

# Louisa E. Russel's Will

In the name of God Amen.  
I Louisa Elizabeth Russel of the County of Washington  
and State of Tennessee, being weak in body, but of sound  
mind and memory do make and ordain this my last  
Will and Testament.

First I give my soul to Almighty God who gave it to me,  
and my body to its mother Earth from whence it came.

2<sup>d</sup> I will and bequeath to my two children William  
Harvey Russel & Rebecca Jane Russel Three hundred and  
fifty dollars which I am now possessed of lawfully and  
in good notes so money is to be loaned out at Interest  
until they become of age or as each becomes of age and  
then it is to be equally divided between them.

3<sup>d</sup> I do nominate, constitute and appoint Robert H. Russel  
their lawful Guardian during their minority, and hereby  
give him full power to invest said money as he may deem  
best for the interest of my two children as named above.  
In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name  
and affixed my seal in the presence of these witnesses  
this the Eighteenth day of December in the year of our Lord  
One thousand eight hundred and sixty  
Witnesses present

Louisa E. Russel Seal

D.B. Barkley

<sup>bis</sup> William Fletcher

<sup>mark</sup> This fourty second day of November  
one thousand eight hundred and sixty  
A.D. the County Court of Washington County  
Tenn. for the County of Washington  
Court was present  
and was duly proven in open Court  
at the April Term of said Court by the Oaths of D.B. Barkley  
& William Fletcher the Subscribing Witnesses thereto  
& the same ordered to be recorded

April Term of said Court 1861.

J. A. Conley Clerk

# Robert Allison's Will

In the name of God Amen, I Robert Allison being of sound  
mind and disposing memory knowing that it is appointed unto  
all men to die after commanding my soul to God dispose of my  
worldly property in the following manner (To wit) To my beloved  
wife Mary and her four children namely Archibald Chester  
John George and Lydia I give my lands (viz) my old farm  
near Jonesborough called State Hill and the farm where  
Clark Hale now lives containing two hundred acres being an  
exchange for the John Bowman tract share and share alike  
To my daughter Mary Hale I give three hundred and twelve  
dollars with what interest may accrue on a note due from  
J.W. Allison from this time To my Daughter Martha Maxwell  
I give five hundred dollars To my Daughter Deborah Hughes  
I give seven hundred and fifty dollars To my wife Mary I  
give all the household furniture including bed and bedding  
together with all the Stock and farming utensils except one  
four horse wagon and two young horses which I give to my  
two sons Chester & John the large wagon that is here may be  
sold at private sale and the proceeds applied to the pay-  
ment of my debts my wife is to have the controll and pos-  
session of both farms during her natural life or widowhood  
my Rail Road Stock I give to my two youngest children George  
and Lydia Lastly I constitute and appoint my wife  
Mary and my son in law Henry Hughes my Executors to this  
my last Will and Testament Robert Allison Seal

Attest

George H. Range

J.P. Galloway

The foregoing Will was pres-  
ented to court and was duly proven in  
open Court at the April Term of 1861 of said  
Court by the Oaths of George H. Range & J.P. Galloway  
the Subscribing Witnesses thereto & the said Court or-  
dered to be recorded and the said Mary Allison now of the  
Executors appeared in open Court and said Mary & County ap-  
proved by the Court and qualified as the Law directs

J. A. Conley Clerk

Washington Co.

April 1<sup>st</sup> 1861 Wm. W. Hale

I Will present forthwith on this day in the  
County Court of Washington County to make probate of the above