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**Will of Thomas Baker 1608** (Consistory Court of Gloucester, Will 1608/134)

## Summary

Testator: Thomas Baker of Bledington, Glocs.  
Executors: sons Richard, Thomas & William  
Date: 28 November 1607, proved 24 May 1608  
Witnesses: Thomas and William Stayte, Richard Guy  
Will:  
- 3s to church in Bledington  
- 4d apiece to poor of Bledington  
- 20s to daughter Joane Rooke  
- 20s each to each of her children  
- 20s each to the two children of son Thomas  
- 20s to Redigo? daughter of son Richard  
- 12d to son-in-law John H?wford, and forgo his debt of 20s  
- 5s 8d to godson Thomas Stayt the younger  
- 13s 4d to the other children of Thomas Stayt the elder to be shared equally  
- £20 owed by Thomas Stayt the elder to be repaid at £4 yearly  
Total fortune: - ca. £30, + rest


In the name of God Amen

1. The eight and twentieth day of November Anno Domini 1607 I Thomas Baker of Bledington in the County of Gloucester being sick in body but of perfect memory (thanks be given to God) considering the frailty of man's life to be but as a shadow do make this my last Will and Testament in manner & form following
2. First I commend my soul into the hands of almighty God believing to have forgiveness of my sins by the death and passion of Jesus Christ my saviour and redeemer And my body I bequeath to the earth to be buried in the churchyard of Bledington aforesaid As for my worldly goods which the Lord of his gracious goodness has lent me I do dispose in manner & form following
3. Inprimus I give to the church of Bledington 3s
4. Item I give to the poor folks of this town 4d apiece
5. Item I give to Joane Rooke my daughter 20s and to her two children 20s apiece
6. Item I give to the two children of Thomas Baker my son 20s apiece
7. Item I give to Redigo? Baker the daughter of Richard Baker 20s
8. Item I give to John H?wford my son-in-law 12d And I do remit and forgo my twenty shillings which he owes me
9. Item I give Thomas Steyte the younger my godson 6s 8d
10. Item I give the rest of the sons and daughters of Thomas Steyte the elder 13s 4d to be equally divided among them

11. Item the said Thomas Steyte owes my twenty pounds and I do grant that he shall have liberty to pay four pounds yearly and every year upon the third day of May until the said twenty pounds be paid paying no use for it and to pay the first payment upon the third day of May next coming after my decease
12. Item my will is that all that I have given and bequeathed shall be discharged within one quarter of a year after my decease
13. Item I do make Richard Baker, Thomas Baker and William Baker my sons my executors of all the rest of my goods unbequeathed

Witnesses hereunto Thomas and William Stayte, Richard Guy

(Thomas Baker, not signed)

Tho: Stayte his  mark Richard Guye

Probate Gloucester 24 May 1608