

AFFIDAVIT

Claim No. 1068949

Claimant Mary E. Taylor

Soldier James O. Taylor

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N. B.—Affiant should state as a material part of his (or her) affidavit his means of knowing or believing the facts to which he testifies to be true so that his testimony may receive full faith and credit.

When it is *impossible* to establish a fact or date required to be proven in the claim of a widow or minor child or dependent parent by *direct proof*, for instance, by transcript of a public or church record or by affidavits of those having *personal* knowledge, the claimant may furnish testimony which *tends* to establish the fact sought to be proven, that is tends to establish the probable truth of the matter to the end that mere doubt as to the truth, or as to the precise date of a marriage, birth or death, may be solved in favor of the claimant.

If the affiant testifies, not from personal knowledge, but upon the basis that he has good reason to *believe* that to be true to which he testifies, that the version he gives has been his understanding and is the common understanding or belief among acquaintances, that such is true by *repute* and general report among neighbors according to the *best* of affiant's knowledge, information and belief, then affiant should state the basis of such knowledge, information and understanding, from whence derived, so that it may appear how affiant has gained knowledge of the matter to which he testifies.

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