

## **Captain Stephen Olney of North Providence, RI**

Born: North Providence, RI, 12 October 1755, son of Joseph & Dorcas (Smith)  
Olney

Died: North Providence, RI, 23 November 1832, age 77 years

Revolutionary War Service<sup>1</sup>  
May 1775 – May 1782

### Eleven Battle Stars

May 1775 Ensign, age 19

Daniel Hitchcock's 14<sup>th</sup> Continental Line Regiment, Nathanael  
Greene's Brigade

- Siege of Boston, July-December 1775

January 1776 Lieutenant, age 20

Daniel Hitchcock's 11<sup>th</sup> Continental Line Regiment, Nathanael Greene's Brigade

- Siege of Boston, January-March 1776
- Battle of Long Island, 27 August 1776
- Battle of Harlem Heights, 16 September 1776
- Battle of White Plains, 28 Oct 1776
- Second Battle of Trenton, 2 January 1777
- Battle of Princeton, 3 January 1777

January 1777 Captain, age 21

Israel Angell's 2<sup>nd</sup> Rhode Island Continental Line, James Mitchell Varnum's Brigade

- Battle of Red Bank (Fort Mercer), 22 October 1777
- Battle of Monmouth, 28 June 1778
- Battle of Rhode Island, 29 August 1778
- Battle of Springfield, 23 June 1780, Wounded in Action

January 1781 Captain

Jeremiah Olney's Consolidated 1<sup>st</sup> Rhode Island Continental Line

- Yorktown Campaign, May-October, 1781, Wounded in Action

May 1782 Resigned, age 26

Capt. Stephen Olney was a charter member of the Society of the Cincinnati.



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<sup>1</sup> *So Few The Brave*, Anthony Walker (1981), pp. 101, 115-117, 136-138, 157

His great-great-great-grandson LT. CDR. Bruce Olney Lankford, currently holds the family's hereditary membership in the society.