

James Gaines Thrs Last Will
In the name of god Amen
I James Gaines being of sound mind and
Memory and knowing it is allotted

for all men once to die, do make this my
last will in manner and form following
First I give and bequeath unto to my
dear beloved wife Mary Gaines one note on
Alfred Brown for three Hundred and sixty
seven dollars and forty seven cents with interest
due thereon one debt on Brock Pomeroy for
fifty dollars due on a judgment in the hands
of John Kennedy Constable in Moore County
Also one Gray Mare two cows, 4 calves and
all the hogs may be in my possession at my
death, to her and her heirs forever.

Also one black two feather beds and furniture
one pine chest and every article of property she
brought to me, and now this to be my
last will and testament Making all other wills
heretofore by me made void.

Signed with my hand and seal the fifth
day of October one thousand eight hundred
and fifty two

James Gaines Seal

I earnestly request my son James L. Gaines
and John A. Montgomery furnish my widow
Mary Gaines a comfortable home and all the
necessaries of life so long as she may live
J.G.

State of North Carolina, County of Pleas and Quarter
Montgomery County 3 September January Term 1855

The last will and testament of James Gaines
deceased was offered for probate and it being read
appeared that the same was found among the valuable
papers of the deceased and by the oath of James
Creditable witnesses

that said will is in the hand writing, of the said
deceased person and that his name is subscribed
thereto, and that said deceased was of sound
mind at the time of making said will
It is therefore ordered by the Court, that said will
be Recorded

John A. Luman Clerk