

**James<sup>4</sup> Rucker** (Mordecai<sup>3</sup>, William<sup>2</sup>, Peter<sup>1</sup>), b. ca 1772, Amelia Co., VA, d. by 6 Nov 1837, McMinn Co., TN; m. Mary Wheeler (sister of Stacy Wheeler, wife of his brother, Elliott<sup>4</sup>). He lived for a while in Spartanburg Co., SC, and Rutherford Co., TN, before moving to McMinn Co., TN, building his home on Mouse Creek, seven miles west of Athens.

James Rucker died before 6 Nov 1837 leaving a widow, Mary, William Rucker, administrator. Will Book B, p.270, Dec 1837, land lying on Mouse Creek. Will Book D, p.20, 1 Feb. 1842, Sett. by Adm; receipts for equal amounts from heirs: widow MARY RUCKER, JESSE, J. E., JOHN, and MORDECAI RUCKER, JAMES GRESHAM, MATILDA WITT, JAMES A. BATES, and MARGARET RUCKER adminx. of son WILFORD RUCKER, dec'd. (Note: In the request for widow's support, the widow was named Sarah and Mary in the same document. In all the inventories, she was called the 'Widow Rucker.')

Estate of James Rucker, Dec'd (from McMinn Co., TN Will Book D, p.20), submitted by Joan A. McNair, Newport Beach, CA, 2001:

*William Rucker, administrator of the Estate of James Rucker, dec'd came to the Offices of the County Clerk and made settlement as the law directs in Will Book C, p.190. Said administrator stands charged with the following amount (to wit) \$1858.05. Said administrator produces the following receipts for which he claims a credit (to wit):*

*Receipt from Jesse Rucker Heir \$206.45*

*Rec'd from J. E. Rucker Heir for 206.45*

*Rec'd from Mary Rucker widow & Heir for 206.45*

*Receipt from James Gresham Heir 206.45*

*Receipt from Matilda Witt Heir 206.45*

*Receipt from John Rucker Heir 206.45*

*Receipt from Mordicai Rucker Heir 206.45*

*We do certify and believe that Wilford Rucker*

*did in his lifetime secure on a written agreement*

*between him and William Rucker, Administrator of 206.45*

*James Rucker, Dec'd two hundred & six dollars 45 cents*

*The \_\_\_\_ day of February 1842*

*James A. Bate }*

*Margaret Rucker} Admins*

*\_\_\_\_\_ Rucker (Couldn't read)*

8 Oct 1839, John Rucker, Mordecai Rucker, James E. Rucker, Jesse Rucker, Joseph Witt and Matilda Witt, James Gresham and Emily Gresham sold to William Rucker all of the estate of James Rucker Sr., deceased, 480 acres, McMinn Co., TN (D. B. G, p.424, McMinn Co., TN; in Wood, p.270—the date and the acreage is wrong).

(This work on James<sup>4</sup> Rucker was submitted by Jeannie Brydon, 18 May, 2011.)