

(ORIGINAL)

Questions for Applicant

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

McCracken County.

Mrs Emma Jane (Hamilton) Billington of said State and County, desiring to avail herself of the pension allowed to Indigent Widows of Soldiers, General Assembly, approved March 18, 1914, hereby submits her proofs, and after being duly sworn true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your full name and where do you reside? (Give State, County and Postoffice.) Emma Jane (Hamilton) Billington, 1611 Trimble St., Paducah, McCracken Co. Ky.
2. How long and since when have you been a resident of this State? Since 1865
3. When and where were you born and what was your maiden name? June 27, 1854 in Davidson County, near Nashville, Tennessee Emma Jane Hamilton.
4. When and where was your husband born—state his full name, and where were you and he married, and who performed the marriage ceremony. (A copy of the marriage license or affidavits of two or more persons who know when the applicant was married to her husband, must accompany the application) Beard County Kentucky December 27, 1874 William Morris Billington. Married in Louisa, Beard Co., Ky., Oct 15, 1879 - Rev. Benson a Baptist minister
5. When and where and in what Company and Regiment did your husband enlist or serve during the war between the States? April 1862 Co. F. 3rd, Ky. Reg. at Louisa, Beard Co., Ky.
6. How long did your husband serve in said Company and Regiment? Until consolidation of Co's D & F and continued under same command
7. When and where did your husband's Company and Regiment surrender? Tainesville Ala
8. Was your husband present at the time and place when his Company and Regiment surrendered? yes
9. If not with his command at surrender, state clearly and specifically where he was, when he left command, for what cause and by what authority? X
10. When and where did your husband die? McCracken County Ky., Feb, 1901
11. At the time of your husband's death, were you living with him as his lawful wife? yes
12. Have you married since the death of your soldier husband? No
13. What property, real or personal, or income do you have or possess, and its gross value? Nothing
14. Have you a family? If so, who compose such family? Two daughters and one son
15. Name some friend, giving his name and postoffice address, who will be willing to have us write to him about your case if necessary Judge N. A. Middleton, McCracken Co. Court House, Paducah, Ky

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this, the 11 day of May, 1926
Notary Public
of McCracken County.

Outie Mae Sanderson

Questions for Witnesses

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

Ballard County.

H. Peal and W. B. Middleton, of said State and County, having been presented as a witness in support of the application of Mrs. Emma Jane Hamilton Beelington for a pension under Confederate Pension Law, approved March 18, 1914, after being duly sworn, true answers to make to the following questions, deposes and answers as follows:

1. What is your name and what is your postoffice address? H. Peal, La Center, Ballard Co., Kentucky.
2. Are you acquainted with the applicant, Mrs. Emma Jane Hamilton Beelington?
If so, how long have you known her? many years
3. Where does she reside, and how long and since when has she been a resident of this State? 1611 Zumbelle St., Paducah, Ky. since 1865
4. Were you ever acquainted with her husband? yes
5. Were either or both of you present at the marriage? no
6. How long did you know him? Sixty years
7. When and where did William Norris Beelington enlist in the war between the States, and in what Company and Regiment did he enlist, and how do you know this? April 1864 do. Paducah, Ballard Co. Ky. Co. F. 3rd, Kentucky Reg. Both witnesses were with him at this time
8. Were you a member of the same Company and Regiment at the close of the war? Co. D & Co. F. Cavalry 1st under same command. All three went with consolidation.
9. How long did he perform regular military duty? From April 1864 to May 1865
10. When and where was his Company and Regiment surrendered? Louisville, Ala. on May 9th, 1865
11. Were you with the command when it surrendered? H. Peal was a prisoner in stockade at many of the places where he was paroled.
12. Was William Norris Beelington, the husband of applicant, present? yes.
13. If not present, where was he? X
14. When and where did he leave his command? X
- For what cause? X
- By whose authority did he leave? X
- How do you know all this? (State fully and clearly.) H. Peal states that he was with Beelington, they were messmates the last year of the war, and has positive knowledge of these facts.
15. When and where did William Norris Beelington die? Jan. 1 1903 in McCracken Co., Kentucky.
16. Where did he reside at his death, and how long had he been a resident of Kentucky at his death? McCracken Co., had lived in Kentucky all his life
17. Do you know of your own knowledge that applicant is the lawful widow of William Norris Beelington? yes

18. Has she remained unmarried since her soldier husband's death, and is she now his widow? yes.

19. What property, effects or income has the applicant, if any, and how do you know this of your own knowledge? none

20. Has applicant conveyed any property, in the last two years or given any money, if so, what was it, and to whom? No.

NOTE.—Let the witness who can answer the greatest number of questions do so; then let the other witness state in the space below how much of the testimony of the first witness he concurs in, and whether or not he can answer any of the questions not answered by the first witness.

Mr. Middleton attest the statements of H. Peal are true—

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11
day of May 1926
Artie Mae Sanderson
Notary Public
My Commission Expires Feb- 1928.

W. B. Middleton
H. Peal
Witnesses.

THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE MUST BE FILLED OUT WHETHER THE APPLICANT OWNS ANY TAXABLE PROPERTY OR NOT.

I, W. A. Middleton Judge of McCracken County, Kentucky,
hereby certify that the property assessed on the tax books of this County to Mrs. Emma Jane Billington
the widow of W. H. Billington amounts to \$ None real estate and
\$ None personal W. A. Middleton Judge
For McCracken County, Ky. Trustee.

Certificate of Clerk of Court or Notary Public

STATE OF KENTUCKY,

McCracken County.

I, Artie Mae Sanderson Clerk or Notary Public, in and for said county, hereby
certify that the applicant, Mrs. Emma Jane Billington resides in said county, and has been
a bona fide resident of this State since the December day of 1965, and that the wit-
nesses, Mr. W. B. Middleton and H. Peal
are of trustworthy character, and that their statements are entitled to full faith and credit.

~~I do further certify that before answering the foregoing questions, the applicant and said witnesses took the oath herein prescribed, and the full text of the affidavits was read to the applicant and witnesses before the same was signed and subscribed.~~

Witness my hand and official seal this 11 day of May 1926

(SEAL)

Artie Mae Sanderson
Notary Public McCracken County.

- Note—1. Before any questions are answered, the Clerk or Notary shall swear applicant and the witnesses in the following words: "You do solemnly swear that you will true answers make to each of the questions asked of you, and the evidence you shall give will be the whole truth; so help you God."
2. Additional affidavits may be attached, if blank spaces are insufficient.
3. All affidavits must be made before an officer using a seal.
4. Only widows who were the wives of soldiers need apply—and are now widows. Those married since Jan. 1st, 1890, not entitled.
5. Two witnesses are necessary to make out claims.
6. Attach certified copy marriage license in every case, or certificate of County Court Clerk, under seal, that license is filed in his office duly certified by officiating minister, or the affidavit of the officiating minister, or the affidavit of a witness of the ceremony, or the affidavit of two witnesses who knew them as man and wife, prior to January 1, 1890, and knew that they were living together on the date of his death.

My Com. Expires Feb. 1928.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.

The Widows' Pension Law, passed by the Kentucky Legislature, provides for the widows of *soldiers only*, and they must have been residents of the State of Kentucky since January 1, 1907.

Widow must have married prior to 1890.

To be eligible the applicant must have remained a widow after the death of her soldier husband, and must be indigent.

Read the questions in the application carefully and answer them fully.

Read the law, and unless you come clearly under the laws it will be useless to file application.

No. 4405

**Widow's
Indigent Pension**

Name Emma Jane Billington

Filed May 18, 1926

Widow of William H. Billington

Allowed May 18, 1926.
J. S. George, Comr.

All blanks on this filing to be filled by the Pension Board.

CONFEDERATE PENSION DEPARTMENT
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY

Emma Jane Billington, widow
of W. N. Billington who en-
listed in Company "F" 3rd Ky.
Mtd. Infantry. April, 15th,
served until the

of the war.

Proven by affidavits.

Indigent.



OPD Address: "The Adjutant General,
War Department, Washington, D. C.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, May 21, 1926.

Respectfully returned to

Examiner,
Confederate Pension Department,
Frankfort, Kentucky

The records show that one W. H.
(also borne as W. N.) Billington, Co.
F, 3rd. Kentucky Mtd. Inf., C.S.A.,
enlisted April 15, 1864, in Ballard
Co., Ky.

Muster roll May & June 1864, dated
July 1, 1864, (latest on file) shows
him present, a Private.

Capture, parole or later record
not found.

Not found as William N. Billington
Personal papers on file show one
W. M. Billington, Co. F, 3rd. Ky.,
wounded.

Robert C. Davis

Major General,
The Adjutant General,

By *J.C.*

This is a true and exact copy of the original death certificate.

Form V. S. 1-A

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
Department of Health
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

File No. _____

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County McCracken
Vot. Pct. Lone Oak, Ky
Inc. Town _____

Registration District No. _____

Registered No. _____

Primary Registration District No. _____

City _____ (No. _____ St. _____ Ward _____)
(If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)

2. FULL NAME Mrs. Emma Jane Billington

(a) Residence No. Paducah, Ky, R.R. 7 Ward _____
(Usual place of abode) (If nonresident, give city or town and State)

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds. How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX F 4. COLOR OR RACE White 5. Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced (write the word) Widowed

5a. If married, widowed, or divorced HUSBAND of (or) WIFE of _____

6. DATE OF BIRTH June 27, 1853

7. AGE Years 82 Months 10 Days 2 If LESS than 1 day.....hrs. or.....min.

8. Trade, profession, or particular kind of work done, as spinner, sawyer, bookkeeper, etc. Housekeeper

9. Industry or business in which work was done, as silk mill, sawmill, bank, etc. _____

10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year) _____ 11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation _____

12. BIRTHPLACE Tennessee

FATHER 13. NAME Not known

14. BIRTHPLACE " "

MOTHER 15. MAIDEN NAME Emma J. Hamilton

16. BIRTHPLACE Not known

17. INFORMANT Mrs. Carl Billington
(Address) Bruceston, Tenn.

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL
Place Maplelawn Date Apr. 30, 1936

19. UNDERTAKER Kennedy Funeral Home
(Address) Paducah, Ky

20. FILED Apr. 30, 1936 Dr. Shelton
Registrar.

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH April 29, 1936

22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from _____, 1936 to _____, 1936

I last saw her alive on Apr. 29, 1936, death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 12 m. The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of onset were as follows:

Carcinoma of Date of onset _____
stomach

Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: _____

Name of operation _____ Date of _____
What test confirmed diagnosis? _____ Was there an autopsy? _____

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? _____ date of injury _____ 1936

Where did injury occur? _____ (Specify city or town, county, and State)
Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place.

Manner of injury _____
Nature of injury _____

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? _____ If so, specify _____

(Signed) R. D. Harper, M. D.

(Address) Lone Oak, Ky

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING

N. B. WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

We Geo. Stovall and Ara Menser, being duly sworn, upon our oath state that we are acquainted with Emma J. Billington, who was before her marriage (Emma J. Hamilton), and that we know of our own personal knowledge that she was married to Wm Morris Billington on the 15th day of October 1879, at Lovelaceville, Ky.

Given under our hands this the 13th day of May 1926.

Geo. Stovall

Ara Menser

STATE OF KENTUCKY

Sct.

COUNTY OF BALLARD

I, E.M. Wymen, Notary Public in and for the County and state aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing statements were duly sworn to before me in my said county, by Geo. Stovall and Ara Menser, both of whom are personally acquainted with me and I with them.

This the 13th day of May 1926.

E.M. Wymen
Notary Public Ballard County Kentucky
My Commission expires Jan. 9th 1930.

STATE OF KENTUCKY,
MCCRACKEN COUNTY COURT,
COURT MET PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT, regular term May 8, 1936,
HON. BRADY M. STEWART, JUDGE PRESIDING.

This day came H. A. Berry petitioned the court for letters of administration on the estate of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington, deceased, and it being shown that said decedent died intestate and that said H. A. Berry is entitled by relationship in regular Statutory order, after all others entitled to act had waived their respective rights in writing, to act in such personal representation, and the court being sufficiently advised of the capability and suitability of said H. A. Berry to discharged the duties of the trust he, is by this order appointed administrator of the estate of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington, deceased, and the bond as such is fixed in the penal sum of \$400 and R. M. Ross being tendered the court as surety thereon, and after an examination of said surety's solvency by the records and on private examination under oath, the court being satisfied of its sufficiency, the same is approved and accepted.

Whereupon: Came said H. A. Berry together with said surety and made said bond in open court and then having been sworn as is required by law to discharge faithfully the duties of the trust and he having otherwise qualified in all respects as is required of personal representatives; it is adjudged that H. A. Berry is the lawfully qualified and acting administrator of the estate of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington, deceased.

This 8th day of May, 1936.

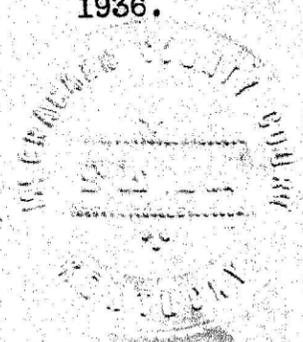
STATE OF KENTUCKY,
COUNTY OF KENTUCKY,

Brady M. Stewart
County Judge

I, Sarah Miller, Clerk of the County Court, for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a true and correct copy of same as it appears on record in my office, recorded in McCracken County Court Order Book #5, McCracken County Court Clerk's Office.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 8th day of May, 1936.

Sarah Miller Clerk
By W. R. M. C. C. D. C.



Paducah Ky 7/11/26

Urmie Belle Fogg
Secretary C. P.

This is to advise you of
the death of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington, which
occurred April 29th inst.

I am enclosing certified copy of
court order showing I have qualified as
administrator of her estate. I understand
the government pays \$1,000.00 death burial benefit
I have instructed the undertaker to forward
his bill to you.

yours truly

H. M. Berry
administrator

May, 11th, 1936.

Kennedy Funeral Home.
Paducah, Kentucky.

Gentlemen:

We received the death certificate of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington, this is the first notice we have had of her death. It will be necessary for you to furnish this Department with a bill for your services. A voucher for the amount can then be mailed to you, which when filled out properly and returned to this office, may be paid. The State allows \$100 for burial expense.

Could you give me the name of some member of Mrs. Billington's family to whom I might write concerning the amount due her estate?

Very Truly,

Sec.

KENNEDY FUNERAL HOME

PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

May 13, 1936.

Miss Annie Belle Fogg,
Frankfort, Ky.

Miss Fogg:

Enclosed find the itemized statement for the funeral expenses of Mrs Emma Jane Billington. I am sending you the name of Mrs. Billington's daughter with whom she made her home.

Mrs. Harvey Berry,
R.R. 7,
Paducah, Ky.

Yours truly,

Kennedy Funeral Home

By

Loy Kennedy
Owner

May, 13, 1936.

Mr. H. A. Berry.
Paducah, Kentucky.

My dear Sir:

Your letter informing us of the death of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington on April, the 29th has been received, also the copy of the Order of Court appointing you the Administrator. The check which will come to her address about May the 15th pays her estate up to the date of her death. As the Administrator, you may endorse this check and use as any other part of the estate, when we received the Undertaker's bill, a voucher and check for \$100 will be mailed direct to him.

Very Truly,

Sec.

June, 8, 1926.

Judge N. A. Middleton.
Paducah, Kentucky.

My dear Judge:

The application of Mrs. Emma Jane Billington was received in this office during my absence attending the Confederate reunion at Birmingham, Ala., and I have placed Mrs. Emma Jane Billington on the pension rolls of date May 18th, the date her application was filed in this office. She will receive her first voucher and pension certificate, July, 15th,

Very respectfully,

J. T. George
Carr