

Pension Application for Michael Lyons

W.20550 (Widow: Mary) Married September 15, 1790, he died 14 January 1818.

State of New York

Ulster County SS.

Mary Lyons of Marbletown in said County being sworn says that she is eighty years of age—that she is the widow of Michael Lyons, late of Marbletown in said County deceased—that her original maiden name was Mary Shorter, and that she is a daughter of Frederick Shorter deceased—that she was first married to William Teas of Marbletown aforesaid, who died in the month of February 1786—

That after the death of said William, to wit on the fifteenth day of September one thousand seven hundred and ninety she was married to the said Michael Lyons by the Rev'd Mr. Doll of Kingston—that her said husband died on the 14th day of January 1818, since which time said deponent has remained a widow—that said deponent was well acquainted with said Lyons before the revolutionary war, and during the same—that he lived in the same town with, and but a short distance from said Deponent—said Deponent well remembers that said Lyon in the year 1775 went in the Company of Capt. Bruyn in the expedition against St. Johns, Montreal &c for the term of five months—said Deponent also recollects that afterwards said Michael Lyons, enlisted in the Continental Army for the term of Three years and did serve the same, and understood from him that he served said term in Capt. Loundsbergers Company in Col. Cortlandt's regiments—recollects also that said Lyons was in Sullivans expedition against the Indians and has heard him tell of his sufferings in the same—has also heard him tell of the Battle of Burgoyne—that he was in the hottest of said battle, and that many were shot down around him—that he shot all his Cartridges in said Battle, and then another took his place till he could replenish them.

Said Deponent father states that in the year 1782 the said Michael Lyons was wounded on the frontiers, while out on a Scout against the Indians that he suffered much until his death from said wound, and said Deponent verily believes that said wound hastened his death. (Signed) Mary Lyons

Sworn to & Subscribed this 1st day of December 1828 before me. Abm G. Hardenbergh, J. Peace.