

**The Taverner
Wills**

1700 - 1800

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Essex Wills

Will of James Taverner

Dated 10 January 1711

Proved 28 October 1715

James Taverner yeoman of Springfield

... Being of sound mind etc

... Burials according to my executor

... I have already given to my son Jno Taverner a farm called Lyons where he now lives by a former will, also I did give to my son Daniel Taverner now decd and his heirs all my freehold messuage I purchased of my cousin Denis Wright with all his lands etc now in tenure of Jno Hardy in parish of Springfield known by the name of Horns

... Now my said son D'l being dead I now give said messuage to Daniel Taverner my grandson

... My daughter Mary Taverner to receive rents etc profitts until ye s'd D'l her son attain the age of 21 toward the bringing up and educating sd D'l and the rest of her children

... To the other four grand children sons and daughters of my said son D'L decd ten pounds each at twentyone or marriage in the meantime said forty pounds to be put out for interest, daughter Mary to receive interest

... My son John Taverner stands indebted to me for one hundred pounds under bond, I now bequeath the said one hundred pounds due to me unto my three grandchildren Jno, James, Sara, which my sd son John had by his first wife, equally

... John Taverner malster of Gt Baddow my kinsman ye sole executor to him twenty shillings

... All residue after debts etc towards the incumbrances which is now or shall be charged upon the messuage tenn: called Horns

James Taverner

Wit: Thomas Firmin, Mary Solme(?), Edw Solme(?)

Proved: 28 October 1715 to named executor

Edward - Ann
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Edward Esq St Siding

John Taverner married Mary Bright in 1675
Wittle.

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1692 Cornwall Free Town

Also see Will of Robert D.

Will of MARY TAVERNER of Wittle, widow

Dated 25 July 1713

To MARY, MARTHA, DOROTHY & SUSANNAH, daughters of my son JOHN ADAMS of Wittle, tallowchandler : £25 each when 21 or when married; also my linen divided between them.

To ELIZABETH DAY, wife of ABRAHAM DAY of Roxwell, plowright : 40/-.

To ABRAHAM, JOHN & STEPHEN. sons of ABRAHAM DAY of Roxwell, plowright : 20/- each.

Residue of goods & personal estate to son JOHN ADAMS, who is Executor.

Witnesses : DEBORAH CHIPPERFIELD, SAMUEL LUCAS, MICHAEL HINDE.

Proved 19 April 1721.

No Inventory exhibited.

Mary T
in Rox. 1698.

John Ely T
married 1692
in Rox

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Will of William Taverner, Elsenham 1714.

Kinsman John T. of B. Stamford Herts.

Kinsman Robert Shrimper

Kinsman William Shrimper

Ref D/ABR 17/95 1715 John Taverner, Salesman.

I John Taverner of Bishops Stortford, Hertford
salesman being of sound mind etc.

Firstly I give to my wife Martha Lady
Bishops Stortford.

Item I bequeath to Sister Mary wife of
Richard Lavender

also mentioned Robert Taverner son of Robert.
Willie Taverner of Ebsenham.

A John Russell
owned a farm
called Stubbers 1777
(See Map)
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Essex Wills

Will of John Taverner

Dayed 31 July 1726

Proved 4 October 1726

Essex Record Office (D/ABR19/260)

John Taverner of the parish of North Okendon yeoman

... Being sicke in body etc

... All debts to be paid & satisfied and funeral expenses after
payment £50 to my wife Jane Taverner

... To my two daughters Susanna & Ann Taverner to each £10

... Residue of my estate of what nature or kind soever real or
personal to my wife Jane Taverner & her heirs etc, also to be
executrix

31 July 1726

Witnesses: Wm Russell

Dan'll Russell

Proved 4 October 1726 to Jane Taverner

JOHN = JANE
├───┬───
Susanna Ann

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Essex Wills

Will of John Taverner

Dated 13 January 1727

Proved 19 July 1728

Essex Record Office (D/ABR20/78)

John Taverner of Baddow Magna maltster

... Being of sound mind etc & considering my own age and infirmities etc

... Burial at discretion of my executrix

... To my son James Taverner the bed with the green curtain etc

... After funerall expenses are paid & debts truly paid I give remainder of my personall estate goods & chatells unto my dutifull daughter Elizabeth Taviner also to be sole executrix

... I have given my son already according to my ability sufficient to put him into a way in the world

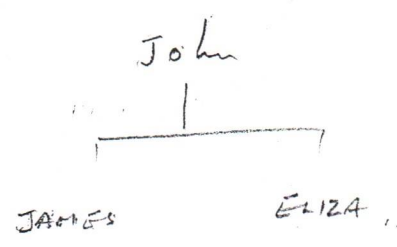
John Taverner

Witnesses: Richard Vade

Edward (x) Coleman

Joseph Allen Junr

Proved 19 July 1728 to Eliza Taverner daughter



Essex Wills

Will of Richard Collins

Dated 5 February 1729

Proved 27 February 1729

Richard Collins of Mashbury gent *will of Mary 1713*

- ... To my two nieces Ann Adams widow and Elizabeth Gardiner £6 each
- ... To my brother William Collins son and two daughters by his second wife a guinea each for a ring
- ... To brother William Collins daughter Albana by his first wife £12 and to the 2 sons and 2 daughters of my said brother by his daughter Elizabeth (?) deceased by his first wife £6 each
- ... To brother John Collins son Josua onw guinea for a ring
- ... To Hannah Collins daughter of my late brother Thomas deceased £30
- ... To brother Robert Collins 2 sons Robert and William £10 each
- ... To his daughter Elizabeth & her husband Jacob Reynolds I begive all the moneys they owe me & to her £6 and to her sons Jacob and William Reynolds 1 shilling each to her other children £10 each
- ... To Mary Reeve one of the daughters of my brother Robert £20
- ... To Anne Collins daughter of my brother Joseph Collins decd £20 & to his daughters Joanna and Dorcas £10 each
- ... To brother Daniel Collins £20 & his sons Daniel & John £10 each & his daughter to be each other heir
- ... To William Bright son of Katherine Bright one of my wifes sisters whom I brought up from a child the lease of Rasbury Hall Farm for the remainder of the term and (one?) hundred out of the stock
- ... To my niece Mary Collins daughter of brother Joseph who lives (one?) hundred pounds also copyhold messuage tenement & Land in Fyfield called Welshmans in occuaption of Joseph Barrett
- ... To my brother in law John Spunners 2 daughters £10 each
- ... To Jonas Thurrowgood blacksmith in Chipping Ongar & his sister Sarah £6
- ... To brother in law Thomas Whites daughter who married to one Hawkes £10
- ... To cousin Joslins 2 daughters of Aison mannor £5
- ... To cousin Robert Millbank sons 50/-

1682
Widow
Collins
1713
Collins
1729
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Will of Richard Collins(cont)

- ... To Mr Jon Greene of Moulsham £5 and 20/- to preach my funeral sermon at his meeting place
- ... To Mr White dissenting minister of Terling £5
- ... To Mr Rosse of ...outhwood Hall £5 and 20/- to preach a funeral sermon at High Easter Meeting Place
- ... To Nathan Hickford of Springfield 50/-
- ... To the poor of Mashbury 40/-
- ... To all my servants 40/- each
- ... To my maid servant Elizabeth Westwood I give a further 40/-
- ... To Martha Taverner widow £5
- ... My near kinsman Mr William Luckin of Bedfords in Good Easter & my friend Mr Joseph Clerke of Waltham Hall in Little joint executors also £10 each
- ... To cousin William Luckin the silver tankard which was his grandfathers Luckin
- ... The copyhold messuage tenement land before devised to cousin Mary Collins and her heirs should she die to descend to Mary Collins daughter of Daniel Collins of Matching Green taylor deced
- ... Residue of my goods to my kinsman William Wright and my said niece Mary Collins daughter of my brother Joseph Collins deced equally

Richard Collins

Wit: Thomas Taverner
George
John Fauntleroy junr

Proved 27 February 1729 to named executors

Essex Wills

Will of William Prentis

Dated 7 January 1742

Proved 5 February 1742

Brother of Martha Prentice - Taverner.

William Prentis of White Roding yeoman

- ... To Jane my wife all moneys goods chattels & other personal estate whatsoever which were hers before our marriage also all household goods etc also two rooms belonging to the messuage called Lucas where I now dwell in White Roding and wood for fire etc she paying forty shillings yearly to John Mayes now occupier
- ... To my esteemed friend John Mayes forty pounds upon Trust to place out during life of my wife at interest toward the said two rooms
- ... After wife's death the forty pounds to William Prentis son of my nephew John Prentis of Bishops Stortford vict: If he die to Mary wife of said John Prentis and not at the disposal of said John Prentis
- ... In case Mary the wife of John Prentis & the said William Prentis her son shall both die then said £40 to all and every other child of Mary equally
- ... To wife Jane £6.00 for mourning
- ... To Ebenezer Prentis son of my late brother John Prentis decd £6 yearly until 21 out of land called Lucas if said £6 to be unpaid by 14 days he to enter land
- ✓ ... To Mary wife of said John Prentis £40
- ... To James Prentis and Nicholas Prentis other sons of my late brother John Prentis £40 each
- ... To the 4 daughters of said late brother John Prentis Anne wife of Daniel Perry Sarah Prentis Mary Prentis and Elizabeth Prentis £20 ✓
- ... To Thomas Taverner son of my sister Martha Taverner £40
- ... To Benjamin Reddington son of my late sister Elizabeth Reddington decd £40 Legacies to be paid within 1 year after my decd
- ... Residue goods chattels etc to my brother and sisters and their children by the said John Mayes shall think fit
- ... To the poor of White Roding £10
- ... Thomas Taverner and John Mayes joint executors also to John Mayes £10 for his trouble

William Prentis

Wit: Henry Bankes, William Gates, Tho Bridge

Proved 5 February 1742 to named executors

Prerogative Court of Canterbury

Will of Thomas Taverner

Dated 28 January 1747

Proved 16 December 1749

... Thomas Taverner of the Parish of Saint George in the Liberty of Westminster and County of Middlesex

... To my son William Taverner all my clothes and one shilling

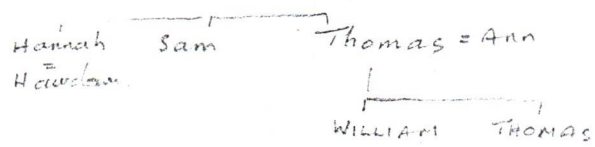
... To my son Thomas Taverner £20 and my silver watch and buckles

... To my brother Samuel and my sister Hannah Haurdown one shilling each

... To my wife Ann all the rest, residue and remainder of all goods, chattels, claims etc. She is appointed sole executrix

28 January 1747

Witnesses: Mary Cummings
Ann Burgoyne
Thos Burgoyne



Proved: 16 December 1749 by oath of Anne Taverner, widow

Will of Thomas Tavener

Dated 16 December 1788

Proved 4 March 1795

Thomas = ELIZ

... Thomas Tavener of Summers Street in the Parish of Saint Andrew, Holborn, Middlesex, Chandler

... To wife Elizabeth all the money securities for moneys household furniture goods and chattels whatsoever that I shall be possessed of at my death. She is appointed sole executrix

16 December 1788

Witnesses: John Ball
Henry Belchere

Proved: 4 March 1795 by oath of Elizabeth Tavener, widow

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Richard.

Anna

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Anna Croxbourne, Herts.

JAMES T.

WITHAM.

1748

force the Heir, Robt. Rogers Ch. A: 26, lawful Heir.
 of Mary Salmon Widow the Heir of
 the Decesed one of the Executors, to whom admou-
 was granted, she being first sworn duly to adm. &
 power being reserved for James Salmon natural
 and lawful Son of the said Decesed the office Executors
 to do the like whences he shall lawfully Demand

the same, &c.
In the Name of God Amen
 James Tabernice of Witham in the County of Essex
 Physician Do make this my last will and Testament in
 wance following (that is to say) I give and bequeath
 unto Elizabeth my dearest wife all and every my goods

James
 Tabernice
 Witham
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James, p. by s. c. v. Witham.

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Prerogative Court of Canterbury

Will of Thomas Taverner

Dated 6 May 1754

Proved 20 September 1754

Thomas Taverner of the parish of St Botolph Aldersgate citizen and tinsplate worker of London

... The wordly effects I am at present possessed of I give devise and bequeath unto my dear Daughter Mary Taverner £100

... All the rest residue and remainder of my estate whether real or personal of what nature or kindsoever I give devise and bequeath unto my loving wife Anna and do hereby appoint her full and sole executrix

Thos Taverner

Wit: Simpson

William Tippotts

Proved 20 December 1754 at London by oath of Ann Taverner widow and relict

Thos - Anna
|
Mary

Essex Wills
Will of James Taverner
Dated 17 August 1760
Proved 19 September 1760

James Taverner of East Hanningfield, yeoman

- ... To my six children Sarah, James, Elizabeth, John, Henry and Susannah Taverner twenty pounds each at twenty one. If any die share to be divided amongst survivors
- ... Rest and Residue of goods chattels etc after expenses to be paid unto my dear wife Mary to support maintain and educate my children until twentyone, also to her my estate, right, title, term of years yet to come at my messuage called East Hanningfield Hall as long as she shall live a widow
- ... Upon her death or marriage to my son James
- ... All personal estate still remaining equally amongst my children
- ... Mr John Brown of Chelmsford, carrier, and my wife Mary executor and executrix to him two guineas for a ring

17 August 1760

James Taverner (x) mark of

Mary T = Thos Robinson Wittle 1654

Wit: Samuel Robinson
John Fauntleroy

*Wit: Samuel Robinson & John Fauntleroy
coll. 2 1724*

Proved: 19 Sep 1760 to John Brown and Mary Taverner, widow

JAMES = MARY

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SARAH JAMES ELIZ JOHN HENRY SUSANNAH

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Essex Wills
 Will of Jeremiah Knight
 Dated 1 August 1761
 Proved 25 July 1768

Jeremiah Knight of Leigh Co Essex farmer

- ... Being weak in body
- ... Debts & funeral expenses to be paid
- ... To my dear wife Mary the lease of the farm I now live in with the stock and stores etc monies and bonds
- ... To the grandchildren the offspring of my two loving daughters Mary Gillman and Hannah Harridge all woods and lands lying in the parish of Prittlewell called Clatterfield Wood and Thistlefield Wood also those woods lying and being in the parish of Hadleigh called Golden Lees my desire is that all my said lands should on some proper opportunity be sold and money divided amongst the children of my two daughters aforesaid
- ... Wife to be executrix my son-in-law Richard Gillman of Leigh and John Harridge of Witham executors

Dated 1st August 1761

Signed: Jer Knight

Wit: Tho Dorman
 Rac Barell
 George Morrison

Proved twenty-fifth July 1768 to Mary Knight widow and relict and Richard Gillman the surviving executors named in the will

All parish has close to Southend, 1000's of Knights in Essex ∴ unlikely to be a relation.

Essex Wills

Will of Mary Taverner

wife of Jas Previous Page

Dated 14 March 1777

Proved 8 May 1779

Mary Taverner of East Hanningfield, widow,

- ... To my two daughters, Sarah, wife of Thomas Grigs and Elizabeth, wife of Robert Gardner all my cloathes and wearing apparel etc equally
- ... To my sons John Taverner and Samuel Taverner forty pounds each within 12 months
- ... Residue of my goods, chattles, farming stock etc after just debts etc paid in pursuances of my late husband to be shared amongst my sons and daughters to wit James, John, Sarah and Elizabeth equally
- ... Thomas Grigs and my son James Taverner executors

14 March 1777

Mary Taverner

Wit: James Rayment
Mary Rayment

Codicil

- ... To James only twenty pounds and to my son John one hundred pounds as well as the forty pounds which I got off my farm in term of my lease

1st October 1777

Mary Taverner

Wit: Jas Rayment and Mary Rayment

Will of Mary Taverner (cont)

Codicil

... My son-in-law Robert Gardner one of the executors

... And to Susanna Cooch, my granddaughter, one guinea
for a ring

22 May 1778

Proved: 8 May 1779 to Thomas Grigs

James Grigs

James Taverner, son

Robert Gardner, son-in-law

DB 1

Prerogative Court of Canterbury
Will of Thomas Taverner
Dated 29th March 1784
Proved 5th April 1784

- I Thomas Taverner, Barking, Essex, Carpenter
- ... my body to be buried in Barking Church yard
- ... First I give to Joseph Rothebatt (?) the sum of one shilling and no more
- ... my estate in Gravell Pitts to my son Thomas Taverner if living
- ... As for my estate in Bull Street the leases which I am possessed of it is my desire that my Executors make a public sale of them and the money laid out in Government securities & the interest to be paid half yearly to my wife (and) furniture for two rooms of her own
- ... my copyhold estate in Shop Row to Mr John Jee (on) condition he deducts the sum of &35 and gives my cloathes and five pounds in money to my servant John Butler
- ... I appoint Mr Joseph Burley of Dagenham, farmer, and John Jee of Lerman Street, Goodmans Fields Executors, for which I give each of them £10

29th day of March 1784

Signed: Tho: Taverner (x) his mark

Wit: John Rosindell
Mary Markham

He died 31st March 1784

Will proved at London 5th April 1784 before Thomas Barr

DB 1

Prerogative Court of Canterbury
Will of John Taverner
Dated 6th August 1786
Proved 25th September 1786

I John Taverner of Blacknore (?), Essex, farmer
... to my dear wife Elizabeth Taverner £50
... Residue of whatever kind to be divided equally among all my children
... I appoint my son Thomas Taverner and my son John Taverner joint executors
6th August 1784

Will Proved London 25th September 1786 before John Driscoll

Essex Wills

Will of Elizabeth Taverner

Dated 9 May 1795

Proved 8 February 1797

Elizabeth Taverner of Springfield, spinster

- ... Being infirm and weak etc
- ... To be buried in Springfield churchyard and a stone to be placed
- ... My good friend John Judd Esq the younger of Chelmsford sole executor, to him one hundred pounds
- ... To niece Sarah White, late Sarah Taverner spinster, daughter of my late brother James Taverner decd, now wife of William White of West Shuvyl(?) in Wiltshire, farmer three hundred pounds, if she die to her husband, if he die to his four children, Mary, wife of Robert Rumsey (?), Rebecca White, Anna White and Ann White children by Rebecca his former wife, at 21
- ... To John Judd one hundred pounds in trust every six months unto my nephew James Taverner, son of my late brother James, if he die any remaining to John Judd the younger
- ... To my nephew S.... Taverner, son of my late brother Thomas Taverner decd ten pounds
- ... To my niece Ann Taverner, daughter of my late brother William Taverner decd ten pounds
- ... To my nephew John Taverner son of my late brother William Taverner five pounds
- ... To my nephew Samuel Taverner son of my late brother William Taverner five pounds
- ... To Miss Mary Judd of Chelmsford five pounds for mourning ring
- ... To Mrs Judd wife of John Judd five pounds for mourning ring
- ... To Sarah Boosey of Springfield five pounds for mourning ring

Will of Elizabeth Taverner (cont)

*How Harrington married
20th Feb 1797*

- ... To Mrs Mary Howlett of Springfield, widow of late Mr Joseph Howlett five pounds for mourning ring
- ... To Miss Mary Howlett daughter of Mr Joseph Howlett five pounds
- ... To Daniel Harrington my friend of Little Waltham Hall Gent brother of my late decd friend and benefactor Mr Edward Harrington of Sandford Mill in Springfield twenty pounds
- ... To John Judd the elder of Chelmsford Esq twenty pounds
- ... To Thomas Milbank the younger of Sandford Mill, miller, twenty pounds
Richard Milbank son of Thomas Milbank
- ... To the Rev William Cooper of Chelmsford twenty pounds
Henry Cooper
- ... To the Rev Samuel Douglas of Chelmsford five pounds
Ed. J. J.
- ... To William Ham and John Fitch of Chelmsford, grocers, thirty pounds jointly
- ... To Joseph Levett the elder of Sandford, farmer, twenty pounds, if he die in my life time to his son Isaac Levett
- ... All residue to John Judd the younger

9 May 1795

Witnesses: Mary White
Thos Frost Gepp

Proved: 8 February 1797 to John Judd jnr