

Adam Stonebraker (1750-1827)
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Adam Stonebraker was born to Johann Valentin Steinbrecher and Anna Catherine Stofft on 10 September 1750 in Lancaster, PA. His family came from Worrstadt, Germany.

In 1776 Adam Stonebraker was in Hagerstown, MD. He served as both a Private and Corporal in Captain William Heysers Company of the German Regiment. This militia was composed of five companies from Lancaster County, PA and the four Companies from the State of Maryland. Later these units became a part of General Muhlerberg's Brigade. Adam enlisted in Aug 1776 and served until Aug 1779. He was in the battles of Trenton, at the taking of the Hessians, Princeton, Brandywine, Germantown (where he was shot in the leg with buckshot) and the battle at Monmouth. Other actions that he participated in include the skirmish at Couches Bridge, DE and other skirmishes. Adam said that he lost his discharge papers as he returned home. While travelling his horse threw him in the Conococheague Creek where the papers got wet and were rubbed to pieces.

After the war, Adam Stonebraker lived in Spruce Creek, Huntingdon, PA. Later he would build and operate a mill at Colraine, Huntingdon, PA. He was granted a pension of \$8.00 a month beginning 6 May 1818. He is listed on the muster role at Valley Forge and was with Washington for all three years of service. In 1820 he stated in court that he had lost his hearing and had other infirmities that prevented him from making a living.

Adam Stonebraker died 11 November 1827 in Franklin Township, Huntingdon, PA. He is buried in Colraine Cemetery – no marker remains to show his grave.

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