

Slavery my negro woman namely Lory at my decease and at my wife's decease and do hereby emancipate the said Lory from my heirs executors administrators or assigns from all slavery forever. Item I give and bequeath to my wife the place that I now live on; and all the property that is left her lifetime; and after her decease I want what property will be left equally divided among my children. And do appoint my two sons Nathaniel P. Cheath, and Abner C. Cheath executors of this my last will and testament revoking and disannulling all other wills testaments or covenants desiring this and only this to be my last will & testament and no other.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th of May A.D. 1826
Signed sealed and delivered in presence of us witnesses
Attest James Hoane
Attest William Loea

George Cheath Esq.
Recorded 26 June 1828

James Cheatham's last Will.

In the name of God amen.
I James Cheatham of the County of Lincoln & State of Tennessee, being of sound mind & memory, calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make, ordain, publish & declare the following to be my last will and testament in writing to wit.

- 1st I recommend my soul to God who governs, and my body to the earth to be decently buried.
- 2^d I will and desire that all my just debts be paid; and that all debts due me be collected for that purpose.
- 3^d I give and bequeath to my dear and well beloved wife Rebecca Cheatham for and during the term of her natural life, or during the term of her widowhood

and no longer the whole of the land & plantation on which I now live; and also the whole of my household & kitchen furniture; and also two work horses & farming tools accordingly; and also such parts of my stock of Cattle and hogs as she may need for the support of our surviving family; and also the following slaves, to wit George and his wife Rose and their children John & Lydia.

4th It is my will and desire that my negro man slave Anthony be sold, and also all such parts of my personal estate as can be spared by my family, which may be determined by my widow & Executors having due regard to the interest of my heirs.

5th I give and bequeath to my four children Elmer Cheatham, Solomon Cheatham, Betsey R. Cheatham and Albert W. Cheatham the whole of my estate as well real as personal of every description to be equally divided among them share & share alike agreeably to the provisions of law. And I do further give and bequeath to my son Elmer Cheatham my young mare Phoebe & to my son Solomon Cheatham my young horse Cattle Dolphin both of which to be accounted for at their value on a final settlement, and also I give and bequeath to each of my aforesaid four children a feather bed and furniture to be as near of equal value as convenient. And it is further my will & desire that each of my aforesaid children on his or her arriving or coming of age shall be paid his or her distributive share of whatever amount may be in the hands of my Executors arriving from sales and the collection of debts.

6th It is my will and desire that my family all be kept together, and that each of my above named children may receive a suitable education

7th I hereby constitute and appoint William Shipp and Joel Pinson executors to this my last will & testament and hereby charge them with the faithful execution of the same.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 12th day of December 1826
James Chestnut

signed, sealed, published & declared in presence of
Obadiah Pinson
Lewis Shipp
John Robison

Recorded 26 June 1828.

Martha McMillen's last Will.

In the name of God amen

I Martha McMillen of the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound and perfect mind & memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I give and bequeath unto my son William McMillen one dollar. I also give and bequeath unto my son James McMillen one dollar. I also give and bequeath unto my son John McMillen one dollar. I also give and bequeath unto my son Joseph McMillen one dollar. I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas McMillen one dollar. I also give and bequeath unto the wife of my son Andrew McMillen one dollar. After the above named sums of money are paid out of my estate to my above named sons I wish my tract of land containing six acres lying & being in the County of Lincoln to be sold and the money arising from the sale thereof together with other monies debts dues or claims or property wholly whatsoever kind it may be after my decease to equally divided between my five daughters (namely) Nancy

Wright, Sarah Chitwood, Lure Grop, Martha Marshall, Polly Pinkston. I hereby appoint Jacob Wright dear my sole Executor of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 27th day of February in the year of our Lord 1826
Martha McMillen
signed, sealed, published and declared by the above named Martha McMillen to be her last will and testament in the presence of persons who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the testatrix

David Crook

Jacob Wright Junr

Codicil to the above will

I Martha McMillen do on the day that the within will & testament was made make and publish this codicil to my last will & testament in manner and form following (that is to say) whereas I will the balance of my property to my five daughters I wish out of that property make an exception to the within will & testament of one woman's saddle and swepided keeper and do give & bequeath the said saddle and keeper to my grand daughter Martha Wright. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 27th day of February in the year of our Lord 1826
signed sealed published and declared by the above named Martha McMillen as a codicil to her last will & testament in the presence of

David Crook

Jacob Wright Junr

Recorded 26 June 1828.