

BEGINNING GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES: MILITARY RECORDS



World War I



War of 1812



Spanish-American War

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OLD MILITARY RECORDS

1775 - 1912

- Volunteer Service
 - Compiled Military Service Records (CMSRs)

- Regular Army Service
 - Register of Enlistments

- U.S. Naval Service
 - Rendezvous Reports

- Marine Corps
 - Service Records (Case Files)

- Pensions

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Compiled Military Service Records

- ⦿ Created in the 1890s to help the War Department verify service for pension claims
- ⦿ Compiled from various original sources such as muster rolls, payrolls, returns, hospital records, and prison records
- ⦿ Arranged by
 - State
 - Military unit
 - Surname (alphabetical)

COMPILED MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS

- ◉ Revolutionary War (1775-83)*
- ◉ War of 1812 (1812-15)
- ◉ Old Indian Wars (1784-1858)*
- ◉ Mexican War (1846-48)
- ◉ Civil War (1861-65)*
- ◉ Spanish-American War (1898)
- ◉ Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902)

COMPILED MILITARY SERVICE RECORDS

○ Basic information about soldiers:

- Full name
- Date(s) of enlistment
- Period(s) of service
- Residence
- Personal description
- Miscellaneous
 - Pay rates
 - Special duty assignments
 - Wounding/death in combat
 - Hospital/POW records

Revolutionary War Compiled Military Service Record (CMSR) of William Graham

487
Graham, William

**1 Massachusetts Regiment.
(Revolutionary War.)**

Corporal | *Corporal*

CARD NUMBERS.

1	3556 0967	26
2	70028	27
3	0089	28
4	0146	29
5	0197	30
6	0248	31
7	0305	32
8	0337	33
9	0371	34
10	60843	35
11	70405	36
12	0439	37
13	1534	38
14	1576	39
15	618000	40
16	57616	41
17	1637	42
18	1657	43
19	37174617	44
20		45
21		46
22		47
23		48
24		49
25		50

Number of personal papers herein 0

Book Mark: *R. P. 436786.*

See also

- Name: William Graham
- Unit: 1 Massachusetts Regiment
- War: Revolutionary
- Rank: Corporal

Wm Graham

Captain Abraham Hunt's Co., in
Col. Joseph Vose's Reg't.

Revolutionary War

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

of the organization named above for the month

of June, 1778.

Commencement of time, 17.

Commencement of pay, 17.

To what time paid, 17.

Pay per month 7 1/3 dollars.

Time of service 1 month

Whole time of service

Subsistence

Amount £ 2.4 -

Amt. of pay and subsistence

Pay due to sick, absent

Casualties

Remarks:

Next roll on file May 1779.

Metcalf

William Graham

Capt. Abraham Hunt's Co., 1st
Massachusetts Batt'n of Forces, com-
manded by Col. Joseph Vose.

Revolutionary War

Appears on

Company Muster Roll

of the organization named above for the month

of Sept, 1779.

Roll dated Bedford

Oct 2, 1779.

Appointed, 17.

Commissioned, 17.

Enlisted Jun 26, 1776.

Term of enlistment 3 years,

Time since last muster or enlistment

Alterations since last muster

Casualties

Remarks: On guard.

Next roll on file July 1780.

Ross

William Grayham

Capt. John Mills' Co., 1st Massa-
chusetts Reg't, commanded by Col.
Joseph Vose.

Revolutionary War.

Appears on

Company Pay Roll

of the organization named above for the month

of Nov + Dec, 1779.

Commencement of time, 17.

Commencement of pay, 17.

To what time paid, 17.

Pay per month 2 3/40 Dollars

Time of service 2 months

Whole time of service

Subsistence per month 10

Amount

Amt. of pay and subsistence 34 60/70 Dollars

Pay due to sick, absent

Casualties

Remarks:

Muhleman

VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Related Records

- ◎ Personal Papers
 - Enlistment papers
 - Inventories of personal effects
 - Final statements of service
 - Reports of death and interment
 - Pay and subsistence accounts (earlier wars)

- ◎ Muster Rolls

FORM FOR EXAMINING A RECRUIT.

(To be filled up according to directions in Tripler's Manual, pages 114, 115, 116, 117.)

RECRUIT *Theophilus B. Adams*, age *18*, occupation *Whale boat worker*,
born in *New Hampshire*, presented by *Chas. W. Casper*.

VOI

STATE OF

New Hampshire

I, *Theophilus*
in the State of *New*
and by occupation a *Soldier*
volunteered this *20*
to serve as a **Soldier**
period of **THREE YEARS**
agree to accept such be
lished by law for volun
solemnly swear, that I
of America, and th
their enemies or oppos
orders of the Preside
appointed over me, acc
Sworn and subscribed to, at
this *6th* day of
Barre
C. W. Casper
I CERTIFY, ON HONOR
the General Regulations of the
infirmity, which would, in any

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR
previously to his enlistment,
judgment and belief, he is of la
of an able-bodied soldier, I ha
This soldier has *Blue* eye
high.

Gov. PRINT. OFF. Dec. 1861.

1. Have you ever been sick? *No*
When, and of what diseases? *—*
 2. Have you any disease now, and what? *No*
 3. Have you ever had fits? *No*
 4. Have you ever received an injury or wound upon the head? *No*
 5. Have you ever had a fracture, a dislocation, or a sprain? *No*
 6. Are you in the habit of drinking? *No* Or have you ever had the "horrors"? *—*
 7. Are you subject to the piles? *No*
 8. Have you any difficulty in urinating? *No*
 9. Have you been vaccinated, or had the small pox? *Have been vaccinated,*
- Head. *Normal*
Ears.
Face.
Eyes and Appendages.
Nose.
Organs of Mastication and Voice.
Neck.
Chest.
Abdomen.
Genital and Urinary Organs.
Vertebral Column.
Superior Extremities.
Inferior Extremities.

REMARKS.

DATE: *Aug. 13, 1862*
RENDEZVOUS: *Concord N.H.*

A. H. Robinson Inspecting Surgeon.

ED STATES.

FOR DISCHARGE.

(Account of disability.)

Case of Captain *James D.*
Regiment of United States

of
of
to serve *three* years; he was born
is *eighteen*
of complexion, *blue* eyes.

of
During the last two
small directions on Form 12, p. 269, Medical Dept. Gen. Rec.)
found in October
while doing
on of disease
service

A. Sample
Company
Commanding Company

J. Adams of
able of performing the duties of a soldier
Gen. Reg.)

several strength
of *fourth*

A. Sample
Surgeon
in charge *of*
1863, at *Fort* *Head* *of*
of
of Commanding the Post.
e the degree of disability.
ed.

State—

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THE UNITED STATES,

To Lieutenant Thomas Cockrill in the
1st Regiment of Artillery Dr.

For his pay from the 2nd August 1813 to the
9th August 1813 ~~Twenty~~ Eight Days, at
Thirty Dollars per Month,
For his pay for a servant, not a soldier of the line, from the 2nd
August to the 9th August 1813 ~~Twenty~~ Eight
Days, at Eight Dollars per Month,
For his subsistence, per account herewith,

DOLLS.		CENTS
7	74	
2	06	
4	80	
14	60	

Amount,

I CERTIFY ON HONOR, That the foregoing Account is accurate and
just; that I have actually kept in service a servant, who was not a soldier of the line,
for the whole time as above charged; that I have not employed, as a servant, a sol-
dier of the line, during any part of the above period; and that I have not received
compensation from the United States, for the whole or any part of the above account.

Thos. Cockrill 1st Lt
Artillery 1st Regt. Arty

RECEIVED Benjamin Hodges Paymaster 1st Regt. Artillery
100 Dollars, being in

full for my subsistence
from the 2nd August 1813 to the 9th August 1813

Having signed duplicates hereof. Thos. Cockrill 1st Lt
Artillery 1st Regt. Arty

SUBSISTENCE ACCOUNT

COMMENCEMENT.

2nd August 1813
2nd August 1813

I CERTIFY on Honor, that the fo
in service a servant, who was not a sold
not employed, as a servant, a soldier of
not received compensation from the Unit

Having signed duplicates hereof.

Account in McLaughlin Comp

Due.	Price of Ration.	AMOUNT.	
	CENTS.	DOLLS.	CENTS.
20	3	20	
20	1	60	
		4	80

RECEIVED of B. Hodges Paymaster 1st Regt
100 Dollars, being in full for my subsistence
from the 2nd August 1813

Having signed duplicates hereof.

Thos
1st Lt

Personal Papers for 1st Lt. Thomas Cockrill,
1st Regiment Artillery, Maryland Militia, August 1813

THE REGULAR ARMY

Register of Enlistments

- ⦿ Basic source to document service in the Regular Army
- ⦿ Volumes cover 1798-1914, arranged by
 - Year of enlistment
 - Alphabetically (first letter of surname)
 - Chronologically by date of enlistment
- ⦿ Available on microfilm as **M233**, *Register of Enlistments in the U.S. Army, 1798-1914*. Also digitized on Ancestry.com.

REGISTER OF ENLISTMENTS

- Basic information about soldiers:
 - Rank
 - Physical description
 - Occupation
 - Date and place of birth
 - Date of enlistment
 - Unit assignment
 - Term of service
 - Discharge information

REGISTER OF ENLISTMENTS,

NO.	NAMES	ENLISTED.			WHERE BORN.			AGE.	OCCUPATION.	DESCRIPTION.				
		WHEN.	WHERE.	BY WHOM.	PERIOD.	TOWN OR COUNTY.	STATE.			EYES.	HAIR.	COMPLEXION.	HEIGHT.	
												Feet.	Inches.	
42	Philipsen	1878 Feb 26	Baltimore	1 st Lt. Crawford	3 Mts	Schleswig	Germany	24	Blacksmith	Gray	L. Blu.	Fair	5	3 1/2
3	Grindle	15	H. Adams St.	Carrick		Sanctuary	Conn.	26	Soldier	Blue	Red.		5	6 1/2
4	Sayne	22	St. Louis, Mo.	Tr. Cook		Crawford Co.	Missouri	24		Gray	Brown		5	4
5	Kanneton	22	"	"		Montreal	Canada	23	Miner	"	"		5	2 1/2
6	Wride	11	N. Lawrence	Cpt. Hood		Richmond	Virginia	32	Soldier	Blue	Blk	Brown	5	8
7	Britchard	10	H. Matthews	Ct. Howard		Fredericksburg	Virginia	27	Soldier	Brown	Light	Fair	5	4
8	Seck	21	N. Sanders St.	Capt. Henry		Evansville	Indiana	23	Printer		Brown		5	4 1/2
9	Syne	4	New York City	Wood		Lifferrary	Ireland	22	Clerk	Blue		Ruddy	5	8 1/2
50	Purcell	23	"	Wheeler		Boston	Mass.	26	Telegrapher			Fair	5	3 1/2
1	Ketzsch	15	"	"		Dobrujina	Russia	23	Cigar maker				5	4
2	Petty	16	St. Rutgers St.	Wheeler		Congress	New York	26	Carpenter				5	10 1/2
3	Prince	16	Cleveland O.	Wheeler		Charman	"	23	Laborer			Ruddy	5	4 3/4
4	Philipp	8	Suffolk, Mass.	Lowell		Empire	Germany	27	Machinist		Red.	Fresh	5	10
5	Sarker	23	St. Louis Mo.	Luaga		New York	New York	23	Wounded	Gray	Dark	Fair	5	4 1/2
6	Serkens	18	Cincinnati O.	Tisdell		White water	Ohio	30	Farmer	L. Blu.	Red.	Dark	5	8 1/4
7	Sirsons	22	H. W. Howard	W. Wheeler		Glaston	Mass.	36	Soldier	Gray	Dark	Fair	5	8
8	Sireny	16	Omaha	W. M. Williams			England	31	Clerk	Brown		Dark	5	6 1/2
9	Sahl	2	Cincinnati O.	Capt. Woodward		Baravia	Germany	31	Soldier		Brown	Fair	5	6 1/2
60	Soter	11	"	"		Rushville	Indiana	24	Printer	Blue	Light	Light	5	5
1	Savro	26	Washington D. C.	Must. Benjamin		Washington	D. C.	67	Clerk	Gray	Dark	Fair	5	7
2	Salmier	15	New York	Cpt. Chubb		West	Conn.	26		Brown	Dark	Ruddy	5	8 1/2
3	Stunkett	25	"	"		Boston	Mass.	28	Blacksmith	Gray		Fair	5	6 1/2
4	Proemuder	30	"	"		Sapring	Germany	22	Machinist		Light	Ruddy	5	4 1/2
5	Sarker	18	San Antonio	"		Leeds	England	25		Wavy	Brown	Light	5	5

UNITED STATES ARMY

No 44

Alfred Pride's service:

- enlisted July 11, 1878
- born Richmond, Virginia
- age 32
- occupation - soldier
- physical description: black hair; 5' 8" tall
- served in the 24th Infantry, Company F
- enlisted 3 times
- discharged February 10, 1883
- "exp. of service at Ft. Elliott, TX; Pvt.; Char.: good"

REGIMENT.
 5 Cav
 1 Art
 8 Cav
 24 Inf
 Sigt. Service
 3 Cav
 9 3rd Dept Defar.
 19 Inf
 7 Inf
 8 Inf
 16 Inf
 7 Inf
 19 Inf
 1 Inf
 24 Inf
 5 Cav
 9 Inf
 7 Cav
 2 Cav
 Comp Genl off.
 1 Cav
 1 Cav
 1 Cav
 24 Inf

Dischgd Feb 17 1883 Exp. of Serv. at Ft. Sill T. S. a Pvt. Char. very good.
 Dischgd Feb 21 1883 Exp. of Serv. at Ft. Laramie Wyo a Pvt. Char. un. toll.
 Dischgd Feb 15 1883 Exp. of Serv. at Omaha Neb. a Pvt. Char. Excellent.
 Discharged Aug. 22 1879 for disability at Ft. Maudsl. Pa. Pvt. Dup. Cat. recd. Char. Excellent.
 Discharged Feb. 16 1879 for disability at Ft. Ellis W. T. a Pvt. Char. Good. Dup. Cat. recd.
 Dischgd Sept. 30 1881 for S. O. 221 A. G. O. 1881 at Ft. Wash. Ind. Cadet. Char. un. toll.
 Dischgd July 19 1880 for S. O. 18 Dept. Columbia 1880 at Ft. Walla Walla W. T. a Pvt. Char. Good.
 Dischgd Feb 24 1883 Exp. of Serv. at Fort. Sill T. S. a Pvt. Char. Good.
 Dischgd Feb 29 1883 Exp. of Serv. at Ft. Walla Walla W. T. a Pvt. Char. very good.
 Dischgd Mar 8 1883

U.S. NAVY SERVICE

Rendezvous Reports

1846-1891

- Weekly reports from the recruiting officers
- Indexes:
 - T1098 for before and after Civil War (1846-61, 1865-84)
 - T1099 for Civil War service (1861-65)
- M1953, *Weekly Returns of Enlistments at Naval Rendezvous* (“Enlistment Rendezvous”), January 6, 1855-August 8, 1891.

RENDEZVOUS REPORTS

- Basic information about sailors:
 - Name of sailor
 - Date and term of enlistment
 - Rating (rank)
 - Previous naval service
 - Usual place of residence
 - Place of birth
 - Occupation
 - Personal description
 - Permanent marks or scars

ENLISTMENTS AT MARE ISLAND, CAL.

Return of the United States Naval Rendezvous for the ^{8 days} week ending ^{Monday} Saturday, June 30th, 1884.

As this sheet will become the Reference Record at the Navy Department, great care must be taken that the information called for under the several headings is correctly given and plainly written. If the number of enlistments exceed the capacity of this sheet, do not put an addition to the bottom of it, but carry forward to a new sheet—dating and certifying each sheet.

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256

James G. Mason:

- o enlisted June 25, 1884 at Mare Island, California
- o enlisted for one cruise on the *Monongahela*
- o age 22
- o occupation - cook
- o physical description: Negro; 5' 1 1/2" tall
- o born in East Oakland, Cal.
- o has a scar on his left leg
- o has a tattoo of a shield cross and flag on his left forearm
- o rating: Landsman

INITIALS OF ENLISTING SURGEON.	NAMES (In alphabetical order)
✓ T. b. H.	Booth
✓ T. b. H.	Clarke
✓ T. b. H.	Crawford
✓ T. b. H.	Donaldson
✓ T. b. H.	Quenne
✓ T. b. H.	Ericsson
✓ T. b. H.	Flood
✓ T. b. H.	Freeman
✓ T. b. H.	Groves
✓ T. b. H.	Gullagh
✓ T. b. H.	Hagan
✓ T. b. H.	Johnson
✓ T. b. H.	Larawa
✓ T. b. H.	Mason

INITIALS OF ENLISTING SURGEON.	NAMES	AGE	RES.	STATUS	REG.	DATE	PLACE	REMARKS	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	SCARS	TATTOOS	
✓ T. b. H.	Murray Thomas	25	3 yrs	Sea	No	Sea Serv	No.	At Sea	Verona Canada	29 ² / ₂	Mariner	Grey	Red	Ruddy	5 6 1/2	Scars over r. eye small vaccination
✓ T. b. H.	Carrott Thomas	27	3 yrs	Sea	No	Sea Serv	No.	Sea Serv	Brighton Eng	31 ¹¹ / ₂	Mariner	Black	Ruddy	5 3	Scotish Runen a breast britisk chief l. breast ship's arm teeth defective	
✓ T. b. H.	Quint Joseph	25	3 yrs	Sea	No	Sea Serv	No.	S. F. Cal	Valparaiso Chile	24 ¹ / ₂	Mariner	Bro	Black	Smooth	5 3 1/2	Burns left thigh recent cold
✓ T. b. H.	Shultz Otto G.	26	3 yrs	Lands	No	Sea Serv	No.	Sacramento	New York N.Y.	22 ¹ / ₂	Tailor	Blue	Bro	Ruddy	5 8 1/2	Small vaccination l. thigh leg enlarged tonsils granulation posterior wall
✓ T. b. H.	Triplett Isaac A.	28	Cruise	Sea	No.	Monongahela	No.	————	Knoxton Tenn	19 ¹ / ₂	Barber	Negro	5 2 1/2	INI 10-fal pharynx		
✓ T. b. H.	Thompson James W.	28	Cruise	Sea	No.	Monongahela	No.	S. F. Cal	that Morland Eng	24 ¹ / ₂	Cook	Hay	DK Bro	Ruddy	5 4	Bow legged
✓ T. b. H.	Whitney Horace	26	3 yrs	Sea	No	Sea Serv	No.	S. F. Cal	Liverpool Eng	21 ¹ / ₂	Mariner	Blue	Bro	Ruddy	5 6 1/2	Britisk coal fangs a-arm Bracelet each wrist
✓ T. b. H.	Young James	27	3 yrs	b.N	Yes	Sea Serv	No.	S. F. Cal	Glasgow Scotl	32 ¹ / ₂	Fireman	Bro	Bro	Ruddy	5 5 1/2	bracelet each wrist teeth defective

DO NOT WRITE ON THIS MARGIN

MARINE CORPS SERVICE

Service Records (Case Files)

1798-1895

- Alphabetical Card List of Enlisted Men of the Marine Corps, 1798-1941 (RG 127, Entry 75)
- Service Records of Enlisted Men, 1798-1895 (RG 127, Entry 76)
 - Enlistment/reenlistment papers
 - Conduct record
 - Descriptive list
 - Notice of discharge
 - Medical surveys

Enlistment paper for John Easton, December 15, 1864

John Easton's Service:

- o enlisted December 15, 1864 at Marine Barracks, Portsmouth, New Hampshire
- o born at Bellefonte, Centre Co., Pennsylvania
- o 28 years old
- o 5 feet, 7 ¼ inches tall, blue eyes, brown hair, fair complexion
- o occupation: soldier (previously served in the Army as a Volunteer)

John Easton a private, born in the U. States,
State of Pennsylvania County of Centre Town of
Bellefonte enlisted 15th December at
Portsmouth, N. H. for four years, by Capt. C. D. Holt
aged 28 years 5 feet 7 ¼ inches high, Blue eyes,
Brown hair, Fair complexion, by trade or occupation a Soldier

REMARKS:

Enlisted as a Volunteer.
Has served in the Army.

I Certify, That the above recruit is free from bodily defects, and is qualified to perform
the duty of a soldier.

Has been vaccinated -

J. He. Belack
Asst. Surgeon

PENSIONS

- ⦿ Based on service in the U.S. military between 1775 and 1916

- ⦿ Different types of pensions:
 - Disability pensions
 - Service pensions
 - Widow/dependent pensions

- ⦿ Many different pensions acts
 - If rejected under one act, applications could reapply under a later one

PENSIONS

- What kind of information can I find?
 - Full name of individual
 - Date(s) of enlistment
 - Period(s) of service
 - Units individual served with
 - Residence
 - Medical history
 - Death dates
 - Information about Widow and/or Children

PENSIONS

- ⦿ Indexes for every war (Rev War - Philippine Insurrection)
- ⦿ Revolutionary War:
 - *M804, Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900.*
 - *M805, Selected Records from Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Land Warrant Application Files, 1800-1900.*
- ⦿ No Confederate pensions
- ⦿ Scanning projects
 - Civil War widows/dependents
 - 1812

Revolutionary War Pension of William Graham

(8-1778)

SERVICE

Mass.
N. H.

NUMBER

Graham, William
Mary

W. 10068

CONTENTS

William Graham's Declaration of Pension

- April 21, 1818 (age 62)
- Filed in Hadley (Saratoga Co., New York)
- Enlisted in Capt. Abraham Hunt's Co. (1st MA Reg.) in 1777 for a period of three years
- Fought at the Battle of Bunker Hill under Capt. William Scott of the New Hampshire Line
- Lost his discharge papers
- Statement of Lewis Scott, son of William Scott

STATE OF NEW-YORK, } ss.
SARATOGA COUNTY.

ON this twenty first day of April 1818, before me the subscriber, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Saratoga and state of New-York, personally appears *William Graham* aged *sixty two* years, resident in the town of *Hadley* in the County of *Saratoga* in the said state, who

being by me first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the provision made by the late act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States in the revolutionary war." That the said *William Graham*, enlisted in the year *1777* as a *Private Soldier* in the state of *Massachusetts* for *3* years in the company commanded by Captain *Abraham Hunt* and served the full *three* of his enlistment) that he continued to serve in the said corps, or in the service of the United States until the end of the War as a *Private Soldier*

when he was discharged from service in *June 1783* at *Quincy* by *General Washington* and state of *New York* that he was in the battles of *Bunker Hill, York Island, White Plains, & Red Bank* and that he is in reduced circumstances, and stands in need of the assistance of his country for support; and that he has no other evidence now in his power of his said services except as follows to wit *as follows to wit* that at the *Battle of Bunker Hill* he was under *Captain William Scott* of the *New Hampshire Line* previous to his enlistment under *Capt. Hunt* and that after the enlistment expired under the said *Capt. Hunt* he enlisted under *Captain John Mills* for *During the War* but that his Discharge by some unavoidable accident has been lost.

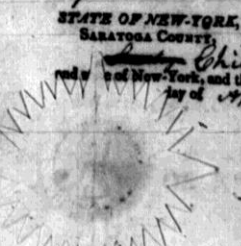
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *21st* day of *April* 1818
Salmon Child }
before me *Salmon Child* } *William Graham*
State of *New York* }
Saratoga County }

Personally appeared before Lewis Scott and being duly sworn Depositor and I certify that I have heard his father *William Scott* which is *Captain William Scott* above mentioned say that *William Graham* above alluded to, was in *Bunker Hill* Battle with him and that he served in the revolutionary War a considerable time thinks from general conversation that he was sworn to and declared before me, *Lewis Scott* in *During the War*
Salmon Child *April 21st 1818*

I *Salmon Child* Judge, &c. as aforesaid, do certify that it appears to my satisfaction that the said *William Graham* did serve in the revolutionary war, as stated in the preceding declaration, against the common enemy; and I now transmit the proceedings and testimony taken and had before me, to the Secretary for the War Department, pursuant to the directions of the aforesaid act of Congress. *Salmon Child* *April 21st 1818*

Pub. from the orig. examination of the above named *William Graham* and personal acquaintance with the same *Lewis Scott* & was satisfied of justice of the said *William Graham* without any further testimony

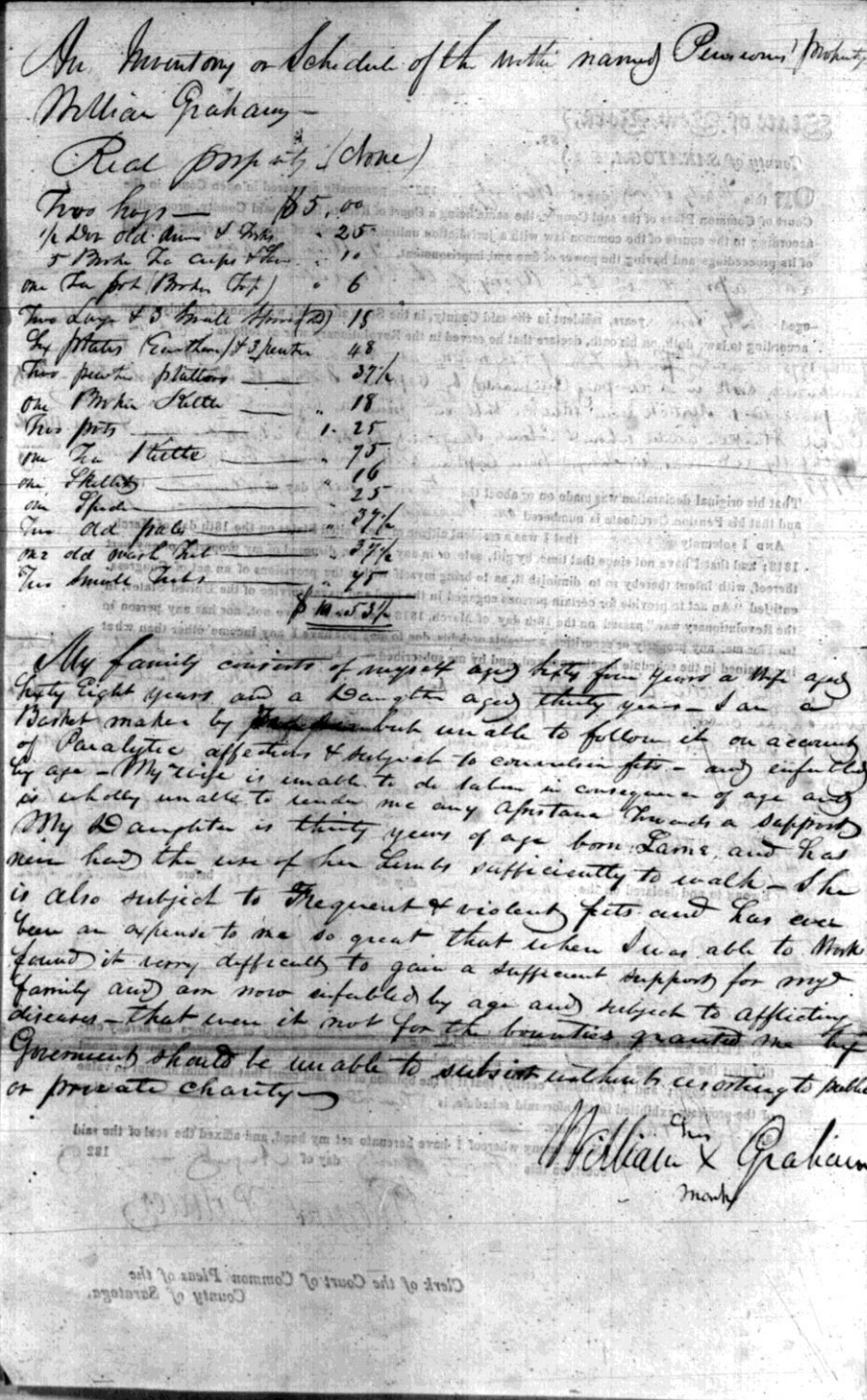
STATE OF NEW-YORK, } ss :
SARATOGA COUNTY, }
Salmon Child is a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of Saratoga and of New-York, and that the above is his signature, I subscribe my name and affix the county seal, this *21st* day of *April* 1818



Wm Stillwell } Clerk of the County of Saratoga.

William Graham's Inventory of Property

- No real property
- List of personal property (examples):
 - 2 hogs valued at \$5.00
 - 1 spade valued at 25 cents
 - 1 tea kettle valued at 75 cents
- Basket maker by trade but unable to work due to age (64) and illness
- Wife (age 68) unable to work
- Daughter (age 30) is lame and subject to frequent fits
- States he would be unable to subsist without his pension or a private or public charity



Mary Graham's Declaration of Pension

- Filed in 1837 (age 86)
- Mary's declaration recapped the details of William's service:
 - Capt. Scott in the NH Line
 - Capt. Hunt in the 1st MA Regiment
 - Capt. John Miller (Mills)
 - Capt. Timothy Remick's Co.

State of New York
County of Warren }
ss.

On this 25th day of March 1837, personally appeared before
Thomas B. Hicks, a Judge of County Courts,
in the County of Warren Mary Graham a resident of
Corinth in the County of Saratoga and State of New York,
aged Eighty six years, who, being first duly sworn according to
law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in
order to obtain the benefit of the provision, made by the Act of
Congress, passed July 4, 1836, ~~that~~ she is the widow of
William Graham, who was a private Soldier in the ser-
vice of the Revolution.

That her husband the said William Graham was a
Pensioner of the United States under the Act of Congress passed on the
13th day of March 1813, at the time of his death, and that
the following is an extract from a copy of the affidavit
made by him before the Court of Common Pleas of the County of
the County of Saratoga in the State of New York, on the 22nd day
of August 1800, in open Court, to wit,

"That in the month of May 1776, he enlisted at
" first for the term of eight months at Peter'sburgh, New Hamp-
" shire State, under Lieutenant Scott, in a Company com-
" manded by Captain Scott in the New Hampshire line
" that he proceeded to Mistek near Bunker hill, and joined
" the Regiment commanded by Colonel Starks, under whom
" and Colonel Sergeant, he served about One year and eight
" months faithfully and was discharged from Captain Scott's
" Company at ——— 11th December or January 1777

" That his original declaration was made on or about the 21st day
" of April 1813, and that his original Pension Certificate
" is numbered 1166.

" And he further saith that he was in the Battles at Rock Island,
" White Plains and at Bunker Hill. After which he enlisted
" again at Boston in a Company commanded by Captain John
" Hunt of the 1st Massachusetts Regiment commanded by
" Colonel Joseph Voe, enlisted for three years, after the
" expiration of said enlistment he again enlisted at New
" Castle under Captain John Miller in the Regiment com-
" manded by Colonel Joseph Voe for during the War, enlisted
" at North Castle, and served under Capt Timothy Remick

MODERN MILITARY RECORDS AFTER 1912

- Modern military service relates chiefly to the major wars and conflicts of the 20th century and later, including:
 - World War I (1917-1918)
 - World War II (1941-1945)
 - Korean War (1950-1953)
 - Vietnam War (1965-1975)
 - Operation Desert Storm (1991)

- Military service records: **National Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, MO**
 - 1973 fire

OFFICIAL MILITARY PERSONNEL FOLDERS

- ◉ **U.S. Army:** officers, separated July 1, 1917-Sept. 30, 2002, and enlisted personnel, separated Nov. 1, 1912-Sept. 30, 2002*
- ◉ **U.S. Air Force:** officers and enlisted personnel, separated Sept. 25, 1947-Sept. 30, 2004*
- ◉ **U.S. Navy:** officer, separated Jan. 1, 1903-Dec. 31, 1994, and enlisted personnel, separated Jan. 1, 1886-Dec. 31, 1994
- ◉ **U.S. Marine Corps:** officer and enlisted personnel, separated Jan. 1, 1905-Dec. 31, 1998
- ◉ **U.S. Coast Guard:** officers and enlisted personnel, separated after Jan. 1, 1898

OFFICIAL MILITARY PERSONNEL FOLDERS

- ◉ Enlistment/appointment records
- ◉ Duty stations and assignments
- ◉ Training, qualifications, performance records
- ◉ Awards and medals
- ◉ Disciplinary actions
- ◉ Separation/discharge/retirement paperwork (DD-214, Report of Separation)
- ◉ Medical records for veterans and dependants (until 1992; later records at the VA)

DRAFT REGISTRATION CARDS

◎ WWI Draft Registration

- *M1509, World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918*
- On Ancestry.com

◎ WWII 4th Draft Registration (Old Man's Draft), 1942

- Currently available On Ancestry.com and Fold3.com:
 - AK, AR, CA, CT, DE, ID, IL, IN, MD, MA, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OR, PA, PR, RI, VT, VA, WA, WV, WI

◎ Korea & Vietnam Draft

- Draft registration cards for men born before January 1, 1960, write to St. Louis*

WWI Draft Registration Card for Charles S. Deeben

Serial No. 29 Registration No. 51

1 Name in full Charles Stephen Deeben Age, in yrs. 21

2 Home address Shamokin St Trevorton Pa.

3 Date of birth September 2 1897

4 Where were you born? Trevorton Pa. U S. A.

5 I am 1. A native of the United States.
 2. A naturalized citizen.
 3. An alien.
 4. I have declared my intention.
 5. An immigrant or native Indian.
 (Strike out words not applicable)

6 If not a citizen, of what Nation are you a citizen or subject?

7 Father's birthplace Gnesin Germany

8 Name of employer F & R, C & I Company
 Place of employment North Franklin Colliery Trevorton Pa.

9 Name of nearest relative Jacob Deeben father
 Address of nearest relative Trevorton Pa.

10 Race White
 (Strike out words not applicable)

I affirm that I have verified above answers and that they are true.

Charles S. Deeben
 (signature or Mark of Registrant.)

T. M. O. O.
 Form 1 (1918)

REGISTRATION CARD. 2-5739

11. Persons 18 of age
 All persons 18 of age
 must file this
 card.

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

1 37-5-23 B
 Short Medium Short
 (Strike out words not applicable)

2 Color of eyes Dark Gray Color of hair Dark

3 Has person lost arm, leg, hand, eye, or is he palpably physically disqualified (specify)? no no

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge, are true, except as follows:

Chas L. Mark
 (Signature of Registrar.)

June 5 1918
 (Date of Registration.)

LOCAL BOARD DIV. #2
 NORTHUMBERLAND CO.
 SUNBURY, PA.

(Stamp of Local Board.)

The stamp of the local board having jurisdiction of the area in which the registrant has his permanent home shall be placed in this box.

2-5739

REGISTRATION CARD - Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897

SERIAL NUMBER 1. NAME (LAST) OTHER NUMBER

1. 2581 Charles Stephen Deeben

2. PLACE OF BIRTH (Town) (County, State or City) (State)

X - Trevorton Northumberland, Pa.

(THIS PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THIS LINE ADMISSION WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL.)

3. MARITAL STATUS

Same

4. TRAINING

none

5. AGE IN YEARS

45

6. PLACE OF BIRTH

Trevorton Pa.

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF FAMILY WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS

Mrs. Edith Deeben - Trevorton, Pa.

8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS

Bethlehem Steel Sparrows Point Md.

9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT (If Bureau)

Sparrows Point Balto. Md.

10. SIGNATURE

Charles S. Deeben

D. W. B. FORM 1 (REVISED 1-1-40)

WWII Draft
Registration Card
for Charles S.
Deeben

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

HAIR	EYES	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
Black	Blue	150	Light
Gray	Green		Dark
Black	Black		Light Brown
Black	Gray		Dark Brown
Black	Black		Black

Other physical peculiar characteristics that will aid in identification:

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have written his answers in his own handwriting; and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Supervisor's Local Board: Evansville, Indiana, Pa.

Date of registration: April 27, 1942

LOCAL BOARD NO. 3
WILL COUNTY
Evansville, Ind.
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
EVANSVILLE, INDIANA

(This name of this Local Board is being substituted for the name of the supervisor that he placed in the space above.)

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AT COLLEGE PARK

Military Unit and Operational Records

○ World War I

- Record Group 120, Records of the American Expeditionary Forces (World War I)
 - Records of Armies, Army Corps, combat divisions and other tactical units
 - Correspondence, issuances, historical files (E1241)
 - G-3 (Operations) Reports (E270)
 - Journals of Operations (E271)
- Record Group 165, Records of the War Department General and Special Staffs
 - Records of the Historical Section Relating to the History of the War Department (E310)
 - Unit histories, war diaries, issuances

Reconnaissance Report, 1st Pursuit Group, September 26, 1918

Visibility near lines Fair

Mission Straff troops on the Romagne-Bantheville Road.

Route actually followed Bantheville and Ainorville.

Names of Pilots on Patrol and Leaders Lieuts. K.L. Porter, (Leader)
Myers, Simon, G.P. Porter, and McDermott.

Hour of Departure: Hour of Return: Altitude: Squadron: Date:
..... 11 h. 30 13 h. 20 500 m. 147th ... 9/26/18.

Number of E.A. Seen 10 Time 12 h. 30

Number of E.A. Encountered 5 Time 12 h. 30 and again 12 h. 40

Type 9 Fokkers 1 Biplane, probably Rumpler. Altitude Rumpler 400 meters
Fokkers 500 meters.

Region Montfaucou and Siegres Combats 4

Number rounds fired 300 Confirmations Requested 1

Planes seen to have gone down in flames, E.A. 1; Allied, ;

Planes seen to have crashed on ground, E.A. ; Allied, ;

Planes seen to have gone down out of control, E.A. Allied;

Workings on E.A.

In the opinion of those who took part in the combat, what pilots are entitled to share in confirmation:

Lieuts. K.L. Porter, L.C. Simon and O.B. Myers.

DETAILED REPORT of Pilots and Other Observations:

The patrol was ordered to straff troops on the Romagne-Bantheville Road just north of Romagne.

I observed about five transports, not more than seven. The patrol descended to 50 meters and shot up the road causing some disorder. We were heavily archied just east of Bantheville. In the northern edge of the woods just east of Bantheville a Hun archie battery is very active. About 12 h 10 a fourth unknown Spad joined our patrol (probably from the Third Pursuit Group). About 12 h 20 I observed an EA two-seater probably Rumpler flying west, north of Montfaucou at 400 meters. About 200 meters above the two seater were 5 Fokkers and above the 5 Fokkers were four more Fokker just in the light fluffy clouds. I fired at long range on the 5 Fokkers and they turned north. I then attacked the two-seater and the Fokkers suddenly returned and I was forced to withdraw. The Fokkers again withdrew and I resumed the attack again withdrawing on the approach of the Fokkers. The Huns pulled into Humland for a space and my patrol continued back down the lines. We again turned west and just north of Montfaucou we again encountered the two seater at 12 h 40 and the Fokkers did not tumble down. I opened with a regular gun and the balloon gun from above with Lieut. ~~McDermott~~ Porter and Lieut. Simon from below. The two seater fell in flames just north of Siegres. The unknown Spad seemed to be in the combat but was higher than ~~when~~ we were when we attacked. I saw no Hun balloons. Squadron Operations O.

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Military Unit and Operational Records

○ World War II

- Record Group 407, Records of the Adjutant General's Office, 1917-
 - Records of Armies, Army Corps, combat divisions and other tactical units
 - World War II Operations Reports (E427)

○ Korean War

- RG 407
 - Command Reports, 1949-54 (E429)
- Record Group 338, Records of U.S. Army Operational, Tactical, and Support Organizations (WWII and After)
 - Unit histories (E37042)

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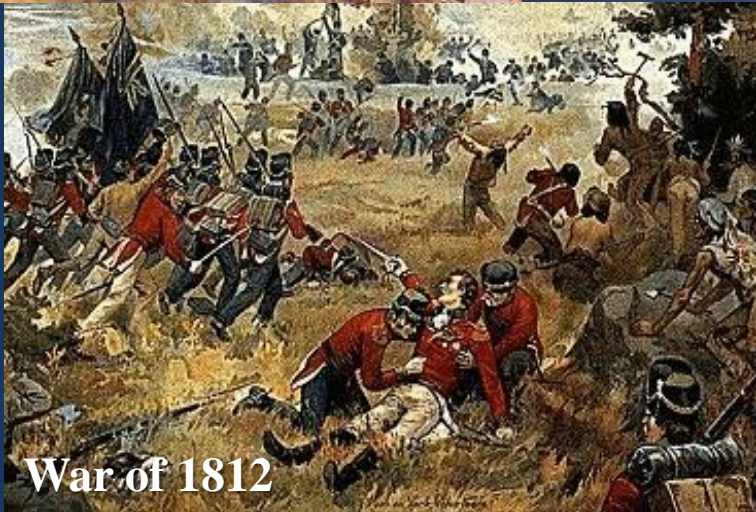
Military Unit and Operational Records

○ Vietnam War

- Record Group 472, Records of the United States Forces in Southeast Asia, 1950-1975
 - Combat divisions, brigades, support brigades (aviation, medical, engineer, military police, signal), and logistical support organizations
 - Very few records at the company level
- Record Group 550, Records of the United States Army, Pacific, 1945-1984
 - Organizational History Files (E A1)



World War I



War of 1812



Spanish-American War

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