

WILL OF REUBEN HARRISON

South Carolina  
Fairfield District  
IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN

I, Reuben Harrison of the State and District aforesaid, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament.

In consideration of the care and attention bestowed on me by my wife, Nancy Harrison, I give and bequeath unto my said wife the four following negro slaves, namely, Harry, and his wife, Maria, and their two children Letty and Peggy, with their increase of the females, also my riding horse, for her use and behoof for and during her natural life only. These slaves I give in addition to what I settled on her in our marriage contract. From and after the death of my wife the slaves given to her above in this will, and the future increase of the females are to return to my son David Harrison, his heirs or assigns forever.

As I have already given to my three children, names Kirkland Harrison, Francis Brevard, and David Harrison, all that I ever intended for their share or part of my estate except the revision in those negroes above mentioned, they are to have no part in my present property or Estate. The remainder of my estate that I have not already given off I wish divided as follows: That is to say, To the children of William Harrison, for their sole use and benefit, on Seventh part To John Harrison, on Seventh part, to the children of Willoughby Harrison, one Seventh part, share and share alike. To James Harrison on Seventh part, to my Daughter Nancy Rochelle, the wife of Anderson Rochelle, on seventh part And to my Daughter Mary Moores the wife of Charles Moores, one seventh part. But I wish it distinctly understood that my son David is to keep and remain in quiet possession of all my negroes. Horses and mules, except those given my wife, until he has paid the last dollar for the land he purchased of John J. Mic'kle. And I hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my son David Harrison as the Sole Executor of this my last will and Testament. Revoking all other wills and Testaments whatsoever.

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In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of March A.D. one thousand eight hundred and thirty five. The name William interlined before signed. Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the said Reuben Harrison to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who AT his request in his presence and that of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereunto.

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                                  John R. Ruchanan, O.F.D.  
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Jos. Mickle  
Josiah B. Furman  
James W. Rochelle

Note: From Whitaker Notes of Beaumont, Texas: <sup>Surveys</sup>  
Reuben H. Harrison, married Sarah Burge or ~~Gardner~~, they migrated from Va. to S.C.  
Issue: Richard, William H., James, Willoughby, Kirkland, David, John,  
Nancy married Rochelle, Frances married Brevard, Mary married Charles Moores

Reuben Harrison was buried at his homeplace near Longtown, S.C., later moved to Presbyterian Church ground.

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This letter was written on September 10, 1875 from Eli Hunt Harrison and Martha Batte Adams Harrison to: Mary Douglas (she later married Wm. H.H. Moores and helped him raise his children). Mary Douglas was an aunt to Eli Harrison and a sister to Elizabeth Fleming Douglas (Capt. Eli Harrison's wife of S.C.)

Texarkana, Texas  
Sept. 10, 1875