

WILL OF JOSEPH WILLARD 1845

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JOSEPH WILLARD'S LAST WILL and TESTAMENT

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I **JOSEPH WILLARD** of Clark County in the State of Illinois Considering the uncertainty of time in this life do make and ordain this my last will and testament in the following manner and form, Viz.

I desire that all of my just debts and funeral Charges Be paid and discharged buy my Executors hereafter named ~ and that my personal property be divided in the following manner, to wit:

1st I give unto my daughter **MARY TAYOR** one Cow and Calf which she has had , one featherbed of the value thereof in other property which she may receive of my Executors.

2nd I give unto my daughter **SUSANA WELLS** one Cow and Calf and one featherbed & furniture which She has had already.

3rd I give unto my daughter **CLARKEY REYNOLDS** one featherbed and furniture which she has had also one Cow & Calf or the value thereof in other property.

4th I give unto my daughter **REBECCA COONROD** one Cow & Calf on featherbed & furniture which she has had.

5th I give unto my daughter **ELVA DAWSON** one featherbed which she has had also one Cow & Calf or the value in other property.

6th I give unto my daughter **MARGARET WILLARD** one featherbed and furniture of her choice also one Cow & Calf or the value thereof in other property, also one burrow, and for her to have Support off of the farm whereon I now live so long as she lives single also the use of all of the houses as will be needful so long as she lives single also six pewter plates all the pewter dishes & all the Tinn & Earthen wear that she bought one Iron pot one stew kettle one dutch oven on baking skillet one tea kettle one loom and all of the having's their unto belongings. My meaning is bread and meat sufficient for her overuse as long as she live single also one hoe & ax.

7th I give until my son **EXAM WILLARD sixty acres of land** of the west end of the quarter section I now live on that is the south east qtr. of section 36 in Town 9 North of R. 12 west also one Riffle gun which he has had and one featherbed which he has had.

8th I give unto my son **CYPRIAN WILLARD** Eighty dollars in property to be Raised out of my stock, also one featherbed which he has had also one Cow & Calf or the value in other stock and one pair of cart wheels.

9th I give unto my son **MARTIN WILLARD** all off the balance off the quarter section of land whereon I now live East of the line between him and **EXAM** running north & south one yoke of Cattle one Cow & Calf which he has got one featherbed and furniture which he has got one small riffle gun & one waggon if he will pay fifteen dollars for it. I gave the barn and fanning mill to my three sons for their own use and not to be removed.

Also it is my desire that my two houses and lots at **York and Martinsville** be rented one year for the express purpose of paying my just debts.

10th and lastly I give and desire that the remaining of my Estate be equally divided between my **six daughters and three sons** in whatever manner they may think best.

And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint **ROBERT REYNOLDS** and **EXAM WILLARD** my Executors to this my last will disannulling and Revoking all other wills by me made, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this **10th day of the third month in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and forty two.**

Signed Sealed by the testator
in presence of us:

JOSEPH WILLARD

ARMITAGE KENDERDINE
ROBERT BAILIFF

NOTE: JOSEPH WILLARD is the son of **MARTIN WILLARD** and **RACHEL DRAPER**. The **WILLARDS** were Quaker. **MARTIN WILLARD'S** parents were **JOHANN PETER "WILLIAR" WILLARD** and **MAGDALENA ELIZABETH SCHLIMM** who came to America in 1721 from Germany. **JOSEPH WILLARD** was a neighbor of **ROBERT BAILIFF** who witnessed his will.