

Probate records of the Archdeaconry of Wiltshire, P3/M/479

Abstract of the Will of John Mapson of the Borough of Wootton Bassett in the County of Wilts, Carpenter, written 14 Jan 1741/2, proved 1 Jun 1742.

Gives, devises and bequeaths to **his wife Elizabeth Mapson** for the term of her natural life his two freehold messuages, burgages or tenements with the adjoining gardens situated in Wootton Bassett, one in which he now lives, and the other currently occupied by John Cripps.

After the death of his said wife he gives and bequeaths the said messuage, burgage or tenement where he now lives with the adjoining garden belonging to the close near the sawpit to **his son John Mapson** and his heirs forever; and the other messuage, burgage or tenement occupied by John Cripps he gives, devises and bequeaths to **his son William Mapson** and his heirs forever.

He wills that his sons John Mapson and William Mapson pay £5 out of the said messuages, burgages or tenements to **his daughter Martha King** after the decease of his wife Elizabeth.

Gives and bequeaths 1 shilling to **his daughter Mary the wife of Bartholomew Horsell**.

Gives and bequeaths 1 shilling to **his daughter Elizabeth the wife of Robert Scaplehorn**.

All the rest, residue and remainder of his goods, chattels and personal estate he gives and bequeaths to his said wife Elizabeth Mapson whom he nominates and appoints sole executrix of his last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: John Heale, Mary Maskelyne, Edmund Maskelyne

John Mapson Sen^r was buried in Wootton Bassett on 23 Jan 1741/2.