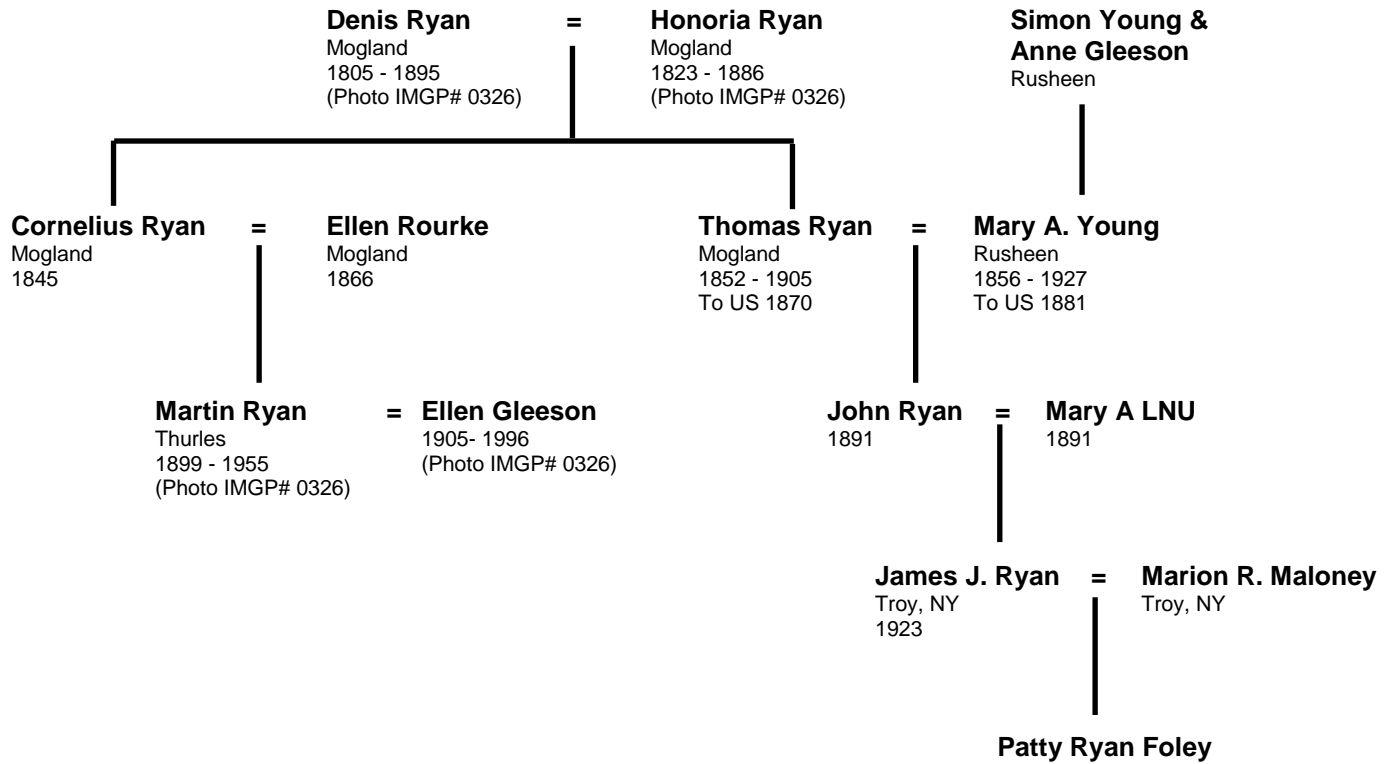


Patty Ryan Foley - Ryan Ancestors of Mogland

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Patty Ryan Foley's Pedigree



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Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan

(s/o Father and Mother)

(d/o Father and Mother)

Denis Ryan

b. 1805
d. Sep 4, 1895,
Moakland

= **Honoria Ryan**
b. 1823 (From gravestone)
mar Feb 14, 1844
d. Aug 14, 1886 @ 63 yrs
bur. Upperchurch Cem

Honoria's death certificate could not be found in the civil records.

— **Cornelius Ryan**
bap Apr 13, 1845

= **Ellen Rourke**
mar Feb 13, 1888

— **Patt Ryan**
bap Mar 16, 1846

= **Martin Ryan**
bap Sep 24, 1899
d. Apr 23, 1955
bur. Upperchurch Cem.

= **Ellen Gleeson**
b. 1905
mar Apr 21, 1930, Thurles
d. Jun 21, 1996
bur. Upperchurch Cem.

Died young

— **Margaret Ryan**
bap Jan 1, 1849

— **Michael Ryan**
bap Mar 21, 1851

— **Thomas Ryan**
bap Apr 25, 1852
To US 1870
d. 1905
bur St Joseph's Cem,
Troy, NY

= **Mary A. Young**
b. 1861
To US 1881
mar 1883
d. Jul 21, 1927, Troy, NY
bur St Joseph's Cem, Troy, NY

— **Denis Ryan**
bap Apr 1855

— **Patrick Ryan**
bap Apr 5, 1857

— **Mary Ryan**
bap Nov 27, 1858

— **Timothy Ryan**
bap Mar 11, 1860

Died young

— **Timothy Ryan**
bap Dec 4, 1861

Michael, Denis, Patrick and Timothy Ryan were not found in Mogland in the 1901 census.

The Ryan Gravestone - Upperchurch Cemetery



This gravestone in the Upperchurch village graveyard was erected by Denis Ryan of Mockland (Mogland) in memory of his wife Honoria Ryan. These are the gg-grandparents of Patty Ryan Foley.

Image 326 from - [Jeanie's Picture's from Upperchurch Graveyard - December, 2005](#)

Death: Denis Ryan - 90 - 1895

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Borrisoleigh

Date: September 4, 1895 - Location: Moakland

Name: **Denis Ryan**

Condition: Widower

Age at last Birthday: 90 years

Occupation: Farmer

Cause of Death: Senile Debility, Seven days, uncertified, No med att

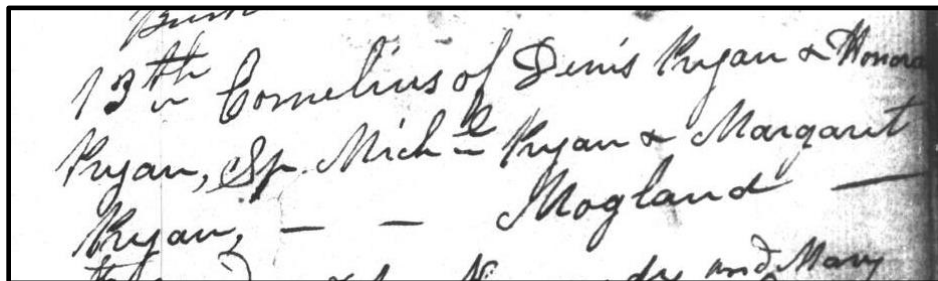
Informant: Cornelius Ryan, Son, Moakland

Reg: November 8, 1895, #35

Upperchurch & Drombane RC Baptisms – Searched 1840-1870

The “Gaps” inserted into the list of Denis and Honoria’s children’s baptism records indicate places where there were intervals of time where another baptism might have occurred. When searching these gaps manually in the Upperchurch parish registers a very similarly named couple was found and their children’s baptisms fit neatly into the gaps. A further explanation of this couple is contained in the marriage record section below.

April 13, 1845 - **Cornelius Ryan** - Denis Ryan and Honora Ryan
Res: Mogland. Sps. Michael Ryan and Margaret Ryan



March 16, 1846 – **Patt Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Onny Ryan
Res: Mogland. Sps. Denis Ryan and Onny Ryan

Gap 1 - Oct 1846 - May 1848 - No extra baptisms

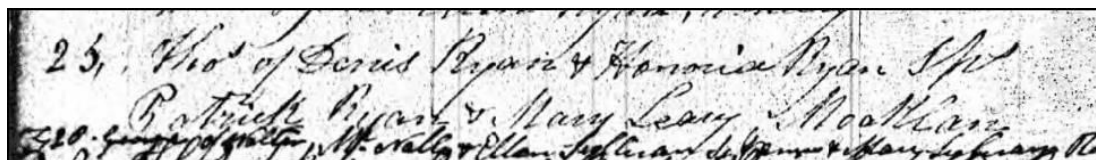
January 1, 1849 – **Margaret Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Hanora Ryan
Res: Moakland. Sps. Denis Ryan and Margaret Ryan

Gap 2 - Oct 1849 - Oct 1850

July 31, 1850 - **William Ryan** - Denis Ryan and Nano Ryan - Rechecked
Res: Garrankilka. Sps. Denis ?? and Mary Byrns

March 21, 1851 – **Michael Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan
Res: Moakland (Bourk?). sps. James Ryan and Margaret Quinlan

April 25, 1852 – **Thomas Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan
Res: Moakland. Sps. Patrick Ryan and Mary Leary



Gap 3 - Dec 1852 - Jul 1854

August 5, 1853 - **Sally Ryan** - Denis Ryan and Nanno Hayes
Res: Garrankilka. Sps. Edmon Ryan and Judy Hayes

April (4-8) 1855 – **Denis Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Hanoria Ryan
ResL Moakland. Sps. John Ryan and Russell

Gap 4 - Jan 1856 - Jun 1856

April 20, 1856 - **John Ryan** - Denis Ryan and Nano Hayes
Res: G.Kilka. Sps. James Ryan and Bridget Ryan

April 5, 1857 – **Patrick Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Onny Ryan
Res: Mockland. Sps. Patrick Ryan and Bridget Ryan

November 27, 1858 - **Mary Ryan** - Denis Ryan and Nano Ryan
Res: Moakland. Sps. Michael Ryan and Margaret Ryan

March 11, 1860 – **Timothy Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Onney Ryan
Res: Mockland. Sps. Denis Ryan and Ally Dwyer

December 4, 1861 – **Timothy Ryan** – Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan
Res: Mockland. Sps. Michael Ryan and Bessy Russell

Upperchurch & Drombane RC - Marriages

The two Denis Ryans below have interlaced baptism records in the Upperchurch & Drombane registers which are difficult to separate. The Mogland Ryan family is the family of interest. However, the Garranakilka Ryan family blends into the Mogland family without any conflicts. Three records for the Garrankilka family were found and they fit easily in the gaps during which the Mogland family didn't have any children. In addition, the names chosen by the Garranakilka family had not been used by the Mogland family. On the July 31, 1850 baptism of William Ryan, of the Garranakilka family, the mother was listed as Nano Ryan — the name of the Mogland mother — when she was a Hayes.

Mogland

February 14, 1844 – **Denis Ryan** and **Onny Ryan**
Res: None. Present: John Ryan and Winny Ryan

Garranakilka

February 3, 1845 - **Denis Ryan** and **Honor Hayes**
Res: None. Present: Thomas Dwyer and Anne Hayes

Simon Young and Nance Gleeson

Borrisoleigh RC - Baptisms

March 21, 1854 - **James Young** - Simon Young and Anne Gleeson
Res: Rusheen. Sps. Patt Ryan and Judy Gleeson

March 1, 1855 - **Bridget Young** - Simon Young and Anne Gleeson
Res: Rusheen. Sps. Patk Ryan and Margt Corbett

March 29, 1856 - **Mary Young** - Simon Young and Anne Gleeson
Res: Rusheen. Sps. Patk Ryan and Margt Carew.

January 11, 1858 - **Simon Young** - Simon Young and Anne Gleeson
Res: Rusheen. Sps. Edmind Corbett and Mary Gleeson

October 6, 1859 - **William Young** - Simon Young and Anne Gleeson
Res: Rusheen. Sps. John Young and Mary Young

April 18, 1861 - **Simon Young** - Simon Young and Nancy Gleason
Res: Rusheen. Sps. John Corbett and Mary Young.

No marriage record found for Simon and Anne

Griffith's Valuation - Rusheen More (Partial) - April 1851

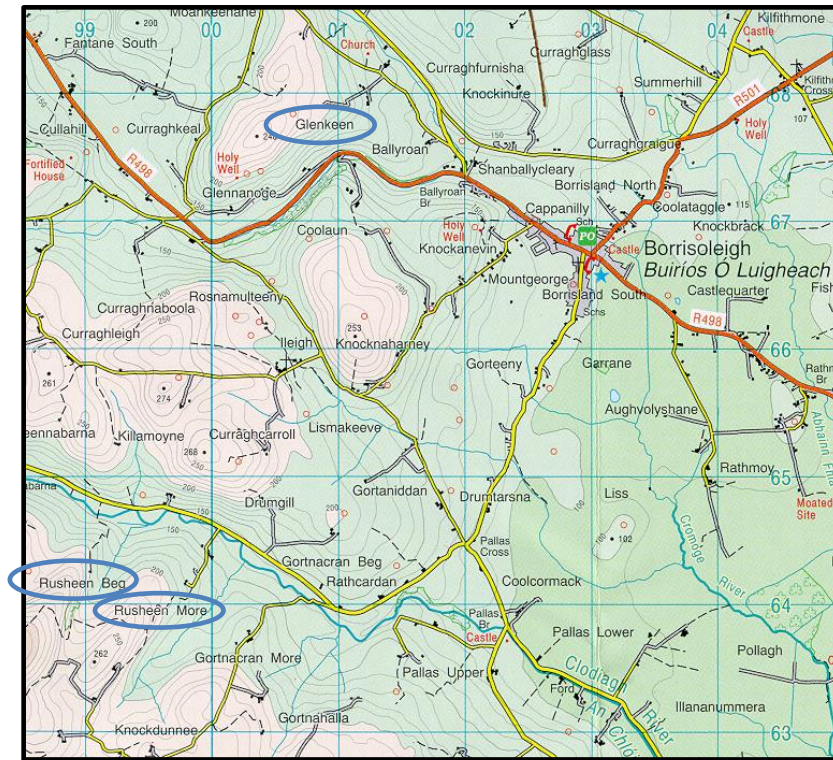
Legend - H = House; L = Land; G = Garden; HO = House and office; HOL = House, office and land; HG = House and garden.

No.	Griffith's Valuation Rusheen More Name	Immediate Lessor	Description of Tenement	Content of Land			Net Annual Value of Land			Net Annual Value of Buildings			Total Net Annual Value		
				A	r	p	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d
1a	John Young	Cpt R. J. Otway	HOL	59	0	32	13	5	0	1	10	0	14	15	0
1b	James Young		HOL				9	0	0	1	10	0	10	10	0
2	Patrick Young	James Young	L	11	0	13	4	10	0	—	—	—	4	10	0
3	Patrick Young	Cpt R. J. Otway	L	29	1	15	10	0	0	—	—	—	10	0	0
4a	James Young	Cpt R. J. Otway	HOL	39	0	35	5	15	0	1	10	0	7	5	0
4b	Thomas Young		HOL				5	15	0	1	5	0	7	0	0
4c	Patrick Young		HOL				5	15	0	3	0	0	8	15	0
5	Thomas Burke	Cpt R. J. Otway	L	5	1	31	2	0	0	—	—	—	2	0	0
6	Thomas Burke	Thomas Young	L	1	3	35	0	15	0	—	—	—	0	15	0
7	James Young	Cpt R. J. Otway	L	5	1	21	2	0	0	—	—	—	2	0	0
8	Patrick Young	Cpt R. J. Otway	HOL	37	3	0	11	15	0	1	15	0	13	10	0

Griffith's Valuation - Glenkeen

Glenkeen, Glenkeen Parish, Co. Tipperary

12b - **Simon Young** - Immediate Lessor: John Ryan, House & garden - Area (A-r-p): 0-3-33



OS Discovery Series Map #59. From the Griffith's Valuation (GV) it was seen that the Youngs were residing in Rusheen More and none were in Rusheen Beg. The only Simon Young in the GV was found in Glenkeen. The distance between Rusheen More and Glenkeen is about 3 km. Blue squares are 1 km.

Templederry RC - Marriage

February 26, 1843 - **Patrick Young** and **Margaret Gleeson**

Wit. Simon Young and Mrs. Young

Cornelius Ryan and Ellen Rourke

(s/o Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan)

(d/o John Rourke and Mother)

Cornelius Ryan
bap Apr 13, 1845

= **Ellen Rourke**
b. 1866
mar Feb 13, 1888

— **Ellen Ryan**
b. Feb 7, 1889, Mogland

— **Denis Ryan**
b. Aug 9, 1890, Mogland

— **John Ryan**
b. Jan 6, 1892, Mogland

— **Patrick Ryan**
b. Feb 23, 1893, Mogland

— **James Ryan**
b. Aug 15, 1894, Mogland

— **Thomas Ryan**
b. Oct 27, 1896, Mogland

— **Martin Ryan**
b. Sep 24, 1899, Mogland
d. Apr 23, 1955
bur. Upperchurch Cem.

= **Ellen Gleeson**
b. 1905
mar Apr 21, 1930, Thurles
d. Jun 21, 1996
bur. Upperchurch Cem.

— **Cornelius Ryan**
b. Apr 11, 1901, Mogland

Marriage: Cornelius Ryan & Ellen Rourke - Mogland

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Borrisoleigh

February 13, 1888 - married at the RC Chapel of Ileigh

Husband: **Cornelius Ryan** (Full age, Bachelor, Farmer, Mogland)

Father: Denis Ryan, Farmer

Wife: **Ellen Rourke** (Full age, Spinster, Farmer's daughter, Castlehill)

Father: John Rourke, Farmer

Witnesses: Thomas Ryan and Bridget O'Rourke

Priest: Michael Finn, C. C,

Reg: March 6, 1888, #48

Sup Reg Dist Thurles, Reg Dist Borrisoleigh - Birth

February 7, 1889 - **Ellen Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen Rourke,

Res: Moakland. Informant: Cornelius Ryan, Father, Moakland. Reg: February 27, 1889, #183

August 9, 1890 - **Denis Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen O'Rourke,

Res; Moakland. Informant: Cornelius Ryan, Father, Moakland. Reg: October 31, 1890, # 371

January 6, 1892 - **John Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen Rourke,
Res: Moakland. Informant: Cornelius Ryan, Father, Moakland. Reg: February 12, 1892, #15

February 23, 1893 - **Patrick Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen O'Rourke,
Res: Moakland. Informant: Cornelius Ryan, Father, Moakland. Reg: April 7, 1893, #138

August 15, 1894 - **James Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen Rourke,
Res: Moakland. Informant: Kate Ryan, present at birth, Moakland. Reg: Nov 9, 1894, #312

October 27, 1896 - **Thomas Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen O'Rourke,
Res: Moakland. Informant: Ellen Ryan, Mother, Moakland. Reg: December 11, 1896, #22

Missing child?

September 24, 1899 - **Martin Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen Rourke,
Res: Moakland, Informant: Catherine Ryan, present at birth, Moakland, Reg: December 8, 1899

April 11, 1901 - **Cornelius Ryan**, Par. Cornelius Ryan (Farmer) and Ellen O'Rourke,
Res: Moakland. Informant: Ellen Ryan, Mother, Moakland. Reg: May 31, 1901, #472

No more children with a mother's maiden name of Rourke was found past 1901.

Shown above is the birth record of the Martin Ryan from the gravestone. His father, Cornelius, is from Moakland and Cornelius is the eldest son of Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan.

Tithe Applotment - Upperchurch - 1829

Mogland (Img 13/74) - 1829	
Name	(A-r-p)
Dennis Ryan	2-2-0
Thomas Ryan	31-2-28-1/3
Connor Ryan	15-3-14-1/6
Thomas Shanahan	
D ^o	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Meagher	
D ^o	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Dwyer	
D ^o	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Manning	
Michael Ryan	5-2-10
Darby Ryan	6-1-25
Glanbeg?	
John Ryan	19-1-34
Thomas Ryan	19-1-34
Michael Shanahan	10-0-38
John Ryan	4-3-38

There were two sets of entries for the tithe Applotment for Upperchurch - 1829. The cross outs plainly show that the 2nd was an update of the 1st. The 2nd list for Mogland is shown above and the last four names were merged in with the names above. In the 1st list these last four names were described as being residents of Glanbeg.

Mogland (Img 62/74) - 1829	
Name	(A-r-p)
Dennis Ryan	2-2-0
Thomas Ryan	31-2-28-1/3
Thomas Shanahan	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Meagher	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Dwyer	15-3-14-1/6
Widow Manning	15-3-14-1/6
Michael Ryan	5-2-10
Darby Ryan	6-1-25
Glanbeg	
John Ryan	19-1-34
Thomas Ryan	19-1-34
Michael Shanahan	10-0-38
John Ryan	4-3-38

Irish Census

1901 Cornelius Ryan in house 5 in Mogland (Upperchurch, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Ryan	Cornelius	50	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	40	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	12	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Denis	10	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	John	9	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Patrick	8	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	James	6	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Thomas	4	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Martin	2	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Con		Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Kate	30	Female	Servant	Roman Catholic

1911 Cornelius Ryan in house 1 in Mogland (Upperchurch, Tipperary)

Surname	Forename	Age	Sex	Relation to head	Religion
Ryan	Cornelius	66	Male	Head of Family	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	55	Female	Wife	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Ellen	21	Female	Daughter	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Denis	19	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	John	17	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Patrick	16	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	James	14	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Thomas	13	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Martin	12	Male	Son	Roman Catholic
Ryan	Cornelius	10	Male	Son	Roman Catholic

Cornelius and Ellen had been married 23 years. They had 9 children and 8 were still alive.

Marriage: Martin Ryan & Ellen Gleeson - 40 Oxtown Terrace, Limerick

Sup Reg Dist - Thurles, Reg Dist - Thurles

April 21, 1930 - married at the RC Cathedral of Thurles

Husband: **Martin Ryan** (Full, Bachelor, Laborer, 40 Oxtown Terrace, Limerick)

Father: Cornelius Ryan, Farmer

Wife: **Ellen Gleeson** (Full, Spinster, Blank, Kickham St, Thurles)

Father: Francis Gleeson, Trader

Witnesses: Cornelius Ryan and Kathleen Gleeson

Priest: Michael Maher, Adm

Reg: April 30, 1930, #155

Thomas Ryan and Mary Young

(s/o Denis Ryan and Honoria Ryan)

(d/o Simon Young and Nance Gleason)

Thomas Ryan

bap Apr 25, 1852

To US 1870

d. 1905

bur St Joseph's Cem, Troy, NY

= Mary A. Young

b. 1861

To US 1881

mar 1883

d. Jul 21, 1927, Troy, NY

bur St Joseph's Cem, Troy, NY

Dennis Ryan

b. Oct 1884, NY

Hannah Ryan

b. Feb 1885, NY

Samuel Ryan

b. Jan 1889, NY

John Ryan

b. Jun 1891, NY

= Mary A. LNU

b. 1891, NY

John F. Ryan

b. 1919, NY

James Ryan

b. 1923, NY

William Ryan

b. 1926, NY

Nora Ryan

b. Oct 1894, NY

Census Records

1892 - Family not found in the 1892 NYS census.

1900 NY Rensselaer Troy WD08 Dist 0085

2 St. Mary's Avenue, Res 164, Fam 300, Owns home

Thomas Ryan, Head, Mar 1855, 45, M, 17 yrs, IR, IR, IR, 1870, 30 yrs, Na, Laborer (Brewery)

Mary Ryan, Wife, May 1862, 38, M, 17 yrs, 8/5 children, IR, IR, IR, 1881, 19 yrs

Dennis Ryan, Son, Oct 1884, 16, S, NY, IR, IR

Hannah Ryan, Dau, Feb 1885, 15, S, NY, IR, IR, At School

Samuel Ryan, Son, Jan 1889, 11, S, NY, IR, IR, At School

John Ryan, Son, June 1891, 8, S, NY, IR, IR, At School

Nora Ryan, Dau, Oct 1894, 5, S, NY, IR, IR, At School

1905 NY Troy WD09 ED01

305 First Street

Mary Ryan, Head, 45, Ireland, 24 yrs, Cit, Housework

Dennis J. Ryan, Son, 21, US, Cit, Male nurse

Anna Ryan, Dau, 20, US, Collar worker

Samuel Ryan, Son, 17, US, Cit, Office Boy

John Ryan, Son, 14, US, Cit, Check Boy

Nora Ryan, Dau, 12, US, Cit, At school

1920 NY Rensselaer WD09 Dist 0068

305 First Street, Res 2, Fam 4, Rents

Mary C. Ryan, Head, 57, Wd, 1880, Na, Yr Illegible, IR, IR, IR, Nurse, Private Family

Dennis J. Ryan, Son, 36, NY, IR, IR, Salesman, Store

Samuel T. Ryan, Son, 30, NY, IR, IR, Machinist, Machine Shop

Anna N. Ryan, Dau, 31, NY, IR, IR, None

Nora A. Ryan, Dau, 24, NY, IR, IR, Telephone operator, Telephone Co

1920 NY Rensselaer WD06 Dist 0062

2 Marvin Avenue, Res 138, Fam 186, Owns radio: Unknown

John Ryan, Head, 24, M, NY, IR, IR, Inspector, Steel Mill

Ella Ryan, Wife, 24, M, NY, IR, IR, None

1925 NY Rensselaer Troy WD06 AD02 ED03

2 Marvin Avenue

John Ryan, Head, 30, US, Cit, Iron Worker

Ellie Ryan, Wife, 29, US, Cit, House Work

John Ryan, Jr., Son, 5, US, Cit

James Ryan, Son, 2, US, Cit

Patrick A. Ryan, Head, 33, US, Cit, Crane Operator

Rose Ryan, Wife, 29, England, 16 yrs, Cit (Husband), House Work

Thomas Ryan, Son, 1, US, Cit

1930 NY Rensselaer Troy Dist 0065

11 Linden Avenue, Res 242, Fam 325, Owns home \$5,000, Has a radio

Anna M. Ryan, Head, 40, S, NY, Nor IR, Nor IR, Cer Nurse, Home Nursing

Norine V. Ryan, Sister, 29, S, NY, Nor IR, Nor IR, Instructor, Telephone Ex

Samuel T. Ryan, Brother, 38, S, NY, Nor IR, Nor IR, Manager, Furniture Store

Dennis J. Ryan, Brother, 42, S, NY, Nor IR, Nor IR, Immigration Insp, Federal Gov

Note: The birthplace of their parents was listed as “Nor Ireland” which stood for Northern Ireland. However, both of their parents were born in Co. Tipperary, in the Irish Republic, or the “IR Free State.”.

1930 NY Rensselaer Troy Dist 0086

380 Eighth Street, Res 88, Fam 162, Owns home, \$7,000, Has a radio

John P. Ryan, Head, 38, M, 25 @ mar, NY, IR Free State, IR Free State, Proprietor, Furniture Store

Mary A. Ryan, Wife, 39, M, 26 @ mar, NY, IR Free State, IR Free State, None

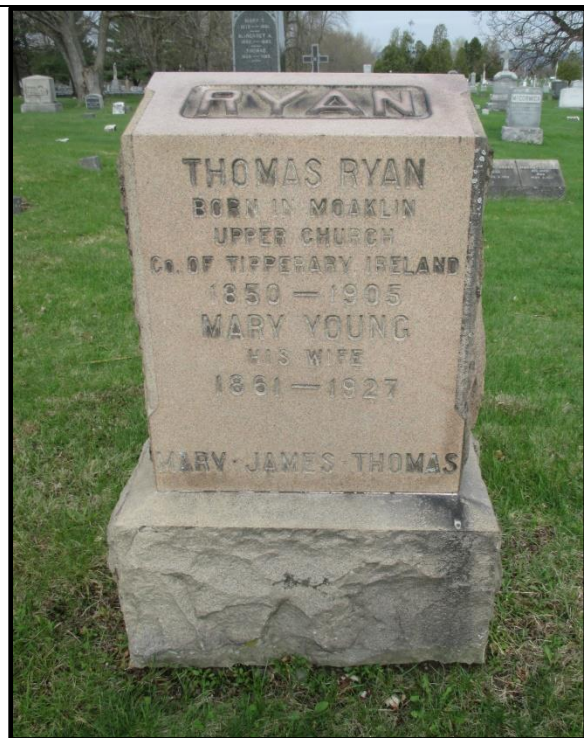
John F. Ryan, Son, 11, S, NY, NY, NY, None

James Ryan, Son, 7, S, NY, NY, NY, None

William Ryan, Son, 4-1/12, S, NY, NY, NY, None

One of these three (John, James, or William) is the father of Patty Ryan Foley

Cemetery From Find A Grave



Mary Young Ryan

BIRTH 1861
DEATH 1927 (aged 65-66)
BURIAL Saint Joseph's Cemetery, Troy, NY
MEMORIAL ID 87450833

Thomas Ryan

BIRTH 1850
DEATH 1905 (aged 54-55)
BURIAL Saint Joseph's Cemetery, Troy, NY
MEMORIAL ID 87450802

The Troy Times, Troy, NY
Friday, July 22, 1927

Mrs. **Mary** **Ryan**, widow of Thomas Ryan and mother of former State Senator John P. Ryan, died last night at her home, 11 Linden Avenue, after a long illness. Mrs. Ryan, formerly Mary Young, was born in Ireland and came to Troy many years ago. She resided in St. Joseph's parish for some time. During the last few years she had been a communicant of St. Francis' Church. As a member of this church she was actively affiliated with the various women's societies and affairs of the parish. Her death will be felt deeply by her many friends, for she was beloved by all who knew her. She is survived by two daughters, Misses Anna M. and Nonie V. Ryan, and three sons, former Senator Ryan, Dennis J. and Samuel T. Ryan, all of Troy. Three grandchildren also survive her. The funeral will be held from the residence Monday morning and later from St. Francis' Church. Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Along the bottom of the gravestone are the names Mary, James, and Thomas who were three of Thomas and Mary's children who died in infancy.

The Troy Times, Troy, NY
Tuesday, July 26, 1927

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Ryan, mother of former State Senator John P. Ryan, was held yesterday from the residence on Linden Avenue, and later from St. Francis' Church, where a solemn requiem high mass was sung. Rev. Thomas J. Lynch was celebrant, Rev. Daniel Horan was deacon and Rev. Edward M. Brady was subdeacon. Miss Margaret Horton was at the organ and Miss Anna Cozier and John B. Dunn sang during the mass. At the offertory Mr. Dunn sang "Ave Maria," at the conclusion of the mass "Vale" and as a recessional "Lead, Kindly Light." The funeral was largely attended and there was a profusion of floral tributes. The bearers were James A. McCarthy, Cornelius McCarthy, James Dwyer, William Millington, Arthur McGrath and Patrick Slattery. Interment was in St. Joseph's Cemetery. The service at the grave was conducted by Father Lynch.

Appendix

Email Exchanges

From: foley3@frontiernet.net [mailto:foley3@frontiernet.net]
Sent: Saturday, February 12, 2022 8:02 PM
To: Michael McGraw
Subject: Re: Upperchurch families

About five years ago, my husband and I went to Ireland, and a visit to Upperchurch was part of our itinerary. It was late October, and as raw a day as you could ever imagine. The village was completely deserted, tourist season being over and farming being the order of the day. We looked in the cemetery, but there were so many Ryan's it was impossible to focus on any of them. We were just getting in the car to give up when we spotted a tourist info center with lights on, so I went in and a nice young girl told me that looking for a Ryan in Tipperary was like looking for white on rice... But I knew my great-grandfather's headstone from Troy referenced Mogland, so I asked her about that, and she pointed the way to a steep, narrow road.

And off we went, only once having to back down a bit to let a truck through. But not a soul in sight. Finally, my husband said that if he saw a house with lights on, he was going to go knock on the door.

Well, we found one, and the woman who answered the door was a Ryan, well actually a Buckley, but she had married a Ryan. She invited us in and fed us tea, and showed us her daughter's genealogy project while we waited for her husband to come home. He realized that we'd missed the turn to Mogland, and thought Tommy Ryan in Mogland might be who we were looking for. So he showed us the way there. Tommy Ryan was again overwhelmingly gracious, fed us more tea, and called his friend up from the village to help out with information. Then he took me through his (unheated) dining room to look at the family photos, and one photo - of one of his aunts - looked a lot like my own great aunt, Norine (a/k/a Nonie, Nora or None).

I'll attach both of their photos. 20191107 is Tommy Ryan's aunt. 20191117 is Norine Ryan, taken at my parents' wedding in 1948.

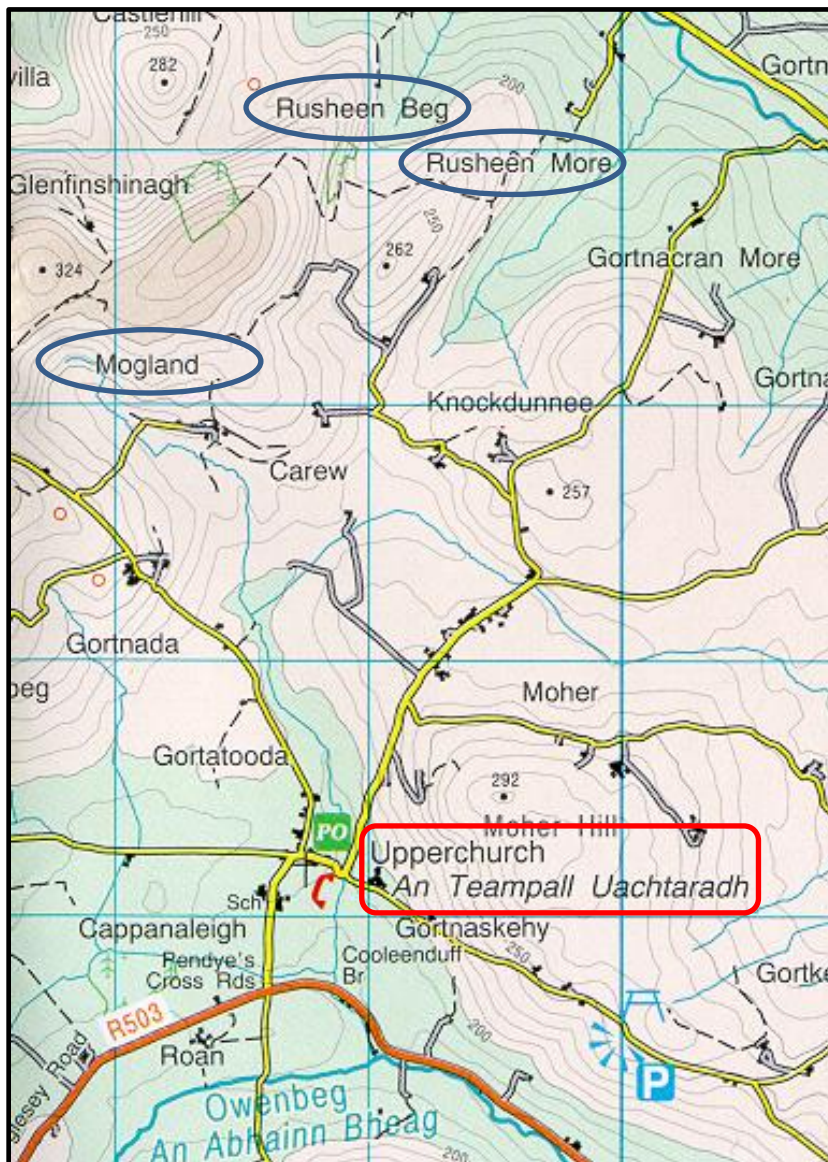
Then he and his friend put on their wellies, got their flashlights and took us back down to the graveyard. I expect we're still the talk of the town, stalking around the stones that bitter, drizzly black night! He showed me Denis & Honoria's stone, although I never did really understand exactly if or how Tommy and I might be related. Incidentally, they said that there are so many Ryan's that they usually use another name to differentiate one from the rest, so Tommy was known as Tommy Mogland.

After that, we stopped in Kinnane's pub, where I had my first "hot Irish", which thawed me out nicely, and met Niamh Kinnane, who was a font of local history herself.

Interestingly, both Tommy, his friend Frankie and Niamh all used very nearly the same language, when they told us about the 30 families that left Upperchurch during the famine, and again when they talked about my great grandmother, Mary Young Ryan's, parents, Simon Young and Nance Gleason. Mogland being way up the hill from Upperchurch, they all said that "one went up and one went down", and Tommy Ryan could remember going down the valley as a kid to visit with the Young's. I think that meant a Gleason married and Ryan and a Ryan married a Gleason. But the repetition seemed to elevate the event to the level of lore.

I hope some of this will be helpful, to you, or to others who view your website.
Thank you again for the research you've found,

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Subject: Upperchurch families

Mr. McGraw,

My great grandfather, Thomas Ryan (1850-1905), came from Moaklin (Mogland), in Upperchurch, and settled in Troy, NY. Thomas' parents were Denis & Honoria Ryan.

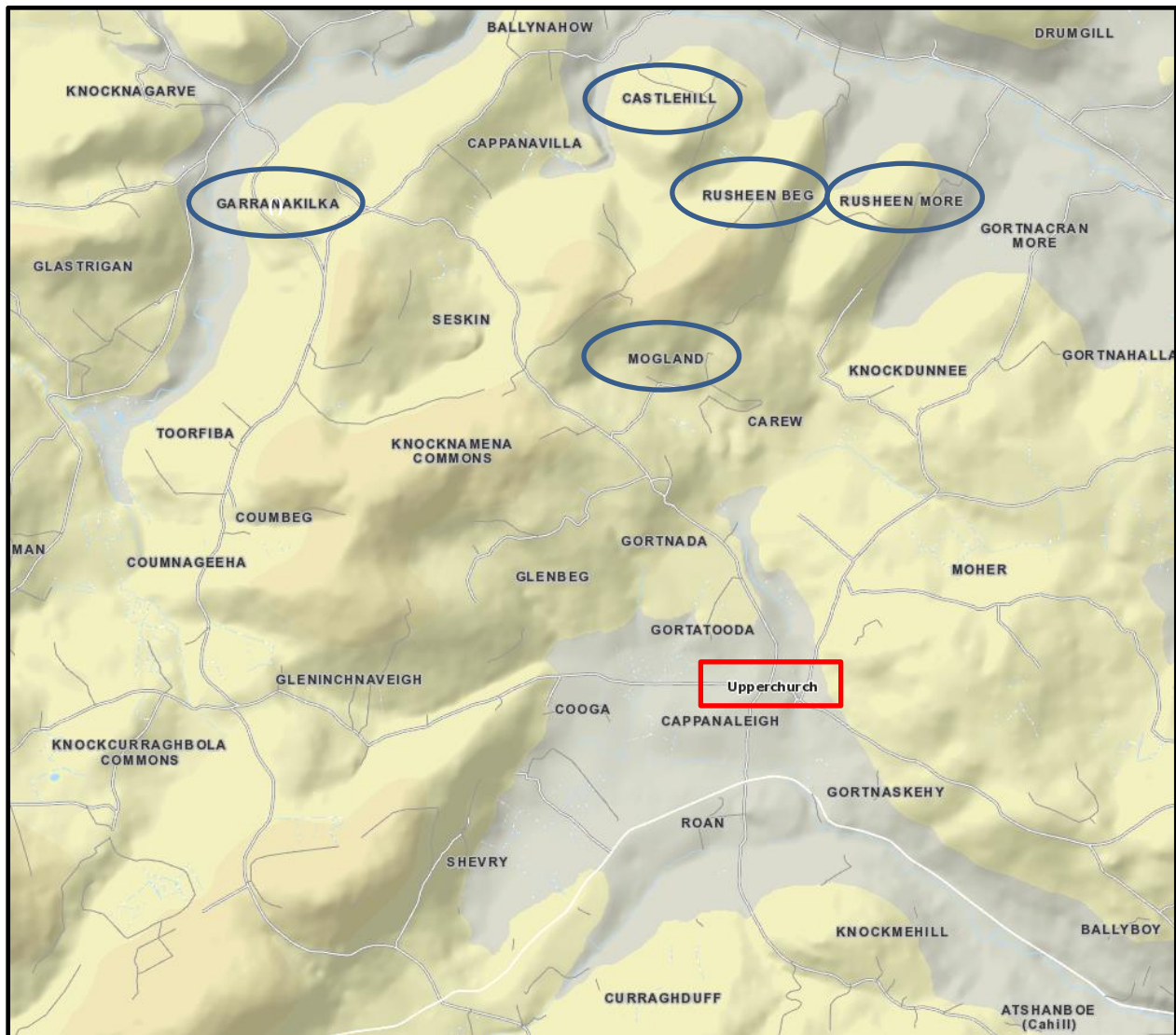
Thomas Ryan married Mary A. Young, who was baptized in 1861 in Ireland and died in 1927 in Troy. Thomas and Mary had eight children: Dennis, Anna, Samuel T. John P. and Norine, and Mary, James and Thomas, the last three died as infants.

Looking for other family members; any information you may have would be appreciated. Likewise, I will gladly share any information I may have.

Thank you,

Patty Ryan Foley
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Mogland, Garranakilka, Castlehill, and Rusheen



The village of Upperchurch is in the red rectangle. The blue ovals designate townlands related to persons described in this paper. Dennis and Honoria Ryan lived in Mogland. Garranakilka was the residence of Dennis Ryan and Nano Hayes. Ellen Rourke, wife of Cornelius Ryan, was from Castlehill. Simon Young and Nance Gleeson were from one of the Rusheens.