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Thomas Manners

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Dates: Born before 1492; died 20 September 1543.

BIOGRAPHY

Courtier, soldier and landowner under Henry VIII. He was created Earl of Rutland in 1525 and acquired former ecclesiastical lands during the Dissolution period, including the Braunston lands

attributed in local heritage records to the former Lilleshall Abbey holding.

NOTES / SOURCES

The identification of the Earl of Rutland in the local source with Thomas Manners is chronological

and titular; the source itself names him only by title.

Research sources:

- Northamptonshire Historic Environment Record MNN8327, Probable Medieval Manor, Braunston; Historic

England, Braunstonbury deserted medieval village, moat and fishpond, National Heritage List entry

1017580; Northamptonshire HER MNN171602, Braunston Mill, for the circa 1540 Rutland acquisition

context. <https://historicengland.org.uk/listing/the-list/list-entry/1017580>

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