

WILL OF THOMAS CROSBY (1751-1791)

In the Name of God Amen: I, Thomas Crosby, of Chester County in the State of South Carolina, being weak of body but of perfect memory do constitute this my Last Will and Testament, and I Desire it may be Received by all as Such: first, I most humbly Bequeath my Soul to almighty God, Beseaching his most gracious acceptance to take me to Himself into that peace and rest incomparable felicity who has prepared for all that Love and fear his holy name, Amen, blessed by God I give my Body to Earth from whence it was taken, in full assurance of its Resurrection from thence at the Last day as for my Burial, I desire it may be Decent, at the Discretion of my Dear wife, and my Executors hereafter named, who I doubt not will manage it with all Requisite prudence and as for such Worldly Goods wherewith it has pleased God to Bless me, I give and Dispose of in the following manner,

First, I lend my Wife Margaret Crosby during her Life or Widowhood The plantation where I now live and two negroes named Limbrick, and Table and one feather bed and furniture and all my stock of horses, Cattle and Sheep and Hogs, and at her Death or marriage to be Equally Divided among all my Children, Except the Land which is to be mentioned hereafter. I give and Bequeath to William Malven and to his heirs and assigns fifty acres of land Where he now lives on the Waters of Bever Creek; I give and Bequeath to my sons Dennis Crosby and Thomas Crosby one tract of Land on the Waters of Bever Creek containing three hundred acres to be Equally Divided in two parts by a line and Each one to have an equal part and to Dennis one Negro named Will and to Thomas one negro named Amey; I give and Bequeath to my Daughter Nancy Crosby one Negro named Sylvia, and one Feather Bed and Furniture. I Give to my Daughter Margaret Crosby one negro named Fanny and one feather Bed and Furniture.

I Give to my son John Crosby one hundred and fifty acres of Land Lying on a Branch of Brushy Fork and one negro named Zekel. I Give and Bequeath to my Sons Stephen Crosby and Allin Crosby this tract of land containing three hundred acres where I now live on Broad River, at their mother's Death or marriage, to be equally Divided by a Line from the River out to the Back Line. I Give to my son Stephen one negro named Moses and to my son Allin one negro named Patty. I Give to my Daughter Mary Crosby one negro named Rachel and one Feather Bed and Furniture; I do constitute and appoint my Trusty and well beloved wife, Margaret Crosby, and my Son Dennis, to be Executors of this my Last Will and testament, and Revoking all other wills by me made, do confirm this to be my last Will and testament, in Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this third day of March 1791:

Signed: Thomas Crosby

Signed, sealed and pronounced in presence of
Richard Cox
William Crosby
Elizabeth Vaughan

Will Book A, Chester County, SC
Will Book (Journal Book) A, pages 46, 47

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Also see Deed Book V, pages 247-258 ? 247-248 ? 257,258 concerning John Crosby.