

### **Pension Application for Benjamin Fuller**

W.15768 (Widow: Mary) Married at age 16 to Benjamin February 10, 1779 by Elder Lenake in Spencertown. Benjamin died September 23, 1808.

B.L.Wt.14757-160-55

State of New York

Cortland County SS.

Personally appeared before the subscriber Herman S. Conger, a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Mary Fuller Resident of Freetown in said County aged eighty years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth depose and say that she is the widow of Benjamin Fuller late of Spencertown, Columbia County N.Y. deceased.

That this deponent made her application for a pension in the Month of September 1845—under the act of July 4<sup>th</sup> 1836.

That at the time she made her declaration she did not know that it was important to set forth in said declaration the fact that her husband the said Benjamin Fuller was taken prisoner into Canada nor did she know that fact only from the declarations of her husband and others.

This deponent now says that she has been informed by her said husband that he was taken prisoner and taken into Canada some time in the latter part of his service under Capt. Sherwood.

This deponent further says that she is upwards of Eighty years of age and that she was married to her husband the aforesaid Benjamin Fuller on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February seventeen hundred and seventy nine (1779) as set forth in her original declaration. And at the time of her said marriage she was only fourteen years of age. (Signed with her mark) Mary Fuller

Sworn and subscribed this 22d day of July 1846 before H. S. Conger, Justice of the Peace.

Letter in folder dated January 24, 1927, written in response to an inquiry.

I have to advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim W.15768, it appears that Benjamin Fuller was drafted at Spencertown, Columbia County, New York in 1777 and served nine months or one year as a private in Captain Mallery's Company, Colonel McKinstry's New York Regiment, and was at the taking of Burgoyne.

He died at Greenville, New York, September 23, aged about fifty-eight years.

Soldier married February 10, 1778 or 1779 at Spencertown, New York, Mary Sisson. She was allowed pension on her application executed September 17, 1846, while a resident of Freetown, Cortland County, New York, aged eighty years.

Son, James was born in December 1784, an older child is referred, no name is stated, and there is no further data on file relative to children.

She died July 10, 1855.