JACOB ONG BIOGRAPHY

Jacob Ong was born in Pennsylvania in 1754. He died March 1, 1843 in Smithfield, Ohio. He married Mary McGrew on September 25, 1784 in the Menalen Monthly Meeting, Adams County, Pennsylvania.

He moved to Smithfield, Ohio around 1802. He was a minister in the Friends Church. He was a carpenter by trade and built the Friends Yearly Meeting Hall in Mount Pleasant in time for the first yearly meeting to be held in that community in 1815.

Jacob Ong served in the Eighth Pennsylvania Regiment. The Eighth Regiment was stationed on the western Pennsylvania frontier and was known to have made several raids across the Ohio, looking for British troops and Indians friendly to the British.

Because of his Quaker faith, he served without pay, and would not apply for a pension.