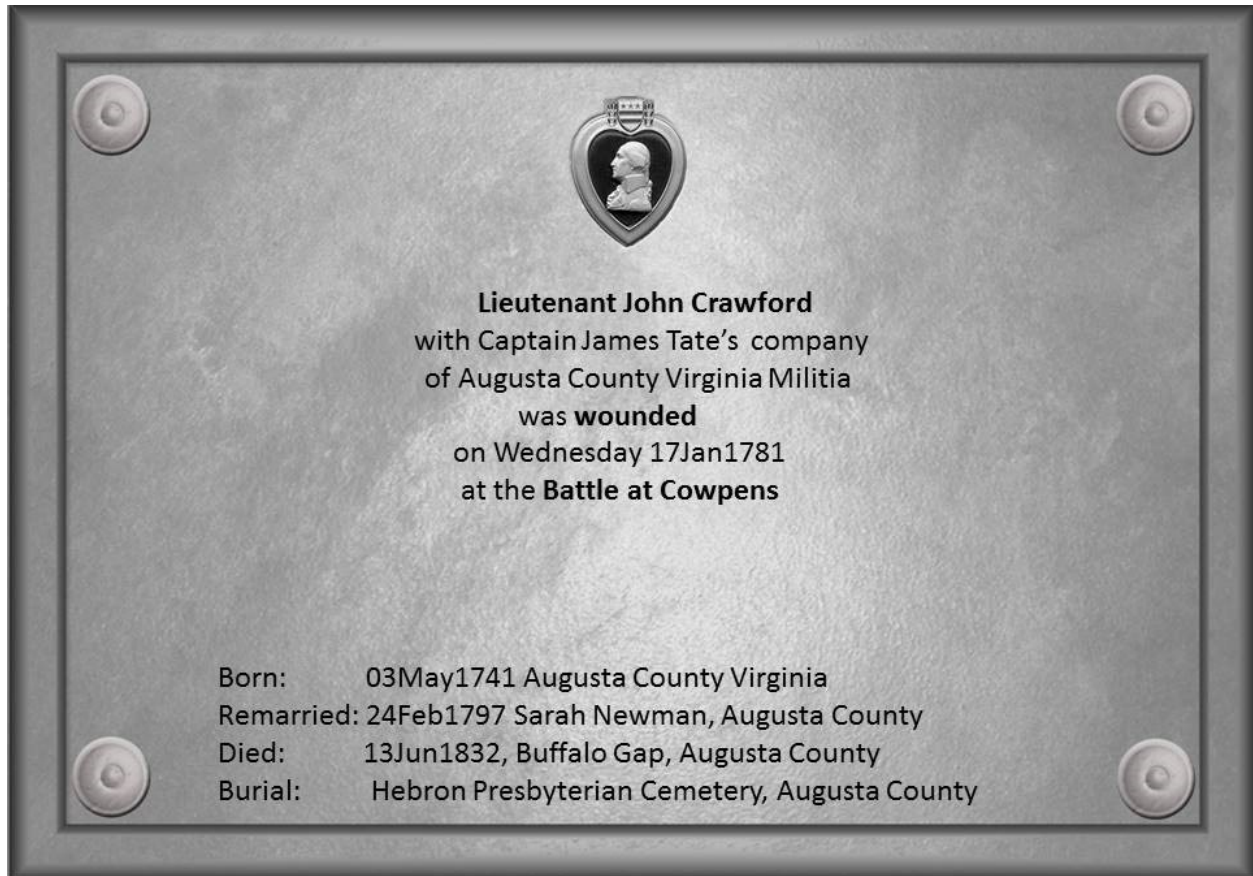


John Crawford (FPA r2472)



John Crawford was the son of Alexander and Mary McPheeters Crawford born 03May1741 in Augusta County Virginia. John first married Mary Craig, then on 24Feb1797 married Sarah (Sally) Newman. Crawford was a devout Presbyterian who was born, raised, died, and was buried in the same community. He died 13Jun1832 near Buffalo Gap and was buried at Hebron Presbyterian Cemetery.

On 14May1849 at Augusta County Court, Sarah Crawford applied for a widow's pension. In her deposition she stated that John Crawford was a soldier and an officer in the Regular Army (though he was actually in the Augusta County Virginia Militia) in the Revolutionary War for several years, first as a Soldier and afterwards as an Ensign, a Lieutenant, and a Quarter Master. He was under Generals Nathanael Greene and Daniel Morgan. He was in the battles at Cowpens (17Jan1781) and Guilford Court House (15Mar1781). She saw his **leg wounds** received at the **Battle of the Cowpens**. She kept possession of his officer's sword. The **pension was refused** for lack of documentary evidence that he was a commissioned officer of the Virginia Line.

Sarah stated that Major Samuel Bell (W12267), a pensioner, urged him to apply for a pension but her said husband always replied to him and many others who urged him, that **he did not fight**

for anything but liberty, and would not have a pension, John Bell used Major John Crawford as a reference for his approved pension (S16640). Thomas M. Caul (S18342), Berryman Jones (S5632), and Samuel McCune (S11042) stated that they served under Thomas Crawford at Cowpens.

Among John Crawford's children, sons James and William and daughter Sarah were named in the pension process.



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