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Edward Knight

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Dates: 1794-1879

BIOGRAPHY

Landed Hampshire gentleman and brother of novelist Jane Austen. He inherited the Knight estates, including Chawton, and is identified in the Abbots Barton history as its holder from 1706 until 1811.

NOTES / SOURCES

The reported 1706 succession appears to concern an earlier Edward Knight in the Knight family; the sources use the name 'Edward Knight of Chawton'; without fully resolving the generational identification. The manor connection is retained, but the biographical dates should not be treated as certain for the 1706 holder.

Research sources:

- Hampshire Garden Trust, 'Abbots Barton House', Historic Development; Abbots Barton

Farmhouse sale particulars, historical notes.

<https://research.hgt.org.uk/item/abbotts-barton-house/>

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