

Georgia Carroll ³ In the name of God Amen I of carroll
County ³ Reeves of said County being now of sound
mind mind and memory But in a low state of health ³ and
Knowing that all must die have and do make and
Constitute and Ordain this my last Will and Testament
Item 1st My Body to the Earth to be Buried in a decent and
Christianlike manner according to my Circumstances in
my life And I recommend my soul to God who gave it
hoping and believing that through the mediation of the Lord

and Savior of us Christ they will be reunited and raised to everlasting life

Item 2^d I desire that my Executors pay all my just debts without delay
Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy Reeves my negro man Duke, my negro woman Seneca and their two children Margaret and Malinda about 4 & 2 years old, to hold the same for and during her natural life

Item 4th I give to my beloved son Humphrey Posey Reeves one third of my land in Arkansas being the land purchased by Milton R. Reeves for me the just allments unpaid to be paid out of General Fund. The said land so disposed of to be the joint property of my said son and his Mother during her natural life, and at her death to be the absolute property of said Humphrey P. Reeves. I also give to the said Humphrey P. Reeves the said negro girl Margaret above named about 4 years old to be his at the death of my said wife Nancy, or before at the discretion of the said Nancy if she may so direct. I also give to my said son Humphrey Posey Reeves Five hundred dollars out of the last of the negroes after his mothers estate in them is ended. I also give unto my said wife Nancy in the proceeds of the sale of said negroes after the death the sum of Two hundred and Seventy five dollars to be disposed of by her at her death as she thinks proper and as she may direct.

Item 5th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Milton R. Reeves one third of my said land in Arkansas after the just allments are all paid out of my general fund. I also give to my said son Milton R. My negro boy Wesley about Eleven years old

Item 6th I give and bequeath unto my beloved son John Avery Reeves the remaining third of the said tract of land in Arkansas after the same is paid for out of my general fund and also a negro girl of my about 13 years old

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Nancy and my beloved son Humphrey Posey the land and plantation where I now live lot No 454 Sixth district Carroll 140 acres together with the stock plantation tools House and Kitchen furniture etc. so long as they may wish to live on the same and if they wish to move from I desire that the said Nancy sell the same and apply the proceeds to the I aint use of her and said Humphrey & In moving and settling themselves in the West or where they may desire

Item 8th At the death of my said wife Nancy Reeves I wish my Executors to sell the said negro man Duke and his wife Seneca and their children excepting Margaret otherwise disposed of. And after paying out of said fund arising from said sale any amounts above disposed of the balance together with any other property or effects or residue of estate that may remain to be disposed of among the children as my Executors may think proper having regard to the circumstances and needs of them and their legal representatives including all my children & their

descendants. Item 9th I constitute and appoint my
beloved sons of above P. McReeves and James F. Reeves my
Executors to carry this my last Will & Testament into effect.

James Reeves ^{Esq}
Signed Sealed Declared & Published as the last Will
and Testament of James Reeves who signed the same in our
presence and we each of us signed the same in the presence
of the Testator and of each other as witnesses this 13th day of
February 1858.

Wm. Quist H. Turner
Joseph A. Daniels
Thornton Burke

Georgia County Court of Ordinary

County of June Term 1858. In Open Court personally
came of James F. Reeves Esq. of the Executors of the last Will and
Testament of James Reeves late of Candler County deceased and
produced before this Court the last Will and Testament
of the said James Reeves deceased and made oath to the same
being duly executed by the said Testator and subscribed
by the witness therein named to wit Wm. Quist H. Turner
Joseph A. Daniels and Thornton Burke and that deponent
believes that at the time of the executing the same said
Testator was of sound & disposing mind and memory
sworn to and subscribed in open Court.

J. M. Blalock ^{Q. C. C.}

James F. Reeves

Recorded June 8th 1858. J. M. Blalock ^{Q. C. C.}