

Pension Application for Lemuel Fox

R.3733 Ruth Randall (Former widow)

This woman was pensioned as the former widow of her 2d husband, John Clark, Continental (New York) W.26348

Declaration

State of New York

Onondaga County SS.

Be it remembered on the 28th day of February Eighteen hundred & forty nine before the County Court of Onondaga County & State of New York personally appeared at the Court House in said County Ruth Fox in open court and after being duly sworn made the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress of 7th of July 1838 4 March 1843 17th June 1844 and of 2d Feb. 1848 granting half pay & pensions to certain widows— That she is the widow of Lemuel Fox who was a soldier in the War of the Revolution, that he went from Dutchess County in the State of New York—That she thinks she has heard him mention Matchin as an officer under whom he served. That she thinks he was out nine months (1) in one time & at other times in all about one year. That she the said Ruth Fox, Formerly Ruth Barnum was married to the above mentioned Lemuel Fox on the 28th day of June seventeen hundred & Eighty nine in the then town of Phillipstown, now town of Nassau & State of New York by the Rev'd Wm. Newman—That the record of the births of her children has been kept in her family bible that she was not married to the said Lemuel Fox prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place prior to 1st of January 1794 namely on the day & year above stated—That her husband the said Lemuel Fox died on the 17th day August 1808 at Camillus in the County of Onondage & State of New York. (Signed with her mark) Ruth Fox

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 28th day of February 1849 by Ruth Fox who does not write. James R. Lawrence, Judge of Onondaga County N.Y.

From the family record, in the Bible:

Lemuel Fox married to Miss Ruth Barnum on the 28th day of June 1789

Amos Fox born July 16th 1791

Sarah Fox born June 16th 1793

Joel Fox born December 25th 1795

Daniel Fox born March 23d 1798

Rebecca Fox born July 17th 1800

Richard Fox born December 17th 1802

Polly Fox born August 25th 1805

Lemuel Fox departed this life on the 17th day of August 1808.

Letter in the pension file.

May 29, 1936

Mrs. Mary N. Shepard

6802 Santa Fe avenue

Huntington Park, California

Dear Madam:

The data which follow are obtained from the papers on file in Revolutionary War pension claim, R.3733, based upon the military service in that war of Lemuel Fox.

The date and place of birth and the names of the parents of Lemuel Fox are not shown.

Lemuel Fox married June 28, 1789 at Phillipstown (later Nassau), New York, Miss Ruth Barnum. The date and place of her birth and the names of her parents are not shown.

He died August 17, 1808, at Camillus, New York.

On February 28, 1849, said Ruth applied for the pension which might have been due on account of the service of her husband, Lemuel Fox in the Revolutionary War, and alleged that he enlisted in Dutchess County, New York, and served in Captain Machin's (2) Company and in Colonel Gansevort's (3) New York Regiment; dates of service not given. She signed, by mark, Ruth Fox, However, in 1852 she signed by mark, Ruth Randall.

Her claim was not allowed as she failed to furnish proof of service for six months as required by the pension laws.

The names of the following children of Lemuel and Ruth Fox are shown:

Amos Fox, born July 16, 1791

Sarah Fox, born June 16, 1793

Joel Fox, born December 25, 1795

Daniel Fox, born March 23, 1798

Rebecca Fox, born July 17, 1800

Richard Fox, born December 17, 1802

Polly Fox, born August 25, 1805

Hannah Fox, born February 21, 1808

Very truly yours, A.D. Hiller, Executive Assistant to the Administrator

End Notes—R.3733—Lemuel Fox

1. Lemuel's name appears as a private in Captain Daniel William's Company in Lieutenant Colonel Commandent Albert Pawling's Regiment of New York State Levies. Unfortunately a date is not given and Captain Williams served in Pawling's Regiment in 1780 and 1781.
2. Thomas Machin served as a Captain-Lieutenant and a full Captain in 1781 in Colonel John Lamb's Second Regiment of Continental Artillery. So far no record of Lemuel serving in said regiment has been found.
3. Peter Gansevort was the Colonel of the Third New York Continental Regiment from November 21, 1776 to January 1, 1781. Again Lemeul's name does not appear in the muster rolls of this regiment.