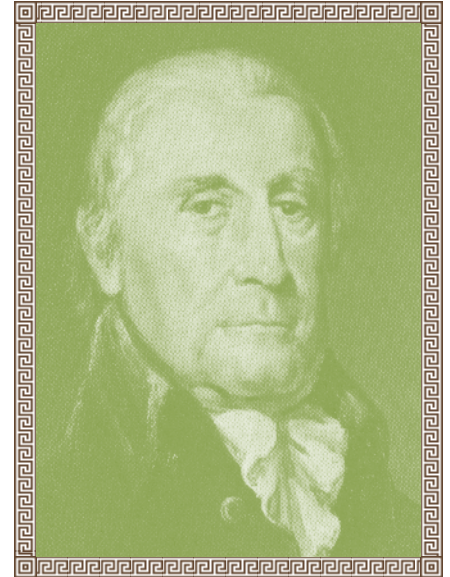


FRANCIS LEWIS



STATE - New York

AGE - 63 (Born: 3/21/1713)

HOME - Long Island, New York

EDUCATION - Westminster Scholl in England

FAMILY - 1 Marriage, 7 Children

JOBS BEFORE CONGRESS - Successful businessman and supplier of American troops

WHAT HE IS LIKE - Hard working, Patriot member of the New York Sons of Liberty

WHERE TO FIND HIM IN PHILADELPHIA - Shopping for supplies.

BEFORE THE CONGRESS Francis Lewis was born in England, went to school there, and got a job in a company there. When he was 25, he decided to open his own business and moved to America where he opened shops in New York and Philadelphia. While supplying British troops with clothes during the French & Indian War, he was captured by the French and was a prisoner of war. Afterwards, he supported the Revolution and joined the Sons of Liberty.

AT THE CONGRESS In 1775, he was sent to the Continental Congress. While at the Continental Congress, Lewis helped to get supplies to George Washington's troops. Even though he was a great Patriot, the Tories were very strong in New York and Lewis and the other New York delegates were instructed not to vote for independence, although Lewis did sign the Declaration of Independence.

DATE OF DEATH 12/30/1802, (89 Years Old)

FRANCIS LEWIS

CONGRESSIONAL INSTRUCTIONS: You like Thomas Jefferson's Draft of the Declaration of Independence. However, when delegates object to the passage in the Declaration that talks badly of the British People and others object to the passage that is critical of slavery, you agree to take the two passages out of Jefferson's Draft of the Declaration.

FINAL VOTING: When the final vote is called to accept the Declaration of Independence you stand and say: *I, Francis Lewis of New York, can not vote for the Declaration of Independence until told to by the New York Congress. I abstain, COURTEOUSLY!*

Francis Lewis