

William J  
Merrifield  
will

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William J. Merrifield of Rappahannock County Virginia hereby  
make my last will and testament in manner and form following  
to wit

1st If I should owe any debts at my death I direct my Executor  
hereinafter named to pay them first out of my estate.  
2d I direct my Executor hereinafter named to deliver to my ne-  
phew Gideon H. Brown bonds on individuals due me amounting  
to two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500) which I desire him  
to hold, collect the interest on them annually and pay the said  
interest to my servant man Dary as long as he lives, and after  
his death I give to the said Gideon H. Brown the said bonds  
forever, this I do in consideration of his faithful services to me  
during my sickness.

3d I give and bequeath to my nephew Gideon H. Brown my  
said servant man Dary forever, hoping that my nephew G. H.  
Brown will attend to him and see that he does not suffer as  
long as he behaves himself as a good servant which I thank  
him for his behaviour and attention to me heretofore he will do.

4th I give to my brother Alexander T. Merrifield all the residue of  
my estate, Real estate, personal estate and estate of every des-  
cription whatever, with a request that he divide between my  
servants Dary and Thom what arising appears I may leave.  
And lastly I appoint my brother Alexander T. Merrifield Executor  
of this my last will and testament requesting the Court to which  
it may be presented for probate not to require of my Executor security  
But should my brother Alexander T. Merrifield depart this life before  
he has performed his duty to my children and heirs

Robert will attend to him and so that he does not suffer as long as he bitakes himself as a good servant which I think from his behaviour and attention to me hereafter he will do.

4th I give to my brother Alexander T. Menifee all the residue of my estate, Real estate, personal estate and estate of every description whatever, with a request that he divide between my servants Dary and Thom what amounting appears I may leave.

And lastly I appoint my brother Alexander T. Menifee Executor of this my last will and testament requesting the Court to which it may be presented for probate not to require of my Executor security.

But should my brother Alexander T. Menifee depart this life before I do, then and in that event I give to his children now living namely Henry, George Menifee, Mary Capanawa Menifee, Robert Lynn Menifee and John Wellington Menifee all that portion and part of my estate that I in the foregoing part of this will or testament bequeathed to the said Alexander T. Menifee to be equally divided among them, should one or more depart this life before I do then I give the same to the survivor or survivors of them as the same may be if more than one be living to be divided equally - if but one be living, then the entire portion as above stated.

I request the Court to which this may be presented for probate in the event of the happening as above to appoint a prudent business executor with the said executor requesting of him, approved accounts, in writing, whenever I shall hereunto set my hand and affix my seal the 2nd day of March in the year 1860. I therefore request the Court to

Signatures published and declared, as and for the last will and testament of the above named William J. Munroe in the presence of the undersigned in the presence of each other

Witness: Mr. Fletcher

Benjamin F. Kinsey

In Rappahannock County Court December 14th 1869

This last will of William J. Munroe deceased was this day produced to the Court, proved by the oaths of Robert M. Fletcher and Benjamin F. Kinsey the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of Alexander S. Munroe the Executor therein named, who made oath thereto, and entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$120,000. conditioned as the law directs, without security, the testator in the said will directing that it should not be required of him, certificate is granted him for obtaining a probate of the said will in due form.

Teste  
Robert M. Fletcher Ch.

For Mark  
Reid.

I Mark Reid do hereby make publish and declare my last will and testament as follows  
That I give to my daughter Flermina Reid a set of dining ware