

In the name of God Amen -

I Elenor Rimes of said State and County aforesaid being of sound mind and disposing memory do make and publish this my last Will & Testament hereby revoking all others after paying off my funeral expenses and all other just debts I desire and it is my wish that my three Children S. H. Rimes, Elizabeth E. Melier and Thomas B. Rimes and my three Grand Children Linda A. Shadues b. and Cyrus J. Buchanan are to have my Goods and effects divided among them in the following manner viz. I desire and it is my wish that my negro man Joseph and negro Woman Mary and her children at my death be attotted and drawn for by my three Children S. H. Rimes, Elizabeth E. Melier & Thomas B. Rimes - those drawing the most valuable Lots to pay over to those drawing less valuable Lots until all three are made Equal in that kind of property - And I further desire and it is my wish that all my other Goods and effects be sold after my death and when the monies are collected that my three Grand Children keepick the Linda A. Shadues b. and Cyrus J. Buchanan be paid the sum of one hundred dollars each - the remainder to be divided among my three Children S. H. Rimes, Elizabeth E. ~~Melier~~, and Thomas B. Rimes - Reserving for my Son Thomas B. Rimes Two Beds Bedsteads & furniture to make him equal with my other children, who have heretofore received that amount - And of furthermore I do hereby nominate and appoint Squire Peckel ^{my} Executor to this my last will and testament -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, Thirtieth day of September 1856,

Witness Benj F Clark Elenor Rimes Sealed
H. B. Peckel Mark

Benj F Clark
H. B. Peckel
Howard Harris

Proven in open court Oct 5 1857

JAMES B. CHITWOOD
Judge

I Nathaniel Read of the County of Lincoln and State of Tennessee, being fable in body but of sound mind, and disposing memory do make and publish this as my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time

1st I direct that my funeral Expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money I may die possessed of or may come into the hands of my Executor

2^d I give and bequeath unto my two grand daughters Elizabeth & Margaret Read Children of my Eldest Son Samuel Read now deceased one hundred and fifty dollars each -

3rd My Will is that my Son-in-Law Aaron Stilehouse nothing more of my Estate in consequence of having had his wife owe to pay a considerable amount of for him as security, but that all claims brought to be handed over to him which is all I wish him to have of my Estate -

4th My Will and bequeath to my daughter Martha Gilliland Four children the sum of ^{one} hundred dollars to be Equally divided between them -

5th My Will and desire is that Benjamin Read, Nancy Patrick & John Read have ~~the~~ slaves that I die possessed of and divide them Equally without sale -

6th I Will and bequeath to my grand Children the heirs of my Daughter Amy Smith now deceased the sum of one thousand dollars to be Equally divided between them -

7th I Will and bequeath ~~to~~ the heirs of James Read now deceased the sum of eight hundred dollars to be Equally divided between them

8th It is my Will and desire that the land and all the Stock and household and Kitchen furniture, farming tools be sold in a twelve months credit and the money divided as above mentioned and if there is more money than what I have specified above I want it divided Equally between them that I have Willed money to -

9th It is further my Will that John Read has the privilege of the river that he has dug through my land and when the Land is sold I want the Face and the use of the Water reserved for the benefit of the mill that he has built -

10th and lastly - I do hereby nominate and appoint Chandom and John Reed my Executors in witness whereof I do to this my Will set my hand & seal this the 18th day of September 1856.

Signed sealed published & witnessed of us *Nathaniel Read*
the day & date above written
Jeff M. Stone Proven in open court Oct 5 1857
J. D. Morrison