
Will of Gilbert Joyner 1640 (Oxford Record Office)

Summary

Testator: Gilbert Joyner, Churchill, Oxon, Husbandman
Executor: son Robert Joyner of Curbridge, Oxon
Overseers: neighbours Anthony Crosse and Robert Davies
Date: 19 October 1639, proved 13 April 1640
Witnesses: Anthony Crosse, Thomas Glynn
Will:
- 2s to poor of Churchill
- household stuff, beasts, corn & hay to wife Sara and son James equally, they to pay executor £6 13s 4d
- 12p to son William
- 2s to son Robert
- 6s 8d each to Richard, Robert, Gilbert & Anne children of son Robert
- 6s 8d each to Sara & Anne children of son William
- 3s 4d to godson Robert Davies son of Robert Davies
- 3s 4d each to overseers Anthony Crosse & Robert Davies
- Inventory valued at £139 16s 8d

Text

In the name of God Amen

1. the 19th day of October AD 1639 and in the fifteenth year of the reign of our sovereign Lord Charles by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King defender of the Faith etc. I Gilbert Joyner of Churchill in the county of Oxfordshire husbandman being sick in body but of perfect memory thanks be given to God do make this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following
2. First I commit my soul into the hands of almighty God hoping to be saved by the merits of Jesus Christ and my body to be buried in the churchyard of the parish church of Churchill aforesaid
3. Item I do give unto the poor of Churchill aforesaid the sum of two shillings
4. Item I do give and bequeath unto my wife Sara and my son James Joyner all my household stuff whatsoever is within my dwelling house or in any of the outhouses in my backside and the same to be equally divided betwixt them
5. Item I do give and bequeath unto my wife Sara and my son James Joyner five rother beasts (viz) two milk kine and two dry heifers and six pigs which are all the pigs I have and my will is for them my wife Sara and my son James Joyner to have each of them an equal part in the said beasts and pigs
6. Item I do give and bequeath unto my said wife Sara and my son James Joyner all my corn and hay that I have about my backside in Churchill aforesaid and also the orge of corn I have stored upon my land in Churchill aforesaid and the same to be equally divided betwixt them
7. Item in consideration of ... do give and bequeath all my crop of corn and hay to my wife Sara and my son James Joyner my will is that the said Sara my wife and James my son shall pay or cause to be paid unto my executor the sum of six pounds thirteen shillings

and four pence upon the first day of August which shall next happen or be after my decease

8. Item I do give and bequeath unto my son William Joyner the sum of twelve pence
9. Item I do give and bequeath unto my son Robert Joyner the sum of two shillings
10. Item I do give and bequeath unto my grandchildren my son Robert Joyner his children being four of them (viz) Richard, Robert, Gilbert and Anne to each of them the sum of six shillings & eight pence of lawful money of England to be paid to them within one year next after my decease
11. Item I do give and bequeath unto my grandchildren William Joyner his children being two of them (viz) Sara and Ann to each of them six shillings eight pence to be paid to them within one year next after my decease
12. Item I do give and bequeath unto my godson Robert Davies the son of Robert Davies of Churchill aforesaid the sum of three shillings & four pence to be paid to him within one year next after my decease
13. Item I do appoint & ordain my son Robert Joyner of Curbridge in the county of Oxon to be my sole executor
14. Item I do entreat my neighbours Anthony Crosse and Robert Davies to be overseers of this my last Will and Testament
15. Item I do give and bequeath unto the said Anthony Crosse and Robert Davies my overseers to each of them three shillings and four pence apiece of lawful money of England to be paid to them within half a year next after my decease
16. In witness whereof I have here to this my last Will and Testament set my hand & seal the day & year first above written

The mark of Gilbert Joyner

Written read sealed and subscribed in the presence of
Anthony Crosse
Thomas Glynn

Probate Woodstock 13 April 1640 Robert Joyner son & executor

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