

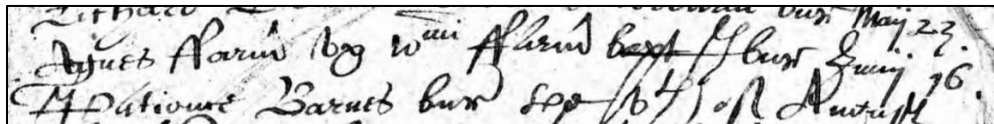
## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF WILLIAM AND AGNES FARMER

William Farmer was born in about 1550 of Daventry, Northamptonshire, and was possibly the son of Ralph and Margaret Farmer. Daventry is a market town about 15 miles northeast of Cropredy. He married Agnes. The Farmers were a leading family of Daventry: *"The members of this family appear to have taken an active part in the municipal life of Daventry. In Queen Elizabeth's charter of incorporation to the borough, dated at Gorhambury, March 26th, 1576, are given the names of the first Bailiff and of the 14 principal burgesses ; among the latter we find that **William Farmer** and **Richard Farmer** are enumerated."* (*Seventeenth Century Tokens of Northamptonshire*)



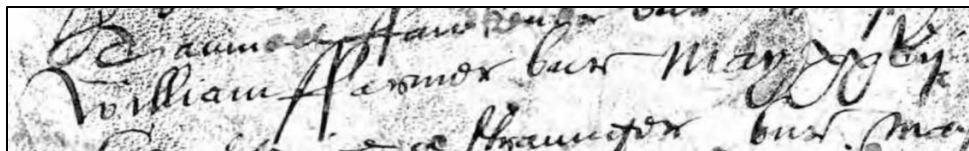
*Daventry*

Agnes died and was buried 20 June 1620 in Daventry.



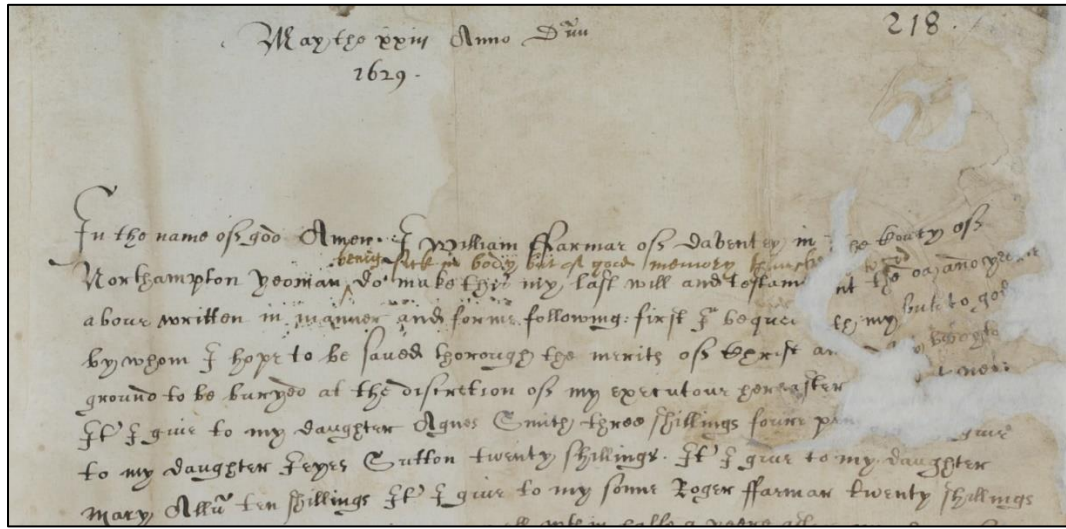
*Burial record for Agnes Farmer in Daventry:  
"Agnes Farmer ux Wm Farmer bapt bur Junij 16"*

William died and was buried 27 May 1629 in Daventry.



*Burial record for William Farmer in Daventry:  
"William Ffarmer bur May xxij"*

William left a will written 23 May 1627, and probated 15 October 1629.

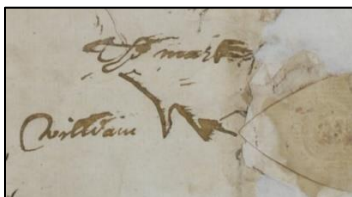


*Will of William Farmer of Daventry, 1629*

*May the xxij Anno Dom 1629*

*In the name of God Amen I **William Farmer of Daventry** in the County of Northampton yeoman do make this my last will and testament the day and yeare above written in manner and forme following: first I bequeath my soule to God by whom I hope to be saved thorough the merits of Christ and my body to the ground to be buryed at the discretion of my executor hereafter named. Item I give to **my daughter Agnes Smith** three shilling foure pence. [I give} to **my daughter Jeyes Sutton** twenty shillings. Item I give to **my daughter Mary Allen** ten shillings. Item I give to **my sone Roger Farmer** twenty shillings to be bestowed upon him in apparel within halfe a yeere after my decease. Item I give to **William Farmer the sonne of the aforesaid Roger Farmer** ten shillings to be likewise bestowed upon him in apparel within halfe a yeare after my decease. Item I give to **my daughter Ales Watson** twenty shillings I give to **my daughter Ursula Wyat** the like summe of twenty shillings. Item I give to **my grandchilde Elizabeth Smyth** three shillings foure pence. Item I give to **my grandchild Jane Farmer** the like summe of three shillings foure pence. I give to **my grandchilde Robert Farmer** one shillings: And my will is that all the aforesaid legacies of moneyes I give to **my sonne Richard Farmer** whom I make my sole executor paying my debts discharging my legacies and seeing my body decently brought to the ground hereunto have I put to my hand & seale the day & yeere first above written.*

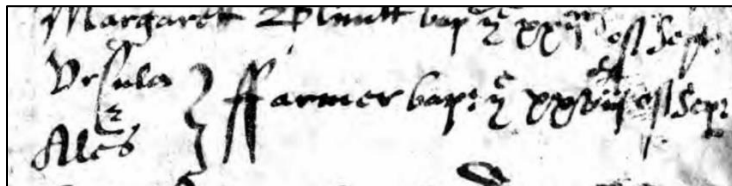
*In the psence of these witnesses Richard Mariat John Salter*



*Mark of William Farmer on his will*

William had the following children:

1. **Richard**
2. **Agnes**, married Mr. Smith.
3. **Joyce**, married Mr. Sutton.
4. **Mary**, christened 28 March 1579 in Daventry; married Mr. Allen.
5. **Roger**, christened 20 September 1581 in Daventry.
6. **Ales**, christened 28 September 1585 in Daventry; married James Watson 15 November 1608 in Daventry.
7. **Ursula**, christened 28 September 1585 in Daventry; married Thomas Wyatt 21 October 1605 in Cropredy, Oxfordshire.

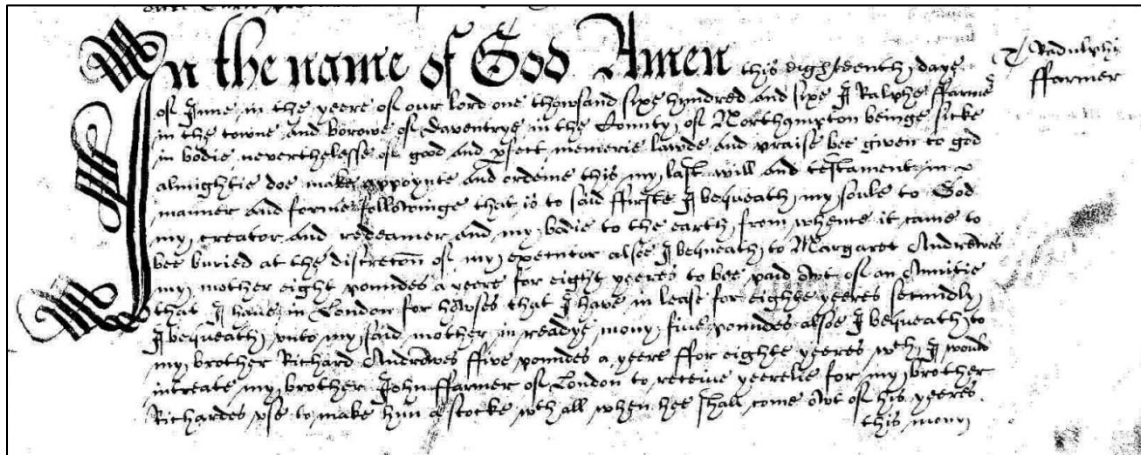


*Baptism record for Ursula Farmer in Daventry: "Ursula & Ales Ffarmer bap: ye xxvij of Sep"*

*SOURCES: Daventry parish register; [www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk); will of William Farmer of Daventry, 1629, on <http://www.oocities.org/heartland/fields/1759/volfour/VOL4.47.htm>; R.L. Greenall, *The Daventry Tithing Book*, [http://www.northamptonshirerecordsociety.org.uk/eBooks/Miscellany/Tithing\\_Intro.pdf](http://www.northamptonshirerecordsociety.org.uk/eBooks/Miscellany/Tithing_Intro.pdf), .*

## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF RALPH AND MARGARET FARMER

Ralph Farmer is likely William's father. William Farmer's brother Ralphe left a will in 1606 which mentioned his brother William and many other family members. The will takes special care to provide for Ralphe's mother Margaret Andrewes. His father is not mentioned, and may be deceased.



*Will of Radulphi Farmer of Daventry, 1606*

*In the name of God Amen this eighteenth daye of June in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and sixe I **Ralphe Farmer** in the towne and borowe of Daventry in the County of Northampton beinge sicke in bodie nevertheless of good and pfect memorie lawde and praise bee given to God Almightye doe make appoynte and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme following that is to said ffirste I bequeath my soule to God my creator and redeemer and my bodie to the earth from whence it came to bee buried at the discretion of my executor. Alsoe I bequeath to **Margaret Andrewes my mother** eight poundes a yeere for eight yeeres to bee paid owt of an annuities that I have in London for howses that I have in lease for eighte yeeres. Fonnedly I bequeath unto my said mother in readye mony five poundes alsoe I bequeath to **my brother Richard Andrewes** five poundes a yeere for eighte yeeres which I woud intreate **my brother John Farmer of London** to receive yeerethe for my brother Richardes use to make him a stocke with all when hee shall come owt of his yeeres this mony to come owt of the aforesaid Anuite. Alsoe I doe intreate **my brother John Farmer of London** to receive more sixe poundes teene shillings a yeere for eighte yeeres. And to hope that in his hands soe that ys soe be that it please God that my mother shall live longer than eight yeeres and remain tenante to live on my will is that shee shall have maintenance owt of this sixe poundes and tenne shillings a yeere. And to bee paid her by my brother John Ffarmer of London. Alsoe I give to **my brother Henry Farmer of Daintrie** tenne poundes. Alsoe I bequeath and give to **my sister Marie Judson** five poundes. Alsoe I give and bequeath to **my brother William Farmer** five poundes. Alsoe I give unto the poore of the towne of Daventrie five poundes. Alsoe I give and bequeath to **my brother Richard Farmer** one gould ringe price fortye shillings and my sword and dagger. Alsoe I give to my **Aunte Elizabeth Bret** and to **her daughter Elizabeth Brett** and to **her sonne John Brett** eache of them a gould ringe price ffortie shillings a peece. Alsoe I give and bequeath to **my brother Henry Farmers wyffe** forty shillings. Alsoe I give to Mr Wight twenty shillings to preach at my burial. Alsoe I give and bequeath to **my brother Henry Farmer** and **my brother Judsonn** all my apparell they payeinge to my mother forty shillings for it. Alsoe I intreate appoynte and ordeine my*

*brother John Ffarmer of London to bee my full and sole executor of this my last will and testament. In witness wherof I have set to my hand and sealle the daye and yeere above written. Alsoe I give to Mr Marriat ten shilling for a remembrance. Witnesses to this my last will and testament these psonns hereunder written the make of **Henry Farmer** Bayly **Richard Farmer** Mr Thomas Marriat minister there **Thomas Judson***

This will provides these family relationships:

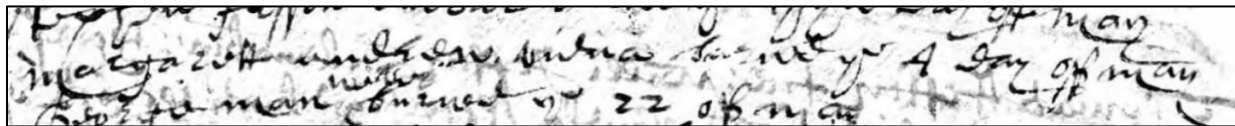
Ralph and Margaret had the following children:

1. **Ralphe**, born in about 1540, buried 21 June 1606 in Daventry.
2. **Richard**, born in about 1542; married Jane Allin 1567 in Daventry; buried 22 August 1637 in Daventry.
3. **John**, born in about 1548; (of London in his brother's will); died 1626.
4. **Henry**, born in about 1550; married Anne; buried 4 July 1607 in Daventry, leaving a will mentioning his wife and children, his brothers Mr. Richard Farmer and Mr. John Farmer of London.
5. **Marie**, married Thomas Judson.
- \*6. **William**, born about 1550 of Daventry; married Agnes; buried 27 May 1629 in Daventry, leaving will 1629.

Mr. Andrews and Margaret had the following child:

7. **Richard** (Andrews)

Margaret died as a widow 4 May 1615 in Daventry.



*Burial record of Margaret Farmer Andrews in Daventry:  
"Margarett Andrews vidua buried ye 4 day of May"*

*SOURCE: Will of Ralphe Farmer of Daventry, 1606, Prerogative Court of Canterbury; Daventry parish register, [www.ancestry.co.uk](http://www.ancestry.co.uk); will of Henry Farmer of Daintree, 1608, Prerogative Court of Canterbury; Farmer Family of Leicestershire and Northamptonshire, <https://farmerfamily-midlands.webs.com/familytree14501700.htm>, suggesting Ralph Farmer as the father of Ralphe, Richard, Henry and John.*