

JOHN HORTON

SERVICE		NUMBER
M. E.	Horton, John	W 367
Va.	Nancy	B. L. Mt. 26854-160-55
Contents	(marriage bond gives name as Agnes)	

13523
 Limestone Springs Agency
 East Tennessee
 John Horton.
 Private in the State of Tennessee
 he was a private in the Company commanded
 by Captain Lenoir of the Regt commanded
 by Col Campbell in the North Carolina
 for 11 months 20 days

Inscribed on the Roll of Limestone Springs Agency
 at the rate of 37 Dollars 77 Cents per annum,
 to commence on the 15th day of March, 1831.

Certificate of Pension issued the 14 day of May
 1853 and Settled 2
 Blair Limestone Springs

Amount to the 15th of March 1854
 Remnant allowance ending 4 Sept 1858
 \$94 42

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
 Act June 7, 1832.

Recorded by David Boyd, Clerk,
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 Tennessee Agents
 Nancy Horton
 widow of John
 who served in the Revolutionary
 war, as a Private R.C.

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
 37 Dollars 77
 Cents per annum, to commence on
 the 4th day of March, 1848.

Certificate of Pension issued the
 10 day of July 1849
 and sent to
 Wm J. Horner
 H. H. R.

Recorded on Roll of Pensioners under act
 February 2, 1848, Page 291 Vol. 3.

John and Nancy Horton lived in the Limestone Springs area, very near the North Carolina line.

[Methodology: Spelling, punctuation and/or grammar have been corrected in some instances for ease of reading and to facilitate searches of the database. Where the meaning is not compromised by adhering to the spelling, punctuation or grammar, no change has been made. Corrections or additional notes have been inserted within brackets or footnotes. Blanks appearing in the transcripts reflect blanks in the original. A bracketed question mark indicates that the word or words preceding it represent(s) a guess by me. Only materials pertinent to the military service of the veteran and to contemporary events have been transcribed. Affidavits that provide additional information on these events are included and genealogical information is abstracted, while standard, 'boilerplate' affidavits and attestations related solely to the application, and later nineteenth and twentieth century research requests for information have been omitted. I use speech recognition software to make all my transcriptions. Such software misinterprets my southern accent with unfortunate regularity and my poor proofreading fails to catch all misinterpretations. Also, dates or numbers which the software treats as numerals rather than words are not corrected: for example, the software transcribes "the eighth of June one thousand eighty six" as "the 8th of June 1786." Please call errors or omissions to my attention.]

[fn p. 20]

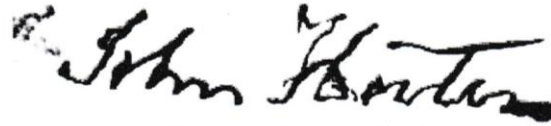
State of Tennessee, Greene County

On this 24th day of April 1833 personally appeared in open Court John Horton [sic] and before the Justices of same to wit, of Pleas & Quarter Sessions made & subscribed the following declaration to wit that he is aged Sixty nine years and [is a] resident of Green [sic, Greene] County, was born at White Plains in the State of New York from whence his father removed to Wilkes County North Carolina where when subject to perform military duty in the spring of the year 1780 the month not exactly recollected volunteered under Captain Lenoir to go against a body of Tories assembled at a place called Ramsour's in the State of North Carolina, Colonel Cleveland [Benjamin Cleveland] had the command, & after the putting to rout the said Tories returned home being ten days in service. That in the same fall, he again volunteered to go against Ferguson [Patrick Ferguson] who was on his march to the up Country his Captain was Joel Lewis & Colonel Cleveland and under said officers marched from Wilkes until they fell in with the Virginia & other troops under Colonels Campbell [William Campbell] & Sevier [John Sevier] near to King's Mountain, and was in said engagement, in which the British Army was principally killed & taken prisoners, Ferguson himself being killed; that on said campaign he entered in April 1780 & was discharged November following; that before the British had advanced to the up Country at King's Mountain he was in service in that Country below, against Tories, but under Cleveland as before stated joined the Army under Colonels Shelby [Isaac Shelby] & Campbell near the head of Cane Creek Catawba where they made their officers & appointed Campbell to be chief command [sic]. After the close of his said campaign he obtained a discharge from Colonel Lewis which he has lost being seven months and more in that service. That in 1781, February, he volunteered under Captain Neely of the horse to go to intercept Cornwallis, and scoured the Country for one month & return home. That he was under Col Crockett & Lt. Pickens, got no discharge. That on the 1st April 1781 he substituted for his brother William who was drafted for a three months tour, and enrolled himself under Captain Joseph Looney in Botetourt County Virginia, marched to Pattonsburg through Rockfish gap, Charlottesville &c to Richmond, under the command of Genl Campbell (who died on said campaign) and he served from first April to the 10th July & was discharged by Captain Looney which he has lost. Said tour was a few days over three months though the call was for three months. He states that he has no documentary evidence by which to support his claim and knows of no person by whom he can establish the same at this late period. He states that his name is not on the roll of the agency of any State, and he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension except the present; that Revd Stephen Brooks and Allen Gillespie are persons well known to him, & can testify as to his reputation of having served in the Revolutionary war, that he has no record evidence of his age, that there is a minister of the Gospel in his vicinity by whom he can establish the facts of reputation of service. He served eleven months & ten days in the Revolution for which he claims a pension.

Sworn to & subscribed in open Court this 24th April 1833.

S/ Me. Payne, D. C.

S/ John Horton



[Stephen Brooks, a Minister of the Gospel, & Allen Gillespie, JP, gave the standard supporting affidavit.]

[fn p. 8: On March 4, 1839 in Greene County Tennessee, Nancy Horton, about 65, filed for a widow's pension under the 1838 act stating that she is the widow of John Horton a pensioner of the United States at the rate of \$37.77 per annum for his service in the revolution; that she married him November 25, 1791; that her oldest child was born May 27th 1793; that her husband died January 22, 1835 and that she remains his widow.]

[fn p. 12: copy of a marriage bond dated November 25, 1791, in Greene County Tennessee to John Horton and William Houston, bondsman, to secure the marriage of John Horton to Agnes Houston.]

[fn pp. 5-6: family record]

Births

James Hughston son of John and Agness Hughston was Born'd June 7th 1737

Hannah Hugton was B'd October 31 1758

John Hugston was Born'd January 10 1760

William Hughston was Born'd May 28 1763

Rachel Jo Hughston was Born'd September 22 1765

Births

of the children of John and Nancy Horton

John Horten and Nancy Horten their Daugheter Gemima Horten was Born'd in the yeare of our Lord May 27 of 1793

Tabitha Horten was Born'd in September 9 Day 1795

Mary Horten was Born'd October 29 Day 1797

Joseph Horten was Born'd in the yeare of November 5th Day 1799

Adah Horten was Born'd Decmeber 27 Day 1801

Marriages

Joseph and Orpha Horton was marred July 30 [?] in the year of our Lord 1832

William and Phebe Horton was marred May 19th in the year of our lord 1836

Mary Ann Eliza Wever [?] and William Horton was Marred on the Thirdsay the 16th day of September 1841

[fn p. 16: On April 12, 1855 in Green County Tennessee, the widow, about 81, filed for her bounty land entitlement stating that she was married in Green County North Carolina (now Tennessee) in the year 1791 by Mr. Wear, JP, and that her name prior to her marriage was Nancy Houston.]

[Veteran was pensioned at the rate of \$37.77 per annum commencing March 4th, 1831, for 11 months & 10 days service as a private in the North Carolina militia.]

State of Tennessee)

Greene County 7th

On this twelfth day of April A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty five, before me William Horton a Justice of the peace within and for the County and state aforesaid, personally appeared Nancy Horton aged about Eighty one years, a resident of Greene county in the state of Tennessee who being duly sworn according to law declares that she is the widow of John Horton, deceased, who was a Private of the North Carolina line in the war of the revolution, and that he received a Pension from the united States for his services in said war, at the Agency of the united States in Jonesboro, State of Tennessee, at the rate of thirty seven dollars and ~~thirty~~^{seventy} seven cents per annum, under the act of Congress of 7th of June 1832, and that ~~acc-~~
~~ording to her information~~, was placed on the pension roll of the united States on or about the 14th day of May 1833. — For the particulars of his services in said war, she refers the Dep't to his original Declaration and proofs, filed under the act of 7th June 1832.

She further states, that she was married to the said John Horton in Greene county, State of North Carolina, now the state of Tennessee, sometime prior to the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety one, by one Mr Wear a Justice of the peace for said county, and that her name before her said marriage was Nancy Houston.

Declarant has no record of her marriage, and states that she is unable to ascertain the date thereof correctly.

That her said husband died in Greene county in the state of Tennessee in the month of January A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty five, as

she believes, but of this she declares she has no record.

In proof of her said marriage and the death of her said husband, she refers the Department to the papers now on file with her Declaration for a widows pension, made in Greene County Tennessee under the act of Congress of 7th July 1838.

She further declares that she was allowed a Pension under said act of 7th July 1838 and subsequent acts at the rate of \$37.77 cts per annum, and was paid at the agency of the United States in Lonesboro Tennessee.

She further declares that she was allowed a revolutionary pension for life under Act of February 2d, 1848, at the rate of ~~thirty~~ ^{thirty} dollars and ~~seventy~~ ^{seventy} seven cents per annum, and that she receives said pension at Lonesboro aforesaid; and that she now holds her Certificate of Pension, payable at that place by William H Blair, dated the "16th day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty nine" signed by "W. L. Marcy, Secretary of War" and "J. L. Edwards, Commissioner of Pensions"

She makes this Declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Bounty land to which she may be entitled under the act approved March 3, 1855. She also declares that she has not received a Warrant for Bounty land under this or any other act of Congress, nor made any other application therefor

Witness

John E. Adair
Warren Houston

her
Nancy Horton
mark

[Warren Houston, one of the witnesses, was Nancy Horton's son-in-law. Warren was a son of William Houston Senior, also a Revolutionary War Soldier.]

United States, this fourteenth day of May one
thousand eight hundred and thirty three.

Law. Sup. Secy
of War -

Examined and
counter signed

J. L. Edwards, Commissioner
of Pensions "

The further stating
that she was married to the said John Morton on
the 30th day of November 1791. Her eldest child
was born May the 27th 1793. That her husband
the aforesaid John Morton died the twenty second
day of January 1835. That she was not married
to him prior to his leaving the service; but the
marriage took place previous to the first of
January seven hundred and ninety four
to wit at the time above stated, that she was now
against main sworn to and subscribed on the day and
year above written before.

me, an Open Court, D^o March 1835. Nancy ^{her} Morton
Wm. Foulc, Clerk of ^{the} Court
Green County Court,

State of Tennessee, ss

Be it remembered that at a County Court,
being a Court of Record, begun and held for the County of
Greene, in the said State, at the Court House in Greensville,
on the first Monday, being the 2^d day of September, one
thousand eight hundred and thirty nine -

"William Houston Jun^r" appeared in Open Court, and
being first sworn deposes and says that he has been acquainted
with John Morton and Nancy his widow for about forty
eight years - That they were married about the 30th day of

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Samuel Houghton son
of John and Anne's
Houghton was Born
June 7th 1757

Miriam Houghton
Was Born October 31st 1755

John Houghton was
Born January
16th 1760

William Houghton
Was Born May
25th 1763

Reuben Houghton
Was Born September
22nd 1763

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BIRTHS.

of the children to John
and Nancy Horton

~~John Horton~~
~~Deborah Horton~~

John Horton — and
Nancy Horton their
Daughter gemina
Mrs Horton was Born
in the year of our Lord
May 27th of 1793

Tabitha Horton was
Born in September
9th Day 1795

Mary Horton was Born
October 29th Day 1797

Joseph Horton was
Born in the year of
November 5th Day 1799

Adah Horton was Born
December 27th Day 1801

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

Joseph and Sophia
Horton was married
July 3rd in the
year of our Lord
1832

I certify that this
marriage was in my
presence at the time the declaration
was taken and a copy
taken from the records
book in writing whereof
I set my hand this
9th Jan 1844

Wm. H. Mead

MARRIAGES.

William and Phoebe
Horton was married
May 19th in the year
of our Lord 1836

Mary Ann Eliza Mead
and William Horton
was married on the
Thursday the 16th day
of September 1844

[Nancy Horton was living in Limestone Springs at the time of the 1860 Census, age 84.]

WILL OF JOHN HORTON:

John Horton dec'd.

Monday 26th Jan'y. 1835,
mins. 18 P.

The execution of the last Will and Testament of John Horton dec'd. was duly proven by the oath of James A. Patterson and Andrew Kennedy subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded, and is as follows

"In the Name of God Amen.

I John Horton of the County of Greene and State of Tennessee, being sick and weak of body (P. 126) but of sound and dispos-

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ing mind and memory,
and knowing that it is appointed
for all men once to die; do
hereby make and ordain this
my last Will and testament
Viz. First I recommend my soul
to God who gave it, and my body
to the dust to be buried in a
decent and christian like manner
Secondly I wish and desire
all my just debts and funeral
expenses to be promptly paid by
those hereinafter named as my
executors. Third I give and
bequeath to my beloved Wife Nancy,
the farm on which I now live,
with the reservations I shall
hereinafter make, also the
following negro slaves to wit
Harry, Jack, Caty, Franky, Jim, Don,
Isaac, Wesley, Charles, and Anthony;
Also all the stocks of every descrip-
tion which I own and possess at
this time, or may possess &
own at the time of my decease.

together with all my household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils and grain &c that may be on hand at the time of my decease - to be owned, held and enjoyed by her during the term of her natural life but the said real and personal property is not to be sold, transferred or conveyed by her to any other person or persons whatsoever - And if my wife Nancy should die before I do, then all the bequests above made to her, are to be held and enjoyed in fee simple by my son William Horton after my death. Fourth I give and bequeath to the children of my deceased daughter Jemima five dollars to be paid out of my estate, for their exclusive use and benefit. Fifth - I give and bequeath to my daughters Tabitha and Polly, five dollars each, to be paid out of my estate; they having heretofore received their portions

John Horton

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Sixth I give and bequeath to my son Joseph the "Hutchison place" on which he now lives except that portion of it which is included under the fence around that last new ground field which I cleared on the plantation where I now live; and also six acres of meadow land on the said Hutchison place such as my son William may select, provided that selection shall be made so as to include the whole six acres in one body. I also give to my said son Joseph a negro boy named Alfred. Seventh I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy & her heirs two negroes now in her possession named Lirday and Henry. Eighth I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah a negro boy named Madison and a negro girl named Peggy now in her possession to be held in her own exclusive and individual right, and not to be subject to sale either by or for

her husband during her natural life and if she die without children who may be living at the time of her decease, the said negroes Madison and Peggy with their increase are to be divided equally between my two Sons Joseph and William and my daughter Nancy. But if my said daughter Hannah should have a child or children living at the time of her decease then said negroes shall descend to them and be theirs forever. Fifth I give and bequeath to my son William Horton (after the death of myself and wife) all the real and personal property mentioned in the third bequest herein contained, and also that part of the Hutchison place which is excepted in the sixth bequest herein contained my son William is also, when he receives his portion as herein provided.

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(P 127) to pay my daughter Edah whatever may be the value, in cash, of the Negro girl Frankey's youngest child Anthony. Tenth It my will and desire that my executors shall not make any sale of any of my personal or real estate at public vendue, or otherwise. And that what money is due or may hereafter be due to me, shall be appropriated to the payment of those debts that I may justly owe; but if there should be more debts owing by me, than to me, then my heirs are each to pay their part of the ballance which I may owe in proportion to the amount bequeathed to them

Eleventh, my son William is also to give to my Granddaughter Tibitha Jamison a good feather bed and furniture and a first rate bow and ball; at the time he comes into possession

of his portion of the Estate. I do both
& hereby appoint my son William
Horton and my friend George
W. Fouts Executors of this my
last Will and testament and I
do hereby revoke and annul all
other or former Wills by me
heretofore made - If either of
the above named Executors
from any cause should fail
to act, I rely upon the honor
of the Court to appoint another
in his stead. And I require
them to give bond & security
for the faithful discharge of
their duties. In testimony
whereof I have herunto subscribed
my name and affixed my seal
this 14th day of January A D
1835

John Horton

Signed, Sealed (seal)
and delivered
in the presence of
us

John Horton

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James A. Patterson
A. Kennedy
Samuel Smith "

And thereupon George W. Foutz
and William Horton the executors
named in said Will appeared
in court, and entered into
bond in the sum of five
hundred dollars with John
Fruskov jr. their security, payable
and conditioned as the law
directs for the due execution
of said Will and were
qualified accordingly, and letters
ordered to issue to them.

Pd \$1.50