

- (4) Mildred Snodgrass, m. Burley Campbell. Children: Cecil and Clarence.
- (5) Nellie Jeanette Snodgrass, b. Feb. 19, 1917; m. Aug. 3, 1938, Kermit Haze Pendleton, b. Aug. 10, 1906, son of Grover C. and Mary Belle (Lucas) Pendleton. Children: Charles Clayton, Garry Lee, Dwight Sammie, Joan Elizabeth, and Sharon Jean. (See the Pendleton family.)
- (6) Glen Snodgrass, m. Treva Quinley. Children: James, Daryl, Mitchell, Charles Ray, Glenda, Dan.
- (7) Ray Snodgrass, died in infancy.
- (8) Rex Snodgrass, m. Anne Garrett, and have one son, Jeffrey.
- (9) Flora Snodgrass. No children.

GREEVER

The name is spelled "Griever" in the first records found, later the name appears as "Greever."

Philip Griever, the founder of the branch of the family in southwestern Virginia, was born in Holland, November 2, 1745, emigrated to the American Colonies, and shortly thereafter came to southwestern Virginia, where he was living prior to the Revolution. He was a private in the war and, according to tradition, he fired the first gun and shot a Tory at the Battle of King's Mountain, October 7, 1780. "The rifle is now (1927) owned by Mrs. E.L. Greever, who is a direct descendant of Philip Greever, who owns and occupies the beautiful farm where he lived and died at Chilhowie, Smyth County, Virginia. She is the daughter of the late General James S. Greever and wife of E.L. Greever." (*Political History of Appalachian Virginia, 1776-1827*, by William C. Pendleton.)

Philip Grever (Greever, Griever) acquired a large grant of land in Washington County, Virginia, lying on the waters of the Middle fork of Holston River, adjoining Thompson's patented tract, 3 July 1785, and when Smyth County was formed this fell within the boundary of the new county, 1832, two years after the death of Philip. His settlement was where the town of Chilhowie, incorporated, 1913, now stands. When the railroad came the town was called Greever's Switch, later changed to Chilhowie. According to his will, he acquired a large landed estate which he devised by the terms of his will to his many heirs.

Will of Philip Griever Senr.

In the Name of God Amen. I Philip Griever Senr. of the County of Washington and State of Virginia, being sound in mind but weak in body and yet blessed with 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 has pleased God to bless me with—I give and bequeath in the following manner.

First I commend my soul to God, who gave it existence; and my body to the earth from whence it came, to be buried in a decent manner. 2d. I desire all my just debts to be paid and also my funeral expenses discharged.

3d. I give and bequeath to my wife Margaret Griever, the plantation on which I now reside, also one bed, bedsted and its furniture, two cows, two horses, and two pair horse gears with all the other necessary utensils required for ploughing, also my negro man named Cooper, and my negro woman named Sarah, all of which property she is to have for and enduring her natural life.

4th. I will and bequeath unto my son Valentine Griever four hundred dollars, also to my daughter Sally, wife of Harvey Keys four hundred dollars, also to my daughter Margaret wife of Henry Hennigar three hundred dollars, also to my daughter Elizabeth wife of William Hennigar one dollar, also to my daughter Molly wife of Jacob Hennigar one dollar, also to my son Abraham Griever one dollar.

5th. I will and bequeath unto Mary Hennigar one bed bedsted and its furniture, two cows and the plantation that Conrad Hennigar departed this life on, for said tract of land, I made the said Mary Hennigar a title, and took her title bond binding her to make to her son Hiram a title to the same tract of land, I also direct that the said Hiram shall on or before the day on which a title is made to him for said tract of land, pay one hundred & fifty dollars to my estate which shall be devised as shall be hereafter mentioned, also to her daughter Catherine wife of John Keys I give four hundred dollars, also to her daughter Jinny wife of John Winn four hundred dollars, also to her daughter Elizabeth wife of Hennigar two hundred dollars.

6th. I also desire that provided my wife Margaret should prove to be dissatisfied with the provision already made for her, that she shall in that case be entitled to the one third part of my estate for and enduring her natural life.

7th. And after her decease, I will and bequeath unto William Griever son of Mary Hennigar the whole of the plantation on which I now reside, and direct that he the said William for and in consideration of the same shall pay over to my estate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars. I further more give unto the said William Griever one mare, saddle and bridle, and one rifle gun which I have already given unto him. Also to Anny daughter of Mary Hennigar I give four hundred dollars, one cow, one bed and its sufficient clothing. I also desire that my wife Margaret shall have my desk & bookcase and a chest of drawers enduring her natural life, and after her decease give the aforesaid desk and bookcase and chest of drawers to William Griever son of Mary Hennigar, also to Hiram A. Griever son of Mary Hennigar I give one horse to be worth not less than eighty dollars nor more than one hundred, also one good saddle & bridle.

8th. Should the days of my daughter Molly be longer in this world than her husband Jacob Hennigar. I give unto her two hundred dollars.

9th. I also give unto my son Philip Griever the plantation in Burks garden (Tazewell County) formerly the plantation of Abraham Griever by him paying unto my other heirs (above named) the sum of five hundred dollars; and should my son Philip be unable to make the payment of the aforesaid five hundred dollars as I have devised in that case I desire that the said tract of land shall be sold by my executors hereafter mentioned and they pay unto my son Philip out of the monies arising from the sale of said land five hundred dollars, and immediately after my decease I desire that all the perishable part of my estate (not heretofore bequeathed) be sold at one years credit and the monies arising from the sale of said property to be equally divided between my wife Margaret and all her children and Mary Hennigar and all her children and immediately after the decease of my wife Margaret I desire that all the property bequeathed unto her heretofore shall be sold at one years credit and the monies arising from said sale to be equally divided between the before mentioned children of my wife Margaret and Mary Hennigar and all her children, and also the money that Hiram A. Griever is to pay for his land on the receipt of his title, and the money that William Griever is to pay for his land to be equally divided in like manner. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint Capt. John Clark, and Dickson Hutton Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other former Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In Witness whereof I do hereby set my hand and affix my seal this 25th day of March 1830.

Philip (X) Griever L.S.

Signed Sealed & acknowledged in presence of John Snodgrass, William Jamison, William Love

At a Court continued and held for Washington County the 21st day of April 1830.

The last Will and Testament of Philip Griever Senr. deceased was exhibited in Court and proved by the oath of John Snodgrass, William Jamison & William Love the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded. And on the motion of John Clark & Dickson Hutton the Executors therein named who took the oath of an executor prescribed by

law and entered into & acknowledged their bond in the sum of Two thousand dollars with Charles C. Johnston, Nickerson Sneed, John Snodgrass, John Hutton, Harold Sanders, William Sanders, William Griever, George M. Crawford and Hiram A. Griever their securities conditioned as the law directs. A certificate is therefore granted them for the probat of the said Will in due form.

Teste: Jacob Lynch, D.

MEMORANDUM

Not being satisfied with the provision made for me by the Will of my husband Philip Griever deceased, I hereby declare in accordance with the 26th Section of the act entitled "An act reducing into one the several acts concerning wills, the distribution of intestate estates, and the duty of executors and administrators." That I will not take or accept the provision made for me by said Will or any part thereof, and I hereby renounce the benefit which I might claim by the said Will. Given under my hand and seal this 12th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

Margaret (X) Griever L

Executed in the presence of
Joel Hubble, John Hamison

At a Court continued and held for Washington County the 21st day of April 1830.

This Instrument of writing under the hand & seal of Margaret Griever widow of Philip Griever Senr. decd. renouncing the provision made for her by the Will of said Philip decd was proved in Court by the oath of Joel Hubble & John Jamison the subscribing witnesses thereto to be the act and deed of said Margaret and ordered to be recorded.

Teste: Jacob Lynch, D

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MARRIAGES

Valentine Grever and Sarah Reeves, June 2, 1795, by Nicholas Regan.

Philip Griever and Margaret Haytor, August 28, 1800.

Jacob Henniger and Polly Griever, March 19, 1795, by Nicholas Reagon.

William Hannager (Hennigar) and Elizabeth Griever, August 10, 1797, Charles Hardy.

Abraham Griever married Phebe _____. On 17 October 1809, Abraham Griever and Phebe conveyed 130 acres of land in Washington County Virginia to Adam Collup for \$500. Deed Book 4, Page 233.



Robinson

Picture # 115
Robinson Coat of Arms