

Ohio County, KY Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Mexican War Veterans

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Report from the Secretary of War (In Obedience To Resolutions of the Senate of the 5th and 30th of June, 1834, and the 3d of March, 1835. In Relation to the Pension Establishment of the United States (Washington, Duff Green printer, 1835):

Kentucky Pension Roll

Statement, &c. of Ohio county, Kentucky.

NAME.	Rank.	Annual allowance.	Sums received.	Description of service.	When placed on the pension roll.	Commencement of pension.	Age	Laws under which they were formerly inscribed on the pension roll; and remarks.
Peter Brandon	Private	96 00	1595 09	Virginia line	July 6, 1822	Aug. 24, 1819	84	
William Cooper	do	96 00	1501 93	Maryland line	May 21, 1819	July 13, 1818	84	
William Campbell	do	96 00	1501 93	Lee's legion	May 6, 1819	do	81	
John Howell	Captain	240 00	2296 77	New Jersey line	Apr'l 24, 1820	Aug. 20, 1818	73	Relinquished for act May 15, 1828.
Moses Johnson	Private	96 00	1501 93	Virginia line	Feb. 15, 1820	July 13, 1818	85	
Robert Moseley	Lieut.	240 00	126 36	Pennsylvania line	Feb. 15, 1819	Nov. 11, 1818	69	Susp'd under act May 1, 1820.
Thomas Pender	Private	96 00	1261 96	Maryland line	May 21, 1819	July 13, 1818	76	Died January 14, 1833.
Peter Parks	do	96 00	873 28	N. Carolina line	Mar. 1, 1825	Jan. 31, 1825	70	



Kentucky Family Records, Vol. 10 (Utica, KY: McDowell Publications, West-Central Kentucky Family Research Association, 1984, p67):

Revolutionary War Pensioners in Ohio County, KY:

Peter Brandon	-	Private	-	Virginia Line	-	born 1738
William Cooper	-	Private	-	Maryland line	-	born 1735
William Campbell	-	Private	-	Lee's Legion	-	born 1738
John Howell	-	Captain	-	New Jersey line	-	born 1750
Moses Johnson	-	Private	-	Virginia line	-	born 1745
Robert Moseley	-	Lieutenant	-	Pennsylvania line	-	born 1752
Thomas Pender	-	Private	-	Maryland line	-	born 1743
	-		-	died 14 January 1833		
Peter Parks	-	Private	-	N. Carolina line	-	born 1755
William L. Barnard	-	Private	-	Maryland Militia	-	born 1758

Seley Burton	-	Private	-	N. Carolina Militia	-	born 1755
Chesley Calloway	-	Private	-	Massachusetts line	-	born 1759
William Carter	-	Private	-	Virginia Militia	-	born 1760
John Monroe	-	Pvt. Sgt. & Lt.	-	Virginia Militia	-	born 1750
John Sorrels	-	Pvt. & Sgt.	-	N. Carolina line	-	born 1755
Matthais Shultz	-	Private	-	Virginia Militia	-	born 1757
						died 19May 1834
Benjamin Burch	-	Sergeant	-	3rd Regt, Maryland line	-	
	-					died 17 Dec. 1830 (H.T. Taylor, Agent. George M. Addison & Hendly Burch, administrators)



Ohio County, Kentucky in the Olden Days, by Harrison D. Taylor (Louisville, KY, 1926, p118):

“In 1840, when the United States census was taken, the names of the Revolutionary soldiers then living were compiled. According to Collins (Volume I, page 8) nine were reported from Ohio County, with the age of each at that time: Zebra Arnold (83), William L. Barnard (81), Chesley Calloway (81), William Campbell (87), William Carter, Sen. (80), John Maddox, Sen. (78), Peter Parks (81), Francis Petty (87), Diadama Shultz (78).

The Year Book, 1896, *Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution*, gives a roll of citizens of Kentucky who were granted pensions for services in the Revolutionary War under the various pension acts up to 1832. Sixteen appear under the head of Ohio County. Pensioners under the act of March 18, 1818: Peter Brandon, William Cooper, William Campbell, John Howell, Moses Johnson, Robert Mosely, Thomas Ponder, and Peter Parks. Under the act of May 15, 1828: Benjamin Burch. Under the act of June 7, 1832: William L. Barnard, Seley Burton, Chesley Calloway, William Carter, Sr., John Monroe, John Sorrels, and Matthias Shultz.

In Daviess County, according to Collins, four Revolutionary soldiers were alive in 1840: Benjamin Field, then aged 84; Charles Hansford, 80; James Jones, 79; Benjamin Tayloe, 84.

According to the Year Book, 1806, S. A. R., cited above, there were ten soldiers in Daviess County who were granted pensions for services in the Revolutionary War under the act of June 7, 1832: Zachariah Briant, George Calhoon, Benjamin Field, James Hall, Samuel Johnson, Sr., James Jones, James Kelley, Anthony Thompson, James Tannehill, and Benjamin Taylor. It is quite probable that most of these old soldiers settled in Daviess County before 1815, that is, when its territory was a part of the original Ohio County.”



Kentucky Records: Early Wills and Marriages - Old Bible Records and Tombstone Inscriptions, by Mrs. William Breckenridge Ardery (Baltimore, MD: Southern Book Co., 1958, pp85-86):

ABSTRACTS OF WILLS AND INVENTORIES,
OF REVOLUTIONARY SOLDIERS
OF OHIO, COUNTY

(Contributed by Miss Lettle Marks and Mrs. Roy Barnhill, Fort Hartford Chapter)

WM. L. BARNARD—January 20, 1848—His children were: Ignatius, Joshua, Silas, Loyd 1799, Garrett, Faluria, Ann, Jamima, Matilda; Emily.
JOHN BENNETT—August, 1828—Estate Settled.
JOSHUA BARNARD—November, 1808—Estate settled.
ROBERT BARNETT—April, 1801—Appraisalment and Settlement.
SAMUEL BIGGER-1807—Estate settled.
CHESLEY CALLOWAY-1846
WILLIAM CARTER—Probated 1842—Names wife, Sarah Carter; Polly, Moses, Peggy, William, Abram, Delilah, George.
MARTIN COLEMAN—February, 1804—Appraisalment
WILLIAM COOPER—May 30th, 1835—Names Wife, (Polly) Mary; children, Alexander, Polly Campbell, son, Cornelius Henry, Elizabeth.
JOSEPH COX—1840—Estate settled.
GORDON DOUGLAS—June, 1802—Appraisalment.
JOHN FIELDS—August, 1801—Wife, Sally; children, Elizabeth, Hannah, Nancy, Zacharias, James, Aquila.
PHILIP HOCKER—August, 1821—Sons, Nicholas, Richard, Philip, Weaver; daughters, Delilah, Dorcas, Polly, Betsy.
DANIEL HOLT—January, 1804—Witnesses, Peter Evans, John Vannada, Abram Harmon.
JOHN HOWELL—November—1830—Children, Secey, Francis, Jane W., Susan D.
RICHARD LANHANM—May, 1807—Wife, Rachel; sons, Elias, Elijah.
WM. LEECH—November, 1808—Wife, Alcy; children, William, Leonard. Susan, Patsy Miller, Lisbah Cox.
JOHN MONROE—May 21, 1837—Andrew B. Monroe, Mary Bell, Eleanor Baltzell.
ROBERT MOSELEY—November 3, 1827—Estate settled.
PETER PARKS—April 22, 1844—Ann Parks, Daniel, Quenton.
THOMAS PENDER—1883—Estate settled Wife, Ann Pender.
THOMAS PARKER—January, 1805—Estate settled.
MATTHAIAS SHULTZ—May, 1834—Wife, Didamah; children, John, Nicholas, Joseph, Charles, Matthias, Dinah, Neel, Nancy Bayes, Mary Mellon.
MRS. RACHEL SPRIGGS—December, 1803—Appraisalment. Son, Joseph Barnett.
CHARLES TRAVIS—November, 1804—Appraisalment.



Revolutionary War Pension Applications

Veteran	pension #	residence at time of service	resident when applied
ARNOLD, Ziba or Zebra	S 30832	New Jersey	Ohio County, KY

The above names soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension of the date of November 1832 at the age of 74 years. He enlisted in the county of Morristown, state not given, on March 1776. Affidavit of fellow soldier who served with him, by the name of William Meide, was made in Ohio County, In the state of Kentucky. He send with him in Elizabethtown and Mohawk River.

BARNARD, William L S 16315 Maryland Ohio County, KY

The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky, when he applied for pension on the date of September 3, 1832, at the age of 73 years. Affidavit of fellow soldier, who served with him, by the name of James Tannehill was made in the county Of Ohio, state of Kentucky. He served with in flying Camp.

CALLOWAY, Chesley S 30917 Virginia KY

The above named soldier was living in the state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of May 6, 1833, at the age of 73 years. He states that he was born in the county of Bedford, state of Virginia in the year of 1717. He enlisted in the county of Bedford, state of Virginia on the date of May 1776. Prior to the Revolutionary war he lived in Bedford County, state of Virginia. Since the Revolutionary war, he lived in Ohio County, state of Kentucky.

CARTER, William W 25391 Virginia Ohio County, KY

Private, Va. Militia. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of Nov. 5, 1832, at the age of 72 years. He states that he was born in the county of Amherst, state of Virginia on August 21, 1760. He enlisted in the county of Amherst, state of Virginia, in the last of February or the first of March, year not given. Prior to the Revolutionary War, be lived in Carter county, state of Tenn., Washington county, state of Kentucky, and Ohio county, state of Kentucky, He moved to Kentucky in 1802 or 1803, from the state of Tenn. county of Carter. His widow, whose name is Sarah filed her claim for widow's pension on the date of Dec. 13, 1853, while residing in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky. Her name before marriage was Sarah Williams. They were married in the county of Breckenridge, state of Kentucky on the date of January 7, 1809.

CAMPBELL, William S 35826 New Jersey Ohio County, KY

Private Lea's Legion. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky, when be applied for pension on the date of November 13, 1820, at the age of 67 years. He enlisted in 1775 or 1777. His, Children were mentioned, but no names were given, one girl age 18, one girl age 15, one girl age 10.

COOPER, William W8632 Maryland Ohio County, KY

Private Maryland line. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky, when he applied for pension on the date of August 14, 1820, at the age of 70 years. He enlisted in the county of Hartford, state of Maryland, on the date of July 15, 1776. His widow, whose name is Polly Cooper filed her claim for widow's pension date of Dec. 6, 1838, while residing in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky. They wore minted on the date of January 20 1780.

HOWELL, John W 666 New Jersey Ohio County, KY

Captain New Jersey line. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of November 13, 1820, at the of 65 years. He states he enlisted in the year of 1775. He had four children, but the names were not given. His widow, whose name is Eleanor filed her claim for widow's pension in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky. They were married in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky, date of December 7, 1793.

JOHNSON, Moses S 36024 Virginia Ohio County, KY

Private Virginia line. The above named soldier was living in Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of November 13, 1820, at the age of 71 years. He states he enlisted in the county pf Frederick, state of Virginia, on the date of 1777. He had no family except a wife, whose name was not given. He made affidavit in Ohio County, state of Kentucky on the date of October 13, 1819. (Fellow Soldier). He knew him in two Virginia regiments in the Continental line.

MADDOX, John S 30565 Virginia KY

The above named soldier was living in Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of November 3, 1834, at the age of 71 years. He states that he was born in the county of Goochland, state of Virginia. That he enlisted in the county of Goochland, state of Virginia on the date of 1777 or 1778. A Fellow soldier made his affidavit in Logan County, state at Kentucky on the date of September 5, 1834. He knew him in the county of Goochland, state of Virginia. In Revolution service locations not mentioned.

MOSELY or MOSLEY, Robert S 36174 Pennsylvania Ohio County, KY

Lieutenant in Pennsylvania line. The above named soldier was living in County of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension. He states that he enlisted in the army of the Revolution 1776.

MONROE, John S 31267 Virginia Ohio County, KY

Private, sergeant & lieutenant Virginia militia. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of October 9, 1832, at the age of _? He was born In the county of Westmoreland state of Virginia, on the date of November 1, 1749. He enlisted in the state of Virginia on the date of September 1775. Prior to the Revolutionary war he lived in Westmoreland county, state of Virginia and King George County, state of Virginia. Since the Revolutionary war he lived in Woodford county, state of Kentucky, Scott County, state of Kentucky, and Ohio County, state of Kentucky. He moved to Kentucky date of 1807 from the state of Virginia, county of Westmoreland. A fellow soldier made affidavit in Ohio county, state of Kentucky, on the date of December 18, 1833. He knew him in the state of Virginia.

PARKS, Peter S 35546 North Carolina Ohio County, KY

Private North Carolina. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of October 16, 1824, at the age of 60 years. He enlisted in the county of Northhampton, state of North Carolina, the date not remembered. His children's names were Quinton Parks, and Daniel Parks, the birth date not given.

PENDER, Thomas R 8085 Maryland Ohio County, KY

Private, Maryland. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date (not given) at the age of between 70 and 73 years. He enlisted in the county of Montgomery, state of Maryland, on the date of 1776. He had one child living with him age 2 years, Six step children (four boys and two girls) boys ages 20, 13, 9, 6 and girls of ages of 17 and 16. His widow, whose name is Anna Pender (age 43 years) filed her claim for widow's pension date of May 2, 1853, while residing in the county of Davis, state of Kentucky. Died January 14, 1833.

PETTY, Francis S ?

On the Revolutionary war agency Book of Kentucky under act of June 7, 1832 pensioners, is the name of Francis Petty 29471 #30, issued February 11, 1835 and on Census of 1810 Francis Petty of Ohio County, state of Kentucky, aged 87 years. There is no record anywhere, else of such a data. The old war invalid and widow books of admitted claims were searched and no each claim under any file number which indicates that the papers were missing 1870, when the claims were arranged under that system. The old war rejected file records were searched and the only person of that name found was O.W. Inv. Rejected 17-56. I searched all books and records, nothing on file September 15, 1913. A. E. Wilson.

SHULTS, Matthias W 6714 Virginia Ohio County, KY

Private Virginia militia. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of January 7, 1833 at the age of 75 years. He states that he was born in the county of Philadelphia, state of Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the county of Frederick, state of Virginia, date of 1776. Prior to the Revolutionary war he lived in Frederick County, State of Virginia. Since the Revolutionary war he didn't give where he lived. He moved to Kentucky in 1780 from the state of Virginia, county of Frederick. His widow, whose name is Didamah filed her claim for Widow's Pension date of January 7, 1839, while residing in Ohio county, state of Kentucky. They were married in state of Kentucky on November 7, 1784. Died May 19, 1834

SORRELS, John S 3953 North Carolina Butler County, KY

Private & sergeant North Carolina line. The above named soldier was living in the county of Butler, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of October 8, 1832, at the age of 76. He enlisted in the county of Rutherford, state of North Carolina, date of September 1, 1779 (about).

TAYLOR, Richard R 10425 Virginia Ohio County, KY

Private Virginia militia. The above named soldier was living in the county of Ohio, state of Kentucky when he applied for pension on the date of August 8, 1842, at the age of 82 years. He enlisted in the county of Frederick, state of Virginia, date of 1777. Died May 19, 1935.

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Orders recorded Order Book No. 4, Ohio County Court Clerk's office, Hartford, Ky.

Order Book No. 4, page 51, September Term 1818: "A declaration was filed in court of the revolutionary service of Michiel Clifford, which being duly sworn to by the said Clifford. It is

ordered to be certified in due form, the court being satisfied of his reduced circumstances and of the truth of the statements made in said declaration."

Order Book No. 4, page 178, August term 1820: The index shows - "William Cooper declaration for pension page" 178. "William Cooper came into court and made oath to his schedule of his property and declaration in due form which is ordered to be recorded and certified in due form."

Order Book No. 4, page 178 August Court 1820) & page 192 (November Court 1820): "Moses Johnson declaration for pension" page 178, August Court 1820, Moses Johnston came into court and made oath to schedule to his property and declaration which is ordered to be recorded and certified in due form; page 192, November County Court 1820. Moses Johnson produced in court a declaration and schedule to which he made oath ordered that the same be certified and recorded in due form.

Order Book No. 4, page 179: "William Jones declaration for pension", August term 1820: William Jones came into court and made oath to a schedule of his property and declaration in due form which is ordered to be recorded and certified in due form.

Order Book No. 4, page 179 & 191: "William Campbell declaration for pension," page 179, August Term 1820. William Campbell came into court and made oath to a schedule of his property and declaration in due form which is ordered to be recorded and certified in due form; page 191, November County Court 1820, William Campbell presented a declaration and schedule in court to which he made oath according to law ordered that the same be recorded and certified in due form.

Order Book No. 4, page 178 & 192, "Thomas Pender declaration for pension", page 178, August Term 1820, Thomas Pender came into court and made oath to a schedule of his property and declaration which is ordered to be recorded and certified in due form ; page 192, Thomas Pender produced in court a declaration and schedule to which he made oath ordered that the same be certified and recorded in due form .

Order Book No. 4, page 47 & 192; "John Howell declaration for pension; page 47, August Term 1818, John Howell filed and made oath to a certain declaration which is ordered to be certified in due form the court being satisfied of the truth thereof and being of the opinion that the said Howel is in indigent circumstances page 192, November County Court 1820, John Howell produced in court a declaration and schedule to which he made oath agreeable to law ordered that the same be certified in due form.

Order Book No. 4, page 34: "Robert Moseley declaration for pension", May Court 1818, Robert Moseley this day comes into court and filed a petition to which he made oath in open court and thereupon the court being satisfied of the truth thereof and on his being in indigent circumstances it is ordered that the same be recorded and certified and due form of law.

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Application for Pension - Revolutionary Soldier

Ohio County, KY Deed Book A

Copied by Winifred Simmerman, Fort Hartford Chapter D.A.R.

State of Kentucky---Ohio County Court sat on 2nd day October, 1826, personally appeared in open court being of record for said county, Jonathan Ward resident in said County, aged 65 years, who being first duly sworn, according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order, to obtain the provision made by the Acts of Congress of the 18th March 1818 and 1st May 1820, that he the said Jonathan Ward enlisted for the term of 18 months about the year 1779 In the state of Va., under Richard Chilister, under the command of Colo. McCarvey in the line of the state of Va. in the continental establishment he marched Thom Fredericksburg Va ,where he lay sick for some time and was paroled home, which parole was renewed from time to time till the war was ended. I received a discharge for 18 months service which discharge I have lost - and in persuance of the act of 1st May 1820, I do solemnly swear I was a resident citizen of the United States, on the 18th March 1818 and I have not since that time by gift sale or any manner disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent there by so to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions an Act of Congress, entitled an Act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land or naval service of the United States in the Revolutionary War, passed on Mar. 18, 1818 and that I have not nor has any person in trust for me any property securities contracts or debts due to me, nor have I any income other than what is contained hereunto annexed, by me subscribed.. 7 hogs, about 60 pigs, and shoats and sheep, one mare 18 or 19 years old, one colt, 10 head of cattle.



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Revolutionary War soldier grave marker unveiled

The driveway through Mount Pleasant Cemetery was filled to capacity on April 15 with the cars of participants, descendants and spectators to honor the life and service of Revolutionary War soldier, William Cooper with a patriot grave marking ceremony.

The ceremony, located 2.5 miles south of Rainsville, was hosted by the Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter KYSSAR, with Gary Tunget presiding.

Cooper was born in 1750 in Hartford County, Maryland and fought in the Revolution alongside his friend, Thomas Pender. He married Mary Harrison approximately 1779-1780 in Frederick County, Maryland. He and Pender applied for \$96 annual pensions July 13, 1818, while residing in Ohio County, which were approved by the Maryland General Assembly. He died July 3, 1836 and is buried with other family members on the family farm across the road from Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, which is also located on the same farm.

Cooper served as a rifleman in the First Maryland Brigade, Rawlings Rifle Regiment, in the Company of Capt. Alexander L. White. In April of 1778, he is listed on the Company muster roll at Valley Forge. Cooper enlisted July 15, 1776, and was discharged on July 15, 1779 at Fort Pitt by Capt. Thomas Beall. He fought in the battles of Princeton, Trenton, Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. According to the Hartford Republican's June 30, 1893 issue, Cooper was one of the 12 guards, who were detailed by Washington to keep the campfires burning on Jan. 3, 1777, to deceive Cornwallis, while Washington swung around Cornwallis and attacked the British at Princeton and gained a victory that aroused the drooping spirits of the American Army.

SAR/DAR pledges were given prior to unveiling of the marker. The veil was lifted from the marker by Oz Howard, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Howard. He is the tenth generation of Cooper.

Descendants came from as far as Iowa to attend this ceremony.

Participants in the program represented Col. Benjamin Logan Chapter KYSSAR, Col. Stephen Trigg Chapter KYSSAR, Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter KYSSAR, Gen.

Evans Shelby Chapter NSDAR, John Caldwell Chapter NSDAR, William Rowan Chapter NSDAR, Fort Hartford Chapter NSDAR and Society of the Descendants of George Washington's Army at Valley Forge. Some family stories say Cooper was secretary to General Washington, however, no official record exists to substantiate this claim. Participating chapters brought beautiful floral tributes.

A SAR Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Harry D. Tinsley for his outstanding work in preserving the history of Ohio County. He was also presented a United States flag, as a tribute. Tinsley stated in his remarks that among his family lines, he is a great grandson of Lee Rains 1822-1878 and Sarah (Stewart) Rains 1830-1921 and that she was a great grand daughter of William Cooper, along with the Haize, Ragland and other surnames. Tinsley is of the seventh generation.

Military three-gun salute was given followed by taps to conclude program.



Oz Howard, pictured with his mother, unveiled the grave marker for William Cooper.



Participants fire shots as a salute to Revolutionary War soldier William Cooper during a ceremony at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.



In the volume, Ohio County, Kentucky Obituary Index, 1873-1899, by Jerry Long (Utica, KY: McDowell Publications, 2009), the following veterans of the Revolution, War of 1812 and Mexican War were referred to in the newspapers. This is not a complete list of all veterans in this volume only those that the newspaper article referenced their service. Death notices of other veterans not listed below were published in the newspapers; however, those notices contained no reference to their service:

Revolutionary War:

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| Arnold, Ziba | Bland, Theodric | Burch, Benjamin |
| Carson, Robert | Cooper, William J. | Godsey, William |
| Griffin, Zachariah | Hawkins, Strother J. | Loyal, Peter |
| Moseley, Robert | Petty, Francis M. ‘Sandy’ | Rhoads, Henry |
| Shultz, Matthias | Wilson, David | |

War of 1812:

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|-------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| Allen, Levi | Alsop, Ben | Bell, R. T. |
| Bennett, Reuben | Berry, Edward | Berry, Francis M. |
| Chapman, Moses K. | Clark, Albin | Dailey, Thomas |
| Dixon, Payne | Ford, John | Foreman, Abram |
| Garth, William | Johnston, James | Kilgrow, Billy |
| Liles, David | Mitchell, Robert | Nicholson, Alexander |
| Pattie, John | Pearson, Major | Phegley, John |
| Reeves, Nathaniel | Renfrow, Shelton | Robertson, James |
| Robertson, Le Roy | Sumner, Thomas | Tilford, Andrew |
| Walker, R. L. | White, Brockman | Yates, Reuben C. |

Mexican War:

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| Buell, Don Carlos | Dailey, Thomas | Davis, Jefferson |
| Porter, W. H. | Rogers, Rant | Stewart, Uriah |
| Taylor, Harrison | | |



In the volume, Ohio County, Kentucky Obituary Index, 1900-1919 by Jerry Long (Utica, KY: McDowell Publications, 2009), the following veterans of the Revolution, War of 1812 and Mexican War were referred to in the newspapers:

Revolutionary War:

- Pender, Thomas

War of 1812:

Allen, Levi

Gillmore, Thomas

Owen, Edward

Mexican War:

Adair, D. L.

Bivens, John

Buchanan, Henry

Duncan, Sam P.

Harrison, David

Hughes, W. H.

Newman, William

Richardson, Dick

Love, S. P.

McGehee, Meredith

Nunan, James

Shacklett, A. R.



Ohio County, Kentucky in the Olden Days, by Harrison D. Taylor (Louisville, KY, 1926, chapter on the War of 1812, pp29-31):

Besides several small parties and companies who joined the cavalry expeditions into the Indian territory, Ohio County raised three companies during the war. One accompanied General Samuel Hopkins up the Wabash River, the other Governor Isaac Shelby to the Battle of the Thames, and another was under General Andrew Jackson at the Battle of New Orleans.

The company under General Hopkins, commanded by Captain Robert Barnett, was thought to be one of the most reliable and well-disciplined in the army. It was selected and prepared for critical and dangerous occasions, but never met the enemy.

So it was with the company with Governor Shelby, commanded by Captain James Tyler. His superiors in command had such confidence in his vigilance and courage that he was detailed for the important purpose of guarding a narrow neck of land forming a peninsula on which all the horses belonging to that part of the army were turned loose because transportation into Canada could not be procured. Anxious as Captain Tyler and his company were to follow the army after Proctor, they yielded to the hazardous and responsible duty assigned to them, and were not only deprived of the laurels won in the Battle of the Thames, but were entirely estopped from claiming the honor of killing Tecumseh.

The scene that occurred when Tyler's company was organized for Ohio County is still fresh in the recollection of the author of these sketches. It seemed as if the entire population of men and boys had assembled in Hartford on that occasion. After the company was made up, it was formed in line for the purpose of electing officers. It was arranged that, as each office was to be filled, the candidates were to step out in front of the line and march down it, each sold following the man of his choice. The captain was the first to be elected. James Tyler, a fine looking specimen of the Kentucky hunter, dressed in hunting garb, was elected without much opposition. Then the choice of the lieutenant was announced, and Philip Thompson stepped to the front and made, a speech full of wit, humor, and patriotism; but he did not get to walk to the head of the line, several stout, brawny volunteers broke rank, reared him on their shoulders, and marched along the rank, the whole of them following with shouts of acclamation.

When Isaac Shelby's army reached The Lakes, it was necessary to leave most of the horses behind. As already stated a large peninsula afforded them range and pasture by the placing of sentinels across a narrow neck of land. It was necessary to detail men for this duty, and from the confidence that the superior officers had in Captain James Tyler's vigilance and prudence, his company was detailed for this purpose. But Lieutenant Philip Thompson was

indignant at the order, and resolved to join the main army as "high private." Jumping into a baggage transport he crossed to the Canada shore, followed the main army on foot, and was the only soldier from Ohio County who participated in the glory of the Battle of the Thames on October 5, 1813.

The company that went to New Orleans was the most unfortunate of all, unless consoled by the philosophy that

"He who fights and runs away
May live to fight another day."

The regiment to which this company belonged was landed at New Orleans on the eve of the great battle, and without arms. There were about one hundred and eighty men, of which Ohio Countians were part. They were hastily armed with old muskets, shotguns, and other such make-believes, as would have scared only women and children, and sent across the river. There a line of battle was formed in something like the following manner: A battery of a few guns was erected near the river, and under the command of General Morgan and some Louisiana militia. A very slight breastwork had been extended at right angles from the river to a swamp. The Kentuckians were placed around this temporary breastwork. A mass of Creoles and undisciplined Louisiana troops formed the right wing of the American line in this swamp.

The first object of the British command was to turn the Americans right in the swamp. This they did with ease, and then charged and took Morgan's battery and put his whole force to flight. In the meantime the Kentuckians maintained their position in the center, until it was evident they were liable to be enclosed by the enemy on each wing. Then they gave way, and Reuben Bennett—as stated in our chapter on Pioneer Families—was the last man to leave the field.

Notwithstanding the fact that General Adair with a large force of Kentuckians fought under General Jackson's own eye on this side of the river, the little band of Kentuckians on the west bank were all that the famed hero of New Orleans deigned to notice in his Report of the Battle of the Eighth of January, 1815. He therein branded them with "inglorious flight."

It is impossible to describe the emotions with which this Report was heard by the people of Ohio County when it reached Hartford. Its soldiery had never had a fair chance to display any gallantry and courage on the battlefield, although they had undergone the greatest privations and hardships; and now for them and their fellow-fighters to go down in history branded with "inglorious flight" was too bad to be borne with indifference. Old men held the paper with trembling hands, and with choked voices read the sad news—the great injustice done to the Kentucky troops in Jackson's Report.



Kentucky, Soldiers of the War of 1812 (The Adjutant General of the State of Kentucky, Frankfort, KY, 1891, page 178):

Roll of Captain James Tyler's Company, Kentucky Mounted Volunteer Militia
Commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Philip Barbour
Date of muster 19 August 1813 - To what time engaged 14 November 1813

James Tyler (captain), Philip Thompson (1st lieutenant), Benjamin Newton (2nd lieutenant), Thomas Moseley (ensign), John Smith (sergeant), John Crow (sergeant), Mason Wood (sergeant), Joseph Garbo (corporal), Walter Crow (corporal), Jesse Crow (corporal).

Privates: Harrison Adkins, Reuben Albin, Hilary Beal, Philip Coffee, Charles Christian, Peter Condit, Edward Crow, John Crumley, Julian Diamond, William Dulin, Warren Ford, John Files, Beverly Frizzle, Reuben Garnett, Samuel Handcock, Thomas Hamilton, Daniel Haynes, Amos Hepslev, Henry Hill, Mason J. Howell, Will Howard, Groves Howard, John Howard, James Ingram, William Jones, Thomas Lindsey, Lewis Lane, James Madison, Thomas Martin, Henry Meekley, William Milay, Thomas Neal, John Roan, Lewis Rogers, William Shepherd, John J. Smith, Joseph Stevens, Thomas Tanner, William Taylor, Joseph Taylor, George Turnbo, John Travis, Banister Wall, Henry L. Wayne, Abraham Wilcox

[Note the above company was referred to by Harrison D. Taylor in his Ohio County, Kentucky in the Olden Days (pp29-30). Many of this company were residents of Ohio County, including those underlined. Reuben Bennett and many others from Ohio County were also members of Captain William Ganaway's company of Kentucky Detached militia commanded by Colonel John Davis that participated in the Battle of New Orleans on 8 January 1815 and who are listed in Kentucky, Soldiers of the War of 1812 (The Adjutant General of the State of Kentucky, Frankfort, KY, 1891).]

