

Pension Application for John Nicholas Yapple

W.25565 (Widow: Catharine) Married February 17, 1788, he died July 21, 1845.

State of New York

Delaware County SS.

On this ninth day of October 1832 personally appeared in open court before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in & for the county of Delaware now sitting John Nicholas Yapple—a resident of the Town of Middletown in the County of Delaware and State of New York aged 68 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers and served as herein stated—

In 1781 in the month of June or July he entered the service in a Corps that was called the rangers as a volunteer for three months which Corps was commanded by Captain Derrick Westbrook and joined the Company at Shandakin Ulster County and State of New York from which place he marched to Packatacen from thence to the forks of the Delaware River and from that place to the fort at Lackawaxen and from the before mentioned fort back to what is now Shavertown in the town of Arden from that place to Schoharie Kill & from there to Sheindaken which Rout he went there during his three months service often there before mentioned three months was expired he then took the place of a man by the name of John Hanyen who was a volunteer or enlisted for 8 months & had upwards of two months yet to serve when this Deponent took his place which time of two months and upwards he served out – often which he was discharged we returned to his home at Kline, Esopus in Ulster County—where he resided until April 1782 when he again enlisted under Captain Livingston and was stationed at [Waking Wakunk?] in the town of [?] in the County of Ulster—at which place was a fort in which he was stationed 8n months and was Discharged he was in no battles during the revolutionary war nor can he give the name sof any of his officer except as before stated. There was no part of his services performed with any part of the regular army he was born in the State of Pennsylvania about 12 or o13 miles from Morristown he has no record of his age he has resided in the town of Middletown County of Delaware ever since the revolutionary war and previous to that had resided a part of the time sat the place of his birth and in the county of Delaware town of Middletown in the town of Marbletown County of Ulster and in the town of Kline Esopus he never received a written Discharge from any of the officers under whom he served nor a commission then or no persons having within his knowledge by whom he can prove his service except William Constable whose affidavit is hereunto annexed.

Nor has he any written or other documentary evidence to prove the above mentioned service.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pention [pension] or annuity except the present and declares that his name is not on the pen.

Sworn & Subscribed the day & year aforesaid. C. B. Sheldon Clerk

Letter in folder dated January 29, 1929, written in response to an inquiry.

I advise you from the papers in the Revolutionary War pension claim, 25565, it appears that John Nicholas Yapple was born about twelve or thirteen miles from Moraviantown, Pennsylvania, date not stated.

While residing at Esopus, Ulster County, New York, he enlisted and served as a private with the New York Troops as follows:

From June or July, 1781, three months in Captain Dirck Westbrook's Company, Colonel Pawling's Regiment; two months, dates not stated, in Captain Henry Pawling's Company, Colonel Pawling's Regiment; from April, 1782, eight months in Captain Livingston's Company, Colonel Pawling's Regiment.

He was allowed pension on his application executed October 9, 1832, at which time he was living in Middletown, Delaware County, New York, aged sixty-eight years.

He died, July 21, 1845.

The soldier married in January or February, 1789, at Marbletown, Ulster County, New York, Catharine Akerly, daughter of Benjamin Akerly, she was born, October 9, 1769. Both were then of Middletown, New York.

She was allowed pension on her application executed December 18, 1846, at which time she was living in Middletown, New York.

Their oldest child, Halena or Malena, was born in 1789, married Colonel Adam Shaver and died in 1831. Their second child, John, was a resident of Middletown in 1850 and was aged fifty-nine years. A daughter, Hannah, married Jacob T. Dickson and was aged fifty-one years in 1850. There are no further data as to children.