

I give and bequeath to my said beloved wife Elizabeth all my ploughs & plough gear my cart & cart wheels all the poultry and all the provisions on hand at the time of my death.

Item My will and desire is that all the residue of my Estate (if any) after taking out the devises & legacies above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing me collected and if there should be any surplus over and above the payment of debts it shall be paid over to my said wife Elizabeth to have absolutely forever.

Item Last I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Benjamin W. Brown my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said James A. Tut do hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of August 1862

Witness
William B. Fleming
Willie Gurganus

James A. Tut
his mark

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of James A. Tut died was produced in open Court by Ben. W. Brown the person named as Executor therein and the same was proved in due form of law to be the last will and Testament of the said James A. Tut dead and the same was ordered by the Court to be recorded and filed. At the same time Ben. W. Brown the executor named gave bond in the sum of \$25,000 with Henry W. Brown and J. H. Cherry as sureties and then duly qualified according to law

J. A. Dancy Clerk

Nary B. James of the State of N.C. Pitt County do on this 22nd August in the year of our Lord 1863 make this my last will and Testament as follows. Item 1st It is my will and desire that my beloved wife Mary E. James should be my Executor to this my last will and Testament.

Item 2nd It is also my will and desire that she shall sell my house and lot in Pickensville Wayne County N.C.

Item 3rd I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary E. James all my property consisting of land, stock, household and kitchen furniture, money and notes after paying all my just debts during her natural life or widowhood.

Item 4th It is my will and desire that after her my wife's death or widowhood that my property if any shall be equally divided among my children. In testimony I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day and date above stated (Witness)

M. E. James
North Carolina
May Term 1864
Pitt County

Then was the within paper writing purporting to be the last will & Testament of Nary B. James dead produced in open Court for probate by Mary E. James the Executor therein named & was proved in due form of law

by the oath of M. G. James the subscribing witness thereto. Thereupon Mary E. James duly qualified as Executrix by entering into bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars with M. G. James, W. J. Blount, secure-
tis. Let said will & this probate be recorded
Geo A Dancy Clerk
By J B Cherry S.C.

In the name of God Amen? I Nath. Shigpen of the County of Pitt and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and desiring to distribute my property amongst my wife and children I dispose of my property in the following manner. 1st,

Item 1st I give and bequeath to wife Ann Shigpen all of my land where I now live with my son Thaddeus A. Shigpen being 17 years old and then my will is that my land be equally divided between my wife Ann Shigpen and my son Thaddeus A. Shigpen and after it is divided it is my desire that my wife shall have her share first with all the buildings of every description during her lifetime and at her death then my son Thaddeus A. Shigpen is to have all the land upon I now live, to him and his heirs forever. I also give and bequeath to my wife Ann Shigpen three negroes Fanny, Mary, and Caesar to be as she pleases with and use. My wife shall have all her increase during her lifetime and at her death my wife and her heirs is that my son Thaddeus A. Shigpen is to have Robert Gellah's eldest child and Gellah's land all the rest of her increase to my son Thaddeus A. Shigpen to him and his heirs forever. I also give and bequeath to my wife Ann Shigpen half of my corn and fodder, half of my hogs, live cows, live goats of every kind, horses and one buggy and one cart and all of my household and kitchen furniture.

Item 2nd I give and bequeath to my daughter Felicia S. Shigpen wife of James A. Shigpen one negro girl named to have and to hold during her lifetime and then to her children if she leaves any at her death and if she dies without a lawful child then it is my will and desire that the said girl and all her increase shall be equally divided between all the rest of my children Emily S. Shigpen wife of John S. Shigpen, Margaret S. Shigpen wife of James A. Cobb, James A. Shigpen, Jesse S. Shigpen, Francis A. Shigpen and Thaddeus A. Shigpen to them and their heirs forever.

Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my daughter Emily S. Shigpen wife of John S. Shigpen two negro boys named Jordan and her heirs forever.

Item 4th I give and bequeath to my daughter Margaret S. Cobb wife of James A. Cobb one negro boy named and one negro girl Abby to her and her heirs forever.

Item 5th I give and bequeath to my son James A. Shigpen one hundred and twenty acres of land where he now lives and one negro boy named to him and his heirs forever.

Item 6th I give and bequeath to my son Jesse S. Shigpen three negroes Mike, Abel and Wisa to him and then to his children, if he should die without a lawful child then it is my will and desire that all the property that I have given him of every description shall be equally divided between Emily S. Shigpen wife of John S. Shigpen, Margaret S. Cobb wife of James A. Cobb, James A. Shigpen, Francis A. Shigpen and Thaddeus A. Shigpen to them and their heirs forever.

Item 7th I give and bequeath to my daughter Francis A. Shigpen three negroes Mary, Fanny and Harriet to her and then to her children if she leaves any at her death and if she dies without a lawful child then it is my will and desire that all the property that I have given her of every description shall