

FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF ROBERT AND FRIDESWIDE ROSE

Robert Rose was born in about 1530 of Haddenham, Buckinghamshire, England, the son of John and Margaret Rose. He married 1) Jane Clarke, then 2) Frideswide by 1590. Robert was a wealthy yeoman farmer.

Robert was mentioned in a history of Haddenham when he became the owner of an estate called Grenville's Manor: *"The Grenvilles held this land with apparently no interruption until the 16th century. In 1536 Edward Grenville died seised of tenements in Haddenham, leaving Edward, then a boy of eleven, as his heir. The latter sold this land in 1548 to William Wright, of Winchester, and ten years later it was again sold to Thomas Rose of Waddesdon and John Goodwin of Upper Winchendon. On 10 December 1569 it was conveyed to **Robert Rose**, John Ross, and Robert Morse jointly, but **Robert Rose** seems afterwards to have obtained possession of the whole. The Grenvilles' land by this time was known as 'Grenville's Manor.' These purchases seem to have been confirmed to **Robert Rose** in 1571, when a quit-claim was obtained from Edward Grenville, Richard Grenville and his wife Mary, and William Wright and his wife Elizabeth. **Robert Rose**, by his will dated 1598, left the manor to his son Edward, and died in 1606–7."* (British History Online – Haddenham)



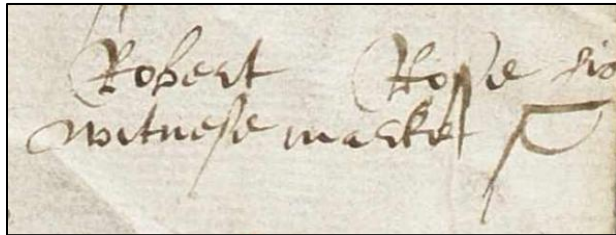
Grenville's Manor, Haddenham

The manor house still stands, and is described in a listing of historical buildings: *"2 storeyed building, probably C16 with modern kitchen & staircase wing at back. The present building may be only a fragment of original house said to have been built 1569. Timber framed with front and right hand gable elevation clad in C18 coursed rubblestone with brick dressings. Old tile roof. 2 wide bays, 2 storeys with attic and of central lobby entry type. Central doorway in porch composed of reused earlier timbers and carved woodwork. Flanked by single light windows with C15 tracery, probably from the rood screen of the parish church. Chamfered and stopped spine*

beams, cambered and chamfered ground floor fireplace beams. 1st floor left hand room has fireplace with moulded 4-centred arch and jambs."

(<https://heritageportal.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/Monument/MBC10836>)

Robert was a witness for the will of Alice Clarke in 1591. Bequests were made to her daughter Dorothy and Dorothy's husband Edward Franklin, her daughter Rose, her goddaughter Alice Franklin, and Merriean Franklin. Robert signed his mark on the will.



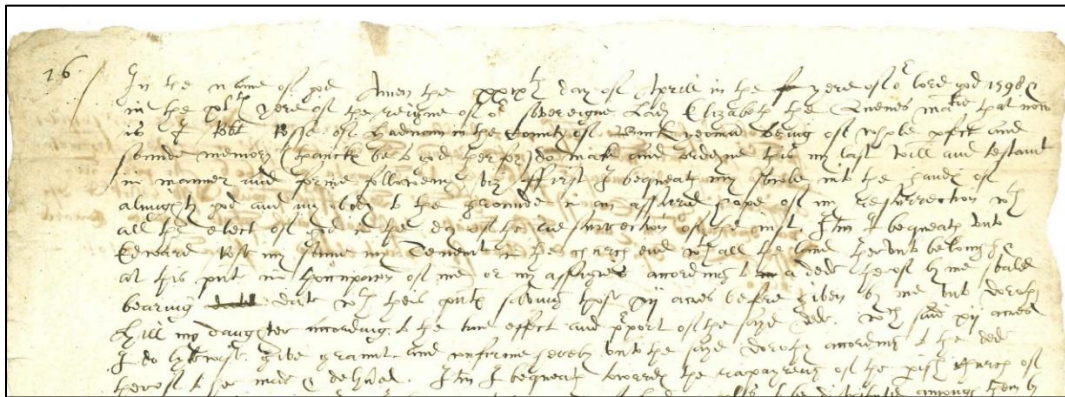
The mark of Robert Rose

A document created in 1592 records a land transaction involving Robert: *"9 Oct. 34 Elizabeth I - Copy surrender (settlement) by **Robert Rose** to Thomas Hill on condition of regrant to Rose for life, then to Hill and the heirs of his body by Margaret his wife. Remainder to the right heirs of Hill. 1 virgate with meadowland, ploughland and appurtenances, being part of 2 virgates equally divided between Rose and Henry Clarke."* (126/1, Rose Family Papers; Manor of Haddenham document; [National Archives.gov.uk](https://nationalarchives.gov.uk))

Robert was a defendant in a lawsuit in 1594: *"Short title: Beke v Rose. Plaintiff(s): Richard Beke. Defendant(s): **Robert Rose**, John Clark, John Barnard, Thomas Greenwood. Subject of depositions: Manor of Haddenham (Buckinghamshire). Right of common of pasture in ground called "Nether Grove" claimed by the tenants of the manor. Date of commission: 26 November 1594. (E 134/37Eliz/Hil12, Manor of Haddenham document; [National Archives.gov.uk](https://nationalarchives.gov.uk))*

In 1603, Robert passed property to his son *"April 5 James I: Presentment on the death of Robert Rose recites that he alienated a house and 3 freehold yardlands held of the manor to his son Edward by deed of 8 Nov. 1 James I (1603). Edward is to swear fealty for the property when he reaches 14, being at present 13 and therefore too young to be admitted."* (D126/3, Rose Family Papers; Manor of Haddenham document; [National Archives.gov.uk](https://nationalarchives.gov.uk))

Robert, at the time of his death, held one messuage and 89 acres of land. Robert died and was buried 18 January 1606 in Haddenham. He left a will written in 1598, with a codicil added to leave a bequest to a daughter born after the will was written. The will was proven in 23 February 1606.



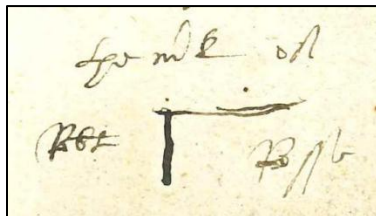
Will of Robert Rose of Haddenham, 1598

In the name of God Amen the xxixth day of Aprill in the yere of our Lord God 1598 in the xlth yere of the reigne of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth the Quene Majestie that now is, I Robt Rosse of Hadnam in the County of Buck yeoman being of whole perfect and sounde memory (thanks be to God therefore) do make and ordayne this my last will and testamt in manner and forme following viz First I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the grounde in assured hope of my resurrection with all the elect of God in the days of the resurrection of the just. Item I bequeath unto **Edward Rose my sonne** my tenemt in the church end with all the land thereunto belonging & as his part in recompense of me or my assignes according to a dede therof by me sealed bearing date with theis parte saving those xij acres before given by me unto **Dorothy Hill my daughter** according to the true effect and purport of the sayd dede with said xij acres I do bequeath give grant remit and performe hereby unto the sayd Dorothy according to the dede therof to her made & delivered. Item I bequeath towards the repaying of the parish church of Hadnam vjs viiij. Item I bequeath to the poore of Hadnam xlis to be distributed amonge them by the churchwardens here within one yere after my decease. Item I bequeath unto **Susan my daughter** vjli xiijs iiij. Item I bequeath unto **Alice my youngest daughter** xiiijli six shillings eight pence which porcons I will shalbe payd by my executors to my sayd two daughters when they shall accomplish severally the age of xxj yeres or elst at the tymes of their several marriages whether shall happen. And if it happen one of my sayd two daughters to dy before her comyng to the age of xxj yeres or shalbe marryed that then the other her sister surviving shall enjoy her sisters porcon so deceased according to the lawe. Item I give unto **my thre eldest daughters** already bestowed in marredge to evry of them half a quarter of barley to be delivered to them by my executors within one yere after my decease. Item I give unto Robt Hill sonne of **Richard Hill** a qrtr of barley and to Robert Hill the younger my godsonne and son of the foresaid Robt half a qrter of barley to be payd to them within a yere after my decease. Item I give unto Richard Hill John Hill Thome Hill and Willm Hill sonnes of the foresaid Richard Hill to evry of them half a qrter of barley to be payd by request as aforesaid. Item I give unto the six children of **Thomas Hill** to evry of them half a qrter of barley a pece to be payd as aforesaid.

*Item I give unto the six children of **Henry Clark** to evry of them half a qrter of barley a pece to be payd as aforesaid. Itm I give unto John Reynar the sonne of **John Reynar** six busshelles of barley & to Richard Reynar brother of the said John the younger two busshelles of barley with ij legacies I will to be payd in manner and forme aforesaid. Item I will that **Frideswyde my wife** shall be at the charge of the education and bringing up of **my two yongest daughters Susan and Alice** til they shall accomplish the age of xvj yeres without any diminution of their porcons by this my will and testamt bequeathed. All the rest of my goodes unbequeathes I give unto **Frydeswyd my wife** and **Edward my sonne** whom I make and ordeyne executors of this my last will and testamt. And I do constitute and make **my nephew John Rosse of the inner temple London gent** John Clark of Hadnam, Reignald Grannt of Thame and Robt Coles of Ickford overseers of the same whom I hereby beseche to be helpfull unto my wife & my sonne and the rest of my children that their education may be in the feare of God and the good of their estates in this world according as it shall please them best to advise or devise for them and in acknowledgement of my thankfulness to my overseers in this behalf I give unto evry one of them a payr of Oxford gloves of xijs a payre or xijd a pece in money. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seall the xxixth day of Aprill above menconed and sealed the day and yere in the presence of us Richard Bell John Brangwin Robt Hyggons Nicholas Edmundes Thomas Grenewood John Bernard Nicholas Evans
The mark of Robt Rose*

A codicill to be annexed to the laste will and testament of Robert Rosse late of Hadnam deceased

*In that the said Robt Rosse in Anno Dmi 1602 or 1603 thereabout beinge of perfect mynde and memorye and which in mynde be holle to his will formerly made and dated the xxixth of Aprill 1598 did will and bequeathe twentye markes of lawfull English money to **Maryan Rosse his daughter** borne since the date of his saide will to be payde at her age of xxj years or daye of her marriadge which shoulde first happen. And this was spoken and geven as before sayde with presence of Reynolde Grannte and Franncis Jervys & others.*



The mark of Robert Rosse

Robert's mention of "my thre eldest daughters already bestowed in marredge" indicates that they were likely the children of his first marriage, and older than his four younger children. He does

not mention them by name, excepting Dorothy. Frideswide does not mention Robert's older daughters in her later will, just listing her children as Edward, Susan, Alice and Maryan.

Frideswide was mentioned in a manor document regarding a land dispute in 1607 between Frideswide and Thomas Hill: "*Recovery in Court Barton 8 April 5 James I (1607) - 1. Fridiswide Rose, relict of Robert, demandant. 2. Thomas Hill, yeoman, son-in-law of Robert, deforciant. 3. Richard Humphrey, vouchee. 1 virgate of customary land comprising 3a meadow, 4a pasture and 26a arable.*" (D126/4, Rose Family Papers; Manor of Haddenham, National Archives.gov.uk)

Frideswide was again mentioned in 1608 in a document with her young son Edward: "*Quitclaim, 3 Oct. 1608 - 1. Robert Hill of Thame, Butcher. 2. **Fridiswide Rose** and **Edward Rose**, relict and son of **Robert Rose**, deceased. Recites that I has tried to procure a tenure by knight service to be found of the lands of Edward Rose and that the wardship of Edward Rose thereby belonged to the King. Undertakes not to molest 2 further.* (D 126/5, Rose Family Papers; Manor of Haddenham, National Archives.gov.uk)

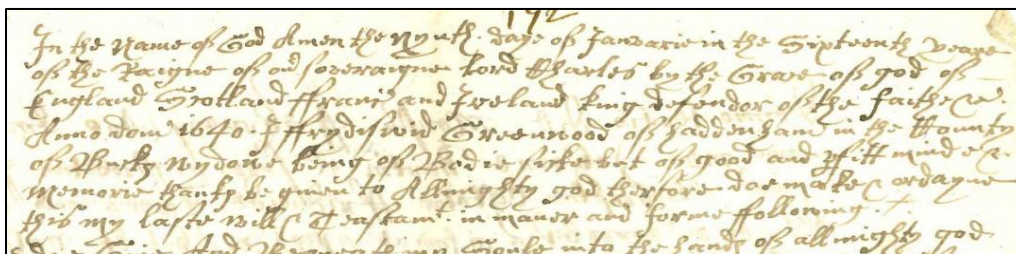
Tenure by knight service was a type of land tenure in medieval England where a knight held land in exchange for providing military service to the lord or the Crown. This was the most common type of land ownership, and knights were expected to serve for 40 days a year if called upon.

Frideswide married again to Richard Greenwood of Haddenham on 17 December 1610 in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire. Richard was a yeoman farmer and churchwarden. He held a messuage, barn, curtilage, pasture and orchard valued at £1-12-4 in 1625. (*Burke's Landed Gentry, 18th Edn. Vol.1 (1965)*)

Richard died in 1640, leaving a will proven 18 April 1640. He left to "*Fridiswide my nowe wife all the corne or grayne issuing and growing upon her owne land. And halfe the howsehold stuffe and goods within and aboute my house*", along with half the implements of husbandry, and "*and moreover my will and meaning is that Fridiswide my wife shall have the biggeste cheste*".

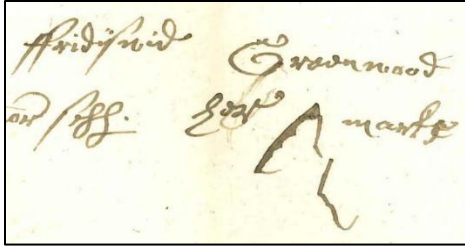
Edward Rose was appointed as one of the overseers of the will, and signed as a witness. Bequests were made to the children of Richard brothers and sisters. Fridiswide's daughters were not mentioned in the will.

Frideswide died within a year, in 1640 as a widow, leaving a will proven 13 February 1641.



Will of Frideswide Greenwood of Haddenham, 1640

*In the name of God Amen the ninth day of Januarie in the sixteenth yeare of the raigne of our Soveraigne Lord Charles by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith & c Anno Dom 1640 I **Frydiswid Greenwood** of Haddenham in the County of Bucks widowe being of bodie sicke but of good and perfitt minde & memorie thanks be given to Allmighty God therfore doe make & ordayne this my last will & testament in maner and forme following: Imprimus I doe give and bequeath my soule into the hands of almighty God my maker. And to Jesus Christe my Saviour and Redeemer by whose mercie and merits I doe hope to be saved. And my bodie to be buried att the discretion of my executor hereafter menconed. And all my worldlie goods I doe give and bequeath as followeth. Item I doe give & bequeath unto **Susan Franklin my daughter** twelve pence of good and lawfull money of England. Item I doe give & bequeath unto **Else Cox my daughter** twelve pence of good and lawfull money of England. Item I doe give and bequeath unto **Maryane Chapman my daughter** twelve pence of like lawfull money. And my coverlet. Item I doe give and bequeath unto **Robt Rose sonn of my sonn Edward** my bigeste cheste. Item I doe give and bequeath unto **Else Rose daughter of my said sonne Edward** my browne bullock. Item I doe give and bequeath unto **Faith Rose daughter of my said sonn Edward** my fether bedd. And one bolster. Item I doe give and bequeathe to **Grace Rose daughter of my said sonn Ed.** My blacke bullocke. Item I doe give and bequeath unto **Dorythie Petyphare Alies Blicke and Elizabeth Rose daughters of my said sonn Ed** to eathe of them twenty shillings of good and lawfull money of England. Item I doe give and bequeath unto the poore people of Haddenham twenty shillings of good & lawfull money. Item all the reste of my worldlie goods and chattles yet unbequeathed my legysies being paid my funerall discharged and this will performed I doe give and bequeath unto **Edward Rose my sonne** and doe make him my full and whole executor of this my laste will and teastamt. I wittnesse whereof I the said Fridiswid Greenwood have here unto setto my hand and seal the daye and yeare firste above written. Sealled & delivered in the presence of us
Mary Cox her marke
John Clarke senior*



Fridiswid Greenwood her marke

Robert and Jane had the following children:

1. **Dorothy**, married Thomas Hill; buried as a widow in 1623 in Haddenham.
2. **Jane** (Joan), married John Reynar. Jane was mentioned in John's will of 1578, as was John's father-in-law Robert Rose, who was appointed an overseer of the will. Jane and John had two sons Richard and John.
3. (Daughter, name unknown), married Henry Clarke.

Robert and Frideswide had the following children:

4. **Edward**, born 1590 in Haddenham; had children Robert, Thomas, Edward, Alice, Faith, Grace, Dorothy, and Elizabeth.
5. ***Susan**, (Susannah) born in about 1595; married James Francklin 24 June 1619 in Haddenham; buried 2 February 1675 in Haddenham.
6. **Alice**, born in about 1597; married John Cox 19 December 1618 in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire; had son William.
7. **Maryan**, born between 1599 and 1603; married Thomas Chapman 8 January 1623 in Long Crendon, Buckinghamshire; had children Anne, and Grace.

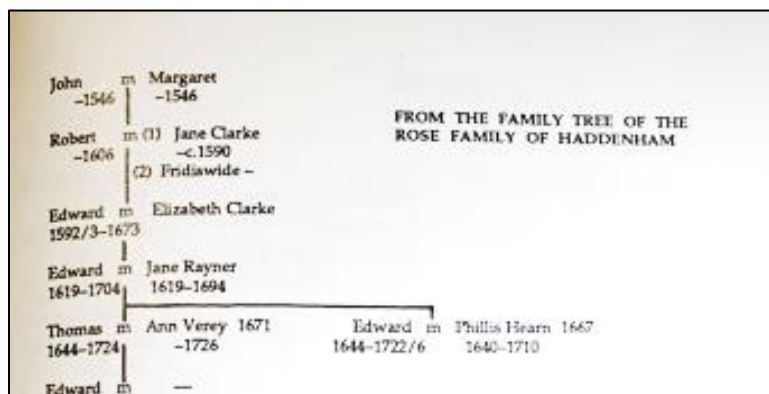
Later the Roses in Haddenham, in about 1660, became a prominent Quaker family, and hosted meetings in their home. *"Thus, in the year 1649, the year that saw the execution of Charles I, with Cromwell and the Commonwealth in full power, we have the first evidence of Quaker principle at Haddenham in the person of Edward Rose, Junior, Yeoman, who withheld the payment of his tythe...It is to Edward the younger that we may look as being the first of the family of Rose to accept the Quaker faith."* (Haddenham Quaker History) This was Robert and Frideswide's grandson Edward.

SOURCES: Haddenham parish register; Aylesbury parish register; will of Robert Rosse of Haddenham, 1598; will of Fridwide Greenwood, widow of Haddenham, 1640; will of Alice Clarke of Haddenham, 1591; Will of Richard Greenwood of Haddenham, 1640; Will of Alice

Clarke of Haddenham, 1591; Abstracts of Rose Family Papers on nationalarchives.gov.uk; British History Online – Haddenham ; Haddenham Quaker History, Walter Rose.

FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JOHN AND MARGARET ROSE

John Rose was born in about 1500 in Haddenham. He married Margaret.



Rose Family Tree

From Haddenham Quaker History by Walter Rose

In 1522, John Rose was listed in a muster roll for Buckinghamshire in Haddenham. John was the only Rose listed in the survey, so was the only male Rose of age 16 or older in Haddenham in 1522. He was assessed 10 shillings for land and £4 for personal goods.

John Cumpton	n.	1	0	0
Wm. Burman ³	n.	n.		
John Woodbridge ³	n.	1	0	0
John Rose	10	0	4	0
John Kimp ¹	8	0	20	0

The muster roll was a military survey ordered by King Henry VIII in 1522 of all able-bodied men 16 and older. They were assessed of their wealth in land and personal goods for the purpose of raising funds to pay for wars with France and Scotland. *“The method of raising troops for national defence during the Tudor period was to hold musters in various counties. Every free able-bodied man was expected in those days to keep ready for use the arms suitable for his wealth and rank, to train so as to make himself efficient, and to serve in the field when summoned.”* (The Certificate of Musters for Buckinghamshire in 1522) The survey assessed both the value of land and the value of personal goods.

John was the only Rose (Roose) again in the 1525 subsidy taken three years later in Haddenham. He was assessed £4.

HADYNHAM					
1525					
Edward Bowton and John Goode subcollectors.					
L 12s.	Thomas Hylle.	£8		Thomas Brown.	W £1
L £2	Robert Folke.	£20		John Holobey.	W £1
	John Renner.	£4		William Burnam.	£2
	Richard Renner.	£2	L £2	John Kempe.	£15
L 13s. 4d.	Alice Bennet.	£4		decayd by corn & catell	£7
	decayd by corn & shepe	£3		Henry Hunte.	£60
L £2	John Bennet.	£20		decayd by evyll detters	£40
	John Renner.	W £1		John Roose.	£4
	Thomas Chapeman.	W £1		Richard Perse.	£10
	Christopher Hockleffe.	W £1		decayd by corn & catell	£5
L £1.6.8	John Colyngryge.	£10	L £1.10.0	Richard Perse junior.	£2
	decayd by corn & catell	£11		Thomas Clarke.	£10
	Rowland Levyng.	£3		decayd by corn & catell	£4
	William Woodebryge.	£2	L £1.6.8	William Menge.	W £1
L 14s.	John Goode.	£5			
	decayd by corn & catell	£3			

Lay Subsidy, Haddenham, 1525

John died in about 1546. Margaret died as a widow and left a will proven in 1547.

Will of Margaret Rosse of Haddenham, 1547

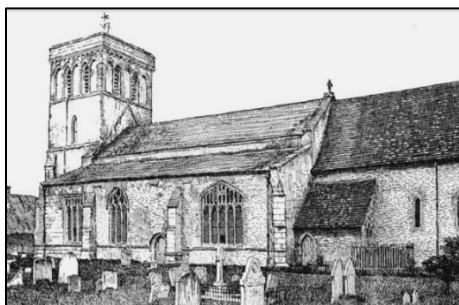
In Dei Noie Amen in the yere of our Lord God jli iiii xlvj the xxij day of May I Margaret Rosse of Hadnam widowe being sicke in body hoole of mynd and memory do make my last wyll & testament after thys maner first I bequethe my soull to Almyghty God and to hys mother Saynt Mary and to his blessed company and my body to be bured in the church yard of Hadnam and I bequeyth to my mother church of Lychfield to the hie alter of Hadnam iid to the rood lyghts iiijd

to the belles iiijd. To **my son Robard** a browne cowe and a dam mare and hyr colte and an ox. Y bequeyeth to **my son John Rosse** a colte of the age of ij yeare an akar of wheyt another of barley another of pease and the akare of wheyt barley pease to be next the best. Y bequeyeth to **my son Thomas** a browne cowe an eyre lambe halfe an akare of wheyt half an akare of barley halfe any akare of pease. Y bequeyeth to **my daughter Johan** a blacke heifer half an akar of wheyt half an aker of barley half an aker of pease. Y bequeyeth to **my daughter Alis** a black pied kowe halfe an aker of wheyt another of barley another of pease. Also y bequeyeth to eche of my chylderne payre of sheep. To **my daughter Johan** a kerses. Y bequeyeth to **my daughter Alis** my best sheyt and all my ____ both linnen and wollen. Also y wyll that **my son Robard** shall have iiij akers of wheyt iiij of pease iiij of barley. Also y wyll that Robard shall cary ij loades of wood for John brancheys of his own proper use. Also **my son John** shall not meddyll with plant nor plow geares nor carte nor carte geares with the pyle of ffydes within the house. The residew of my goodes unbequeythed y bequeyeth and gyve to **my son Robard** and to **John my sone** whom I do mak my full and lafull executors and they to dispose part of [torn] for the good of my soul and all good my last [torn]

John and Margaret had the following children:

1. **Thomas**
2. ***Robert**, married 1) Jane Clark, 2) Frideswide; buried 18 January 1606 in Haddenham.
3. **John**
4. **Johan**
5. **Alis**

SOURCES: Will of Margaret Rosse of Haddenham, 1547; The Certificate of Musters for Buckinghamshire in 1522; Lay Subsidy for Haddenham, 1525; Haddenham Quaker History, Walter Rose.



Haddenham Church