

Pension Application for Jephtha or Jepther Lee

W.5315 (Widow: Esther Franklin) Married March 22, 1785, he died at Ulysses 11 March 1855.

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Private of Artillery

For the purpose of obtaining the benefit of "an act for the relief of certain surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution "approved on the 15th of May 1828, I Jephtha Lee of Ulysses in the County of Tompkins in the State of New York do hereby declare that I enlisted in the Continental Line of the Army of the Revolution for and during the war and continued in its service until its termination at which period I was a Private in Captain John Doughty's Company in the Second Regiment of Artillery New York Line commanded by Col. John Lamb.

And I also declare that I afterwards received a certificate for the reward of eighty dollars to which I was entitled under a resolve of Congress passed the 15th of May 1778 which said certificate is lost.

And I further declare that I was not on the fifteenth day of march 1828 on the pension list of the United States. (Signed) Jepther Lee

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 21st day of June 1828. D. Woodcock, Commis'r to perfor[m] certain duties of a Judge of the Supreme Court.

Letter in folder dated October 12, 1939, written in response to an inquiry.

Reference is made to your letter addressed to Mrs. Finch, in which you request the Revolutionary War record of Jepther Lee, who, you state, lived at Newburg, New York, then settled in Ulysses, Tompkins County, New York, then settled in Ulysses, Tompkins County, New York, where he died in 1855 leaving a widow named Esther.

The record of Jepther (or Jephtha) Lee follows as found in the papers of the claims for pension and bounty land on file under W.5315, based upon his service in the Revolutionary War.

Jepther Lee was born March 1, 1786; the place of birth and names of his parents were not stated.

Jepther or Jephtha Lee enlisted to serve during the period of the Revolutionary War, served six years, to the close thereof, at which time he was a private in Captain John Doughty's company, Colonel John Lamb's 2nd Regiment, Continental Artillery. The place of Enlistment and dates of service were not given.

The soldier was allowed pension on his application executed June 21, 1828, while a resident of Ulysses, Tompkins County, New York. In 1838, he was still a resident of that town where he had resided thirty-six years, prior to which he lived in Orange County, New York. He died March 11, 1855, in Ulysses, New York.

Jepther or Jephtha Lee married March 22, 1785, in Beekman, Dutchess County, New York, Esther Franklin. The date and place of her birth and names of parents are not shown.

While residing in Ulysses, New York, Esther Lee applied April 24, 1855, for bounty land which was due on account of the service of her husband, Jephther or Jephtha. She was granted one hundred sixty acres of bounty land on Warrant No. 173, under the Act of March 3, 1855.

Esther Lee was allowed pension, also, on her application executed April 28, 1855, while a resident of Ulysses, New York, aged ninety-one years.

The soldier and his wife, Esther, reared a family of children; the only name given was that of Daniel who, in 1855, was aged sixty-six years and living in Ulysses, New York.

In 1855, Amos Franklin, brother of soldier's wife, Ester, was aged eighty-two years and living in Ulysses, New York.