

Peletiah Ransom

Peletiah Ransom was born in 1752 in Colchester, New London County, Connecticut to Joshua Ransom and Sarah Bliss. He was often known as 'Deacon' Pelatiah Ransom. His unusual first name was the name of his maternal grandfather, Peletiah Bliss.

He married Sarah (unknown last name) and they had 10 children as recorded by his grandson William Ransom: William, Sally, Lovinia, Eli, Pelatiah, Elijan, Elisha, Polly, Emely, and George Sidney.

In the Revolutionary War he served as Sergeant under Captain Eliphalet Holmes Company of Minutemen, East Haddam, CT, in May 1776 and under Captain John Sham, in Chester in August 1776.

He died October 11, 1807 at the age of 55 after six days of illness in Barkhamsted and is buried in the Riverton Cemetery, Barkhamsted, Litchfield County, Connecticut. Though the date on the tombstone looks like 1808, it has been proven the death date was actually 1807.