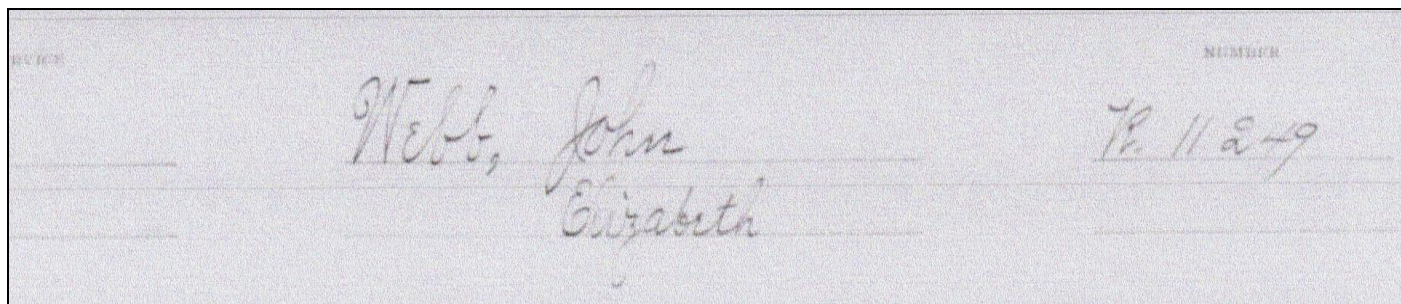


**JOHN WEBB**  
[Brother of Jesse Webb]



Soldier John Webb died August 14, 1798 [place not stated], well before the passage of the Pension Act. John's Widow, Elizabeth McMurtry Webb, filed for pension many years later after the Widows' Pension Act was passed. They had married in Greene County, Tennessee on February 1, 1881 or 1882. Giving Affidavits for John 's Widow, were John's brother Jesse, Elizabeth's sister, Anna McMurtry Webb, and Elizabeth's daughter, Elizabeth Webb Baker. Based on some of the filing dates [1851/52], it appears Elizabeth was also filing for Bounty Lands. Ultimately, Elizabeth's applications were denied, in part, because the Muster Rolls had been burned by the British when the records had been sent to the archives in Washington.

Elizabeth McMurtry Webb was living in Sevier by 1809, when she purchased a land warrant in 1809. In the 1830 Census of Sevier County Elizabeth, age 60-69, lived adjacent to her son, Joseph, age 40-49, and near the Baker Family. In an 1852 affidavit by her daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, the daughter states she was the only surviving child. Elizabeth Webb Baker was born in 1798 and is buried in the Martin-Baker Cemetery in Sevier County. It would seem probable, so too is Elizabeth McMurtry Webb, a widow of a Revolutionary War Soldier who was denied pension.



**Martin-Baker Cemetery, Sevier County.**

Pension application of John Webb R11249  
Transcribed by Will Graves

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[fn p. 4]

State of Tennessee -- Sevier County, to wit

Be it known, that on the 1st day of August 1844 personally appeared before me John Bird a Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, Jesse Webb,<sup>1</sup> of said County aged 78 years who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath make the following statement: That he is a clergyman in Tennessee, and that John Webb, was his brother. That John Webb enlisted for eighteen months under Captain John Stuard [sic, John Stuart or John Stewart or John Steward], in the State of Georgia, and served out his time faithfully. That he then returned home. I also certify that I served ten months with him in the revolutionary war, and for my said Service, I now draw a pension. That he was called into service a second time, and served not less than twelve months; a part of the time he acted as a spy. He was commanded by Captain Joseph Null. I also certify that I was in the State of South Carolina at the time of the marriage of John Webb & Elizabeth McMurtry and when I came what is now called Greene County and at that time they were married and Elizabeth Webb his wife had two children and they lived together as man and wife and the legality of their marriage was never disputed called into question or doubted by any person. Given under my hand August 1, 1844

S/ Jesse Webb, X his mark

State of Tennessee -- Sevier County, to wit

Be it known, that on the 1st day of August 1844, personally appeared before me John Bird a Justice of the Peace, in and for the County and State aforesaid, Anna Webb, of said County, aged 76 years, who being first duly sworn according to law doth on her oath make the following statement: That I was about 14 years of age when my sister Elizabeth McMurtry was married to John Webb, -- That I heard my Father speak at that time of John Webb's having asked his consent to the marriage. They went about 2 miles to meeting and was married in the church, by publishing the bans 3 times. -- They lived together as man and wife as long as John Webb lived, and I have never heard the legality of their marriage disputed by anybody and Elizabeth Webb still continues the widow of John Webb. I do certify that John Webb served as a spy for some time the time not recollected. Given under my hand this the first day of August 1844

S/ Anna Webb, X her mark

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<sup>1</sup> [Jesse Webb S3501](#)



State of Tennessee Sevier County: SS

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August 1844, personally appeared before the subscriber, a Justice of the peace in and for the County, Mrs. Elizabeth Webb, a resident of the County of Sevier, and State of Tennessee, aged seventy-eight years, who being first 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 4th 1836: That she is the widow of John Webb who was a Soldier in the War of the revolution -- That he entered the service as an enlisted Soldier for eighteen months, and served under Captain John Stuard, -- That he served eighteen months faithfully, and was discharged. His service was in the State of Georgia. That he returned home and got married in the year 1781 or 1782 one or the other. That shortly after he was married, he again entered the service (whether by voluntary enlistment or by draft the affiant is now unable to say) and served faithfully to the end of the war. A part of his time he acted as a spy. That his discharges has been lost or mislaid, so that they cannot now be found. She further declares that she was married to the said John Webb on the first day of February 1781 or 1782, by Isaac Barton, in what is now called Greene County Tennessee by publication of bands. That her husband, the aforesaid John Webb died on the 14th day of August 1798, and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed.

S/ Elizabeth Webb, X her mark

[fn p. 20: on November 19, 1852 in Sevier County Georgia, Mrs. Elizabeth Baker, 52, filed an affidavit stating that she is the only surviving child of Elizabeth Webb, an applicant for a revolutionary pension who died on February 10, 1852.]

[fn p. 23]

State of Tennessee Sevier County: I received a few lines from the pension office under date of the 14th November 1844 And it appears from the letter received from the pension office that some mistake or misstatement has been sent you about my service in the revolutionary war. I will now state the facts and try and correct the error the facts are as follows: first I will speak of the case of Elizabeth Webb the widow of John Webb. John Webb Enlisted under a Captain Stuard [sic] for the term of eighteen months at a Fort called Fort Stuard in the State of Georgia and served eighteen months in the service of the United States under said Captain Stuard and the time of the revolutionary war one part of his time at Fort Stuard during which time I was, in Fort Stuard with him when in my boyhood and the balance of his time of eighteen months in service about Savannah Georgia. Further John Webb served with me at a Fort called Nails Fort in the State of Georgia but the length of time I cannot now recollect. But my own time of service at Nails Fort was six months. And he served longer than I did but how much longer I cannot now recollect. And that John Webb after removing from the State of Georgia to North Carolina then now Tennessee Greene County, he served some length of time as a spy but how long I do not recollect. And that after my time of service in the Army had expired I returned to Greene County then North Carolina but now Tennessee and found John Webb husband of Elizabeth Webb and his wife Elizabeth Webb living together in Greene County with two children. And that the legality of their marriage never has been disputed to my knowledge.

And that in order to correct the error a heretofore spoken of in this statement I will say first that I served six months in the time of the revolutionary war at Nails Fort in the State of Georgia. And after I served the six months at Nails Fort I was twice taken a prisoner and detained a prisoner about one month. And after that I came to North Carolina then, now Tennessee Greene

County where I enlisted under Captain Lusk from there I went and joined head quarters in South Carolina below the high hills of Santee. And there I served ten months under a Captain Waters being transferred from Captain Lusk to Captain Waters' Company in Colonel Middleton's Regiment. From which service of ten months I have been drawing a pension for some years past. I will further state to the Department that when I first applied through my friend Napoleon Bradford who attended to my business that I requested him to apply as well for the time I had served at Nails Fort in the State of Georgia and the time I had been a prisoner as the time I served in the regular Army which he failed to do. But for which service I think yet I am justly entitled, to receive pay. Given under my hand this 8th day of January 1845.

S/ Jesse Webb, X his mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of January 1845

S/ John Bird, JP

[fn p. 2 family record—very faint]

Thomas Webb was born January the 8<sup>th</sup> 1782

Susannah Web was born August the 14<sup>th</sup> 1784

[illegible] 1795

Joseph Webb was Born october the [illegible] 178[?]

Jesse Webb was born the 27<sup>th</sup> [?] of April 1793

Elizabeth Web was born August the 14<sup>th</sup> 1799

[fn p. 32]

State of North Carolina Office of Secretary of State

I William Hill, Secretary of State, in and for the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that it appears from the muster-rolls of the Continental line of this State in the Revolutionary War, that John Webb a private Soldier in Captain Stephenson's company of the 10th Regiment, entered the service on the first day of September 1777 for the term of three years and that he drew a warrant for 640 acres of land, the quantity allowed a Soldier for the War in 1784.

Given under my hand this 26th day of April 1845

S/ Wm Hill, Secretary of State

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*These are to certify that John Webb belong to the 2nd company of Georgia Continental Artillery, from the first raising of said Company, until the reduction of Sunbury by the British Troops, when he was taken in Fort Morris, and with the rest of the Company sent on board the Prison Ships, where he remained several months a prisoner.*

*Given under my hand this 3rd Day of March 1784*

*S/ John Dollar, Capt. Lieut. sd Comy*

*To all whom it may Concern*

*I certify that in consequence of the faithful services rendered the states by Mr. Webb that he is justly entitled to the State and continental bounty of land as Sergeant in the Artillery as above.*

*Given under my hand at Savannah 2nd December 1784*

*S/ Elbert, B. G.*

*Georgia*

*These are to certify that John Webb hath steadfastly done his duty as a good soldier & citizen*



*from the Reduction of Augusta in 1781 till the total expulsion of the enemy from this State. Nor can he be to my knowledge convicted of plundering or destroying his countrymen etc.*

*Given under my hand at Augusta April 8th 1784*

*S/ Elijah Clark, Col.*

[all of the above documents in italics being certified on July 8, 1852 as being true copies of documents in the Executive Offices at Milledgeville, Ga.]

*Executive Department  
Milledgeville April 4th. 1852.*

*St Cole Esq  
Acting Commissioner  
of Pensions*

*Dear Sir*

*In answer to yours  
of the 31st ult - I must state that the Revolution-  
ary Muster rolls, were sent many years  
ago to the proper Department at Washington  
and I learn they were burned - We have  
no rolls in this Office, and I cannot  
tell the name of the Captain under  
whom John Webb served - The enclosed  
contains copies of all the evidence  
of files in this office of the service  
of John Webb.*

*Very respectfully  
Yours &c*

*W. H. Paine*



The State of Tennessee

No 758

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Know ye, that in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly, passed on the twenty third day of November Eighteen hundred & nine there is granted by the said State of Tennessee unto Elizabeth Webb a certain tract or parcel of Land, containing two hundred and sixteen Rods and nine chains, lying in the County of Sevier, in the District South of French Broad and Holston, there being due and chargeable on said Land, the sum of two hundred and sixteen dollars and eleven cents with the Interest due thereon. Beginning at a walnut and Buck eye corner to William Small wood and running with his land, north forty seven east, there four chains and five tenths to a dogwood corner to said Small wood. Then north nineteen and an half east, thirty six chain & four tenths to a stake and elm with said Small wood, north four east ten chain and two tenths to a white oak with said Small wood. North nine east, nineteen chain and nine tenths to a white oak with said Small wood. Then with said William John Small wood, north fifteen east forty six chains and five tenths to a post oak with John Small wood. Then with said John Small wood and vacant land, south seventy five east, twenty chain to a stake. Then with vacant land, south seven east, twenty two chain to a pine, south sixty east fifty eight chain and five tenths to a chestnut, south twenty five west, forty six chain and seven tenths to a black oak. South fifty three east, sixteen chain to a chestnut. South thirty eight west, fifteen chain to a stake. South seventy nine west, fifteen chain and four tenths to a hickory, south twenty nine west twenty nine chain to a poplar, south fifty six west, eight chain to a sugar tree, south twenty nine west forty six chain and six tenths to a sassafras, south seventy four west, thirty seven chain to a stake, south forty five west, fourteen chain to a stake and walnut, north sixty west, ten chain to the beginning.

Surveyed June the 12<sup>th</sup> 1807, with its appurtenances to hold and to have with its appurtenances to the said Elizabeth Webb and her heirs and assigns forever. In witness where of Willie Blount, Governor of the State of Tennessee has here unto set his hand, and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed at Knoxville on the third day of May in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and ten, and of American Independence the thirty fourth

By the Governor

N. G. Blount

Secretary

Willie Blount