



John Skeggs is listed as a wounded private on the 1909 Kings Mountain monument plaque. A Washington County surveyor spelled it that way. We make the personal plaque with the spelling used by the Russell county clerks and surveyors. Relatives in Grayson and Tazewell counties also spelled the name Skaggs.

On April 15th 1783, the Washington County magistrates voted to continue county pensions for some Revolutionary War veterans. John Skeggs was one of those. The implication is that they had begun support for these in an earlier session (the record of which is not in Lewis Preston Summers' transcriptions).

In 1786, Russell County was formed from Washington. One of their first acts was to exempt John Scaggs from paying poll tax. In 1789, Russell County petitioned the Governor of Virginia to sustain John's pension.

In 1799 Tazewell County was formed from Russell and Wythe Counties. Maiden Spring was placed into Tazewell County.

Researchers of Henry Skaggs list John as the son of him and wife Mary born 4th of December 1760 in Augusta County.

1786, Order Book no. 1, p. 9, Russell Co.: John Scaggs was exempted from paying poll tax on account of his bodily infirmities.

1786; A reference also appears in the minutes of Washington Co. and recommends that John Scaggs be allowed a pension on account of his wound at the battle of King's Mountain.

1789, Russell Co., order Book 1, p. 168: Ordered that John Scaggs be allowed a pension of eight pounds, being wounded at the battle of King's Mountain so as to render him incapable of laboring for a sustenance and that the Clerk certify the same to his Excellency, the Governor.

1789, Russell Co., Va., Deed book 1, p. 76: May 22, 1789 John Scaggs and Elizabeth, his wife, to Moses Scaggs for 70#m 229 acres on both sides if Maiden Spring fork of Clinch River. Filed Aug. 18, 1789.

Washington county surveyor book I Page 135 - John Skeggs...320 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on both sides of the Maiden Spring fork of Clinch River...Beginning crossing Laurel Creek...May 18, 1783 - John Skeggs, assignee of Henry Skeegs...400 ac...actual settlement made in 1773...on the Maiden Spring fork of Clinch, being the same whereon he now lives...August 8, 1781