

Pension Application for William Ruton

W.18845 (Widow: Rachel) There doesn't appear to be a deposition for William in this file.

William Ruton born October 9th 1760

Rachel Brower his wife born June 23d 1770

Married January 8th 1789

Genealogy of their children

Isaac Brower Ruton their son born April 28th 1790

Mary Ruton their daughter born June 4th 1792

Abraham Ruton their son born May 5th 1794

Jacob Ruter their son born December 21st 1795

William Ruton their son born August 3d 1797

Harriet Ruton their daughter born May 19th 1799

John J. Ruton their son born November 12th 1801

Letitia Ruton their daughter born March 20th 1803

Alexander Batchelo Ruton their son born November [?] 1804

Benjamin B. Ruton their son born September 3d 1807

Margaret Ruton their daughter born October 9th 1810

Rachel Ruton their daughter born February 1st 1813

William Ruton died February 23d 1828 aged 67 years, 4 months and 14 days.

Declaration. Under act 7th July 1838.

State of New York

Schoharie County SS.

On this nineteenth day of September AD 1843 before the subscriber, a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Schoharie, personally appeared Rachel Ruton, a resident of Cobleskill In said County, 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 provision made by the Act of congress passed July 7th 1838, entitled "An act granting half-pay and pensions to certain widows."

That she is the widow of William Ruton who was a Private in the war of the Revolution, and was taken prisoner while in service, as she has often heard him state, and remained in captivity for a long period. That for the particular periods of his service and of his imprisonment, and rank and names of the officers under whom he served she refers to the accompanying documents from the Comptroller's Office at Albany, the person therein named being identified with her said husband, though his name is somewhat erroneous by [spilt?].

She further declares that she was married to the said William Ruton in the township of Mount Pleasant in the County of Westchester & State of New York on the eighth day of January AD 1789 by the Rev. Mr. VanVoorhes now dead: that her husband, the aforesaid William Ruter died on the twenty third day of February AD 1828; that she was not married ton him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first of January AD 1794, viz: that the time above stated.

Deponent further declares that she has no documentary evidence of her said marriage; that there is no parish record thereof in existence, and that the family record has recently been lost in its transmission by mail from Cobleskill to the City of New York; that said last mentioned record was, to the best of her knowledge and belief in the handwriting of her brother-in-law John Batchelor and was registered on a leaf of her family bible; that said leaf was cut thereupon about a month or more ago, and annexed to a declaration then made and sworn to by her of a similar import with the present, that said declaration and the leaf thereunto annexed were then enclosed in a letter, directed to her son, Benjamin B. Ruton, at the City of New York where he resides, which said letter, so directed as aforesaid, was deposited in the post office, but from some cause, to her unknown has never reached its destination. She further declares that a true copy was made of said family record before the same was sent as aforesaid, and that the annexed is said copy, which is in the handwriting of William Ruton.

She also maketh oath that she has never intermarried, but continues the widow of said William Ruton. (Signed with her mark) Rachel Ruton

Sworn to and subscribed the year & day written before me. Chas Goodyear,
First Judge Scho., Co., Court.