

**Will of William Meredith, Adair County, KY**

In the name of God, amen. I, William Meredith, of the county of Adair and commonwealth of Kentucky, being at this time of sound mind and memory, do hereby constitute and make this my last will as follows (to wit).

In the first place, it is my will & desire that my body should be deposited in a Christian manner and that my soul return in peace to God who gave in hope of a glorious resurrection.

In the second place, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Rebecah Meredith, all of my perishable property, such as horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, to make use of and to support on as usual together with all my household furniture. I also give to my son, Daniel, ten dollars and also a book called the Arminian Magazine. My lands are all ready disposed of.

In the third place it is my desire that my son in law, Fielding Bratcher, take care of us as long as we live, using the stock as occasion may require for support, and after the death of the said Rebeckah Meredith should she be the longest liver, the residue of the property, if any, to remain and rest with our caretaker after paying what is left to Daniel Meredith.

In the fourth place, the wearing apparel is at [?] the discretion of my wife, Rebecah Meredith.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the nineteenth of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty four. n.b. I have given all my children something prior to this will, except my son Daniel, for which reason they are excluded from this will.

Witnesses present:

James Rippetto [?]  
John Adams

William Merideth

Adair County [?] county court, April term, 1825. The within writing was this day produced in court and partly proven by the oath of John Adams to be the last will and testament of William Meredith, decd. May term, 1825, of said court, fully proven by the oath of James Rippet to to be the last will and testament of said William Meredith decd. , and ordered to be recorded.

Robert Hodges [Hodgen?]