

Rachel Shields, widow of James Shields
W7414, Virginia, File No. 6,027

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Virginia

Rachel Shields,
widow of James Shields,
who was a private
in the Virginia line.

Inscribed on the Roll at the rate of
\$6 Dollars
Cents per annum, to commence on
the 4th day of March, 1843.

Certificate of Pension issued the
15 day of November, 1844
and sent to
Wm. K. King,
Attorney,
Staunton,
Va.

[Act of March 3, 1843.]
17 June, 44.

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State of Virginia
County of Augusta
On this 1st day of October 1845
personally appeared before the undersigned one of the
Commissioners of the Board of Pension for the said County of
Augusta Rachel Shields a resident of said County, aged
about eighty-two years, who, being first duly sworn, deposed
that she has no personal knowledge of the services performed
by her husband, James Shields, but from information derived
from him, and from other sources, she verily believes that
he was a private in the Virginia line, and that he performed the
services he engaged for, that she has always understood
that he was with the American
Army on Newbury, in the year 1778, and was present
at the battle of Brandywine, on the 26th of September,
1777, and that he was married to her on the 10th day of
November 1777, and that he was killed on the 2nd day of
December 1781, and that she was not married to him
prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage was solemnized
prior to the first day of January, 1778, and that she was
born on the 10th day of November 1773, and that she was
born at the time above stated. Rachel Shields
swore above under oath, before me, a Justice of the Peace.

For Pardon.

December 14, 1925.

Hon. John H. Capstick,
House of Representatives.

My dear Mr. Capstick:

In response to your letter dated the 13th
instant, I have the honor to advise you that from the papers in
the claim file No. 6,027, Rev. War, it appears that James
Shields of Augusta County, Virginia, enlisted for three years,
May 28, 1777; served as a Private in Captain Thomas Hall's com-
pany, Colonel William Grayson's regiment of Virginia troops on
the Continental Line, and was in the battle of Stony Point.

James Shields married in Augusta County, Virginia, March
10, 1768, Rachel Anderson. He died December 2, 1801, and she
was allowed pension on account of his services, on her applica-
tion executed October 1, 1845, at which time she was about
eighty-two years of age and a resident of Augusta County, Vir-
ginia.

There is no further data relative to family on file.

Very truly yours,
G. M. Sattergub
Commissioner.