

Nancy Parson's will

Bruton and Palestine Parker.

I hereby nominate and appoint James Bruton my executor to this my last will and testament as witness my hand and seal

Signed, sealed, and delivered this 22^d day of January 1809

attest

Nancy Parson *(Seal)*
mark

Edmund Debeny
Attor. J. Bruton

Montgomery County Court April Session 1809

Then the foregoing will was proven in open court by the oaths of Edmund Debeny one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded, and James Bruton the executor therein named came forward was qualified and received letters testamentary

Nathan Knight Clerk

William Bruton's will

In the name of God Amen.

Whereas I William Bruton of Montgomery County and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and perfect memory do publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

My will is that Elizabeth Gaudle shall have her bed bedstead and furniture, one cow and calf and twenty two dollars in money to be lodged in the hands of the executors to be let out by small instalments as she needs it.

My will is that the land on the east side of Little River on which I live to go to the heirs of Jacob Bruton deceased. The land on the west side of Little River to be sold and the profits equally divided between my

William Bruton's will

three sons, James Bruton, George Bruton and David Bruton. money, household furniture and accoutrements to be equally divided between my three sons James, George and David, and the heirs of my son Jacob deceased. All my stock, horses, mules, cows, sheep, hogs, wagons, looms, and gear, wheels and cards, one large pot, blacksmith tools, and farming tools all to be sold and equally divided between my sons James, George, David and the heirs of Jacob Bruton deceased. That a committee of three men be appointed to divide and value my negroes in four parcels as equally as possible, those getting the most valuable lots to pay over in money to those that get the lowest lots so that they be equally divided between my sons James, George, David and the heirs of Jacob Bruton deceased, also that William Butler have ten dollars in money.

It is my will that my sons George Bruton and David Bruton be executors to this my last will and testament, as witness my hand and seal this the 5th day of March in the year of our Lord 1806

I do

Schiller Knight

William Bruton Jr

William Bruton *(Seal)*

Montgomery County Court July Session 1809

Then this will was offered in open court for probate and was proven by the oath of William Bruton Jr one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and the same ordered to be recorded, whereupon George Bruton and David Bruton the executors therein named came forward and were qualified and received letters testamentary

Nathan Knight Clerk