

Jacob Reid enlistment in 44th Battalion Georgia Militia - War of 1812

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XXIII. MILITIA ROSTERS, 1812-1815

The following rosters from the War of 1812 were found in the files marked Militia Rosters, Telamon Cuyler Collection, Special Collections, University of Georgia Libraries. These records were discovered by Mary Warren and were published in her *Georgia Genealogist* magazine. However, the following transcriptions were made from xerox copies of the original rolls.

Such rosters with detailed information on place of birth, age, physical description, etc. are traditional with military units from at least as early as colonial times. However, seldom have such rolls survived as most military establishments have found little or no legal reason for having saved such records, unlike the similar payrolls that although less valuable for research were more often kept. No similar rolls with such personal data are known to have survived for Georgia for the War of 1812. However, such information seems to have survived for the troops recruited in Georgia and elsewhere for the regular U.S. Army during the War of 1812. These records are apparently kept at the National Archives although the staff of the National Archives will not answer request to search these records by mail. See Jean Stephenson, "1812 Enlistment Records as Source for Age and Birthplace," *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* 51 (1963): 108-9. Also see "Index to Names in Capt. William Jones' Letters & Orderly Book, 1812-1821," *Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly* 15 (1979): 166-8.

ABBREVIATIONS USED

On the following rosters, information is presented for each soldier in the following order:

NAME (PLACE OF BIRTH IF GIVEN)-AGE-HEIGHT-COMPLEXION-HAIR-
EYES-PROFESSION IF GIVEN-VOLUNTEER OR DRAFTED

For example:

Michael Hearden (b. Maddison, Va.)-24-5 ft. 11 3/4 in.-
fair-(blank)-blue-farmer-volunteer- means that Michael
Hearden was born in Madison, Virginia; is 24 years old; is 5
feet, 11 inches tall; has a fair complexion; (no information is
given about his hair, if any); has blue eyes; and is a farmer
and a volunteer.

A Muster Roll of the Volunteer Rifle company and under the command of Cpt. James B. Landrum attacht to the 44 Battalio of Georgia Militia who are now considered as the first class and hold themselves in readiness to March at a moments warning
[1812]

James B. Landrum Cpt.

75. Mays, Andrew-(blank)
76. May, Samuel-(blank)
77. May, Sollomon-(blank)
78. Norton, Jonathan-30-5 ft. 6 in.-light-light-gray
79. Norton, James-40-5 ft. 11 in.-light-light-gray
80. Norton, Silas M.-(blank)
81. Nixon, Joseph-(blank)
82. Oakes, Jonathan-24-5 ft. 9 in.-light-dark-gray
83. Olive, John-32-5 ft. 5 in.-dark-dark-dark
84. Pais, Flail-21-5 ft. 9 in.-light-sandy-blue
85. Powel, Johnson-(blank)
86. Patrick, Josiah D.-(blank)
87. Poss, Nicholas-18-5 ft. 5 in.-dark-dark-gray
88. Pattison, Frederick-19 (177)-5 ft. 9 in.-light-black-blue
89. Porter, Wm.-35-5 ft. 9 in.-light-red-black
90. Phelps, Overton-(blank)
91. Rickels, Jeremiah-18-5 ft.-dark-sandy-gray
92. Richerson, Allen-18-5 ft.-dark-sandy-gray
93. Reid, Jacob-43-5 ft. 10 in.-dark-black-dark
94. Sams, Joseph-(blank)
95. Stroud, Sharod-(blank)
96. Stublefield, Wm.-18-5 ft. 6 in.-light-light-blue
97. Strong, John B.-22-5 ft. 6½ in.-light-light-blue
98. Robert H. Strong-20-5 ft. 6 in.-light-light-blue
99. Starkey, Jesse-24-5 ft. 10 in.-light-light-blue
100. St. John, John-(blank)
101. Stancel, John-(blank)
102. Varner, Thos.-20-5 ft. 11 in.-light-light-blue
103. Varner, Markus-(blank)
104. Varner, John-(blank)
105. Williamson, Wm.-42-5 ft. 11 in.-light-light-blue
106. Wilkes, Moris-29-6 ft.-light-black-gray
107. Wartars, James B.-20-5 ft. 10 in.-light-sandy-blue
108. Ward, John W.-18-6 ft. 2 in.-light-sandy-blue
109. Webb, Levi-25-5 ft. 10 in.-light-sandy-blue
110. Ward, Abner-25-5 ft. 3 in.-light-sandy-blue
111. Young, Henry-(blank)
112. Young, Leonard-18-5 ft. 7 in.-light-sandy-blue
113. Young, Sandford W.-22-5 ft. 11 in.-light-light-blue
114. Zoober, Joshua-(blank)