

Commentary

The family of Woulfe (or Wolfe) whose remarkable chronological and lineal record, dating from 1750 is set forth in the pages of this booklet, is one of the oldest, proudest and most famous among the great Gaelic Clans. For over nine (9) centuries, by actual record, this family has been part of the glorious story of the Irish Nation.

I feel, therefore, as the last surviving son of the Richard Edmund Woulfe whose extraordinary feat of memory provided this interesting data, a deep, moral obligation to preserve and perpetuate it in permanent, printed form—not for any personal pleasure or satisfaction, but rather as a source of pride and encouragement to the many living members of various branches of my family in the homeland, the United States of America and elsewhere throughout the world.

That the present generation of Wolfes and those generations to come, may have a record of their progenitors—men and women of a bygone age, whose character traits, idealism and patriotism are a part of the former's spiritual and physical make-up. That these living descendants may be inspired to carry on the splendid traditions of a family whose motto, "Cuilean Ua" (Celtic) i. e., "The Noble Wolfe," personifies the outstanding attribute of that family thru all the glowing pages of its history—honor and loyalty always, above the prestige of material possessions.

RICHARD W. WOLFE

Templethea Abbey

Ecclesiastical—"Donergismaehmore,"

Irish—"Egias Mointin," e. g.—the Church of the Little Boy. Dates from 1201. It was a long oblong building, now in ruins. No mortar was used in building. It is supposed to have been built with small flags from Derren quarries, and according to tradition they were brought on horseback from there, a flagged pathway being first laid. So far as can now be ascertained the first Woulfe burial there took place in 1750, in the second grave of the eleven occupied by the family.

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Graves

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(Dictated by Richard Edmond Woulfe of The Glen, Cratloe, Abbeyfeale Co., Limerick, Ireland

Grave No. 1

Mrs. James Maurice Woulfe	1811
Maurice James Woulfe	1814
James Maurice Woulfe	1817
James Woulfe (Junior)	1822
Mary Woulfe	1833
James Hurley	1820
Mrs. Hurley	1840
Mrs. Curtin	1840
Mrs. James Woulfe	1851
Richard John Woulfe	1860
Kate Sheehy	1880
Maurice Edmond Woulfe	1864
John J. Woulfe	1872
Mrs. E. Sheehy	1874
Margaret Sheehy	1880
Mary Sheehy	1859
James Sheehy	1901

Born in Coole. Nee Johanna McCoy.

Son of "Old Maurice" Known as "The Barrister"

Lived Ashgrove

Nee Johanna Woulfe, which accounts for James Hurley.

Nee Nellie Woulfe

Nee Mary Connell

Lived Ballogh

Lived Garriathanawallah (Linderry)

Dromala (Linderry)

"██████████"

██████████ Peggy James

Daughter Peggy James

Daughter Peggy James (Mrs. Barrett*)

*(Uncle Paddy left for America day she was buried)

Grave No. 2

Mrs. Maurice Woulfe	1750
Maurice Woulfe	1792
Mrs. Michael Breen	1810
Maurice James Woulfe	1824
Mrs. Maurice James Woulfe	1827
Edmund Maurice Woulfe	1832
Mrs. O'Keeffe	1815
Mrs. Dalton	1852
James Woulfe	1870
Mrs. Mulcahy	1872
Edmund Richard Woulfe	1882
Richard J. Woulfe	1895
Cornelius Woulfe	1903

Nee Catherine Reardon. Wife of "Old Maurice"

"Old Maurice" (Bemmore and Cratloe) Born 1690. Aged 102.

Nee Johanna Woulfe. Lived Garrydhuv.

Son of Barrister. Lived Garriathanawallah Kerry

Nee Ellen Dore, Wife of above. Born in Gurth-na-glos.

Son of above. Lived Garriathanawallah, Kerry.

Nee Bridget Woulfe. Lived Ballogh

Nee Bridget Woulfe. Lived Templeathea

Lived Dromala, Kerry.

Nee Margaret Woulfe, Lived Garrydhuv.

Ashgrove

Born Cratloe. Son of James Paddy

Ballogh

Grave No. 3

Mary Woulfe	1802
Richard Maurice Woulfe	1824
Mrs. Richard Maurice Woulfe	1830
Maurice Richard Woulfe	1841
Mrs. John Foley	1875
Mrs. John Danagher	1880
Mrs. Maurice Richard Woulfe	1882
Michael Maurice Woulfe	1883
Lizzie Woulfe (Liz Phil)	1884
Patrick Woulfe (Paddy Phil.)	1886
Philip Woulfe	1903

Daughter "Short Dick" The Glen

"Short Dick", Born 1753 The Glen

Nee Ellen Sullivan Born in Derreen

Son of "Short Dick". Cratloe

Grand-daughter "Short Dick" Lived Athea

Nee Mary Woulfe. Grand-daughter "Short Dick" Lived Athea

Nee Mary Danagher. Mother of "Old Phil." Cratloe

Son of Maurice R. Woulfe. Married into Gragure.

Cratloe

Cratloe

"Old Phil." Cratloe

Grave No. 4

Maurice Woulfe	1800
Mrs. Keane	1810
Nanno Woulfe	1810
Mrs. Nevill	1826
Mrs. Maurice Woulfe	1830
Maurice Woulfe (Junior)	1834
Patrick Woulfe	1849
Mrs. Patrick Woulfe	1854
Richard Patrick Woulfe	1864
Mrs. Patrick Maurice Woulfe	1870
Bat Woulfe	1872
Mrs Bat Woulfe	1874
James P. Woulfe	1900
Timothy P. Woulfe	1905

Brother to "The Barrister" "Short Dick" The Glen
 Nee Mary Woulfe. Third daughter Maurice
 Lived Listowel
 Daughter of Maurice above Lived The Glen
 Daughter of Maurice above Lived Cratloe
 Wife to above Maurice. Nee Hanora Harnett.
 Born Abbeyfeale
 Son of Maurice above. Unmarried. Died Cratloe
 Son of Maurice above. Uncle of Iowa Woulfes.
 Cratloe
 *"Kitty James". Nee Catharine Woulfe.
 Married in Cool
 (James Paddy's brother.) Cratloe
 Nee Johanna Welsh. Born Knocknagoshel
 Athea
 Nee Ellen Ambrose. Born Charleville
 (Son of Patse) The Glen
 (Son of Patse) The Glen
 *Kitty James was grandpa's god-mother.

Grave No. 5

Edmund Maurice Woulfe	1793
Mrs. Colbert	1818
Maurice Edmond Woulfe	1826
Edmund Woulfe	1840
Richard James Woulfe	1834
Ellen Woulfe	1837
Maurice James Woulfe	1854
James Richard Woulfe	1857
Maurice Richard Woulfe	1890
Mrs. Dick Maurice Woulfe	1894
Mrs. Thomas Leahy	1903
Mrs. James Richard Woulfe	1859

Edmund Maurice Woulfe was a son of old Maurice
 and brother to Short Dick, The Barrister and
 young Maurice and married into a farm in Upper
 Athea.
 Daughter to above, Nee Kate Woulfe. Athea
 Son of above Upper Athea
 Son of above. Married into farm in Beenaline
 Son of James Dick Cratloe
 Daughter of James Dick. Cratloe
 Father of Dick Maurice East Cratloe
 Father of Maurice James Woulfe. East Cratloe
 Son of Dick Maurice. East Cratloe
 Wife of Dick Maurice, Nee Johanna Barrett
 Born Athea
 "Nanno James". Nee Nora Woulfe.
 Nee Honora Welsh. Born Listowel.

Grave No. 6

Mrs. Hartnett	1830
Richard James Woulfe	1841
Richard James Woulfe	1848
Mrs. Wilmont	1862
Mrs. Edmund Woulfe	1869
Edmund Richard Woulfe	1876
Timothy Woulfe	1885
Maurice Patrick Woulfe	1868
Mrs. Maurice James Woulfe	1863

Grave No. 7

Mrs. Patrick Richard Woulfe	1860
Patrick Richard Woulfe	1866
Mrs. Hartnett	1885
Mrs. Richard Edmund Woulfe	1890
Michael Richard Woulfe	1903
Nelly Woulfe	1880

Nee Ellen Woulfe. Granddaughter "Barrister"
Duagh
Son of "Barrister." Lived Garriathanawallah*
(Kerry)
Great-grandson of Barrister", Lived Dromala.
(Kerry)
Nee Kate Woulfe. Daughter R. J. Woulfe,
Lived Listowel.
Nee Nelly Brosnahan. Aged 74, Native Islandanny.
Born 15th June 1783. Married 15th June 1812.
Died 13th May.
Husband Nelly Brosnahan, (Your grandfather.)
(Clash)
Cratloe
Ballogh

Nee Joan Frawley. Born Croagh
*(Note) Garriathanawallah means "The garden
of the old Townland" Now known as "Tanavalla".
and just behind town of Listowel.

Nee Nance Hartnett. (Paddy Patse's grandmother)
Kirkonlea
Cratloe

Nee Mary Woulfe Sugarhill

Nee Catharine White. Born 1823. Married 5th
March 1852.
Died 3rd May 1900. Born in Clash. Was possessed
of remarkable beauty—as I have heard very old
men say—who knew her in her youth.
Born 27th Nov. 1870. Died March 1903. (The Glen)

✓ 1828 ?
Daughter Eamon Oge (Clash)

Grave No. 8

James Woulfe	1893
Nelly Woulfe	1893
Edmund Woulfe (Junior)	1882

Grave No. 9

Maurice Woulfe	1904
Mrs. Maurice Woulfe	1905

Grave No. 10

Mrs. Maurice Michael Woulfe	1897
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Grandson of "Short Dick". Was Deputy Engineer
for Co. Waterford. Known as "The Surveyor".
Lived in West Cratloe. Built Cratloe Bridge, and
all attempts to break it down during "The Trou-
bles" 1916 to 1922, failed as he sank keystones
in lead. Lived in East Crathoe. Unmarried.

Daughter Dick Maurice. East Crathoe

(Eamon Oge) Clash

(Maurice Nance.) Knocknaboul

Nee Margaret Kelly. Born in Kerry. (Mother of
"Paddy the Singer", and Jimmeen Nance. Jim-
meen's son now has land at Barracks.)

Wife of Maurice Micky—whose book I shall try to
get. Maiden name Annie Foley. (Athea).

No one has been interred at No. 11 so far as
I know. I think this remarkable effort of memory
on the part of your father should be preserved.
I regard it as phenomenal. It is strange that he
made no reference as to where "Old Maurice's"
father or grandfather (1650 man) were buried. I
incline to think they were buried in Knockanufe.
As I told you—Richard Wolfe was buried in Mone-
gay, owing to a snowstorm. (Old Maurice's bro-
ther.)

This is a rather gloomy chronicle, but I don't
feel anyway depressed over it. Their blood flows
in our veins, and they were straight and honest
in their day—the finest epitaph anyone can have.

And if they had lost their once great possessions,
why—it was because they held honour dearer than
their land. They could have joined with Elizabeth
Cromwell, William and swam with the tide, but
they just did not—and fell in ruin. But I'd rather
that kind of ruin than a castle of shame and be-
trayal. (Getting quite poetical!)

Dollie (Catharine) Woulfe
(granddaughter of the Richard Edmund Woulfe,
who dictated this record.) She is the present Mis-
tress of The Glen.

Jane Cooper Woulfe