

Born in Gulpfeffer County Va. 28. March 1762  
Died in Calloway County Mo. 16. Jan. 1842

Robert Spotswood Russell began his Revolutionary service in 1778 when 16 yrs old, as a volunteer in the company of Captain Aaron Lewis, in defending the south-western frontier of Virginia against the Indians and Tories.

After the expiration of his services under Captain Lewis he joined Captain Edmonson's company of cavalry, which was ordered to Powell's Valley to defend the frontier of Virginia & N. Carolina.

Subsequent to this when the Tories embodied and joined Ferguson at King's Mountain, he enlisted in the regiment of Col William Campbell, who was to march at once to King's Mountain. While upon the march, news reached them that the Tories, in the absence of Col. Campbell & his men were committing great depredations in the settlements on the Holston. By order of Col Campbell, he was sent back in command of twelve men, to hold the Tories in check and protect the families in this dangerous locality.

That prevented him in participating in the Battle of King's Mountain. He continued in the frontier service in various localities, until the close of the war.

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