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WAR OF 1812

NUMBERS

W.O. 6528

SOLDIER

Smith, George

BOUNTY LAND

WIDOW

Smith, Mary

SERVICE

Capt. Henry Braddy's Co.  
Tenn. Mil. & Capt. Robt.  
Braden's Co Tenn. Mil.

# WAR OF 1812. DECLARATION OF A WIDOW FOR PENSION.

To be executed before Judge or Clerk of Court.

State of \_\_\_\_\_ }  
County of \_\_\_\_\_ } SS

On this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. eighteen hundred and seventy one  
personally appeared before me, James Bradford Judge, of the Probate  
Court a Court of Record in and for the County and State aforesaid,

Mary Smith, aged (71) thirty one years, a resident of  
~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ County of Cherokee, State  
of Alabama, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is  
the widow of George Smith, who served the full period of sixty  
days in the (1) in Michigan service of the United States in the War of 1812, and who was the identical  
George Smith who (2) Mrs. Dorr in Captain  
Henry Braids Company, \_\_\_\_\_  
Regiment, \_\_\_\_\_ Brigade, \_\_\_\_\_ Division, at  
Nashville, Tenn. on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
1814 and was honorably discharged at \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1815; that (3)

Witnessed  
Said George Smith, Dress Military

that she was married under the name of Mary Taylor to said \_\_\_\_\_  
George Smith, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
A. D. 1808, by \_\_\_\_\_ at  
New Kingston, Tenn. there being no legal barrier to such marriage; that her  
said husband died at New Leon, Spring Sa. on the \_\_\_\_\_  
day of January, 1869, and that she has not remarried since his death; that  
at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she or her said husband adhere  
to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort, or exercised the functions of any office  
whatever under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States; that she will support the  
Constitution of the United States; that she is not in receipt of a pension under any previous act; that she makes  
this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension rolls of the United States, under the provisions of the  
act approved February 14, 1871, and hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revoca-

tion, \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
her true and lawful attorney, to prosecute her claim, and obtain the pension certificate that may be issued; that  
her post office is at Hovets, Pa. County of Cherokee  
State of Alabama; that her domicile or place of abode is in Cherokee  
County Alabama  
ATTEST \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant.

George W. Howell  
Jas. Halverson

1. "Military" or "naval."  
2. "Was drafted," "enlisted," or "was enrolled."  
3. Here give place, capacity, and manner of service, and any historical events in the war in which he participated, or with which he was connected.  
NOTE.—Record evidence of marriage must be furnished if possible; if no record, then the next best evidence. Proof of marriage, &c., can be made before a J. P., Notary Public or other officer.

Also personally appeared George W Howel and James H Savage residing at No in Cherokee Alabama street in \_\_\_\_\_ persons whom

I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who being by me duly sworn, say: They were present and saw Mary Smith, the claimant, sign her name (or make her mark) to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant, and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be, and she has not remarried since the death of her husband, but remains his widow; and at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States did she, or her said husband, adhere to the cause of the enemies of the Government, or give them aid or comfort: and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

George W Howel  
James H Savage  
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August

A. D. 187 / , and I hereby certify that the contents of the above declaration were fully made known and explained to the applicant and witnesses before swearing, including the words \_\_\_\_\_, erased, and the words \_\_\_\_\_, added; and that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

[L. S.]

James Bradford  
Judge of Probate.

War of 1812.  
DECLARATION OF A WIDOW  
FOR PENSION.

CLAIM OF

Mary Smith

Widow of George Smith

Co., \_\_\_\_\_ Regt.

Brig. \_\_\_\_\_ Div.

Rec'd from Geo W Howel  
Howel's X Roads  
Ala

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J. M. Gentry  
Mrs. S. G. Gentry

The State of Alabama } Personally appeared  
 Cherokee County } before me Samuel R  
 May a Justice of the Peace  
 in and for said County, Mary Smith who  
 being duly sworn, deposes & says that there is  
 no good evidence of the marriage of her & her  
 deceased husband - George Smith, nor she knows  
 of no witness now living by whom said marriage  
 and that they were married several years before  
 the war of 1812 - that her & her deceased husband  
 George Smith, were lawfully married - and had  
 three children - at the commencement of the war  
 of 1812 - Sworn to & subscribed before me  
 this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 1871 }  
 Samuel R. May J.P. } Mary Smith

Also personally appeared before <sup>me</sup> George W Howell and  
 James Gossett citizens of Cherokee County  
 Alabama - who are reliable & entitled to full credit, who  
 being duly sworn deposes & says that they have been well  
 acquainted with Mary Smith whose name is assigned to the above  
 & foregoing affidavit - and know that she and George Smith  
 deceased - lived together as husband & wife, and recognized each  
 other as such, and that they were recognized as husband  
 and wife by the community in which they lived - and that  
 from their knowledge of the said George Smith deceased  
 and Mary Smith, they fully believe that they were lawfully  
 husband & wife Sworn to before me  
 this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 1871 } Samuel R. May J.P. }  
 J. W. Howell }  
 James Gossett }

The State of Nevada, Elko County

I James Bradford Judge of the Probate Court & Clerk of office of said Court do hereby Certy that Samuel R May whose genuine Signature appears to the foregoing affidavit as Justice of the Peace, was duly authorized as such at the time of signing the same and entitled to full credit. James Bradford

Aug the 16<sup>th</sup> 1871 Judge of Probate Court  
 & Clerk of office of said Court

Samuel R May

James Bradford

Claim 6328

Centm Ala  
Sept 5<sup>th</sup> 1872

Mr J H Baker

Dr Sir

Enclosed find  
 returned papers in case of Mary  
 Smith a petitioner for pension  
 Mary Smith died about 15 of this  
 year. She left some children  
 there is no administration upon  
 her estate. Can her children  
 by proving themselves such and  
 assigning collect the amt due  
 her while living - without an  
 administration upon her Estate  
 very Respectfully  
 G. M. Howell

U. P. 4.

(OLD WAR AND NAVY DIVISION.)

Department of the Interior,

PENSION OFFICE,

Washington, D. C., July 7, 1883.



You are respectfully requested to inform this Office, if you can do so without inconvenience, whether Mary Smith who resided in your neighborhood in the year 1871 is still alive, and, if so, whether she is the reputed widow of Geo. Smith, and was he generally believed by the neighbors to have served in the War of 1812.

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If Mrs Mary Smith has deceased, can you furnish the date of her death.

Please return this letter with your reply in enclosed envelope, for use in widow's claim No. 6528, under Act of March 9, 1878.

Very respectfully,

W. W. Dudley

Commissioner.

Postmaster: Howell Cross Roads  
Cherokee Co.  
Ala.



1872 Mar 12<sup>th</sup> B.L.D.  
 " June 8<sup>th</sup> B.L.D.  
 " " 11<sup>th</sup> Claimant  
 detailed statement of  
 service  
 July 30<sup>th</sup> Mar. death  
 Char. etc. *W*  
 4. M. Bonds sent to proceed  
 Sept 10<sup>th</sup> *W*  
 Dec. 21<sup>st</sup> Special Cir  
 1873 Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> second call for  
 marriage, marriage in. & par-  
 circular *W*  
 1874 Mar. 22. Rejected  
 Mar. not shown  
 Abandoned. *W*  
 May 7<sup>th</sup> Letter to P. Master.

1871 June 22 Mr. J. J. McAuliffe, Parent,  
 informed that he does not  
 appear as atty in this case.  
 &c &c. *W.E.D.*

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ACT OF FEBRUARY 14, 1871.  
 WAR OF 1812.

Mary Smith  
 Cherokee Co. Alabama  
 Widow of  
 Geney Smith  
 Capt Henry Braiden Tenn Mil  
 Died *W* *W* 1859  
 near Cave Spring Ga  
 Rejected 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1874

Received *W* *W* 3<sup>rd</sup> 1871  
 Claimant  
 Howell Cross Roads  
 Cherokee Co Ala  
 Attorney.

