

# Joseph Wilson's will

In the name of God Amen!

Item first I give my body to the dust and my soul to the Eternal God of Spirits Amen.

Item I Joseph Wilson of the County of Montgomery and State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God for the same, do this the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord 1841 do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following that is to say, all my Just Contracts to be paid out of my Estate.

Item next is that all the debts that is my due to me to be paid up for the bond of the Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my dear beloved wife Nancy Wilson one bed and furniture, one tray, mare, bridle and Saddle, and also one cow and calf, and Fifty dollars in money for her portion out of my Estate.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Polly Bellingsby one negr-girl by the name of Jack to her and her heirs forever, I also give her Fifty dollars out of my Estate for her portion.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Deberry two negr. girls by the names of Martha and Mary, to her and her heirs forever for her portion out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Patsy Thomas one dollar in money for her portion out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John P. Wilson one negr-boy by the name of Green to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my two Grandsons Calvin Worley and Preston Worley one Hundred dollars each of them apiece in the room of their mother she is dead for their portion out of my Estate.

Item I give unto my daughter Nancy Bellingsby

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One negr boy named Jack to her and her heirs forever for her portion out of my Estate  
Item I add and give my daughter Nancy Bellingsby Fifty dollars more for her portion out of my Estate (two are) —

Item I give and bequeath to my son Isaac M. Wilson one bed and furniture.

Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally Myrie Wilson one negr-girl by the name of Vine & her two children to her and her heirs forever for her portion out of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son William R. Wilson the land I live upon now at this time, all this side of Clark's creek to him & his heirs forever 4 cpts a piece and parcel of land that lies betwixt where I now live and Buckner Staggs farm when I now live on this side of the creek it is the land where my brother Joel Wilson once I bought it for my son Isaac M. Wilson, I give it to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son Isaiah M. Wilson two negr-boys one named Richmond the other named Ben to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son William R. Wilson two negr-boys one named David the other named Ralph to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give unto my daughter Scanna Christians one negr-girl by the name of Jim to her & her heirs forever.

Item I give unto my son Isaac M. Wilson my wagon and all the apparatus that belongs to it I also give Isaac M. Wilson all my farming & plantation tools to him and his heirs forever.

Item Now my desire is that my administrators and Executors for them to sell Blam, and Sam and Esq & Jim there four negroes and sell the gold-mine tract of land of 500 acres.

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with the said four negroes and all my other property that I have not given away Hogs & cattle & household furniture & sheep sell all to the highest bidder and other plunder sell too tedious to say anything about -

Item now my desire is that my administrators and Executors out of that money they sell the property for to pay all them that I have will money to be paid to - and the balance of money if any is left after paying of all the children I distribute the rest of the money if any is left as follows -

Item I give and bequeath unto my son John F. Wilson one Hundred Dollars the rest of the money to be divided betwixt William R. Wilson, and Joanna Christian, and Sarah M. Wilson, and Elizabeth Deberry, & Polly Wellingsby to be divided equal betwixt five children (look up)

Item I leave my wife Nancy Wilson a negro woman by the name of Chain to her as long as she lives but not take the negro woman out of the settlement and after her death or marriage my desire is that my administrators and Executors to sell Chain and her increase to the highest bidder from this time if she has any increase sell them with Chain their Mother -

Item now my desire is that my administrators to divide the money that Chain the negro woman and her increase fetches betwixt some of my children that I will name them here in my will that is to say first John F. Wilson, and William R. Wilson and Sarah M. Wilson and Joanna Christian and Calvin Wooley, and Paster Wooley a share one share in the room of their mother she being dead they stand in their Mother's place as one person -

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Item now the money that Chain and her increase fetches from this time there is five children of you that I have name that is to have a equal share of what the negro ~~Chain~~ brings after her death or marriage -

Item I think I have done as near right in my will as I can do -

Item I do hereby revoke, and renounce, and disavow - such all other wills and testaments by me at any time made heretofore and appoint my son William R. Wilson and Calvin Wooley my Grandson - my only and sole executor to this my Last will and testament Ratifying and confirming this and no other thing -

In Witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this day and year above written In the presence of

attest  
Edmund Deberry (Quar.)  
Wm. G. Deberry

Joseph Wilson Seal

State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions,  
Montgomery County - January Term 1847 -

Then the foregoing will was proven in open Court by the oath of Edmund Deberry one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded - Calvin R. Wooley one of the Executors therein named came forward & was qualified as such -

Wm. H. Knight, Clerk