

State of Georgia  
County of Berrien

Will of Mrs. Mattie Gaskins  
November 20, 1950.

I, Mattie Gaskins, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and mindful of the uncertainty of this mortal life, always profoundly thankful for the manifold blessings of the all good and wise Providence, do make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all others, by me heretofore made.

Item I.

I commit my soul unto the Almighty God who giveth it, and direct that my body be buried in a decent Christianlike manner in the F.W. Gaskins Burial lot at Nashville, Georgia.

Item II

I desire and direct that all of my just debts, if any I should owe at my death, be paid as soon as practicable after my death by my executors hereinafter named and appointed.

Item III

I will, bequeath, and devise to my niece, Mrs. Christie Bragdon for and during her natural life, and at her death, to her son R. T. Bragdon, my home place where I now live, being land lot #91 of the 10<sup>th</sup> District of Berrien County, consisting of Four Hundred and Ninety (490) Acres; and same to include the Fish Pond on the North end of this lot #91, which extends down on lot #48, and with sufficient acreage or area of lot #48 surrounding said pond to provide for a fifty (50) foot extension from the normal water edge of said pond.

Item IV

I also give and bequeath to Mrs. Christie Bragdon all my household furniture and effects and all farm tools, implements and machinery, and all live stock, to go with said farm.

Item V

I will, devise and direct that the balance of my land, together with all other lands that I might own at my death, particularly the land that I now own, being land lot number 48 and 92 of said 10<sup>th</sup> District of Berrien County, consisting of some 980 acres of land, be sold by my executors, and the proceeds of said sale be disbursed and distributed as follows:

First: Be paid the \$5000.00 note, or such amount that I should owe to my sister Alma Gaskins, and such other indebtedness that I might owe to any other person or persons, and also the expenses of the administration of my estate, including the expenses of my burial.

Second: Be paid over and given to Mildred Gildens the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars; and to my cousin Shaw Whitley the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars;

And to each of my three Nieces, Christie Corbit, Frances Mills,  
and Elizabeth Fallow the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars  
that is \$500.00 to each of them.

Third:- Be Paid now and given to Elmer McNabb and Bob McNabb  
the sum of One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars, that is \$100.00 to each of  
them.

#### Item VI

The balance or remaining funds or property of my estate  
left in the hands of my executors, after all provisions in the fore-  
going items have been fully met, I will, bequeath, and devise to  
the "Hepziah Orphanage Home" at Macon, Georgia.

#### Item VII

I hereby constitute and appoint my Niece Christie Gregdon  
(and E. L. Reagan, of McDonough, Georgia, as executors of this  
will, having utmost confidence in the integrity and ability of  
each of them; and for this reason relieve them of any bond,  
but require that they probate this will and administer my  
estate as I have provided herein, and to make proper accounting  
to the Ordinary of Berrien County and to all parties interested in  
same. This 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 1950

Matte Gaskins  
Testatrix

Georgia Berrien County:-

The Within and foregoing will, consisting of this page and  
two & preceding pages, <sup>signed</sup> sealed, declared, and published by Matte  
Gaskins as her last will and testament, in the presence of us,  
the undersigned, who subscribe our names hereto in the  
presence of said testatrix, after she had signed her name  
thereto, and at her special instance and request, and in the  
presence of each other.

This the 20 day of November 1950

Received Dec 11-1951  
Byd Grinn Rody.

A. M. Peal  
*Witness*  
Mrs. S. A. Whelless  
S. A. Whelless  
*Witness*