

**JOHN RECTOR
Sgt., Virginia**

John Rector is a documented Revolutionary War Soldier by the D.A.R., born March 10, 1764; died February 5, 1856 Greene County. This man is identified as 'Ancestor #A094505' who served under General George Rogers Clark. The names of his wives are given as [1] Chloe McPherson and [2] Rebecca Sevier (1782-1853). John and his second wife are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery in Greene County.

What is remarkable, is no Pension Applications are found for him in Fold 3 nor in the transcriptions at the Library of Virginia. Most disturbing is John Rector is not shown in the Pension Rosters of Greene County, although he was living here by 1830.

John Rector, age 86 born Virginia, and his second wife, Rebecca, age 67, are found in the 1850 Greene County Census.



Cedar Hill Cemetery

Information found at Find-A-Grave gives his name as John "Benjamin" Rector. While there was a Pension Application for a Benjamin Rector, he is not the Greene County man. This man applied for and received Pension #FN65 NC for service with North Carolina. Benjamin filed for Pension in 1832 in Iredell County, North Carolina, saying he "substituted for his father, John Rector" , and he further stated he was born in Culpeper County, Virginia in 1761.

Two men in Roane County, Tennessee, who filed for Pensions Under the Act of 1818 ["soldiers in need"] were Maximillian Rector [1758-1850] and Uriah Rector [1756-1833], both of whom served for Virginia. Both men received a monthly pension of \$8. These men are thought to be brothers of John Rector of Greene County.

Both Maximillian and Uriah Rector are buried in Post Oak Springs Cemetery:



The father of Maximillian, Uriah, and possibly John Rector of Greene County is said to be John Rector Senior. He is said to be buried in Rectortown Cemetery in Fauquier County, Virginia.

Probate of John Rector's Will:

Tennessee, Probate Court Books, 1795-1927 Greene Wills, 1828-1873, Vol. 01

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I John Rector Senr. of the County of Greene and State of Tennessee, do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament, Hereby revoking and making void all other Wills by me at any tie made.

First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

Secondly To each of my children by first marriage I give and bequeath the Some of one dollar namely Nelly Irving, Deborah Whillock, Nancy Hults, Rachel Howard, Elizabeth Dunlap, Sarah Guinn, Mary Kibler and Enoch Rector.

Thirdly to my Son John Rector and his heirs forever I will and devise the tract of land he now lives on containing fifty acres more or less.

Fourthly To my two Sons George Rector and Franklin Rector and their Heirs forever to be divided equally I give and devise the tract of land or place I now live.

Fifthly I also give and bequeath to my Son George Rector my Brown mare, one beadstead bed and furniture and Six chairs.

Sixthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Rector one bedstead good bed and furniture all my cupboard or Table ware one pot one oven one Skillet and one pare of pot hooks One Bureau and one half round Table.

Seventhly I also give to my daughter Jane Rector one Bay filly two years old this Spring.

Eighthly I direct that my Executor Sell at public Sale on twelve months credit all my Stock and property of every description

not above named and when the money is collected, to pay it over to my daughters by my last marriage, to wit, Susan Dearstone, Harriet Peters, Mariah Roberts, Rebecca Peters and Jane Rector, equally, and the debts and accounts due me I wish collected without delay and the same paid over to my last named Daughters Susan, Harriet, Maria, Rebecca and Jane, equally.

Ninthly I give and bequeath to my three Sons John Rector, George Rector and Franklin Rector One hundred dollars each out of the money that is now in the hands of George Jones and the balance if any to be equally divided between my daughters Susan, Harriet, Maria, Rebecca and Jane.

Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint John Davis my Executor.

In witness whereof I set my hand and seal this 16th day of March 1853.

John (X) Rector Sr

Signed Sealed and published in our presence and we have Subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this 16th day of March 1853.

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A. J. Rhea

Isaac Basinger