

In the name of God Amen " I James Vance Collins of the
County of Franklin and State of Tennessee do make and publish and
establish the following will for my last will & Testament
First my heirs that all my just and lawful debts be paid
by my Executor herein after appointed as soon after my
decease as practicable; I then I give and bequeath unto
my beloved Wife Mildred for and during her life the whole of my
estate both real and personal. I then I give and bequeath unto my
adopted son James after the death of my said Wife the whole of
my said estate both real and personal to him and his heirs for
ever. This adopted son is now a member of my family he
was four years old on the 3rd day of August last and has
since so far excelled my long deceased wife and myself. I then the
devise in the first clause to my wife is subject to the
following charge or trust. That my said adopted son James
is to be raised and educated at the expense of my Estate
Lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my wife Mildred Sole
Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking
all former & other wills. In Testimony whereof the said
James Vance Collins hath hereunto signed his name and
affixed his seal this eighteenth day of February in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty one
Signed Sealed Published & Subscribed
J. V. Collins
the Testator for his will & Testament
in the presence of the undersigned who subscribed their names
as witnesses hereunto in his presence & at

Witness my hand & Seal at James A. Snow den

State of Tennessee 3rd County Court September Term 1844
Franklin County John the above will was presented to
Court for probate and was proven in due
form of law. Whereupon the Court ordered it to be recorded
in the County Court Clerk's office Sept 20th 1844
Sherrod Thierman Act.

I Samuel Harris of the County of Franklin and State of Tennessee
being of lawful age and of sound and disposing mind
and considering the uncertainty of human life and wishing
to dispose of the worldly substance it has pleased Almighty
God to bless me with do make and ordain this my last will
and Testament hereby revoking all other wills by me here before
made 1st my will and desire is that my two servants Patsy
and his wife be set at liberty for the benefit of my two youngest
children for three years at the end of which time I wish them
to have twenty Dollars paid off to them at one end of my will
for their own benefit while they may live but they to devote a
part of their time to tending and off their own children here

after disposed of, 2nd my will and desire is that all the
 balance of my estate my tract of land on which I now
 live my stock of every description my house hold and
 kitchen furniture be divided into three equal parts by
 three judicious and disinterested persons to be appointed
 by the County Court of Transylvania. One third part of which
 I give to my beloved wife. One third part of my daughter
 Lucinda Thuesz and the remaining third to my daughter Louisa
 Thuesz my tract of land to be divided according to quantity
 and quality my wife to have that part which they decided
 my children 3rd I should my two daughters before mentioned
 arrive at the age of maturity and hence my will and desire
 is that the property given to them shall not be in any
 instance be liable for the debts of their husbands but shall
 descend from my daughters aforesaid to their children & should
 either of my children before mentioned die without a child
 then the property given to it shall descend to that which
 may be living in the manner above specified.
 5th That part of my stock of every description house hold
 and kitchen furniture given to my daughters above
 mentioned I wish to be sold at my desire and the
 proceeds put to interest for their benefit respectively
 my farming utensils to be divided so that my wife & my
 girls shall each part of the balance to be sold for the benefit
 of my children aforesaid 6th It my will and desire that
 my wife Louisa Thuesz take care of and raise my daughter
 Lucinda Thuesz until she arrives at the age of maturity.
 I hereby constitute and appoint my friend David Arnett Sole
 Executor of this my last will and Testament. All in
 witness and bearing here before signing
 signed in the presence of *David Arnett*
 the 6th day of March 1845
Joseph Thuesz
James F. Green

State of Tennessee Sherrad County April Term A.D. 1845
 Transylvania County John the foregoing last will and Testament
 of Samuel Thuesz deceased was proved in
 open Court by the Oaths of Joseph Thuesz and James Thuesz
 witnesses thereto and was ordered to be recorded. The Hon.
 Sherrad Williams Clerk of the County Court of said County at
 office 1st day 1845
Sherrad Williams Clerk.