

Catharine, a daughter of Michael and Catharine Stump, was born in VA October 22, 1741 and died in Hardy County VA (WV). Her will was dated March 16, 1816 and was presented in Court in Hardy County April 9, 1816. She died on March 31, 1816 and is buried in the Brake Cemetery, Brake (Unincorporated), WV.

Will of Catharine (Stump) Brake.

"In the name of God, Amen. I Catherine Brake of the County of Hardy being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and disposing memory for which I thank God, and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with, I give and bequeath the same in manner following, that is to say--"1st -- I desire that all the perishable part of my estate be immediately sold after my decease and out of the monies arising therefrom all my just debts and funeral expense, be paid. Should the perishable part of my property prove insufficient for the above purposes, then I desire that my Executors hereafter mentioned pay the same out of my bonded estate. "2nd -- After the payment of Debts and funeral expenses I give the balance of my Estate, real and personal of whatever kind it may be to my son Michael Brake to him and his heirs Executors administrators and assigns forever. That it may not be misunderstood, it is not the wish of me Catherine Brake, that the balance of children shall have any part of my estate real or personal as they have not had any trouble in maintaining me since the Death of my husband Jacob Brake -- and my son Michael Brake has been holy at the expence of nurcing me in my last sickness. "And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my friend Jones Green and Michael Brake, Executors of my last will and testament hereby revoking all other or former wills or testaments by me heretofore made.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this (16) Sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord (one thousand eight hundred and Sixteen) 1816.

"Sealed, delivered published and declared as and for the last will and testament of the above named Catharine Brake, in the presence of us.

her
Catherine X Brake
mark

Caroline A. Williams
Christina Pancake
Nancy B. Green

