

Last Will and Testament of
John Chester Decd

I John Chester do make and publish this as my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First I give and bequeath to the heirs of my son Robert Chester the sum of two dollars and also to the heirs of my son John Chester the sum of two dollars and to the heirs of my son Ezra Chester the sum of two dollars and also to the heirs of my daughter Polly Ashworth the sum of two dollars.

Secondly I do give and bequeath to my wife Mary Chester all my tract of land lying in the County of Sullivan in the State of Tennessee adjoining the lands of William B. Hills Nathaniel H. Bachman and others on which I now live and also all my goods and chattels to my aforesaid wife and to my daughter Elizabeth Chester during their natural life.

Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Proffett and to her son George Proffett and her daughter Mary C. Proffett and to their children all that part of the tract of land on which sd Proffett now lives lying south of the old lane running east and west with the said lane so as to include all my land south of sd lane only the tilt hammer on sd tract to be excepted for the use of Nathaniel Chester my grand son as long as he sees proper to work in sd shop provided sd Proffett do pay to my surviving heirs the sum of six hundred dollars to be paid as follows fifty dollars to each legatee in cash in two years after the death of my wife Mary Chester and the balance in good trade all to be paid in two years after my sd wife's death and if not paid in that time sd land is to stand security for the same till sd debt is paid up.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my two grand sons of my son Robert Chester decd to wit John and Nathaniel

Chester all my land on the north side of sd lane on which I now live in consequence of which they sd grand sons is to pay to my surviving heirs the sum of four hundred dollars to be paid as follows fifty dollars in cash to each of my legatees and the balance in good trade all to be paid at the expiration of two years after my wife Mary Chester's death and sd land is to stand as security till sd payments is made.

And fifthly I do nominate and appoint James Proffett my son in law and John Chester my grand son my Executors in which I set my hand and seal this 27th day of May 1839

John Chester Sen (Seal)

Signed sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of the testator this 27th day of May 1839

John DeFoe

John Carter

State of Tennessee } I John C. Rutledge clerk of
Sullivan County } the County Court for said
County do certify that the foregoing is a true copy as will appear of the original on file in my office. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of office at Office in Blountville this 20th day of Jan 1842

John C. Rutledge Clerk

Ordered & adjudged by the court to be the last Will & Testament of John Chester decd & ordered to be recorded as such in the Book of Wills 4th day of Aug 1842

A. H. Bullock ckr

Last Will and Testament of

James R. Davis Decd

I James R. Davis being of sound and disposing mind but weak in body and feeling my end to be near do make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking

- all Wills heretofore made by me.
- Item 1st It is my will that I be decently buried in the Union Burial ground.
- Item 2 It is my Will that my wife Carrie L. Davis have the charge control oversight and raising of my youngest daughter Annie Rhea.
- Item 3 It is further my Will and I hereby give and bequeath to my wife Carrie L. Davis and to my youngest daughter - Annie Rhea a sufficient amount of my household and kitchen furniture for them to keep house with comfortably if it should require all I have for this purpose, after supplying my son Robert with one good bed and bedstead and the necessary clothing therefor which it is my Will he shall have and if there should be a surplus of my household and kitchen furniture after supplying my wife Carrie L. Davis & my youngest daughter Annie Rhea with a sufficient amount thereof for them to keep house with comfortably & after furnishing my son Robert with a bed bedstead - the clothing therefor then such surplus if there be any shall be divided amongst my other children by my wife Carrie L.
- Item 4 It is my will that my wife Carrie L. shall have all the personal property on hand which is individually hers or has been purchased with her money.
- Item 5 It is further my Will that my son Robert have the care oversight and control of my children to wit: Nicholas Fannie and Lilly and that he assist my wife Carrie and my daughter Annie Rhea all he can and in every respect necessary for them to get along.
- Item 6 It is further my will that Dr. A. H. Ruer act as executor of this my last Will & Testament but he is not required to execute any bond as such. Given under my hand and seal this 9th day of July 1864 in the presence of of the following subscribing witnesses
- James R. Davis. (Seal)

A Test
 Will. V. Vance
 L. M. Ewing

Proven in open court by sworn of Will V. Vance

and L. M. Ewing subscribing witnesses and declared and adjudged by the Court to be the last Will and Testament of James R. Davis deceased and ordered to be recorded as such in the Book of Wills on this 4th day of August 1864
 A. H. Bullock cth

Last Will and Testament

of
 David J. Waterman Decd.

I David J. Waterman of the State of Tennessee Sullivan County do make and declare this to be my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me at any time made.

First I give and bequeath to my wife Letitia D. Waterman all of my real estate consisting of the farm on which we now live (say 3 or 4 acres) & a small tract which I bought from Carroll adjoining the above and a small tract part of the Brother Land which I bought from Mark T. Davis during her lifetime and then to be equally divided between the following six of my children viz: William R. Waterman Auntie C. Waterman Edward L. Waterman Carrie V. Waterman Mary E. Waterman and Samuel D. G. Waterman.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Susan D. Cartwright a colt not yet foaled of my mare Nell to be delivered when old enough to wear provided it does well if not then she is to have a colt next year.

Third I also give to her my daughter Susan D. one hundred dollars to be paid by my executor within two years after she enters on her executorship and as she (Susan D) is to receive her part earlier that is all I can afford to give her the six having to wait so long for their part.

Fourth After all of my debts are paid I give to my wife Letitia D. and and the six children named in item first all of my personal property.

Fifth If any of the six children named above