

Born:

Born 1739 in Carrick Fergus, Ireland (Place per Son's of the American Revolution documents)

Enlistment:

Charles enlisted at the Town of Goshen, Orange Co., NY in April 1775 in the company of Capt. William Jackson in the 4th Regiment of New York.

Service Information:

Served in in the company of Capt. William Jackson in the 4th (Col. Henry B. Livingston's) Regiment of New York from April 1775 until discharged April 1776 at Fort Montgomery (NY), by James Clinton, Brigadier General. Charles served as the fourth Sergeant.

Pay Information:

None

During the War:

December 28, 1780 – Charles married Mary Lewis Jones at Goshen, Orange County, New York.

Children: Elizabeth b. 1782 & married Wm. Drake; John b. 1783; David b. 1784; Reuben b. 1787, James b. 1788; Charles Jr. b. 1790; Lewis b. 1792; Nathan Wells b. 179; Betsey b. 1796; Polly b. 1796; Jones b. 1798; Gabriel b. 1802; Clarinda b. 1804; and Martin, b. 1805.

After the War:

The 1790 Federal Census lists a Charles Finley residence in Mamakating, Ulster Co., NY. There are 4 free white males under 16, 1 free white male 16 and older and 2 free white females listed at the residence.

The 1800 Federal Census lists a Charles Finlay residing in Deer Park, Orange Co., NY with 3 free white males under 10, 2 free white males 10–15, 1 free white male 16–25, 1 free white male > 45, 1 free white female under 10, 1 free white female 16-25, and 1 free white female, 16-44.

The 1810 Federal Census lists a Chs. Finley residing in Ontario (which at that time included the Town of Walworth), Ontario (now Wayne) Co., NY with 1 free white male under 10, 3 free white males 10-15, 3 white males 16-25, 1 free white male 45 and over, 1 free white female 10-15 and 1 free white female greater than 45. However, Charles would have been

April 8, 1818 – Charles appears in court to have an affidavit prepared attesting to his Revolutionary War service for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the Act of Congress of March 18, 1818.

Charles Findley

Revolutionary War Veteran

The 1820 Federal Census does not list Charles Finley residing in Ontario (then included Walworth), Ontario (now Wayne) Co., NY which matches his statement of August 19, 1820. The Charles Findley listed as residing in Palmyra, Ontario (now Wayne) Co, NY profile doesn't match the age profile that was given in his statement of August 19, 1820. It is surmised that Charles and his wife and remaining two children resided with any one of their children who remained in the Walworth area.

August 19th, 1820 - Charles states his wife is 55 years old, his daughter Clara is 16 years old and his son Martin, age 11, was born an idiot.

Charles appears on the 1835 Veteran Census as a Private in the NY Continental Line receiving an annual pension of \$96 commencing April 28, 1818, with a Pension Certificate date of July 22, 1819.

Death:

Charles died Oct 21, 1828, and is buried Finley Cemetery, Walworth, NY



Picture from Find-a-Grave