

### **Pension Application for John Monk**

W.25727 (Widow: Nancy)

B.L.Wt.86044-160-55

This woman rejected as former widow Thomas Callaghan, N.Y. R.7299

State of New York

County of Jefferson SS.

On this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1858 personally appeared before me a Justice of the Peace within and for the County & State aforesaid Nancy Monk aged 89 years a resident of Alexandria in the State of New York who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of John Monk deceased who was a private in the Revolutionary Army and a pensioner of the United States under the act of June 7, 1832 at the rate of thirty dollars per annum and placed on the New York (Albany) pension Roll by certificate dated July 9<sup>th</sup> 1838 which certificate has been sent to the Pension Office with my claim for a pension.

She further states that she was married to the said John Monk in Oppenheim New York on the second day of September 1821 by the Revd Augustus Beach and that her name before her said marriage was Nancy Calligan widow of Thomas Calligan; that she knows of no record of her marriage public or private; that her said husband died at Theresa Jefferson County New York on the [blank] day of [blank] 1846 and that she is now a widow.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3d 1855. And she further declares that she has not received or applied for bounty land under this or any other act of Congress, and that he said John Monk her husband never received bounty land under any act of Congress, and she hereby appoints Adriel Ely of Watertown New York her attorney to prosecute her claim and receive a warrant therefor. (Signed with her mark) Nancy Monk

Letter in folder dated July 2, 19[??]

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, W.25727, it appears that John Monk was born at Minden, Montgomery County, New York, date not stated. It is stated that he was a Dutchman.

He enlisted in March 1777 and served nine months as a private in Captain Peter Peterson's New York Company, and was in the battle of Saratoga.

He was allowed pension on his application executed September 25, 1832, at which time he was living in Hammond, St. Lawrence County, New York, aged about eighty years. He died in 1846 at Theresa, Jefferson County, New York.

The soldier married September 2, 1821 in Oppenheim, Montgomery County, New York, Nancy (her maiden name was Calhoun) widow of Thomas Calligan or Calligen.

She was allowed pension, on account of the services of John Monk, on her application executed July 14, 1858, while a resident of Alexandria, Jefferson County, New York, aged eighty-nine years.

Peter Ryal her son-in-law, and Emeline Ryal her grand-daughter were living in Copenhagen, New York in 1858.

The above noted John Monk is the only soldier of that name found on the Revolutionary War records of this bureau, who served with the New York Troops.