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**M**ichael Beirne (1872-1948) is my paternal grandfather. His parents were Patrick Beirne and Catherine (Big Kate) Tansey. The Tansey name derives from MacTansey, or Mac an Tanaiste in Gaelic and means tanist or heir presumptive. They are found in Counties Sligo and north Roscommon.

Both were natives of the Frenchpark area of County Roscommon. Patrick was born in 1828 and died January 20, 1905 at home at the age of 77. We do not know Catherine's dates, but she did predecease her husband. Their daughter Mary Anne returned from America to care for her father and was married in 1902 so it is likely that Catherine had died around 1900. Neither Patrick nor Catherine could read or write as evidenced by their signing with "their mark" on various official documents.

Their home is situated in the northwest area of County Roscommon. The exact location is identified on the census of 1901 as:

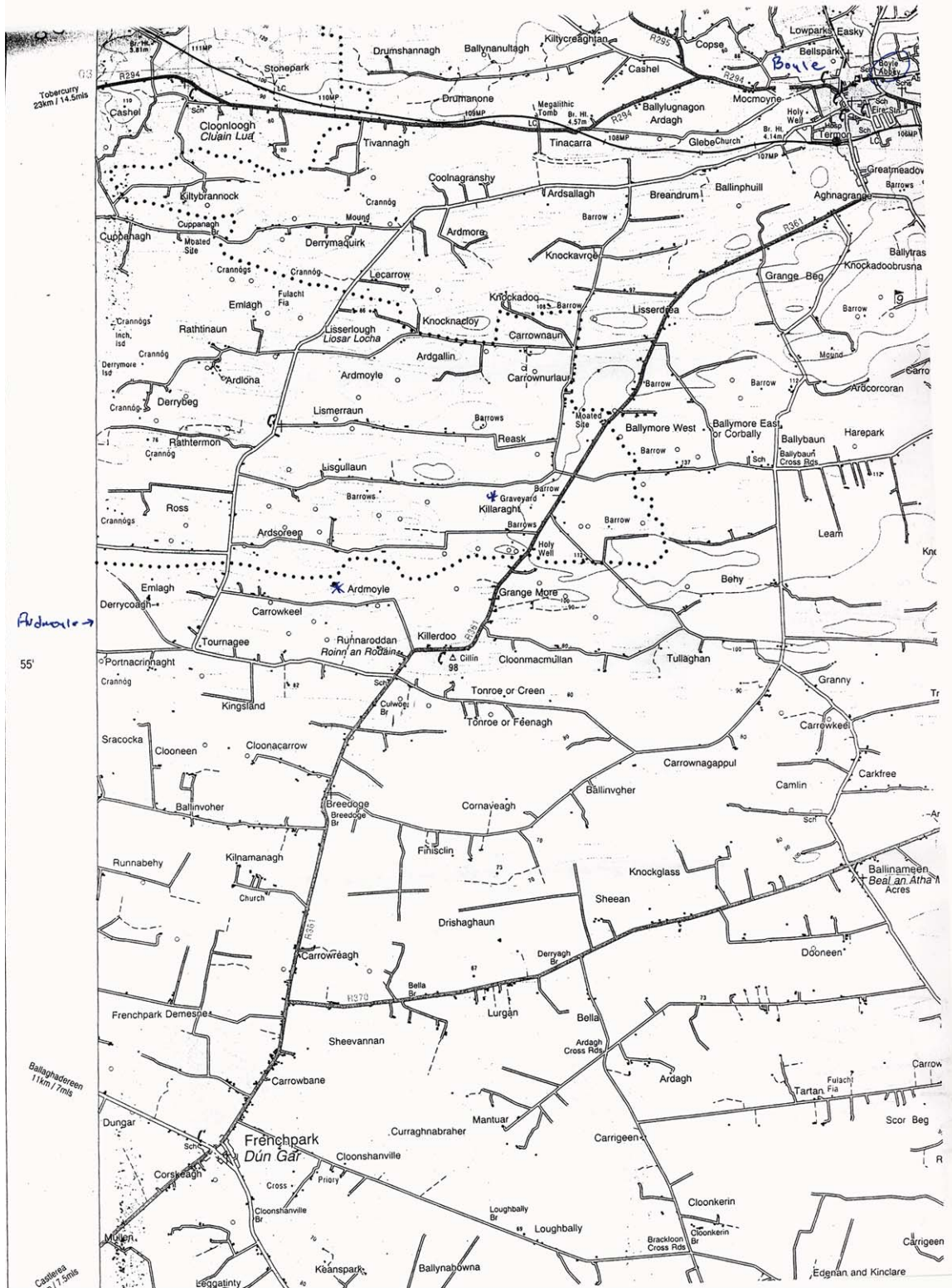
- Townland- Ardmoyle; Kingsland
- Parish- Kilnamanagh
- Diocese- Elphin
- Barony- Frenchpark
- County- Roscommon

This census designates the occupants of the property as Patrick Beirne, a farmer & widower and "head of the household," and Mary Anne Beirne, his unmarried daughter. At that time, the house had two rooms and a thatched roof. It was the same when I visited in 1977.

Patrick Beirne and Catherine Tansey were married before civil registration of catholic marriages began since their first child was born in January 1864. Parish registers can be used for the earlier period, but complications arise in our case. Ardmoyle Townland lies in the civil parish of Kilnamanagh, which is included in the Catholic parish of Ballinameen and Breedoge, which has registers beginning in 1859. However, no marriage for Patrick Beirne to Catherine Tansey was found in the register, indicating that either they were married before 1860 or that Catherine came from another parish and married there. The very extensive un-indexed Catholic parish register of Strokestown and Lissonuffly, which begins in 1830, was checked without finding any relevant entry as was that of the adjoining parishes of Killukin and Killumod.

Since it did not appear likely that any information could be found on earlier generations of

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Ardmoyle, County Roscommon, Ireland  
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the Beirne family, because of the late commencement dates of the surviving parish registers, searches were focused on the land records. The Index of Surnames for Co. Roscommon is based on the names occurring in two great surveys carried out in Ireland for taxation purposes in the 19th century. These were the Tithe Applotment c. 1825- 35 and the Primary Valuation c. 1850- 60. The index shows the number and distribution of surnames in each parish of the county.

It showed 20 Beirne landholders/ householders in Kilnamanagh parish but only one Tansey c. 1825- 55. The 1833 Tithe Applotment showed five Beirne occupiers on Ardmoyle Townland, but, by the date of the 1857 Primary Valuation, Michael Beirne held 22 acres and Anne Beirne held 12 acres. Only one Tansey landholder was listed in the parish. This was Patrick Tansey who had a small landholding of 12 acres on Ardmoyle Townland. This may be Catherine Tansey's father. If this Patrick was Catherine Tansey's father, her marriage should have been recorded in the Catholic parish register of Ballinameen and Breedoge. It happened sometimes that when marriages were celebrated in the bride's home the entry that should have been recorded later in the parish register was accidentally omitted.

The Land Valuation Office notebooks record changes in land occupancy after the 1855 Primary Valuation. The entries for Ardmoyle are somewhat confusing since the numbers of the various plots of land were changed over the years and, with several Beirne families in the Townland, it was difficult to differentiate them. However, plot 6a of 12 acres was held by one Anne Beirne from 1855 until replaced by Patrick Beirne as landholder in 1881. This Anne may have been Patrick's mother. Patrick was the listed occupier until replaced by Thomas McGarry (his son-in-law) in 1903.

The 1901 census returns from Ardmoyle showed Patrick living with his unmarried daughter, Mary Anne. Mary Anne married Thomas McGarry in Frenchpark on April 27, 1902. Thomas was a farmer from Clegarnaugh. By the date of the 1911 census, Patrick Beirne was dead and Thomas and Mary were in Ardmoyle with their six children. Their first child Patrick was born on March 3, 1903, Mary Kate on August 18, 1904, Delia Maud on August 9, 1906, John and Thomas, twins, on June 26, 1909 and Margaret on April 18, 1910. Further searches in the General Index of Births showed two more children: Anne May 13, 1912 and Elizabeth July 20, 1913. No other children were registered to 1920.

The Elphin and Creeve Catholic parish register which began in 1808 may record Patrick Beirne's baptism, since family tradition says he came from there. Further research is needed.

According to the property valuations, there were/are many Beirnes living in this area, including Patrick (my great grandfather). Other Beirnes occupied the adjoining lots (#5A & 7) and were likely related to Patrick. Anne Beirne lived there in 1861. The cottage and land were owned by Don O'Connor. In 1861, there was a Michael Beirne in House 5A. In 1893, Anne Beirne took Michael's place on the valuation. Michael must have died and Anne was his widow. In 1898, John Beirne (great grandfather to Sherry Bossard died in 1897) was crossed off the sheet and Michael Beirne, his son, was added as owner and occupier (Michael was Sherry's grandmother's brother).



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The Beirnes who lived here survived the series of potato famines between 1845-8 and were occupants of this property from at least the 1860s, perhaps earlier as tenants. My great-grandfather Patrick Beirne (1828-1905) took possession of the property known as #6A in 1873. He purchased it from Don O'Connor. In the valuations of 1861, this lot was occupied by Anne Beirne and owned by D. O'Connor.

Patrick transferred it to his daughter Mary Anne Beirne McGarry (1875-1953) before he died. By 1903, the property was listed as belonging to Thomas McGarry ( -1930), Mary Anne Beirne's husband. It passed to her son Tom when she died in 1953. By 1964, this same property was still owned by her son Thomas McGarry (1908-1986) who inherited it from his parents. I visited Tom and Lizzie in 1977. Tom died first (1986) so the property passed to his wife Lizzie. They had no children so it passed to her niece after Lizzie died. This niece sold it and it has been completely rebuilt by an individual from Dublin in 2003. It is unrecognizable from its past state when I visited the McGarrys.

Patrick and Catherine were married circa 1863 and are buried in Killaraght Cemetery (see photo)<sup>1</sup>.



### Author's Note: Irish Origins<sup>2</sup>

**I am part of a DNA genealogy project (Family Tree DNA) that uses Y chromosome data to trace people who can be certain of a particular geographic area for their ancestors. I have been able to document my connection to my great-grandfather Patrick Beirne (1828-1905) with a specific place in County Roscommon (Ardmoyle).**

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1 Photo by Ken Beirne; July 1977.

2 For further information, see [www.familytreedna.com](http://www.familytreedna.com) and Oppenheimer, Stephen; *The Origins of the British: The Surprising Roots of the English, Irish, Scottish and Welsh*, 2007.

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**I have genetically tested as R1b1c7 so this test data applies to any other of my Beirne & Gavigan relatives and their descendants. This haplotype is one of the few subclades that Family Tree DNA and the researchers at the University of Arizona have identified geographically with any degree of precision.**

**What we know is that this subclade is associated with the Northwest Irish Modal and the Ui Neill who did control Roscommon at different times. Trinity College has identified a connection with between my DNA data and Niall of the Nine Hostages. Geographically, the R1b1c7s come from Northwest Ireland, Northern Ireland, and lowland Scotland. Most of the ancestors of present-day residents of these countries arrived a long time ago, before the first farmers. In Ireland, over 88% descend from the original, aboriginal population. Our oldest ancestors worked their way north from their glacial age refuge in northern Spain along the beaches to western Ireland. Ireland and Britain were all part of the continental land mass 15,000 years ago so western Ireland was Europe's beach front. We descend from them.**

**Ireland undoubtedly was occupied before the so-called Last Glacial Maximum (LGM) that occurred 22,000-17,000 years ago. The ice sheets, however, scraped away all traces of them, and man retreated to a number of southern refuges. The earliest identifiable settlers of Ireland came from what is called the French-Spanish Ice Age Refuge, south of the Pyrenees in Basque country and nearby Galicia and Catalonia.**

**During the post-glacial Megalithic period, some 15,000-13,000 years ago, Ireland and Britain were part of the European land mass. These hunter-gathers were able to migrate fairly rapidly north and west along the seashore. The dense forests that covered the interior caused early man to be a beachcomber. These hunter-gatherers were from the Iberian refuge.**

**One message of this genetic story is that The Celtic language probably originated during the Neolithic Age in southwest France and Iberia, the same area from whence the re-settlers of Ireland came somewhat earlier. Neolithic migrants from Iberia to Ireland probably brought the language along with them, perhaps about 2500 BC. There was much trade and cultural interchange between the British Isles and Continental Europe, and Celtic culture did spread from the continent westward.**

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Parick and Catherine Tansey Beirne had nine children (8 boys and 1 girl) between 1864 and 1883. They were all raised in this home (cottage) and Mary Anne also raised her family of ten children in this same home after she and Tom married. The nine children include:

- Patrick (1864-ca1909)
- James (1866-)
- John T. (1868-1945)
- Owen (1870-1900)
- **Michael Francis (1872-1948)**
- Pat Joseph (1874-ca1917)
- Mary Anne (1875-1953)
- Francis (1878-)
- Joseph (1883-)

Below is what I learned about each of them:

Of these nine children, six emigrated to Lawrence, MA, including John, Owen, Michael, and Mary Anne. In addition, it is likely that two other brothers (Patrick and Joseph) also lived in Lawrence as they are buried in John's cemetery plot. There are several references to James as living in Methuen, MA and that he spelled his name "Behren." This is the way that the name sounds when spoken with an Irish brogue. My mother's records have a note that James lived in New Jersey and died of a hip disease, but it is not clear which story is correct. It is likely that my father James Beirne (1899-1955) was named for him. There has also been a contact with some Beirnes who live near Manchester, England. Their grandfather was James Beirne and he has the same birthdate and birthplace. He was a livery driver in Liverpool after he left Ireland. Further research is needed.

- Patrick Beirne (1864-circa 1909?) was born January 30, 1864 at Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland His birth certificate records him as "Pat." It was reported on January 30, 1864 by his father Pat Beirne whose dwelling place is specified as Ardmoyle. He signed his name with his "Mark." It is registered in the District of Ballinameen; Boyle, Roscommon.

Patrick was baptized on February 5, 1864 by Rev. J. Kavanaugh in Ballinameen in the parish of Ballinameen in the diocese of Elphin.

His godparents were Michael Cox and Catherine Beirne.

The Marriage Register records his marriage to Ellen Brady on September 13, 1896. Their witnesses were Martin Hassily and Margaret Mulligan. He may be the Patrick Beirne who died in Lawrence and is buried in his brother John's plot.

- James Beirne (1866-????) was born April 21, 1866, at Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland The birthdate is from his birth certificate which records the infor-

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Patrick Beirne  
b. 1828, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
d. 20 Jan 1905, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
& Catherine Tansey  
b. Roscommon, Ireland  
d. ca 1900, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
mdy. ca 1863, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland

Patrick Beirne  
b. 30 Jan 1864, Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
d. ca 22 Dec 1909, Lawrence, MA.  
& Ellen Brady  
b.  
d.  
mdy. 13 Sep 1896, Ballinameen; Elphin; Roscommon, Ireland

James Beirne  
b. 21 Apr 1866, Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
d.  
mdy.

John T. Beirne  
b. 20 Apr 1868, Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark; Roscommon, Ireland  
d. Jan 1945, Lawrence, Ma.  
& Mariam (Mary) M. Dooley  
b. 1871  
d. Aug 1945, Lawrence, Ma.  
mdy. 22 Apr 1896, St. Mary's; Lawrence, Mass.

Owen Beirne  
b. 13 Jan 1870, Ardmoyle; Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
d. 20 Mar 1900  
mdy.

Michael Francis Beirne  
b. 29 Sep 1872, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
d. 26 Jan 1948, Tewkesbury State Hospital; Tewkesbury, MA  
& Anne Marie Gavigan  
b. 5 Oct 1871, Doughil (Strokestown), Roscommon; Ireland  
d. 27 Apr 1945, B. Burke Memorial Hospital; Lawrence, Mass.  
mdy. 23 Jun 1897, St. Mary's Church; Lawrence, Mass.



Pat Joseph Beirne  
b. 1 Jun 1874, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
d. ca 21 Nov 1917, Lawrence, MA.  
mdy.

Mary Anne Beirne  
b. 3 Jan 1875, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
d. 14 Feb 1953, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Roscommon, Ireland  
& Thomas McGarry  
b. Clegernagh, Roscommon, Ireland  
d. 9 Dec 1930  
mdy. 27 Apr 1902, Breedogue Church; Frenchpark, Ireland



Francis Beirne  
b. 19 Feb 1878, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
d.  
mdy.

Joseph Beirne  
b. 15 Feb 1883, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
d.  
mdy.

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mant as Pat Beirne (his father) on April 28, 1866. His residence is listed as Ardmoyle and he signed his name with his "Mark." The birth certificate is registered in the District of Ballinameen, Boyle, County Roscommon.

However, his baptismal certificate shows that he was born March 13, 1866 and that he was baptized March 16, 1866 by Rev. M. Barrett in the parish of Ballinameen in the diocese of Elphin.

His godparents were Michael Plunket and Catherine Beirne.

- John Beirne (1868-1945) was born April 20, 1868, at Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark; Roscommon, Ireland.

John's birth certificate reports his birthdate as April 20, 1868. His birth was reported on April 23, 1868 by his father Pat (my great-grandfather) who signed his name with his "Mark." However, John's baptismal certificate indicates that he was born March 9, 1868 and was baptized March 11, 1868 by Rev. J Kavanagh in the parish of Ballinameen in the diocese of Elphin. His godparents were Patrick Plunket and Winifred Noone. He listed his birthdate as March 7, 1868 on his "Naturalization" papers. These papers show that he left Ireland and entered the U.S. at Boston on May 7, 1886 when he was 18. He was living at 175 Lawrence Street at the time and identified himself as a moulder. He declared his intent to become a citizen on October 11, 1894 at the Police Court in Lawrence and was approved in 1896.

He married Mariam (a.k.a. Mary) Dooley (1871-1945) on April 22, 1896 at St. Mary's Church in Lawrence, MA. They were married by Father Whelan. Their witnesses were Michael Beirne (John's brother and my grandfather) and Teresa Dooley (probably Mary's sister).

John lived in Lawrence where he married Mariam Dooley. He was a tinsmith and had cancer of the larynx. His larynx was surgically removed and then he invented and manufactured a metal voice box for himself using his "tinsmithing" skills. This allowed him to communicate with his family and friends long before this would have been an available product to others. He made a set of candlesticks for his brother Michael and his wife, Anne Gavigan Beirne, for their wedding in 1898 was given to me by my aunt Agnes Beirne O'Sullivan gave me before she died.

John and Mary purchased a cemetery plot at St. Mary's Cemetery in Lawrence and are both buried there. John died in January 1945 at age 76 and was buried on January 6. Mary died in August of the same year. At the time of their deaths, their address was 47 Trenton St., Lawrence, MA. His brother Michael also has a plot in St. Mary's. John has several other people buried in his plot and all have the last name of Beirne. They include:

- Patrick Beirne-age 65, born in Ireland in 1844 and buried 12/22/1909 (probably a brother, cousin or an uncle).
- Joseph Beirne-age 44, born in Ireland in 1874 and buried 11/23/1917 (probably a brother or an uncle).





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b. 20 Apr 1868, Ardmoyle, Kingsland; Frenchpark; Roscommon, Ireland  
d. Jan 1945, Lawrence, MA  
& Mariam (Mary) M. Dooley  
b. 1871  
d. Aug 1945, Lawrence, MA  
mdy. 22 Apr 1896, St.Mary's; Lawrence, MA

Francis (Frank) Beirne  
b. 1898, Lawrence, MA  
d.  
mdy.

Joseph Beirne  
b. 1900, Lawrence, MA  
d.  
& Claire Cronin  
b.  
d.  
mdy.

Catherine (Sr.Mary Francis) Beirne  
b. 2 Mar 1901, Lawrence, MA  
d. 31 Jul 1959, Clifton, NJ  
mdy.

Thomas Beirne  
b. 1903, Lawrence, MA  
d. 1960, Belleview Hospital; New York , NY  
mdy.

John Beirne  
b. 4 Jun 1904, Lawrence, MA  
d. 30 Jul 1970  
mdy.

Augustine J.(Gus) Beirne  
b. 24 Jan 1906, Lawrence, MA  
d. 7 Aug 1977  
& Margaret Welch  
b. 7 May 1910  
d. 24 Sep 1971  
mdy.

- Ann Beirne-age 73, born in Ireland in 1848 and buried 8/18/1921 (probably a cousin or an aunt).
- Katherine Beirne-age 77, born in Ireland in 1867 and buried 5/6/1944 (probably a cousin or an aunt). Her address at the time of death was 527 Essex St., Lawrence, MA
- Thomas Beirne-age 56, born in Lawrence, MA and buried 9/29/1960. He is John and Mary's son and one of our "mystery men."

John and Mariam had six children who were 1st cousins of my father, Jim Beirne:

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- Mary Frances (Sr. Mary Francis) (ca1901-1959)
- Thomas (1904-1960)
- John, (1904-1970)
- Frank
- Joseph
- Augustine J.(Gus) (1906-1977)

• Owen Beirne (1870-1900) was born January 13, 1870 at Ardmoyle; Kingsland; Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland. His godparents were Patrick Harrington and Margaret Madden.

Owen's birth certificate records his birthdate as January 13, 1870. The informant is his mother Catherine who signed with her "Mark" on January 27, 1870. It is recorded in the District of Ballinameen; Boyle, County Roscommon. Her parish is recorded as Kilargth.

His baptismal certificate indicates his birthdate as January 7, 1870 and that he was baptized January 10, 1870 by Rev. Patrick McDonagh in the parish of Ballinameen in the diocese of Elphin.

Owen lived in Lawrence and was the best man at his brother Michael's wedding (my grandfather) in 1897. He was also godfather to my father in February 1899 after his birth. Owen fathered a child with someone, but no records are evident. His co-godparent was Agnes Bannaher so this may be his mate. In any event, he died one year later at the age of 30, probably from tuberculosis. He is buried in his brother Michael's plot at Hillside cemetery in Lawrence, MA. His mate and son left mysteriously and were never heard from again.

• **Michael Francis Beirne** (1872-1948) is my grandfather. Various records indicate that he was born at Ardmoyle Townland in the parish of Kilnamanagh near Frenchpark, Co. Roscommon in 1872. Civil registration of births, deaths and Catholic marriages began in Ireland in 1864, with non-Catholic marriages registered from 1845. Therefore, much of this information was found in the General Register Office.

A certificate for his birth gives his birth date as 6 October 1872. This is incorrect since he was baptized on 29 September 1872. Such errors were quite common since the person registering the birth often could not remember the exact date. Some births were not registered, but details are available from the parish register of Kilnamanagh (Ballinameen).

He was born September 29, 1872 at Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, County Roscommon; Ireland. Michael Beirne's birth is officially registered in the District of Ballinameen. It was recorded on the 15th of October to the Registrar (Thomas Cooney). Michael's father is listed as a farmer and the "informant" is identified as Bridget Beirne (she signed with her "mark") who was "present at birth" at Gyragemore Parish of Boyle. The church records have some date discrepancies as his baptismal certificate records his birthdate as September 29, 1872 and shows that he was baptized

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October 3, 1872 by Rev. P. Ahearne in the parish of Ballinameen, diocese of Elphin. His godparents were James Keaveney and Bridget McGarry. (See the Beirne & Gavigan story below).

His naturalization records confirm the September 29 date.

- Pat Joseph Beirne (1874-1909 or 1917?) was born June 1, 1874 at Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland

His birth certificate registered his name as Pat Joseph and was registered June 15, 1874 by Bridget McGarry who signed with her “Mark.” The place of birth is Ardmoyle and is registered in the District of Ballinameen, Boyle, County Roscommon. He may be the Pat Beirne who is buried in his brother John’s plot in Lawrence.

- Mary Anne Beirne (1875-1953) was the only daughter and the 7th of these nine children. Her baptismal certificate records her birth as January 3, 1875 and she was baptized January 12, 1875 by Rev. Luke Carlos in the parish of Ballinameen, Diocese of Elphin. Her godparents were John Beirne (her brother or uncle) and Mary Healey. Mary Anne also emigrated to America and lived in Lawrence, MA for some time.

Sometime around 1899 or 1900, the Beirnes of Lawrence received word that their mother had died and that their father Patrick was widowed and needed someone to look after him. The brothers and their sister met to discuss what to do. The brothers were mostly married and had started families and they each had work. It was decided that Mary Anne would return because she was unmarried and not yet as connected to this country as her brothers. (This would be the same argument that Mary Sammons Beirne’s siblings would use when their mother needed help in the 1940s in Towanda. My mother Mary S. Beirne would uproot herself and my brothers and sisters to return to Towanda to care for Josephine Kelly Sammons).

Mary Anne returned to Roscommon and cared for her father until he died in 1905. During the time that she was caring for him, some friends and neighbors did not think that it was appropriate for a single woman to manage the homestead so they arranged a “match” for her. This was a common way for people to be married. In America, it was known as an arranged wedding. She married Thomas (a.k.a. Black Tom because of his extremely black hair) McGarry on April 27, 1902 at the Breedogue Church in Frenchpark. Tom was born in Clegernagh, Roscommon, Ireland.

They had ten children:

- Patrick (1903-)
- Mary Kate (1904-)
- John (Twin) (1908-)
- Tom (Twin) (1908-1986)
- Margaret (Maude) (1910-)
- Annie (1912-)
- Elizabeth (Lillie) (1913-2000)
- Michael (1923-1990)
- Margaret
- Kathleen (Babs)



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 b. Clegernagh, Roscommon, Ireland  
 d. 9 Dec 1930  
 & Mary Anne Beirne  
 b. 3 Jan 1875, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d. 14 Feb 1953, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Roscommon, Ireland  
 mdy. 27 Apr 1902, Breedogue Church; Frenchpark, Ireland



Patrick McGarry  
 b. 23 Mar 1903, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
 d.  
 & Nora Quirk  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

Mary Kate McGarry  
 b. 10 Aug 1904, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon, Ireland  
 d.  
 & Brownie  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

John McGarry  
 b. 27 Jun 1908, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d.  
 & Bea  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

Tom McGarry  
 b. 27 Jun 1908, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d. 1986  
 & Lizzie  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.



Margaret (Maude) McGarry  
 b. 18 Apr 1910, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d.  
 & John Mitchell  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

Annie McGarry  
 b. 13 May 1912, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d.  
 mdy.

Elizabeth (Lillie) McGarry  
 b. 17 Apr 1913, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d. 23 Jan 2000, South Ealing; London, England  
 & James (Ginger) McDermott  
 b. 7 May 1908, Roscommon, Ireland  
 d. 7 Jul 1969  
 mdy. 1939



Margaret McGarry  
 b. ca 1915, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d.  
 & Thomas Mitchell  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

Kathleen (Babs) McGarry  
 b. ca 1917, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d.  
 & Ted Casselton  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

Michael McGarry  
 b. 25 Jul 1923, Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland  
 d. 18 Jul 1990  
 & Mary  
 b.  
 d.  
 mdy.

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Tom died on December 9, 1930 of Bright's disease, a form of cancer. Mary Anne Beirne McGarry died February 14, 1953 at the age of 78. She died of the flu.

I traveled to England in July 1997 and visited with Elizabeth (Lillie) McGarry McDermott in July 1997 (see her story).

- Francis Beirne (1878- ) was born February 19, 1878 at Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland.

His baptismal certificate confirms this date and he was baptized February 22, 1878 by Rev. L. Carlos in the parish of Ballinameen and the diocese of Elphin.

His godparent was listed as Mary Beirne (a cousin or aunt).

- Joseph Beirne (1883-1917) was born February 15, 1883 at Ardmoyle, Kingsland, Frenchpark, Roscommon; Ireland.

His birth certificate records his birth as February 15, 1883. The informant was Ann Purcel who reported his birth April 2, 1883 by signing with her "Mark." It is registered in the District of Ballinameen, Boyle, County Roscommon.

His baptismal certificate records his birth as February 13, 1883. According to it, he was baptized February 15, 1883 by Rev. William White in the parish of Ballinameen in the Diocese of Elphin. His godparents were John McGloughlin and Bridget McGloughlin.

He may be buried in his brother John's plot in Lawrence, MA.