



# A Patriot's Story

**Name:** Thomas Conway  
**Born:** 3 March 1755 at Virginia  
**Died:** 14 February 1824 at Harrison Co, VA (now WV)  
**Service:** Military from Bedford Co, PA

## Revolutionary Service Details

Thomas Conway volunteered in 1776 under Captain Higgins, Hampshire County, VA and marched to Beesontown, now Uniontown, and thence against the Indians on the Muskingum. He was out nine months before returning to Pittsburgh at Christmas. In 1779, he was drafted to take part in the expedition of General McIntosh during which Fort McIntosh was built. After his discharge he moved to Bedford County, PA where he was ordered out in 1780 as an Indian spy under Captain McCall. War Department records show that Thomas Conway was a private in Captain John McGuire's company and was also designated as a lieutenant in Captain Thomas Bell's company of Colonel Grayson's Regiment, Continental troops. His enlistment date is given as April 5, 1777, later being transferred to the Regiment commanded by Colonel Nathaniel Gist. Source: West Virginians in the American Revolution, Ross B Johnston.

## Family Information

Thomas Conway married Sarah Dhu (Dew) on/about 9 January 1783 at Hampshire, VA. Together they had eleven children, including the following:

Jeremiah, b. 1785, married Mary Brown; Samuel, b. 1786, married Eleanor Ice; Daniel, b. 1789, married (1) Phoebe See, (2) Mariah Straight; Elizabeth, b. 1790, married Charles Conaway; Mary, b. 1791, married John Hoge; Eli, b. 1796, married (1) Mary Baker, (2) Parthena Morris; Andrew, b. 1798, married Rebecca Luman; John, b. 1805, married (1) Esther Baker, (2) Amelia McIntire; Sarah, b. 1808, married Henry Youst; Charles, b. 1808, married Mary Poulson; Polly, b. 1810, never married.