

J. Nannie Tyree

Will and Testament of J. Nannie Tyree.

In the event of death, I desire to make a few requests to be carried out by my most excellent brother - Jessie D. Abrahams, My dearest sister Lula, and my dear and faithful brother-in-law St. P. Whitescarver.

If the Lord calls me home, I trust he will find me ready to depart and to be with Him. If I go, I will go leaning alone upon the merits of a dying, crucified Jesus. May I make no mistake in the way! Oh! God. As I feel now I much desire to live and shall ask the Lord to spare me to raise my dear child, or children as the case will be. It would be a great grief to me to leave them to be raised by others, thos' they may do it even better than I could. I would grieve to have to burden dear Lula with the care of them and yet, it would be a greater comfort for her to have charge of them than any one else.

I know all of my sisters would be kind to them but they have enough children of their own not to be burdened with mine. If it may not seem best for dear Lula to care for them, then I commit them to the great Baptist Interest - the Orphanage to bro. and sister Hobday praying that they will love them and look after their interest both for this world and especially to train them in the way that their sainted father trod and that leads to Heaven -

Brother and bro. Willie St. to be their guardians and manage their financial matters.

I desire dear Lula to have a full suite of furniture for herself with anything in the house that she may desire, also the parlor carpet and hanging lamp and the stove that is in her room and two (\$200.00) hundred dollars in money.

The balance to be kept for the support of my children.

To Cornelius, I leave his father's gold watch and to the other one, my watch and "father's" gold medal. If Cornelius should die before attaining majority and if the other child is a boy - then he must have his father's watch, and mine be given to my bro. St. Geo. Abrahams and left by him to Mary Lee.

I desire a suitable shaft to be erected to the memory of my dear husband.

I desire each member of the family to have some mementos of me from my household.

I do not feel able mentally or physically to think of what for each, Lula and Imma can best decide.

I desire Dr. Stearns to be paid \$50.00 as an evidence of my appreciation of his services to me and mine.

In the event that neither of my children attain to majority, I desire that dear Lula shall have \$1000.00 - in money or stock

as she prefers -

The library and \$500.00 be given Rev. St. C. Tyree Dear brother to be paid back everything lent me. If anything is over a small donation to the Orphanage - and the balance divided between my brothers and sisters.

Given under my hand and seal - today, March 23rd, 1892 when in sound mind and fair health as my will and testament.

Signed by

Ellen M. Lee -

St. A. Whitescarver.

F. Nannie Tyree.

Codicil - No. 1

The sermons to be published at once and a check of \$25.00 sent to Rev. James D. Taylor with my love for his kindness.

At Roanoke County Court July Term, 1892.

The last Will & Testament of F. Nannie Tyree, deceased, was this day produced in Court and proved according to law by the oaths of St. A. Whitescarver & L. M. Lee, who deposed that they are well acquainted with the testator's hand writing, and verily believe the said writing and the name thereto subscribed to be wholly written by the Testator's own hand.

Whereupon the said writing is ordered to be recorded as the true last Will and Testament of the said F. Nannie Tyree, deceased.

A copy from the Records of Court.

Teste:-

John McCauley, Clerk.

See T. Roberts. I sue T. Roberts of Roanoke County State of Virginia do hereby make my last will January 6th, 1892. Being of sound mind and influenced by no person. I do hereby will and bequeath all my interest which may be coming to me at my Father's death, all my interest in land, household goods and stock if any, and all my interest in what ever is coming to me from my grand mother's estate, (Mrs. Elizabeth Persinger) and all from my great aunt (Miss Sophia Powell estate) and from my Father's estate personal, stock land or what ever it may be coming. I just want all I am entitled to from the above persons estates to be after my debts are paid divided half and half (equally) between my brother John, Lynch, Roberts and my widow