

SAMUEL MCKEEHAN

Samuel McKeehan is a documented Revolutionary War Soldier by D.A.R. D.A.R. records state he was born about 1750 and his service was in Pennsylvania and died in 1785 Tennessee. Samuel's wife's name is given as Margaret.

An extract of Samuel's Will is provided in Burgner's Greene County Wills, pages 17-18:

March 11, 1785

Wife, unnamed, who was to receive her 1/3rd Widow's Dower in both Real and Personal Property.

Three Children: Margaret, James and Mary, who were to share equally in the remaining Estate. On July 26, 1796, Margaret McKeehan married John Lauderdale. The Marriage Bondsman was James McKeehan. John Lauderdale signed his Will in 1822, naming wife, Margaret and many children.

One final statement in Samuel's Will confirms his service in the Revolutionary War:

"Money from service to be saved and used to buy salt and other necessaries."

The named Executors were: "Wife [unnamed] and Henry Farnsworth.

Witnesses to the Will were: Benjamin Jameson and James McKeehan. [this man would not have been Samuel's son, and his relationship to Samuel is not known; however, James may have been a brother.]

A James McKeehan signed his Will on September 2, 1805. In this Will he bequeathed his entire Estate to his wife, Hannah. No other heirs [children] were named. Witness to this Will were Robert Guinn, Phillip Swatsell and John Bennet. The relationship, if any, of this man to Samuel McKeehan is not known.

In July 1816, an Indenture between Henry Swatzel and John McKeehan paid \$100 for a 32-acre parcel of land, adjacent to Bennett [given name not stated].

A 'younger' Samuel McKeehan, age 30-39 is enumerated in the 1830 Greene County Census. Residing nearby was a widow, Mary Swatzel. Also nearby was a John McKeehan, age 60-70, adjacent to Philip Swatzel, age 60-70.

Samuel McKeehan is one of many Revolutionary War Soldiers who were deceased before the Pension Acts were passed.