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FREDERICK HAMBRIGHT

Col. Frederick Hambricht (1727-1817), a prominent militia officer of the American Revolution, lived his last 35 years in a house which stood 200 yds. NE. Hambricht, born in Germany, emigrated to America as a boy and settled in N.C. by 1750. He held several Tryon Co. offices from 1774 to 1776, most notably a brief term as a member of the N.C. Provincial Congress in 1775.

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Hambright, after several campaigns, was promoted to lt. col. by 1779. He commanded the Lincoln Co.(N.C.) troops at Kings Mtn. Oct. 7, 1780, and was severely wounded. After recuperating at a log cabin near the battlefield he returned to N.C. but soon moved to S.C. and built a two-story house near the cabin; it burned in 1927. He is buried 1 mi.E of Grover, N.C. at Shiloh Cemetery.

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COL. FREDERICK HAMBRIGHT

Eleven Year old Frederick arrived in Philadelphia harbor on the ship, St. Andrew, with family members, on Oct 27, 1738. It is generally believed that he was the son of Conrad Hambrecht (b 1688, son of Hans Wilhelm Hamprecht, b 1657 and Anna Barbara Streaner, b 1659) of Neunstetten, Buchen-Baden, Germany. The Hambrights settled in Lancaster Co, Pa.

He married Sarah Hardin of Va. (b ca 1733) in the early 1750's. They, with Sarah's brothers and others, traveled the Wagon Road to N.C. and first settled at a fort on So. Fork of Catawba River in the area that became Tryon Co., later moving to Long Creek, Lincoln Co., where Sarah died prior to Oct. 1780 and where she is buried.

History has recorded numerous references to Frederick's public-spirited and patriotic services. An early advocate of American independence, he was signer of the Tryon Resolve in 1775 and represented Tryon Co. at the Third Provincial Congress in Hillsborough, Aug 1775.

He entered the Rev. War early, in 1777, serving in several campaigns. The 53 yr old Lt. Col was Commander of the Lincoln Co troops at the Battle of Kings Mtn., Oct 7, 1780, where he received a severe wound in his thigh. After the battle was won, he was

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taken to his cabin nearby and was cared for by a young neighbor, Mary Dover. He recuperated from his wound but would always have a halt in his walk.

Frederick and Mary (b 1762 d 1835) were married the following year, July 17, 1781. A two-story frame house was later built in S.C. near the site of the log cabin and the historic battleground. This is where he lived until his death on March 9, 1817 at age 90. He and Mary are buried in Shiloh Cemetery one mi E of Grover, N.C.

Frederick fathered twenty-two children, fourteen of whom lived to maturity. He and his eldest son, John, fought in the Kings Mtn battle. The others were: Elizabeth (Jenkins), Frederick Jr, Benjamin, James, Sarah (Eaker), Henry, Polly (Price) Sophia (Quinn), David, Josiah, Charlotte (Norton), Susanna (Dixon) and Abner.

For additional biographical information refer to: *Kings Mountain and Its Heroes*, Lyman Draper; *Commanders at Kings Mountain*, J.D. Bailey; *Our Kin*, Labon Miles Hoffman; *The Colonel Frederick Hambricht Family*, Bonnie Mauney Summers; *The Shoe Cobbler's Kin Vols 1811*, Lorena Shell Eaker; *Colonial & State Records of N.C.*; *Genealogies of Pa. Families—Two Early Hambrichts of Lancaster Co. Pa.*, Thomas & Catherine Gorton.