

Bridgeman Joyner

In the Name of God Amen I Bridgeman Joyner of Halifax County & State of North Carolina being Sick and Weak of Body but of perfect Mind & Memory & considering that I hence are uncertain do make Constitute & Ordain this my last Will & Testament vizt.

I give & Recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that Gave & gave me my worldly Estate I give & bequeath in Manner & form following.

I give and bequeath unto Mary Barker my Brother Theophilus Joyner's Wife's Daughters two negroes by the name of Ruth & Mary to her and her heirs forever but if she dies without her lawfully begotten of her Body then the said Negroes to return & be equal divided between Henry Joyner & son.

I give & bequeath unto Henry Joyner son of Henry Joyner my land & plantation where I now live containing three hundred acres to the same more only to him & his heirs forever but if he dies without heir to return to his Brother Andrew Joyner. I also my will & desire to give & bequeath unto

Henry Joyner son of Henry Joyner one Negroe boy by the name of Charles to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Andrew Joyner son of Henry Joyner one Dickson & feather Bed & furniture to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Robert Joyner son of Henry Joyner one blanket & one feather Bed & furniture to him & his heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Martha Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negroe Girl by the name of Patsy to her & her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Mary Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negroe Girl by the name of Henry to her & her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Sarah Ellick Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negroe Girl by the name of Amy to her and her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Abby Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negroe Girl by the name of Lucy to her and her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Harriet Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negroe Girl by the name of Clara to her and her heirs forever.

I give & bequeath unto Andrew Joyner & Robert Joyner sons of Henry Joyner the remainders

to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Sarah Ellick Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negro Girl by the name of Amy to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Abby Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negro Girl by the name of Sary to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Harriot Joyner Daughter of Henry Joyner one Negro Girl by the name of Clary to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give & bequeath unto Andrew Joyner & Robert Joyner sons of Henry Joyner the remaining part of my Negroes that are not given away in Seguire with their increase unto them & their heirs forever.

It is my will & desire for them to continue on my plantation that I gave to Henry Joyner till the said Henry Joyner comes to age, then the said Negroes to be Equally divided between the said Andrew & Robert Joyner and it is my will & desire that my Executor shall have & that the said Negroes shall

make over & abide maintaining of them. It is my will & desire that six Cows & Calves be left on the plantation for the use of the said Negroes, and that the said Cows & Calves shall choose & the said Cows

shall continue on the said Land till the said Negroes are divided & then the Cows with their increase to be Equally divided between Henry Joyner Andrew Joyner and Robert Joyner.

Item It is my will & desire that Buster & Sinder may be set free & that Buster may continue on the plantation and have as much Ground as he wants to live and to be maintained out of my Estate

plentifully as long as he lives.

Item It is my will & desire that my Executor shall sell as much of my Estate that is not given away, as will pay my debts and the Rest of my Estate that shall remain after my debts is paid to be Equally divided between the above named Sons of Henry Joyner.

Item I give & bequeath unto Robert Joyner son of Henry Joyner one large Black Woodnut Table to him and his heirs forever. Lastly I appoint my Friend Henry Joyner Executor to this my last will & Testament hereby Disannulling and revoking all other Wills & Testaments by me made & hereby

declaring this & none other to be my last will & Testament. In Testimony hereof I have hereunto

