

Revolutionary War Soldiers Buried in Walnut Grove Cemetery



Absolom Martin

Betty Zane

Ebenezer Zane

Elizabeth McCulloch Zane

Jonathan Zane



Information is available for each Patriot listed above. You may view it by scrolling down through the pages that follow. The Patriots appear in alphabetical order of last name then the first name.

While these specific pages cannot be used as actual proof of Revolutionary War service, it can be very helpful as a guide. The reference section for each Patriot contains all of the sources used to validate the information presented on this webpage and would be invaluable on a membership application for the Sons or Daughters of the American Revolution.

Walnut Grove Cemetery is located in the Pease Township of Belmont County. Specifically, it is located in Martins Ferry at the north end of 4th Street just beyond the hospital.



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ABSLOM MARTIN (Lived, died and buried in Belmont County, Ohio)

BORN: 1758 in Sussex, New Jersey (d)

SON OF: unknown

DIED: 1801 in Martins Ferry, Ohio (d)

AGE: 43

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery Row 22 Grave 14 Martins Ferry, Ohio (c)

MARKER: none found

MARRIED: 1789 (d)

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION: (f)

General: New Jersey Line

Specific: Paymaster, Fourth Battalion, Second Establishment, November 28th, 1776; Lieutenant, First Regiment to date February 1, 1779; Lieutenant and Paymaster, First Regiment to date November 1, 1779; Captain, First Regiment, January 6, 1783; discharged at the close of the war.

RESIDED: (b) Emigrated from New Jersey in 1787 to the Virginia side of the Ohio River and later moved to extensive lands on the Ohio side.

WIFE: Catherine Zane (daughter of Ebenezer Zane) (g)

BORN: Jun. 27, 1769

DIED: unknown

BURIED: unknown

CHILDREN: (e)

- 1) Ebenezer born ca 1791 married Hannah McLaughlin (Daughter of Betty Zane & Ephraim Mc Laughlin)
- 2) Patty born ca 1793

MORE OF MARTINS FERRY STORY: Captain Martin was employed by the federal government as a surveyor in the Northwestern Territory. On examination of his field notes it seems that he had been engaged in surveying for several years in different localities in the territory. (e)

Absolom Martin established a ferry across the Ohio River from which the city of Martins Ferry received its name. (e)

REFERENCES:

(a) DAR, *Patriot Index Centennial Edition*, Part 2, page1904.

(b) Mrs. Orville Dailey, *The Official Roster of Soldiers of The American Revolution Buried In The State of Ohio*, Roster #2, page329.

(c) Veterans Grave Registration, Belmont County, Ohio (Washington, DC Works Progress Administration).

(d) LDS Ancestral File

(e) J.A. Caldwell, *History of Belmont and Jefferson Counties*, page 290.

(f) William S. Stryker, *Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Revolutionary War*, page84.

(g) Esther W. Powell, *Tombstone Inscriptions & Family Records of Belmont County, Ohio*, page180.

ELIZABETH (BETTY) ZANE (Lived, died and buried in Belmont County, Ohio)

BORN: ca 1759 in Westmoreland County, Virginia

DAUGHTER OF: William Andrew Zane and Nancy Ann Nolan (d)

DIED: August 1823 in Marlins Ferry, Ohio (g)

AGE: 64 (g)

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery, Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio. (e)

MARKER: Military marker at gravesite and a statue at entrance to the cemetery.

MARRIED: unknown

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION:

General: Patriotic Service (b)

Specific: Heroine of the 1782 siege of Fort Henry.

RESIDED: Betty Zane was raised by an uncle in Philadelphia and attended a fashionable school. When the uncle died she came to Fort Henry. (g)

HUSBAND: (1st) Ephraim McLaughlin No other information known
(2nd) Jacob Clark (b) No other information known

CHILDREN:

1st Marriage

- 1) Mary (Polly) McLaughlin born April 24, 1785 married Edward Hadsall
- 2) Mariam Minerva McLaughlin born ca 1786, 1st marriage John Morgan,
2nd marriage Zephaniah Bell (Beall)
- 3) Sarah Nancy McLaughlin born July 12, 1788 1st marriage Bernard LaCoste
died August 8, 1887 2nd marriage Joseph B. Wer
3rd marriage Peter Joseph Paul
4th marriage Ansel Kendrick
- 4) Rebecca (Becky) McLaughlin born ca 1789 married George Brown
- 5) Hannah McLaughlin born December 4. 1791, died September 2, 1834, married Ebenezer Martin May 30 1811

2nd Marriage

- 6) Catherine Clark married Edward Thomas
- 7) Ebenezer Clark married Hannah Howard/Hayward

MORE OF HER HISTORY: During the 1782 siege of Fort Henry she went from the fort to the house of her brother Ebenezer Zane where some powder was stored. Tradition has it that she tied a tablecloth around her waist, and filled it with powder. Fleet afoot she returned to the fort amid volleys, unharmed. She is quoted as having said; "A man will be such a great loss but I will not be missed." (a)

Betty Zane lived about two miles above Wheeling on the Ohio side. Her first husband died leaving her a widow at forty years of age. Betty's second husband, who was 20 years old, was a wanderer from Virginia who fell in love with her and induced her to marry him. They lived on Colerain Pike at which place Betty died. A statue of Betty, at Walnut Grove Cemetery in Martins Ferry, was dedicated in 1928 in honor of her heroism at Fort Henry in 1782. It was erected by the school children of Martins Ferry. (g)

REFERENCES:

- (a) Mrs. Orville Dailey, *The Official Roster of Soldiers of The American Revolution Buried In The State of Ohio*, Roster #1, page 414.
- (b) DAR, *Patriot Index Centennial Edition*, Part 3, page3333.
- (c) Calculated using birth and death years.
- (d) LDS Ancestral File.
- (e) Veterans Grave Registration Belmont County, Ohio (Washington DC, Works Progress Administration.)
- (f) DAR, *Lineage Books*, Vol.77, page 287
- (g) A. Alma Martin, *Zane Genealogy in the Martin Line*, page 9.

EBENEZER ZANE (Buried in Belmont County, Ohio)

BORN: October 7, 1747 in Berkley County, Virginia (a) (b)

SON OF: William Andrew Zane and Nancy Ann Nolan (h)

DIED: November 19, 1812 in Wheeling Va. (b)

AGE: 65 (i)

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery (Enclosure) - Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio (f)

MARKER: Both original and military.

MARRIED: 1767 in Wheeling, Ohio County, Virginia (h)

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION:

General: Colonel in Virginia Militia (d)

Specific: Commanded a regiment of Virginia Militia. For his service in the Revolution, he was given a grant of land where the city of Zanesville, Ohio now stands. (c)

RESIDED: unknown

WIFE: Elizabeth McCulloch (a)

BORN: October 30, 1748 in Burlington, New Jersey (h)

DIED: Jan 17, 1814 in Wheeling, Virginia (h)

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery - Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio (h)

CHILDREN: (g)

- 1) Catherine born Jun. 27, 1769; married Absolom Martin
- 2) Ann born Aug. 27, 1771 died young
- 3) Sarah born Feb.27, 1773 married John McIntyre
- 4) Noah born Oct. 1, 1774 died in infancy - 1774
- 5) Rebecca born Oct. 19, 1776-1774 married John Clarke
- 6) Noah born Oct.23, 1778 married Mary Chaplain
- 7) John born Apr. 30, 1780 said to have died young
- 8 & 9) Samuel born May 12, 1782 died in infancy, Samuel (2nd) born Feb. 12, 1784
- 10) Hester born Oct. 8, 1786 married Elijah Wood
- 11) Daniel born Oct. 25, 1788
- 12) Jesse born Oct. 5, 1790 died in infancy
- 13) Daniel born Jan 3, 1792 1st Marriage Cynthia Zane (Daughter of Jonathan Zane)
2nd Marriage Angelina Tomlinson

MORE OF HIS HISTORY: (c) (d) (e) Ebenezer Zane commanded a regiment of Virginia Militia. In 1777 he participated in the defense of Fort Henry against a large force of Indians and others, which was the first attempt of the British and their savage allies against the frontier after the Revolutionary War began.

On September 1782 Fort Henry was attacked again by a force of Indians and British Rangers. After another three day siege the British and Indians were repulsed. It was during this siege that Ebenezer Zane's youngest sister, Elizabeth, ran from the fort to her brother's house and returned with powder.

REFERENCES:

(a) DAR, *Patriot Index Centennial Edition*, Part 3, page 3333.

(b) Mrs. Orville Dailey, *The Official Rosier of Soldiers of the American Revolution Buried In The State of Ohio*, Roster #1, page 413

(c) DAR, *Lineage Books*, Vol. 63 page 256

(d) DAR, *Lineage Books*, Vol. 52 page 347

(e) DAR, *Lineage Books*, Vol. 49 page 59

(f) Veterans Grave Registration Belmont County, Ohio (Washington DC, Works Progress Administration)

(g) Esther W. Powell, *Tombstone Inscriptions & Family Records of Belmont County, Ohio*, page180.

(h) LDS Ancestral File.

(i) Calculated using birth and death years.

ELIZABETH M^cCOLLOCH ZANE (Buried in Belmont County, Ohio)

BORN: October 30, 1748 in Burlington, New Jersey (c)

DAUGHTER OF: John M^cColloch and Sarah Inskeep (c)

DIED: 17 Jan 1814 (c)

AGE: 66 (d)

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery (Enclosure) - Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio. (e)

MARKER: Original Marker.

MARRIED: 1767 in Wheeling, Ohio County, Virginia (c)

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION:

General: Patriotic Service, Virginia (a)

Specific: Defender of Fort Henry in the siege of 1782.

RESIDED: Most of adult life was spent in Virginia

HUSBAND: Ebenezer Zane (see Ebenezer Zane page)

BORN: October 7, 1747

DIED: November 19, 1812

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery (Enclosure) - Martins Ferry, Belmont County, Ohio

CHILDREN: (b)

- 1) Catherine born Jun. 27, 1769 married Absolom Martin
- 2) Ann born Aug. 27, 1771 died young
- 3) Sarah born Feb. 27, 1773 married John McIntyre
- 4) Noah born Oct. 1, 1774 died in infancy-1774
- 5) Rebecca born Oct. 19, 1776 married John Clarke
- 6) Noah born Oct. 23, 1778 married Mary Chaplain
- 7) John born Apr. 30, 1780 said to have died young
- 8) Samuel born May. 12, 1784 died in infancy
- 9) Samuel 2nd born Feb. 12, 1784 died in infancy
- 10) Daniel born Oct.25, 1788
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- 12) Jesse born Oct.5, 1790 died in infancy
- 13) Daniel born Jan 3, 1792 1st Marriage Cynthia Zane (Daughter of Jonathan Zane)
2nd Marriage Angelina Tomlinson

MORE OF HER HISTORY: No other history known at this time.

REFERENCES:

(a) DAR, *Patriot Index Centennial Edition*, Part 3, page 3333.

(b) Esther W. Powell, *Tombstone Inscriptions & Family Records of Belmont County, Ohio*, page180.

(c) LDS Ancestral File.

(d) Calculated using birth and death years.

(e) Tombstone

JONATHAN ZANE (Buried in Belmont County, Ohio)

BORN: 1749 in Berkley County Virginia (a) (b)

SON OF: William Andrew Zane and Nancy Ann Nolan (f)

DIED: May 6, 1823 in Wheeling, Virginia (a) (b)

AGE: 74 (d)

BURIED: Walnut Grove Cemetery Martins Ferry, Ohio (e)

MARKER: Military marker.

MARRIED:

SERVICE IN REVOLUTION: (a) (b)

General: Guide

Specific: Served in this capacity *in* several expeditions and campaigns.

RESIDED: unknown

WIFE: Ann Mills (a) Hannah Mills (f) (g)

BORN: ca 1751 (g)

DIED: unknown

BURIED: unknown

CHILDREN: (g)

1) Catherine born ca 1774

2) Eliza born ca 1776

3) Isaac born 1778, died 1815 at Zanesville

4) Asa born December 29, 1780

5) Benjamin

6) Hannah

7) Nancy Ann married John Miller (c)

8) Cynthia born September 3, 1793, died June 5, 1842

9) Sally born February 27, 1796, died July 24, 185

MORE OF HIS HISTORY: In the capacity of a spy, and a guide he directed the forces through the wilderness in several of the important campaigns from the commencement of the Dunmore war until the close of the Revolution. He was a guide in Wakatomica campaign of 1774. He also accompanied General Brodhead in the same capacity in the expedition up the Allegheny River against the Muncies and Senecas in 1779, in which he was wounded.

In the memorable campaign of Crawford against Sandusky, Zane was again one of the guides to direct the army through the wilderness, and was a confidential advisor of the commander, with whom his opinions had great weight. It is plain, too, that if his advice had been promptly acted upon, the terrible calamity that befell the unfortunate expedition would have been averted. (b)

He once returned from hunting his horses, saw 5 Indians jump into the river and swim for the island near his home. He was able to dispose of all five of them with his rifle. The Indians called him "the Death Wind". ~~~ He was a stalwart fighter during the stirring events around Fort Henry. (g)

REFERENCES:

(a) DAR, *Patriot Index Centennial Edition*, Part 3, page 3333.

(b) J.A. Caldwell, *History of Belmont and Jefferson County*, page 133.

(c) DAR, *Lineage Books*, Vol.53, page 46.

(d) Calculated using birth and death years.

(e) DAR, *Abstracts of Graves of Revolutionary Patriots*, Vol.4. (1) LOS Ancestral File.

(g) A. Alma Martin, *Zane Genealogy in the Ebenezer Martin Line*, page 9.