

Kerr, Major Joseph

A Rev. soldier + War of 1812 tomb broken and covered with grass - S.W. part of Presbyterian Cem. Winnsboro, S.C. b. Antrim Ireland. Came Amer. at an early age d. Jan. 4, 1822 age 70 yrs

Will Fairfield Co. Probate Judge says d. 1822 recording date unknown 21-287. - was a mason had a bro. Robert of Philadelphia, a niece Nancy Kerr dau. Robert & Polly Green sister Daniel Kerr W^m bro. to Daniel H. Kerr - Eliza dau. of my brother Daniel Kerr - Requests body be decently interred in the Masonic order and with the honor of War.

S.C. archives AA 425 2AP R p.5. - was from N.C. enlisted in Continental Regulars under Hon Brig Gen. Huger May 22, 1780. Served nearly 5 yrs

from N.C. rank private - went into Fla. as a volunteer
Pension given Dec 1817 Given \$140 \$68 a yr. Invalid
Pension started 1787. - was cut with saber by a
British disfigured & wounded. Words on tomb once
readable "To the memory of Major Joseph Ferr who left the
transitory scene of existence on the 4th day Jan 1822 in the
70 yr of his age. He was a native of Ireland but emigrated
to America at an early age & during the War of Independence
established the character of a brave man in the various
relations of private life which he sustained, he was distinguished
for rectitude and benevolence and in his whole conduct and
"covoured" to the honorable and useful without
estimation Tomb Fresh Cem. Wb. this copied from
L. Sumner Newberry Co. p 448
Fought War 1812 here read "Major" uncle of Nancy Ferr Aiken