

Daughter of Thomas Watkins Sr referred to in his will as **Mary Yancy**. Other Yancy's acquired items at his Estate Sale. **Zachariah Yancy, Absalom Yancy (son of Charles ?), Absalom Yancy Sr, Thornton Yancy Jr**

Thomas Watkins Senior Last Will and Testament written on Nov. 9, 1805 and recorded Feb. 13, 1809
Mecklenburg County Virginia

located at Library of Virginia Microfilm Reel 24, Will Book 6, page 150, 151, 152 (His wife Elizabeth had already died)

*In the name of God Amen this ninth day of November in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight hundred and five I **Thomas Watkins** of the County of Mecklenburg and state of Virginia being weak and sick in body but yet of sound and perfect mind and memory and knowin it is once appointed for all men to die, do make ordain and constitute this my last will and Testament in manner and form following.*

Very First I recommend my soul to God who gave it and my body to the earth from whence it came to be buried in a decent christian like manner and Touching such worldly Estate as where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and despose of the same in manner & form following:

Item. It is my will and desire that all my Just debts and Funeral charges be first paid and satisfied.

*Item. I lend unto **Elenor Watkins** widdow of my son **Thomas Watkins dec'd** The Tract of Land where on she now resides during her natural life as widdowhood the land bounded as followeth.*

Very beginning at Walnut Tree just below the mill House doore thence a direct line to a red Oak in the church yard at the road thence along the road to Greenwoods line thence along Greenwoods line to Culbreaths line thence along Culbreaths line to Kaleys line at the mill pound Creek thence down the creek of the Pond to the begining at the walnut Tree below the Mill Door containing about Two hundred and Twenty five acres be the same more or less.

*Item I give and bequeath unto **Thomas Watkins, William Watkins & Geo. Watkins** sons of my son **Thomas Watkins dec'd** the tract of Land & improvements heretofore lent to **their Mother Elenor Watkins** Containing two hundred and twenty five acres be the same more or less to them & their heirs forever.*

*Item I give & bequeath unto my son **George Watkins** the sum of fifteen shilling current money of Virginia to be raised and levied out of my Estate to him and his heirs forever.*

Item I give and bequeath unto *Elizabeth Watkins* one bay mare Called *Bonny* & her three Colts together with their future Increase also I give to said *Elizabeth* one negro woman named *Dolly*, one cow and calf and three feather bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever.

Item give & bequeath unto my son *Joseph Watkins* one negro man slave named *Roger* also I give unto my said son Joseph The Tract of Land whereon I now reside, Containing Two hundred and Twenty five acres be the same more or less and bounded as follows

Very begining at a Walnut Tree just below the mill house door thence a direct line to a red oak in the church yard on the road thence along said main Road to Greenwoods line thence along said line to Graves line thence alon Graves line to Joseph Watkins own line thence along his line to Kalys line thence to the mill pond creek thence down the pond creek on the s'd side to the walnut tree on the north side of the Mill Tail including the mill and one acre of Land on the south side of the creek to said Joseph and his heirs and assigns forever.

Item. It is my desire that all the balance of my Estate very mainly negroes *Philis, Andrew, Rhoda, Abraham & Willie* negro slaves and all the balance of my Stock of Horses Cattle sheep & hogs household and kitchen furniture be set up and sold at Public sale to the Higest bidder at Twelve months credit and money arising from the sale of such property after pay my Just Debts to be Equally Divided between

Mary Yancy, Elizabeth Watkins, Nancy Hayes (wife of Strake Hayes) Jany Knight, Susanna Baynes and Sally Hunt to them and their heirs forever.

Lastly I constitute and appoint my two friends *Captain James Hunt* and *John Gregory* Executors to this my last will and Testament revoking and annulling all other Wills & Testaments heretofore made by me

I Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal the day & year first above written

Thomas his mark *Watkins* (seal)

Signed Sealed acknowledged &

delivered in presence of

John P. Finch

William Clarke

John Culbreath

William Culbreath

At a court held for Mecklenburg county the 13th day of Februar 1809

*The last will and Testament of **Thomas Watkins sen** was proved by the oaths of William Clarke and John Culbreath witness thereto and ordered to be recorded; and James Hunt and John Gregory the Executors therein named refused to take upon themselves the burthen of the execution thereof; an the motion of Robert Williamson who made oath and together with Edwar Jones and Joseph N. Meredith his securities entered into and acknowledged their Bond in the penalty of Fifty thousand Dollars as the law directs Certificate was granted him for obtaining Letters of administration on the said Decedants Estate with his will annexed in due form*

Teste W Baskervill Court

Curator

Account of the sales of the **estate of Thomas Watkins Senr** deceased the 25th day
February 1809 Robert Williamson admin

Colonists counted their money by the English system of pounds, shillings, and pence — twelve pence (pennies) per shilling, and twenty shillings per pound.

	Items British sold for pound-shilling-pence
Michael Tarwater	1 pair iron Traces (used with horse cart)
William Hendrick Jun.	1 pr. Iron Wedge
	5 large Shoats (a young pig)
Zachariah Yancy	1 pole ax (an ax having a hammer face opposite the blade)
John Haly	one pole ax
William Culbreath	3 hilling Hoes
	1 bull
Edward Jones	2 plough hoes
	1 Basket
Robert Glascok	1 large pot and hooks
Banister Gregry	1 pot and Hooks
John P. Finch	1 spice mortar & Pestle (spice grinder)
Joseph Watkins	1 coffee mill (wheel or crank coffee grinder)
	1 Dutch oven (usually cast iron) cooking pot
	1 Loom 4/ 1 (used to weave cloth)
	Cupboard 4/ (wooden storage cabinet)
	1 negro woman Rhoda 42 pounds 18 shillings
Joseph Tally	1 frying pan
	1 oven
Thomas Greenwood	1 brass skillitt

Anderson Pottypool	1 Saddle	
	2 Ea & 1 coffee pot	
Edward Tillotson	1 wire lifter	
Morgan Sparks	1 pr. Stutyards	
	1 candle mould	
Thomas Peck	1 Cotton Wheel and (weaving) Cards (for spinning thread or yarn)	
Absalom Yancy (son of Charles ?)	1 head hoe	
	10 Geese	
	1 Looking Glass	
Robert Greenwood	2 pr. Shears	
John Watkins	1 Stack Oats	
Elizabeth Watkins	1 flax Hackle (used with spinning wheel)	
	1 Chest 3/ 1 Negro man Andrew	140 pounds 5 shillings
William Morris	1 Sow and 4 Pigs	
Spencer L. Vaughn	1st Choice Sow & pigs	
	1 ^ ^	
Absalom Yancy Sen	1 bay mare	15 pounds 1 shilling
	1 Cow and yearling	3 pounds
Fred Dyson	1 cow	
Mark Wilson	1 yearling	
Sally Jackson	22 bacon	
Miles Watkins	1 Bed & furniture	9 pounds
Thornton Yancy Jr	1 Jug 4/6 1 Stack 12/2	
Alexander Overby	5 Barrels ? at 12/1	
	5 ^ ^ @ 13/1	
	3 ^ ^ @ 13/1	
	100 P. Pork	
Hance Hendrick	2 flax Wheels (used with spinning wheel)	
Eleanor Watkins	220 tobacco @ 15/	
Brown Avory	1 negro boy Abraham	61 pounds 16 shillings
Jarriot Avory	1 negro boy Wyllie	69 pounds
	1 negro Woman Phillis	42 pounds 6 shillings
Isaac Pinson	1 Stack fodder (dried hay or feed, for cattle and other livestock)	

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Account of the sales of the estate of Thomas Watkins Senr deceased the 35th day
February 1809 Robert Williamson auctioneer

Michael Tomwater Dr	To 1 pair Iron Traces L	13	1	..	..	13	1
William Hendrick Senr Dr	To 1 pair Iron Traces	5					
	5 large Shovels	2	2			3	7
Zachariah Yancy Dr	To 1 pole ax	5				5	
John Haly Dr	To one pole ax	4	6				
	2 Hays	9	6			14	
William Culbreath Dr	To 3 hitting Hoes	5	1				
	1 bull	2	9			14	1
Edward Jones Dr	To 2 plough hoes	4	2				
"	1 Basket	1	6			5	8
Robert Glascoth Dr	To 1 large pot and hooks	14	6			14	6
Banister Gregory Dr	To 1 pot and Hooks	12	6			12	6
John P. French Dr	To 1 Spice Mortar & Pestle	3	9			3	9
Joseph Watkins Dr	To 1 coffee mill	8				8	9
	1 Dutch oven	2					
	1 Linn 4/ 1 Supboard 4/	10					
	1 negro Woman Rhoda	42	18			43	18
Joseph Tully Dr	To 1 frying pan	2	3				
	1 Oven and Nicks	7	6			9	9
Thomas Greenwood Senr Dr	To 1 Brass Skillett	18				18	
Anderson Pittypool Dr	To 1 Saddle	1					
	3 Ea & 1 Coffee pot	3				4	
Edward Tillotson Dr	To 1 wire Sifter	6				6	
Morgan Sparks Dr	To 1 pair Shutters	9					
	1 bundle moulds	3	10			13	10
Thomas Reeb Dr	To 1 bottom Wheel and bands	2	4			2	4
Abraham Yancy	(Charles to 1 tract Hoe	3	6				
	10 Geese	1					
	1 Looking Glass	3	2			5	8
Robert Greenwood Dr	To 2 pair Shovels	2				2	
John Watkins Dr	To 1 Stack Cots	1	12			13	8
Elizabeth Watkins Dr	To 1 flax Hackle	12				12	
	1 Chest 3/ 1 Negro man Andrew	140	5			140	17
William Morris Dr	To 1 Sow and 6 Pigs	1	10			1	10
Spencer S. Vaughan Dr	To 1 st choice Sow & pigs	3	2				
	1 do do	1	10			3	12
Abraham Yancy Senr Dr	To 1 bay mare	15	1				
	1 cow and yearling	3				18	1
Frederick Dym Dr	To 1 cow	1	4			1	4
Mark Wilson Dr	To 1 mare						

Gully Jackson Dr To 22 nd Bacon		14		11
Miles Watkins Dr To 1 Bed & furniture		9	—	9
Thornston Young Jr Dr To 1 Aug 4/6 1 Stack 12/2		16	8	16 8
Abraham Overby Dr To 5 Bams bar at 12/1		3	—	5
5 do do @ 13/1		3	5	5
3 do do @ 13/1		1	19	3
100 th P Book		2	3	3
Hance Hendrick Dr To 2 floor Wheels		—	1	6
Elena Watkins Dr To 220 th To lucco @ 15/		1	13	—
Brown Avery Dr To 1 negro boy Abraham		61	16	—
Curriot Avery Dr To 1 negro boy Myllie		69	—	—
1 negro Woman Phillis		42	6	—
Isaac Person Dr To 1 Stack fodder		1	—	4
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				23 17 8

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 William Bushnell & cur.

Watkins
Thomas
of Sales
A list of the amount of Sales of Thomas Watkins decd
as returned by Robert Williamson adm^r of said decedent
1809 this 5th day of November 1810.

July 25. Michael Tammie	L - 13 1	Elizabeth Watkins	140 17 "
William Hendrick jr	2 8 5	William Morris	1 10 "
Zachariah Yancey	" 5 1	Spencer & Vaughan	3 12 "
William Gubbins	" 11 1	Abraham Yancey jr	15 1 "
John Haley	" 11 "	Frederick Brown	1 6 "
Edward Jones	" 5 8	Mark Wilson	" 14 "
Robert Glascock jr	" 16 10	Sally Jackson	" 16 6 "
Samuel Gregory	" 12 6	Charles Watkins	9 " "
John P Finch	" 3 9	Alexander Dwyer	13 15 "
Joseph Watkins	43 18 "	Thomson Yancey Jun	" 16 8 "
Joseph Talley	" 9 9	Elin Watkins	1 13 "
Thomas Greenwood	" 15 "	Benson & Janet Smith	173 2 "
Anderson Pileford	" 1 "	Isaac Pinson	1 0 6 "
Edward Tildon	" 6 "	Ex	424 3 6 "
William M Sparks	" 12 10	By the Administration	154 17 1 7/2
Abraham Yancey son of E. last	1 5 8	By Court expenses this day	269 6 1 1/2
Robert Greenwood	" 2 "		11 3 "
John Watkins	1 12 -		768 16 10 1/2

In Audience before the Court of Mecklenburg Court bearing date July Court 1810
We have examined dated and settled the Estate of the said Thomas Watkins
decd with the administrator and find the balance as above. Given under our
hands this 5th day of Nov 1810

Jos Turner
John Davis
Archibald Blair

