

**Pension Application for James Shearer or Sherwood**

S.42,286 Died Dec 31, 1818

Private Col. Gansevoorts Regiment, NY Line

State of New York

County of Schenectady SS.

On this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1818—before me the subscriber John Yates, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Schenectady, personally appeared James Shearer aged sixty two years, resident in the City of Schenectady, who being by me first duly sworn, according to law—doth on his oath, make The following declaration, in order, to obtain the provision made by the late Act of congress entitled an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land & naval services of the United States, in the Revolutionary War, that the said James Shearer enlisted as a soldier at Fish Kill 1776 in Captain Durham's Company – for three months & afterwards reinlisted with the said Captain Durham's for nine months & was stationed at Fort Montgomery until he was discharged and that he afterwards enlisted in Captain Swartwout's Company, Col. Gansevoort's Regiment of Continental troops and served three years on the establishment and was discharged which discharge is lots—and that he was at Fort Stanwicks when it was besieged by the British—and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services. (Signed with his mark) James Sherer

Sworn to & declared before me the day & year aforesaid. John Yates, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Schenectady.