

Willis Beavers's Will

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State of Georgia
Clayton County

In the name of God - Amen

I Willis Beavers of said State and County being of advanced age, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, knowing I must shortly depart this life, deem it right and proper, both as respects my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the property with which a kind Providence has blessed me. I do therefore make this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all others by me heretofore made.

First I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in life. My soul I trust shall return to rest with God who gave it, as I hope for salvation through the merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Secondly I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by the Executors of this my last Will and Testament who are hereinafter appointed.

Thirdly I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Martha, for and during her natural life all my property, both my real estate and my personal estate, together with all the rights, members and appurtenances thereunto in any way belonging, to her own proper use and benefit, for and during her life as aforesaid. All of which property, that at the time of my death is of my Estate I direct that my wife have in her own right and control, and that she have immediate possession of the same.

Fourthly I furthermore direct that at the death of my wife, Martha, that said property, both real estate, and personal estate I have now bequeathed unto my wife, be disposed of so as to be equally divided and equally distributed among the heirs of my wife, namely Reuben M. Lasseter and James S. Lasseter (her sons) and their heirs; the heirs of Malinda Huie deceased; the heirs of Seppy Beavers deceased; and Sarah J. Huie and her heirs, and Eleanor Smith, and her heirs - daughters of my wife - making in all six shares. One share to Reuben M. Lasseter and his heirs, One share to James S. Lasseter and his heirs, One share to the heirs of Seppy Beavers deceased, One share to the heirs of Malinda Huie deceased, one share to Sarah J. Huie and her heirs, and one share to Eleanor Smith and her heirs. I further direct that the portion of said property, or the proceeds thereof heretofore directed to be distributed to said Eleanor Smith and her heirs be held in trust by the Executors of this my will and testament, and paid to her or them as actual necessity requires. The said Executors to use their own discretion as to the amounts to be paid, and of the necessity of paying the same.

Witness my hand and seal this the Nineteenth day of May, One Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty one.

and James S. Lasseter, Executors of this my last Will and Testament.
Given under my hand and seal this the Nineteenth day of May, One Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty one

Willis Beavers.

The foregoing Will and Testament signed, sealed, declared and published by Willis Beavers as his last Will and Testament in the presence of the undersigned witnesses, who subscribe our names here as witnesses to the same in the presence of said Testator at his special instance and request, and in the presence of each other. This the Nineteenth day of May, One Thousand Eight hundred and Eighty one.

R. H. G. Burns Attest off J. C.

J. B. Dumas
J. J. Terrell