

Revolutionary War family participants

The Revolutionary War affected lives of most residents of Virginia and the Carolinas. The following table lists family relations with reported military service. If a veteran, or his widow, lived until 7 June 1832, he or she could choose to apply for a pension by testifying in court. Each hyperlink below displays that transcribed court testimony. Anderson relations are shown in green and Plonk relations are in red. Unrelated veterans who refer to family members in their pension applications are shown in blue. No doubt, many more family veterans have yet to be discovered.

Revolutionary War Veterans

Name	Side	Relation	Rank, Unit, Service and Battles
William Anderson	Whig	5GGFather	Private, Orange County militia. Civil Service. Livestock confiscated.
James Anderson	Whig	5GGUncle	Private, Orange County militia. Possible Continental.
David Anderson	Whig	5GGUncle	Private, Orange County militia. Badly wounded at Lindley's Mill.
William Lawrence Murray	Whig	5GGFather	Captain, Orange County militia.
John Murray	Whig	5GGUncle	Sergeant, Orange County militia.
David Mitchell	Whig	Husband of 4GGAunt	Kings Mountain, Guilford Courthouse. Lindley's Mill. Livingston's Swamp.
William Mitchell	Whig	Brother-in-law of 4GGAunt	Camden. Kings Mountain. Guilford Courthouse. Lindley's Mill. Livingston's Swamp.
Richard Bull	Whig	Husband of 1 st Cousin 6x removed	Private
Robert Faucett	?	6GGFather or 5GGUncle	Not a soldier. Compelled to guide Graham to Hart's Mill.
Levi Whitted II	Whig	5GGFather	Officer
John Whitted	Whig	5GGUncle	NC Continental soldier. Killed.
Thomas Byrd	Whig	5GGFather	Private, dragoon. Eutaw Springs. (Fitzpatrick 1932, 8:329, 330, 355)
William Armstrong	Whig	1 st Cousin 7x removed	Captain. First NC Regiment. Later, Third NC Regiment.
William Mebane	Whig	5GGUncle	Captain.
Alexander Mebane II	Whig	5GGUncle	1776 Fifth Provincial Congress. Hillsborough District militia commissary officer.

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Robert Mebane	Whig	5GGUncle	Captain, Smith's Ferry after Moore's Creek Bridge. Norfolk. Cherokees. Lt. Colonel NC Continental. Germantown. Valley Forge. Monmouth Courthouse. Encirclement of New York City. Charlestown siege. Prisoner of war. Exchanged. Lindley's Mill. Brown Marsh. Killed by Tory.
James Mebane	Whig	5GGUncle	Lieutenant, Tory suppression. Pursuit of Col. David Fanning. Captain.
John Mebane	Whig	5GGUncle	Private, Smith's Ferry after Moore's Creek Bridge. Pursuit of Col. David Fanning. Captive at Lindley's Mill. Prisoner on ship. Captain, 1782 Tory suppression.
James Tinnin	Whig	1 st Cousin 7x removed	Camden. Eutaw Springs, Round O, Pon Pon, Bacon's Bridge.
Robert Tinnin	Whig	1 st Cousin 7x removed	Guilford Courthouse. Ramsey's Mill.
Joseph McLane	Whig	Husband of 1 st Cousin 7x removed	New Providence. Charlotte. Guilford Courthouse.
Hugh Tinnin	Whig	1 st Cousin 7x removed	Major, Cherokees. Colonel, Stono Ferry, Camden. Prisoner of war. Hillsborough, Lindley's Mill.
Michael Holt II	Tory	5GGUncle	Militia officer. Arrested after Moore's Creek. Philadelphia prison.
Jacob Holt	Tory	5GGFather	Not a soldier. Suffered retribution.
James Scott	Whig	5GGUncle	Continental soldier
David White	Whig	Husband of 1 st Cousin 6x removed	Camden
Samuel Allen	Whig	1 st Cousin 6x removed	Private, Guilford Courthouse. commissary.
William Allen	Whig	1 st Cousin 6x removed	Private, Guilford Courthouse. commissary.
Hardy Hurdle Jr.	Whig	4GGFather	1778, oath of allegiance

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Samuel Bryan	Tory	Granduncle of Wife of 1 st Cousin 6x removed	Colonel. Moore's Creek Bridge, Hanging Rock. Tried for high treason, acquitted. Exchanged. Banished to East Florida. Resettled in NC.
John Paisley	Whig	Uncle of Husband of 1 st Cousin 6x removed	Colonel. McAlpine Creek. Surry County. New Providence.
Nathaniel Kerr	Whig	Father in law of 2 nd Cousin 5x removed	Ensign. Briar Creek. Black Swamp. Wilmington. Beech Hill.
Jacob Forney I	Whig		House was Cornwallis's HQ. Livestock confiscated.
Peter Forney	Whig		1776, Cherokees. 1780, Ramsour's Mill. 1781, Cowans Ford, Wilmington.
Abraham Forney	Whig		Private, Kings Mountain. Sergeant.
Jacob Forney II	Whig		
Jacob Plunk II	Whig	4GGFather	Private. 1 term against Cherokees. 2 terms militia. Wilmington.
Samuel Espey	Whig	4GGFather	Corporal, 1776 Cherokees. Captain, Wofford's Iron Works. Wounded at Kings Mountain.
James Espey	Whig	4GGUncle	Private. Kings Mountain. Wilmington. Lieutenant, 1782 Cherokees.
John Espey	Whig	4GGUncle	Private. Fishing Creek. Wilmington.
John Sloan	Whig	4GGUncle	Iron munitions manufacturing.
William Oates I	Whig	4GGFather	Private. Probable iron munitions manufacturing. Tories burned house.
Peter Costner	Tory	GGUncle of 1 st Cousin 4x removed	Killed at Ramsour's Mill.
Martha Ellington	Whig	5GGMother	Murdered by Tory.
David Motley	Whig	4GGUncle	Private, Virginia 3 rd Regiment. Savannah.
Daniel Motley	Whig	4GGUncle	Private, wagoner for Continentals.
James Morehead	Whig	Brother of husband of 4GGAunt	Captain. Stono Ferry. Elizabethtown.

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William Bethell	Whig	4GGFather	Moore's Creek Bridge. Guilford Courthouse. Wilmington.
Patrick McGuire	Whig	4GGFather	Private. Possible Pennsylvania Continental. Frontier Ranger.
Abraham Alexander	Whig	2 nd Cousin 7x removed	Colonel, Mecklenburg Committee of Safety.
Ezra Alexander	Whig	2 nd Cousin 7x removed	Ramsour's Mill. Hanging Rock.
Hezekiah Alexander	Whig	2 nd Cousin 7x removed	Mecklenburg Committee of Safety. Mecklenburg militia paymaster.
James Rankin Alexander	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Sergeant. Withdrawal from Fort Lee to Trenton, Delaware River. Surgeon. Treated wounded of Buford's Defeat. Charlotte hospital.
Adam Alexander	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Colonel. Scovellites. Moore's Creek Bridge. Cherokees. Camden prison.
Charles Alexander	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Captain. Ramsour's Mill.
Elias Alexander	Whig	2 nd Cousin 7x removed	Colonel. Kings Mountain. Cowpens. Guilford Courthouse.
William "Black Billy" Alexander	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Cherokees. Ramsour's Mill. Rocky Mount. Hanging Rock. Wahab Plantation.
Thomas Alexander	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Cherokees. Scovellites. Hanging Rock.
Matthew Alexander	Whig	4GGUncle	Musgrove's Mill. Prisoner at Ninety Six.
James Cox	Whig	Husband of 5GGAunt	Captain. Killed at Brandywine.
Nancy Morgan Hart	Whig	3 rd Cousin 6x removed	Captured and killed six Tories.
Morgan Hart	Whig	4 th Cousin 5x removed	Kettle Creek.
John Hart	Whig	4 th Cousin 5x removed	Kettle Creek.
Thomas Hart	Whig	4 th Cousin 5x removed	Kettle Creek.

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William Lee Davidson	Whig	Husband of 5 th Cousin 4x removed	Captain, Scovellites. Major, NC Continental. Germantown. Lt. Colonel. Valley Forge. Encirclement of New York City. Ramsour's Mill. Colson's Ordinary. Brigadier General, Charlotte defense. Pursuit of Cornwallis. New Providence. Killed at Cowan's Ford.
John Moor	Whig	4GGFather	Private, Four-Hole Swamp bridge. Ramsour's Mill. Kings Mountain.
Arthur Patterson	Whig	GGFather of wife of 1 st Cousin 3x removed	Kings Mountain, nearby resident, not soldier
Arthur Patterson Jr.	Whig	GFather of wife of 1 st Cousin 3x removed	Kings Mountain, 13-year-old boy, not soldier
Thomas Patterson	Whig	GUncle of wife of 1 st Cousin 3x removed	Kings Mountain, boy, not soldier
William Patterson	Whig	GUncle of wife of 1 st Cousin 3x removed	Kings Mountain, boy, not soldier

John Anderson died in 1756. His six sons were likely in the Orange County, Hillsborough District militia. Since their farms were near Hillsborough, they were affected by the war. About 1898, James Henry Anderson, 1864–1941, wrote in his *Anderson Family History*: "I think the most if not all of the sons of the old pioneer, John Anderson, took part in the great conflict with England for independence." However, he mentions only how one son, presumably David Anderson, was wounded (J. H. Anderson 1898, 6). A tradition was that James Anderson was in the Continental Army during 1777–1778, but he was rather old to be such an active soldier. He may have been awarded a warrant for land in Tennessee since he moved there soon after the war. The Daughters of the American Revolution indicate that William Anderson performed Civil Service. His only son James, 1768–1850, was too young, 12 years old, to participate when the war came to North Carolina in 1780. Other sons John, Robert and Michael probably belonged to the militia, but with no known record.

Levi Whitted II and John Whitted were Revolutionary War soldiers, probably militia. John Whitted was killed. Nothing is known about their service. No Whitted applied for a pension when Congress made that possible in 1832. Of course, Levi might have died before 1832.

Colonel John Walker and his wife Nancy, ancestors of Edith Walker, second wife of Dallas Malone Anderson, were buried in Cross Roads Presbyterian Church cemetery. Their graves, from the early 1800s, are about 15 feet from the grave of Margaret Louise Plonk, 1923–2006.