

Register of  
Harmel Westbrooks

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen  
Forsyth County } Harmel Westbrook of said State  
and County of advanced age but  
of sound mind disposing mind & memory knowing  
that I must shortly depart this life deem it right  
and proper both as respect my family & myself  
that I should make a disposition of the property with  
which a kind Providence has blessed me  
I do therefore make this my last will and  
testament hereby revoking and annulling all  
others heretofore made.

First I desire and direct that my body be buried  
in a decent and Christian like manner & suitable  
to my circumstances and condition in life  
My Soul I trust shall return to rest in  
God who gave it as I hope for salvation  
through the merit and atonement of the  
blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

I desire and direct that all my just  
debts be paid without delay by my  
Executors hereinafter named and appoint

Secondly I give and bequeath and devise to  
my beloved wife Melena Westbrooks Lot  
No 1 of Land Number Eleven hundred and  
twenty six in the fourteenth district  
of the first section of Forsyth County  
containing forty acres with all the right  
members and appurtenances to said lot  
of land in any wise appertaining or belonging  
free from all charge or limitation but  
to her own proper use benefit &  
behalf forever with full power to dispose  
of the same by will or otherwise as she  
may deem proper I also give & bequeath

To my beloved wife in the same necessary manner  
the farming utensils used on any belonging to  
the farm on said lot of land, and all the stock  
of all kinds that I own and, all my  
House hold and kitchen furniture all  
without limitation or reserve

11<sup>th</sup>ly I give and bequeath and <sup>devise</sup> ~~bequeath~~ to  
my son Wily Westbrooks and to my daughter  
Catherine Maudlin and to my daughter  
Blandy A Smith one dollar to each of them  
in money I also give to the body heirs  
or the children of my 2 deceased daughters  
W. Fatum and Sally M. Payne one dollar to  
each set of children them to be equally divided  
between each family of children and to be  
paid by my Executors hereinafter naming  
out of the proceeds of my estate

12<sup>th</sup>ly I hereby constitute and appoint my  
wife Rebecca Westbrooks and my son  
Wily Westbrooks Executors and Executor  
of this my last will & testament.  
This March 9<sup>th</sup> 1867  
Samuel Westbrooks  
<sup>his</sup>  
<sub>mark</sub>

Signed sealed and published by Samuel  
Westbrooks as his last will & testament  
in the presence of us the undersigned  
who subscribed our names hereto in  
the presence of said testator at his  
special instance and request and  
in the presence of each other this  
March 9<sup>th</sup> 1867  
Jonah Woodliff  
Wm Smith  
P. J. ...  
W. Westbrooks

Probate of Saml Westbrooks  
Will

Georgia Forsyth Co. Before me came on the 4<sup>th</sup> of  
County ) May 1867

At Chambers; for the  
purpose of proving the last will & testament of  
Samuel Westbrooks dec'd;

Three of the witnesses  
Wm Smith, W R Westbrooks & Pyramus W Singleton  
and the will having been before this court  
brought before me for probate of the same  
by the said Wm Smith Pyramus W Singleton  
W R Westbrooks they depose & testify that  
they saw Samuel Westbrooks sign & publish  
the same as his last will & testament  
on the day & year above stated as executed  
by him that they witnessed the same at his  
request & in his presence and in the  
presence of each other that the same was  
voluntarily executed by him while he  
was of sound and disposing mind &  
and memory Wm Smith

Pyramus W Singleton  
W R Westbrooks

Sworn to & subscribed before me this  
1867 - Wm D Beatty Clerk

Ordered by the Court that the will  
as satisfactorily proven be in com-  
mon form be admitted to Record and  
that Mrs Rebecca Westbrooks the  
nominated executrix have leave  
to qualify W D Beatty Clerk

Oath

I Rebecca Westbrooks do solemnly swear  
that this writing contains the true last  
will and testament of Saml Westbrooks

So far as I know & believe and that I will  
well and truly demean myself as Executor  
of said decedent to the best of my ability &  
understanding and according to the statute  
of this State made and provided to help  
me God. Rebecca <sup>the</sup> ~~decedent~~ <sup>decedent's</sup> ~~estate~~ <sup>estate</sup>

Sworn to & subscribed before me this  
8<sup>th</sup> May 1867 W. D. Beatty, Clerk