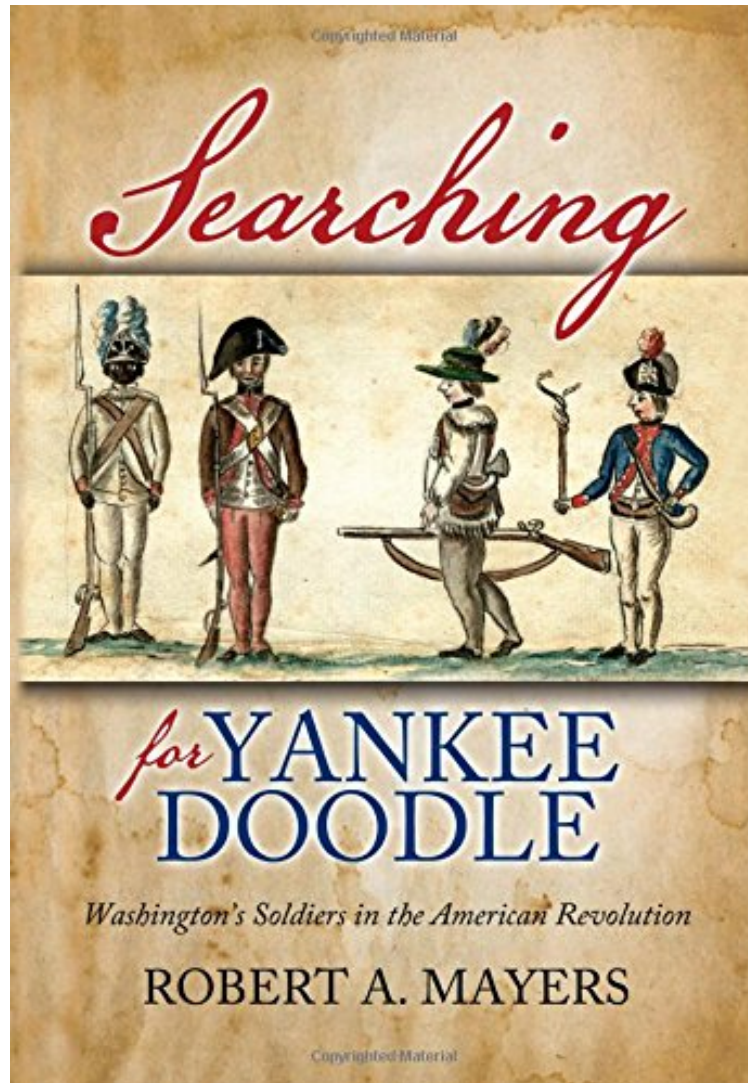


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THE PEOPLE MOST RESPONSIBLE for achieving America's independence by winning the Revolutionary War were George Washington's foot soldiers-the men of the Continental Army. Who were they, and what was it that inspired them to endure such appalling hardships throughout the conflict? What was their life like during and after the war? And what is their legacy? In an effort to uncover the facts about these men, author and historian Bob Mayers has scoured through obscured documentary material and little known British, Hessian, and Loyalist records to unearth truths that challenge traditional beliefs about Washington's soldiers. The fighting men and women of the Revolution were incorrectly portrayed as zealously patriotic citizen-soldiers, when in reality they were professionals dedicated to the American cause. This realization lies at the heart of the book, and propels the narrative along in a way that is entertaining and enlightening. Corroborated with excerpts borrowed from personal diaries and records, these men (and women!) are once again brought to life, in a way that allows us to understand their personalities through their behavior and deeds. Mayers goes on to study all aspects of the conflict, including the various outfits worn by the regiments, the treatment of the sick, the punishment of offenders, and training of the regiments. In the end the reader will experience a new familiarity with the war's participants. Expertly designed, the book is fortified with fifty-five images in twenty-two chapters, all of which is intended to be enjoyed by the average reader, and not just the hard-core history fan. Included is a comprehensive chapter on researching individual Revolutionary War veterans, and four appendices-the makeup of a regiment, distribution of regiments by state, names and publication sources of diarists, and an actual muster roll-that provide useful supplementary information.

"Bob Mayers has written a book that will astonish not a few people. With lavish detail and vivid personal stories, he has told long forgotten truths about the mostly poor and landless men who served in George Washington's Continental Army."- Thomas Fleming, American historian, and author of "The Great Divide, the Conflict between Washington and Jefferson that Defined America, Then and Now"

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"This latest work by Bob Mayers continues his efforts to bring together a comprehensive look at the men who made up the Continental Army during the American War for Independence. This book is a fine addition to the growing studies of the period and will serve as an extremely useful tool for historians and genealogists alike.- Bob Winowitch, Vice President of the Brigade of the American Revolution