

# Using AI in Family History Research

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- Examples of Artificial Intelligence Tools
- How can AI Be Used for Genealogy?
- What AI Can't Do (for Genealogy)
- Copyright and Other Legal Concerns

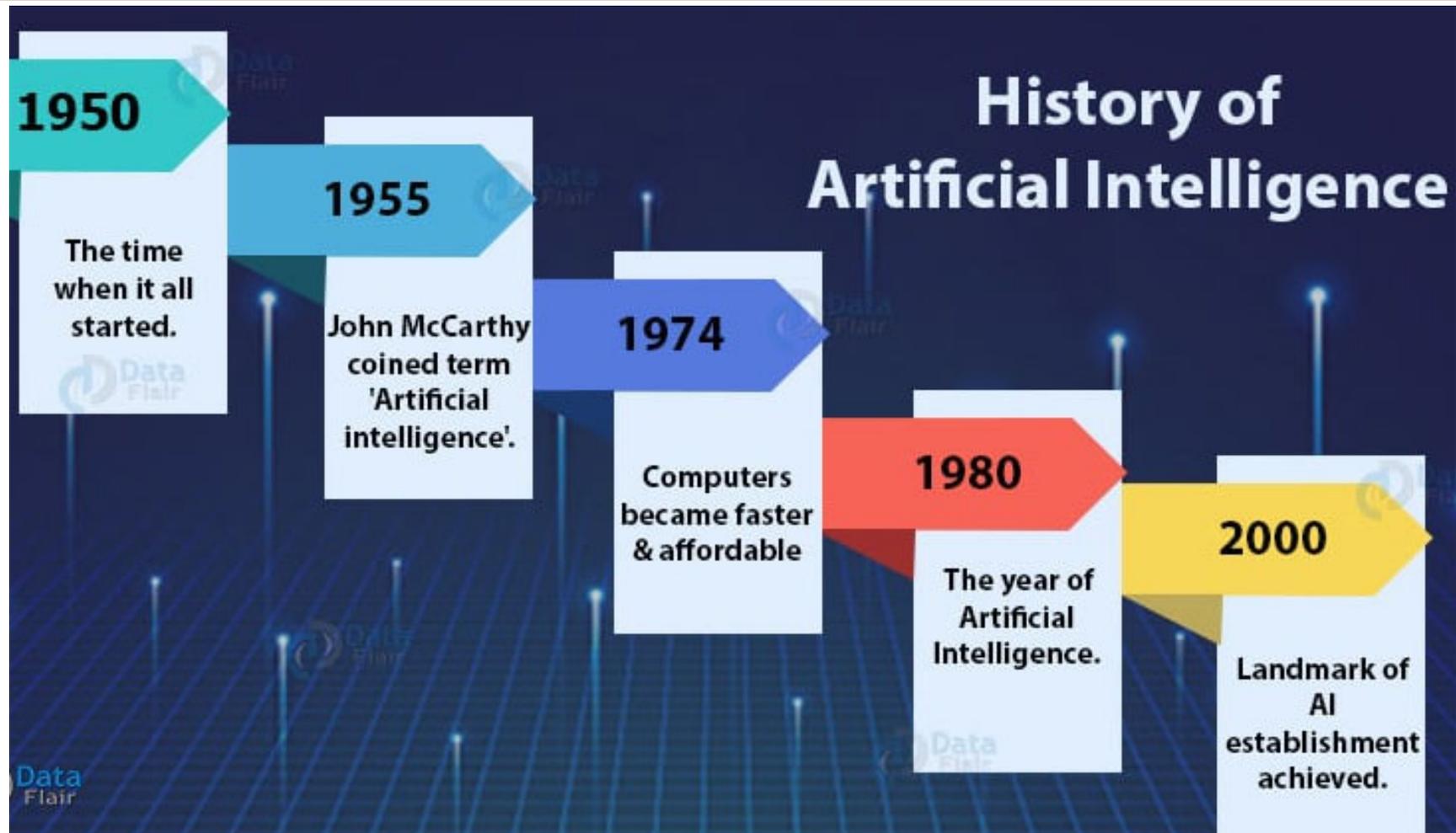
# What is Artificial Intelligence (AI)?

# Definition

- "the theory and development of computer systems able to perform tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as visual perception, speech recognition, decision-making, and translation between languages."

-Source: Oxford Dictionary

# History of AI



Credit: <https://data-flair.training/blogs/history-of-artificial-intelligence/>

# Examples of Artificial Intelligence Tools

# Chatbots

- Conversational platform where you can ask questions of an AI tool
- Provide instant responses to your questions, commands, etc.
- Available 24/7
- Personalized recommendations
- Used for customer service in many industries

# AI Chatbots

- ChatGPT
- Gemini (Google)
- Bing Chat (Microsoft)
- Claude
- Perplexity
- Watson Assistant (IBM)
- ChatSpot (HubSpot)
- And many more!



How can I help you today?

Four suggested prompts are displayed in rounded rectangular boxes:

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A dark blue button with a white 'G' icon and the text "Get citation".



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**You**

Help me plan a 4 day trip to Prince Edward Island



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Absolutely! Prince Edward Island (PEI) is a beautiful destination with plenty to see and do. Here's a suggested itinerary for a 4-day trip:

### **Day 1: Arrival and Charlottetown Exploration**

- **Morning:** Arrive in Charlottetown, the capital of PEI.
- **Afternoon:** Explore the city:
  - Visit Province House National Historic Site.
  - Take a stroll along Victoria Row and visit local shops.
- **Evening:** Enjoy a delicious seafood dinner at a local restaurant.

### **Day 2: North Shore Adventure**

- **Morning:** Head towards the North Shore.
- **Mid-morning:** Visit Green Gables Heritage Place (inspiration for Anne of Green Gables).
- **Afternoon:** Drive along the scenic Gulf Shore Parkway, stop at Cavendish Beach, and enjoy the stunning coastal views.

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- **Evening:** Return to Charlottetown for dinner or try a local seafood spot along the way.

### Day 3: Eastern PEI Exploration

- **Morning:** Drive to East Point Lighthouse, the most eastern point of the island.
- **Midday:** Explore the nearby Basin Head Provincial Park and its "singing sands" beach.
- **Afternoon:** Visit the picturesque town of Souris and stroll around the harbor.
- **Evening:** Enjoy fresh seafood at a local restaurant.

### Day 4: South Shore and Departure

- **Morning:** Head to the south shore.
- **Mid-morning:** Visit the town of Summerside and explore its historic sites.
- **Afternoon:** Drive along the Red Sands Shore and visit any beaches or landmarks you missed earlier in the trip.
- **Evening:** Depending on your departure time, grab a last meal or snack before leaving PEI.

### Additional Tips:

- **Food:** Try local seafood, especially lobster, oysters, and mussels.
- **Scenic Drives:** Take advantage of the beautiful drives along the coastline.
- **Cultural Events:** Check for any local events, concerts, or festivals happening during your stay.

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# Other Types of AI Tools

- Translation tools (ex. Google Translate)
- Social media content creation (ex. Buffer)
- Image generators (ex. Bing Image Creator, DALLE (Open AI))
- Writing assistants (ex. Grammarly)

# How Can AI Be Used for Genealogy?

# Examples

- Provide research assistance
- Summarize and extract information from text of a document
- Colorize black and white photos
- Translate records into another language
- Transcribing and indexing handwritten records
- Transcribing and indexing newspaper articles
- Create ancestor biographies
- And more!

# ChatGPT



**You**

Where can I find oaths of allegiance records for Massachusetts?



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Oaths of allegiance records in Massachusetts can often be found in historical archives, libraries, or government repositories. The Massachusetts State Archives, located in Boston, is a valuable resource for such historical documents. They maintain various records, including those related to oaths of allegiance, citizenship, and other vital documents. Their website or contacting them directly could provide details on accessing these records.

Additionally, local historical societies or genealogical organizations might have archives or databases containing such records. Some records might also be available online through genealogy websites or archives that specialize in historical documents.

If you're looking for specific records, reaching out to the Massachusetts State Archives or conducting an online search through genealogy platforms with a focus on Massachusetts history could yield fruitful results.



# Comparing Census Records

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Analyze these two census records: <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/15668742:6224> and <https://www.ancestry.com/discoveryui-content/view/89004090:2442>



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I'm unable to directly access external links or specific content on websites like Ancestry. However, if you provide me with the key details from the census records you'd like analyzed, I'd be more than happy to help! Please share the names, dates, locations, or any other pertinent information from the records, and I can assist you in analyzing them.

# How to Compare Census Records

- Paste the details from the census transcription page from FamilySearch, AmericanAncestors, Ancestry, etc. into ChatGPT
- Ask ChatGPT to compare against another census and paste the other census details



**You**

1930 Census details for Patrick Chaisson - Detail Source Discover

Name Patrick Chaisson

Birth Year abt 1901

Gender Male

Race White

Age in 1930 29

Birthplace Canada

Marital Status Married

Relation to Head of House Head

Home in 1930 Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts, USA

Map of Home Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts

Street Address Bright St.

Ward of City Three Part

House Number 106

Dwelling Number 49

Family Number 61

Home Owned or Rented Rented

Home Value 30

Radio Set Yes

Lives on Farm No



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Age at First Marriage 26  
Attended School No  
Able to Read and Write Yes  
Father's Birthplace Canada  
Mother's Birthplace Canada  
Language Spoken French  
Immigration Year 1921  
Naturalization First Papers  
Able to Speak English Yes  
Occupation Carpenter  
Industry Bldg Contractor  
Class of Worker Wage or salary worker  
Employment Yes

Household Members (Name)	Age	Relationship
Patrick Chaisson	29	Head
Mary Chaisson	26	Wife
Margaret Chaisson	2	Daughter
Placid Chaisson	25	Brother



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This 1930 Census record provides a snapshot of Patrick Chaisson's household in Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts:

- **Patrick Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 29
  - **Birth Year:** Approximately 1901
  - **Birthplace:** Canada
  - **Gender:** Male
  - **Race:** White
  - **Marital Status:** Married
  - **Relation to Head of House:** Head
  - **Occupation:** Carpenter in the building contracting industry as a wage or salary worker
  - **Language Spoken:** French
  - **Immigration Year:** 1921
  - **Naturalization:** First Papers (in the process of becoming a citizen)
  - **Home Details:** Rented home on Bright St., Waltham, Massachusetts, with a low home value of \$30. They owned a radio set.
- **Mary Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 26



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- **Mary Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 26
  - **Wife** of Patrick Chaisson
- **Margaret Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 2
  - **Daughter** of Patrick and Mary Chaisson
- **Rita Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 1
  - **Daughter** of Patrick and Mary Chaisson
- **Placid Chaisson:**
  - **Age:** 25
  - **Brother** of Patrick Chaisson, living in the household

This record highlights details about the family structure, their residence, occupation, language spoken, and immigration history. Patrick, a carpenter working in building contracting, had arrived in the US around 1921 and was in the process of naturalization. The household consisted of his wife, two daughters, and his brother, Placid. They lived in a rented house with modest belongings, indicated by the low home value. The family seemed to maintain a connection to their French heritage, as indicated by the language spoken at home.



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Compare their change in status with the 1940 census details below for Patrick and his family: Name Patrick E Chaisson

Age 39

Estimated Birth Year abt 1901

Gender Male

Race White

Birthplace Canada French

Marital Status Married

Relation to Head of House Head

Home in 1940 Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts

Map of Home in 1940 Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts

Street Newton Street

House Number 210

Farm No

Inferred Residence in 1935 Waltham, Middlesex, Massachusetts

Residence in 1935 Waltham

Citizenship Naturalized

Sheet Number 1B

Number of Household in Order of Visitation 19

Occupation Carpenter

House Owned or Rented Rented

Value of Home or Monthly Rental if Rented 

Attended School or College No

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Highest Grade Completed Elementary school, 8th grade

Hours Worked Week Prior to Census 48

Class of Worker Wage or salary worker in private work

Weeks Worked in 1939 45

Income 1750

Income Other Sources No

Neighbors View others on page

Household Members (Name) Age Relationship

Patrick E Chaisson 39 Head

Mary C Chaisson

35

Wife

Margareite T Chaisson

12

Daughter

Rita V Chaisson

11

Daughter

Mary C Chaisson

9

Daughter

Doris A Chaisson

8

Daughter

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John C Chaisson

5

Son

Patricia D Chaisson

4

Daughter

Joseph P Chaisson

3

Son

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Certainly! Here's a comparison of the 1930 and 1940 census records for Patrick Chaisson:

#### 1930 Census:

- **Patrick Chaisson (Age 29):**
  - **Occupation:** Carpenter in the building contracting industry.
  - **Family Members:** Wife (Mary), daughters (Margaret and Rita), and brother (Placid).
  - **Home Details:** Rented home on Bright St., Waltham, Massachusetts, with a low home value of \$30.

#### 1940 Census:

- **Patrick E Chaisson (Age 39):**
  - **Occupation:** Still a carpenter, now working 48 hours a week and earning an income of \$1750 in 1939.
  - **Family Members:** Wife (Mary C) and several additional children (Margareite, Rita, Mary C, Doris A, John C, Patricia D, Joseph P).
  - **Home Details:** Rented home on Newton Street, Waltham, Massachusetts, with a reduced home value or rental cost of \$ ↓

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### Changes Observed:

1. **Family Size:** The family has notably expanded. In 1940, Patrick and Mary have more children compared to 1930. There are now additional daughters (Mary C, Doris A, Patricia D) and a son (John C, Joseph P).
2. **Occupation and Income:** Patrick's occupation remains the same as a carpenter, but there's an increase in the number of hours worked per week (48) compared to the previous census. His income is also specified in 1939, showing an increase in financial stability.
3. **Home Details:** They've moved to a different rented home on Newton Street with a lower recorded home value or rental cost of \$15, indicating a change in their housing situation.

The most significant changes involve the growth of the family, with more children born within the decade between the two census records. Patrick's work hours have increased, possibly indicating improved job stability or a rise in demand for his skills in carpentry. The move to a different rented home could suggest either a change in circumstances or a relocation for various reasons.



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Irish Surnames and Census Records from 1901-1911

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### Irish Surnames and Census Records from 1901-1911 ▾



Whats\_in\_an\_Irish\_Surname\_Connollys\_and.pdf  
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Summarize this document with the key points



Here are the key points from the document:

- The essay analyzes Irish surnames like "Connolly" using digitized records from the 1901 and 1911 censuses of Ireland.
- It looks at the regional distribution of surnames, which can reveal patterns of cultural history and genealogy. The Connollys were widespread but clustered in certain counties.
- The origin of "Connolly" is explored - it derives from two separate Gaelic first names, Congal and Congalach, which led to its wide dispersal across Ireland.
- The history of Connollys in south Kilkenny, the ancestral home of the author's acquaintance Sean Connolly, is traced using records like the Tithe Applotment Books.
- Name choices like "Bourke" versus "Burke" are analyzed to see if they signify social status differences. Some evidence is found that Bourkes had higher literacy.
- The addition of "O" to Irish surnames is quantified using the 1901 and 1911 censuses, showing a surge attributed to the Gaelic League's cultural nationalism.
- Overall, the essay demonstrates the insights that can be gained into Irish history, culture, and demography by studying patterns of names using census and genealogical records.

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Did the article discuss the presence of the surname Connolly in County Monaghan, Ireland?

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Yes, the article did discuss the presence of the surname Connolly in County Monaghan, Ireland. Specifically:

- The article states that in 1911, Connolly was most numerous in the counties of Galway, Cork, Monaghan, Dublin, and Antrim.
- It notes that in relative terms, 'Connolly' was most common in Monaghan, with 15.8 per thousand population.
- The 1911 census numbers corroborate earlier findings that Connollys were 'principally found' in Cork, Monaghan, Galway, Antrim, and Dublin.
- Some of the most distinguished Ó Conghalaigh clan were from Airgialla in south Ulster, including Monaghan. Both James Connolly and William "Speaker" Conolly were linked to this clan.

So the article does explicitly discuss and provide evidence for a strong presence of the Connolly surname in County Monaghan in the early 20th century.

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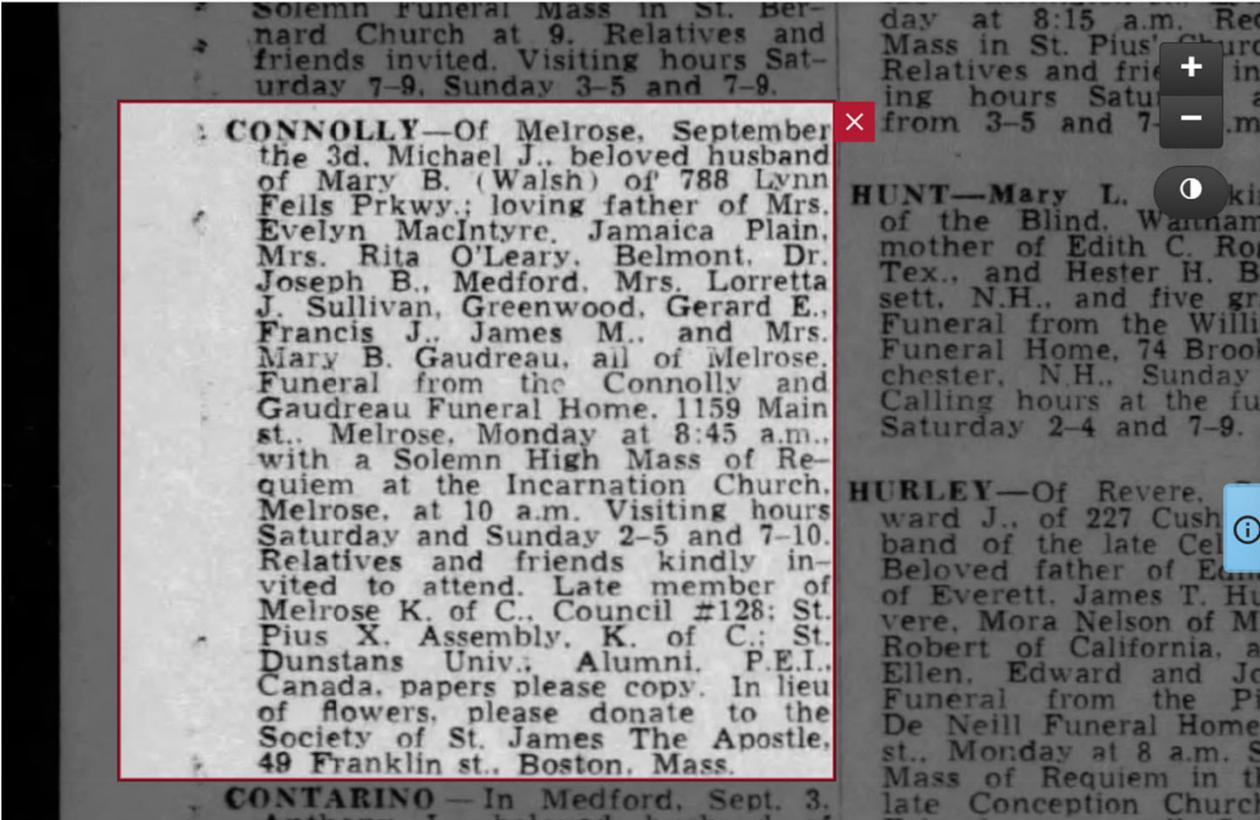
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The Boston Globe  
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**CONNOLLY**—Of Melrose, September the 3d, Michael J., beloved husband of Mary B. (Walsh) of 788 Lynn Fells Prkwy.; loving father of Mrs. Evelyn MacIntyre, Jamaica Plain, Mrs. Rita O'Leary, Belmont, Dr. Joseph B., Medford, Mrs. Lorretta J. Sullivan, Greenwood, Gerard E., Francis J., James M., and Mrs. Mary B. Gaudreau, all of Melrose. Funeral from the Connolly and Gaudreau Funeral Home, 1159 Main st., Melrose, Monday at 8:45 a.m., with a Solemn High Mass of Requiem at the Incarnation Church, Melrose, at 10 a.m. Visiting hours Saturday and Sunday 2-5 and 7-10. Relatives and friends kindly invited to attend. Late member of Melrose K. of C., Council #128; St. Pius X. Assembly, K. of C.; St. Dunstons Univ.; Alumni, P.E.I., Canada, papers please copy. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Society of St. James The Apostle, 49 Franklin st., Boston, Mass.

**HUNT**—Mary L., widow of the Blind, Warrnamoother mother of Edith C. Ross, Tex., and Hester H. Bennett, N.H., and five grand children. Funeral from the William J. De Neill Funeral Home, 74 Brookchester, N.H., Sunday at 10 a.m. Calling hours at the funeral home Saturday 2-4 and 7-9.

**HURLEY**—Of Revere, ward J., of 227 Cushman st., beloved father of Edward J., of Everett, James T. Hurley, Mora Nelson of Miami, Fla., Robert of California, and Ellen, Edward and Joseph. Funeral from the Pilgrimage De Neill Funeral Home, 74 Brookchester, N.H., Monday at 8 a.m. Mass of Requiem in the late Conception Church, Boston, at 10 a.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Late member of St. Pius X. Assembly, K. of C.; St. Dunstons Univ.; Alumni, P.E.I., Canada, papers please copy. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Society of St. James The Apostle, 49 Franklin st., Boston, Mass.

**CONTARINO**—In Medford, Sept. 3, Anthony J., beloved husband of...

**The Boston Globe**  
Boston, Massachusetts · Saturday, September 05, 1964

Obituary

 **Michael J. CONNOLLY**

NAME Michael J. CONNOLLY  
RESIDENCE Melrose  
PLACE

NAMES MENTIONED

SPOUSES Mary B.  
CHILDREN Evelyn MacIntyre, Rita O'Leary  
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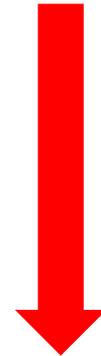
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Acting as a professional genealogist, extract the relationships of the people in the below obituary text (correct for spelling) and summarize: 1 CONNOLLY Of Melrose. September the 3d. Michael J.. beloved husband of Mary B. (Walsh) of 788 Lynn , Fells Prkwy.; loving father of Mrs. Evelyn MacIntyre. Jamaica Plain. Mrs. Rita O'Leary. Belmont. Dr. Joseph B., Medford. Mrs. Lorretta J. Sullivan, Greenwood, Gerard E., Francis J.. James M., and Mrs. Alary B. Gaudreau. ail of Melrose. Funeral from th? Connolly and Gaudreau Funeral Home. 1159 Main St.. Melrose, Monday at 8:45 a.m.. with a Solemn High Mass of Requiem at the Incarnation Church. Melrose, at 10 a.m. Visiting hours Saturday and Sunday 2-5 and 7-10. Relatives and friends kindly invited to attend. Late member of Melrose K. of C. Council 128: St.! Pius X. Assembly.



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Here are the extracted relationships and a summary:

- Michael J. Connolly was the husband of Mary B. Walsh and the father of Evelyn MacIntyre, Rita O'Leary, Dr. Joseph B. Connolly, Loretta J. Sullivan, Gerard E. Connolly, Francis J. Connolly, James M. Connolly, and Mary B. Gaudreau.
- Mary B. Walsh was the wife of Michael J. Connolly.
- Evelyn MacIntyre, Rita O'Leary, Dr. Joseph B. Connolly, Loretta J. Sullivan, Gerard E. Connolly, Francis J. Connolly, James M. Connolly, and Mary B. Gaudreau were the children of Michael J. Connolly and Mary B. Walsh.

Summary: The obituary is for Michael J. Connolly. He was married to Mary B. Walsh and had 8 children - Evelyn, Rita, Joseph, Loretta, Gerard, Francis, James, and Mary.

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ceased was laid to rest beside her husband, there to await the union of soul and body on resurrection morn. May they rest in peace.

The pall bearers for each of the funerals were Joseph McCabe, N. G. Matherson, D. J. Nicholson, James Morrissey, William McLeod and James McKenna.

Besides a host of other relatives and friends the deceased leave to mourn, five sons, four daughters, almost seventy grand-children and thirty great-grand children. The sons are Michael and Joseph, Boston, Mass., Charles, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., John and Francis at home. The daughters are Mrs. John J. Haggarty, Bridgeport, Conn., and Mrs. Joseph Daugherty, Vernon P. E. I. Six of their children predeceased them.

Phillip Rooney, Cherry Valley, is a brother, while Mrs. Rose Sullivan, Cardigan and Mrs. Thomas Shea, Glenfinnan, are sisters of the late Mr. Rooney. Peter McKenna, Newtown Cross, Patrick McKenna, Vernon, Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Vernon and Mrs. Phillip Rooney, cherry Valley, are brothers and sisters of Mrs. Rooney.

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Here are the key details I extracted from the obituary:

- Name of deceased: Mrs. Hooney (female)
- Spouse: Mr. Hooney (male)
- Children: Joseph Hooney Jr, Charles Sault Ste Marie, John, Flora at home, Mrs. John (daughter) Hennessey, Mrs. Joseph (daughter) Hennessey
- Grandchildren: Seventy
- Great grandchildren: Thirty
- Siblings of Mrs. Hooney: Philip Hooney (brother), Mrs. Roof (sister), Mrs. Sullivan (sister), Mrs. Thomas (sister)
- Siblings of Mr. Hooney: Peter McKenna, Patrick McKenna, Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Mrs. Hooney
- Pallbearers: Joseph Cabe, S. Robinson, I. Nicholson, Morrusey, William McLeod, James Mekento



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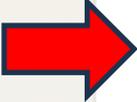
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Here are the key details I extracted for Michael and Mary Rooney: 

- Name of deceased wife: Mrs. Mary Rooney
- Name of deceased husband: Mr. Michael Rooney
- Children: Joseph Rooney Jr, Charles Rooney, John Rooney, Flora Rooney, Mrs. John (daughter) Hennessey, Mrs. Joseph (daughter) Hennessey 
- Grandchildren: Seventy
- Great grandchildren: Thirty
- Siblings of Mrs. Mary Rooney: Philip Hooney (brother), Mrs. Roof (sister), Mrs. Sullivan (sister), Mrs. Thomas (sister)
- Siblings of Mr. Michael Rooney: Peter McKenna, Patrick McKenna, Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Mrs. Hooney

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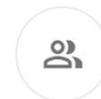
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Diocesi di Acireale - Parrocchia di *Maugano*

**ATTI DI MORTE**

(Cognome) *Arceidiacono*

(Nome) *Francesco* Anno *1959* N. *90*

**MORTE** L'anno del Signore 19 *59* il giorno *24* (alle ore ) del mese di *Aprile*

**RESE L'ANIMA A DIO** in questa Parrocchia, via (o contrada) *Nazionale*

il Sig. *Arceidiacono Francesco* figli di *Luca Pistone*

e di *Catarina Anna* di stato *coniugato* nat. in *Acireale*

il *28-1-1884* e battezzat. nella Parrocchia di *Maugano*

ricevette i Sacramenti *della Confessione, Eucaristia, Estrema Unzione*

Il funerale - le esequie - fu celebrat. nella chiesa di *Maugano*

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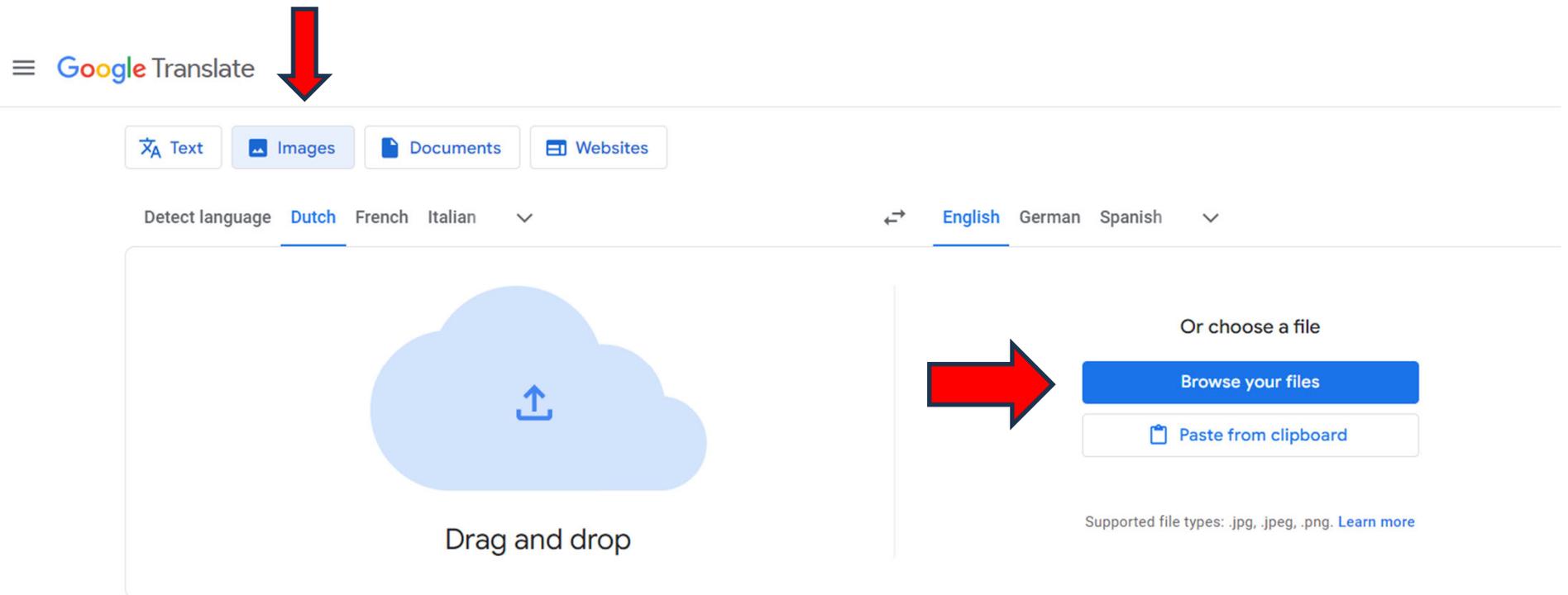
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FIRMA DEL PARROCO  
*Luca Vincenzo faroso*

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Fag. 50  
Diocese of Acireale - Parish of *Kangano*

ACTS DI MORTE  
(Surname) Archdeacons  
(Name) Francesco Year 1959 N. *90*

DEATH The year of the Lord 1959 on the 24th (at the hours of ) the month of April  
HE GIVEN HIS SOUL TO GOD in this Parish, National street (or district)..  
Mr. Archdeacon Hraжеко and nglis of fee fraud me  
from Catanzare Anna to state coming nat in *Chinali*  
on 28-1-1884. and Sacraments in the Parish *Kangano*  
baptized received the of Confession, Eucharist, & Extreme Unsiion  
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25 April 1959. The body was transported by the cemetery of

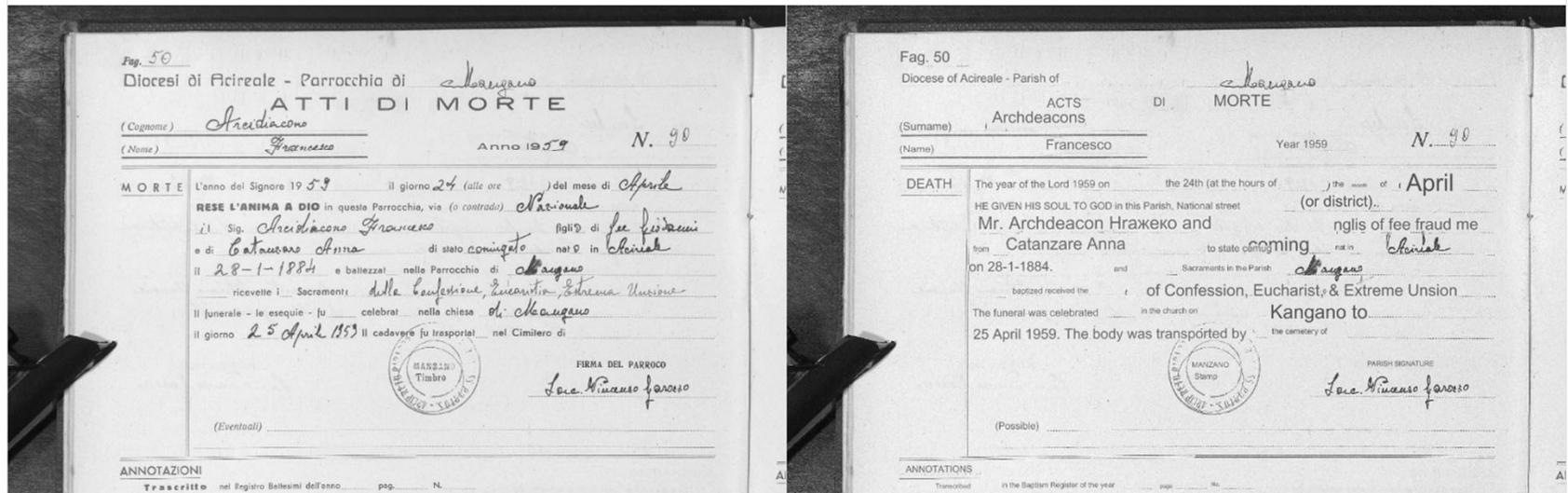
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- The "Get Involved" indexing tool allows users like you to fix computer mistakes with the index
- Full Text Search (reviewed during demo)



The screenshot shows the FamilySearch website interface. At the top, the navigation bar includes 'FamilySearch', 'Family Tree', 'Search', 'Memories', 'Get Involved', and 'Activities'. A red arrow points to the 'Get Involved' menu, which is open and shows options: 'Overview', 'Opportunities', 'Your Impact', and 'Indexing'. Below the navigation, there are sections for 'HOME', 'FRIENDS', and 'RECENTS'. A central area features a text input field with the prompt 'What would you like to share about your family?' and a 'SHARE' button. To the right, there is an 'All Collections Search' section with a 'Start New Search' button. Below that is a 'Record Hints' section listing three historical records: Mary McKenna (1844-1925), Ida Cohen (1899-1948), and Edward Roche (1862-1922). A 'WATCH NOW' button is visible on a video player titled 'Your Story is Worth Remembering!'. At the bottom, a notification states 'We found a new memory about @Richard McGarry added by FamilySearch 6 months ago'. A URL 'https://www.familysearch.org/getinvolved/' is visible in the bottom left corner.

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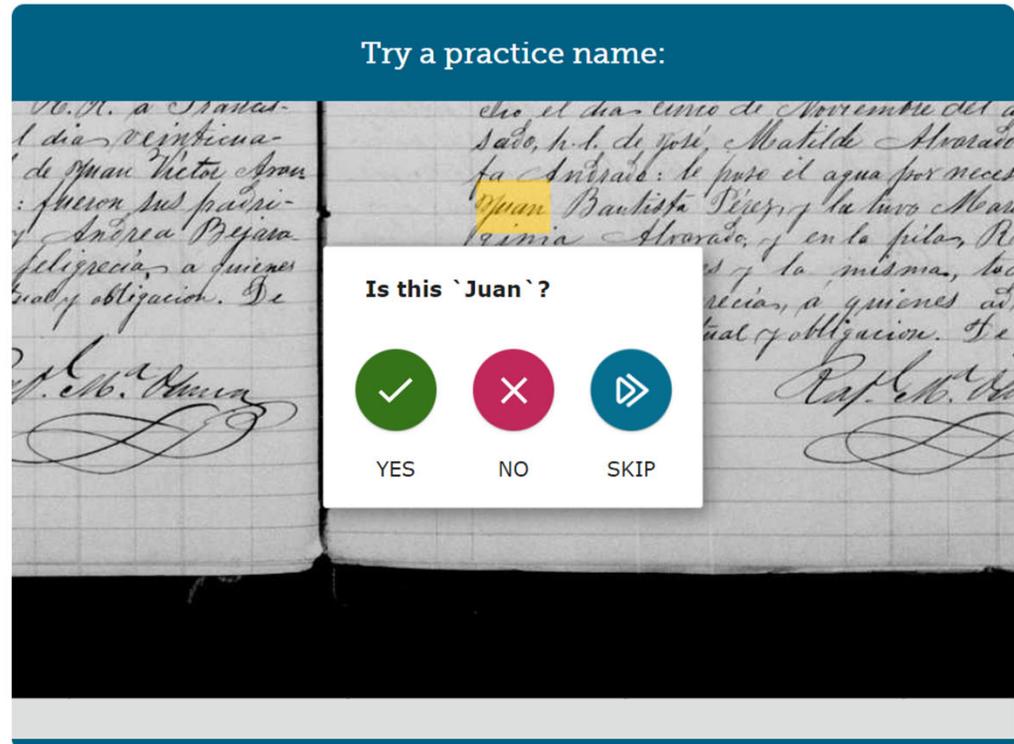
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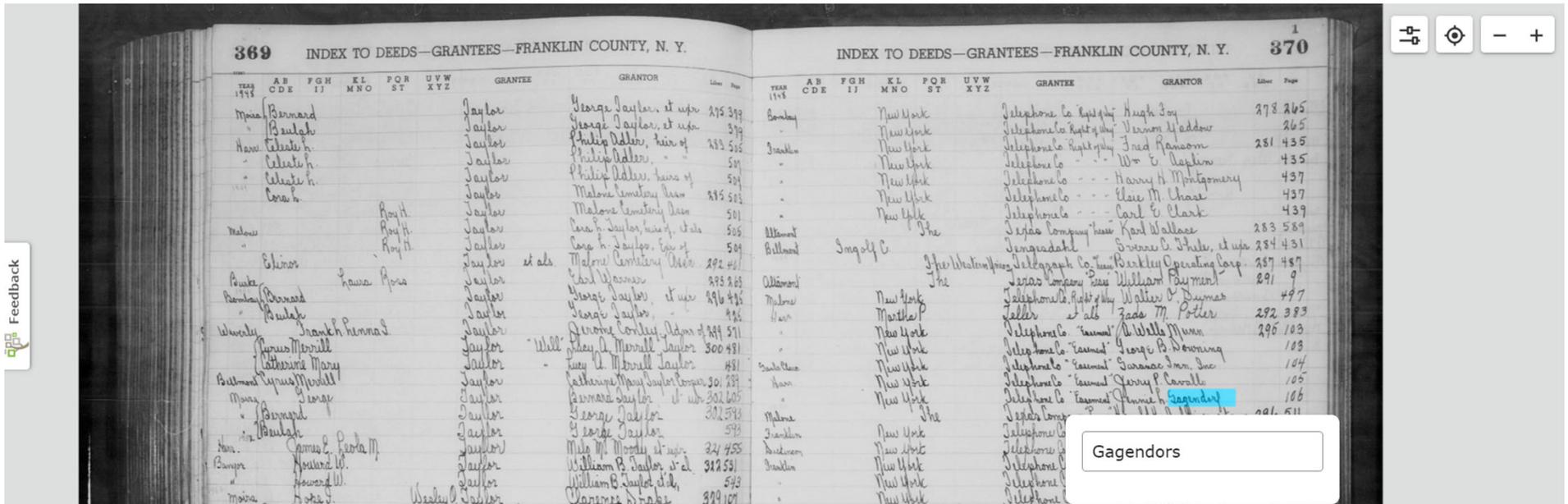
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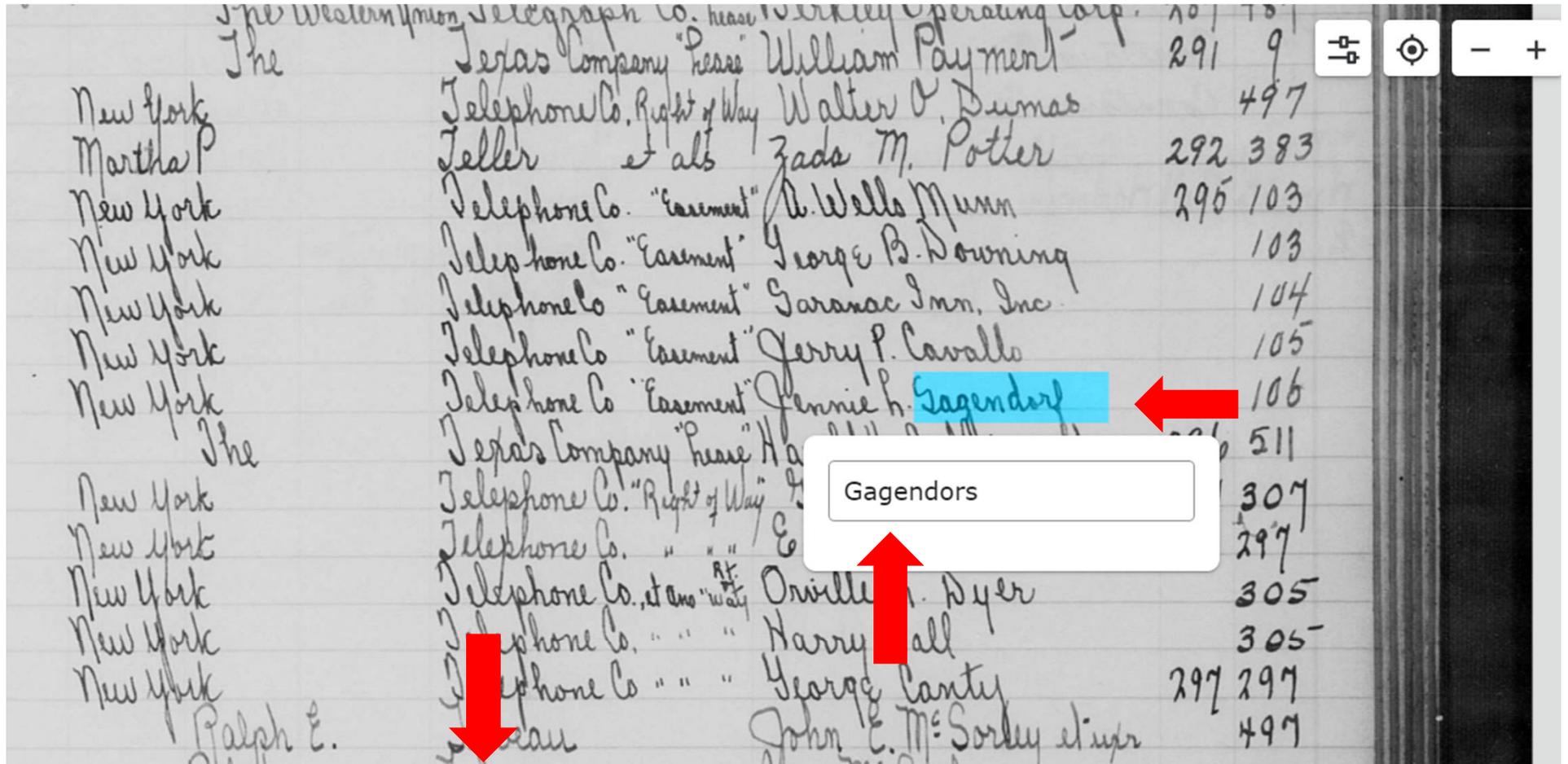
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Navigation icons: Back (left arrow), Match (green checkmark), Edit (pink pencil), Unsure (right arrow).

Not A Person (D with asterisk icon) and Transcription Error (square with X icon) buttons.

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Navigation and action buttons:

- Back (left arrow)
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- Not A Person (person icon with 'x')
- Transcription Error (square icon)

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Location	Company Name	Person Name	Number
New York	Telephone Co.	William Payment	291 9
Martha P	Telephone Co. Right of Way	Walter O. Dumas	497
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	Zada M. Potter	292 383
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	W. Wells Munn	295 103
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	George B. Downing	103
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	Saranac Inn, Inc.	104
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	Gerry P. Cavallo	105
New York	Telephone Co. "Easement"	Jennie H. Sagendorf	106
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Navigation and action buttons:

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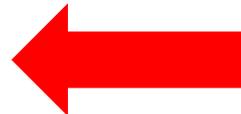
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Please enter the first and last name of the person you want to find, along with any additional details such as life event dates or places, or close relative names.

Ignaty Gailunas b. circa 1870 Lithuania. He lived in Riga, Latvia in 1914. He was the father of Anton Gailunas

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Here are the results found for the information you provided:



### Ignaty Gailunas

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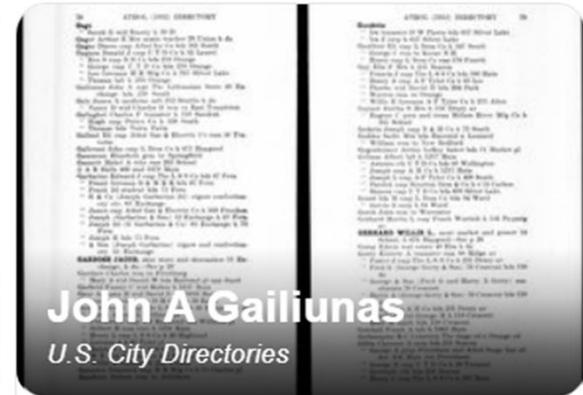
Wife	Johanna Gailunas
Son	Anton Gailunas



### Ignaty Gailunas

FamilySearch Family Tree

Son	Anton Gailunas
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The search has yielded four records that may pertain to Ignaty Gailunas, born circa 1870 in Lithuania and residing in Riga, Latvia in 1914. The top record indicates a marriage to Johanna Gailunas with one son named Anton. Further details can be explored within these records for potential connections and additional information.

Does MyHeritage have death records for Latvia?

Yes, MyHeritage includes death records from Latvia in its collection. To locate a specific death record for Ignaty Gailunas, please ensure you have as much information as possible to refine the search, such as an approximate year of death or location within Latvia.

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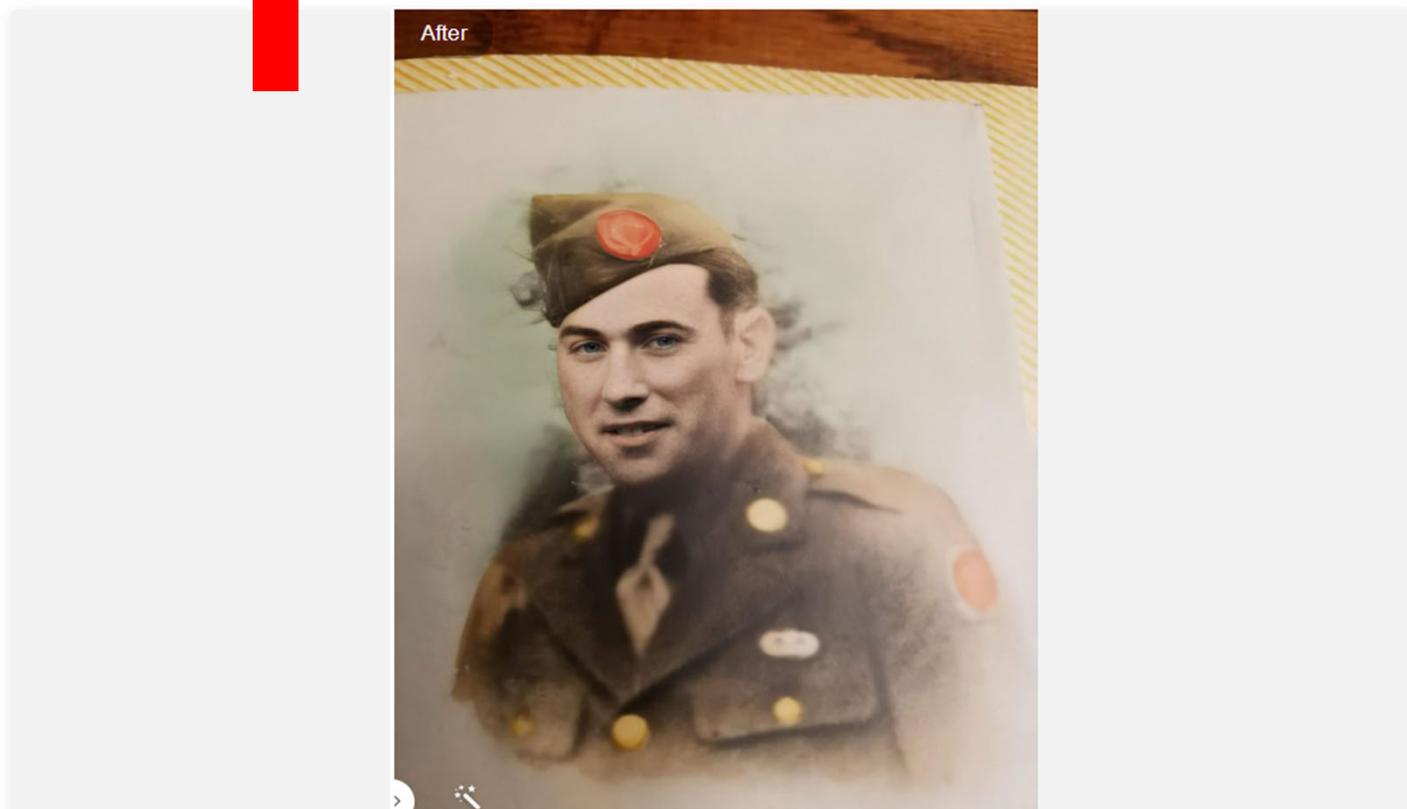
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This photo was taken in: **1945**

Confidence level	Average error
<b>77%</b>	<b>± 6 years</b>

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**IN THE PHOTO**

Roll over a name to see that person in the photo

 **Horace Joseph** ⋮

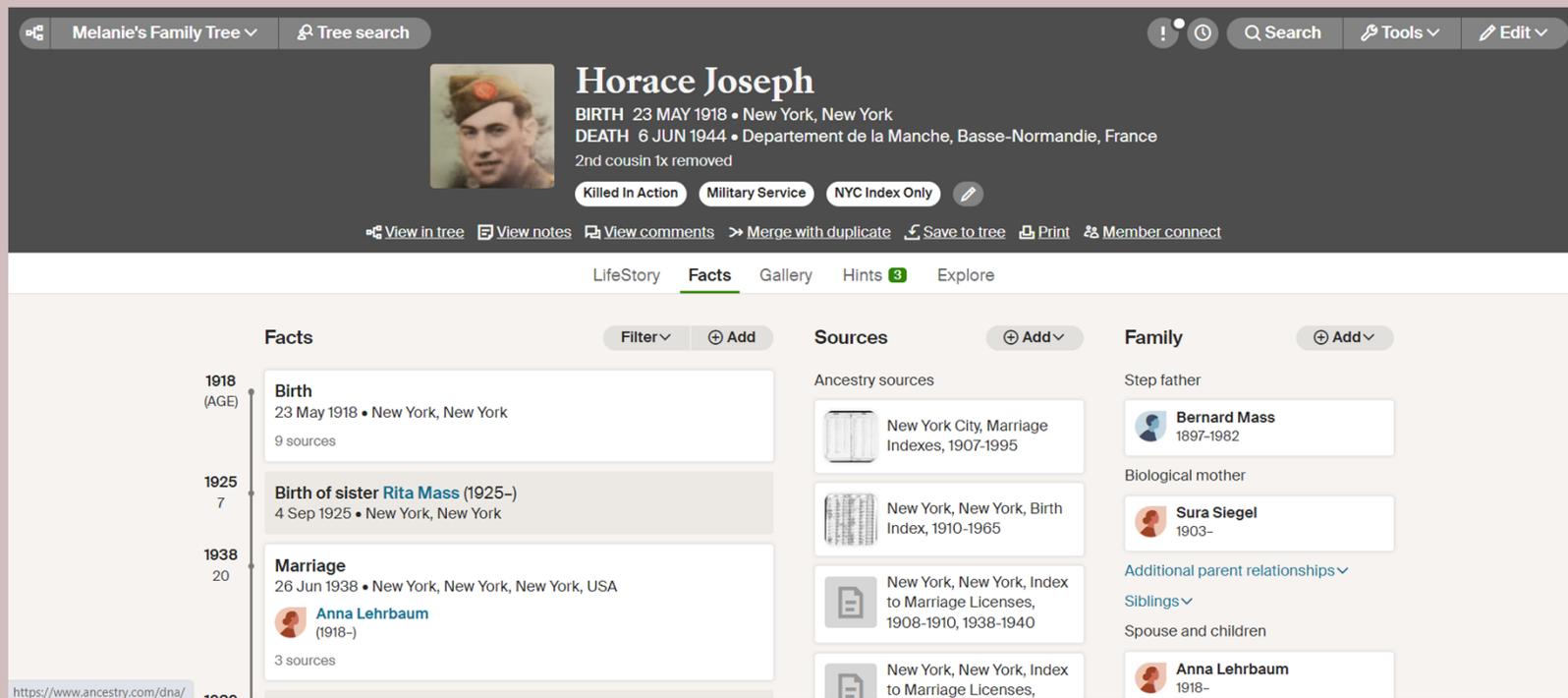
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**DETAILS**

Keywords: [Add](#)

Notes: [Add](#)

# Pretty Close!



The screenshot shows the Ancestry.com profile for Horace Joseph. The profile header includes a family tree dropdown, a search bar, and navigation icons. The main profile area features a portrait of Horace Joseph in military uniform, his name, birth and death dates and locations, and a relationship note: "2nd cousin 1x removed". Below this are tags for "Killed In Action", "Military Service", and "NYC Index Only". A row of action links includes "View in tree", "View notes", "View comments", "Merge with duplicate", "Save to tree", "Print", and "Member connect".

The "Facts" section is active, showing a timeline of events:

- 1918 (AGE)**
  - Birth**: 23 May 1918 • New York, New York (9 sources)
- 1925 (AGE)**
  - Birth of sister Rita Mass (1925-)**: 4 Sep 1925 • New York, New York
- 1938 (AGE)**
  - Marriage**: 26 Jun 1938 • New York, New York, New York, USA (3 sources)
    - Anna Lehrbaum** (1918-)

The "Sources" section lists three Ancestry sources:

- New York City, Marriage Indexes, 1907-1995
- New York, New York, Birth Index, 1910-1965
- New York, New York, Index to Marriage Licenses, 1908-1910, 1938-1940
- New York, New York, Index to Marriage Licenses, 1918-

The "Family" section lists relationships:

- Step father**: Bernard Mass (1897-1982)
- Biological mother**: Sura Siegel (1903-)
- Additional parent relationships** (dropdown)
- Siblings** (dropdown)
- Spouse and children**: Anna Lehrbaum (1918-)

The screenshot shows the MyHeritage website interface. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with the text "Melanie's Family Tree" on the left, a shopping cart icon, a profile picture of "Melanie McComb", and a "Help" link. Below this is a white navigation bar with the MyHeritage logo and several menu items: "Home" (highlighted in red), "Family tree", "Discoveries", "Photos", "DNA", and "Research" (with a "NEW" badge). A red arrow points from the "Home" menu item to a dropdown menu that lists: "My family tree", "My photos", "Import GEDCOM", "Manage trees", "Print charts & books", "Timeline", "Consistency checker", and "More...". To the left of the dropdown menu is a promotional banner for a "New Year DNA Sale" with the text "Only \$39 \$89" and "Free standard shipping on 2+ kits", with an "Order Now" link. The main content area features a large banner with a blue watercolor background and a black and white photograph of two children. The text "Melanie's Family Tree" is visible on the left side of the banner, and "UPLOAD COVER PHOTO" with a camera icon is on the right.

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\* 1821 • Donagh, Monaghan, Ireland

Jan 12 1881 (at age ~60) • Fort Augustus, Prince Edward Island...

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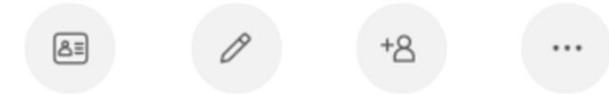
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 James McKenna  
Your direct ancestor (5 generations)

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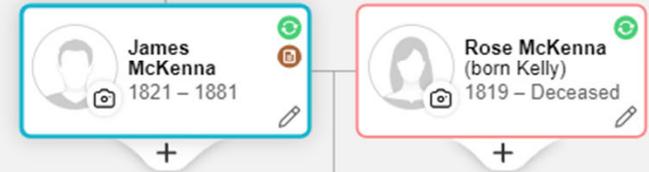


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The screenshot shows a MyHeritage.com interface. At the top left, there is a promotional banner for a "2024 New Year DNA Sale" with a price of "Only \$39 \$89" and a link to "Order Now". Below this, the user's family tree is visible, showing "Melanies Family Tree" with members "John Corcoran" and "James McKenna". A profile card for "James McKenna" is shown, indicating "646 of 4056 people" and "Your direct ancestor (5 generations)".

A modal window titled "Create an AI Biography™" is overlaid on the right. It asks "What type of biography would you like to create?" and offers two options: "Standard: include only information from the tree profile" (unselected) and "Enhanced: like Standard, but enriched with details from matching records and additional information from the web" (selected). A red arrow points from the "Create AI Biography™" button in the background to the "Create AI Biography™" button in the modal window.

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The AI Biography™ will be ready soon  
We'll send you an email once it's ready.

Got it



James McKenna  
1821 – 1881

Rose McKenna  
(born Kelly)  
1819 – Deceased

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## James McKenna

Circa 1821 - 1881

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**Birth** Circa 1821 • Donagh, Monaghan, Ireland

**Death** January 12, 1881 • Fort Augustus, Prince Edward Island, Canada

**Father**  <private> McKenna

**Brother**  Owen McKenna  
1820 - 1903

**Spouse**  Rose McKenna (born Kelly)  
Circa 1819 - Deceased

**Children**

 Mary McKenna 1842 - Deceased	 Patrick McKenna 1844 - Deceased
 Ann McKenna 1845 - Deceased	 Michael McKenna 1847 - Deceased
 James McKenna 1850 - Deceased	 Catherine McKenna 1852 - Deceased
 Alice McKenna 1854 - Deceased	 Edward McKenna 1858 - Deceased
 Rose McKenna 1860 - Deceased	 Peter Michael McKenna Deceased

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## Biography

James McKenna was born in 1821<sup>[1]</sup> or circa 1822<sup>[2]</sup>, in Donagh, Monaghan, Ireland, to Mr. McKenna<sup>[1]</sup>. He had one brother named Owen, who was born on June 18, 1820, and died on August 11, 1903<sup>[1]</sup>.

He married Rose Kelly, who was born in 1819<sup>[1]</sup>, on June 23, 1839<sup>[1]</sup>. Together they had ten children: Mary (born June 5, 1842), Patrick (born March 1844), Ann (born 1845), Michael (born September 14, 1847), James (born April 1, 1850), Catherine (born March 22, 1852), Alice (born March 1854), Edward (born April 12, 1858), Rose (born August 23, 1860), and Peter Michael<sup>[1]</sup>. Additionally, records indicate three other children: Margaret, Michael, and Rose A., with birth years ranging from circa 1843 to circa 1851<sup>[2]</sup>.

At some point, James McKenna lived at 200 Main Street in Bridgeton and resided in Glasgow, Calton, Lanarkshire, Scotland, on March 30, 1851<sup>[2]</sup>.

He passed away on January 12, 1881, at the age of 60 in Fort Augustus, Prince Edward Island, Canada, and was buried there in Queens County<sup>[1]</sup>.

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## Historical Context

James McKenna's birth in 1821 or circa 1822 in Donagh, Monaghan, Ireland, occurred during a period of significant distress. The early 19th century was marked by widespread poverty and political unrest in Ireland. The country was still under British rule, which imposed various economic hardships on the Irish people through policies such as the Penal Laws that discriminated against Catholics. James' early life would have been shaped by these conditions, leading up to the Great Famine (1845-1852) that devastated Ireland during his young adulthood.

When James married Rose Kelly in 1839 and started their family, Ireland was on the cusp of the Great Famine. This catastrophic event led to mass emigration, with over a million Irish fleeing starvation and disease for new lives abroad, particularly in North America. It is likely that the struggles of this period influenced James and Rose's decision to seek better opportunities elsewhere, reflected in their eventual move to Scotland and later to Canada.

By 1851, when records show James residing in Glasgow, Calton, Lanarkshire, Scotland, the city was undergoing rapid industrialization and urbanization. Glasgow had become a hub for trade and manufacturing during the Industrial Revolution, attracting many Irish immigrants seeking work. However, living conditions for the working class were often poor, with overcrowded housing and unsanitary environments being common issues.

James McKenna's death in Fort Augustus, Prince Edward Island, Canada, in 1881 came after decades of significant change in the region. Prince Edward Island had only joined the Canadian Confederation in 1873, eight years before his passing. The island was primarily rural and agricultural, offering a stark contrast to the industrial cities of Britain. Immigrants like James played a role in shaping the community and economy of their new home.

## Last Name Origins

The surname McKenna is of Irish origin and is an anglicized form of the Gaelic name 'Mac Cionaoith', which means 'son of Cionnaith' or 'son of Cionaodh'. The given names Cionnaith and Cionaodh are derived from the Old Irish 'Cionaodh', meaning 'fire-born' or 'born of fire'. This personal name was borne by a number of early saints. The McKenna family were a branch of the southern Ui Neill and were lords of Truagh in County Monaghan, where they have been settled since at least the 14th century.

## Consistency Issues

1. The year of birth for James McKenna is inconsistent between sources: 1821<sup>[1]</sup> vs. circa 1822<sup>[2]</sup>.
2. Rose Kelly's year of birth is given as 1819<sup>[1]</sup>, while another record suggests she was born circa 1826<sup>[2]</sup>.
3. There are discrepancies in the number and names of children: ten children are listed in one source<sup>[1]</sup>, while only three additional children with different names appear in another source<sup>[2]</sup>.
4. The place of residence during a certain period is only mentioned in one source, which states that he lived in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1851<sup>[2]</sup>.

## Citations

1. Source: [Melanie's Family Tree, managed by Melanie McComb](https://www.myheritage.com/person-8000056_282007411_282007411/james-mckenna)  
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# James McKenna

In 1851 Scotland Census

Save this record and choose the information you want to add to your family tree

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Name	James McKenna
Gender	Male
Birth	Circa 1822 Ireland
Residence	Mar 30 1851 Glasgow, Calton, Lanarkshire, Scotland
Address	House Number: 200 Street: Main Street
Age	29
Marital status	Married
Occupation	Agricultural Labourer



## 1851 Scotland Census

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## Household

RELATION	NAME	BIRTH
Head	James McKenna	Circa 1822
Wife	Rosey McKenna	Circa 1826
Daughter	Margaret McKenna	Circa 1844
Daughter	Rose A McKenna	Circa 1848
Son	Michael McKenna	Circa 1851
Lodger	John Connar	Circa 1821
Lodger	Patrick Connar	Circa 1823

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## Ancestry AI Assistant

The Ancestry AI assistant is in a testing phase (called “beta testing”) and hasn’t yet been widely released. Because it’s in a testing phase, Ancestry AI assistant may change based on feedback.

### Frequently asked questions

#### What is the AI Assistant?

The AI Assistant is a new beta tool provided by Ancestry that uses artificial intelligence to assist you with Family History and DNA-related questions and research. It can answer general Family History and DNA-related questions, offer suggestions, and guide you through your research based on information from our help content.

#### How can I use the AI Assistant?

Please visit the [DNA](#) pages (like [origins](#), [matches](#), and [traits](#)) to view the AI Assistant (in the bottom

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### What kinds of questions can I ask the AI Assistant?

The AI Assistant can answer family history- and DNA-related questions, but we may expand it to support other products and features over time.

Here are some examples of what you could ask:

- Why don't I have a region I know I have ancestors from?
- Why does a close family member have a community I don't have?
- How do I find common ancestors with my matches?
- How to research African American family history
- How do I search immigration records from 1930?
- Records from the California Gold Rush

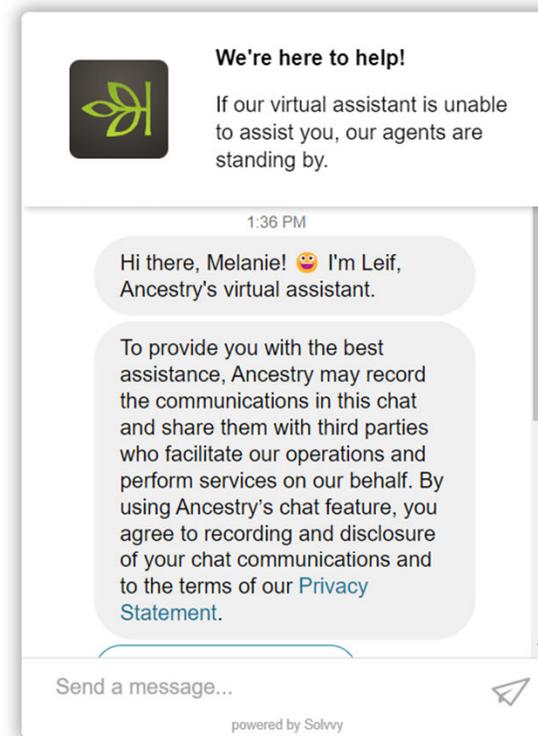
When asking the AI Assistant questions, please don't include any personal details or account information. The assistant cannot currently search records, but it can recommend collections based on your questions.

### How are the AI Assistant responses generated?

The AI Assistant learns from various help resources on Ancestry, such as support center articles, learning hub pages, blog posts, and more. It scans these sources to find information most relevant to your question and summarizes it in an answer using generative AI.

### Does the AI Assistant use my personal information?

No, the AI assistant does not have access to any of your personal information (such as family trees



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# What AI Can't Do (For Genealogy)

# Examples

- Replace Genealogy Research
  - Subscription sites can't be searched
  - Most AI platforms are not connected to the Internet to get real-time data
- Organize Your Genealogy Files
- Provide a deep analysis of your DNA Results

# ChatGPT – Researching a Specific Person



You

When did Ignaty Gailunas (b. circa 1870 in Lithuania) die in Riga, Latvia?



ChatGPT

I don't have access to real-time information or specific records of individuals' deaths unless it's part of publicly available historical data until my last update in January 2022. Ignaty Gailunas's exact death date in Riga, Latvia, may not be readily available in general databases or public records accessible online. For such specific information, you might need to consult local archives, historical societies, or genealogical records in Lithuania or Latvia. They could have more detailed and updated information about individuals from that region and period.



Tip

Facts and Sources Cited  
by an AI Tool May be  
Fictitious (known as  
Hallucinations)

# Copyright and Other Legal Concerns

# Can AI be Copyrighted?

- August 2023 ruling by U.S. District Judge Beryl Howell said that "Only works with human authors can receive copyrights"
- This ruling was sparked by the Copyright Office's rejection of an application filed by computer scientist Stephen Thaler for his AI tool (DABUS)



Legal

# US Supreme Court's Roberts urges 'caution' as AI reshapes legal field

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- A New York federal judge sanctioned lawyers who submitted a legal brief written by the artificial intelligence tool ChatGPT, which included citations of non-existent court cases.
- In addition to each paying a \$5,000 fine, the attorneys, Peter LoDuca and Steven Schwartz, and their Levidow law firm, were ordered Thursday to notify each judge falsely identified as the author of the bogus case rulings about the sanction.

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# Tips

- Be aware that AI can and will likely make mistakes.
- Don't let the computer do all of the analysis. Review the results summarized and make any necessary edits.
- Don't rely on AI to generate reports for clients.
- Identify where and when AI was used when presenting materials with others.

# Review

1. AI is a field that is evolving every day. Try out different tools to see which one fits best.
2. Consider some of the different ways that AI can save you time and/or give you hints with your research.
3. AI is a tool but NOT the only tool for genealogy.

# QUESTIONS?

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