

John Strawn – Unit – 11th Virginia Regiment, Morgan’s Provisional Rifle Corp

Additional info:

From eastern Virginia, John joined the 11th VA in 1777 and was assigned to Captain Blackwell’s company. Shortly after joining he was selected to accompany Col. Daniel Morgan, along with 300 other riflemen from Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia to New York as the Provisional Rifle Corp. This is detailed in his muster payroll records. There he fought on the front lines of the Battle of Saratoga along with his fellow riflemen, one of them killing the British General Fraser at the Battle of Freeman’s Farm. John is listed on the muster at the Saratoga National Battlefield Park. After the New York campaign he rejoined the 11th VA regiment and encamped with Gen. Washington at Valley Forge and is listed on the parks muster roll. He retired with his land grant Shelby County Kentucky, where he is buried.