

Will, GA, Greene, DAVID LOVE, 1798

In the name of God Amen.

I **DAVID LOVE** of the state of Georgia and Greene County, being wakened body but of sound, perfect, and disposing mind and memory blessed be God, do this 29th day of November in the year of Our Lord 1798 and in the 23rd year of our independence make & ordain this my last will and testament in Manner and form following:

Imprimis I give my body to the Earth from whence it was shaken to be buried decently at the discretion of my Hereafter named executors and my soul I give to God who gave it, trusting to the merits and suffering of Jesus Christ, my only Lord and Savior for its being accepted with him, hoping to be raised to life and immortality through the blood of my dear savior at the general Resurrection.

And as for my worldly property, both real and personal, I give, bequeath, and dispose of the same as follows, to wit:

FIRST I desire all my just debts be paid by my executors, and:

ITEM I give and bequeath to my **BELOVED** wife **JANE LOVE** three Negroes, ZACHARIAH, JOAN, and JANE. ZACHARIAH and JOAN to be set free when 7 years are completed and finished from the first day of next January. I lend my said wife also the use of all the household furniture with the following bequests deducted from it. I also give my said wife one mirror called Swankey, I also give my said wife and equal benefit of the cattle, sheep, and Hogs whilst she continues in my family or with my children. I also give my said wife her lifetime in or on this land and Plantation were on I now live but should she marry she is to remove out of this house wherein I now live and removed to the house called Watts old place and have that place during her life, but she is to have this Plantation and house 7 years whether she marry or not, and to have this house and Plantation her lifetime should she not marry and also to draw a full share her two field hands ZACH and JOAN.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my dear son **ROBERTUS LOVE** a negro man named CHARLES and his wife SYLVA and 500 acres of land in this County including the quarter and mill. Also a young Sorrel horse and whilst he lives single the use of the cattle and hogs on the plantation as one of the other children to support a pond and when he marries I give him six head of cattle, three of the best and three of the worst and 4 Hogs, not over to breeding sows among them, and one small still, and a bed, and furniture, and his equal dividend of the Sheep and his quota of the fruit and his brother Joseph has and him to still in company on both tracks of land, every hand on Blow plantations to draw one half share the other half to go to the support of their owners, themselves, the family.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my son **JOSEPHUS LOVE** a negro woman called HANNAH and her three children, and a negro man named PLEASANT and one iron gray filly came of a mare called Strumpet, and two tracts of land I purchased of **CHARLES BURKE**, the two tracts of land joins **WOODY KING**, and if I recollect right, all the land there which I give him in the sundry tracks contains about 447 Acres, which land is in this County and also joins Tygers place and the mill place. I also give him my large still, in the cattle, hogs, sheep I give him the same quantity and c. with his brother **ROBERTUS**. I also give him a bed and furniture.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **ACHEAN [ACHSAN] LOVE** 287½ acres of land on the north side of Big Creek in Washington County, which I purchase of **SHELMAN**, and one young mare called Pocahontas, her equal proportion of cattle sheep and hogs as they my sons have already given in this will to them, and one bed and furniture

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and three Negroes, to wit, NANCY and her son DOVER, and KATE also one small chest of drawers if safe at Augusta.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my daughter **VIRTUOUS LOVE** a tract of 300 acres of land in Washington County near that I have given to my daughter **ACHSAN** joining **HEMPHILL**. Also two Negroes, LYDIA and HORACE and if another young negro can be purchased out of this and the next crop then she is to have LYDIA's other child Betsy also won young mare named dough also a feather bed and furniture and her equal proportion of the cattle sheep Hogs has her other sister and brothers have given to them and out of this crop and the next a chest of drawers such as her sister has given to her.

ITEM I give and bequeath unto my son **BELOVED LOVE** this tract of land where on I live, when he should come with full age, only if my wife does not marry she is to have her living out of it, also Strumpets Philly which she left behind when she died. Also two Negroes AGG and JOYCE, also his equal for of cattle, sheep, and hogs has his brothers and sisters have given to them and a bed and furniture and my young stud horse KING TAMANEY. I allow to be kept and put two mares for three years and my son **ROBERTUS** has to have the prophets of the first year, **JOSEPHUS** the second, and **BELOVED** the third year, and should his character stand I allow him to be kept the force year and the profit given to my son **FRIEND OVID LOVE** and I allow him to be sold at the end of the third or fourth year and his price to be equally divided among the four Sons aforesaid.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my daughter **CHASTE EASTHER** a tract of land in the Apalachee Fork Appalachian in this County, conveyed to me by William Darnell and **WILLIAM HOUGHTON** the end of the land that belonged to **HOUGHTON**, containing 230 Acres I give to my daughter aforesaid. I also give my said daughter **C. EASTHER** a small negro boy named GREENE and one is to be purchased equal to the value, or over for her also, also a young filly called Swankey's Colt and an equal part of the cattle, sheep, and with her brothers and sisters, as I have given to them. Also a bed and furniture and a chest of drawers such as her sister **ACHSAN** has given to her.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my daughter **ALLEBIJAH LOVE** 230 acres of land in the county in the Apalachee Fork, it being the other part of the land I gave her sister **CHASTE EASTHER** and the end I got of or belonging to **WILLIAM DANIELL** also a negro girl named DYKO and Splendor's yearling and Ginger's yearling colts. Also a feather bed and furniture, and an equal part of the cattle, sheep, and hogs with her other brothers and sisters as they have been given to them. Also a chest of drawers equal to the one I have given to her other sisters.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my son **FRIEND OVID LOVE** 287 and 1/2 acres of land joining I live on betwixt this and **BALDWIN**'s and one negro boy named **THOMAS** and one other negro boy called ZADOCK and a mare Pigeon and a three-year-old filly and a bed and Furniture in an equal share as his brothers and sisters have given to them of cattle, sheep, and Hogs. Also one lot in Greensborough.

ITEM I give and bequeath to my cousin **DAVID LOVE**, who now lives with me, 100 acres of land in this County, surveyed by **GEORGE PHILLIPS** and joins **WILLIAM PHILLIPS** of Virginia, also whatever his crop lacks of making \$100 shall be made up to that some for him to purchase him a saddle and clothing. Also a mare named Ginger.

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ITEM all my lands in North Carolina I allow to be sold by my son **ROBERTUS**, as soon as is convenient, for the best price that he can get for the same and the monies or Negroes or whatever may be gotten for the same to be equally divided amongst all my children, my son **ROBERTUS** first having 15% commission for his trouble of selling and making of titles & c.

ITEM all my lands and horses, not given away to any person in this will, I allow to be sold, to wit: the lands in the state, accepting the following horses which I allow for crop horses, to wit; Dragon, Jack, Slockum, Brazell, Patenia and sorrels filly and allow the monies arising from the sale of my said property to be equally divided among my children. And it may be sold either at public or private sale, as my executive orders may choose.

ITEM I give and bequeath my smith's tools to my son **BELOVED LOVE**.

ITEM my will and desire is that my son **ROBERTUS**, or some one of my executors, should go to the state of Virginia and get my audited claims or certificates, which shall be divided amongst all my children after my son **ROBERTUS** has, or whatever executor does the business, allow them, my executor or executors, have to employ and authorize an agent to do the business for them, shall have deducted 15% commissions for their trouble. The claims are in the hands of **JOHN B. SCOTT**.

ITEM I allow to Negroes, Sunday and Nan, who are given two no person to be kept in the family and whoever has the over-right of them to receive one quarter share for each.

ITEM the monies that may be coming to my children under age, from their half share of the labor of the Negroes left them or that may be coming to them from the above-mentioned sales of property & c. I allow to be put to interest for them or laid out in lands until they come of age. And should any of my children disease or die without lawful heirs, their legacy which I have left them I allowed to be equally divided among the survivors.

And lastly I nominate, constitute and appoint my beloved wife **JANE LOVE**, executrix and my son's **ROBERTUS LOVE** and **JOSEPHUS LOVE** executors of this my last will and testament, to act in all respects as executrix and executor and Trust to have this my will and testament properly executed and to have recorded a fair inventory of my property of every kind and the sales they may make to have entered on a record also honest, and to pay all my just debts and Legacies punctually as they become due. And not only to watch over and take care of the property I have given to my younger children, but to watch over and take care to cultivate in their minds good morals and honesty, with lawful industry and the fear of God, which is the beginning of wisdom and the sure road to respect and happiness here and Felicity here after. And I do hereby nullifying make void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made and ratify this and no other to be my last will and testament.

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Witness my hand and seal the above date two fat 29th of November 1798.

DAVID LOVE {seal}

Signed, sealed, and pronounced in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other

WILLIAM PHILLIPS
DAVID PATILLO
CURTIS KING

Greene County
Register of probate office 5th of January 1799

Appeared **DAVID PATILLO** and **CURTIS KING** and being sward sworn agreeably to law on the holy evangelists of almighty God, deposes that they saw Colonel **DAVID LOVE**, deceased, sign, seal, publish, and declare this within an instrument of writing to be his last will and testament, and that to the best of their knowledge, and belief, he was of sound and perfect and disposing mind and memory at the time of his signing and sealing of the same. And that in his presence, and at his request and in the presence of each other they signed the same as witnesses. And further that **WILLIAM PHILLIPS** signs the same with them as a concurring evidence.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, R. P.

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