Name: Daniel Nimham

Years: 1726-1778

Residence: Lower Hudson Valley New York

Biography: Daniel Nimham was the chief of the Wappinger band of the Mohicans. At the onset of the French and Indian War, he moved his people to Stockbridge, Massachusetts. In Stockbridge, Nimham held many town positions. Nimham fought with the British in the French and Indian War and held the rank of captain. After the war, Nimham and his people returned to their original lands near the present day border of Dutchess and Putnam Counties. He fought for the land rights that his Wappinger band originally resided on and they lost. During the American Revolution, Nimham was active on the American side and fought in the Stockbridge Indian company. He died in the war.

Major Accomplishments: Nimham was known for fighting in the French and Indian War and the American Revolution. He is also well known for fighting for the rights of Native American landholders.


Resources: American National Biography Online, http://www.anb.org/articles/20/20-01765.html?&s=1&n=daniel%20nimham&d=10&ss=0&q=1

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