

State of Georgia I Jeff Ashley of the County & State aforesaid
Decatur County 3 do make and publish this my last will & Testament
and first I direct that my body be decently interred. ^{Decatur County, Georgia Wills}
Morally state as it best pleases God to interred in ¹⁸²⁸ ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} ^{Vol 10} ^{Page 10} the same
as follows - First I direct that all my debts & funeral expenses be paid
as soon after my death as possible also I direct that all my Estate both
Real and personal to belong to my beloved Wife Lucy Ashley during her
widowhood and provided she should not Marry, during her life time,
then provided after my death my wife Lucy Ashley should Marry again
it is my wish and desire that all my property both Real and personal
will be divided to her and for her life time and not subject to
her own debts or Contracts and at her death I wish all my property
both Real and personal to be Equally divided between my two Nieces
Martha Elvira Henderson & Sarah Francis Henderson Daughters
of Benjamin Henderson of Dooley County Georgia & my nephew
John Macon Smith (Minor) the son of James Smith of Wilkes
County Georgia and provided that if either of the above named
heirs should die before they arrive of age, the surviving heir or heirs
shall inherit their part - And I do hereby make & appoint my esteemed
neighbor John A. Grapeniece my Executor of this my last will and
Testament - In witness whereof I have set my hand & seal this
twenty sixth day of August in the Year of our Lord One thousand eight
hundred & forty one in Testimony presence

of John C. Corbett
A. A. Williams
Wm. H. McElvin

Jeff Ashley ES

Georgia Personally Came before us Wm. H. McElvin
Decatur County who being duly sworn & oath that he saw
Jeff Ashley sign and seal the above instrument for the purposes therein spec-
ified that he himself signed it and saw A. A. Williams & John C. Corbett
sign the same as Subscribed & witnessed -

Subscribed before me this

May 3rd 1843

Wm. H. McElvin J26

John P. Smith J46

Wm. H. McElvin

Georgia
Deater County I William M^cEloy Senior of the County
and their friends William M^cEloy of Decatur County Georgia Wills
Mund do make Ordain & Constitute this my Last Testament
hently Enacting all & every other rule by me made Impaired. I desire that
my Executors hereinafter made shall pay all just debts as people
I give & bequeath to my wife Elizabeth all the property both real & personal
which I obtained by my marriage with her to be by her disposed as she
may think proper the property above bequeathed to exist in a tract of
land in Leon County Florida containing Six hundred & forty acres a house
& then lots in the Town of Bainbridge From me & my wife to our children a
Maid & Maunt a Woman & her Son & Martha & Emily her child
all the books of her library together with the house hold & Kitchen
furniture that she brought with her or that what she may have purchased
since. I also give to my wife during her life or widowhood the use of my
dwelling house and all other houses together with so much of my farm
as she may wish to Cultivate, and all that would be necessary for her use
& comfort.

I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Whittaker
one Negro girl Olin I want said Negro to be kept in the hands of
my Executors by them to be hired & the proceeds to be paid over to the said
Mary Whittaker during her life then to be the property of her son Martin
Whittaker also thirty head of Stock Cattle which she is to have & keep
in her possession.

I give & bequeath to my son John M^cEloy a Negro Man Baldwin & one half
of the two hundred and forty acres of land which lies in Gadsden County
Florida to him and his heirs.

I give to my son George M^cEloy Ten dollars.

I give to my son William M^cEloy one third of the land & Mills
in Early County to him and his heirs.

I give to my son Francis M^cEloy a Negro girl Ellin also one
third of the land & Mills in Early County also the one half of two
lots of land one being known as lot 1 No 73 in the 5th district of
Houston County the other being lot No 65 in the 9th dist. of same
Early or Baker County to him & his heirs.

