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Biography of Digby Willoughby, 7th Baron Middleton (1769-1856)

The 7th Baron was the eldest son of Francis Willoughby of Hesley, Nottinghamshire, and a great-grandson of the [1st Baron Middleton](#) . He entered the Royal Navy in 1782, retiring as Captain in 1840. He succeeded his cousin, the 6th Baron, in 1835. He died on 5 November 1856 and was succeeded by his cousin, Henry Willoughby, as [8th Baron Middleton](#) .

Family

He never married. He had one illegitimate daughter, Octavia, m 1stly Major John Richard Smyth Wallis, and 2ndly in 1872 Sir George H. Beaumont

Archive Collections

- Title deeds, settlements, estate and legal papers relating to the 7th Baron's ownership of the Willoughby estates are part of the [Middleton Collection](#) held in Manuscripts and Special Collections at the University of Nottingham.

Published Sources

- There are no notable published works concerning the 7th Baron.