

Anne Grantham; widow; Astropp, Kings Sutton; 1708: Bd Pec 40/1/22

Admon: The condition of this obligation is that the abovebounden Thomas Grantham the son and administrator of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of Anne Grantham late of Asthropp abovesaid widow.....

Francis Grantham; Ardley; 1638: 26/2/15

Bequests to: sons Richard and Francis and John, to Hugh Treddle and Dorothea my daughter... daughter Mary Hall, William Howood, my daughter's son; bequests to the poor of Ardley and Fringford; son Thomas sole executor.

Witnesses: Edmund Duck, John Grantham, Francis Grantham jnr

The mark of Francis Grantham

Proved by Thomas Grantham

Inventory shows an estate worth £140.

John Grantham; Ardley; 1682: 27/4/4

Virtually illegible. Ink very faded.

References to: wife Elizabeth, son Richard - a minor - sons Thomas, John. May well be others.

Inventory shows an estate worth £189, usual farm stock etc.

Joyce Grantham; widow; Ardley; 1735; 130/2/30

Bequests to: remaining son Richard, daughters Anne Bachelor, Mary Irons, Jane Grantham

Witnesses: John and Jane Percival, Elizabeth Margetts

John Grantham; Fringford; 1663: 26/4/25

Mentions wife Mary, sons John and Samuel, daughters Mary, Ruth, brother Thomas named as one of the executors. No Matthew mentioned, though it does talk about sharing bequests between the 'rest' of the children if John and Samuel die.

Margery Grantham; Wendlebury; 1681: 27/3/28

Bequests to: daughters Elizabeth, Dorothy, Mary, Ann; sons. Thomas, John, Joseph, Richard; grandchildren at Fringford: Thomas Dent, Thomas Grantham, John Shepherd, John Grantham.

Thomas Grantham; Bicester; 1664: 26/4/29

Bequests to: father Richard, mother, son Thomas, daughter Anne (minors), Richard Grantham son of brother Richard, 'all my brothers' and sisters' children', wife Mary, John Ducke and Wm Potter overseers, poor of Bicester, no son named Richard.

Thomas Grantham; Astrope, Kings Sutton; 1698: Pec. 40/1/11

In the name of God amen, the four and twentieth of April in the 10th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord William the third by the grace of God King of England etc. Anno domini 1698. I Thomas Grantham of Astrope in the parish of Kings Sutton in the co. of

Northampton yeoman, being sick of body but of perfect mind and memory and understanding, thanks be given to almighty God for it I make and ordain my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) first and principally I give ... my soul into the hands of almighty God my creator and redeemer and as for my worldly estate ... pleased God to possessed thereof as followeth:

Imprimis, I give and bequeath unto Thomas Grantham my son five acres of one yard land of arable meadow and pasture ground with its appurtenances and all manner of common lying and being within the liberties and fields of Southnewington in the co. of Oxon which I lately bought and purchased of and from William Tey of Southnewington aforesaid the which said close and yardland with appurtenances I give unto Thomas Grantham my son and heir as aforesaid and to his heirs and assigns for ever.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my son Edmund Grantham all that my one yardland of arable meadow and pasture with appurtenances lying in the of Southnewington afs. with all manner of commons thereunto belonging, which I lately bought and purchased of one Humphrey Coates of Binfield in the co. of Northampton afs. with the said one yardland

Item, I give and bequeath unto my ... daughter Mary Grantham the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds of good current lawful money of England to be paid to her at the age of six and twenty years which shall be paid to her one month after... by my executrix hereafter mentioned.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my ... daughter Frances Grantham the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds of good current lawful money of England to be paid to her at the age of six and twenty years ...by my executrix hereafter mentioned.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my godson Thomas, son of my loved brother Joseph Grantham the sum of ten shillings lawful English money to buy him a sheep.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my godson Thomas, son of my loved brother Richard Grantham the sum of ten shillings lawful English money to buy him a sheep.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Thomas, son of my kinsman Thomas Grantham of Ardley in the co. of Oxon afs the sum of ten shillings lawful English money.

Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Thomas Easeman ten shillings of lawful English money.

Item, I give and bequeath unto my kinswoman Mary Stephens the sum of twenty shillings of lawful English money.

And I will that Ann my wife shall have the education of both my sons Thomas and Edmund during the term of their minority until they come to their several and respective ages of four and twenty years of age, provided always and my intent will and meaning is that Ann my wife shall have all rents fees and profits of all that close and yardland with appurtenances asf which I have given and bequeathed by this present will and testament unto my son Thomas Grantham afs during the term of his minority until he shall come to the age of four and twenty years in full recompense for his maintenance and as soon as he shall attain the age of four and twenty years or within one month after that then that estate hereby limited to Ann my wife shall cease ... yielding all her rights titles interests whatsoever in the same beforehand unto my son Thomas Grantham afs according to the tenor and true meaning of these presents.

And I will that Ann my wife shall have all rents fees and profits of all that close and yardland with appurtenances asf which I have given and bequeathed by this present will and testament unto my son Edmund Grantham afs during the term of his minority until he shall come to the age of five and twenty years in full recompense for his maintenance and as soon as he shall attain the age of four and twenty years or within one month after

that then that estate hereby limited to Ann my wife shall cease ... yielding all her rights titles interests whatsoever in the same beforehand unto my son Thomas Grantham afs according to the tenor and true meaning of these presents.

And I also will that Ann my said wife shall have the education of both my daughters Mary and Frances during the term of their minority until they shall come to their several ... ages of ... and twenty years of age and then I will that Ann my said wife shall pay them their several and respective portions hereinbefore given and bequeathed

Item, I give and bequeath all the rest and residue of my personal estate goods chattels ready money or debts herebefore unbequeathed whatsoever in any wise belongeth or appertaining making and appointing Ann my said wife full whole and sole executrix of this my last will and testament. Order and appoint my loved kinsman John Stephens to be overseer of this my last will and testament giving to the said John Stephens five pounds of good current lawful money of England to be paid by my executrix aforementioned. And I do hereby revoke and annul all former wills by me ... heretofore made. In witness whereof I the said Thomas Grantham have hereto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed sealed published and declared in the presence of us as witnesses:

Richard Grantham

Thomas Tey

The mark of Thomas Grantham

The mark of William Goffe

Wm Margetts

Edmund Williams; Kings Sutton; 1674: WI Pec 54/4/42

mentions father Edward, wife Hannah, son John and 6 daughters including a Hannah. His son's will, in 1697, leaves all to own wife and children, including Edward, Hannah and Sarah.

Milread Tanner; widow; Ardley; 1632: W.I. 66/1/38

Will of Milread Tanner of Ardley 1632 – bequests to William Tanner, Eliz Heydon , daughter Joan Tanner, grandchildren, John Tanner, son Walter Tanner. Francis Grantham and William King of Ardley overseers.