

Pension Application for James Lyons

W.26208 (Former Widow: Phebe Lewis) James died 1793, second husband died Sept 7th 1832.

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State of New York

Ontario County SS.

On this 17th day of February A.D. 1846, personally appeared before the Court of Common Pleas holden at Canandaigua in the said County said Court being a Court of record and before the Judges thereof, Phebe Lewis a resident of the town of Gorham in said County aged eighty one years and upwards, 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 acts of Congress passed July 7th 1838 and the act of 17th June 1844, and also of the act of 3d of March 1843, "Entitled an act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows &c."

That she is the widow of Ebenezer Lewis and formerly the widow of Ebenezer Lewis and formerly the widow of James Lyons, who was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.

That her former Husband the said James Lyons resided at the commencement of the Revolution & also principally during the Revolution in the town of Rye in the County of Westchester in the State of New York. That her said former husband the said James Lyons served as a private and soldier at several different tours in the Revolution. That the short time she lived with the said James Lyons, to wit about five years before his death, and the long time since his death, that she is not able to state particularly and definitely his said service in the Revolution.

But she frequently heard him say that he was in the service on the lines, that she also heard and verily [verily] believes that he served at one time under Col. VanSchaick in Capt Hicks Company—in the New York Troops, & that he also served under other officers at several different Tours.

But her age, and the long time his death she does not now distinctly recollects, and Cannot State definitely under who he served in the different tours—nor the length of time of each term of service, but she understood that he also held some office while he was in said service, but cannot State—the particulars—

She further declares that she was married to her said former husband the said James Lyons on the 17th day of September 1787 at a place called New Lebanon in the County of Columbia in the State of New York by a Justice of the peace. Whose name she does not now recollect.

That her said former Husband the said James Lyons, died in the City of New York in the spring of the year 1792. The month and day she does not now recollect. The old family record containing his name and birth of our children having been a great many years since lost or destroyed. But the names and births of her children by her said former husband was transferred from the old record about eighteen years ago into the family record which is now in her possession and herewith sent. That she

had two children by her said former husband the said James Lyons and whose names and births is in her present said family record hereunto annexed.

She further declares that she was afterwards married to Ebenezer Lewis on the 14th day of July 1796, at the village of Geneva in the County of Ontario in the State of New York by a Justice of the peace by the name of Sisson, who she is informed & verily believes has been a long time dead.

She further declares that her said late husband the said Ebenezer Lewis died at the town of Gorham in the said County of Ontario on the 7th day of September in the year 1832—that she was a widow on 7th day of July 1838. That she has not intermarried but continues the widow of the said Ebenezer Lewis her late husband. That she was not married to her said former husband prior to his last period of service but the marriage took place previous to the 1st day of January 1784—to wit as aforesaid. (Signed) Phebe Lewis

Subscriber and sworn this 18th day of February 1846 in open court before me.
John Lapham, Judge of Ontario County Courts.

BIRTHS

Betsey Lyon [????] was born June 11, 1788, died July 19, 1829.

Phebe Lyon was born Nov 9, 1792.

Louisa Lewis was born April 22, 1797.

Maria Lewis was born Nov 6, 1798.

Gustavus A. Lewis was born Jan 19, 1801.

Julia W. Lewis was born Aug 17, 1803, Julia W. Rice died August 7th 1832.

Ebenezer Lewis and Phebe Lyons were married July 14, 1796.