

**John Windover of Basingstoke, collar maker 1680**

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**In the name of God Amen** I John Windover of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton collar maker being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory for which God be praised, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Maker and Creator relying only on the merits of my blessed Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ for the free pardon and remission of all my sins and my body I commit to the earth to be there interred at the discretion of my executor herein after named. **And as** for my estate which it has pleased God to bestow upon me I give, devise and dispose of the same in manner and form following. **First** I will, order and appoint that all such debts as I duly and truly owe to anyone shall be truly paid them by my executor herein after named in as convenient time as may be after my decease, which being done and performed then I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my now wife five pounds of lawful money of England and also a feather bed with all the bedding and furniture thereto belonging and which she brought in marriage to me to be all paid and delivered to her within one year next after my decease. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my cousin Joseph Windover (now living with me) and to his heirs and assigns forever all that my messuage or tenement, outhouses, barns, backsides and appurtenances thereunto belonging wherein I now live in Basingstoke aforesaid, and all those two closes or arable or pasture lands thereto belonging being enclosed and lying and being near unto the said messuage or tenement, and also all my arable lands lying and being dispersedly in the common fields of Basingstoke aforesaid to have and to hold the said messuage or tenement two closes and other the said arable lands with all and singular the appurtenances unto my said cousin Joseph Windover his heirs and assigns forever to his and their own use and uses. **And I** also give and bequeath unto him the said Joseph Windover my cousin all my goods, chattels and estate whatsoever desiring him to see my just debts duly paid and the legacies herein and hereby given, discharged. **And I** do hereby make and ordain my said cousin Joseph Windover my whole and sole executor of this my said will and do appoint my good friends Richard Smith and Barnard Reeves my neighbours to be overseers of this my said will to whom I give ten shillings apiece and desire them to assist my executor in performance of this my said will. **And do** hereby revoke all former wills by me made and to this my last will and testament have set my hand and seal this seventh day of November in the one and thirtieth year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lord King Charles the Second over England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith AD 1679 John Windover.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John Windover as and for his last will and testament the day and year above written in presence of Henry Meryfeild, John Barta, the mark of Alice Kew, the mark of Mary Hawkins, John Wynham.

Probate granted in London 9 February 1680 to Joseph Windover.