

O'Donnells of Ballygerald townland, Knockgraffon Civil Parish, Middlethird

1 Introduction

This document gives details of one family of O'Donnells, from Ballygerald townland, Knockgraffon Civil Parish, Middlethird. The oldest known ancestor being Michael O'Donnell, holding land there in at least 1823.

The Tithes and Griffiths list indicate there was only one household of O'Donnells in Ballygerald up to 1850, headed by Michael O'Donnell.

1.1 Tithe Books 1823

- [Daniel, Michl](#), Ballygerald, Knockgraffon, [Middlethird](#), 1825 (holding roughly 1 acre),

1.2 Griffiths 1847-1850.

- In May, 1847, Michael Dannell had a house (39 measures, very small), with Porch, Barn and Piggery.¹ The same in August 1848.² The January, 1850 Tenure book shows he also held 3 acres of land.³held
- In the final printed version, this Michael (given as "Michael Doirnel") held House, Office, and 3 acres of land in Ballygerald East.

2 Family of Michael O'Donnell of Ballygerald

Michael O'Donnell was born c.1812 (possibly earlier). He was a farmer in Ballygerald. In at least one reference, his name was given as Michael Ryan O'Donnell, possibly a middle name after an important maternal antecedent.⁴ His father may have been also Michael O'Donnell, as he would have been too young to be the Michael Dannell holding land in the 1825 tithes list, holding just over an acre at this time.⁵ The landowner was Baron Pennefather. There are various reports that the baron was a good landlord, who took over a badly managed estate, with the tenants up in arms.⁶ Through fair treatment, he settled them down. He aided a number of the tenants to migrate, giving those that remained larger holdings. Michael's family may have gained land in this way. By the 1847 Griffiths House book, Michael had a small house (39 measures), with barn and piggery.⁷ He had 3 acres at this point.⁸

He married **Catherine Connolly** on the 15th February, 1836 in New Inn and Knockgraffon parish.⁹ Residence was given as New Inn for both. Catherine was born c.1812, although age at

¹ http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007246819_01133.pdf

² http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007246819_01218.pdf

³ http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007250708_00226.pdf

⁴ From John's marriage registry.

⁵ http://titheapplotmentbooks.nationalarchives.ie/reels/tab/004625689/004625689_00125.pdf

⁶ Report from Her Majesty's Commissioners of Inquiry Into the State ..., Volume 3, p291.

⁷ http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007246819_01133.pdf

⁸ http://census.nationalarchives.ie/reels/vob/IRE_CENSUS_1821-51_007250708_00226.pdf

⁹ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/MAR/0070763/1>

death put her born a.1824, which given their 1836 marriage, is unlikely. They had children (residence for all given as Ballygerald):

- **Bridget**, baptised 26th January, 1838.¹⁰ Godfather was Darby Donnell, possibly a brother of Michael.
- **John**, baptised 1st July, 1840.¹¹
- **Michael**, baptised 12 May 1843.¹² Godfather was John Donnell, possibly a brother of Michael the father.
- **Ellen**, baptised 29th November, 1846.¹³ Mother wrongly given as Alice, but residence as Ballygerald. There is a death record for an Ellen Donnell who died in 1868 aged 22, somewhere in Cashel district (but exact location not yet available). This may well be Ellen.

A possible death for **Michael** the father was that of Michael Dannell in 1866, aged 53 (placing him born a.1813).¹⁴ However, this record is currently only available in index form, it could be for someone else in the Cashel district.

Catherine died on the 10th June, 1894, aged 70.¹⁵ She was marked as a widow of Ballygerald, widow of a farmer. Honora O'Donnell was present at death. This would be Norah, wife of her son John. John, as eldest son, would have taken on the Ballygerald farm, and the mother most probably would have lived on there.

2.1 Bridget daughter of Michael

There is a possible marriage of Bridget, to **Lawrence Maher** (Moher) on the 12th February, 1860 in New Inn parish.¹⁶ From birth registrations, he was a labourer, probably an agricultural labourer, and they lived in Ballydoyle, which is just 2km north of Ballygerald. This couple had several children:

- **?Michael**, baptised ?28th July, 1860.¹⁷ Godfather: John O'Donnell.
- **John**, baptised 11th May, 1862.¹⁸
- **Michael**, born 27th March, 1864.¹⁹ Residence given as Ballydoyle.
- **Hanna**, baptised 1st July, 1866.²⁰ Residence given as Ballydoyle.
- **Bridget**, baptised 2nd August, 1868.²¹ This was in Cashel Parish, not Knockgraffon. Godfather was Michael O'Donnell, either the father or brother of Bridget.

2.2 John son of Michael

John was also a farmer like his father, and being the eldest son, he took over the family farm. He married **Hanora (Norah) Moore** on the 25th January, 1872.²² She was born on the 8th March, 1842 to **George Moore**, a farmer and **Catherine Corcoran**.²³ At the time of marriage, Hanora was a servant of New Town. In one of their children's birth records, John's occupation

¹⁰ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0370931>

¹¹ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0371236>

¹² <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0371603>

¹³ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0372064>

¹⁴ <https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/details-civil/b25bfe22297307>

¹⁵ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1894/05957/4693069.pdf

¹⁶ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/MAR/0071234/2>

¹⁷ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F0365005>

¹⁸ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F0365374>

¹⁹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1864/03615/2334141.pdf

²⁰ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F0366171>

²¹ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE%2FPRS%2FBAP%2F0366594>

²² https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1872/11299/8145174.pdf

²³ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/6123487>

was given as labourer and small farmer, which implied he had a small holding but worked on other people land for money

John and Hanora had children:

- **Michael**, born 8th April, 1873,²⁴ baptised 8th April, 1873.²⁵ He died on the 5th January, 1896 aged 22.²⁶ He died from inflammation of the bowels. His mother Honora was present at death.
- **John**, born 23rd May, 1874,²⁷ baptised 25th May, 1874.²⁸
- **Catherine**, born 6th June, 1875,²⁹ Baptised 8th June, 1875.³⁰ She died on the 11th June, 1875, 5 days old.³¹
- **James**, born 18th April, 1877,³² baptised the same day.³³
- **Patrick**, baptised 9th September, 1879.³⁴ The birth registration shows a birth date of 10th September, 1879,³⁵ which is after the baptism, probably moved later to avoid a fine for late registration.

The 1901 census shows that John, Hanora and the later three boys were all still alive at that time.

1901 Census: house 3 in Ballygerald East (Knockgraffon, Tipperary)³⁶

- O'Donnell, John J, 59, Head of Family, Farmer
- O'Donnell, Norah, 57, Wife
- O'Donnell, John, 25, Son, farm labourer
- O'Donnell, James, 23, Son, farm labourer
- O'Donnell, Patrick, 20, Son, farm labourer
- Brien, Catherine, 89, Relative, no occupation, widow

Catherine Brien was Hanora's mother. She died on the 23rd October, 1907 supposedly aged 100.³⁷ Honora Donnell was marked as her daughter. Honora's mother was Catherine, but her name should be Moore, which suggests that she re-married after her husband, George Moore, died (or Catherine Brien was otherwise related).

The 1911 census shows John and Hanora still alive, and the three boys still at home and unmarried.

1911 Census: house 2 in Ballygerald East (Knockgraffon, Tipperary)³⁸

- O' Donnell, John, 68, Head of Family, General labourer
- O' Donnell, Norah, 69, Wife
- O' Donnell, John, 37, Son, labourer, not married
- O' Donnell, James, 34, Son, labourer, not married
- O' Donnell, Patrick, 31, Son, labourer, not married

²⁴ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1873/03196/2171883.pdf

²⁵ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0373760>

²⁶ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1896/05906/4676147.pdf

²⁷ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1874/03148/2154516.pdf

²⁸ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0373821>

²⁹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1875/03101/2137080.pdf

³⁰ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0373876>

³¹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1875/020622/7235388.pdf

³² https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1877/03009/2102783.pdf

³³ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0373984>

³⁴ <https://www.findmypast.co.uk/transcript?id=IRE/PRS/BAP/0374104>

³⁵ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1879/02905/2064756.pdf

³⁶ http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Knockgraffon/Ballygerald_East/1706493/

³⁷ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1907/05512/4544911.pdf

³⁸ http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Knockgraffon/Ballygerald_East/815926/

The census indicates they had been married 40 years, and thus married in a.1871 (which matches the 1872 marriage date). They had had 4 children, of which only 3 survived, although baptism records show 5 children born. It is possible they did not count Catherine, who died soon after birth.

John the father died on the 23rd October, 1925, aged 85.³⁹ Residence given as Ballygerald, occupation as farmer, and shown as a widower. Son James was present at death. Hanora thus died between 1911 and 1925, although I cannot find the record.

John the son married **Ellie Kiely** on the 21st January, 1923.⁴⁰ She was a domestic servant of Woodenstown, in the same parish, daughter of Patrick Keily, a farmer. A William O'Donnell was witness, perhaps a cousin. They had children:

- **Norah**, born a.1924. She did not marry, and died 11th July, 2010, aged 86.
- **Augustine** (Gus), born a.1932. He died 5th December, 2016, aged 84. His funeral announcement indicated he still lived in Ballygerald.⁴¹ No close family was indicated, which may mean he was the last of this line of O'Donnells.

John died on the 25rd August, 1954, aged 80 (thus born 1874 which matches).⁴² Residence given as Ballygerald, occupation as farmer, and shown as married, wife Ellen present at death.

Ellen died on the 26th August, 1992, aged 95.

Grave in Church of Our Lady Queen Cemetery, Newinn, County Tipperary, Ireland



As for son **James**, one possibility is that he died 20th September, 1945 aged 65, residence given as New Inn, a small farmer, unmarried.⁴³ Another possibility, James who died 9th July, 1969, aged 76.⁴⁴ Residence given as Tullaghmellon, Grange or Graigue, Clonmel, also unmarried.

Son Patrick, died on the 9th January, 1960, aged 80.⁴⁵ Residence given as Ballygerald, occupation as farmer, not married. An E. O'Donnell was head-of-house, probably Ellen O'Donnell, widow of John.

³⁹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1925/05004/4366296.pdf

⁴⁰ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1923/09181/5320837.pdf

⁴¹ <https://rip.ie/death-notice/agustin-gus-odonnell-tipperary-cahir-296681>

⁴² https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1954/04445/4162699.pdf

⁴³ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1945/04618/4225388.pdf

⁴⁴ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1969/04163/4059772.pdf

⁴⁵ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1960/04346/4125113.pdf

Postscript: As far as I can see, this line of Ballygerald O'Donnells (of John son of Michael) seems to have all died out. Note however that Michael's other son, Michael, moved to Rosegreen and seems to have prospered. See below for that story.

2.3 Michael son of Michael

A probable marriage for **Michael** son of Michael and Catherine: Michael O'Donnell married **Mary Ryan** on the 7th February, 1871.⁴⁶ His residence given as Ballygerald, his father as Michael O'Donnell, a farmer. His age was given as 22, which is a little young (Michael was born 1840, so should have been 31), but ages in marriage records were often off, and there wasn't another Michael O'Donnell, farmer, in Ballygerald. His occupation was given as tradesman. Mary was recorded as 23 years old, a dress maker of Ballygerald, daughter of Michael Ryan, a labourer.

It appears that son Michael and Mary moved to Rosegreen, 5km to the north, as there are a series of birth records to a Michael O'Donnell and Mary Ryan soon after this marriage (although it is possible they belong to a distinct couple with the same names). Michael's occupation was given as carpenter in all records. They had children:

- **Catherine**, born 12th December, 1872.⁴⁷ She died on the 24th April, 1894, aged 21.⁴⁸ She was unmarried, daughter of a carpenter, from Rosegreen. She died of Enteric Fever. Her brother John was present-at-death.
- **Michael**, born 16th March, 1875.⁴⁹ Died after 1911.
- **John**, born 4th August, 1877.⁵⁰
- **Margaret**, born 19th November, 1880.⁵¹ Died after 1911.
- **William**, born 20th September, 1883.⁵² Died after 1911.
- **Mary**, born 18th June, 1886.⁵³ Her surname given as Young, but other details match, father's occupation, carpenter, residence Rosegreen, etc. And she is in the 1901 census for this family. Died after 1911.

The 1901 census shows this family. Note Michael's age is shown as 40, while 10 years later, in the 1911 census, he is shown as 64. With the age in the 1901 census, it would be impossible for him to be the Michael married 1871. With the revised age in 1911, it is very possible (it places him born 1847, and thus 24 in 1871). This age is also closer to the supposed birth year of Michael son of Michael born 1843. There is still a discrepancy of 4 years, but it is clear this family played loose when recording age.

1901 Census: house 6 in Rosegreen (Tullamain, Tipperary)⁵⁴

- O'Donnell, Michael, 40, Head of Family, Carpenter
- O'Donnell, Mary, 45, Wife
- O'Donnell, Michael, 24, Son, Carpenter
- O'Donnell, John, 21, Son
- O'Donnell, Maggie, 19, Daughter
- O'Donnell, William, 17, Son
- O'Donnell, Mary Anne, 15, Daughter

⁴⁶ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1871/11335/8160293.pdf

⁴⁷ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1872/03222/2181129.pdf

⁴⁸ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1894/05965/4695738.pdf

⁴⁹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1875/03101/2137078.pdf

⁵⁰ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1877/02996/2098421.pdf

⁵¹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1880/02850/2044639.pdf

⁵² https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1883/02722/2001738.pdf

⁵³ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/birth_returns/births_1886/02590/1957248.pdf

⁵⁴ <https://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1901/Tipperary/Tullamain/Rosegreen/1706885/>

The 1911 census indicated that Michael and Mary had been married 37 years, and that they had had 6 children, of which one had died.

1911 Census: house 11 in Rosegreen (Tullamain, Tipperary)⁵⁵

- O'Donnell, Michael, 64, Head of Family, Carpenter
- O'Donnell, Mary, 65, Wife
- O'Donnell, John, 34, Son, Carpenter
- O'Donnell, Maggie, 25, Daughter
- O'Donnell, Wm, 24, Son, Carpenter

Mary the mother died on the 2nd July, 1916, aged 73 (thus born a.1843).⁵⁶ She was shown as wife of a shopkeeper, suggesting Michael has a shop for his carpentry. Her son John was present-at-death.

Michael the father died on the 11th February, 1922, aged 78 (correct, as he was born 1843).⁵⁷ He was recorded as a widower, so his wife Mary died before him. His daughter Maryann O'Donnell was present-at-death, showing she was still unmarried at this point.

There is a family grave in Rosegreen cemetery that records some of this:

*In loving memory of Mary O'Donnell Rosegreen Died 2 July 1916.
Her son John died 16th July 1920
Her Husband Michael O'Donnell died 11th Feb 1922.
William Donnell died 20 June 1960
His Wife Annie died 10th May 1975
Their son John died 28th June 2016.
His wife Kathleen nee Molloney died 16th December 2022.*

John son of Michael died on the 16th July, 1920, aged 45.⁵⁸ He was listed as a shopkeeper, suggesting further that the carpentry business was based around a shop. He did not marry. His sister Maryann was present-at-death.

Mary daughter of Michael married **Thomas Maher** on the 28th February, 1927 (3 weeks after brother William).⁵⁹ He was a farmer of Ardfinnan, son of Michael Maher, a farmer. What is interesting about the registration, her occupation is shown as "Lady", which would seem to mark this family as rich, however, the father is a carpenter, a tradesman. I am not clear what is going on here.

William son of Michael became a carpenter like his father, and lived in Rosegreen. He married **Annie Flanagan** on the 2nd February, 1927.⁶⁰ She was a servant of Rathclough, daughter of Michael Flanagan, a labourer. One witness on the registry was Michael O'Donnell, probably William's elder brother (Michael the father had died 5 years earlier). They had children:

- **Bridget**, born a.1929. She died almost two years later, aged 1 and $\frac{3}{4}$.⁶¹ She was recorded as child of a carpenter. It seems she was struck by a motorcar and died from a crushed skull. The was an inquest, it is possible there are records with more information.

⁵⁵ <http://www.census.nationalarchives.ie/pages/1911/Tipperary/Tullamain/Rosegreen/816261/>

⁵⁶ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1916/05229/4447957.pdf

⁵⁷ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1922/05072/4391235.pdf

⁵⁸ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1920/05110/4404793.pdf

⁵⁹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1927/09111/5295650.pdf

⁶⁰ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/marriage_returns/marriages_1927/09101/5292217.pdf

⁶¹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1931/04889/4324217.pdf

- **Austin Joseph**, born 30th September, 1938.⁶² He died 8 days later on the 7th October, 1938.⁶³ He was recorded as son of a carpenter of Rosegreen, and the mother was Annie O'Donnell. He died of a congenital disability.

There are three graves in Rosegreen cemetery, in the same space, which suggest 4 other children of tis family:

- **Michael**, born a.1927. There is a a grave for Michael O'Donnell, of Camden Rd., London, and Rosegreen, who died on the 30th October, 2003, aged 76. This Michael married Margaret (Peggy) Kane in c.1949. She died on the 26th December, 2019.
- **William (Billy)**, born a.1934. There is a grave for William (Billy) O'Donnell, of Haringey, London, and Rosegreen, who died on the 17th October, 2010, aged 76. It is adjacent to that of Michael above. If this is William and Annie's son, he immigrated to London at some point.
- **Alice**, born 10th March, 1933. She married Peter Boyle.⁶⁴ For a while, she moved to New York, before returning to live in Palmer St., Cashel. Peter pre-deceased her. She died on the 8th March, 2016.
- **Oliver Patrick**, born 20th May, 1936. He lived in New York for a while, where he was the head of the NY GAA.⁶⁵ He returned to live in Holycross, Co. Tipp. He was explicitly named as brother to Alice. He died 25th April, 2021. An obituary says:⁶⁶
 - Oliver, a member of a family of 10, was born in Rosegreen, Cashel on May 20, 1936. He was educated at Rosegreen Primary School and Cashel Secondary School. Then, like many of his contemporaries in the economically depressed Ireland of the fifties, the emigrant ship was the best or nearly the only option for employment prospects. So in 1955 Oliver boarded the boat at Dun Laoghaire and began working as a carpenter in London with McAlpine's Fusiliers, the group's notoriety made famous in a ballad by Ronnie Drew and the Dubliners.
 - Five years later, Oliver and his good friends Mike Griffin and Sean Reynolds took to the seas again. This time they boarded the S.S. America at Cobh and set sail for the states, with Oliver describing the seven-day trip later in an interview as "a forced vacation." Apparently, the young chaps enjoyed themselves immensely dancing, dining, and even dating, once they got over the initial seasickness.
 - Upon arriving in New York, they settled in the Bronx which had a large, flourishing Irish community in those years. Oliver worked as a union carpenter for nearly a decade before establishing a very successful construction business.
 - ... He and his wife Eileen had returned from the states to live in his beloved Tipperary in 2006.
 - MERGE:⁶⁷ The passing of Mr O'Donnell is most deeply regretted by his loving wife Eileen, sons William and Brendan and their mother Audrey, daughters-in-law Gail and Peggy, step grandson, step great grandson, brother Anthony, sister Margaret (Griffin), brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, grandnephews, grandnieces, relatives, neighbours and a wide circle of friends.

⁶² From age at death.

⁶³ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1938/04755/4274074.pdf

⁶⁴ <https://rip.ie/death-notice/alice-boyle-tipperary-cashel-269789>

⁶⁵ <https://www.irishcentral.com/news/community/oliver-odonnell-former-ny-gaa-leader-passes>

⁶⁶ <https://www.irishcentral.com/news/community/oliver-odonnell-former-ny-gaa-leader-passes>

⁶⁷ <https://www.thurles.info/2021/04/26/death-of-oliver-odonnell-thurles-co-tipperary/>

- **John**, identified as a brother of Alice in her obituary. He married **Kathleen Moloney** in c.19xx. They lived in Rosegreen. Seems they had no children.⁶⁸ **John** died 28th June, 2016.⁶⁹ **Kathleen** died 16th December, 2022.⁷⁰
- **Anthony**, identified as a brother of Alice in her obituary. Still alive in 2016.
- **Margaret**, identified as a sister of Alice in her obituary. Still alive in 2016. Married Mr Griffin.
- **(a family of 10)**

William died on the 11th June, 1960.⁷¹ He was recorded as a labourer. His wife **Annie** died 10th May, 1975.⁷²

Another grave in the same section mentions a John O'Donnell, born a.1914. He can't be a brother of those above, as one of them is a John, still alive in 2016. He was probably a cousin, son of one of William's brothers, Michael or John, although probably Michael, as John did not marry.

*In Loving Memory Of
John O'Donnell
Ballybeg, Clerihan
Died 5th October 1967,
Aged 53 Years.
His wife
Alice O'Donnell
(nee FENNESSY)
Died 9th July 2003,
Aged 83 Years.
Their Son, Michael
Aged 9 Months.*

John O'Donnell was born a.1914,⁷³ or a.1922.⁷⁴ He married **Alice Fennessy** in c.1938. She was born a.1920. John and Alice lived in Ballybeg, Clerihan. John was a Carpenter.⁷⁵ They had at least one son:

- **Michael**, born c.1940. He died aged 9 months.

John died on the 6th October, 1967, aged 53 (on the grave) or 45 (from death record).⁷⁶ He died in a motorcycle accident. His wife **Alice died on the** 9th July, 2003, aged 83.

⁶⁸ <https://rip.ie/death-notice/kathleen-odonnell-tipperary-rosegreen-500223>

⁶⁹ From family grave.

⁷⁰ From family grave.

⁷¹ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1960/04342/4123369.pdf

⁷² From family grave.

⁷³ From age at death on grave.

⁷⁴ From age at death in registration.

⁷⁵ From his death record.

⁷⁶ https://civilrecords.irishgenealogy.ie/churchrecords/images/deaths_returns/deaths_1967/04197/4071900.pdf