

## *Last Will and Testament of William Gele of Brinkworth - 1563*



In the name of God Amen the 6th daye of Aprill in the yere of our lord God 1563. I William Gele in the parish of Brinkworth in the diocese of Sarum beinge sicke in body & prayse be to almighty God of hole mynd & memory do make and ordayne this my present testament contayned here in my last will in manner and forme followynge. First I bequeth my sole to allmightie God my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Brinkworth aforesayd when it shall please God to call me by his visitacion. Secondly I do geve to the mother church of Sarum 4d. Item I do geve to the church of Brinkworth 20d. Item I do geve to every on of my god children 4d a peece. Item I do geve Mathew Gele my sone £6 13s 4d, a cowe a bed and all therto belonging. Item I do geve to Thomas Jonnes 20s. Item I do geve to John Cumfilde parson of Brinckworth 3s 4d. The residue of all my goods and cattells not beinge before geven nor bequethed my debts & legacyes fulfilled and my funerall expenses dyscharged I do frely geve & bequeth both movable and unmoveable to Jone my wyff whom I do constiut and make my sole executrix of this my present last will and testament and she to see this my last wyll fulfilled in all things as she will answer before God the judge of all truth. Also I have assigned and constituted my wellbeloved & trusty friends John Summfilde parson of Brinkworth & Thomas Jonnes to be the supervisors of this my testament, dated at Brinkworth aforesayd the daye & yere above written. Thes beinge witnes therto desyred & called John Summfild clerk, Thomas Jonnes, Harry Rychman and William Bele with others.

Probate at Malmesbury 13th May 1563.