

**ZEPHANIAH BRYAN**

Zephaniah Bryan enlisted with Virginia Militia in 1776 and served one year as private. His Captain was Capt. John Stevenson, Col. Muhlenberg. He engaged in battle of Sullivan's Island. In his pension application, it says, Res. At time of enlistment, Connelstown, Westmoreland Co., Penna. The pension was applied for from Plumb Township, Allegheny Co. Pa., April 15, 1834. Age 82, died May 9, 1838. From the old family Bible in Pennsylvania, the following record was copied. Zephaniah Bryon and Elizabeth DeVorce (DeVeiuiz) were married at Ft. Duquesne when his term of enlistment expired. Elizabeth was the daughter of a French Captain.

Names of children:

John	born	April 28, 1779
Mary	born	March 28, 1781
Joseph	born	Jan. 15, 1783
Elizabeth	born	Aug. 10, 1785
Jinny	born	Aug. 10, 1785
Effie	born	Oct. 26, 1787
Thomas	born	Jan. 23, 1789
Prudence	born	Feb. 8, 1791
James	born	Oct. 30, 1794
Zephaniah	born	Dec. 22, 1796
(Zephaniah, Sr. married Mary Jane Wade Aug. 16 or 17, 1799)		
Zachariah	born	June 21, 1801
Phebe	born	Oct. 22, 1803
Margaret	born	Jan. 15, 1805
Nancy	born	Apr. 26, 1808
David	born	Mar. 10, 1811

John, the eldest son of Zephaniah and Elizabeth Bryan, married Hannah Kirkpatrick, July 1, 1800 and came to Ohio horseback, she riding behind him. All their worldly goods probably came on the same horse. They settled near South Salem, Ross County, Ohio. This was taken from their family Bible.

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John Bryan	b.	April 28, 1779	d. July 1856
Hannah Kirkpatrick	b.	June 19, 1784	d. Sept. 7, 1860
Children:			
Zephaniah Bryan	b.	Aug. 28, 1802	
James Kirkpatrick Bryan	b.	Sept. 28, 1804	
Elizabeth Bryan	b.	Nov. 1, 1806	
Mary McLane Bryan	b.	Oct. 2, 1808	m. Thomas Hixon
Margaret McCammon Bryan	b.	Oct. 21, 1810	
Jane M. Bryan	b.	Sept. 8, 1812	m. -----Spears
William Bryan	b.	Sept. 13, 1814	
Hannah Bryan	b.	July 17, 1816	m. Washington Mains
Joseph Pittenger Bryan	b.	-- -- 1818	
John Bryan	b.	July 15, 1820	
Prudence Bryan	b.	Nov. 13, 1822	m. -----McLure
Son	b.	June 19, 1825	d. July 1825

John Bryan Sr. made a trip back to Pennsylvania on business and when he came back, brought his wife a gift of a small brass kettle filled with salt. Both kettle and salt were valuable at that time. Hannah Bryan became blind in her early married life, but not only cared for her family but several grandchildren. Her daughter Margaret never married, but after her parents died made her home principally with Mr. and Mrs. William Kerr, near Pisgah. Mrs. Kerr was a daughter of Mary McLane Bryan and Thomas Hixson. She was very much beloved not only by her grand nieces and nephews, but the neighbors' children too and she entertained them many an hour with tales of the early days.