

In 1777, Archibald was appointed Captain, in which capacity he served until the close of the Revolution 1783. His company was present at the taking of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown in October 1781, but on account of sickness in his family, he was absent. The chief service of his company was to keep the Tories in check. Having served with distinction, Archibald took the rank of Major General at the close of the Revolution.

Archibald's wife Ann Claypool, died May 6, 1788. On August 31, 1791, he next married Nancy Newman, who was born June 10, 1770, of English parentage.

In 1801, Archibald acted as one of the three executors in settling his father's estate in Hardy County. Following this, he moved his family in 1804 from his home on Cedar Creek in the northern part of Shenandoah County, Va., to Wood County on the Ohio River below Marietta, O., (founded 1788), where thirty years before he and his cousins, John and William White, on their return from the Dunmore War with the Indians, had selected some beautiful bottom land near the mouth of the Little Kanawah River on the Virginia side of the Ohio River, by blazing the boundary trees. This was then known as a "Tomahawk Improvement".

He remained here two years, then in 1806 moved to Licking County, Ohio on the 389 acres he had purchased from his brother, Colonel Benjamin Wilson (Al#1) out of his "Wilson Section", nearest the four year old village of Newark. He paid \$3.00 per acre for the 389 acres, or a total of \$1,167.00.

In the autumn of 1805, two of the children, Abraham and Jane, came to the Newark area and spent the winter preparing for the coming of their father's family the ensuing spring. Whereupon in the spring of 1806, the family effects in part and Mrs. Wilson with the two younger children were brought up the Muskingum River to Zanesville in a pirogue, which narrowly escaped being wrecked at Duncan's Falls, eight miles below Zanesville. This incident in after years always proved an interesting topic when family experiences and history were being related, as all persons aboard the pirogue came near being drowned.

Archibald Wilson died March 7, 1814. His (second) wife Nancy (Newman) Wilson died September 23, 1836, in Newark, Ohio, where she had been one of the early members of the Presbyterian Church. Both Archibald and his last wife Nancy are buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery at Newark, Ohio.

Archibald's name appears on page 750 of N.S.D.A.R. Patriotic Index of 1966 as having served in the American Revolution as a captain from Virginia.

Children #2 of Archibald Wilson (B2#1) and Ann Claypool, 1st wife.

1#2 Abraham Claypool, b.6-30-1776; d.6-8-1830 on the 66 acre farm he purchased 6-15-1807, from his uncle Benjamin Wilson (Al#1) out of his "Wilson Section", Licking County, Ohio. He served in the U. S. Militia that subjugated the "Whiskey Boys" of Pennsylvania in their 1794 rebellion; he also served in the War of 1812; was unmarried.

2#2 Archibald, Jr., b.10-18-1781; d. - 1835 in Newark Township, Licking County, Ohio. He inherited 218 acres in 1801 from his grandfather in Hardy County, Va.; opened the first store in 1804 in Newark, Ohio; was a school teacher and well educated; served in the War of 1812 on the staff of General Gaines. No record of marriage or children. 1978, see insert on page 46.1 seq.