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## **SOLDIER ROSTERS OF 1812-15**

A Working Bibliography of MHI Sources

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### **OVERVIEW**

Often called the “Second American Revolution,” the War of 1812 (Jun 18, 1812-Feb 16, 1815) drew some 287,000 American into military service. Individuals served in one (or more) of three distinct categories of military service. An estimated 50,000 officers and enlisted personnel served in the Regular U.S. Army. The volunteer U.S. Army, for which there is little substantive documentation, was a somewhat smaller category. The largest category of military service were federalized the state or territorial militias.

### **GENERAL SOURCES**

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**BRITISH/CANADIAN**

Irving, L. Homfray. Officers of the British Forces in Canada during the War of 1812-1815. Welland, Ontario: Tribune, 1908. 309 p. E359.85.I72.

**STATE FORCES**

By far, federalized militia units and volunteers were the largest category of military service during the War of 1812. Because many of the units were mustered into service for very short periods, many individuals served more than one enlistment, frequently in multiple units. Each of the following sources, arranged alphabetically by state, contains indexes, lists or rosters of individuals rendered military service during the War of 1812. Although these publications represent a substantial number of the works in print, they are not all-inclusive. The absence of an individual name does certainly not preclude that there was credible service; additionally, variations of spellings of proper names vary wildly when such lists were prepared.

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Connecticut. AGO. Record of Service of Connecticut Men... Hartford, CT: Case, Lockwood, Brainard, 1889. 779 p. E263.C5.C5.

**(Illinois)**

Illinois. Military & Naval Dept. Record of Services of Illinois Soldiers in the Black Hawk War, 1831-32, and in the Mexican War, 1846-48...With an Appendix Giving a Record of Services of the Illinois Militia, Rangers and Riflemen, in Protecting the Frontier From the Ravages of the Indians From 1810 to 1813. Springfield, IL: Rokker, 1882. 343 p. E83.83.I29.

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Hickman, Nathaniel. The Citizen Soldiers at North Point and Fort McHenry, September 12 and 13, 1814. Baltimore. Saffell, 1889. 137 p. E359.5.M2.H8.

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**(Massachusetts)**

Massachusetts. Adjutant General's Office. Records of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia...During the War of 1812-1814. Boston: Wright and Potter, 1913. 448 p. E359.5.M3.

**(Michigan)**

Silliman, Sue I., compiler. Michigan Military Records... Baltimore: Genealogical Pub, 1969. 244 p. F565.S582.

**(New Jersey)**

New Jersey. AGO. Records of Officers and Men of New Jersey in the Wars 1791-1815. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub Co., 1970 reprint of 1909 edition. 303 p. E359.5.N4.N3.

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Muster Rolls of the Soldiers of the War of 1812: Detached From the Militia of North Carolina in 1812 and 1814. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub Co., 1976. 193 p. E359.4.M87.

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Mann, Timothy A. Frontier Militia: The War of 1812. Westminster, MD: Heritage, 2011. 74 p. E359.5.O2.M36.

Ohio. AGO. Roster of Ohio Soldiers in the War of 1812. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub, 1968. 157 p. E359.502.O32.

**(Pennsylvania)**

Muster Rolls of the Pennsylvania Volunteers in the War of 1812-1814. Baltimore: Genealogical Pub Co, 1967. 560 p. E359.5.P3.M82.

Myers, Paul W. Lawrence County, Pa. Soldiers: Revolutionary War, War of 1812, Civil War. Apollo, PA: Closson, 1988. 89 p. F157.L3.M93.

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**(South Carolina)**

South Carolina. Militia. "War of 1812 Service Records." Typescript, 1981. E359.5.S6.S68.Microfilm. Records of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiments.

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Clark, Byron N., editor. A List of Pensioners of the War of 1812: With An Appendix Containing Names of Volunteers for the Defence of Plattsburgh from Vermont Towns.... Boston: Research Pub, 1904. 171 p. E359.4.C62.

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Butler, Stuart L. A Guide to Virginia Militia Units in the War of 1812. Athens, GA: New Papyrus, 2011 updating of 1988 edition. 270 p. E359.5.V8.B87.

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