



Iowa Society DAR

PATRIOT STORIES

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Henry was born in 1742, and wife Catherine Conkle, born in 1745, emigrated from Germany with their parents when they were four and two years old respectfully. They settled in the "Blue Ridge" region of Pennsylvania thirty miles from Lancaster City.

Here they were married around 1763 and raised a family of eight children consisting of four sons and four daughters. They moved from the Blue Ridge and settled in the eastern part of North Huntingdon Township seven and a half miles from Greensburg. He purchased six hundred acres of land at twenty shillings per acre. Because the land in Westmoreland County was in the region of Indian territory, it suffered deprivation. He was thus exonerated from paying taxes on that land.

Their children were Margaret, John, Adam, Barbara, Catharine, Sarah, Peter, and Henry. Henry was killed by the falling of a tree at the age of twenty-two. Except Peter and Margaret, all of the rest were married and raised families.

Henry served as a Private in the First Battalion Lancaster County Militia under the command of Capt. Edmond Lintner. He served from 1775-1783. He died on May 18, 1814 in North Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland County at the age of 72. Catherine shortly afterward.

They are believed to be buried in the Harrold Zion Lutheran Cemetery next to Harrold's Reformed Church in Hempfield Township, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania. They are at the rear of the church on the east side marked by an old stone headstone and a Revolutionary marker.

Few people visit that old area now, but there are still those that remember his service. Sixteen people have recognized and claimed him as an ancestor who fought in the Revolutionary War as "their" Patriot.

And he will always be remembered now throughout the DAR as Iowa's representative on the Schuylkill River Trail connecting Philadelphia to Valley Forge on the "Pathway to the Patriots!"

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