

Will of Wiley Burks.

Georgia
Clayton County

Clayton County Wills 1850-1921
www.georgiapioneers.com

Wiley Burks of the

State and County aforesaid, knowing that I am about to depart this life, and being of advanced years, but of sound and disposing mind and memory and wishing such disposition of my property as I may deem just to my family, do make this my last Will and Testament.

I desire at my death that my body should be buried in a decent and Christian-like manner. My soul I hope will return to the God who gave it.

I give, bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Mary Burks the following property, to wit: One hundred acres of land being the East half of Lot No. (340) Two hundred and forty (except one acre deeded to J. H. Burks) and also Fifty acres lying broadside of the same on East side and being of Lot No. 259. Two hundred and Thirty nine, and lying on West side of said Lot and running full length of same - said lands being in the twelfth district of originally Henry now Clayton County, free from all charges or limitations, to her own proper use benefit and behoof during her natural life.

I also give to my wife all my personal property consisting of stock, buggies, wagons, plantation tools, household and kitchen furniture, provisions &c, with power to dispose of as she may deem best.

I desire that my property in the town of Jonesboro consisting of a house and three acres more or less of land as described in deed which I hold may be sold at private or public sale by my Executors hereinafter appointed, provided my legal heirs shall desire the same sold, and the proceeds equally divided between my children W. J. Burks, Joseph W. Burks, Nancy A. Daniel, Mary J. Danner, Elizabeth R. Burksnight and Margaret A. Burksnight and my grand-son Luther M. Stephens.

I desire that at my wife's death all property then in her possession consisting of real or personal should be sold and proceeds equally divided between my heirs above named.

I desire that my wife should have the proceeds of all notes due me, after all expenses are paid. If she desires she can make such division among my heirs of said moneys as she may see proper.

I desire that any property not named, or money &c, should at my wife's death be equally divided as aforesaid.

I desire at my death and at my wife's death my Executors shall have suitable stones placed over the graves of each one.

I desire that my Executors shall avoid all unnecessary expenses in settling my estate.

I desire that my Executors shall hold in trust all money due to my grand-son Luther M. Stephens from my estate until he shall become of age, they paying over per cent interest in the same.

I hereby constitute and appoint my sons William J. Burks and Joseph W. Burks as Executors of this my last Will and Testament.

Wiley Burks

Signed, sealed, declared and published by Wiley Burks as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers, who subscribe our names hereinafter in the presence of said testator (and at his instance) and of each other, he signing in our presence and we signing in his presence.

W. A. Phillips Jr.
J. M. Swinney
A. B. Stephens