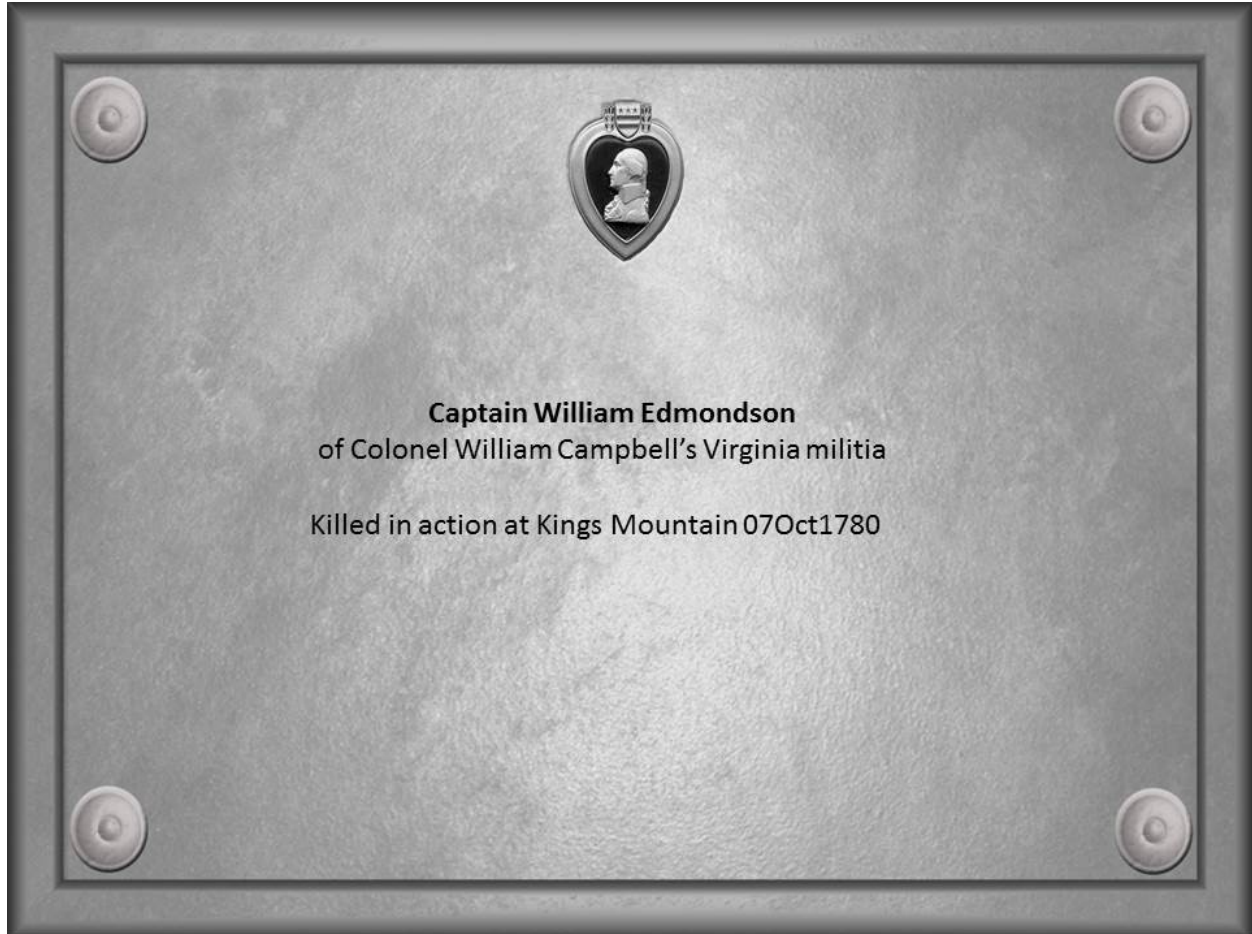


## Captain William Edmondson



The Edmondson clan had their names variously spelled Edmondston, Edmiston, and Edmondson. J Edmondson M.D. was rector of Augusta Academy 1760 to 1770. Robert Edmiston graduated from Liberty Hall Academy (Augusta was renamed, then Liberty Hall was renamed, now Washington & Lee University and VMI). Edmondston's Fort was behind Old Moore Cemetery at Lodi VA in 1776.

Joella Barbour presented papers to Abingdon DAR detailing land placement and family relations among the eight Edmondson's who fought at the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Capt. William Edmondson was in Colonel William Campbell's Regiment and during the hottest part of the battle dashed forward and received the charge of Depeyster's Rangers, discharged his gun, clubbed it, and knocked the rifle out of the grasp of one of the Britons, seizing him by the neck and making him a prisoner, he brought him to the foot of the hill. Returning again up the mountain he bravely fell, fighting in front of his company near his beloved Colonel. His faithful soldier, John McCroskey, when the contest was ended, went in search of his Captain, found him and related the great victory gained at which the dying man nodded his satisfaction of the result. The stern Colonel Campbell was seen to brush away a tear when he saw his good friend and heroic Captain stretched upon the ground under a tree, with one hand clutching his side as if to

restrain his life blood from ebbing away until the friend grasped battle was over. He heard the shout of victory as his commander and friend grasped his other hand. He was past speaking, but he kissed his Colonel's hand, smiled and lost his feeble hold on life, and the Christian patriot went to his reward.

Washington County survey book 1. Page 138 - **Thomas Edmondson, Jr., heir of William Edmondson, decd...**359 ac...commissioners certificate...on a branch of the south fork of Holstein River and on the north side of said river...Beginning corner to Samuel Robinsons land...corner to Adam Morrows land in a valley and leaving Robinsons land...on Samuel Kitharts line...on Thomas Edmondson, Sr's line...January 2, 1783 - Thomas Edmondson, heir of William Edmondson, decd...400 ac on the head of the long branch running into the south fork of Holstein River, includes improvements, actual settlement made in 1776...August 17, 1781 N 36.70899 W 81.77429

Note that Thomas Edmondson Jr. was not the son of Thomas Edmondson Sr. As with the Robert Edmondsons, Sr. and Jr. indicated which was the older.

The family of John Montgomery and Esther Houston Montgomery of New Providence Presbyterian, Raphine VA were heavily involved in the battle of Kings Mountain.

**4. Mollie Montgomery.** Born in 1742.

On 16 Apr 1761 when Mollie was 19, she married (Major) **William Edmondson.**

They had the following children:

William married **Nancy Montgomery**, daughter of James Montgomery & Nancy Robinson.

John Montgomery married **Margaret Robinson.**

Esther married **Captain Robert Campbell Kennedy.**

Thomas married **Margaret Buchanan.**

Mary married **Reverend Ebenezer McEwen.**

Ben married **Elizabeth Waddy.**

Archibald married **Blanche Ann.**

**6. Ann Montgomery.** Born in 1756 in Virginia. Ann died in 1843; she was 87.

In 1777 when Ann was 21, she married **John McCroskey.**

Major William Edmondson moved from Augusta County to Washington County, the current Lodi community about 1771. His brothers, Samuel, Thomas, Andrew, and Robert settled near him.

Page 205 - Samuel Edmondson...400 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on both sides of the Middle Fork of Holstein River...Beginning corner to Samuel Steels land...with John Scots line...corner to William Edmondson...leaving Col. Edmondsons line...January 29, 1783 - Samuel Edmondson...400 ac...on the middle fork of Holstein, includes improvements...200 ac surveyed by Military Warrant on March 14, 1774, actual settlement made in 1771...August 23, 1781

Page 229 - James Robinson...180 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on the south side of the Middle Fork of Holston River...Beginning corner to Patrick Watsons land...crossing the branch at the mouth...on Col. William Edmondsons line...on Moses Edmondsons line...March 14, 1783 -

James Robinson, assignee of William Edmondson...300 ac...on the south side of the Middle Fork bounded by Major Edmonson, Thomas Edmonson, Patrick Watson, & Moses Edmondson...actual settlement made in 1776...August 17, 1781

Page 254 - John Scott...400 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on the north side of the Middle Fork of Holstein River and adjoining Francis Kincannon, Joseph Snodgrass, William Edmondson & James Thompsons land...Beginning on Francis Kincannon's land...on Joseph Snodgrass land...on Samuel Edmondson's line...January 29, 1783

Page 259 - James Robinson...215 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on the south side of the Middle Fork of Holstein River...Beginning corner to Patrick Watsons line...on Moses Edmondsons line...March 14, 1783 - James Robinson, assignee of William Edmondson...300 ac...on the south side of the Middle Fork bounded by major Edmondson, Thomas Edmondson, Patrick Watson, Moses Edmondson, includes improvements, actual settlement made in 1776...August 17, 1781

Page 265 - Robert Edmondson...400 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on the south side of the south fork of Holstein...Beginning on the north side of a valley...May 20, 1784 - Robert Edmondson, assignee of Benjamin & Johnathan Thomas, assignees of Barnabas Anderson...400 ac...on Rush Creek...includes improvements, actual settlement made in 1776...August 31, 1781 N 36.70335 W 81.71790

Page 265 - Robert Edmondson...257 ac...Commissioners Certificate...on the south fork of Holston River...Beginning on the north side of the river, corner to John Edmondson, Jr.'s land...line of William Edmondson, Sr...corner to the patent land...line of John Buchanan's land...on the north side of the river...May 20, 1784 - Robert Edmondson, assignee of William Edmondson, assignee of Robert Huston...400 ac.. on the south fork of Holstein River, 108 ac surveyed for William Edmondson, Sr. on March 15, 1774...includes improvements, actual settlement made in 1770...August 17, 1781

Summers Annals page 670, William Edmondson sold several tracts on the Holston between Middle and South Fork. Fincastle County, July 1774. One was to Andrew Edmondson.

27May1777 Andrew, Robert, and William Edmondson served on Washington County grand jury which brought findings against one woman for bringing a bastard child and to one man for failure to maintain a road for which he was surveyor.

20Mar1781 Washington County Court ordered appraisals and inventory of the estates of Andrew, Robert, and William Edmondson (among other Kings Mountain battle casualties) indicating that none of them were unmarried teenage children of the clan.

John EDMONDSON was born about 1699 in Virginia and died about 1771 in Rockbridge Co., VA. about age 72. His wife's name was Margaret, according to deposition made by his sons, Samuel and William Edmondson of Washington Co., Virginia in 1806. This deposition was concerning land their father, John Edmondson owned in Rockbridge Co., Virginia, which he sold about

1770 when they were preparing to move to the present County of Washington, Va. John died about this time in Rockbridge Co. (Chalkley's Abstracts of Augusta Co., Va., Vol. 2, p.272).

Augusta County order book XIV, Lyman Chalkley Abstracts, **AUGUST 23, 1771.** (266) John Edmenston's death abates suit.