



Iowa Society DAR

PATRIOT STORIES

Jonathan Bloomfield, New Jersey, A011455

- Patriotic Service, Ensign (SAR #44362; #95521)
- Residence: Woodbridge, Middlesex Co NJ
- Born: 25 Aug 1735, Woodbridge, Middlesex Co NJ
- Death: 1 Apr 1810, Woodbridge, Middlesex Co NJ

Jonathan first married Elizabeth Wood (bp 1741, Huntington LI NY, d 22 Aug 1776, Woodbridge, Middlesex Co NJ) on 18 Jan 1758. They were the parents of 9 children. As of Winter 2023, NSDAR recognizes daughters from his children: Phoebe, Mary and Eunice. Jonathan later married Anna Karney (b 22 May 1737, d 24 Dec 1821).

- Jarvis (b 1759, d 10 Oct 1794) m Anna Bernhard
- Eunice (b 20 Feb 1761, Woodbridge, Middlesex Co, NJ, d 3 Feb 1836, Richfield Springs, NY) m 1781 Jonathan Bloomfield A011456 (b 8 Aug 1759, Woodbridge Middlesex Co NJ, d 30 Nov 1828, Warren Herkimer Co NY)
- Elizabeth (Betsy) (b 13 Apr 1763 d Jul 1842) m 26 Sep 1785 Nathan Bloomfield (b 30 March 1758 d 30 Oct 1823)– no children
- John Wood Bloomfield (b 1765 d Oct 1849 Rome NY) m Ann Bullus (widow of Joseph Ellis)
- Martha (b 1767) m Richard Marsh
- Mary (b 1771 d 1773)
- Sarah (b 1773 d 5 Aug 1780)
- Phebe (b 23 Oct 1774 Woodbridge Middlesex Co NJ d 14 Mar 1856 Rome NY) m 1795 Timothy Jervis
- Mary (Nancy) (b 1775 d 7 May 1852) m 1797 John Carman (b 1773 d 1857)

The Committee of Safety of the Province of New Jersey commissioned Bloomfield as Ensign on January 10, 1776. He served one month eight days in March 1776 under Col. Elias Dayton and Captain William Gifford.

The Bloomfield farm was located in New Jersey between British and American control not far from the Hudson River and Staten Island, NY. Two months after his wife died with eight children under the age of seventeen, his farm was occupied one night by the Americans and then the next day by the British. The British burned his fences and plundered his home. In December 1776, several skirmishes occurred on his farm. The children were put in the cellar during these events. Jonathan moved his family west some twenty miles over the mountains to Basking Ridge where he had a sister-in-law. He returned to his farm in the spring of 1778.

During the Fall 1780, Jonathan furnished multiple cords of wood to the American army.

In August 1780 Sarah became ill. Bloomfield's brother was a surgeon in the army. Bloomfield called upon him to tend to Sarah. A neighbor informed the British who captured the two Bloomfields and the parson with their helpers (slaves). They were imprisoned in the Old Sugar House on Staten Island, NY. Jarvis, Jonathan's oldest child at twenty-one, was serving as a Lieutenant in the New Jersey line by then. He came home, raised volunteers, and freed his father, uncle and parson without a single shot being fired.



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