

Northwest Fork Hundred Delaware Residents Who Served in the Delaware Military During the Revolutionary War

This report presents the evidence found for residents of Northwest Fork Hundred in Sussex County who served during the Revolutionary War. 26 veterans who lived in Northwest Fork Hundred have been found. This list is intended to form the basis for recognition in the Northwest Fork Hundred of their service in the founding of the United States.

#	Last	First	Rank	Service	Years	Death
1	Adams	Bartholomew		Hall's	1778-83	1820
2	Adams	Peter		Haslet's/Perry's	1776-7	
3	Cannon	John	Private	Haslet's	1776	
4	Conwell	William Jr.	Private	DE Militia	1780	1831
5	Dawson	Joseph	Captain	Polk's	1776-82	1806
6	Downs	Robert	Private	Hall's	1776-83	1826
7	Furbush	William	Private	Hall's	1778 - 83	
8	Hickman	Joshua	Private	Hall's	1778	1785
9	Hickman	Nehemiah	Private	Hall's	1778	1778
10	Lecatt	Joseph	Private	Patterson's	1776	
11	Lecatt	Mitchell	Private	Hall's	1776-80	1821
12	Manship	Henry	Private	Hall's	1782-3	
13	Nickols	Nehemiah	Corporal	Hall's	1778-80	
14	Noble	William	Private	Hall's	1777	
15	Nutter	Charles		Patterson's	1776	1814
16	Nutter	Robert	Private	Hall's	1778	
17	Smith	George	Captain			1806
18	Stevens	John	Private	Hall's	1778-82	
19	Tucker	Zadock	Private	Hall's	1778 - 80	1780
20	Tull	Jesse	Private	Patterson's	1776	1812
21	Tull	Noble	Private	2 nd DE	1780	
22	Tull	Richard	Private	Peery's	1777	
23	Vaughn	Edward		Neill's	1780	1782
24	White	William	Sergeant	Haslet's	1776	
25	Williams	Isaac	Private	Hall's	1778 - 81	1781
26	Woodgate	John	Captain	Patterson's	1776	1782

Bartholomew Adams, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778-83

Bartholomew Adams as a private in the 1st Delaware Regiment commanded by Colonel David Hall. He enlisted March 18, 1778 for the term of the war, and served 5 years as a private. Bartholomew Adams was present at the battles of Monmouth and Camden in South Carolina. He was discharged from service at New Castle DE in 1783. After the war he lived in Bridgeville DE in 1810 and in the Northwest Fork Hundred, the area that includes Bridgeville, in 1820. He applied for and received a pension for his Revolutionary War service in 1818, when he reported that he was a resident of Sussex County and that he was 64 years old. Bartholomew Adams died in 1820; no information on his family or his place of burial has been found.¹

Peter Adams, Private, Haslet's Regiment, 1776, Peery's Company

Peter Adams served as a Private in Haslet's Regiment, enlisting on March 15, 1776 and being present at the barracks in Lewes DE on April 11, 1776. He also served in Peery's Company stationed in Lewes. Peter Adams and Peter Adams Sr. were both enumerated in the 1800 Census of Northwest Fork Hundred on the same page of the census schedule. There were 2 post Revolutionary War probate records found in Delaware for Peter Adams. Both were recorded in Sussex County.

1. The Administration Bond of the estate of Peter Adams dated April 29, 1805 identifies John Wilson and Alexander Polk as administrators. Mary Adams, widow of Peter Adams of Northwest Fork Hundred, declined to administer her late husband's estate. The estate inventory, completed by Francis Wright and Peter Parker, appraisers, shows a total value of \$532.17.
2. The Administration Bond of the estate of Peter Adams dated April 9, 1833 identifies Henry F. Adams and Charles Ross as administrators. The estate inventory completed by Zachariah Lang on May 18, 1833 shows a total value of \$340.30. the administration account of the estate

completed by Henry F. Adams on December 27, 1838 shows a net balance due the estate of \$760.35¼ . A second administration bond was issued on March 3, 1847 naming Charles M. Adams and Roger Adams as administrators. The administration account of Charles M. Adams dated August 13, 1849 shows a net balance of \$260 distributed to these heirs: Roger Adams, Susan B. Adams, Mary Adams, Rebecca Adams, Ann Adams, Eleanor Adams, Sarah Adams, and Hester Adams. Roger Adams was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1840.

It is likely that the Peter Adams whose estate was probated in 1806 was the James Adams Sr. in the 1800 census of Northwest Fork, and that the Peter Adams whose estate was probated in 1833 was the other James Adams in the 1800 Census. It is not possible to determine which of these two men was the Revolutionary War soldier, but the evidence found supports the conclusion that a man named Peter Adams from Northwest Fork Hundred was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. No burial information has been found for Peter Adams.²

Isaac Bradley, Patriotic Service

Isaac Bradley performed patriotic service by being a member of the Council of Safety from Sussex County in 1776 and by being present at the Delaware Convention in 1776. He had a survey done of 24 acres of land in Northwest Fork Hundred in 1776. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. The inventory of his estate was completed on November 7, 1795 by his executor John Wilson. No evidence has been found for his burial.³

William Bradley, Patriotic Service

William Bradley Sr. performed patriotic service by hosting a meeting of Sussex Militia officers at his home to discuss opposing the actions of Loyalists in the area. William Bradley Sr. was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1778, 1779, and 1780. The will of William Bradley

dated April 18, 1784, named his eldest son William as an heir. No record of his burial has been found.⁴

James Cannon, Patriotic

James Cannon performed patriotic service by providing support to the Delaware Militia for which he was reimbursed in October 1780. The will of James Cannon, dated December 29, 1788 names his son Jacob Cannon as executor. The will was witnessed by James Cannon's brother Jeremiah Cannon. Both Jacob Cannon and Jeremiah Cannon were residents of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. The administration account of the estate of James Cannon was completed June 20, 1792. No evidence has been found for his burial.⁵

Jeremiah Cannon, Captain, Sussex Militia, 1776

Jeremiah Cannon served as a Captain in the Sussex Militia in 1776. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. The estate of Jeremiah Cannon was probated in the period 1797-8. The administration bond for the estate was dated June 4, 1797. Liley Cannon was administrator of the estate. The administration account of the estate was completed by Lilley Cannon on August 31, 1797. The net value returned to the estate was £33 14s 3p. No information has been found for his burial.⁶

John Cannon, Private, Haslet's Regiment, 1776

John Cannon served as a Private in Haslet's Regiment, enlisting on January 24, 1776 and being present at the barracks in Dover on April 12, 1776. John Cannon was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. This was the only John Cannon found in Delaware that year. There were 2 probate files for John Cannon in Delaware in the post Revolutionary War period. The 1788 will of John Cannon shows that he had 6 children: sons John, Hudson, and Whitinton, and daughters

Susannah, Lucretia, and Nancy. Each of his sons was bequeathed large parcels of land. His son John was to receive the 500 acre home plantation owned by his father. John Cannon (likely the son) was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. This was the only John Cannon found in Delaware that year.

The administration bond for the estate John Cannon was dated December 17, 1810. The administrators were Nancy Cannon and John Cannon. No heirs were identified in the probate file. The estate had a negative net balance. It is not possible to determine which of the 2 men named John Cannon was the Revolutionary War soldier, but it is clear that a Revolutionary War soldier from Northwest Fork Hundred named John Cannon served in the war. No information has been found for either John Cannon.⁷

William Conwell Jr., Private, Neill's Regiment, 1780

William Conwell served as a private in Col. Henry Neill's 2nd Delaware Regiment. His name appears on a payroll of Captain George Smith's Company dated October 31, 1780. He was the son of Col. William Conwell, Sr. and like his father, who had died in 1782, William Conwell Jr. was a resident of Broadkill Hundred in 1800. In 1830, he was a resident of Seaford in the Northwest Fork Hundred. He was in his 70s in 1830. William Conwell died January 13, 1831 and is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Seaford, Delaware.⁸

Joseph Dawson, Captain, Col. Polk's Battalion, 1776 - 1782

Joseph Dawson served as a Captain in Col. Joshua Polk's Battalion in the period 1776 to 1782. Col. Polk addressed a letter to his company commanders, including Captain Joseph Dawson, on June 10, 1776. Captain Joseph Dawson's name appears on a report of arms and accoutrements fit for service on October 9, 1782. Joseph Dawson was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1778 and 1779. He was a

resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. His wife has been identified as Elizabeth Brown and they had a son Jospeh W. Brown. Joseph Dawson died in 1806 and is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery in Seaford DE.⁹

Robert Downs, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778 – 1783

Robert Downs served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on April 2, 1778. He was present at muster at Cristiana Bridge in May 1780 and at Hillsborough NC in September 1780. He was wounded in the Battle of Ninety Six in South Carolina in 1781. He was wounded "Thro Ye Brest & Chin" but later returned to the regiment.

Robert Downs lived in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1793. He later moved to Montgomery County Kentucky, where he applied for and received a pension. In his October 7, 1818 declaration, Robert Downs stated that he was 62 years old. He declared that he served in Hall's Regiment until the end of the year 1783.

A deposition by Thomas Ingram, dated December 12, 1848 and made in Montgomery County Kentucky, sheds further light on the life of Robert Downs. Ingram, a native of Sussex County, stated that he was well acquainted with Robert Downs in Sussex County. Ingram further stated that Downs married Pamela Ingram, the aunt of Thomas Ingram, in Sussex County at the home of Thomas Ingram, father of the deponent Thomas Ingram. Ingram also stated that Robert and Pamela moved to Greenbrier County VA after their marriage, and later moved to Montgomery County KY. Thomas Ingram stated that Pamela and Robert had 9 children, and that two of their children, Abram and William Downs, were living in 1848.

The will of Robert Downs, dated July 1, 1826, identified 3 sons: William, Daniel, and Abram. No daughters were named in his will. Pamela received a widow's pension after Robert's death in

July 1826. She died August 23, 1839. No information has been found for the burial of Robert Downs.¹⁰

William Furbush, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778 - 1783

William Furbush served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on March 15, 1778. At the time of his enlistment, he was identified as a native resident of Sussex County, 5'6" tall, with brown hair and dark complexion. He was present at muster at Wilmington, DE on May 22, 1778 and at White Plains NY on September 2, 1778. He was present at Christiana Bridge on May 2, 1780 and at Hillsborough NC in September 1780. On January 1, 1782, William Furbush personally received an interest payment from a certificate of depreciation. He personally received another such payment for the period January 1 to November 3, 1783. His name appears on a list of soldiers March 7, 1783 returned from the 2nd Company of the Delaware Regiment. William Furbush was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1778 and 1780. No further information has been found for William Furbush.¹¹

Joshua Hickman, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778

Joshua Hickman served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on March 6, 1778. His name appears on payrolls for Captain Jacquett's Company in the period March 1778 – October 1778. His surname on payrolls is rendered as Higman or Heigman. He appears on a September 2, 1778 payroll with Nehemiah Higman. He was discharged in 1778.

Joshua Higman's name appears in a 1776 land warrant as a bounding landowner for land in "the Fork Hundred." The name Joshua Hickman appears in a 1778 deed selling land in Northwest Fork Hundred to Levin Hickman, land formerly of Joshua Hickman's father James Hickman. The will of Joshua Hickman, dated December 27, 1784, named his wife Priscilla as executor. The

children of Joshua and Priscilla Hickman were identified as sons John and Robert Hickman, and daughters Leah, Sarah, Nelly, and Peggy Hickman. His estate was probated in 1785. No record has been found for his burial.¹²

Nehemiah Hickman, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778

Nehemiah Hickman served as a Private in Hall's Regiment. He enlisted March 16, 1778. At the time of enlistment, he was 24 years old, 5' 10" tall, a native of Sussex County, brown hair, and dark complexion. He died in service November 21, 1778. He was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1778. No information has been found for his burial.¹³

Julius Augustus Jackson, Patriotic Service

Dr. Julius Augustus Jackson was paid £6 13s 6p for Militia Services in 1783. He was taxed in Northwest Fork Hundred in the period 1778 to 1780. The will of Julius Augustus Jackson dated January 28, 1800 identifies his sons as Jeremiah, Clement, Thaddeus, and Peter, and his daughters as Sally Rust, Elizabeth Evans, Fanny, and Margaret. His unnamed wife was bequeathed life use of his plantation. His wife and son Thaddeus were named as co-exutors in his will. The administration bond dated November 18, 1801 named Thaddeus as executor and John Evans as guarantor. The Testamentary Bond with the same dated named Sally Jackson and Barnerd Magee as responsible for the estate inventory. The inventory dated February 9, 1803 completed by Alexander Hellen and John Hooper showed a value of \$1771.30. The administration account completed on September 14, 1809 by Sally Jackson and her husband Joshua O'Bier showed a net balance of \$1222.06. No evidence has been found for the burial of Dr. Julius A. Jackson.¹⁴

Joseph Lecatt, Private, Patterson's Flying Camp, 1776

Joseph Lecatt served as a Private in Patterson's Flying Camp in 1776. He was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in the period 1778 to 1790. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. No further information has been found for Joseph Lecatt.¹⁵

Mitchell Lecatt, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1776-80

Mitchell Lecatt served as a private in the 1st Delaware Regiment in the period from 1776 - 1780. He applied for and received a pension for his Revolutionary War service in 1818. In an 1820 declaration, Mitchell Lecatt stated that he was 63 years old and a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred at that time. He further stated that he was a laborer and that his wife was named Lovey, age 54, and that he had 2 children who did not live with him. Mitchell Lecatt died April 28, 1821. The estate of Mitchell Lecatt was administered by John Rust, who completed the administration account of the estate on March 25, 1823. Although expenses for his funeral and burial were included in the account, no information on the location of his burial has been found.¹⁶

Henry Manship, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1782-3

Henry Manship served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on January 4, 1782. At the time of enlistment, He was described as being age 19, 5' 5" tall, light hair, fair complexion, occupation farmer, born in Delaware and a resident of Sussex County. He received rations in July 1782. He was declared fit for duty at Philadelphia on December 28, 1783. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. Henry Manship was executor of the estate of Levin Clifton in the latter's will dated October 22, 1789. The estate of Levin Clifton was taxed in Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. No further information has been found for Henry Manship.¹⁷

Nehemiah Nicols, Corporal, Hall's Regiment, 1778 - 1783

Nehemiah Nicols served as a Corporal in Hall's Regiment. He enlisted March 1, 1778. His name appears on a payroll dated December 1, 1779. Ne was present at muster the camp at Wicks Farm [NJ] on April 23, 1780, and at Christiana Bridge on May 2, 1780. He was present at the camp at Hillsborough NC in September 1780. He received £7 2s for his subsistence for the period January to June 1783. His name also appears on a roll of men agreeable to inspection in Philadelphia dated December 28, 1783.

Nehemiah Nicols was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. Ne was identified as the son of Sarah Nicols. Nehemiah Nicols and Comfort Nicols his wife sold land in Northwest Fork Hundred to William Nicols on March 10, 1795. The will of Nehemiah Nicols was dated December 6, 1795. His will names his eldest son Daniel Nicols, his second son William Nicols, his daughters Nancy and Lyda Nicols, and his wife Comfort Nicols as heirs. Comfort Nicols was named executor. The inventory of his estate completed February 27, 1795 showed a value of \$320.72. No information has been found for his burial.¹⁸

William Noble, Private, Hall's, 1776-7

William Noble was paid as a Private in Hall's Regiment in the period December 1776 to April 1777. He a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790 and 1800; this is the only William Noble found in Delaware in 1790 and 1800. He was also a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in the period 1810 – 1830. No information has been found for the death or burial of William Noble.¹⁹

Charles Nutter, Patterson's Regiment, 1776

Charles Nutter served in Patterson's Flying Camp Battalion in 1776. He was reported as one of the 'Men in Camp' at Port Amboy [NJ] on September 30, 1776. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1800 (the only Charles Nutter in Delaware in 1800) and a resident Bridgeville in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1810. The estate of Charles Nutter was probated in the period 1812 – 1814.

Sally Nutter was the administrator of the estate. The estate inventory completed by Thomas Wilson on March 22, 1814 determined a total value of \$229.75. No record of his burial has been found.²⁰

Robert Nutter, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778

Robert Nutter served as a Private in Hall's Regiment. He was paid for his service in April 1778. He was present at muster in White Plains [NY] on September 2, 1778. He was listed as sick on September 8, 1778. He was in hospital on September 13, 1778 at the camp at Robinson's Farm [near West Point NY]. He died in service on February 5, 1779. Robert Nutter and Sarah his wife sold land in Northwest Fork Hundred, land bequeathed to Robert Nutter by his father Christopher Nutter in his will.

The estate of Robert Nutter was probated in Sussex County in the period 1779 – 1795. The administration bond for Sarah Nutter and Thomas Laws as executors of the estate was dated June 28, 1779. The estate inventory completed by the executors dated September 28, 1779 showed a total value of £88 5s 9p. No information has been found for the burial of Robert Nutter.²¹

William Polk, Patriotic Service

William Polk provided patriotic service by being a member of the Sussex County Council of Safety, appointed on January 8, 1776. William Polk Esq. was taxed in the Northwest Folk Hundred in 1778. The will of William Polk dated November 20, 1780 named his wife as Leah and his daughters as Anny and Sally, and his son as Robert Polk. The inventory of his estate, dated March 13, 1790, showed a total value of £475 15s 3p. The administration account of the estate, completed by executor Leah Polk on May 10, 1792, showed a net balance of £535 11s 1p. Evidence for his burial has not been found.²²

George Smith, Captain, 2nd Delaware Regiment, 1780

George Smith served as a Captain in the 2nd Delaware Regiment commanded by Lt. Col. Henry Neill. George Smith was appointed Captain on July 10, 1780. He appears on a payroll for the 2nd

Delaware Regiment on October 31, 1780. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. He purchased land in Northwest Fork Hundred in 1803. The will of George Smith was dated June 20, 1807. The will named George Parker as his executor. He bequeathed his entire estate to Sarah Smith daughter of Phyllisah Heron. The witnesses to the will were John Williams, Nelley Smith, and Gilles Smith. The administration bond for the estate dated September 11, 1807 named Isiah Smith as executor. The inventory of the estate was completed September 12, 1807 by John Williams. The total value of the goods and chattels was \$44.13. the administration account completed September 9, 1808 by Isaiah Smith showed a balance due the estate of \$4.35.²³

John Stevens, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778-1782

John Stevens served as a Private in Hall's Regiment. He enlisted February 16, 1778. He was the recipient of the order for rations dated May 12, 1782 in Wilmington DE for 31 days. He was to receive 62 lbs. of flower, 62 lbs. of beef, and 62 gills of liquor. John Stevens was granted a warrant for 150 acres of land in 1776. John Stevens, wheelwright was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. At the time of his death in 1807, he left his widow Polly and 14 children. He owned 300 acres in Northwest Fork Hundred at the time of his death. No information has been found for his burial.²⁴

Zadock Tucker, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778 - 1780

Zadock Tucker served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on March 23, 1778. At the time of his enlistment, he was described as being He was reported as being 5' 8" tall, a native of Sussex County with brown hair and dark complexion, and a resident of resident of Sussex County.

He was reported as being sick in hospital at Valley Forge from April through June 1778. He was present at muster at Christiana Bridge on May 2, 1780. He was reported as missing in action on August 16, 1780, the date of the Battle of Camden SC. No more recent evidence has been

found for Zadock Tucker, indicating he was likely killed in the battle of Camden and is therefore likely buried there.

The estate of Zadock Tucker was probated in Kent County in 1784. His executor was Levi Tucker. The inventory of the estate of Zadock Tucker included only one asset: a Certificate of Depreciation number 525 from Delaware valued at £65 2s ¼ p. Levi Tucker is recorded as having received a payment of £15 12s 4p for certificate 525 on April 24, 1786.

Levi Tucker was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1778 and 1780. Based on the evidence, Levi Tucker was the sole heir of Zadock Tucker, indicating that he was likely a close relative such as father or brother. Levi Tucker lived in Northwest Fork hundred at the time of Zadock's service. This evidence supports the conclusion that Zadock Turker was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred.²⁵

Jesse Tull, Sergeant, Patterson's Flying Camp Battalion, 1776

Jesse Tull served as a Sergeant in Patterson's Flying Camp Battalion in 1776. He was present at the camp at Port Amboy NJ on September 30, 1776. Jesse Tull was taxed in Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. Jesse Tull was named the executor of his father Joshua Tull's estate in the latter's March 15, 1789 will. Jesse and his brother John were bequeathed their father's Plantation. Jesse Tull of Joshua and John Tull were residents of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790.

The will of Jesse Tull was proved October 13, 1812. His children Augustus, Jesse, Priscillah, Elizabeth were named as heirs. Jesse's wife was referenced in his will, but her name was not stated. The inventory of his estate completed by Joseph Vickers and James Tennant on October 20, 1812 showed a value of \$152.49. The administration account completed by Augustus Tull on January 11, 1814 showed a net value to the estate of \$527.09.

Rebecca Tull, widow of Isaac Tull, was inscribed on the pension roll as a resident of Indiana on March 4, 1843. In her declaration dated September 8, 1845 made in Wayne County Indiana, she stated that her husband enlisted in Sussex County, served as a Private for 3 years and was injured in his shoulder moving a cannon. The shoulder injury was so severe that he could no longer bear arms and was discharged. Rebecca further stated that she and Jesse married on January 13, 1785 in Sussex County. She stated that Jesse died September 23, 1812. A copy of Rebecca Tull's record was included in the file of her pension application and it contains the information shown in the table below:

Name	Event	Date
Jesse and Rebecca Tull	Marriage	January 13, 1785
Jesse Tull Jr.	Birth	April 4, 1786
Priscillah Tull	Birth	May 30, 1788
Augustus Tull	Birth	September 9, 1790
Elizabeth Tull	Birth	July 15, 1793
Jesse Tull Sr.	Death	September 25, 1793
Samuel L. Handy	Birth	November 5, 1793

Samuel L. Handy is buried in Seaford Delaware, having died in 1852. No evidence has been found of his relationship to the family of Rebecca Tull. No information has been found for the burial of Jesse Tull.²⁶

Noble Tull, 2nd Delaware Militia, 1780

Noble Tull served as a Private in the 2nd Delaware Militia. He was engaged on July 10, 1780 and appears on a payroll dated October 31, 1780. Noble Tull was taxed in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1780. He was identified as a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in a Jun 4, 1781 record. No further information has been found for Noble Tull.²⁷

Richard Tull, Private, Peery's Company, 1777

Richard Tull served as a Private in Captain Peery's Company stationed in Lewes DE. He enlisted April 24 1777 and was present at muster in Lewes on June 2, 1777. He purchased 36 acres of land in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1782. He was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790 and in 1800.

The will of Richard Tull, dated February 25, 1797, named these heirs: Priscilla Tull, wife, sons Chambers, James, Ephram, and Abel, daughters Priscilla, Rhoadah, Olive, Ester (Wheatley), and Jesse Tull, son of Joshua Tull, deceased. The administration bond for Abel Tull, son of Richard Tull and the executor of the estate, was dated February 17, 1801. The total value of his goods and chattels was £356 14s 4p. The Administration account dated March 9, 1802 showed a balance to the estate after widows dower was subtracted of £179. No information has been found for his burial.²⁸

Edward Vaughn, Neill's Regiment, 1780

Edward Vaughn was a member of the 2nd Delaware Regiment Commanded by Lt. Col. Henry Neill in 1780. His name appears on a payroll of Captain George Smith's Company, Neill's Regiment, dated October 31, 1780. No rank is listed for Edward Vaughn. Edward Vaughn also performed Patriotic Service by serving on a jury in Sussex County to try cases of treason. That jury rendered its verdict on October 4, 1780.

The will of Edward Vaughn, dated January 10, 1782 and proved February 8, 1782, named his brother in law William Polk as executor. His heirs were named as Joseph Vaughn, Edward's brother, and Jonathan Vaughn, his nephew, as well as Mary Polk, his sister. No wife was named in Edward's will. The first administration bond for the estate named Trusten Laws Polk as executor. An inventory of the estate completed February 22, 1785 by Walter Douglass showed a value of £608 15s 2p.

A petition made to the Sussex County Orphans Court in 1803 alleged that William Polk had retained the assets of the estate of Edward Vaughn and had not distributed them. The court appointed Thomas Laws and Walter Douglass as administrators of the estate on July 19, 1803. Ann Vaughn was deceased in 1803. William Polk and Thomas Laws were residents of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. No burial information has been found for Edward Vaughn.²⁹

William White, Private, Haslet's Regiment, 1776

William White who served as a Private in Haslet's Regiment has been identified as having died in 1811 in Sussex County DE. William White was identified as a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in an 1800 deed buying land there. He was a resident of Bridgeville in the Northwest Fork Hundred in 1810. The will of William White was dated March 24, 1804. The executors of his will were Charlotte White, his wife and Clement Cannon. In addition to his wife, heirs included sons Clement, Edward, and John Baynard, and his daughter Elizabeth Crapper. Witnesses to his will were Luff Lewis, Clement Rust, and Jeremiah Rust. Clement Rust was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1820. The inventory of the estate of William White Esq. was completed May 23, 1811. Total value of the goods and chattels was \$1,574.25. The administration account showed a balance of \$881.81.³⁰

Isaac Williams, Private, Hall's Regiment, 1778 – 1781

Isaac Williams served as a Private in Hall's Regiment, enlisting on April 14, 1778 and receiving a bounty of \$100. He was sick at the hospital in Wilmington on May 22, 1778 And present at muster in White Plains NY on September 2, 1778. He was paid for his service throughout the years 1778 and 1779. He was present at Wicks Farm NJ on March 7, 1780 and at Christiana Bridge on May 2, 1780. He was declared missing on August 16, 1781, the date of the Battle of Camden SC, on a September 1781 roll at Hillsborough NC. He died September 10, 1781.

The estate of Isaac Williams was probated in 1784. The executor of the estate was Spencer Williams. The inventory of the estate was completed by Charles Cannon and Charles Brown on July 27, 1784. There were 2 certificates listed in the inventory that made up the bulk of the value of the inventory: a Continental Certificate dated May 1, 1784 valued at £33 5s, and a Delaware State Certificate dated Feb 12, 1781 valued at £65 2s ¼ p. these certificates were issued to compensate soldiers in the Revolutionary War.

Spencer Williams, Charles Cannon, and Charles Brown were all residents of Norwest Fork Hundred in 1790, providing support for the conclusion that Isaac Williams was a resident of Northwest Fork Hundred. Isaac Williams was likely buried at or near the battlefield in Camden, SC.³¹

John Woodgate, Captain Patterson's Regiment, 1776

John Woodgate served as a Captain in Patterson's Flying Camp Regiment. Captain Woodgate made a request for supplies for his company on August 30, 1776 from 'Wilmontown'. He is listed as present at camp on September 30, 1776 at Port Amboy NJ. He is also listed on a roster dated November 14, 1776 at Port Amboy. The will of John Woodgate dated May 28, 1778 names his son as John Vaughn Woodgate. The wife of John Wood has been identified as Mary Vaughan. The probate file for the estate of John Woodgate identifies him as 'Capt.'. The inventory of his estate was completed on March 2nd, 1782 by John Tennant and Henry Hooper, both residents of Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. The estate inventory indicated he had over £39 pounds cash on hand, with a total value of his goods and chattels of £76 9s 6p. The guardians of his son John Vaughn Woodgate were Joseph Dawson and Thomas Laws, both residents of Northwest Fork Hundred. A 1789 value estimate of the property of the estate described the house as follows: ". . . a Dwelling House sixteen feet by fourteen Built of logs with

a Brick Chimney in Bad Repair . . . 'Woodgates Estate' is listed in Northwest Fork Hundred in 1790. No record has been found for the burial of John Woodgate.³²

Notes

¹ U.S., Revolutionary War Pension Files, pension # S.25761, veteran Bartholomew Adams, service Delaware, NARA publication M804, NARA catalog ID 30022, Record Group 15, 19 digital images, Fold3.com.

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