

Date Will Written: 17-Oct-1846  
Date Will Recorded: 15-Jun-1854

**THOMAS BAILIFF JR WILL 1854**  
**Transcribed By: Ron Cornwell**

I **THOMAS BAILIFF** do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

1<sup>st</sup>. My will is that my funeral expenses and all of my just debts be paid out of the monies of which I may die possessed of or the first that shall come to the hands of my executor herein after named.

2<sup>nd</sup>. I will and bequeath to my daughter **ELIZABETH** and her heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

3<sup>rd</sup>. I give and bequeath to my daughter **REBECCA WILLY** and her heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

4<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my son **JOHN** and his heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

5<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my son **ROBERT** and his heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

6<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my son **THOMAS** and his heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

7<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter, daughter of my daughter **JANE** and her heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

8<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my daughter **NANCY** and her heirs forever the sum of five dollars.

9<sup>th</sup>. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife **MARY** during her natural life or widowhood all the balance of my personal estate together with the use and occupation of all my real estate. She shall have the right by will or otherwise to divide and give all the personal property and the proceeds whereof to my son **SAMUEL** and daughter **MARY** in such proportions and manner as she may choose, but in case she should marry then my will is that she take of my estate such portion as she would have done if I had died intestate and then the personal property given to her upon the contingency of her remaining my widow to be equally divided between my son **SAMUEL** and my daughter **MARY** equally except that part to which my wife will be entitled to by law.

10<sup>th</sup>. I give, bequeath and devise to my son **SAMUEL** and his heirs forever all of my real estate of which I may die died seized and possessed subject however to the life estate of my wife as before stated.

11<sup>th</sup>. I nominate and appoint my son **SAMUEL** to this my last will and testament given under my hand and seal the **17<sup>th</sup> day of October 1846.**

**THOS. BAILIFF [seal]**

We have subscribed our names as witnesses  
to the above will in the testators presences.

**JOHN B. GULLICK**  
**GEO. J. CLEMENTS**  
**JAMES STUART**  
**JOHN LAMBERSON**

**TENNESSEE**  
**SMITH COUNTY**  
**COUNTY COURT APRIL TERM 1854.**

This the last will and testament of **THOMAS BAILIFF** was produced in open court for probate and the execution thereof daily proven in open court by the oath of **JAMES STUART** and **JOHN LAMBERSON** subscribing witnesses thereto when in motion said last will and testament ordered to be filed and recorded. **W.V. R. HALLUM** Clerk.  
Recorded **15 June 1854.** See file 1853.

**SOURCE:** Will Bk C, Page 189, Smith County, Tennessee.

**NOTE:** This **THOMAS BAILIFF JR** will proves that **ROBERT BAILIFF** is his son.