His name is borne on the military rolls as Ellwood and Allwood.

Soldier married October 3, 1782, Peggy, born September 1, 1761, place not stated. She was the daughter of David Nellis who was born December 25, 1729, date of his death not given, and his wife, Anna Casselman Nellis, date of her birth not stated, she died September 1, 1761. They were married September 17, 1754, place not stated.

Soldier died December 30, 1831, place not stated, and no reference is made to his parents. The date and place of his birth are not given.

Soldier's widow, Peggy, died October 11, 1840 in Minden Montgomery County New York.

On February 11, 1842 Henry Elwood, a resident of Danube, Herkimer County, New York applied for pension which was due on account of the services of his father, Peter Elwood, in the Revolutionary War. He applied on behalf of himself and his surviving brothers and sisters, David Elwood, Peter Elwood, George Elwood, Nancy, wife of John D. Miller, Betsey, wife of Urial Bauter, Peggy, wife of Luther Lewis and Mary, wife of Jacob Walts, their residences not stated. The claim was allowed.

The names of the following children of Peter and his wife Peggy Nellis Elwood are shown:

Nancy or Anna Elwood born July 14, 1783.

John Elwood born December 25, 1785.

Richard Elwood born May 14, 1787.

Mary or Maria Elwood born March 6, 1790.

Elisabeth or Betsey Elwood born March 14, 1792.

David Elwood born January 5, 1794.

Henry Elwood born April 17, 1798.

The names of the sisters and brother of the widow, Peggy Elwood, are shown as John, born December 10, 1755, Elisabeth, born September 12, 1757, and Anna, born October 18, 1759.

In 1842 Nancy Gramps made affidavit in Fulton County, New York, and stated that she was the sister of soldier's widow, Peggy Nellis Elwood. It is not shown whether or not she was identical with the sister Anna above named. In 1842, one

John H. Gramps was Treasurer of the Reformed Dutch Church at Stone Arabia, no relationship to the family stated. There are no further family data.