

Revolutionary War Soldier Buried in Sugar Grove M.E. Cemetery



Henry Vantilburg (VanLilburg)



Information is available for the Patriot listed above. You may view it by scrolling down through the pages that follow. The Patriots appear in alphabetical order of last name then the first name.

While this documentation cannot be used as actual proof of Revolutionary War service, it can serve to be very helpful as a guide. The documents listed in the reference section for each Patriot can be used especially the reference used to validate the “SERVICE IN REVOLUTION” section.

Sugar Grove Methodist Episcopal Cemetery is located in Knox Township, Jefferson County. Specifically, it is located in the SE ¼, Section 10, Track 8, Range 2. From State Route 7, take the OH-52/Empire/Richmond exit. Follow OH-152 South for 2 miles to Sugar Grove Rd. Turn right onto Sugar Grove Rd. Destination will be on the left.



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HENRY VANTILBURG (VAN LILBURG) (Lived, died and buried in Jefferson County, Ohio)

BORN: 16 Feb 1756, Middlesex Co., Province of NJ (a)(c)

SONOF: William Vantilburgh and Keziah Laurason (g)

DIED: 1842, Port Homer, Saline Twp., Jefferson Co., OH (a) (c)

AGE: 86 years old (b)

BURIED: Sugar Grove Cemetery, Jefferson Co., OH (c) (f)

MARKER: Not found, but it is said marker hard to find as stone is down.

MARRIED: Yes, twice. (l) About 1773, Princeton, Middlesex Co., NJ, Jane Holman (a) (c) (g) (2) About 1780, NJ, Jane Sunderland (a) (c) (g)

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION:

General: Private in the Guard, NJ (a) (d) (e) (k)

Specific: Henry Vantilburg, served at Middlesex, NJ as a private in the New Jersey Army. He was listed with the New Jersey State Troops and the Militia. In 1835 while living in Jefferson Co., OH he applied for and received a pension for his service; Pension #RI0894 (a) (d) (e) (k)

RESIDED: Middlesex, NJ; Shrewsbury Township., Monmouth County, NJ; Virginia; and Jefferson Co., OH (a) (d) (k) (g)

SPOUSE: 1st Wife: (1) Jane Holman (a)(c)(g)

DIED: about 1780 (g)

No other information available

2nd Wife: Jane Sunderland (a) (c) (g)

BORN: About 1760, NJ (c) (g)

DIED: Bef. 1840, Saline Twp., Jefferson Co., OH (c)

BURIED: unknown

CHILDREN:

By 1st Wife: Jane Holman (g)

(1) William

(2) Samuel

(3) Polly

By 2nd wife, Jane Sunderland (c) (g)

(1) Henry, Jr. b- 8 Dec 1779, Middlesex Co., NJ; m Jane Shaw (c) (g)

(2) Daniel, b-3 Nov 1780, Middlesex Co., NJ; m Margaret Clinton (c) (g)

(3) John, b- 15 Dec 1784, Berkeley Co., V NWV; m Mary Burns (g)

(4) Catherine Esther (Hettie), b-Abt. 1790, V NWV; m William Spitle (g)

(5) Keziah, b- 6 May 1791, VA/WV; m William Stoakes Jr. (g)

(6) Sarah Elizabeth, b-Abt. 1792, VA/WV; m Alexander Cooper (g)

(7) Peter, b- 1 May 1795, VA/WV; m Hannah Kennedy (g)

(8) Francis (Frank), b-Abt. 1799, VA/WV; m Sarah (Purdie) Bell (g)

(9) Nancy, b-6 Mar 1800, VNWV; m Jeff Cooper (g)

(10) Jane, b - 1802, Knox Twp., Jefferson Co., OH; m John (Steaks) Stoakes Sr.

MORE OF HIS HISTORY: Henry Vantilburg was born and raised in Middlesex County, NJ and had at least four brothers; Daniel, Francis, Peter, and John. While in his late teens he married his first wife, Jane Holman, on July 14, 1778. It is said that she bore him three children; William, Samuel, and Polly before 1780. After 1780 they moved to Shrewsbury Twp. in Monmouth Co., NJ where he paid taxes in 1782. Henry was drafted to serve in the New Jersey Militia. Family legend claims that Henry's first wife was shot and killed by a Hessian soldier while standing in the front doorway, during the Revolutionary War. After the war, about 1790, the family moved to Virginia for 7 years. They were listed in the 1797 Virginia census, the state's first census. The family then to Jefferson Co., OH. They became some of the early pioneers of the Ohio frontier. At some point in the very early 1800s Henry built a log cabin on Sugar Creek, Jefferson Co., OH where he raised his family. There is a discrepancy in many of the dates and more research needs to be done.

REFERENCES:

(a) DAR, "*Patriot Index Centennial Edition*," Part III, page 3037.

(b) Calculated using birth and death years.

(c) LDS Ancestral File. (AFN: IKZL-SFH)

(d) National Genealogical Society, 1976, "*Index of Revolutionary War Pension Applications in the National Archives*," page 596.

(e) William S. Stryker, "*Official Register of the Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War*," page 804.

(f) WPA, Veterans Grave Registration Jefferson County, Ohio (Washington DC, Works Progress Administration.)

(g) Jefferson County Historical Society, surname file.