

Individual Narrative of Susan⁷ Leverich [182] Daughter of Gabriel⁶ Leverich [67] and Hannah Thorpe

Susan Leverich was born on 30 Jun 1781 probably in Fairfield County, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Gabriel Leverich and Hannah Thorpe. The birth date is a calculated date based upon Susan's age at the time she died.^{1,2,3}

Following the Revolutionary War battle of Long Island on August 27, 1776, at which time the British occupied New York City and Long Island for the duration of the war, Susan's father Gabriel became a refugee in Connecticut. In April 1777, Gabriel enrolled as a Sergeant in Captain Jonathan Brown's Company, the regiment commanded by Col. John Lamb, also known as the 2nd Regiment of Artillery of the Continental Army. This regiment was recruited in Connecticut, and consisted primarily of men native to New York State. Gabriel served in this unit until sometime in 1781, at which time he transferred to an Infantry Company commanded by Capt Cliff, Regiment of Col. Thomas Grovner, Line of the State of Connecticut, where he served until the end of the war in 1783.^{4,5}

Susan Leverich was never married. Susan's father, Gabriel Leverich, lived at Newtown, Queens Co, New York from some time about 1785 (birth of fourth child Hannah) until he died in 1828. It is likely, although not proven, that Susan lived with her parents during this period of time.^{6,7,8}

Susan Leverich died on 19 Nov 1820 at Newtown, Queens, New York, at age 39 years, 1 month, and 19 days. Susan is recorded as buried at both the Leverich Family Burying Ground and the Newtown Presbyterian Church. It is assumed that she was buried first in the former location, and later reinterred in the latter location.^{9,10,11}

Susan apparently left no will, and the Queens County Surrogate Office probate index does not reflect an estate record for Susan.¹²

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