

*The Last Will and Testament  
Of John Sheppard the Elder  
of Warminster  
Will Proved 13th March 1713-1714*



Probate Court of London  
Original reference PCC Prob11/539

<b>Testator:</b>	Sheppard	John	Gardener of Warminster
<b>Executors:</b>	Eacott	Mary	Daughter Sole Executrix

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Sheppard	John	Son	
Sheppard	William	Grandson	Child of Son John
Sheppard	Elizabeth	Grandaughter	Child of Son John
Sheppard	Hannah	Grandaughter	Child of Son John
Sheppard	Mary	Grandaughter	Child of Son John
Sheppard	Mary	Grandaughter	Child of Son William
Sheppard	Hannah	Grandaughter	Child of Son William
Sheppard	Joan	Grandaughter	Child of Son William
Sheppard	William	Son	
William	Joan	Daughter	
Field	Hannah	Grandaughter	
Eacott	John	Grandson	
Eacott	William	Grandson	
Eacott	Elizabeth		
Eacott	Mary	Daughter	
<b>Witnesses</b>			
Lawrence	Nicholas		
Bridgman	Elizabeth		Made her mark
Wansborough	William		
<b>Other Names</b>			

In the Name of God Amen I John Sheppard the Elder of Warminster in the County of Wilts Gardner being of sound and disposing mind and memory doe make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following (that is to say) ffirst I

commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the merritts of my blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ to receive free pardon and full forgiveness of all my sins and Iniquities And my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried And as touching such Worldly Goods which God hath been pleased to bestow on me I dispose thereof as followeth Imprimis I give unto my Son John Sheppard my house I now dwells in with all the Estate thereunto belonging from the end of Six months after my decease during his naturall life if the Term I hath therein shall soe long continue upon this condition that he gives my Executrix herein after named within the said Six months a Bond of One hundred pounds that his son William shall and may peaceably and quietly hold and enjoy the said Estate after the decease of him the said John his ffather during his natural life free from Incumbrances otherwise my Will is that my said Grandson William shall peaceably enjoy the said Estate from the end of the said six months after my decease during the Term I hath therein Item I give unto my Grandchildren Elizabeth William Hannah and Mary sons and daughters of my said son John fifteen pounds apiece to be paid within six months after my decease Item I give unto my son William Sheppard on shilling to be paid to him within one month after my decease Item I give unto my Grandchildren Mary Hannah and Joan Daughters of my said son William five pounds apiece to be paid within six months after my decease Item I give unto my daughter Joan Williams one shilling to be paid to her within on month after my decease Item I give unto my Granddaughter Hannah ffield five pounds to be paid her within six months after my decease Item I give unto my Grandchildren John William and Elizabeth sons and daughter of my daughter Mary Eacott five pounds apiece to be paid within six moneths after my decease Item I give unto my said daughter Mary Eacott my half acre of Land upon the North Lane goeing to Bugley and to her heires and Assignes And I doe hereby make constitute and appoint my said Daughter Mary Eacott full and sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and annulling all other Wills and Testaments by me at any tyme heretofore made And lastly my Will is that all my debts legacys and funerall expences be fully payd and satisfied In Witnesse whereof I the said John Sheppard the Elder have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the fourth day of December in the Twelfth Year of the reign of our Sovereigne Lady Ann Queen of Great Britain etc. Annoq DM 1713 The marke of John Sheppard

(Attestation Clause)

*Nicholas Lawrence* the mark of Elizabeth Bridgman *Wm Wansborough*

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