Will of Joseph Allen and more Joseph Allen details

HISTORICAL COLLECTION OF GA. CHAPTER, DAR, VOL III. JOSEPH ALLEN'S WILL, 1833

Sources: Will of Joseph Allen, Will Bk. 1830-1835, Elbert Co. Ga. Probate Court

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Ancestral File #AF92102194 Frances Sowell Edgemon (DAR Application, Nat. #510775, Descendant of Rhoda Allen and William B . Cox).

## Ken's note:

This will is written 29 Oct 1830 and Rhoda Allen married William B. Cox 9 Nov 1830 in Elbert Co. GA..

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Will of Joseph Allen, Will Bk. 1830-1835, pg. 247 and Will Bk. L, pg. 126.

In the name of God, Amen, I Joseph Allen, of the State of Georgia, County of Elbert, being far advanced in years, and feeling the effects of decling mortality, though perfectly sound of mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament as follows: that is to say first of all I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to dust from whence it was taken, to be buried in a Christian like manner at the discretion of my herein after named Executors, and as to my worldly estate where with it has pleased God to bless me, I dispose of as follows; 1st to each of my beloved children I give and bequeath the sum of one dollar that is Joseph Allen, Jr., William Allen, James Allen, John Allen, Elizabeth Head, Betsy Reed, Nancy Couch, Rhoda Allen, Sarah **Kelly and Polly Blair**, to be paid out of the proceeds of my personal estate as my said Executors shall think proper to dispose of for that purpose outofit also it is my will that all my just debts and funeral expenses be first paid as soon as the law will authorize such arrangements after my death, 2nd to my beloved wife Agnes Allen, I give and bequeath all my estate both real and personal during her lifetime or during she remains my widow, if she should marry again, it is my will all my perisable property to be divided amongst my children. 3rd, it is my will that after the death of my beloved wife Agnes Allen, it is my will that my four sons Joseph Allen, Jr., William Allen, James Allen and John Allen, the land I am prospered of which lands it is my will shall be equally divided amongst my sons above mentioned . 4th, it is my will that my beloved wife Agnes Allen shall give to my five children William Allen, James Allen, John Allen, Nancy Couch, **Rody Allen** their part of my estate as she sees proper to do. 5th, it is my will that my son James Allen should have \$50 to be paid trade after my death as it was willed to him by his Grandfather Patterson. 6th, it is my will for my beloved wife Agnes Allen to have the use of the interest three hundred dollars that I have in the hands of William White of this county. It is my will for said wife to have the use of said money to buy her a slave for her own benefit and it is my will that she should have the use of that as long as she remains my widow and of her death to be equally divided amongst my children. It is my will for either of my four sons to have the use of clearing or tending any part of my said lands as

they see proper, not interupting my said wife's possession. Lastly, I do hereby revoke and make void all other wills by me made and declare this only my last will and testament. I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my trusty friends Williamson Clark and William Bower executors to this will to execute the same agreeably to the tenor thereof. In testimony, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the 29th day of October, 1830. Signed, sealed and acknowledged in presents of Henry Duncan Nancy Hendry X Joseph Allen Recorded the 9th day of May 1833, Wm. B. Nelms, C.C.O.

Estate sale of JOSEPH ALLEN, SR., dec'd, 05th September 1833, Elbert Co. (People who bought property at the sale) James Allen, Samuel Karr, Edy Holdbrook, Agnes Allen, Thomas Patterson, Wiley B. Brown, Edmond Allen, Nimrod Patterson, William Page, Edward Cason, Thomas Haynes, Thomas Stanton, John Kelly, Martin Moss, Henry Duncan, Eppy White, William P. Reed, John Smith, Jr., Charles Hendry, Andrew Patterson.

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Various deeds in Elbert Co., GA.. Superior Court.

Revolutionary War Record,

JOSEPH ALLEN, 3rd Co. of the Ga. A. Battalion commanded by Capt. William McIntosh. (from 01 Jan-31 Dec 1782 and 09 June, 1783-04 Nov., 1783.

JOSEPH ALLEN, Lt., 2nd Batt. for one year 1793 from GA., Military Records 1779-1839, p. 19 from Original Vol. on file at GA. Dept. of Archives & History, Atlanta, Georgia.

County of Elbert in 2ndBatt., 21 Oct., 1797, JOSEPH ALLEN, Ex. Minutes 1797-1798, p. 7-8, appointed Lieutenant by the Governor. NOTE: JOSEPH ALLEN reported he was born in Virginia. There are several different theories as to his parentage and his exact place of birth. He is reputed to be the brother to William, Beverly and Reuben Allen of Elbert Co., and possibly brothers Nathaniel and Benjamin. Some believe Joseph is the son of one BENJAMIN ALLEN of Spotsylvania Co. Va., then another JOSEPH ALLEN of Spotsylvania Co. and finally another theory is DANIEL ALLEN of Prince Edward Co. Va. JOSEPH ALLEN was a member of Holly Springs Baptist Church, in the Coldwater Community, Elbert Co. Accepted into membership by letter. He was a member of Vans Creek Church, received by experience on 09 Oct., 1801 prior to Holly Springs. The present day church site is on the county line adjoining Hart Co. His place of burial is unknown, but probably at the old church site about a 1/4 mile away. Land Warrant, County of Wilkes, surveyed by Samuel Creswell to JOSEP HALLEN, a tract of land containing 200 ac. in said county on Coldwater Creek, on his own Headright, 9th day if August 1784. (Photocopy of original document, GA. Archives, Atlanta). (Note: Sold land to Franklin Cunningham, 07 Feb. 1785, 200 ac. On Coldwater Creek, Wilkes Co. Also James Allen to Franklin Cunningham, 200ac. on Coldwater Creek for 10 pounds sterling, adj. Nicholas Long, org. grant 1785 to said Allin, John Cunningham. Robert Ross, Test). Land Warrant, County of Wilkes, surveyed by Samuel Creswell to JOSEP HALLEN, a tract of land containing 200 ac. in said county, in lieu of an old warrant of Salley

Shackleford, 6th day of March 1785. (Photocopy of original document, GA. Archives, Atlanta). Tax Digest of Wilkes Co., GA: JOSEPH ALLEN, 1785 Dist. DDD-Capt. Nail's Dist. (Note: Capt. Nail's Dist. DDD was reduced in size by giving up some residents with some from Capt. Ragland's Dist. Nathaniel Allen was in Capt. Ragland's Dist. in 1785.Reuben Allen was in Capt. Nail's Dist. DDD, Wilkes Co. 1785, 4 names from Joseph Allen). JOSEPH ALLEN, Wilkes Co., GA. 1786-Dist. BBB- Capt. Pullom's Dist. (Note: No other Allens were mentioned in 1785 or 1786). JOSEPH ALLEN, 1787, Wilkes Co., GA. Dist. CCC- Capt. Kidd's Dist. (Note: Reuben Allen was in same district, 2 names from Joseph Allen). JOSEPH ALLEN, Wilkes Co., GA., Dist DDD, Capt. Bailey's Dist. (Note: No Allens are mentioned in this district except Joseph). JOSEPH ALLEN drew lands through the 1821 Land Lottery, Elbert Co., GA. 1827-Muscogee Co., Lots #52 &24; granted 06 October 1827. " " - Troupe Co., Lots #41 & 3; granted 04 July 1829.

(G.R., 353.6 GA. Surveyor GA., General Dept) (G.R., 369, p. 261; Agnes Allen, widow RS, draws (2) land. John, orphan of JOSEPH ALLEN, draws land 1)

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Sources: Marriage records of Elbert Co. Ga.

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Possible brothers of Joseph Allen: 1. Beverly Anthony Allen, b. 1757 Spotsylvania Co., VA.; d. Jan. 1816 Logan Co., KY., m. 12 Fe b 1786 to Anna Singletary. 2. Reuben Allen, b. abt. 1754 Spotsylvania Co., VA., d. bef. 17 Aug 1812Logan Co., KY., m. Elizabeth Hendricks? 3. Nathaniel Allen, b. 1750 Spotsylvania Co., VA., d. 1812 Elbert Co., GA. m. 17 Aug. 1778, Permilia Hudson 4. Benjamin Allen, b. abt. 1750, Spotsylvania Co., VA., m. 24 Apr. 1777Cussias Chambers; 29 J an. 1781 Elizabeth Hudson. 5. Wiliam Allen, b. 1756 VA., m. 1) Miss Carter; 2) Nancy Wathall; 3) Sara Keys. 6. James Allen

Rhoda ALLEN, *Birth:* 1812 in Elbert County, Georgia, *Death:* AFT. 1870 in Benton Co., MS.

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