

# Oxfordshire

## HENLEY PROBATE DOCUMENTS

**John DALTON, woodman of Henley upon Thames**  
**Oxfordshire Record Office, MS Wills Oxon 18/4/25**

**Will 1681**

*Numbering at left identifies line of original document*

1 In the name of God Amen I John Dolton the Elder of  
2 Henly upon Thames in the County of Oxon, woodman being  
3 not well of body, but of perfect memory, prayes bee Almighty God  
4 do make and ordeine this my last will and Testament in  
5 manner following. Inpr[im]is I give and com[m]end my soule unto  
6 Almighty God my Creator, trusting to obtaine salvation through the  
7 merits of jesus Christ my Redeemer, and I com[m]itt my body  
8 to the earth from whence it came, to bee decently buried  
9 in such manner as my Executrix heereafter named shall  
10 thinke fitt, and convenient; And as for the worldly goods  
11 and estate which it hath pleased God to bestow upon mee  
12 I give and bequeath as followeth. I give unto my sonn john  
13 Dalton the sum[m] of Nine pounds to bee payd unto him by my Executrix  
14 within six months after my decease, Item I give unto my sonn  
15 William Dolton the sum[m] of Nine pounds to bee payd unto him  
16 also within six months after my decease, Item I give unto my  
17 sonn joseph Dolton the sum[m] of Eleven pounds to bee payd unto  
18 him within six months after my decease, and by reason my sayd  
19 sonn joseph Dolton hath spent great part of his tyme with mee and  
20 donne mee good service, I give and bequeath unto him my  
21 sayd sonn joseph all my weareing Apparell both Woolen and Linnen  
22 and also I give unto him my second best feather bed, with the  
23 furniture thereunto belonging, which sayd Bed and furniture and  
24 Apparell I would have to bee delivered to my sonn Joseph Dolton  
25 presently after my decease: And for all the rest and residue  
26 of my goods Chattells, cattells ready monys, and mony that

27 is owing unto mee from all persons, I give and bequeath it all  
28 unto my deare and loveing daughter Hannah Dolton, who I  
29 make sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament, hereby  
30 revokeing and disannulling all former wills, and bequests at any tyme  
31 heeretofore made or done by mee, and do declare this to bee my  
32 last will, and testament. In witness whereof I have heereunto  
33 sett my hand and seale this fourteenth day of November in the  
34 Two and Thirtieth yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord King  
35 Charles the second over England Scot[land] etc. Anoq[ue] D[omin]I 1680

Signed published & declared

John Dolton

in the presence of

his X marke

Ad.[am] Springall

John Lane [?]

*[Summary of the Latin probate clause]*

Date of probate: 26 April 1681

Place of Probate: Henley

Executor: Hannah Dolton, daughter

Court official: Henry Alworth

Signed by: Ben. Cooper, Registrar

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