

# CROWCH, Stephen

**Will dated 18 Jan 1745, proved 27 June 1755**



**Probate Court:**

Probate Court, Dean of Salisbury, P5/1755/10

**Transcribed from the original held by:**

Wiltshire Record Office

**Testator:**

Stephen CROWCH of Heytesbury

**Sole Executor:**

Richard Crowch, son

**Beneficiaries:**

Sarah Lewis, sister, widow  
Sarah and Elizabeth Lewis, daughters of the above  
Ann Pond, wife of John Pond, sister  
Jane King wife of Peter King, sister  
Thomas Crowch, son  
Richard Crowch, son

**Witnesses:**

John Hopper  
W<sup>m</sup> Marsh

**Other names:**

None

**Notes**

The text of the will has been transcribed from the original will. Capitalisation, punctuation and line breaks are as in the source. Text in square brackets [] has been added by the transcriber, Colin Moretti, and is not in the original.

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1 I **Stephen Crowch** a Tytherington within the Parish of Heytesbury in the County of Wilts Gent  
2 (being weak in body but of perfect mind memory and understanding blessed be God for the Same Do hereby  
3 revoke Annull and make void All and Every Will and Wills Testament and Testaments by me at any time  
4 heretofore made And Do Declare my last Will and Testament to be as follows (that is to say) First I do will  
5 and order that my Body be buried in my Vault in the Parish Church of Heytesbury aforesaid And that it to be  
6 Done after a plain and Decent Manner Also I Do Order and Direct that my Debts and Funeral Expenses  
7 be Fully paid Satisfied and Discharged Also I Give unto my Sister **Sarah Lewis** Widow and to **Sarah** and  
8 **Elizabeth** her Daughters the Sum of Five Pounds apiece to buy their Mourning Also I Give unto my Two  
9 Sisters **Ann Pond** (Wife of **John Pond**) and **Jane King** (Wife of **Peter King**) the Annual Sum of Fifty  
10 Shillings Apiece to be paid them by Four Quarterly Payments for and During their natural Lives  
11 by my Executor hereinafter named the First Payment whereof to begin and be made at the End of Three  
12 Calendar Months next after my Decease Also I give and to my Son **Thomas Crowch** the Sum of  
13 Thirty Pounds to be paid him by my Said Executor hereinafter named in Twelve Months next after my  
14 Decease over and besides the Sum of Six Hundred and Fifty Pounds which he had lately received of me in  
15 order  
16 to Lay in a Stock upon my Estate (Both which said Several Sums Amount unto the Sum of Six Hundred  
17 and Eighty Pounds and which I Give unto him In full for his part or Share of my Goods Chattels money and  
18 personal  
19 Estate) Also I Give unto my Said Son **Thomas** All my Stock of Corn and Grain which Shall happen at my  
20 Decease  
21 to be unthrashed All the Rest Residue and Remainder of my Goods Chattels Money Estate and Effects of  
22 what  
23 Kind soever and wheresoever (After my Debts Legacys and Funeral Expenses fully paid off Satisfied and  
24 Discharged) I Do Give and bequeath and to my Son **Richard Crowch** whom I Do make nominate Constitute  
25 and  
26 Appoint Sole Executor of this my Said Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have to this my  
27 said Last Will and Testament Set my hand and Seal the Eighteenth Day of January  
28 in the Nineteenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great  
29 Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c And in the year of our Lord One Thousand  
30 Seven Hundred and Forty Five  
[signed] Step<sup>n</sup> Crowch

31 Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the Said  
32 Testator to be his Last Will & Testament in the  
33 Presence of Us who have hereunto Subscribed our  
34 names as Witnesses hereto in the Presence of the Said  
35 Testator And also in the Presence of Each other  
36 [signed] John Hopper  
37 [signed] W<sup>m</sup> Marsh

38  
39 Entered the 27<sup>th</sup> day of November 1750  
40 Before me [signed] W Lowndes Aird[?]

41 27th of June 1755  
42 Heytesbury  
43 The Will of Stephen Crowch  
44 This will was proved at Heitesbury (sic)  
45 on the 27th day of June 1755 before  
46 the Rev<sup>d</sup> John Talman Clk MA  
47 lawful Surrogate of the Rev<sup>d</sup>  
48 Richard Younger Clk MA lawful  
49 official of the Rev<sup>d</sup> & Worshipful  
50 John Clarke DD Dean of the [unknown]  
51 Church of Sarum & by him [unknown]  
52 of the Effects of the deced was granted  
53 & committed unto Richard Crowch  
54 the lawful Son of the deced being  
55 first Sworn of the truth of the s<sup>d</sup>  
56 Will well & faithfully to execute  
57 & perform the same & pay the

58 debts and Legacies of the deced as far  
59 as his goods and Chattels will extend  
60 and to exhibit a true Inventory  
61 & [unknown] just account when  
62 required Saving the Rights of  
63 all [unknown]  
64 [signed] Jhn[?] Hearst Reg<sup>r</sup>