

**Pension Application for Nicholas Forbes, Farbush, Forbush, Forbis, etc.**

R. 3647

(Wife Sarah)

State of New York

County of Madison SS.

On this 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 1846 in Court of Common Pleas Open Court now sitting at Morrisville in said county before the Judges thereof personally appeared Nancy Auguish aged fifty seven years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the act of Congress passed July 1836.

That she is one of the children of Nicholas and Sarah Forbes sometimes spelled & called Forbush & which is one and the same name.—That her said father the aforesaid Nicholas Forbes or Forbush (1) was as Declarant has always understood & believes a private soldier in the War of the Revolution and at that time [he] resided in what is now known as the County of Herkimer and State aforesaid.

That during war he said father was taken prisoner (2) by the enemy & as she has always understood & believes & carried to Canada. How long he was kept a prisoner declarant doth not now recollect.

She further declares that her said father died upwards of twenty years ago, and at the time of his death left a widow viz Sarah Forbes or Forbush. That she remains a widow until the time of her death which death took place on the twenty fifth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty four.

That the name of the oldest child of the said Nicholas & Sarah was Mercy or Marily & who died when about fourteen or fifteen years of age and the name of the next child was Bartholomew who is now upwards of sixty years of age. That at the time of the death of this declarants mother the said Sarah Forbes or Forbush she left her surviving six children viz Barthomew and Nathaniel Forbes or Forbush, Polly Button, Olive Jencks, Christina Allen and Nancy Auguish (this declarant) that they are her only surviving children and each of them are over twenty one years of age. Declarant further saith that she has been informed & believes that the amount of pension which was due her said mother is now due the children & she makes this declaration in behalf of said children for the purpose of obtaining it under the aforesaid act of Congress.

She further declares that she has always understood that some of the children of this declarants parents were babtised [baptized] by the Revd Mr. Rosecrants then Pastor of a Church in the vicinity where her parents then resided viz in Herkimer County and State [record ends here]

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Bartholomew Forbes of Lenox in the county and State aforesaid aged sixty one years last August who being first duly sworn according to law deposeseth. That he is one of the children of Nicholas and Sarah Forbes deceased, sometimes spelled

Forbush & which is one and the same name: That his said father the aforesaid Nicholas Forbes or Forbush was as deponent has always understood and believes a private soldier in the War of the Revolution and at that time resided in what is now known as the County of Herkimer and State.

That during said war his said father was taken prisoner by the enemy and as deponent has always understood & believes carried to Canada, how long he was kept a prisoner deponent doth not now recollect. Deponent also saith that his said father died upwards of twenty years ago, and at the time of his death left a widow viz Sarah Forbes or Forbush, that she remained a widow until the time of her death and that she died on the twenty-fifth day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty four: That the name of the oldest child of said Nicholas and Sarah was Mercy or Marchy who died when about fourteen or fifteen years of age and this deponent was the next child & was born in the month of August in the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty four: That at the time of the death of this declarants mother she left her surviving six children viz Bartholomew and Nathaniel Forbes or Forbush, Nancy Auguish, Polly Button, Olive Jencks, and Christina Allen.

That they are her only surviving children and each of them are over twenty one years of age—Deponent further saith that he has always understood & believes that some of the children of his said parents were baptilised [baptized] by the Revd Mr. Rosecrants then Pastor of a church in the vicinity where his parents then resided viz in Herkimer county aforesaid and further that he has always understood & believes that his said parents were married before the year one thousand seven hundred and eighty and that they lived together and were always reputed as husband and wife until the death of his said father from which time his said mother remained a widow until the time of the death as aforesaid.

(Signed) Bartt Forbes.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1846.

N. S. Cady SS. Justice of the Peace.

End Notes—R.3647—Nicholas Forbes

1. A Nicholas Forbush served in Captain Jost Dygert's Company in Colonel Samuel Campbell's First Regiment of Tryon county Militia. This company would have been in the present day Town of Danube, Herkimer County. There were other Forbes or Forbush's that served in Campbell's Regiment. There was a Mabus [Mavis] Forbush who served in Captain Frederick Getman's Company in Colonel Peter Bellinger's Fourth Regiment of Tryon County Militia. This company was also formed in what is now Herkimer County but on the north side of the Mohawk River in what is now the Town of Fairfield and part of the Town of Manheim.
2. In a roll of mrn to be paid for the time that they had been captured and imprisoned by the British in Canada for Colonel Jacob Klock's Regiment of Tryon County Militia [Second Regiment], Nicholas Forbush's name appears on this list. *"To Nicholas Forbush Private in said Regt from 10<sup>th</sup> April 1780 to 19<sup>th</sup> May 1783 is 37 Mo & 9 days @ 5 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 99 . .9 . . 4" audited 6<sup>th</sup> August 1785."*

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