

**Will of Samuel Freeman
Signed March 8, 1796**

In the name of God amen—I Samuel Freeman of the State of North Carolina and Surry County being in perfect sense and memory blessed be God for the same but calling to remembrance that all men are mortal and not knowing when it shall please God to call me do make constitute and ordain this my last will and Testament in the manner and form following:

First I give my Soul to God who gave it to me, my Body to the Earth, in sure and firm hopes of the Resurrection to be buried in a Christian decent like manner by my Executors hereafter named.

Item*--I give to my well beloved wife Elizabeth Freeman all the Lands, and Tenements, negroes, and their increase, and goods, and chattels, I am now or shall die (), or of after payment of all just debts, during her natural life or widowhood.

Item*--I bequeath to my daughter Rachel Early 20 shillings in money.

Item*--I give to Nancy Huett fifteen pounds in money.

Item*--I bequeath to Nancy Badjett, my daughter and wife of James Badjett, one hundred pounds to be discharged in property.

Item*--I give and bequeath to my daughter Rachel Early's children, namely, Asa, and Lion, Sarah and Elizabeth, the one half of my Lands and Tenements, the remainder of my whole Estate upon or after the decease of my beloved wife Elizabeth Freeman shall be equally divided between my three sons Joshua Freeman, James Freeman, and Aron Freeman.

Item*--I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Elizabeth and my son Joshua Freeman and Jacob Shepherd Executors of this my last will and Testament.

Signed, sealed and delivered this Eight Day of March 1796.

In presents of us

Edward Smith
Mordicai Richards
Chas. Isbell

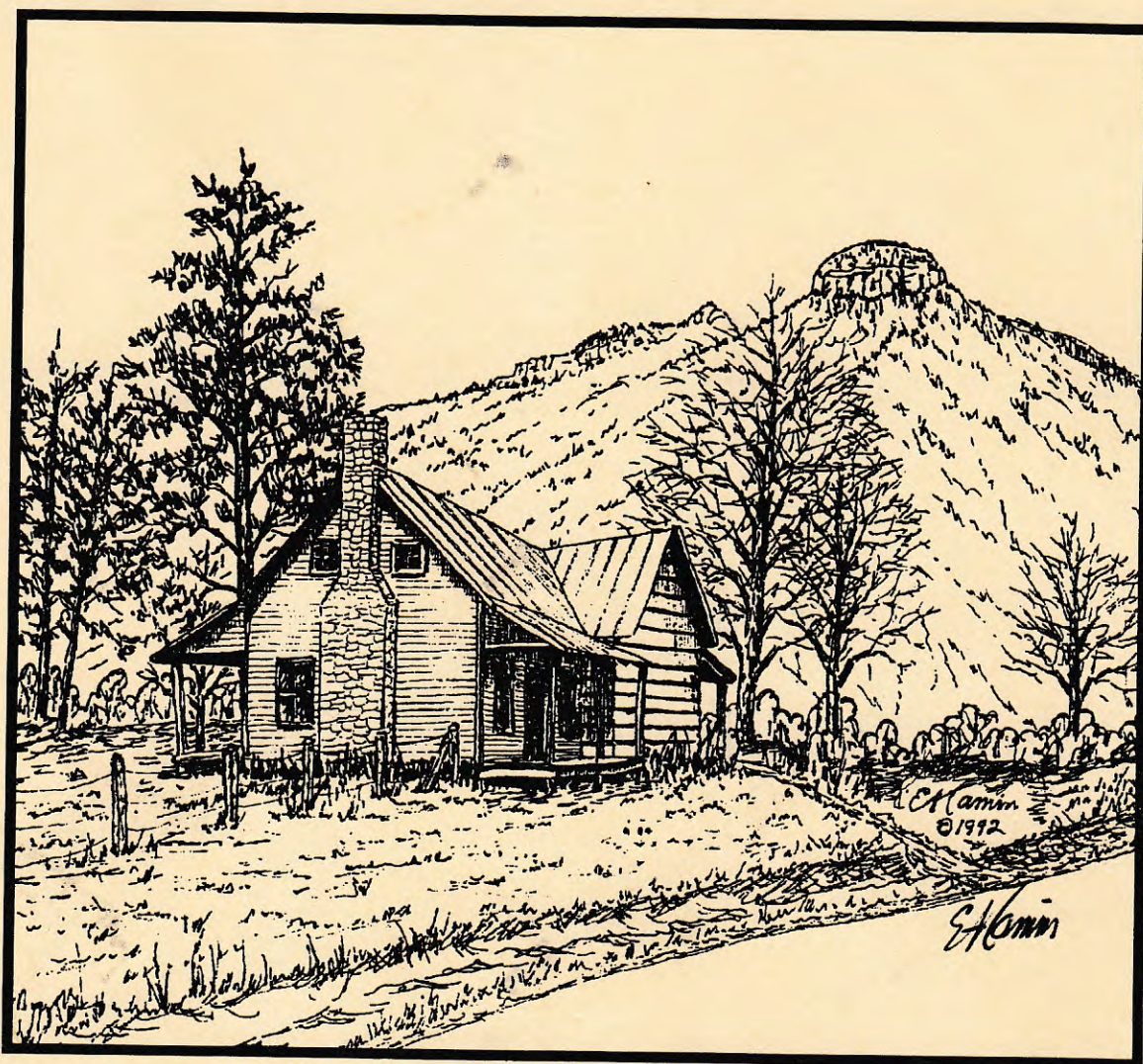
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