

Will of William Budds, yeoman of Great Oakley, 1785

- My customary messuage where I now dwell to be sold by my execs for £30, to any of my children who choose to purchase it (daughter Elizabeth, wife of Edmund Bird, to have first refusal). The purchaser to allow my wife Mary to live there for her natural life.
 - If none choose to buy it, it is to be sold and the proceeds divided equally between my children: sons William Budds and Abraham Budds, daughters Mary (wife of Thomas Bloss) and Elizabeth (wife of Edmund Bird).
- After debts and funeral expenses, and after my wife's death, remainder of household goods and effects to be divided between my said children.
- All money left over to be divided equally between my said children.

Executors: my nephew Richard Flatt of Beamond, farmer, and my son Abraham Budds

William Budds x

Dated: 15th August 1780

Witnesses: Edward Harwood, Joseph Long, Edwd. Keeble.

Proved: 11th July 1785

William Budds died at Great Oakley at the end of March 1783.

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