**Will of Henry Walters**

Testamentum Henry Walters of Rushden

In the name of god Amen the twelfe

day of February in the yeare of our lord god 1599 I **Henry Walters**

of Rushden in the countie of North[amp]ton husbandman beinge sicke in

body by the visitacion of god but yet in good and p[er]fect memory god be

praysed therefore doe make and ordayne this my last will and testament

in manner and forme followinge. First I give and bequeath my soule into

the handes of allmighte god etc. Item I give and bequeath to the church

of Rushden ij s to be payd immediately after my decease. Item I give and

bequeath unto **Alice** my wyfe halfe a coppie hold land for tearme of

her lyfe to be redy dressed yearely followed sirred and sowne at the

cost and charges of my sonne **Richard** and the croppe yearly thereof

carried home by the sayd Richard and laid in such place or places as my

wyfe shall appoint and after my wives decease the same land shall returne

to my sonne **Richard** and his heyres forever accordinge to the custome of

the manner further my will is that my wyfe shall have all my household

stuffe and all my sheepe and one cowe soe that the same cowe and sheepe

or two bease if she have them shalbe kept at the cost and charges of my

sonne **Richard** as he doth his owne with the helpe of the stuff that shall

come of my wyves lande, my will is also that my wyfe shall have her

dwellinge and abidinge here with my sonne **Richard** so longe as she live

and shall have a convenient place to ay her graine in uringe her naturall

lyfe. Item I give and bequeath unto **Ellen Walters** my daughter five pounds

of lawfull English money, half a quarter of barley to be payd and delivered

unto her by my sonne **Richard** within one yeare after my decease. Item

I give and bequeath unto the children of **Raphaell Darnelly** two ewe

sheepe to be p[ar]ted equally betwixt them to be payd them within three years

after my decease. Item all the rest of my goods and chattels unbequeathed

I give and bequeath unto **Richard** my sonne whom I make my

whole executor t see my debts payd and all other expenses discharged and

my will is that this will shall stand and none other nor otherwise

Witnesses to the same **Oliver Latimer Isaac Latimer**.

Proved 6th July 1600

<http://www.rushdenheritage.co.uk/genealogy/wills/waltersHenry1600will.html>