

Burlington County, New Jersey

Will of Sarah (Cloud) Reeves

(1775 – 1848)

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Names listed with relationship or function as indicated in the document
(surnames in parentheses are married names of females):

Anna Lorine Hellerman, granddaughter
Sarah Elizabeth Stoy, granddaughter
George F. Reeves, son
Sarah Ann Hellerman, daughter
Elizabeth C. Matlack, daughter
Mary Ann Rue, daughter
Elenora Stoy, daughter
Joseph Reeves, son
John Reeves, son (deceased)
William C. Reeves, grandson (son of John)
Daniel S. Reeves, grandson (son of John)
John R. Reeves, grandson (son of John)
Matthew McHenry, witness
Allen Wells, witness
Thomas J. Sutter, witness
John F. Moore, Surrogate

The following was transcribed from a microfilm (record number 15889C, Burlington County) of the will recorded in the New Jersey State Archives, Trenton, will book H, page 149, County of Burlington. This transcription is rendered as accurately as possible, including any misspellings.

Sarah Reeves

Received May 23 A.D. 1853 and recorded in Book H Page 149 of wills in the Surrogates office of the County of Burlington

John F. Moore

Surrogate

In the name of God Amen. I, Sarah Reeves of the Township of northampton the County of Burlington State of New Jersey being of sound and disposing mind and memory, and considering this transitory life Do for avoiding controversies after my deceace, make and publish, declare this my last Will and testament in the following manner (that is to say) After my ^funeral^ expenses be paid, ^Item 1st,^ I give and bequeath to my beloved grand Daughter Anna Lorine Hellerman my China Tea sett consisting of 12 cups 12 saucers 1 sugar bowl 1 cream cup 1 slop bowl also six of my best silver Tea spoons marked I.S.R. and one striped bed quilt and one pair milled Blankets Item 2nd I give to my grand Daughter Sarah Elizabeth Stoy one chince curtain Calico bed quilt also one red and green coverlet. Item 3rd I give to my beloved son George F. Reeves two hundred dollars, one bed, one pair milled Blankets, one coverlet, one bedstead, and one Mahogany framed Looking Glass. Item 4th I give to my four Daughters Sarah Ann Hellerman, Elizabeth C. Matlack, Mary Ann Rue, and Elenora Stoy, all my wearing apparell to be equally divided between them share and share alike Item 5th I give to my son Joseph Reeves my nine silver Table spoons, six silver Tea spoons, one large silver ladle, two Goose feather beds, one hens feather bed with all the remaining household and Kitchen furniture and also all monies, and other effects, not otherwise bequeath Item 6th I give to my beloved Grand Children William C. Reeves, Daniel S. Reeves, and John R. Reeves, children of my sone John Reeves late of the state of Ohio deceased All my right title and share of Dower in one hundred and six Acres of Land (Farm) situated Near Bittincy in the County of Butler State of Ohio the same being Recorded in the office at Hamilton and to be equally divided between my three Grand Sons as afforsaid William C. Reeves, Daniel S. Reeves, and John R. Reeves, share and share alike. It is my will and I do hereby make, constitute, and appoint, my son Joseph Reeves Executor to this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I Sarah Reeves the Testator written on one sheet paper sett my hand and seal this ninth day of February A. D. one thousand eight Hundred and Forty nine (1849)

Signed, Sealed published and declard
by the above named Sarah Reeves as for
her last will and testament in the presents us
who at her request and in her present have
subscribed our names as witness hereunto

her
Sarah X Reeves
mark

N.R. the words Item 1st and funeral being
interlined before signed

[signed] Matthew McHenry
[signed] Allen Wells

It is my will that in case of the
decease of my son Joseph Reeves
without lawful heirs that the portion

[signed] Thomas J. Sutter

in will to go to my son George F
Reeves his brother

State of New Jersey Burlington County S.S. ~~Joseph Reeves Executor~~ Thomas J. Sutter one of the witnesses to the within will alleging himself to be conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath & being duly affirmed according to law doth declare ^say^ [?] the Said Sarah Reeves the testatrix therein named sign & seal the same and heard her publish pronounce & declare the within writing to be her last will & testament, and that at the doing thereof the ^testatrix^ was of sound & disposing mind & memory as far as this affirmant knows & he verily believes and that Matthew McHenry & Allen Will the other Subscribing evidences, were present ^at the same time^ and signed their names as witnesses to the said will together with this affirmant in the presence of the said testatrix

Affirmed & Subscribed at Mount

Holly County & State aforesaid May

[signed] Thomas J Sutter

23rd A D 1853 Before me

[signed] John F Moore Surrogate

State of New Jersey Burlington County SS. Joseph Reeves the Executor in the within testament named being duly Sworn according to law doth depose and say that the within instrument contains the true last will & testament of Sarah Reeves the Testatrix therein named, So far as he knows & as he verily believes; that he will well & truly perform the Same by paying first the debts of the said deceased & then the legacies in the Said testament Specifull, So far as the goods Chattels & credits of the Said deceased can thereunto extend; and that he will make & exhibit or cause to be exhibited unto the Prerogative office at Trenton a true & perfect inventory of all & Singular the goods Chattels & credits of the said deceased, that have or shall come to his knowledge [smeared] possession or to the possession of any other person or persons for his use, & under a just & true account when thereunto lawfully acquired

Sworn & Subscribed at Mount

[signed] Jos Reeves

Holly County & State aforesaid

May 23rd AD 1853 before me

[signed] John F Moore

Surrogate