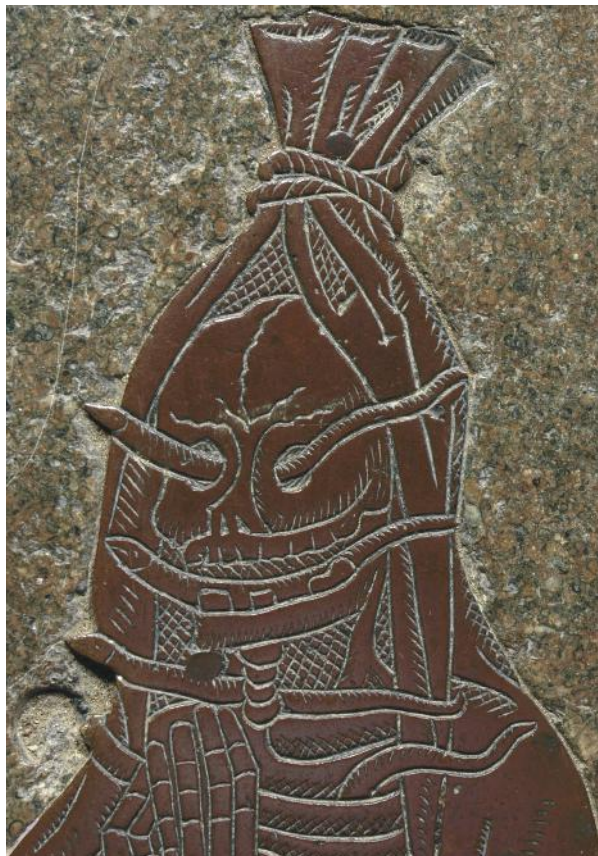




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LEGACIES & BEQUESTS



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The Society was founded in 1887 to preserve and record monumental brasses. Initially it was known as the Cambridge University Association of Brass Collectors. Later it was renamed the Monumental Brass Society. From a membership of 60 in 1887, the Society has grown to around 400 today.

When it comes to your Will, it is only right that your family comes first in your thoughts. But that does not mean that you cannot leave a gift to a cause close to your heart. Legacy gifts, however large or small, are crucial to our future work.

By making a bequest to the Monumental Brass Society you will make a very real difference to securing the Society's future:

- To encourage the appreciation of brasses, indents of lost brasses and incised slabs by publications, lectures and meetings;
- To preserve brasses by assisting with grant funding conservation; and
- To promote the study of brasses, indents of lost brasses and incised slabs, and to encourage and disseminate original research.

For those who choose to do so, the Society will ensure that you are acknowledged and remembered as a benefactor.

WHICH KIND OF GIFT OR LEGACY?

You can give or bequeath to the Society a sum of money, a share of your estate or specific assets, such as a portfolio of shares or a house. It is possible to leave us a collection or specific assets from your estate, which would not be liable for Inheritance Tax.

It is possible to make a gift in the form of a residuary gift, whereby the Society receives whatever is left of your estate after you have made specific bequests to your family and friends or other good causes.

WHERE DO I START?

Legacies and bequests are enormously valuable to us. All that may be needed is a simple codicil to your Will on which your solicitor can probably advise with very little expense, and the gift itself will be tax free.

The suggested wording is: "I give to the Monumental Brass Society (registered charity number 214336) c/o The Society of Antiquaries of London, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BE a legacy of £x [or the residue of my estate] for charitable purposes".

Some donors may not wish to draw attention to themselves and would prefer anonymity, but we can discuss privately how to fulfil any wishes you might have for the use of your gift bequest.

INHERITANCE TAX

Because we are a charity, the value of any gift you make to the Society in your will is deducted by the Inland Revenue from the value of your estate before any Inheritance Tax liability is calculated – so money that might otherwise have been paid in tax can instead be used to support the Society in its work.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you are considering a gift or bequest and would like more information we are very happy to talk through the options. If you have already included the Society in your will, we would appreciate being able to say thank you. In both cases, you are welcome to contact the President, Martin Stuchfield at Pentlow Hall, Cavendish, Suffolk CO10 7SP or at martinstuchfield@pentlowhall.uk.