

Last Will & Testament
of
Lemuel M. Helms, dec'd. 3 Probated June Term, 1899

I Lemuel M. Helms of sound mind and disposing memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will & testament.

After all my funeral expenses are paid, I will and bequeath all my personal property of every description to my beloved wife Elizabeth.

And to my said wife Elizabeth and my daughter Anna Belle I will and bequeath the farm where I now live during the natural life of my said wife Elizabeth, said farm containing about 87 A. and is bounded on the E. by John Gotts Farm, on the S. by Jerry Pernis on N. by R. Helms and on the N. by Mrs. Hollister.

At the death of my said wife Elizabeth I will and bequeath all my personal property to my daughter Anna Belle, and my farm above described I will and bequeath to my three children equally, to be divided between the same, namely, Eliza Castle wife of John Castle, my son Mrs. Emory Helms and my youngest child Anna Belle Helms, my son James L. Helms having been previously provided for. I hereby will & bequeath they are Thomas L. Helms one dollar.

I hereby appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth sole executrix of this my last will without bond.

It is also my desire that my said wife shall be the guardian of my daughter Anna Belle.

In witness whereof I from this day signed my name in the presence of J. L. Pile and Sallie Bolton whom I have called and requested to witness the same. This 18th day of March 1896.

John L. Pile
Sallie M. Bolton
Lemuel M. Helms

State of Tennessee 3
Sullivan County 3 The foregoing written instrument found from in open Court by the Oaths

of John L. Pile and Sallie M. Bolton subscribing witnesses thereto, on this the 8th day of June, 1899, and thereupon said paper writing was adjudged a debt and decreed by the Court to be the last will & testament of Lemuel M. Helms dec'd, and ordered to be recorded in the Book of Wills.

Test:
Geo. R. Snow Clerk

Last Will & Testament
of
John Slaughter, dec'd. 3 Probated July Term, 1899
State of Tennessee, Sullivan County.

I John Slaughter of the County State aforesaid, residing in the 8th Civil Dist. being of sound and disposing mind yet weak in body, do make publish this my last will and testament revoking all others.

First: After my funeral expenses and all just debts are fully met, I hereby give and bequeath unto my dear beloved nephew, Wm. Neil the wife Elizabeth Neil all my real estate adjoining the lands of Gans, White, Hawley & Miller and further I give unto my dear beloved niece Louisa Rodgers daughter of Joseph and Mary Rodgers one cup board and its entire contents, one clock, and to my grand niece Eva Neil daughter of Wm. & Elizabeth Neil I give and bequeath one walnut chest.

I further appoint my dear beloved nephew Wm. Neil Executor of this my last will & testament in witness whereof I affix my name Aug. 2. 1898 in the presence of
J. M. Deacons
John Slaughter

State of Tennessee 3
County of Sullivan 3 Supplement
I hereby give unto my dear nephew John Slaughter of sound mind and disposing mind yet weak in body, do make and publish this additional last will and testament in addition to my former will to the effect that it is my will and desire that after my funeral expenses and all just debts are paid that my dear beloved nephew William Neil shall have all money now on hand or that may be due and owing to me, and that Louisa B. Rodgers my dear beloved niece shall have my hats and millinery, also one brass kettle.

All kitchen utensils, one wash kettle, 2 or 3 pot books one free stove one lot of crock & Hops one sofa, one lot of extra bed clothing, one or about 2 sitting & cooking glass, one small table & one dining table, one large chest and all & every other article whatsoever not heretofore listed or set out shall by this my last will be equally