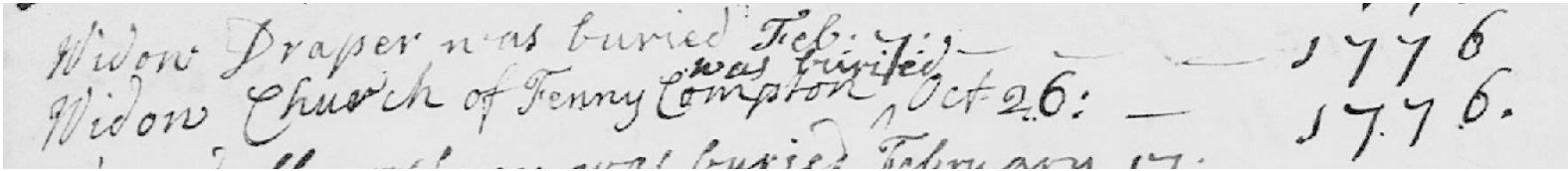


How Not to Deal with Widows



The first entry reads: Widow Draper was buried Feb 7 1776

The second entry reads: Widow Church of Fenny Compton was buried Oct 26 1776

Record Matching Header Data Arbitration			
Image-Record	Key A	Key B	Arbitrator
01 - 01	*Record Type Burial	Burial	Burial
02	*Gender <Blank>	F	<Required>
03	*Burial Date: Month Feb	Feb	Feb
04	*Burial Date: Day 7	7	7
05	*Burial Date: Year 1776	1776	1776
06	*Deceased's Given Names Widow	<Blank>	<Required>
07	*Deceased's Surname Draper	<Blank>	<Required>
08	Deceased's Age: Years		
09	Spouse's Given Names		
10	Spouse's Surname	Draper	
11	Deceased's Father's Given Names		
12	Deceased Father's Surname		
13	Deceased's Mother's Given Name		
14	Deceased's Mother's Surname		

Key A entered <Blank> for the gender and entered “Widow” as the given name. It is permissible to enter F for the gender when it says the person is a widow. Never enter the term “widow” as a name.

Key B entered the gender and given name correctly, but failed to put the Surname as the Deceased's Surname. Then the indexer entered Draper as the Spouse's Surname. It was assumed that the spouse's name had to be Draper because she was a widow. This is happening more and more and is absolutely wrong.

Record Matching Header Data Arbitration			
Image-Record	Key A	Key B	Arbitrator
01 - 01	*Record Type Burial	Burial	Burial
02	*Gender <Blank>	F	<Required>
03	*Burial Date: Month Oct	Oct	Oct
04	*Burial Date: Day 26	26	26
05	*Burial Date: Year 1776	1776	1776
06	*Deceased's Given Names Widow	<Blank>	<Required>
07	*Deceased's Surname Church	Church	Church
08	Deceased's Age: Years		
09	Spouse's Given Names	Fenny	
10	Spouse's Surname	Compton	
11	Deceased's Father's Given Names		
12	Deceased Father's Surname		
13	Deceased's Mother's Given Name		
14	Deceased's Mother's Surname		

Key A made the same errors as in the former entry and so did Key B with a couple of exceptions. This indexer misinterpreted the residence of the deceased to be the name of her spouse. The Deceased's Surname was entered correctly.