

Michael Sr. & Julie (Lundergan) Fitzgibbons O'Connor Family

Above: Pictured is Julie “Lundergan” Fitzgibbons O'Connor, Wife of Michael O'Connor Sr. A little info. on Michael O'Connor Sr. Michael O'Connor Sr. Immigrated to the Unites States from Ireland in the early 1840's and after the required period of time became a citizen of the United States on April 27, 1846 in New Albany. He married Julie Ann “Lundergan” Fitzgibbons on Feb. 28, 1876 in St. Michaels Church north of Montgomery. He built a small home on a hill just north of the railroad tracks just south of where Joe & Annie O'Connor made their home years later. It is not known for sure but it may have been that after Michael O'Connor Sr. raised his family in that home that he deeded the property to his son Michael O'Connor Jr. who raised his 9 children in the same house. The home disappeared and was probably torn down and there was no trace where the house stood. It is all farm land now.

Left: a picture of Julie O'Connor, wife of Michael O'Connor Sr. She died on June 6, 1891 at the age of 75. She is buried along with her husband in the West Section of St. Peter's Cemetery as you enter the west entrance. Not sure when this picture was taken but it may be late in life. We were not able to locate any pictures of Michael O'Connor Sr. When Michael O'Connor married Julie Fitzgibbons she had three Children from a previous marriage in Kentucky. Children from the first marriage were John, Mary and Thomas. After she Married Michael O'Connor Sr. they had four more children, Margaret, Michael Jr, Catherine and Julia.

Margaret was born in 1850 and died in 1924. She married William Bradley and is buried in St. Peter's Cemetery. They lived in or near Loogootee.

Michael Jr. was born on Feb. 8, 1852 and died Feb. 15, 1935. He married Bridget Hart in 1876. After Bridget died he married Judith Clark but that did not work out. Kids did not approve and she moved back to Loogootee. It is said that when Michael was in Texas visiting his sister, Judith Passed away and He did not come back for the Funeral. It may not been so much between them but for the sake of the family it was best they live apart.

Catherine was born on Oct. 8, 1854 and died on March 28, 1911. She married John Bradley and lived in East St. Louis. They are buried in St. Peter's Cemetery.

Julia Ann was born about 1858 and married Mr. ?? Collins in 1876. They lived in Texas where they ran a dairy farm. During the depression she wrote her brother Michael Jr. asking for financial help. Michael's son John O'Connor answered the letter saying it was impossible.

*Citizenship Papers for Michael O'Connor Sr. from April 24th, 1846
Michael O'Connor became a citizen in Floyd County, New Albany Indiana*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



State of Indiana, Floyd county, to wit:

At a Circuit Court of the county aforesaid in the second judicial Circuit in the State of Indiana, held at the court-house in the city of New Albany on the 27th day of April in the year 1846

PRESENT
The honorable *William Scott* President Judge.
William Williams & William Underhill Esquires Associate Judges.

AMONG OTHER WERE THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS, TO WIT:

W^{it} Remembered, that on the 27th day of the April in the year aforesaid, *Michael O'Connor* a native of *Ireland* and at present residing in the county of *Floyd* appeared in open court here, and applied to be admitted to become a citizen of the United States. And it appearing to the satisfaction of the court here that said *Michael O'Connor* had declared on oath taken two years at least before this time, that it was bona fide his intention to become a citizen of the United States. And it also appearing to the satisfaction of the court here, upon the testimony of *Patrick Rice* a citizen of the United States, that said *Michael O'Connor* hath continued to reside within the limits and under the jurisdiction of the United States, five years at least, and one year at least immediately preceding this application within the State of Indiana, and hath conducted himself as a man of good moral character, attached to the principles of the Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of the same, the said *Michael O'Connor* having declared on oath taken in open court here, that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he doth absolutely and entirely renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to every foreign Prince, Potentate, State and Sovereignty whatever, and particularly all allegiance and fidelity to the *Queen Victoria of Great Britain*

The Court here therefore admits the said *Michael O'Connor* to become a citizen of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY that the foregoing is a true copy, taken from the record of proceedings of the Court aforesaid, I HENRY W SMITH, Clerk thereof, hereto subscribe my name and affix the seal of the said Court, this 27th day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty six

Henry W Smith Clerk.
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Left Michael O'Connor Immigrated to America from Co. Kerry Ireland and his wife Julie Immigrated from Co. Tipperary Ireland.



Left is the tombstone for Michael Sr. & Julia A. O'Connor in St. Peter's Cemetery in Montgomery. The stone is located just inside the west entrance and on the West Section. Michael O'Connor died Oct. 25 1877 at the age of 67 years. Julia died on June 6, 1891 at the age of 75 years.

Below: This Map indicates where the documents are in relationship to where the land is. There were three Documents, the 1887 transfer deed, the 1912 Document and the 1839 Land Grant. Have given some landmarks so you might know where the area is. Landmark Surveying Helped to locate the sites.



Below: Land Grand 1839: This Document is a Land Grant from August 1, 1839 that was issued to Francis McNally and signed by U.S. President Martin Van Buren for 40 Acres that was located along Hwy 50, then north along Co. Road 800 East to about halfway the distance to the Railroad Tracks then west to border of Mike/Patty Fuhs Property then straight south Hwy 50 to where Mark Graber now has his home. Mr. McNally originally got this Land Grant but Michael O'Connor Sr. brought it from Him.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

CERTIFICATE
N^o 24416

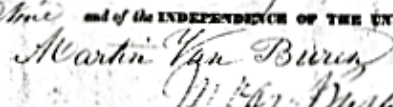
To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greetings:

WHEREAS Francis McNally, of Daviess County, Indiana, as deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at Vincennes, whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Francis McNally according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the south East Quarter of the South East Quarter of Section Twenty five, in Township Three North of Range Six West, in the District of Lands Subject to sale at Vincennes, Indiana, containing Forty Acres according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said Francis McNally

NOW KNOW YE, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said Francis McNally, and to his heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, therunto belonging, unto the said Francis McNally, and to his heirs and assigns forever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, Martin Van Buren, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the First day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Thirty Nine and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the Sixty fourth

BY THE PRESIDENT:

 J. Wilson atty RECORDER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE ad interim

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Below: This Document Transfers 80 Acres from Michael O'Connor Sr. & his wife Julie O'Connor to Michael O'Connor Jr. On the 17th day of July of 1877. Michael O'Connor Sr. Died a few months later in October of 1877.

This Indenture witnesseth
That we Michael Connor Senr and Julia Connor his
wife of Daviess County in the State of Indiana. Convey and
Warrant to Michael Connor Junr of Daviess County in the
State of Indiana. For the sum of one Dollar. The following Real
Estate in Daviess County in the State of Indiana To wit
North East quarter of the South East quarter Section Twenty four
(24) Township Number three (3) North of Range Number six (6)
West also the South West quarter of the South East quarter in Section
Twenty four (24) Township Number three North of Range Number
six (6) West containing 80. acres

In Witness whereof The said Michael Senr and Julia Connor
his wife have hereunto set their hands and their seals
This 17th day of July 1877

Michael Connor (Seal)
Julia Connor (Seal)

State of Indiana Daviess County } ss
Before me Henry P Dixon a Justice of the peace in for said County
on this day Michael Connor Senr and Julia Connor his wife
acknowledged the execution of the annexed deed as their voluntary
act

Witness my hand and seal This 17th day of July 1877

Henry P Dixon (Seal)
Justice of the peace

One 40 acre plot lays north of County Road 100 North where Tony Fuhs now lives
and the other 40 acre plot is in the area where the lake is and north of where
Joe/Annie O'Connor made their home.

Below: This is a Warranty Deed in which Michael O'Connor Jr. deeded about 40 acres to his son Matthew O'Connor on November 4th of 1909.

WARRANTY DEED.

Form No 71.

Wm. L. Baker & Co., Legal Printers and Stationers, Indianapolis.

WARRANTY DEED.

This Indenture Witnesseth, That
Michael O'Connor Single
of Daviess County, in the State of Indiana
Matthew O'Connor

Convey and Warrant to Matthew O'Connor

of Daviess County, in the State of Indiana for the
sum of Two Hundred DOLLARS, the receipt
of which is hereby acknowledged, the following REAL ESTATE, in Daviess
County, in the State of Indiana, to-wit:

The North-east 1/4 of the North-east 1/4 in Section 25
Town 3 Range 6 containing 40 acres more or less

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said

Michael O'Connor

has hereunto set his hand and seal, this 4 day
of November A. D., 1909.

(L. S.)

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(L. S.)

Michael O'Connor

(L. S.)

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Below: This is a Document where Matthew & Corine O'Connor Transferred to Michael O'Connor Jr. 40 acres on Sept. 24, 1912. This land transfer was along County Road 800 East starting halfway from Hwy 50 to County Road 100 North then west to about the property line now owned by Tony/Trudy Fuhs then go south for 40 acres square.

WARRANTY DEED—Short Form.

GAZETTE AND HERALD, WASHINGTON, IND.

This Indenture WITNESSETH THAT
Matthew O'Connor and Corine O'Connor his wife

of *Daviess* County, in the State of Indiana, CONVEY AND WARRANT TO

Michael O'Connor

of *Daviess* County, in the State of Indiana, for the sum of _____

Fifteen Hundred DOLLARS,

the following Real Estate in *Daviess* County, in the State of Indiana, to-wit:

*The North East q1. of the North east q1. in Section 25-
Town 3 North, Range 6 west containing 40 acres
More or less*

In Testimony Whereof The said *Matthew O'Connor and
Corine O'Connor his wife*



has hereunto set *their* hand and seal this *24* day of *September* 191*2*

_____ Seal.	<u><i>Matthew O'Connor</i></u> Seal.
_____ Seal.	<u><i>Corine O'Connor</i></u> Seal.
_____ Seal.	_____ Seal.
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