



A Patriot's Story

Name: Michael Shirley
Born: baptized 18 Dec 1732 at Rockenhausen, Bayern, Germany
Died: 23 July 1784 at Madison Co., KY
Service: Military from VA

Revolutionary Service Details

Michael served as a private, having enlisted 1 December 1777 in Captain William Bentley's company, 3rd Virginia Regiment commanded by Colonel John Neville, formerly known at times as Captain Reuben Briscoe's company and Charles West's company commanded by Colonel William Heth. Company muster rolls show Michael's name until 1 November 1779. Pay vouchers indicate Michael spent the winter at Valley Forge and the following spring was reported sick, likely with pneumonia.

Family Information

Michael Shirley married Catherine Franz on/about 1760 at
Virginia Together they had children, including the following:

Maryan b. 1762, married William McGuire; Charles, b. 1771, married Rebecca Collier; George, b. 1775, married Betsey Lee