

*The Last Will and Testament of
Walter Kingman
of Great Wishford
Will dated 4th April 1629*



Probate Court of: N/A
Original reference: N/A

Testator:	Kingman	Walter	Yeoman of Wishford
Executors:	Kingman	Elynor	Wife
			Sole Executor

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
			Church of Wishford
			Poor of Wishford
			God Children
			"My two sisters which art now living"
Kingman	Alice	Daughter	
Kingman	Elynor	Wife	
Kingman	George	Son	
Kingman	John	Son	
Kingman	Robert	Son	
Kingman	Roger	Son	
Kingman	Walter	Son	Eldest son
Kingman	William	Son	
Witnesses			
Deant	John		
Smite	George		
Other Names			
Biggs	Henry	Friend	Overseer of Will
Langley	Roger	Friend	Overseer of Will
Pressy	Edward	Father-in-law	Deceased

In the name of god, Amen. The fourth day of April in the fifth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles by the grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland, defender of the faith etc Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and twenty nine. I Walter Kingman the elder of Great Wishford in the county of Wilts, yeoman, being sick in body but of sound and perfect memory (God be praised) do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following: that is to say, first I recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker assuredly believing that on the merits of Jesus Christ my last and only saviour and redeemer to be made partaker of life everlasting. And as for my body I commit it to the earth whereof it is made to be interred at the discretion of my executrix hereafter named.

Item, I give to the parish church of Wishford aforesaid five ** shillings and to the poor people within the same parish five shillings. Item, I give to every of my godchildren twenty pence a piece. Item, I give to my two sisters which art now living to each of them ten shillings a piece. Item, I give and bequeath unto Walter Kingman my eldest son the sum of four score pounds of good and lawful money of England to be paid to him all in three years next after my death. Item, I give unto my son Roger Kingman £80 to be paid to him at his age of one and twenty years. Item, I give and bequeath unto my son William Kingman £80 to be paid to him the age of twenty and one years.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my sons John Kingman, Robert Kingman and George Kingman to every of them the sum of four score pounds apiece, like good money to be truly paid unto them respectively as they shall severally accomplish their several ages of one and twenty years. And my will and meaning is and I do hereby will and appoint that my said executrix shall grant and allow to my said sons Roger, John, William, Robert and George such maintenance and education or such allowance for their maintenance and education while they shall be in their minorities as my overseers hereafter named or the survivors of them shall desire or think fit. And if any of my said sons before named happen to die or decease before his or their portion or portions shall be paid or payable as aforesaid that then I will, devise and appoint that the portion and portions of such of them dying shall remain to my executrix hereafter named.

Item, whereas Edward Pressy my father in law deceased did in his life time request me to give unto Alice Kingman my daughter his grandchild for her marriage portion the sum of one hundred pounds which I promised him to do accordingly, I the said Walter Kingman the elder at the request of the said Edward Pressy and in performance of my promise made to him do give and bequeath to my said daughter Alice Kingman the sum of one hundred pounds of good and lawful money of England and the sum of three score pounds more for her better performance in marriage, with said sums of one hundred pounds and three score pounds being eight score pounds in the whole shall be the said Alice's marriage portion and shall be paid in this manner (that is to say) one hundred pounds at her marriage and the other three score pounds within one year then next following.

Item, my will and meaning is and I do hereby will and appoint that my executrix hereafter named shall within one month next after my decease or at any other time after (if my overseers hereafter named or the survivors of them shall desire or think it fit) enter into a sufficient bond to my said overseers or to the survivors of them for the true payment and performance of the said legacies and sums before devised to my said children according to the true intent and limitation of this my will. Item, I give will and devise all my lands tenements and hereditaments in Winterbourne Stoke, Winterbourne Lymington and Lymington or either of them in the said county of Wilts unto the said Walter Kingman my eldest son and to the heirs of his body lawfully to be begotten and for default of such issue unto the right heirs of me the said Walter Kingman forever.

Item, all the rest and residue of my goods, leases and chattels, my funeral expenses discharged, my debts paid and my legacies performed I give and bequeath unto Elynor Kingman my loving wife whom I make my full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament desiring her will duly and truly to perform the same. And I do nominate my loving friends Roger Langley and Henry Biggs overseers of this my last will desiring them to be aiding and assisting to my said executrix. And I do give to each of them five shillings for their pains.

In witness of all such said promises, I the said Walter Kingman the elder have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written
Walter Kingman

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Walter Kingman the elder to be his last will and testament in the presence of us George Smite and John Deant.