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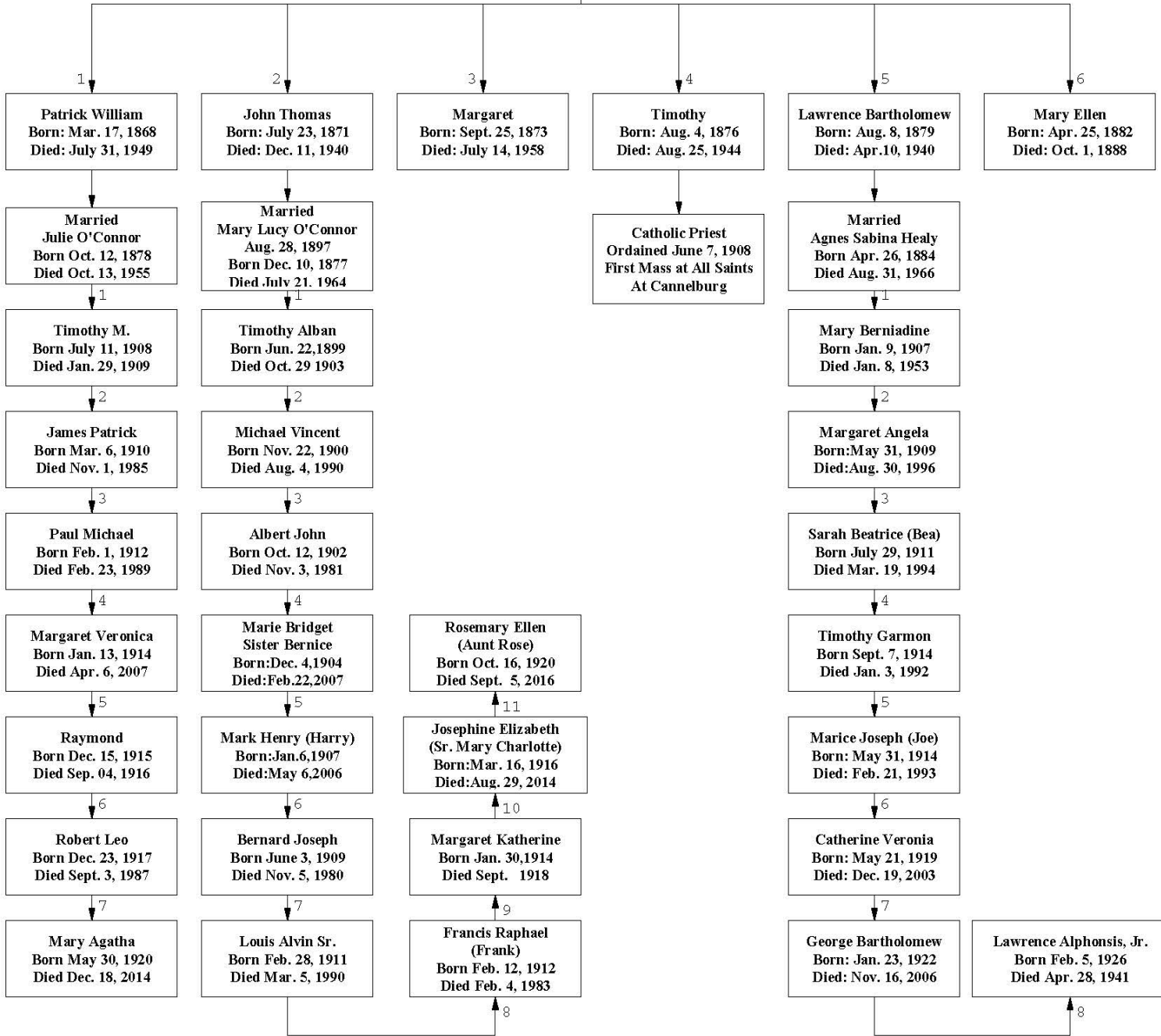
Timothy & Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh Family

Decendants of Timothy & Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh

Timothy Kavanaugh
Born: Nov. 10, 1825
Died: Aug. 29, 1893

Married
May 10, 1866

Margaret Ann Nolan
Born: Dec. 19, 1841
Died: June 23, 1905



THE STORY OF TIMOTHY KAVANAUGH & MARGARET “NOLAN” KAVANAUGH

by Louis Kavanaugh Jr. (Their Great Grandson)

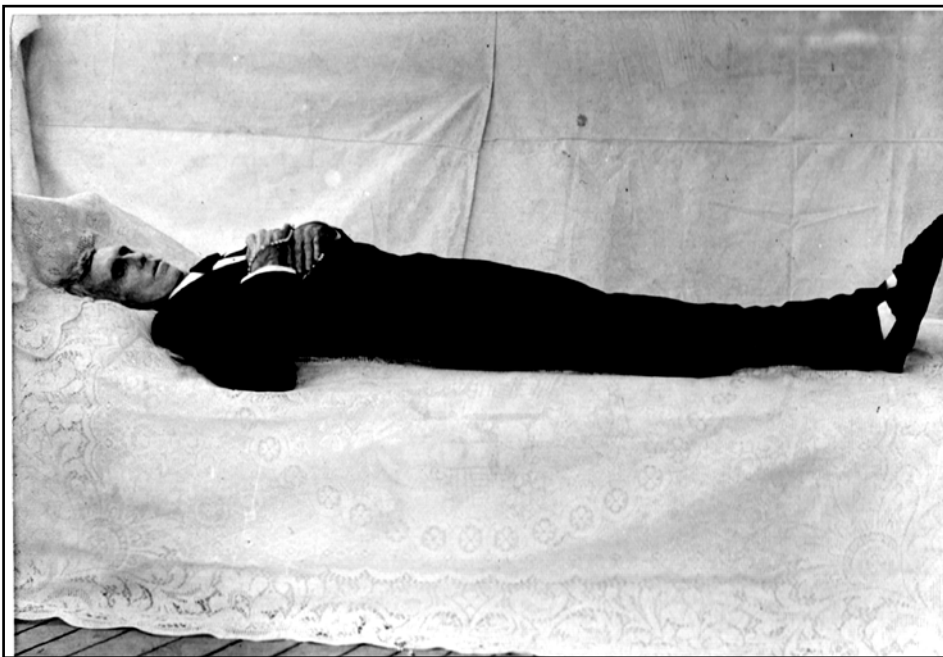
When I interviewed Bea and John Matthews many years ago they related this story to me. Three Kavanaughs brothers entered the US thru New York Ellis Island: Timothy, Mark and another brother Pat. They had come from Ireland and arrived on a Ship sometime in the 1800's. In what has yet to be proven (see page 20), Pat may have drowned in the New York Harbor after a night on the town. Mark and Tim then settled in Cannelburg, Indiana and each married and raised families. Just so you will know Timothy Kavanaugh had a son John Kavanaugh and his son was Louis Kavanaugh Sr. and Louis Sr. was my Father.

Timothy Kavanaugh which is my Great Grand Father a native of Parish Clonabec, County Kildare, Ireland, married Margaret T. “Nolan” at St. Simon’s Church in Washington, Indiana on May 10, 1866, by Father Chassic. Timothy and Margaret had six children to this marriage: Patrick, John, Margaret, Timothy, Lawrence and Mary Ellen. Patrick who was called Pat lived on a Farm just north of Cannelburg, John lived on a farm just west of the family farm where he grew up and Lawrence took over the home place and farmed it along with his sons. The other son, Timothy, became a Catholic Priest and was stationed in various parishes in southern Indiana. A Daughter, Margaret Ann, who never married spent most of her life as a house keeper for her brother (Father Timothy Kavanaugh) and moved wherever he was stationed. The youngest child Mary Ellen died when she was about 6 years old. The story is told that a large pan of hot water was knocked off the cook stove on her and she later died from the burns.

Timothy and Margaret Kavanaugh were members of St. Peters Church in Montgomery but also help to found All Saints Church in Cannelburg but at the time of Timothy Kavanaugh's death the church in Cannelburg was still just a mission and not a full fledged Parish. So Timothy’s Funeral was held at St. Peters in Montgomery. One of the windows in St. Peters Church was donated by Timothy and Margaret Kavanaugh. It is estimated that the value of each window today is between \$50,000 and \$250,000 if you can get them. Timothy and his sons were very thrifty and were able to expand their farming operation and purchase additional acreage for the family farms. When Timothy first came to Cannelburg there was no railroad and he helped to build it through our area.

Timothy Kavanaugh worked his way up to a foreman on the railroad crew that built the levy from Cannelburg to Montgomery. He was able to get a lot of his fellow Irishmen jobs on the crew and he was very well respected by the men that worked for him. It was related to me that when Timothy Kavanaugh passed away in August of 1893 the crew shut down operations for his funeral. Mr. Matthews went on to say that it was a huge funeral and one of the lookouts in the highest point of the Bell Tower of St. Peters Church in Montgomery was able to see the last buggy leaving the Kavanaugh homestead near Cannelburg as the horse drawn hearse was just pulling up the hill towards St. Peters Church.

John Thomas had 11 children and one of them was Louis Kavanaugh Sr. Louis Sr. had 10 children of which I (Louis Jr.) am one.



Left: Picture of Timothy Kavanaugh at his Viewing: The picture is believed to be that of Timothy Kavanaugh when he was laid out for viewing at the Kavanaugh Home place on CR. Rd. 100 just west of Cannelburg. From what I understand from what was passed down to me, he was laid out for viewing and not in a casket. Timothy died on Aug. 29 of 1893 and his viewing was at the home place and from all accounts from different members of the family it was a very large funeral. Timothy was a very popular individual as he helped to get many Irish Immigrants jobs on the railroad and helped them with money when they were in financial trouble. This is the only picture that I could find for Timothy Kavanaugh and we found none on his wife Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh. We did find a write up in the Catholic History of Indiana on Margaret that we have included in this Family History.

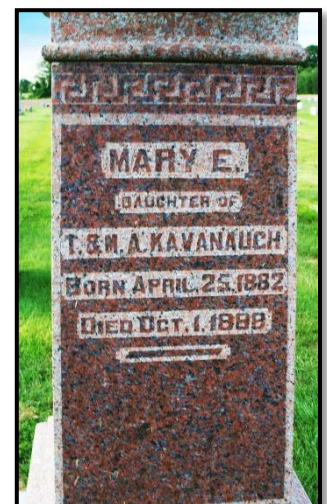
Below: Tombstone for Timothy & Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh. Timothy Kavanaugh Born: Nov. 10, 1825, Died Aug. 29, 1893 Margaret Kavanaugh Born: Dec. 19, 1841, Died June 23, 1905 Daughter: Mary Ellen, Born: April 25, 1882, Died Oct. 1, 1888

Tombstone has three sides with Timothy's information on this side (left) of the stone.

It states that Timothy Kavanaugh was born in Parish Clonabeg, Co. Kildare, Ireland

Mary E. Kavanaugh was Born in St. Mary's Parish, New Ross, Co. Wexford, Ireland

Tombstone is located in the center section of St. Peter's Cemetery.



On this side of the stone info. for Margaret and on the picture on the right is info. on the daughter Mary Ellen. The stone is one of the finest in the cemetery.

Citizenship Paper for Timothy Kavanaugh:

This document appears to be the Citizenship paper for Timothy Kavanaugh who later married Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh. Timothy Kavanaugh was born in Ireland on Nov. 10, 1825 and immigrated to the United States arriving in New York on the 10 day of April 1853 but did not apply for citizenship until Oct. 1 of 1866. As you can tell it is hard to read the dates on this document but this is the best I can come up with. Timothy was 28 years of age when he came into this country and died a couple months short of his 68 years. Timothy and Margaret had 6 six children and Timothy was 40 years of age when he married. You will note on this document that his name was spelled Cavanaugh and in between his first and last name he put an "X" so this may indicate that he may not have been able to read/write. This is surprising because he later became a foreman on the railroad that built the levy from Cannelburg to Montgomery thru the low land. Whatever the reason for the spelling of his last name here, Kavanaugh was his last name. It appears this document may have originated in the Daviess County Court House. I received a copy of this document from Sister Bernice Kavanaugh. One of Timothy Kavanaugh's sons was John Kavanaugh, my Grandfather. By Louis Kavanaugh Jr.

UNITED STATES  OF AMERICA.

STATE OF INDIANA, }
 Daviess COUNTY, } ss:

Be it Known, That on the 1st day of October, A.D. 1866, personally appeared in the Daviess Circuit Court, before the Clerk thereof, Timothy Cavanaugh, an alien, and reports himself for NATURALIZATION; and being duly sworn, on oath declares that he is a native of Ireland, aged about 40 years, and owes allegiance to Victoria Queen of Great Britain & Ireland; that he emigrated thence, embarked at Liverpool, and arrived at New York, in the United States, on the 10th day of April, A.D. 1853, and that it is bona fide his intention to reside in and become a CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES; and to renounce forever all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State or Sovereignty whatever, and particularly to Victoria Queen of Great Britain & Ireland.

Sworn to and subscribed the 1st day of October, 1866, Timothy Cavanaugh

In Testimony Whereof, I, Michael Murphy, Clerk of the Daviess Circuit Court, hereunto set my name and the Seal of said Court, the above date.
 Michael Murphy

Last Will and Testament of Timothy Kavanaugh of Daviess County State of Indiana

In the name of Almighty God

I Timothy Kavanaugh of Daviess County State of Indiana being of sound mind and memory, but weak in body, and recognizing the certainty of death do make and publish this my last will and testament.

1st I will and devise to my beloved wife Margaret A. Kavanaugh all my Real Estate wherever situated and all Real estate that I may hereafter acquire before my death to have and hold during her widowhood and to divide among our children all any time when she may think proper to make a deed or deeds to one or more of our said children and her deed to any of my children shall convey to such child or children a free simple title to such land.

2nd I will and bequeath to my wife aforesaid all my personal property (with the exception of two teams hereafter described) of whatsoever nature including money hither on hands or in bank, promissory notes, claims, accounts, work of all kinds, farm impliments and machinery grain furniture and any other personal property that I may die possessed of.

3rd I will and bequeath to my son Patrick two work mules, being the teams he usually drives

4th I will and bequeath to my son John our gray mare 6 years old and our bay horse (Charlie) about nine years old.

5th It is my wish that John and Patrick my sons aforementioned shall, as long as they stay at home with their mother, have the right to cultivate all the land herein devised and have for their own use a reasonable amount of the surplus after supporting the family, paying taxes and keeping up repair. It is my desire that my wife Margret A. shall divide my property as near equal as possible between all my children when she thinks proper to do so or when any of them being of age desires to work for himself or herself or get married.

It is further my will that my said wife Margret A, shall pay all mu just debts as soon after my death as possible and settle all my business and that no letter of Administratorship or executorship shall be issued.

Witness my hand this the 7th day of August, 1893.

Tim Kavanaugh.

Signed by the testator Timothy Kavanaugh in our presence and by us as witnesses at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other, this 7th day of August, 1893

*Glen. S Kennedy
Michael O. Bennor
Martin E. Arvin*



Above: the actual Will of Timothy Kavanaugh. Due to the illegibility of the Original we have retyped here.

Family of Timothy & Margaret “Nolan” Family



Left: Picture of three Kavanaugh Sons. (L-R) Lawrence, John and Pat. It appears this picture may have been taken in the 1930's while harvesting crops on the farm. They worked together on farming and butchering. We were not able to find any pictures of the Parents, Tim and Margaret “Nolan” Kavanaugh.



Left: Pictured are four of the five living Children of Timothy/Margaret Kavanaugh. Shown here (L-R) are John, Father Tim, Pat and Maggie. Lawrence was the only one not there when this picture was taken. It may have been that the other three were visiting Fr. Tim at his parish in Rushville Indiana. Received these pictures from Aunt Rose Kavanaugh and they were written on the back of each picture. This Picture was taken in 1939.

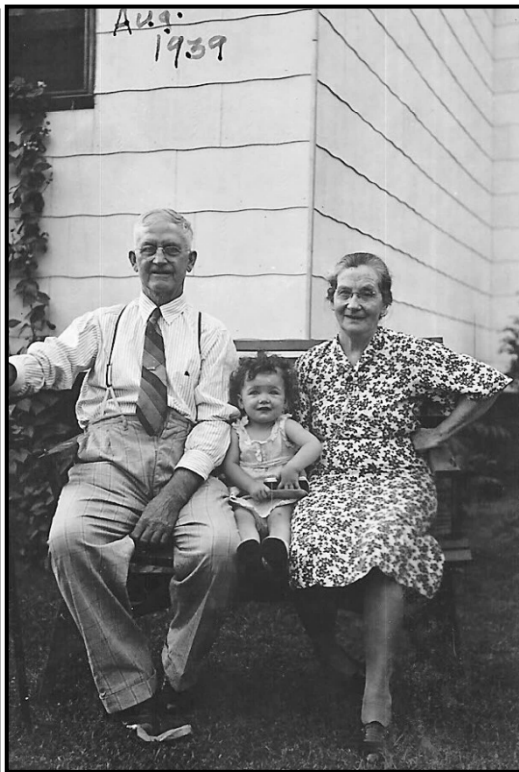


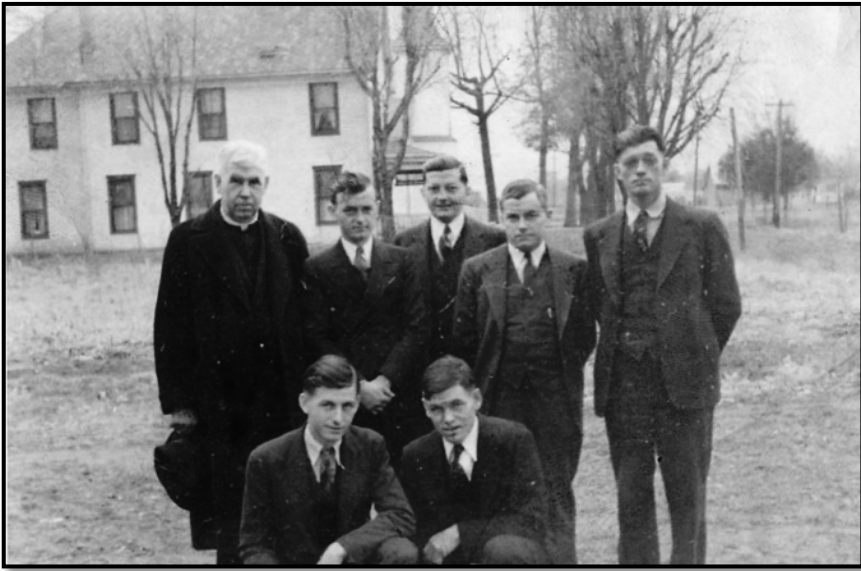
Left: Pictured (L-R) are John & Mary Lucy Kavanaugh, Father Timothy Kavanaugh, Rose Kavanaugh, Asst. housekeeper (??), Maggie Kavanaugh who was Fr. Tim's Housekeeper. On the back of this picture Aunt Rose wrote a route to Ferdinand as Rose was to enter the Convent in Sept. of 1939. She also wrote it was taken in Connersville or Rushville as Fr. Tim was stationed in both parishes.



Above: Pictured are several of John Kavanaugh's family together with John's sister, Aunt Maggie, on the very right of the picture. Maggie was never married and was the housekeeper for her brother Father Tim in various assignments. Others in the picture from left to right: Mary Lucy Kavanaugh, Sister Bernice, Vincent, (Not Sure??) Albert and Aunt Maggie. In Back are Aunt Alma and Sister Rosemond. We don't have many Pictures of Aunt Maggie who was a sister to John Kavanaugh and when we found this picture, wanted to insert it in here. We believe this picture was taken in the early 40's after John Passed away.

Right: The picture is John Kavanaugh on the left and his wife Mary Lucy on the right side along with what we believe is Sharon Kavanaugh daughter of Bernie and Helen Kavanaugh. The Picture we believe was taken in Detroit Michigan as John and Mary Lucy did spend a lot of time there with their son Dr. Harry Kavanaugh. Eventually John and Mary Lucy moved back to Cannelburg where John passed away in 1940. We believe this picture was taken sometime in the 1930's.





*Left: Pictured here is **Father Timothy Kavanaugh** standing in the back left of this picture along with six sons of his brother **John** on the day of **John's** Funeral in December of 1940. **John's** sons are **Frank** and **Louie** in front, in Back with **Fr. Tim** are **Bernie, Harry, Albert** and **Vincent**.*

Pat & Julie "O'Connor" Kavanaugh Family

*Right: **Pat & Julie "O'Connor" Kavanaugh** with three of their Children. In Back, **Bob, Mary** and **Paul**.*



Timothy Kavanaugh



Right: Father Timothy E. Kavanaugh, Son of Timothy and Margaret Kavanaugh. Fr. Tim was born on August 4, 1876, Ordained a Priest on June 7, 1908 and Died on August 25, 1944 at the age of 68 years Old. Left: Pictured Father Timothy Kavanaugh at a younger age and on the right is a picture of Father Timothy in his later years. The Wedding couple was not identified.



"He hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; He hath sent me to heal the contrite of heart." St. Luke IV. 18.

SOUVENIR
— OF THE —
First Holy Mass
— OF —
Rev. Timothy E. Kavanaugh
CELEBRATED IN
All Saints' Church
Cannelburg, Ind.,
Trinity Sunday, June 14, 1908.

Ordained Priest by
Rt. Rev. Denis O'Donoghue, D.D.,
in St. Patrick's Church
Indianapolis, Ind.
Sunday, June 7, 1908.

"What shall I render to the Lord, for all the things that He hath rendered to me? I will take the chalice of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord." Ps. 115, 12, 13.

Jesus! Mary! Joseph!

"We have loved him during life; let us not abandon him now, until we have conducted him by our prayers into the house of the Lord." —St. Ambrose

Very Rev. Timothy E. Kavanaugh
Born Cannelburg, Indiana
August 4, 1876
Ordained June 7, 1908
Died August 25, 1944

O God, who in the ranks of priesthood has caused Thy servant to stand before Thee in a high place with the priests, grant we beseech Thee, that he may be joined to the company of such in everlasting blessedness, through our Lord, Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God world without end. Amen.

Our Father, etc.
Sweet Heart of Jesus, be Thou my love.
Sweet Heart of Mary, be my salvation.

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"When the day of jubilee cometh, it shall be sanctified to the Lord." Levit. XXVII, 21.

1908 25 1933

In Remembrance
of the
Silver Sacerdotal Jubilee
Celebrated by
Rev. Timothy E. Kavanaugh
in
St. Gabriel's Church
Connersville, Indiana
Thursday, June 15, 1933

Ordained to the Priesthood

Above: Mass Card When Fr. Timothy was Ordained a Priest. He celebrated his first Mass at All Saints Church In Cannelburg June 14, 1908.

Above: Mass card when Fr. Timothy celebrated his 25th Anniversary of Ordination as a Priest. He celebrated this Mass at St. Gabriel's Church in Connersville on June 15, 1933.

**TRAVELING MASS KIT THAT ONCE BELONGED TO
FATHER TIMOTHY KAVANAUGH
by *Louis Kavanaugh Jr.***

This Traveling Mass Kit seen here once belonged to Father Timothy Kavanaugh a former parishioner of St. Peter's Parish here in Montgomery and All Saints at Cannelburg. He was born August 4, 1876, ordained a Catholic Priest on June 7th, 1908 and passed away on August 25, 1944. Father Timothy Kavanaugh was the son of Timothy and Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh who grew up just west of Cannelburg in a house that some may remember George, Tim and Joe living there. It was the home place for Timothy and Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh where they raised their family. Father Timothy Kavanaugh was an Uncle of Louis Kavanaugh Sr. of Cannelburg who passed away in March of 1990.

Father Timothy Kavanaugh was baptized here at St. Peter's and later became a member of All Saints Church when his parents Timothy Sr. and Margaret Kavanaugh helped to start All Saints Church in the late 1800's. In fact the very back window in St. Peter's church on the south side was donated by Fr. Tim's parents Timothy and Margaret Kavanaugh. A window at All Saints Church was donated in Memory of Fr. Tim's Parents and is located on the right side the second window from the back. Stain glass windows were put in sometime in the early 1900's at All Saints. Fr. Tim had his first Mass at All Saints and returned to be a pastor there for a short time when his brother Pat was ailing. Fr. Tim did return often to say Mass at the old Kavanaugh home place which his brother Lawrence Kavanaugh took over after their Father passed away. The farm house and farm later was passed on to his sons George, Tim and Joe Kavanaugh. After Father Timothy passed away in 1944 the Mass Kit remained in the possession of George Kavanaugh (Nephew) and his wife Dorothy Kavanaugh. After George passed away and Dorothy was going to the nursing home, the estate was being sold, we were able to rescue this piece of history and now will donate it to St. Peter Church in Montgomery.

When I first saw this Mass Kit about 10 years ago there was a "Host Maker" with an "IHS" to imprint on the hosts, however when we recovered the kit it was missing.

So as you can see this is a valuable piece of history for the Kavanaugh family and something we would like to donate to St. Peter Church & Parish in Montgomery in Father Tim Kavanaugh's Memory.

Father Timothy Kavanaugh still has many relatives in this area as his nephew was the late Louis Kavanaugh Sr. of Cannelburg and his sons Albert, Louis Jr., and Dave belong to St. Peter's Parish along with their families. The late Lee Kavanaugh was also a member of St. Peter's Parish and a grand nephew of Father Tim.



Left: the Home Mass Kit that once belonged to Father Timothy Kavanaugh when he traveled around to say Mass. It has been told that when Fr. Tim would return home he would say Mass there at the home place and many of the family members would return to celebrate the Mass with him. This Mass kit was recovered just prior to it going on the auction block and is now resting in St. Peter's Church in Montgomery. Pictured below is the Mass Kit Closed

Right: another item that was recovered before it went on the auction block. This dates back to the 1800's and it shows all the instruments used in the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. This too was in the estate of Dorothy Kavanaugh and had been passed down from Fr. Tim's Family. It too now rests in St. Peter's Church.



Above: Some might think this will be just another item that will sit and collect dust. However as the members of the Kavanaugh Family we think this is an item that should not be in the hands of just any lay person but would be better to be in the hands of the church. I know that many may not have known Father Timothy Kavanaugh but just maybe they will after this. We feel this item is of value to our parish and to our Parish History.

Rev. Kavanaugh, Retired St. Mary's Pastor, Succumbs

The Very Rev. Timothy Kavanaugh, 68, pastor at St. Mary's Catholic church here for the past five years, expired at the City hospital Friday at midnight. He had been in ill health for the past few years and suffered a stroke Monday morning while resting at the rectory.

Sunday night, members and friends of St. Mary's parish had gathered in the school auditorium to pay their respects to Father Kavanaugh who had resigned on August 16. His resignation became effective Monday and he was preparing to leave for the Margaret Mary hospital in Batesville when he suffered the stroke. He was removed to the hospital Monday afternoon.

Father Kavanaugh was well known throughout the state for his zeal and untiring efforts at the parishes which he had served. He had completed more than 36 years in the priesthood at the time of his death and was one of six diocesan counselors. This appointment was made by Bishop Joseph E. Ritter of Indianapolis in 1939 carrying with it the title of the Very Rev. Father Kavanaugh.

A Requiem High Mass will be sung at St. Mary's church Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock by the Priests' choir under the direction of the Rev. Edwin Sahn of Indianapolis. The office of the dead will be chanted by the attending priests at 9:30 a. m.

Bishop Ritter will preach the sermon and give absolution. The officers of the Mass will be announced later.

The body will be moved from the rectory Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock to the church where it will lie in state with a Knights of Columbus guard until time for the services. Friends may call at the rectory beginning Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock and after that time at the church.

Father Kavanaugh was born August 4, 1876, in Cannelburg, Daviess county, a son of Timothy

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REV. KAVANAUGH

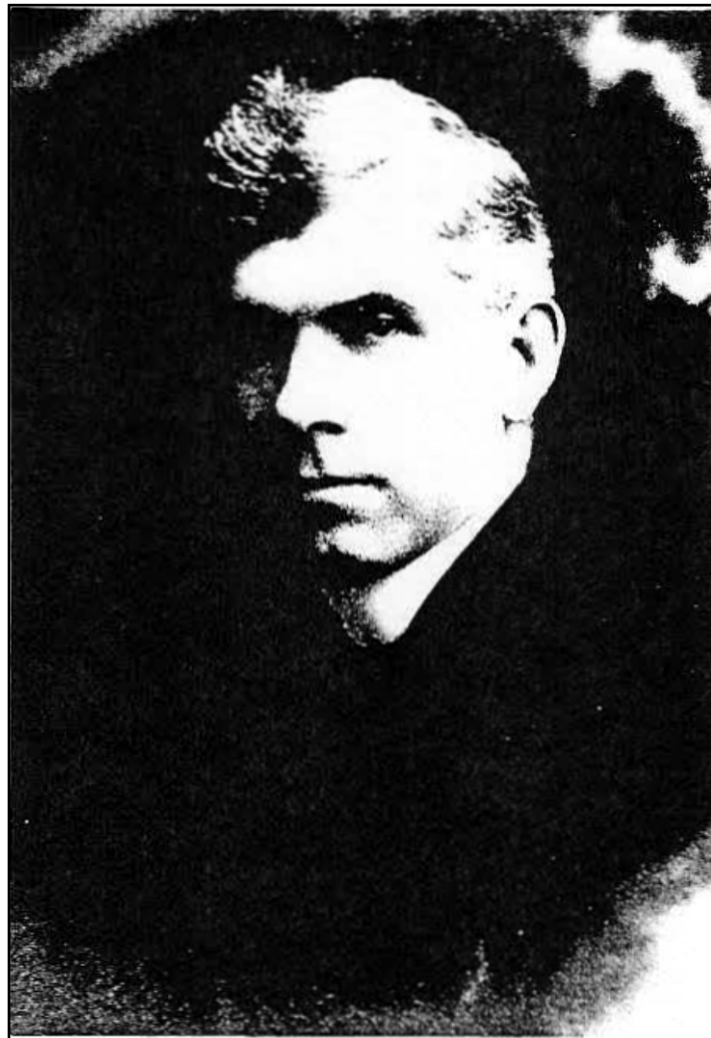
Continued from Page One and Margaret Ann Nolan Kavanaugh. His parents were natives of Ireland. He attended school at Cannelburg, later going to Jasper high school, where he was graduated. Father Kavanaugh entered St. Meinrad seminary, where he attended for a year, after which he returned to Jasper high school, teaching and studying for two years. He then went to Atchinson, Kansas, where he studied for four years and completed his schooling for the priesthood at Mt. St. Mary's in Cincinnati.

He was ordained a priest on June 7, 1908, in St. Patrick's church at Indianapolis. His first assignment as an assistant was to Loogootee, where he remained for two years. He then went to Mitchell, having charge of the missions at Shoals and Willow Valley. Father Kavanaugh was sent to St. Simon's at Washington, then to North Vernon for six months and Holy Cross church in Indianapolis. His other pastorates included Henryville and Charlestown, Cannelburg, St. Patrick's in Daviess county, Rockport, Brownsburg, Sacred Heart in Terre Haute, Columbus and Connersville.

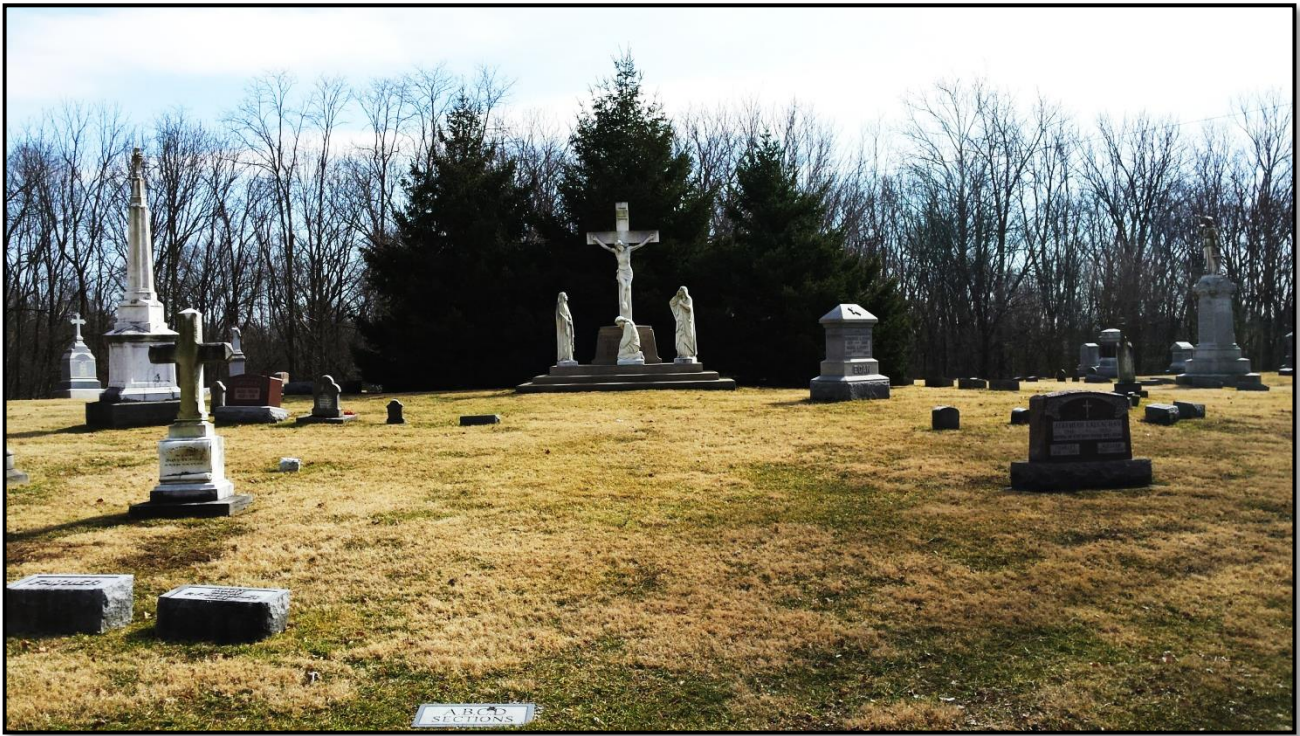
Following the death of the Rev. Francis Schaub, Father Kavanaugh came to St. Mary's church here from St. Gabriel church in Connersville. He came here on June 24, 1939, and resigned as pastor August 16, 1944.

At many of the places where he was stationed, Father Kavanaugh had been able to pay off the debts incurred during many years, built churches and schools, redecorated churches and purchased new equipment. During his stay in Rushville, Father Kavanaugh had paid off its debt, redecorated the church and rectory, replaced stokers and purchased new vestments for the church.

Survivors include his sisters, Miss Margaret Kavanaugh of here, who has been with her brother since 1918 when she became his housekeeper; one brother, Patrick William Kavanaugh of Cannelburg; several nieces and nephews including three nieces who are nuns at the Benedictine convent in Ferdinand. Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.



Obituary for Father Timothy Kavanaugh as it appeared in the local paper when he passed away. Father Timothy Kavanaugh was a priest for 36 years, a relative short time for some priests life span but he was well thought of in his ministry and for his ability to put the parish church on a stable financial footing wherever he went. He was well respected and was a guiding light not only to his family but by the many people he came in contact with.



Above: This is the site of Father Timothy Kavanaugh's burial in Calvary Cemetery in Rushville Indiana. Notice the large Cross of the Crucifixion in the middle of the Cemetery, there is a row of small tombstones behind this and Father Timothy's tombstone is to the right of the large pine trees. Father Tim's last assignment was there in Rushville and after suffering a stroke on Monday Aug. 21, he died on Friday Aug. 25, 1944. He had been in failing health for two years. He died at the age of 68.



Above: Picture of the Tombstone for Father Timothy E. Kavanaugh.

Margaret & Mary Ellen Kavanaugh



Left: Margaret Kavanaugh was the daughter of Timothy and Margaret Kavanaugh. She spent a great many years as the house keeper for her brother who was Fr. Timothy and moved with him to where the assignment took him.

No Picture of Mary Ellen the youngest daughter who died when she was about 6 years old from burns when hot water spilled on her.

There was no picture that we could find of the parents Timothy and Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh.



Aged Cannelburg Resident Dies

LOOGOOTE — Margaret Ann Kavanaugh, 85-year-old resident of Cannelburg, passed away at the O'Maley Rest Home at 2:12 p.m. Monday.

A solemn requiem mass will be held at 9 a.m. Monday at All Saint's Catholic church, Cannelburg, with burial in St. Peter's cemetery, Montgomery.

Miss Kavanaugh had been falling in health for 15 months. She was a daughter of Timothy and Margaret Ann Nolan Kavanaugh and was born Sept. 25, 1873 in Daviess county. She never married. She was a member of All Saint's church and the Rosary society. She was the last of her immediate family but she leaves two sisters in law, Mrs. Agnes Kavanaugh, Cannelburg and Mrs. Mayme Kavanaugh, Detroit, Mich. There are also several nephews and nieces. Four brothers and sisters are dead.

Friends may call at the Miller funeral home after 7 p.m. The Rosary will be prayed at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Obituary from area newspaper for Margaret Ann Kavanaugh Daughter of Timothy & Margaret Kavanaugh Born: Sept. 25, 1873, Died: July 14, 1958 (Was never married)

Above: This is the tombstone for Margaret Ann Kavanaugh, daughter of Timothy and Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh. She is buried in St. Peters Cemetery along the eastern section of the cemetery. Margaret was never married but was house keeper for her brother who was a Catholic Priest, Father Timothy Kavanaugh. Margaret was born on Sept. 25, 1873 and died on July 14, 1958. She lived in various places when she was house keeper for her brother but returned home and lived her last years in Cannelburg.

The Following data was taken from Page 795-796 From The Catholic History of Indiana on Margaret Kavanaugh, wife of Timothy Kavanaugh , Both came from Ireland.

Mrs. MARGARET T. KAVANAUGH, of Cannelburg, Daviess county, Ind., and a leading member of St. Peter's church, was born in St. Mary's parish, county Wexford, Ireland, in December, 1840, the eldest of five children born to John and Mary (Lannen) Nolan, of which family three, beside herself, are still living, viz: Patrick, a farmer of Barr township, Daviess county; Catherine, wife of Michael O. Moran, of St. John's parish, and Julia, of Barr township.

John Nolan, also a native of County Wexford, Ireland, came to America about 1850, a year or two in advance of his family, and came directly to Daviess county, where he worked on the canal until his death, which occurred soon after his arrival, and when he was about thirty-four years of age. Margaret T. Nolan (now Mrs. Kavanaugh) came to America with the family in 1852, and landed at New Orleans from the ship George Greene, after a voyage of seven weeks and two days. By steamboat they reached Evansville, Ind., whence they came in wagons to Daviess County, the country then being quite a wilderness. She was here confirmed by Bishop de St. Palais, and frequently thereafter walked a long distance to hear mass at St. Peter's by Father Piers, whom she greatly honored, and who was the pioneer priest of southern Indiana, being at that time the officiating clergyman.

The marriage of Miss Margaret T. Nolan to Timothy Kavanaugh, a native of county Kildare, Ireland, was solemnized at Washington, Ind. May 10, 1866, by Rev. Father Chassic. To this marriage were born: Patrick William, who was confirmed by Bishop Chatard and was educated by Father Piers and in the common schools; John T., who received a common-school education, is a mechanic by nature, and resides with his mother, Maggie was confirmed at the age of thirteen (John T. being confirmed in the same class), and was educated in the common schools of Montgomery, Timothy is a pupil in the Jasper Benedictine school, Lawrence Bartholomew is at home and is attending school, and Mary Ellen is deceased.

When Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh began housekeeping they were in rather poor circumstances, but they pulled together, and at the death of Mr. Kavanaugh, August 29, 1893, they had acquired 520 acres of land in Barr township and a fine residence. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Kavanaugh by her thrift and good management has purchased eighty additional acres. Mr. Kavanaugh was about sixty-eight years of age at the time of his death. His grave in St. Peter's cemetery is marked by a fine Swedish granite monument, erected by his sorrowing widow and children. In politics he was a consistent Democrat, but never aspired to office. Without the prestige of political fame, however he was extremely popular in his township and his loss was deeply deplored by a large circle of immediate friends and the public at large. Mrs. Kavanaugh is strict in her religious duties, contributes freely to the support of St. Peter's, and is universally respected for her many womanly virtues.

The Following two pages are the original copy of pages 795 & 796 of the "Catholic History of Indiana". The previous page was retyped from the content in these two pages regarding Margaret "Nolan" Kavanaugh. The top of 795 and bottom of 796 pertain to another person.

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF INDIANA.

pious Catholics and are members of St. Joseph's congregation, Mishawaka, to the support of which they are very liberal in their contributions. Mr. Kauppert is highly esteemed as a good and useful citizen, and respected for his industry and sobriety, which have brought him a comfortable competency.

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confirmed at the age of thirteen (John T. being confirmed in the same class), and was educated in the common schools of Montgomery; Timothy is a pupil in the Jasper Benedictine school; Lawrence Bartholomew is at home and is attending school, and Mary Ellen is deceased.

When Mr. and Mrs. Kavanaugh began housekeeping they were in rather poor circumstances, but they "pulled together," and at the death of Mr. Kavanaugh, August 29, 1893, they had acquired 520 acres of land in Barr township and a fine residence. Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Kavanaugh, by her thrift and good management, has purchased eighty additional acres. Mr. Kavanaugh was about sixty-eight years of age at the time of his death, and his grave, in St. Peter's cemetery, is marked by a fine Swedish granite monument, erected by his sorrowing widow and children. In politics he was a consistent democrat, but never aspired to office. Without the prestige of political fame, however, he was extremely popular in his township and his loss was deeply deplored by a large circle of immediate friends and the public at large. Mrs. Kavanaugh is strict in her religious duties, contributes freely to the support of St. Peter's, and is universally respected for her many womanly virtues.

EDWARD KEARNEY, deceased, was one of the early settlers of Bainbridge, Putnam county, Ind., and one of the most highly respected Catholic residents of the city. He was born in county Clare, Ireland, about the year 1825, and was a lad when he came to America. For some little time before coming to Indiana he sojourned in Vermont and Ohio, coming hither from Bellefontaine in the last named state. He married, in Crawfordsville, Mrs. Catherine McCarthy, a widow, whose maiden name was McCann, and to this union one child, Ella, was born, but Mrs. Kearney was the mother, by her first husband, of a daughter, who now resides in Crawfordsville. Mr. Kearney was a quiet, unassuming gentleman, who was possessed of more than ordinary natural intelligence, and was very fond of reading. He was regular in his

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**Information on John & Mary "Lannan" Nolan,
Parents of Margaret T. "Nolan" Kavanaugh who married Timothy Kavanaugh**

HUSBAND 1 JOHN NOLAN		HUSB: JOHN NOLAN		1817				
Rec: 38		WIFE: MARY LANNAN		1811				
BORN	1817? PLACE (RURAL), WEXFORD, IRELAND							
CHR	PLACE							
MARR	1840? PLACE NEW ROSS, WEXFORD, IRELAND	PREPARED 10/21/91 BY: MICHAEL E. NOLEN						
DIED	20 Oct 1851? PLACE	9407 CANTERING PLACE						
BUR	PLACE	SPRINGFIELD, VA 22153						
FATHER:		MOTHER:						
OTHER WIVES 0:		(703) 455-4249						
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WIFE: 1 MARY LANNAN								
Rec: 39								
BORN	1811? PLACE (RURAL), WEXFORD, IRELAND							
CHR	PLACE							
DIED	11 Feb 1903 PLACE CORNING, DAVIESS, INDIANA							
BUR	PLACE							
FATHER:		MOTHER:						
OTHER HUSBS 0:								
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Additional :								
Comments :								
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S	CHILDREN	WHEN BORN	B)ORN/ C)HR Town	MARR DATE	WHEN DIED	WHERE	Town	Record
ex		WHEN CHR'N	WHERE County;State	1st married to whom		DIED	County,State	Number
1	MARGARET T. NOLAN	19 Dec 1841	B)NEW ROSS	10 May 1866	23 Jun 1905			709
F			WEXFORD, IRELAND	TIMOTHY KAVANAUGH				
2	PATRICK P. NOLAN	5 Mar 1843?	B)NEW ROSS	24 Jan 1865	28 Feb 1907	BARR TOWNSHIP		36
M			WEXFORD, IRELAND	ROSE ANN HAND		DAVIESS, IN		
3	CATHERINE NOLAN	17 Jun 1847	B)NEW ROSS	3 Sep 1867	24 Sep 1904*	LOOGOOTEE		715
F			WEXFORD, IRELAND	MICHAEL O. MORAN		MARTIN, INDIANA		
4	JOANNAH T. "JUDY" NOLAN	18 Feb 1851*	B)NEW ROSS	15 Nov 1910*	12 Sep 1929			717
F			WEXFORD, IRELAND	RICHARD HENRY BREWER				
5	INFANT NOLAN							719
M								
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Above: Seen is the research document on the Family of John Nolan and Mary "Lannan" Nolan. They were the parents of Margaret T. Nolan who later married Timothy Kavanaugh and were the Great Grandparents of Louis Kavanaugh Jr. This shows that Margaret had four other siblings, Patrick who married Rose Ann Hand, Catherine who married Michael Moran, Joannah who married Richard Brewer and an infant sibling who died at birth. It was my understanding that Margaret's Dad, John Nolan, died while working on the Erie Canal up near Elnora. Parts of the canal are still visible in some parts of the area south of Elnora and close to Plainville but today it is grown over and looks like a big ditch. As memory serves me, I was given this document by some of the Nolan family and I see the research was done by Michael Nolan of Springville, Virginia.



Above: This is believed to be the Kavanagh Homestead in Ireland where the Kavanaghs once lived before they immigrated to the United States. Timothy (which was my Great Grand Father) and Mark Kavanagh were the sons of Patrick & Margaret “Moore” Kavanagh of Cloneybeg, Co. Kildare Ireland and immigrated to the United States on April 10, 1853. He applied for U.S. Citizenship on Oct. 1, 1866. I believe Tim O’Neill gave me this picture after he had done extensive research in the United States and in Ireland. Tim O’Neill was a grandson of Mark Kavanagh & Anne Kelly. Mark Kavanagh was a brother to my Great Grandfather Timothy Kavanagh. Not sure who was in this picture but could very well be some of the Kavanaghs that stayed in Ireland.

**My Great Grandparents, Patrick & Margaret “Moore” Kavanagh
By Louis Kavanagh Jr,**

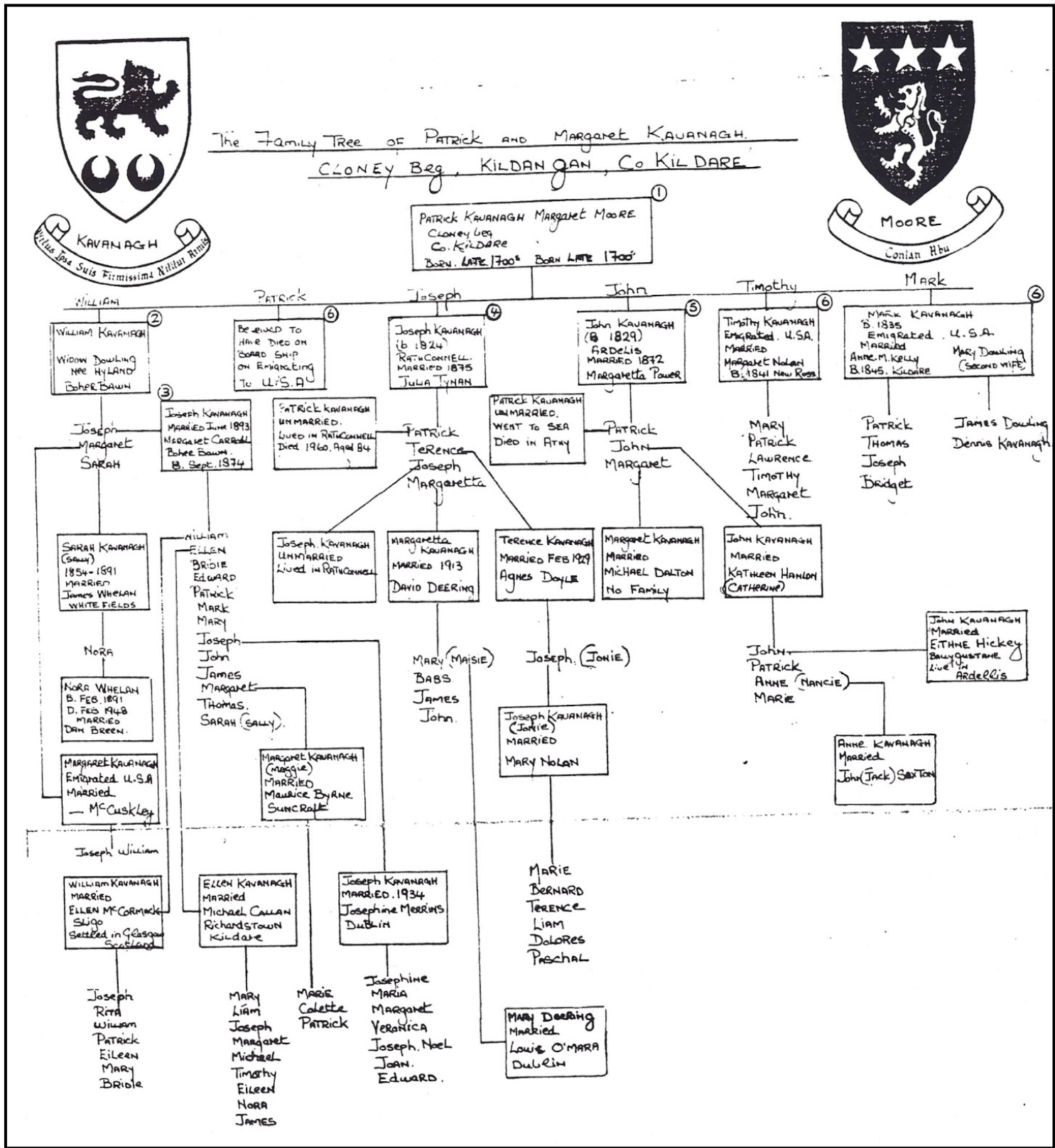
We are able to find Timothy Kavanagh’s Parents but we are not as sure of Timothy’s family members. This information passed on to me from research done by the Kavanaghs in Ireland and passed on to me along with research done by Tim O’Neill who was a distance cousin. It appears my Great Grandfather, Timothy Kavanagh may have had several brothers. **Note: The Kavanaghs in Ireland did not have the “u” in Kavanagh. It is believed the son’s Timothy & Mark may have added that in their name when they came to the United States. Another fact up for discussion.**

One account lists the children of Patrick & Margaret “Moore” Kavanaugh as William, Joseph, Timothy, John, Mark and Patrick and it is possible there may have been a seventh son. It is hard to place the order of the children as I have found conflicting dates for the date of birth so we will just assume there were at least six sons. Timothy and Mark immigrated to the United States and Patrick may have died on board ship on the way over (see alternative account Page 2).

According to research done by Jonie Kavanagh and his daughter Delores “Woods”, Sally Kavanagh and Mary McGrath this is a summarization of what they have put together. There is little information available on Patrick Kavanagh and his wife Margaret Moore except they were born in the late 1700’s. After their marriage they lived in Cloneybeg. It is believed that Margaret Moore was a sister to the local famous priest Fr. Moore, whose shrine and holy well is renowned for various cures from ailments and to the present day is still a popular place of pilgrimage in Ireland. (We will submit an article about the well that was sent along with the documentation from the Kavanagh’s in Ireland. Patrick and Margaret Kavanagh are buried in the old cemetery at Nurney, Co. Kildare. There were six sons born to Patrick & Margaret but Jonie Kavanagh is certain there was a seventh son but that was not proven.

1. **William Kavanagh** was born in 1821 and Died in 1902. He is buried in the old cemetery in Nurney. He married the widow Mrs. Dowling who lived in Boherbawn. The widow had five children by her first marriage. They all emigrated to America.
2. **Joseph Kavanagh** (1824-1883) married Julia Tynan. They had 4 children.
3. **John Kavanagh**(1829, Date of Death unknown) married Margareta Power.
4. **Timothy Kavanaugh** married Margaret Nolan after immigrating to America. (Six Children)
5. **Mark Kavanaugh** married Anne Kelly after immigrating to America.
6. **Patrick Kavanagh** (May have died on ship to America – see Page 2)

This was a Family Tree prepared by the Kavanagh's of Ireland.
 It may be hard to follow, but it would start with my Great, Great Grandparents,
 Patrick & Margaret "Moore" Kavanaugh. This was passed on to me by Tim O'Neill.



This article was passed on to me from the Kavanagh's in Ireland and by the O'Neill's in their research.

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Fr. Moore's Well

In county Kildare there are three holy wells associated with priests. At Ardkill, near Carbury, there is Fr. Byrne's Well; at Clane there is Fr. Batty's Well, and at Rathbride, in the parish of Allen, there is Fr. Moore's Well. Both of the first named wells are reputed to have a cure for toothache. While nothing is known of Fr. Batty, Fr. Byrne is believed to have been Fr. Edward Byrne, parish priest of Carbury, who died on 18th February 1869. Fr. Moore's Well is the best known of these three sites, and it has attracted pilgrims for well over a hundred years.

Fr. John Moore was born in Rathbride in 1779. After ordination in Maynooth about 1803 he was appointed to Allen as a curate; there he lived in a thatched cottage with his mother, near the now holy well. He died on 12th March 1826 and, with two other priests, is buried beside the old chapel ruins at Allen.

There are a number of different traditions associated with this holy well. One tradition claims that it was regarded as holy long before Fr. Moore's time, and may even have had associations with St. Brigid. Or, it is said, it was formerly referred to as the Black Well and beside it Mass was said in the 16th century. A little chapel is believed to have been built there, but this was destroyed in 1605. About seventy years ago Lord Edward FitzGerald wrote that during his lifetime Fr. Moore was reputed to have miraculous powers and, before his death, blessed the well close to which he lived so that the faithful might still find a cure there after his death. A photograph of the well taken in 1892 shows that it was a fairly large pool with stepping stones at one end. In the soft ground nearby crutches, sticks and wooden crosses spike the ground, left behind by thankful pilgrims.

Another version of the Fr. Moore story is that when his fame as a healer had become widespread some of the local gentry reported him to the bishop as being a public scandal. The bishop decided to investigate and, with attendant clergy, called on Fr. Moore. He advised the miracle worker that he must cease such acts as his achievements were being considered supernatural. Protesting that he could not but help those who suffered Fr. Moore asked that a pair of candles should be placed on a table. Then he began to read from the bible; after a while he went up to the candles and breathed on them, and they ignited. Then he asked any of those present if they wished to



extinguish them, but they did not offer to do so. Now the bishop was happy that the priest's gift was from heaven and, telling him to continue the good work, departed. There are a few other variations of this story, including one which claims that locked doors would mysteriously open before Fr. Moore. In a recently published study of holy wells in the county Miss Patricia Jackson, referring to Plummer's 'Lives

of the Irish saints', considers the association of holy men with solar myths which may have been previously associated with pagan gods. Miss Jackson suggests that in Fr. Moore's case the people have retained 'stories and motifs which appeal to them, replacing the old heroes with new ones.'

In 1952 a committee was established to improve the Holy Well. The surrounding wall and

grotto were built and two years later, the statue of Our Lady was installed. In 1960 the owner of the well handed it over to the committee. The late parish priest of Kildare, Fr. P. Mac Suibhne, has published the traditional prayers for a visit, which is generally made on a Friday or a Sunday. First, a decade of the rosary is recited then, crossing the stepping stones prayers are said for Fr. Moore and his parents, and for