

Of hundreds of patriots testifying about Kings Mountain, only Joseph Kerr (s4469), mentioned Col. James Steen at Kings Mountain. Kerr did not say that Steen was wounded or killed. Is it probable that a Colonel was in a battle with only a single mention?

Draper stated that Steen was KIA at Kings Mountain and served at the Battle of Cowpens. Lyman C Draper failed to connect the dots that BKM was in 1780 and Cowpens was in 1781.

Sundry details suggest that Col Steen was with the "South Carolina refugees" under Gen Sumter and Col Billy Hill north of Charlotte during the Battle of Kings Mountain.

General Assembly of South Carolina May 24, 2012 **H. 4124**

TO REQUEST THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION NAME THE BRIDGE ON EL BETHEL ROAD THAT CROSSES THICKETTY CREEK IN CHEROKEE COUNTY "COLONEL JAMES STEEN MEMORIAL BRIDGE" AND ERECT APPROPRIATE MARKERS OR SIGNS AT THIS BRIDGE THAT CONTAIN THE WORDS "COLONEL JAMES STEEN MEMORIAL BRIDGE".

Whereas, Colonel James Steen was a prominent militia officer in the American Revolution, serving from 1775 to 1781, in the Snow Campaign, Commanding Price's Fort, serving in Georgia, then at Stono, Savannah, Charleston, the Battle of Rocky Mount, the Battle of Hanging Rock, the Battle of Musgrove's Mill, the Battle of King's Mountain, and the Battle of Cowpens; and

Whereas, in the summer of **1781**, while endeavoring to arrest a Tory in Rowan County, North Carolina, he was stabbed, surviving only a week; and

Whereas, Colonel James Steen and his brother John Steen held land grants along Thicketty Creek and had a family plantation and family cemetery near Thicketty Creek on El Bethel Road in Cherokee County; and

Whereas, it would be appropriate to name the bridge on El Bethel Road over Thicketty Creek in his honor. Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

That the members of the General Assembly request the Department of Transportation name the bridge on El Bethel Road that crosses Thicketty Creek in Cherokee County "Colonel James Steen Memorial Bridge" and erect appropriate markers or signs at this bridge that contain the words "Colonel James Steen Memorial Bridge".

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation.