

## Henry Shirley's will

Be it remembered that I Henry Shirley of the County of Orange and State of Indiana, being weak in body but of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this mortal life but in hopes of a blessed immortality and triumphant Resurrection through Jesus Christ.

Do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say First of my personal property or goods and chattles I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Cathrine Shirley such articles as may be most convenient of which I may die possessed, and it is my will that if any of the above property should remain at the Death of my wife Cathrine Shirley aforesaid that the avails thereof shall be equally divided among my Children hereafter named and that the residue and the remainder of my personal Estate goods and Chattles shall be sold as soon after my Death as convenient or prudent, and my beloved wife Cathrine Shirley as aforesaid shall have the third of the avails of the sale of such property and the residue shall be equally divided among my Children, to wit George Shirley, Garsett Shirley, Henry Brasie, heirs of Ann Brasie formerly Ann Shirley, Margared Hartzel formerly Margaret Shirley, Cathrine Christy formerly Cathrine Shirley, John Westly Shirley, Susana Shirley Harriet Shirley. Secondly my Real Estate I give and bequeath in manner following that is to say I will and bequeath to Henry Brasie the East half of the south east quarter of section No. Eight in Township No. two North of Range one west, also the west half of the North west quarter of section No. nine Township No. two North of Range one west. I also will and bequeath to Henry Brasie my scholarship in the Indiana Asbury university. I will and bequeath to Surana Shirley, the East half of the North East quarter of section <sup>No.</sup> nine in Township No. two North of Range No. one west also the North half of the North East quarter of section No. nine same Town and Range. I will and bequeath to Harriett Shirley the East half of the North west quarter of section No. ten in same Town and Range also seventy acres in the East half of the south west quarter and thirty acres in the west half running the full length of the quarter North and South long the line for quantity in south west quarter section <sup>No.</sup> ten same Range and Town. Second my real Estate give and bequeath in manner following that is to say First I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Cathrine Shirley for her own use and benefit all my lands in orange County and State of Indiana being a part of the Real Estate to have and to hold the same together with the appurtenances appertinances rents interest and profits unto my beloved wife Cathrine Shirley her Natural life - it is my will that at the death of my wife all the Real Estate above described in the County of orange and State of Indiana as aforesaid with all its appurtenances be sold and if deemed most expedient or advantageous <sup>by executor</sup> hereinafter named on a credit of at least twelve months the purchaser giving bond and good security, and the proceeds arising therefrom shall be equally divided among all my Children as above named, it is also my wish that

John Westley Shirley shall have one hundred dollars to be paid by Executors to make him equal with the others in his share in the land, it is also my will that Cathrine Christy formerly Cathrine shall have the North East quarter of the North East quarter of section No. Thirteen in Township No. three North of Range No. fourteen west lands entered at the land office at Palestine Illinois it is also my will that all my lands in the County of Martin be sold as soon after my death as convenient and the avails be divided among my Children above named, it is also my will that my Daughter Susana Shirley shall have one horse two Cows one bed and furniture four Sheep or their value in money, it is also my wish that my Daughter Harriett Shirley shall have one horse saddle and bridle two Cows four Sheep one Bed and furniture or their value in money, And I do hereby appoint Andrew Wilson & George Shirley Executors of this my last will and testament hereby rescoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven

Henry Shirley *Seal*

Theodore Stackhouse - Thomas S. Wilson

State of Indiana Orange County S.S.

I do solemnly swear that I heard Henry Shirley declare the within writing to be his last will and testament, and that I signed my name as a witness thereto in his presence, and that I believe he was of full age and of sound mind and memory and not under coercion or restraint at the time of his making the above declaration signed Theodore Stackhouse subscribed and sworn to before me the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January A. 1848 Jeremiah Wilson Clerk of the Probate Court of said County in witness of which I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at Paoli the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1848

Jeremiah Wilson Clerk  
by A. M. Black L.C.

The State of Indiana Orange County S.S.

I Jeremiah Wilson Clerk of the Probate Court of Orange County do certify that the above will was duly admitted to Probate before me, and that a full and complete record of said will and proofs, examination of the witness by whom the same was proved have been duly recorded, and that said will was proved by Theodore Stackhouse, that the said will is recorded in record of wills designated by the letter A. on page 140.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court at Paoli the 4<sup>th</sup> day of January 1848

Jeremiah Wilson Clerk  
by A. M. Black Sept.