

Alexander Bragg, Jr. (1743 - after 1817)

Corporal and Drummer, Captain Cowell's Company
Colonel Benjamin Hawes's Regiment

Alexander Bragg, Jr. was born in Wrentham, Massachusetts, on Nov. 15, 1743. The parents of Alexander Bragg, Jr. were Alexander Bragg Sr. and his wife, Elizabeth. He was married twice, fathering five children. He was first married to married Esther Fisher and had three daughters, Jemima, Rhoda and Sophronia. His daughters were grown women when he married his second wife, Mary Mann, in Holliston, Massachusetts, on June 2, 1802. They had two sons, John Fisher and Calvin.

Alexander Bragg was a private in Colonel L. Robinson's regiment, Captain Samuel Cowell's Company. He enlisted on Jan. 29, 1776, and served 2 months and 4 days. He was also in Major Metcalf's regiment, Captain Ebenezer Pond's company, and marched to Providence and Warwick, Rhode Island on the alarm of Dec. 8, 1776. This service lasted 23 days. He was also a drummer for Colonel Benjamin Hawes's regiment, Captain Cowell's company, and served from Sept. 25, 1777, to Oct. 30, 1777, some 35 days, on a secret expedition. Bragg was also a Corporal with the same company and regiment, and served from Aug. 4, 1778, to Aug. 26, 1778, 22 days, at Rhode Island.

The Braggs were the last family "warned out" of Stratton, Windham County, Vermont, on March 12, 1817. He died shortly thereafter, apparently "by violence from the hand of his wife." No criminal charges were ever filed, but the Church of Christ in Stratton banished her. His exact death date and burial location is unknown. Alexander Bragg, Jr. died before war pensions were offered.

Submitted by Craig Paige
NSSAR# 191359
Saramana SAR Chapter
Florida SAR Society