

U.S. REVOLUTIONARY WAR ROLLS, 1775 – 1783

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A search for Eleazer Youmans on Ancestry.Com found an Eleazer, with various spellings of Youmans, on four different rolls. Below is what I searched and what I found

Eleazer first shows up in May 1779 and then I don't find him again until May 1780 when he would have been 16. Other than the May 1779 entry, he's with the same unit from May 1780 until at least April 1783. Note that the May 1780 unit was first shown as Captain Benjamin Walker's Company, 4th New York Regiment, then Captain Benjamin Walker's Company, 2nd New York Regiment, and finally 4th Company, 2nd New York Regiment with Captain Benjamin Walker in Command. I have seen some listings that show an Eleazer in both the 2nd and the 4th NY Regiment, which would lead you to believe that there may have been two Eleazer's, but that is not the case. The 4th NY Regiment was merged into the 2nd NY Regiment on 1 Jan 1781.

The 2nd NY Regiment was at the Battle of Yorktown, was furloughed 2 June 1783 at Newburgh (NY?) and disbanded 15 November 1783.

May & June 1780 (Image 406)

Eleazer Youmans, Private – Deserted July 1, 1780

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July & Aug (Image 409), Sept-Dec. (#412) 1780

Eleazer Youmans, Private – Enlisted for the duration of the War.

(His desertion must have been very short lived.)

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Pay Roll – 1781 (#422)

Eleazer Youmans signed with an "X".

So it appears that our Eleazer Youmans was fighting for the Rebels until April 1783, it seems that he disappeared shortly thereafter.

## ELEAZER YOUMANS' REVOLUTIONARY ERA TIME LINE

1764 – Eleazer, son of Arthur Youmans, born

1774 – Admitted to the Old School Baptist Church, Warwick, Orange Co., New York Province

1780 May – 1783 April – Served with Captain Benjamin Walker's Co. of the 2nd & 4th NY Regiment

1780 July 1 – Briefly deserted

1788, 18 Oct – A certificate granted in Kingston states that, “The bearer hereof Eliezer Yeomans being entitled to one hundred Acres of Land has drawn one-half of Lot No. 15 consisting of 100 Acres in the 1st concession 1st Township below Pittsburg.”

1789, June (probably) – Transported “ by order of the Justices” from Beekman, Dutchess Co., New York Province to Orange Co., New York Province.

1790 July 3 – Received a New York State Bounty Land Grant for 600 acres.

1790 July 16 – Received a U.S. Bounty Land Warrant for 100 acres. It was assigned to Philip Van Cortland. (Note: This is not view as evidence that he was in New York on this date.) 1791, 10 Aug – In an action in Kingston he was granted 200 in Mecklenburgh District

1797, 14 Nov – Recommended for 200 acres in Upper Canada

Muster roll for Eleazer’s time in the American Army