

The Last Will and Testament Of Thomas Pope of Avebury dated 1602



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Will Dated 10th March 1602?
Buried at Avebury St. James

Testator:	Pope	Thomas	Husbandman
Executors:			
Pope	Alce	Wife	Joint Executor
Pope	Thomas	Son	Joint Executor
Overseers:			
Baldwine	John		
Peart	John	Clerk	
Pope	John		
Trustees:			

Beneficiaries		Relationship to Testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
			Lady Church of Sarum Church of Avebury
(not given)	Constance	Sister	
(not given)	Esabell	Sister	
(not given)	Jone	Sister	
(not named)			Shepherd
Browne	Catherne		Servant
Pope	Alce	Wife	
Pope	James	Son	Under age of 21 years
Pope	Richard	Second Son	Under age of 21 years
Pope	Thomas	Son	
Skuse	Edith		Daughter of John & Maude
Skuse	John	Son-In-Law	
Skuse	Maude	Daughter	
Slie	Thomas		
Tayler	Richard		
Witnesses			
Other Names			
Bruer	Richard		Of Harnishe

Skuse	John		
Skuse	Maude		

In the name of God Ame[n] I Thomas Pope of Avebury w[i]th in the countie of Wilts Husbandman being sicke in bodie, but of p[er]fect minde and memorie gode holie name be thanks for it Doe make this my last will & testam[en]t in name & forme as followeth that is to saie firste I bequeath my Soule unto almightlie god & my bodie to the earth

Imprimis I give bequeath unto our Ladie church of Sarum vjd

I[mprimis] I give unto the church of Avebury vs

I[mprimis] I give unto Richard Pope my second sonne xxx sheep to be delivered at Michaelmas next by the directio[n] of my overseers

I[mprimis] I give unto him one heyford of two years old, one steare bullocke of one yeare old, one little coffer, one flocke bed furnished, one brasse pottle two platters two porringers one weaneling steare going at hyghway and one scoule of bees also it is my will that the houshold stufte shalbe delivered at one twentie yeares and the rest at michaelmas as is a fore said

I[mprimis] I give unto James my sonne as is above said xxx sheepe

[mprimis] I give more unto him two bullocks, one blacke heyfer bullocke of three yeares old & the other of one yeare old, and one flocke bed furnished one brasse pott two plattes two porringers, one little coffer to be delivered as is a fore said

Also it is my will that yt either of my sonnes above named shall depart this life before the age of one & twentie years that then his whole legacie shall remaine unto the survivor

mprimis] I give more unto James my sonne x sheepe or the price that is a greed vxx or the w[hi]ch sheepe be in the hands of Richard Bruer of Harnishe the price is vij^s a peece

I[mprimis] I give unto him more one heyford weanelinge calfe yung at hyghway also I give unto him more that is to saie one scoule of bees and one greatchest standing in the loaste[?]

I[mprimis] I give unto my two sonnes above named duringe the terme of my lease at Highw[ay] fower pounds of Lawfull english monye yearely to be paide & equeallie to be divided betweene the to be paid

I said at the feast of the annciatio[n] of our blessed Ladie the virgine Marie at one ovel payment Also it is my will that yf the saide som of fower pounds be byhinde & unpayde in parte or in whole at the said above named or w[i]thin one month after being [?] fullie demanded & noe payment thereof made that the yt shalle lawfull for my twoe sonnes a bond named in to the said lease [?] and the same to have honte & occupye & inioye to ther owne xpence use or uses duringe the tearme ther of also I give unto my twoe sonnes Ric[har]d & James the inclosure that I have taken & paide for my sonne in lawe John Skuse duringe the tearme of two yeares wyntlie to be used betweene the lasly I give unto my two sonnes above named one acer of wheate and one acer of barlie apeece to be delivered at the death of my wife or at the daie of her mariage w[hi]ch ever of the cometh firste Item I give unto my daughter Maude Skuse one brasse pott & one browne cowe the w[hi]ch nowe is in their owne keeping

I[mprimis] I give unto my sonne in lawe John Skuse yt that he oweth me Item I give unto Edith Skuse his daught[er] x^l of lawfull english monye the w[hi]ch ten pounds is in her fathers hands John Skuse the w[hi]ch some of monye shalbe delivered over unto her owne proper use by the devise of my ov[e]rseers to eayse her a floocke at the age of seven yeares Item I give unto Maude my daughter one scomb of bees

I[mprimis] I give unto John Skuse my sonne in lawe three akers of wheate growing in the field of Mannton in furlong called newland

I[mprimis] I give unto devie god childe that have one busshell of barlie a yeare

I[mprimis] I give unto every poore bodie w[i]thin the p[a]ish of Avebury one bussell of barlie apeece

I[mprimis] I give unto Catherne Browne my servant one good ewe and one good lambe to be delivered at michaelmas next insuring the dat of the pr[e]sente

I[mprimis] I give unto my shepperd that now is one chilver lambe further more I give unto Thomas my sonne one malte mile one yatinge stooone and also I give unto him the whole use & comdaite of my yarde landes called warwicks duringe the whole tearme of yeares

I[mprimis] I give unto my three sisters Esabell Constance and Jone two busshells of barlie apeece

I[mprimis] I give unto Richard Tayler my worken daies apparell

I[mprimis] I give unto Thomas Slie all the third of the corne that he did sowe for me in highwaies feilde Also it is my will that my sonne Thomas shall hane my whole lease of highwaies payeing the fower pounds yearlie as is above specified unto his two brothers yt so be that my wife & my sonne Thomas can not a gree to live to geather as my will is that they

should Alt[?] the rest of my good & cattells & chattells moveable quicke & dead not give nor bequeathed my debts legacies & funerall expences discharges
I[imprimis] I give unto Alce my wife & Thomas my sonne whome I make wyule executors of this my last will & testam[en]t Also I constitue ordaine & make my welbe loved in the lord John Peart, Cearke, John Pope and John Baldwine ov[e]rseers of this my last will & testam[en]t to see that it is be dylie performed & for their pains I give unto everie on of them v^s In witnes where of I have sett to my marke to this my last will & testam[en]t the x th of March in the fower & fortieth yeare of the raigne of our sovereign Ladie Elz. That now is

Land mentioned – Lease at Highway, an inclosure, a furlong called Newland in the field of Mannton, yard lands called Warwikes