

Last Will & Testament } Probated Aug. 19, 1897.
 of
 John H. Steffner, Decd. }

In the name of God, Amen.

I, John H. Steffner, a citizen of Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make, ordain and establish this as my last will and testament, and hereby revoke all former wills by me at any time made:-

First, I give my soul to God to be disposed of according to his good pleasure.

As to the goods and chattels, lands and tenements with which it has pleased God to bless me, I dispose of them as follows:

1st. I require my executor hereinafter named to pay all of my just debts and funeral expenses, as soon as he can do so out of any money I may have on hand at the time of my death, or that may first come into his hands out of the money due on my life insurance policy in the Express Aid Society, or by a sale of any of my personal estate that can be best spared by my family.

2. I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife M. H. Steffner all of my real and personal property of every kind and description, and in this is intended to be included my life insurance policy herein before named. This bequest and devise is made to her during her natural life with power to dispose of any part of the personal property that is necessary for her maintenance and support, and that of the children. At the death of my wife, the property devised to her, both personal and real, is by my will to be divided equally among all of my children. But if any one of my children should in the mean time have died, then the share such child ~~had~~ ^{would} have been entitled to under my will shall go to the child or children of the one having died.

3. - There is a lot of about one-fourth of an acre in East Bristol which I have a deed for which was purchased and paid for by Geo. H. Steffner and Charles R. Steffner, and I will and direct that this lot shall

be their property, the deed having been taken in my name as they were minors. This property is not intended to be included in the disposition of my property under section 2.

4. - I give to my son Charles R. Steffner my gold watch. I mean the watch ~~that~~ ^{which} John P. Steffner gave to me.

5. - Lastly, I nominate R. B. Mullins as executor of this my last will and testament, and request the County Court of Sullivan County not to require him to give any bond as executor with ~~security~~ ^{surety}, believing that he will fully and faithfully discharge the duties required of him, and carry out the provisions of my will.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and declare this to be my last will and testament. This 22 day of September, 1896.

Attest.

Geo. H. Brewer
 C. E. Allison

J. H. Steffner

Proven in open Court by the oaths of Geo. H. Brewer and C. E. Allison, subscribing witnesses to said will, on this the 19 day of August, 1897, and thereupon said will was adjudged and declared by the Court to be the last will and testament of the said John H. Steffner, decd., and ordered to be recorded in the Book of Wills.

J. M. Hair, Clerk.
 By S. H. Denny, D.C.