

State of Georgia 3 In the name of God Amen
Upson County 3 I Sterling Gardner of the County & State aforesaid
do make & ordain this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking
all others.

I direct that my body be buried in a decent & respectable
manner; and that all my just debts be speedily paid.

I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Sarah Mox the sum
of One hundred dollars, to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to Mary J. Caroline C. & Alabama Gardner
heirs of my beloved Son Thomas Gardner deceased the sum of
One hundred dollars to be equally divided between them
to them their heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to Rebecca Ann Jordan and Richard Washington
Heath heirs of my beloved daughter Elizabeth Heath dec'd
the sum of One hundred dollars to be equally divided between
them to them their heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to James J. Parsons, Cynthia Joins and
Elizabeth Hodge heirs of my beloved daughter Martha Parsons
deceased the sum of Two hundred & fifty dollars to be equally
divided between them to them their heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to Lewis & Sterling L. Pitts heirs of my
beloved daughter Nancy Pitts deceased the sum of One hundred
dollars to be equally divided between them to them their
heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Frewsilla Joy the
sum of One hundred dollars to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Susanah Jenkins the
sum of One hundred dollars to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to my beloved daughter Frances Stafford the sum
of Fifty dollars to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

I give & bequeath to Sisco Sterling, Susanah Jones & Sarah Gibson
heirs of my beloved daughter Mary Gibson deceased one note of hand
that I now hold against the estate of Thomas Gibson deceased with
interest thereon, and the further sum of Two hundred dollars to be
equally divided between them by my executors as they severally
become of lawful age to them their heirs & assigns forever.

The residue of my estate not already disposed of I direct my
executors to divide into four equal parts or moities. One part
thereof I give & bequeath to my beloved Son John Gardner, to him
his heirs & assigns forever.

And one part thereof to my beloved daughter Caroline C. Smith
to her, her heirs & assigns forever.

- Item. One part thereof to the heirs of my beloved Son Sterling Gardner deceased to be equally divided between them, to them their heirs and assigns forever.
- Item And one part thereof to Augustus W. Sterling & Elizabeth Ann Thomas & and Reubin Rogers heirs of my beloved daughter Frances Rogers now Frances Stafford to be equally divided between them, to them their heirs & assigns forever.
- Item I direct that as soon as my estate can be settled & a division ~~made~~, that my Executors pay over to all the above mentioned heirs that have become of lawful age or married their respective portions, and to retain in their hands the remainder of the dowers or portions of those that have not become of lawful age, until they do become of lawful age and then pay them over their respective parts without interest.
- Lastly I hereby constitute & appoint my Son John Gardner and Laurence Smith Executors of this my last will & Testament
In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
& affixed my Seal this 26th March 1843.
- William Willis }
A. W. Stafford }
James M. Willis }
- Sterling Gardner.

State of Georgia, Superior Court sitting for Ordinary purposes
Upon Court }
March Term 1848.

The within last will & Testament of Sterling Gardner deceased having been duly proven at this regular Term in Open Court upon the oath of William Willis one of the subscribing witnesses to said will. It is ordered, that the same be admitted to record, and that letters Testamentary issue to John Gardner one of the Executors named in said will.

Attest

Wm. A. Coffey Clerk C.O.

William Trice J. J. C.
William Lowe J. J. C.
Wm. Crawford J. J. C.
E. A. Pearce J. J. C.
William Spruy J. J. C.

Recorded this 8th day of March 1848.
Wm. A. Coffey Clerk