

left to the discretion of my Executor.

Thus I give and bequeath to John Mills or natural
son of my son John Vernon One Hundred
Dollars to be paid when convenient to my Executor.
Lastly I nominate and appoint John Brown, William
Jones and Donald Brown Executors and Lucy
Brown Executrix of this my last Will and
Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto
set my hand and seal this seventeenth day of
November One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety.

Nancy Keale (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published
and declared by the Testator
in presence of us.

Edw. A. Allen Sr.
C. Donaldson
Elkanah Allen Jr.

Recorded agreeably to an act of the Genl. Assembly
Special Session 1908 - Ratified Feb. 1st 1908.
Copied from original will on file.

State of North Carolina } Smithville - N. C.
County of Brunswick } July 31st 1883.

In the Name of God Amen:

I Sarah E. Grissom being of sound mind, but
weak of body, do make and ordain this my
last Will and Testament - thereby revoking all
other wills by me heretofore made.

First I bequeath my body to the dust from whence
it came, and my soul to God who gave it.

Secondly It is my will that my Executor herein named
shall see my body respectfully interred and de-
fray all funeral expenses - and further to have
my grave fenced in together with the graves
of the other members of my family -

Thirdly I give and bequeath to my two grand children
Thomas B. and Julius Grissom sons of Thomas
B. and Sarah J. Grissom now deceased, the
said children now residing in Fernandina,
Florida - my house and lot where I now reside
in the Town of Smithville for assignment
of which see Book "C" pages 675 and 676.

Records of Brunswick County - I also give and
bequeath to my two grand children above named,
One feather bed, one Bolster, Two Pillows, Two (2)
Silver Tea spoons, with the letters T. B. G. on the
handles, one 1/2 doz. Silver Tea Spoons with the letters
T. B. G. engraved on the handles, and three Table Spoons
with the same letters T. B. G. on them.

Fourthly I desire that Thomas shall have the Pap. Spoon
shown with his father's initials on T. B. G. and
that Julius the one with his Aunt's initials on
or named Elvira H. Grissom -

Fifthly I desire that should it be necessary for any legal
advice, or necessary to employ an attorney in
defending or securing the property herein
mentioned, that the services of D. J. Devaux
be secured, and he to be paid out of the proceeds
of the Estate.

Sixthly I give and bequeath to my niece Mary Godfrey
One Pap. Spoon marked Ann B. Smith.

Eighthly I also desire the pictures of the parents and
grand parents of the two boys my grand children
Thomas and Julius - to go to them, each to share
alike - the two at Smithville for Julius, the
the two at Fernandina for Thomas.

Ninth I give and bequeath to my dear sister Ann B.
Bell one cushioned rocking chair, one sewing
machine, one portrait of my brother Thomas,
at her death the portrait to go to Benjamin Bryant.

Tenth I desire further that all my personal effects, not
herein mentioned be sold for the purpose of de-
fraying my funeral expenses and paying the
sum of Twenty Two \$22.00 Dollars from account
and Ann Hicks, should the personal effects not
be sufficient, that the mortgage of the house and lot
before mentioned or the sale of the same if necessary
go for this purpose, should it become necessary
that the house and lot should be sold to defray
the above mentioned expenses, I desire that the
proceeds of said sale, after the necessary amount
shall be deducted for paying the debt and
expenses above mentioned, shall be placed in
some Bank on interest for the benefit of the
two boys above mentioned Thomas and Julius.

Lastly

It is my will that my kind friend William Hicks act as my Executor - In witness whereof I set my hand this 31st day of July A.D. 1883. -

Sarah E. Grissom Seal

Signed, published and declared by the above named Sarah E. Grissom as her last Will and Testament in presence of us, who at her request have signed as witnesses of the same.

James F. Legg.

J. H. Clemmons.

Codicil:

I Sarah E. Grissom being of sound mind and memory, but being of feeble body desire to make the following change in the annexed, my last Will and Testament in Section (10) in said will, where I have bequeathed the proceeds of the sale of my dwelling in Smithville, N. C. should become necessary to sell the same as therein stated, to my two Grandsons Thomas and Julius Grissom, I desire to make this change, instead of the proceeds to be used for their education as stated, I desire that they shall remain in some Bank on interest until they shall become of age and then and not till then to be drawn by them - I desire further in regard to burial to add that there shall be a strong plain fence placed around my grave and the graves of the rest of my family, and Head and Foot Boards to be placed at each of the graves, with the initials of the names of each placed on each of them, in order that they may be readily found - With regard to the boys Julius and Thomas drawing their equal portions of the income or proceeds of the sale of the same, I would say that when Thomas shall become of age he shall have his equal portion and the remainder to remain until Julius shall then become of age and then he is to have his equal portion - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 21st day of Dec. A.D. 1883.

Signed, sealed and declared by the said Sarah E. Grissom in our presence, who at her request have signed the same as witnesses Dec. 21st 1883.

J. H. Drew
Samuel Sharp

State of North Carolina
County of Brunswick

Office Clerk Superior Court
1884

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Sarah E. Grissom deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned Clerk Superior Court of said County of Brunswick by John Hicks the Executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah E. Grissom is duly proven by the oath and examinations of Jas. F. Legg and J. H. Clemmons as to the Will and S. H. Sharp and Jas. H. Drew as to the Codicil therunto attached, all of whom being duly sworn doth depose and say that they are the subscribing witnesses to the Will and Codicil now shown them purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Sarah E. Grissom deceased, that the said Sarah E. Grissom in the presence of these deponents - subscribed her name to the end of Will and Codicil which is now shown them as aforesaid and which bears date as follows - Will 31st July A.D. 1883. Codicil 21st Dec. A.D. 1883.

And the deponents further say, that the said Sarah E. Grissom the Testator aforesaid did at the time of subscribing her name as aforesaid declare the said paper - writings so subscribed by her and exhibited, to be her last Will and Testament and Codicil as attesting witnesses thereto and at the request and in the presence of said testator. And the deponents further say that the said time when the said testator subscribed her name to the said last Will and Testament and Codicil as aforesaid, and the time of the deponents subscribing their names as attesting witnesses thereto, as aforesaid, the said Sarah E. Grissom was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and was not under any