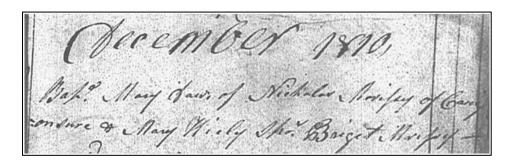
## **MORRISSEY ANCESTORS**

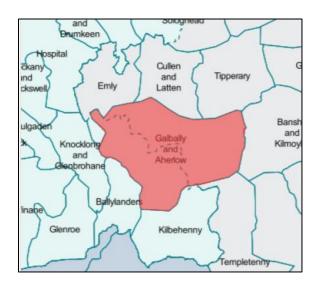
Mary Morrissey was christened 2 December 1810 in the parish of Galbally, the daughter of Nicholas Morrissey of Careyconsure and Mary Kiely. She is the only Mary Morrissey born in the parish in the right time period. The sponsor at her christening was Bridget Morrissey (possibly Nicholas's sister?). Mary married John Leddin 27 February 1838 in Galbally. They had two children: Margaret (born 1841) and Michael (born 1844) in Emly, Tipperary.



Baptized Mary dau of Nicholas Morissy of Careyconsure & Mary Kiely, Sponsor: Bridget Morissy

Careyconsure is not a townland in Galbally. Careyconsure or a phonetic equivalent is not a townland in Counties Limerick or nearby Tipperary. Could it be Carrick-on-Suir? Carrick-on-Suir is a parish in County Tipperary about 42 miles east of Galbally. This was a goodly distance at this time in Ireland. How did a Galbally girl meet a young man from Carrick-on-Suir? Mary was the only child christened for Nicholas and Mary in Galbally. Nicholas does not appear in land records, but their daughter Mary was married in Galbally parish 28 years later.

The Carrick-on-Suir parish registers began in 1784. There are several Morrisey families in Carrick-on-Suir having children in the 1780s and 1790s, but no christening record is found for Nicholas.



Other Morrisseys found in the parish register of Galbally are:

## Marriages

John Morissy and Honor Fraher married February 1814

Patrick Raleigh and Mary Morrissey February 1819

John Gill and Winefred Morresy married 17 February 1828, witnesses: Winifred Morresy, John Quane, and Ellen Cormack

James Moressey and Catherine Sweeny married December 1838

Michael Moressey and Ellen Kennedy married 19 February 1841

Patrick Carroll and Johanna Morrissy married 24 February 1842, witnesses: Ellen Morrissy, Patrick Cronin, Daniel Hogan

John Moressey and Margaret Meagher, married 11 August 1845, witnesses: Thomas Meagher, James Moressey, and Mary Meagher

The following Morrissey acted as witnesses in the parish register:

John Morissy was a witness for the marriage of Patrick Berry and Mary Herdman, 29 May 1814

## **Baptisms**

Patrick, christened 8 February 1810, son of Patrick Morrissey, farmer, and Margaret Quinlan, townland of Inchacoomb.

Bridget, christened 4 September 1814, illegitimate daughter of Patrick Raleigh and Cathy Morrissey.

Bridget, christened 31 October 1814, daughter of John Morrissey and Honora Fraher.

Bridget, christened 1 February 1816, daughter of Kennedy Morrissey and Ellen Morrissey, townland of Gurtavoher.

In addition, this christening is cited at <a href="http://www.henneberry.org/research/irelandtree.htm">http://www.henneberry.org/research/irelandtree.htm</a> as being from the Galbally parish register:

Michael, christened 28 January 1811, son of Michael Morrissey and Margaret Morrissey.

Another Morrissey is listed on new.familysearch.org:

Johanna, born 1815 in Galbally, daughter of Michael Morrissey and Bridget Luby; married Patrick Meagher 23 Septermber 1832 in Tamworth, NSW, Australia; died 24 Oct 1896, in Dungowan, New South Wales, Australia.

Morrisseys found in the nearby parish register of Knocklong are:

Mary, christened 29 March 1813, daughter of Francis Morrissey and Cath. Kennelly. Mary, christened 22 January 1814, daughter of Patrick Morrissey and Mary Downey.

SOURCES: Galbally and Aherlow parish register; Knocklong parish register.



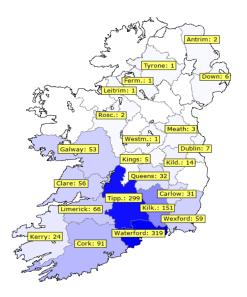
Galbally cottage

No Morrissys are found in the Tithe Applotment in Galbally. The Tithe Applotment was a listing of heads of households in the early 1830s, for leaseholders of lands five acres and larger. Nicholas Morrissy, if still alive, did not hold property of five acres or larger, so was not a farmer at that time.

Three Morrissys appear in Galbally in Griffiths Valuation in 1850, all women:

In the town of Galbally: Catherine Morrissy leased a house.

In the town of Lowe's Town in Galbally parish: Johanna Morrissy leased a house, and Bridget Morrissy leased a house and garden. Bridget was shown as a widow in the 1850 valuation book.



Morrissys in Ireland in 1850: Most are found in Tipperary and Waterford

The couples having children christened in Carrick-on-Suir in the 1780s were:

- Laurence Morrissey and Mary Fannin had Michael (1784), Laurence (1786) and Anastasia (1787).
- James Morrissey and Anne Bourke had Johan (1785), John (1788), Patrick (1791), and Anne (1796)
- James Morrissey and Margaret Casey had Mary (1785) and James (1798)
- Michael Morrissy and Joanna Scanlon had Bridget (1790)
- Richard Morissey and Mary Cranley had Johan (1785)
- Thomas Morisey and Ann Dower had Edmund (1785)
- James Morrissey and Ellen Shea had Catharine (1789)

SOURCES: Carrick-on-Suir parish register, nli.ie; www.findmypast.com.