



**Royal Star  
& Garter**

Care with courage

**A gift in your Will ensures  
veterans always have a home**

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I think it's  
extraordinary  
the way they  
look after you.

Amy, Resident



A home full of love



# How a gift in your Will can help

Making a Will allows you to look after your family, loved ones and friends. It's also a chance to remember a cause close to your heart and help others.

By choosing to support Royal Star & Garter in your Will, you are ensuring that veterans and their partners are able to access the very best in care and therapies to help them live positively in the face of disability and dementia.



**We live and work as one family**, helping those who have had the courage to serve our country to live happy, fulfilled lives.



**We provide the very best in activities and therapies** which help enhance the quality of life for our veterans.



**We build on veterans confidence**, we give them greater independence and we tailor our care to their individual needs.

**Most importantly, by choosing to support Royal Star & Garter you will be helping build a strong future for veterans filled with friendship and love.**

Our activities and therapies are highly tailored to individuals and provide the very best in person-centred care. Aimed at improving residents' quality of life they include physio and speech therapies, dieticians, music, art, gardening, entertainers and excursions.





**A life full of joy**



# How to make a gift in your Will

All gifts large or small make a real difference to the lives of veterans and their partners living with disability or dementia. There are two main ways to remember Royal Star & Garter in your Will:



## Pecuniary gift

A fixed amount of money as a cash gift.



## Residuary gift

A share or percentage of your choosing, or the whole of your estate, after you have remembered loved ones and all debts, expenses and other legacies have been paid.

Suggested wording: “I give a \_\_% share of the residue of my estate to The Royal Star & Garter Homes, 15 Castle Mews, Hampton, Middlesex, TW12 2NP (Registered Charity Number 210119) for its general charitable purposes. I further direct that the receipt of the Honorary Treasurer or other proper officer of The Royal Star & Garter Homes for the time being shall be a sufficient discharge for the said legacy.”



**Our charity details.** Please remember to include our full (legal) name and registered charity number in your Will to ensure that we can be properly identified: The Royal Star & Garter Homes, 15 Castle Mews, Hampton, TW12 2NP. Registered Charity No: 210119

# Important information

**Making a Will is the only way to ensure that your assets are passed on effectively to the people and causes that you care about.**

We recommend that you consult a solicitor to ensure that your wishes will be properly carried out. We are delighted to be able to provide a free Wills offer, details of which are included in this booklet.



**Inheritance tax:** as gifts to charities are usually exempt from inheritance tax, including Royal Star & Garter in your Will can help to minimise your overall tax liability.

**Updating your Will:** If you already have a Will, it is easy to include Royal Star & Garter by means of a simple form called a codicil. This would be suitable if you wanted to make a gift of a fixed sum or a specific item.

A codicil must be properly witnessed and then kept with your Will. We would recommend that any changes are approved by your solicitor.

**Please see our inheritance tax fact sheet and codicil form for further details.**

George Avery, a surviving WWII resident, lives with dementia at our High Wycombe Home. He helped build portable crossings, enabling allied troops to cross rivers and canals. He has enjoyed visiting these sites again as part of his ongoing reminiscence.



# Our free Will writing service

We are pleased to offer our supporters the opportunity to write or update a simple Will, in partnership with the National Free Wills Network. This service is free of charge to you and will provide you with access to a qualified solicitor local to you.

## How does it work?

It is easy to get started. Request your National Free Wills information pack, with a list of your local participating solicitors:



1. Request your pack at [starandgarter.org/freewill](http://starandgarter.org/freewill)
2. Or call our team to request your pack on **020 8481 7676**. Simply provide your full name and address.

## Rita is one of our legacy pledgers

and was a dedicated volunteer at our original Home in Richmond. When her husband suffered a severe stroke, he chose to remain at home, but the impact of our work was never lost on them both.

**Rita generously chose to remember us in her Will as a result.**



Gifts in Wills help us continue to care for disabled veterans and their partners.

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**She left a legacy in her Will to help towards the amazing care and support you give ex-servicemen and women.**

Relative of a legacy donor who regularly visited our Richmond Home





# Thank you

We appreciate the generosity of everyone who remembers Royal Star & Garter in their Will. As a gesture of thanks we will record the names of all legacy donors in our online memorial wall which can be found at [www.starandgarter.org](http://www.starandgarter.org)

## Get in contact

If you have any questions relating to making a gift in your Will, then please contact a member of the team on 020 8481 7676 or email [legacies@starandgarter.org](mailto:legacies@starandgarter.org)

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Registered Charity No. 210119. A company incorporated by Royal Charter (RC00713)  
and registered in England. Registered office: 15 Castle Mews, Hampton, TW12 2NP



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