

Patriot Richard Simms Liberty, Clay County, Missouri 1752-1850

Richard Simms assisted in establishing American Independence as a Private, Capt Washington's Company, Col. Mercer, Weedon, and Marshall's Regiment, 3rd Virginia. His service is documented in his pension application S17093 at the U.S. National Archives & Records Administration. He received a pension starting 2 April 1833 for his service.

Richard (son of Richard Simms, Sr. and Elizabeth Bridwell) was born 13 March 1752, Stafford County, Virginia; died 21 October 1850, Clay County, Missouri; and buried Simms Family Burial Ground, Clay County, Missouri. Richard married Elizabeth Ashby, Clay County, Missouri. Elizabeth (daughter of John Ashby and Sarah McCullough) was born 1756 and died 1810. Children:

- Nancy Simms (-1842).
- Sarah Simms (-1823). Sarah married Gerard Lomax.
- Margaret Simms (1792-1873).
- Frances Simms (1796-1848). Frances married John Peters.
- Terrissa Simms (1799-1883).
- Joseph Simms (1805-1875).
- Jincy Simms (1805-1831).
- John Simms. John married Martha Huffman.
- Mary Simms. Mary married John Wirt.



Simms Family Burial Ground is located on private property at 13915 Missouri Route A, Liberty, Clay County, Missouri and coordinates N39° 20' 41.98" and W94° 25' 49.81". There is also a military tombstone memorial marker located at the Mount Olivet Cemetery located at 121-199 Missouri 92 Highway, Kearney, Clay County, Missouri and coordinates: N39° 22' 21.56" and W94° 21' 51.49".



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