

Colerne St. John the Baptist Elizabeth Forrester Benefaction 1776

To the memory of the Hon. Mrs. ELIZABETH FORRESTER Daughter of Sir Thomas Tyrell Bart of Thornton in the County of Bucks, and Relict of the Hon. William Forrefter a Captain in the Royal Navy She had an only Son William Lord Forrester. Who died Oct 24th 1762 Aged 27 Years and was interr'd in the Parifh Church of Didmarton in the County of Glocefter, where the Remains of his Mother were alfo depofited on the 4th of Novr. 1776. Her exemplary Piety diffufive Charity, and univerfal Benevolence were continually manifefted during a Refidence of upwards of 30 Years in this Parifh.

She left by Will the Sum of three hundred Pounds for the Benefit of fuch poor Inhabittants of Colerne as receive no Alms of the Parifh. In order more firmly to fecure this Benefaction, Lands within the faid Parifh were purcafed & conveyed to Truftees in fuch manner as fully to anfwer her benevolent purpofe.

OPC note:

Last Will & Testament: Prob11/1025
Widow and relict of Honable.Captain John Forrster.
Neice, Lady Forrester widow of late George Cockburne Esq.

"I will and request my Executors to lay out the sume of three hundred pounds in one parcel of land which I desire may be conveyed to such persons as they shall think fit In trust that the rents Ifsues and profits thereof be disposed yearly and every year amongst such poor persons of Colerne which are legal keepers and take no alms of the parish to be distributed at the ffeast of Easter and Christmas by the direction of my Executors the Vicar Churchwards. and Overseers of the poor there but if it should happen that my Executors die without ifsue then he that is the owner or right proprietor of the ffarm in Colerne shall be a Trustee with the Vicar there to see this charitable use honestly disposed of to such poor people as really want the same.

Set my hand and seal twelfth day of ffebruary in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy

Codicil

I give and Bequeath over and above what I have already given in charity in my will the sum of one hundred pounds unto ten poor Widows who have lived well and are fallen'd into decay and are good livers the sum of Ten pounds each and I desire my Executors will take care to see this Charity performed either at Colerne or any other part according as they find proper Objects as Witnefs hereto I set my hand and Seal.

This Will was proved at London with Seven Codicils the fifteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy six.