

State of Georgia, Be it remembered that I Elizabeth Bankston of the  
Marion County State & County aforesaid Being weak in Body but of a  
sound mind and memory Recollecting that I must die and perhaps shortly  
make and ordain this as my last will and Testament  
1<sup>st</sup> To my Decease my soul to the care of my God with whose I trust the  
Christian I have long since made peace  
2<sup>nd</sup> After my death my Body to decent Christian Burial when its may evante  
the Burial day  
3<sup>rd</sup> As Relates to the goods thing of this life that god has blessed me with  
I give & Bequeath to my son George W. Boyer my negro man John the  
hus wife my negro woman Lucy Also this seat or tract of land on which  
I live said to be twenty five acres more or less with all that portion to be  
left as also my stock both horse cattle etc & with all my Tools Tools  
and Hatchets Furniture facin tool etc Except my Two Beds Bed  
Chipping of It Being understood that my son George W. Boyer  
is bound in consequence of signing the above speck'd Articles, when my  
son Abram B. Bankston come to lawful age to give to said Abram a  
Bridle and saddle to be worth at least one hundred dollar Also to  
pay all just debts & my wife is best for  
4<sup>th</sup> I give to my Daughter Malinda Caroline Gilmer my negro girl  
Jane and her Chars of my bed with their furniture with this condition  
that this negro girl Jane with her master if she shall have any, is  
given to Malinda Gilmer to wit abt on and help her during their  
Malinda natural life and at their death to go to the Children  
of said Malinda Gilmer  
5<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Abram B. Bankston (now a minor) my negro  
girl Number as also the other tools and furniture of I have in my  
house And lastly I request my son George W. Boyer to take upon  
himself the ability of an Executor and see that this my will is  
executed as I have requested and After I am dead to become the  
Guardian of Abram and to train him as much as possible in  
the manners & fear of the Lord  
Witness my hand & seal this eleventh church eve thousand eight  
hundred and forty nine (1849)  
Signed & sealed and Executed  
in the presence of  
John Pattelle  
E. D. & A. Ayer  
Lucia Whittle

Elizabeth <sup>her</sup> Bankston <sup>mark</sup>

Marion Inferior Court setting for ordinary of  
July Term 1849 Personally coming in to Open Court Edward Dornan  
John Pattelle aff. being duly sworn sayeth that they were present  
and saw Elizabeth Bankston make her mark to the writing on  
her last will and Testament & that they saw James Whittle sign  
the same together with over seven or eight to the same  
that said Elizabeth Bankston was of sound disposing mind  
knowing at the time of signing the same  
In witness whereof I do sign this 2<sup>d</sup> day of  
July 1849

John Pattelle  
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