

## *Last Will and Testament of Geoffery Clarke of Brinkworth - 1611*



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In the name of God Amen the 9th daye of October 1611. I Geoffery Clarke of Brinckworth in the county of Wiltes beinge sicke in body but thankes be unto God in perfect minde and memory doe make constitute and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge. First I bequeth my soule into the handes of almighty God to rest in the bosome of Abraham and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Brinckworth there to remaine untill the generall daie of iudgment when my soule shall receive the same body againe to enter into everlasting life by a true and lively faith through Jesus Christ my Saviour and redeemer Amen. And for my worldly goodes I willinglie despose as followeth. First I give and bequeth unto Johane Clarke my daughter one cow, one flock bed, one coverlead, one long boustow, a paire of sheetes and a paire of blancketts. Item I give unto Elizabeth Clarke my daughter twooe kyne, one flockbed, one coverlead, one boustow, a paire of sheetes and a paire of blancketts. Item I give unto John Clarke my sonne one blacke heifer, one coffer which is mine owne. Item I give unto Hugh Clarke my sonne one heifer and one coffer. Lastly I give and bequeth unto Alice my wife the rest of all my goodes and chattells not before by me given both moveable and unmoveable my legacyes and debts beinge paid and my funerall expences ended, I give and bequeath unto Alice my wife whom I ordeine and make whole executrix of this my last will and testament. Finally I ordeine and make my wellbeloved in Christ to me Anthony Fry my kinsman and Richard Clarke my brother overseers of this my last will to see that all thinges effectually iustly and truely be performed accordinge to the true entent and meaneing of this my last will and testament.

The marke of Geoffery Clarke

These beareing witnes being called Morris Heale his marke David Lewen minor

A true and perfect inventory of all the goods chattells utensiles implements & ...sall stuff of Jeffery Clarke lat of Brinckworth in the county of Wiltes husbandman decessed taken & praised the 21st day of October 1611 by Morris Heall, Anthony Fry, Richard Clark & Henry Pinell as followeth.

In the hall

Imprimis in the hall one tablebord & frame 3s 4d

Item two joyn stowles praised at 18d

Item one meall trowe praised at 3s

Item 3 payles & two stobbins praised at 3s 4d

Item two benches two shelves & two short bouds praised at 16d

Item one brasse pott three sandron & one still at 13s 4d

Item nine pottampels 4 sawsors one isentor pott on saltsellar one candlesticke & half a dozen of spoones 8s

Item one paire of pothenyalls & one hangell praised at 1s

In the chamber

Item in the chamber one joyned bedsted praised at 16s

Item one bed one boulstow a paire of sheets a paire of blancetts one coverled praised at 40s

Item one coffer & one presse for clothes 6s 8d

Item in the loft over the cember one coffer & two little bedsteds praised at 5s

Item two flockbeds two paire of blancetts two paire of sheets 4 coverleds & 2 boulstows £3 6s 8d

Item one rack & cheesse presse praised at 5s

Item in the whythouse three barrells 3 trundles one clic.... & twoe tu... 8s

Item 1 broche & 1 frying pane 1s

Item one planck fowre earthen jares two seffes 2 bottow coules a dozen & a halfe of tremmars & other implements 6s 8d

Item his apparell 20s

Item the wood & pulli about the house one howell one pack sadle one sithe & some other instruments of husbandry 17s

Item 4 kine & onewenling calfe £11 13s 8d

Item two yearlinge heyfors praised at £4

Item the haye praised at £6

Item two podges praised at 20s

Soma total is £33 19s 2d

Morrice Heall his mark, Anthony Fry Richard Clarke his mark Henry Penell

The debtes of the testator is as followeth

To Hugh Fry £11

To John Wayt 10s

To Richard Clark 10s

To Edward Clarke 10s