

Fernando de Leyba Chapter  
Patriot of the Month - April 2021

Patriot of Compatriots George B. Van Antwerp, Jr. and Britt A. Van Antwerp

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By George B. Van Antwerp

Lt. Colonel Daniel Gerritse Van Antwerpen (Van Antwerp)

Born May 31, 1747 in Schenectady, NY

Died March 14, 1823 in Coeymans, NY (some records say March 8, 1808 but this is based on the Grove Cemetery data from where he's buried -

[http://www.interment.net/data/us/ny/albany/grove/grove\\_nz.htm](http://www.interment.net/data/us/ny/albany/grove/grove_nz.htm))

SAR #: P-309156 DAR #: A031840

His parents were Pvt. Gerrit Danielse Van Antwerpen, Sr. and Eva Mebie (also spelled Mabie/Maybee/Meby).

His mom died when he was 3 and his father died when he was 6 so he was likely raised by his step mom - Catharina Cornelise Brouwer (his father's 3rd wife) and her second husband - John Rickey who she married in 1759.

He was one of five kids and had 4 step siblings of which one died as an infant. He married Dirkje Winne on Dec. 5, 1766 and had two children. After she died in 1772, he married Gerritje Whitbeck on Oct. 27, 1772 and had 12 children of which five died as infants.

Other information:

- 1767 - listed as a member in the Masonic Temple Union Lodge in Albany -

<https://exhibitions.nysm.nysed.gov/albany/org/masonic.html>

- 1775 - Revolutionary War Manuscripts in the New York State Library - Document 1657 - Van Rensselaer Manor Dist. Committee of Safety to Coenradt Ten Eyck, Daniel Van Antwerp, and Christopher A. Yates, 1/10/1775, informs them of their selection to be a committee of inspection by the freeholders of the manor

- 1775 - he was a Captain in Colonel Henry Quackenboss' Regiment

- 1778 - Revolutionary War Manuscripts in the New York State Library - Document 1656 - from Col. Henry Quackenboss, to Capt. Daniel Van Antwerp; Albany, 8/8/1778, Notification that the Governor has mobilized part of the militia to defend Tryon County

- 1789 - On April 3, 1789, he was of Manor Rensselaerwyck and a member of Capt. James Waldron's company and Col. Anthony Van Bergen's regiment of militia

- 1793 - Minutes of the Council of Appointments for 1784-1824 record that on Sept 26, 1793, the Governor [of NY], having signified his intention of forming a militia for the town of Coxackie into a Regiment made Daniel G. Van Antwerp the Major of the First Battalion

- 1794 - On Oct. 11, 1794, he was made Commandant of the Regiment with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel (in Brig. General McCarthy's Brigade); referred to as Lt. Col. in the Military Minutes of the Council of Appointment of the State of New York, 1783-1821
- 1798 - On April 6, 1798, he recorded his resignation and was replaced by James Bennett
- Fold3 Image shows Daniel Van Antwerp, NY, Hay's Regiment
- Daniel and John Van Antwerp shown in the Orange County Militia, 2nd Regiment - <http://www.americanwars.org/ny-american-revolution/orangecounty-militia-second-regiment.htm>
- New York in the Revolution as County and State
- Daniel G. Van Antwerp shown in the Albany County Militia, 11th Regiment - <http://www.americanwars.org/ny-american-revolution/albany-county-militiaeleveth-regiment-lbr.htm> - New York in the Revolution as County and State
- Daniel Van Antwerp shows up on the 15th Regiment list of enlisted men Sources:
  1. Mentioned as receiving 200 acres as a member of the 11th Regiment in the New York Colonial and State Manuscripts, New York in the Revolutionary War in a deed dated April 3, 1789 for members of Captain Jas. Waldron's Company of Colonel Anthony Van Bergen's Regiment (service source pg. 233)
  2. Confirmed parents in 1747 Dutch Reformed Church Records
  3. Confirmed both wives in Dutch Reformed Church Records
  4. Lee Douglas Van Antwerp, "The Family Van Antwerp in America," New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Number 4, Volume 72 (Jul 1941): page 316.
  5. Lee Douglas Van Antwerp, "The Family Van Antwerp in America," New York Genealogical and Biographical Record, Number 2, Volume 79 (Apr 1948): page 60.
  6. Descendants of Simon Volkertse Veeder; (<http://www.threerivershms.com/>: Three Rivers, 2004), <http://threerivershms.com/> - Fifth Generation.