

Wills ordered to be recorded

The Last will of Joseph Latture Decd. Ordered to be recorded March 14, 1878.

In the name of God Amen, I Joseph Latture of the County of Sullivan and State of Tennessee being of very feeble health but of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this to be my last and only will in words and figures following (to wit):

In the first place I give my soul to God who gave it, and my body to the earth from whence it came to be buried in a plain simple site and all funeral expenses paid out of any means which may be on hand and all just debts paid if any.

In the 2^d place it is my will and desire that my beloved wife Sallie Latture shall remain in possession of the house as much as we are to day and that Nancy J. Latture and John A. Latture shall remain and live as we have been and that they treat her with all the kindness and respect and help to provide for her ample support the other Boys that is Jos. W. Latture and G. W. Latture must help to furnish their equal amount to make her comfortable and happy while she may live, Maggie R. Dutcher will be expected to stay with Sallie as long as she lives as one of the family.

In the 3^d place it is my will and desire that all my land be equally divided between my children Mary Agnes Latture now married and that her share after her death shall fall to her children Susanah A. Latture now Goden, James W. Latture, G. W. Latture, Nancy J. Latture and John A. Latture. If it is possible within the judgment of all my children and their husbands that the home place where I now live could be divided between my three sons if they should wish it you divide it equally between them including my share land & other parcels all my other lands that I own to be valued (all my land be valued) and divided as soon after the death of my brother James in accordance with a will made by my brother Thomas Latture giving me all his land and personal property (see the will and list of your goods) said lands embrace several tracts none of which is named in the will also money and cash notes on hand. And now lastly and all important

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part of this my will is in the first place I have my own undivided interest in the old homestead where my Brother James Latture lives also my brother Thomas interest and one half of another interest also I have the same interest in fifty one acres called the bottom place brother Thomas share like I have, one third interest the waddle tract some over 100 acres also my brothers interest two or three tracts and one half of the farm in Scott County Va. I have a small grant joining the Crutsinger place which can be attached to the home place. Nancy Jane Latture has never received her outfit neither has J. A. Latture If I should not live to have it done I want the other children to do it all my cash notes be collected if possible and the money equally divided all my personal property to be divided or sold if thought best my interest in the threshing machine Samuels tools or any thing else that can be divided and now in conclusion it is my great desire that my children shall all meet when I am dead and gone and as agree in love and harmony and divide my little effects amongst themselves without any order from Court &c I hereby appoint James W. Latture, George W. Latture & John A. Latture as executors of this my last will and Testament done with my own hand on this 30th day of October 1877.

Joseph Latture

P.S. You can call in your sisters and their husbands that is Jonathan Morrill & J. D. Goden to advise and assist in dividing my land &c.

Jos. Latture

After mature reflections I wish to insert an understanding between me and my wife that I would let her have \$150⁰⁰ out of the G.B. Bear's note there is yet Eighty five dollars behind and coming. And now I wish to change that the collection of that note to go into the division but for the use of my family. Done this 15th Jan 1878.

Joseph Latture

A legal writing of Joseph Latture pronounced in open Court by Mr. Morrill & J. D. Wolford & J. W. Latture, John A. Latture, and G. W. Latture, and the fact of being found among the valuable papers of the Deceased pronounced by J. W. Latture, John A. Latture and G. W. Latture on oath and the foregoing instrument ordered to be recorded as the last will & testament of Joseph Latture Decd. (By Reading) March 14, 1878.