

Pension Application for William Groat

W.19529 (Widow: Catharine) Married Cathrina Flag or Flagg June 12, 1791 in the Reformed Dutch Church of Schenectada Rev'd Dirck Romeyn Pastor. Note: the widow is also listed as Elizabeth on one document. William died November 2, 1793.

State of New York

County of Albany SS.

On this first day of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight personally appeared before the Justices Court of the City of Albany (the same being a Court of record) Catherine Groat or Grote a resident of said City aged seventy three years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions made by the act of Congress passed July 7, 1838, entitled "An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows."—

That she is the widow of William Groat or Grote, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, and served as a private in the First New York Regiment.

She further declares that she was married to the said William Groat, otherwise called Grote, in the month of June in the year one thousand seven hundred & ninety one—that her husband the aforesaid William Groat died on the second day of November in the year one thousand seven hundred & ninety one that her husband the aforesaid William Groat died on the second day of November in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety three; that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January seventeen hundred and ninety four, viz at the time above stated.

She further states that her surname previous to her marriage was Flagg, and that she was married in the City of Schenectady, & the ceremony was performed by the Rev'd Mr. Romeyn, Pastor of the Reformed Protestant Dutch church in that City.

And that she does not know of any record of said marriage being now in existence—and that never having learned to write she makes a mark or cross for her signature. (signed with her mark) Catharine Groat

Sworn & subscribed on the day & year first above written in open court. John G. Wasson, Clk.