

The Last Will and Testament of Robert Abernathy

Robert Abernathy
deceased,

State of North Carolina

Catawba County

J. E. Paine
appointed
"Admr"
June 1872.

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In the name of God I Robert Abernathy of said County being an old man and declining in strength but in sound mind and memory do make this my last will and Testament herein as follows viz. Upon my death I wish to be buried in Christian manner and my just Debts all to be paid by my Executor out of my Estate.

I will and bequeath unto my two daughters now living with me, Perlina Abernathy and Liza Angeline Abernathy my tract of land I live on containing one hundred and ninety three acres more or less to be divided equally between them my said above named two daughters after my death.

I also will and bequeath to my said Daughter Perlina my Negro woman Nancy and her increase forever I also will and bequeath to my daughter Liza Angeline my negro girl named Mary and her increase forever.

I also will to my said named two daughters Perlina and Liza Angeline all my stock after my death Horses, Hens, Cattle, Hogs and sheep, wagon, Buggy and all my farming tools all my House hold and Kitchen furniture Clocks all my grain, meat, salt, butter, Cupboard, Bureau, Tables, Chairs, Books, all my Beds and bedding, Trunks, chests. I also will them my negro Man Hiram to work for them.

I will and bequeath to my belov'd children heretofore named, Maria, my daughter, wife of Isaac Rand, Susan, my daughter, wife of Wila Gibbs, my sons Hiram, Daniel, Mills, Rufus and John Wesley and my daughters Ellis, wife of Asbury Edwards, and Lotty, wife of Rufus Bandy, and Abigail wife of Herbert Edwards each one Ten dollars to be paid by my Executor who I will appoint on the other side.

I hereby nominate and appoint my Trusty friend and son-in-law Rufus Bandy my lawful Executor, he to collect my debts and pay

all my just debts and the balance if any I will and bequeath to be equally divided among my last named children viz Maria, Susan, Hiram, Daniel, Mills, Rufus, John Wesley, Ellis, Lotty, and Abigail share and share alike. I also will to my two daughters, Perlina and Liza Angeline my said tools.

Whereunto I Robert Abernathy set my hand and seal this 16th Day of May A.D. 1861

Signed in presence of us
J. J. Shumill
Martin Linebarger

Robert Abernathy
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North Carolina } In the Probate Court
Catawba County } The Execution of the
The foregoing Will and Testament of Robert Abernathy was this the 14th day of May 1872 duly proved and admitted to Probate upon the oath and examination of J. J. Shumill, subscribing witness thereto and the other witness Martin Linebarger being dead, his signature & hand writing duly proved by the oath of J. J. Shumill.

M. C. Shumill
Probate Judge

The Executor named in Will being dead, J. E. Paine appointed Admr with the Will of Robert Abernathy.