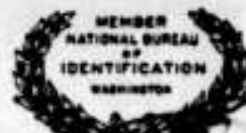




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ALBERT A. CARROLL, SUPERINTENDENT



October 29, 1934

Veterans' Administration,
Washington, D.C.



Gentlemen:

In order to become a member of the D.A.R. it is necessary for me to possess certain facts concerning my Revolutionary ancestor's line, and a proof of his service. I am advised, if a pension was granted on account of his services, the record would be in your office.

The ancestor I wish a record of is John Shepherd, who was born ten miles from Philadelphia, Pa. on March 16, 1728 and died in Royalton, Ohio, on January 3, 1846. He served as a soldier during the French and Indian War, and was a sergeant under Washington at Braddock's Defeat; was in the battle of Brandywine and Germantown Flats. I am advised he served in Captain Caleb Armitage's company of a Philadelphia battalion of militia, Colonel John Moore commander, as shown on page 677, volume 1, Pennsylvania Archives. In volume 13 of Pennsylvania Archives it is recorded that John Shepherd was taken prisoner and confined in White Church, Philadelphia, later escaping through the efforts of a party of American troops who made an attack on the church at night. For over three years he served as a soldier in the War.

The above information was taken from a Family History of John Shepherd.

If you do not have a record of this man, will you kindly advise where I can write to obtain an official verification of his record.

Very truly yours,

M. Becky Gordon
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Secretary to A. A. Carroll,
Sup't of Police.