

Pension Application for George Young

R.11951 (Widow: Catharine) Married January 8, 1787. George died December 14, 1824.

State of Pennsylvania

Tioga County SS

On this nineteenth day of February 1846 personally appeared before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of Tioga now in Session Catharine Young widow of George Young a resident of the Township of Charleston in the County of Tioga aged seventy nine years who first being 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 7, 1838 entitled—"An act granting half pay and pensions to certain widows"—

That she is the widow of George Young who was a private and volunteer in the Army of the Revolution. That he served in the battle of Bunker's Hill under Capt McBrion and as she has often heard her husband tell, he saved the life of his Captain by helping him over the wall or Breast work when the British had stormed the works—

He was also in the battle of Sckuykill and at Fort Montgomery—He served nearly or quite during the war tho' he usually returned home in the fall & remained at home through the winters.

He was born and bred in Philadelphia—at about the time he was of age he went to live with his Uncle at the WallKiln—When the war broke out he volunteered and went into the army—She thinks he stayed pretty much thro' the first winter where he suffered very much from the cold, want of comfortable clothing &c, which deterred him from remaining in the service during the subsequent winters—

She further declares that she first became acquainted with the said George in the year 1785 at the town of Palatine in Montgomery Co., N.Y., where she then resided—She learned the particulars of his service from him and only remembers what is before stated. She has no documentary evidence respecting his services—She understood him that he served as a volunteer throughout.—

She further declares that she was married to the said George Young on the 8th day of January 1787 at the house of Casper Cook, by the Ref'd Mr. Rossencrants the Dutch minister of Herkimer co. N.Y. She was married at Palatine in Montgomery County, N.Y.—that the said George died at Manheim Herkimer Co., N.Y. on the 14th day of December 124—never having drawn a pension—that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service but the marriage took place previous to the first of January 1794 viz; that the time above stated.

She further declares that she had a record of the births marriages & deaths of the family in an old Bible a part of the entries in which were made by her husband and a part by her oldest son John Young—

That some seven years ago the said John procured a new Family bible, the old one having become much worn & defaced so that the record leaves could hardly be made out or read —and the said old record was transcribed into the New Bible by her youngest son Hiram who is since deceased—

To the best of her knowledge and belief the new record is a true transcript of the old—

Since which time, the old record is lost no are having been taken of it since it was copies.

The old bible is yet in existence but the record leaves are gone—they were all loose at the time of copying

She further states that she does not know whether any other record proof of her marriage exists. (Signed with her mark) Catharine Young.

Sworn & Subscribed in open court February 19th 1846 before me. J. F. Donalson, Prothy