

Pension Application for Peter Kemble, or Kimble

W.20311 (Widow: Elizabeth) Peter died March 14, 1797.

State of New York

Orange County SS.

On this twelfth day of April eighteen hundred and thirty nine personally appeared before the Undersigned a Judge of the Court of common Pleas [sic] in and for Orange County, Elisabeth Kemble a resident of the town of Minisink in the County of Orange and State of New York aged seventy nine years who 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 4, 1836.

That she is the widow of Peter Kemble who was a private and a Sergeant in the war of the Revolution and who served as she has been informed and believes served as follows.

That in the year of 1775 her said husband Peter Kemble belonged to a company of Militia of which James Rosecrantz was Captain, James Clark was Lieutenant and Samuel Cole was ensign and in the Regiment commanded by Col. William Aleson in Orange County and State of New York.

That in the fall of the year 1775 as she believes in the month of October Captain Rosecrantz company was called out to serve at a place called [?] somewhere near the Hudson River and served at that place and at Tappan and along the Hudson River and served two months and were dismissed sometime in December of the same year and that her said husband Peter Kemble went with the rest of the company and served in the said company the [???] of two months but she is unable to state what Col. he was under but believes it was either Col. Wisner or Lieut. Col. Tusten.

That in the month of March 1776 her said husband was called out in the company [two lines too light to read] and what to Green some where along the Hudson River and served one month.

That summer of the same year her said husband was drafted [?] Capt Rosecrantz company and [???] and along the north river for two months and served as a Serjeant under Capt. John Whittaker and in the Regiment commanded by Col. Wisner.

That in the month of November of the same year Capt. Rosecrantz's company of Militia was called out with the rest of the regiment commanded by Col. Allison and Rendezvoused at Goshen on or about the 12th day of November and went from thence to a place called New City on the Hudson River and served at New City Tappan Herontown and other places for the term of six weeks and that her said husband Peter Kemble went with the said company and served in the said company as Serjeant for the full term of six weeks.

That in the month of July 1778 her said husband was called out in the service as a classman and served as serjeant at Paramus and other places along the frontiers for the term of one month in the company commanded by Capt. Abraham Hardin and in the regiment commanded by Col. Wisner.

That her said husband served as a classman &c and upon alarms a great many times along the Hudson river and on the western frontiers during the years 1779, 1780, 1781 and 1782 but from old age and loss of memory she is unable to state the precise times of the length of service except that an alarm was made by the people on the western frontier along the Neversink river on the 19th day of July 1779 when the whole of the Goshen Regiment was called out to Minisink and her said husband Peter Kemble went with the rest in the company commanded by Capt. Samuel Cole and under the command of Col. John Hathorn and Leiut Col. Tusten and Major Meeker. That the said Regiment followed the Indians from Minisink to a place called Beaver Brook where a dreadful engagement insued that her said husband was in the said engagement and was wounded in the arm that in this service her said husband was absent ten day on this service her husband was also a sergeant.

She further declares that she was married to the said Peter Kemble ion the twenty fourth day of March seventeen hundred and seventy eight.

That her husband the aforesaid Peter Kemble died on the fourteenth day of March one thousand seven hundred ninety seven and that she has remained a widow ever since that period as will more fully appear by the proof hereunto annexed. That she was married by the Rev. Nathan Kerr pastor of the [Presbyterian?] Church in Goshen.

That she has no documentary evidence of her said husband's services and that she is not a pensioner of any state or territory [territory] in the United States. (Signed with her mark) Elisabeth Kemble.

Sworn to and subscribed on the day and year above written before me. Signed her name by making her mark never having been taught to write. Hulet Clark a Judge of Orange County Com. Pleas.