

Chronology Report

Name: **Catherine HANLEY^{1,2}**

Parents: HANLEY

Life Range: Cir 1819-1899 Jul 5

Cir 1819 Birth: County Roscommon,Ireland. This estimated date is based on Catherine's death certificate which gives her age as "about 80."³

1835 Feb 19 Marriage (1): **William MANNION**. In Strokestown,Roscommon,Ireland. Strokestown Parish, County Roscommon.
Husband: **William Manion**
Wife: **Catherine Hanely**
Husband's father: **Manion**
Wife's father: **Hanely**
Witness 1: Thomas Fannon
Witness 2: Brigid Nolan.
Priest: Fr. J. Tighe.
Note: "Manion" was the spelling of the surname on this record. In the Strokestown and Roscommon Parish church records, the spellings "Manion" and "Mannion" were recorded interchangeably, often within a single family unit.¹³

Abt 1835 Nov Son born (1-#1): **John MANNION**. Born in Roscommon,County Roscommon,Ireland. Died on an unknown date.

1837 Dec Son born (1-#2): **William MANION**. Born in Roscommon,County Roscommon,Ireland. Died on 1916 Jun 11 in Baltimore,,Maryland USA.^{14,15,16,17,18}

Abt 1838 Death of Spouse (#1): **William MANNION**. In Roscommon,Co. Roscommon,Ireland.

1839 Feb 2 Marriage (2): **John COFFAY, Sr.**. In Roscommon and Kiltreevan,Roscommon,Ireland.²⁰

1840 Jan Daughter born (2-#1): **Mary COFFAY**. Born in Roscommon,County Roscommon,Ireland. Died in 1908 Feb in Baltimore,,Maryland USA.

1841 Sep Son born (2-#2): **Martin COFFAY**. Born in Roscommon and Kiltreevan,Roscommon,Ireland. Died before 1850 in Roscommon and Kiltreevan,Roscommon,Ireland.

Abt 1843 Son born (2-#3): **Patrick COFFAY**. Born in Roscommon,County Roscommon,Ireland. Died on an unknown date in Baltimore,,Maryland USA.

1847 Feb Daughter born (2-#4): **Catherine COFFAY**. Born in Kiltreevan,Roscommon,Ireland. Died on 1921 Apr 28 in Baltimore,,Maryland USA.

Bef 1850 Death of Child (2-#2): **Martin COFFAY**. In Roscommon and Kiltreevan,Roscommon,Ireland.

Abt 1851 Son born (2-#5): **John J. COFFAY, Jr.**. Born in Roscommon,County Roscommon,Ireland. Died on 1898 Nov 23 in Baltimore,,Maryland USA.

1853 Apr 5 Emigration from Ireland: Catherine emigrated with her children. They were passengers aboard the ship "Jane Anderson" which sailed from Liverpool to Baltimore.

Catherine Coffay, age 40

William Coffay (Manion), age 13

Mary Coffay, age 14

Patrick Coffay, age 11

Catherine Coffay, age 4

John Coffay Jr., age 2

NOTE: John & Catherine Coffay's son, **Martin Coffay**, was not with the family on the ship, so it's likely he died in Ireland before this date.

William's age is listed as 13. He was actually 15. Passengers over 14 were charged a higher fare. Catherine may have given William's age as 13 to get the lower fare. William's name was listed as Coffay, which makes sense since his mother and siblings were Coffays.⁵

1854 Residence: Texas,Baltimore County,Maryland,USA. We have evidence that the family settled in Texas. Maryland. **Brigid Coffay's** death certificate lists her birthplace as Texas, Baltimore County. Since she was born circa 1856, Texas is most likely where the family was living at that time.⁶

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| Abt 1856 | Daughter born (2-#6): | Bridget COFFAY. Born in Texas,Baltimore,Maryland USA. Died on 1942 Apr 11 in Baltimore,,Maryland USA. |
| Abt 1858 | Son born (2-#7): | Michael J. COFFAY. Born in ,Baltimore County,Maryland USA. Died on 1889 Nov 26 in Baltimore,,Maryland USA. |
| 1861 Nov 12 | Marriage of Son: | William Manion and Mary Coyle in Baltimore, MD |
| 1863 Apr 6 | Marriage of Daughter: | Mary Coffay and Thomas Lee , Baltimore, MD |
| 1870 Jun 16 | Marriage of Daughter: | Catherine Coffay and Charles Slunt , Baltimore, MD |
| 1870 Aug 17 | Census: | Baltimore,,Maryland USA. 1) John Coffee, male, white, age 70, laborer, born in Ireland, both parents of foreign birth, a U.S. citizen. 2) Catharine Coffee , female, white, age 60, keeping house. born in Ireland, both parents of foreign birth. 3) Catharine Coffee, female, white, age 20, at home, born in Maryland. 4) John Coffee, male, white, age 18, laborer, born in Maryland. 5) Bridget Coffee, female, white, age 14, at home, born in Maryland, both parents born in Maryland. 6) Michael Coffee, male, white, age 13, born in Maryland. NOTES: Daughter Catherine Coffay is listed on this record even though she married Charles Slunt a month earlier. She was recored again the same year as living with Charles at another address. John & Catherine's ages can't be correct here. In the 1880 census, they are both listed as "60." ^{7,8} |
| 1875 Feb 2 | Marriage of Son: | John Coffay, Jr. and Helen Kelly , Baltimore, MD |
| 1880 Jun 8 | Census: | Baltimore,,Maryland USA. Address: Mount Royal Hill 1) John Coffay Sr., white, male, age 60, married, laborer, born in Ireland, both parents born in Ireland. 2) Catherine Coffay , wife, white, female, age 60, married, keeping home. cannot read, cannot write, born in Ireland, both parents born in Ireland. 3) Bridget Coffay, daughter, white, female, age 24, single, at home, born in Maryland, both parents born in Ireland. 4) Michael Coffay, son, white, male, age 22, stone mason, born in Maryland, both parents born in Ireland. ⁷ |
| 1889 Nov 26 | Death of Child (2-#7): | Michael J. COFFAY. In Baltimore,,Maryland USA. |
| 1896 Jun 19 | Death of Spouse (#2): | John COFFAY, Sr.. In Baltimore,,Maryland USA. ¹ |
| 1896 Jun 23 | News Item: | Description of Coffay Home. Baltimore,,Maryland USA. Baltimore Sun Paper: AN UNSIGHTLY LANDMARK The Old Weather-Beaten Cottage on Mount Royal Hill to Be Removed "Before the close of the present week, an unsightly old landmark familiar to residents of North and Northwest Baltimore for many years and one that has become a constant detraction to the beauties of Druid Hill Park and the immediate neighborhood, will probably have been removed. It is the weather beaten cottage which has stood for more than thirty years on an eminence at the western extreme of Mount Royal Hill, close to the Mount Royal avenue entrance to the park. During all the time of its existence the cottage has been occupied by an aged couple, John and Katherine Coffay , who were as well known to residents within many squares of the house as the house itself. They conducted a dairy farm until the death of the old man from pneumonia, which occurred last week. |

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But **Mrs. Coffay**, is cooperative with requests made by the Baltimore and Potomac Railroad Company to which the land (a tract of about two acres) belongs, is prepared to move out and the old house will be carted away, together with the stable in the rear and the fences. The company will clean the place up and try as far as possible to give it a more picturesque appearance, and thus relieve the handsome park entrance of one of its chief detractors.

The cottage is one of the most singular of edifices and always attracted notice on account of its isolated ugliness. It is a high one-story shanty, built loosely of plain, unpainted clapboards, with narrow windows set in like bad-fitting artificial eyes. A struggling, discouraged vine clings disconsolately to the door, which divides the house and reaches with odd giganticness from the ground to the lofty eaves. The top is surmounted by an immense chimney-pot, made apparently, of an old disused iron boiler."⁹

- 1898 Nov 23 Death of Child (2-#5): **John J. COFFAY, Jr.**. In Baltimore,,Maryland USA.
- 1899 City Directory: Baltimore,,Maryland USA.
Catharine Coffay, milk, 2602 York Rd.
NOTE: This is the address that was damaged by fire on Jan 27, 1899. Catharine, at age 80 was still operating some aspect of the Coffay dairy business as indicated by her occupation: "milk."¹⁰
- 1899 Jan 27 Fire: Baltimore Sun Article. Baltimore,,Maryland USA.
Fire on the York Road
The large two-story and attic house on the west side of the York Road just north of 26th street was badly damaged by fire yesterday afternoon. The building is owned by Jerome E. Chrystal, 2229 Madison ave. The front part was owned by Atlas Baking Powder Manufacturing Co. of which A. W. Rhul is proprietor. The rear was occupied by **Mrs. Bridget Coffay**, her mother, **Mrs. Catharine Coffay**, and a **nephew**, as their home. Mr. Chrystal's loss is about \$1000 covered by insurance. **Mrs. Coffay's** household goods were damaged to the extent of about \$100.
NOTE: Bridget was Catharine's unmarried daughter (should be Miss) and the nephew was **Thomas Lee**, youngest son of Catherine's oldest daughter, **Mary (Coffay) Lee** who by this time was a patient at Mount Hope Retreat.¹¹
- 1899 Jul 5 Death: Baltimore,,Maryland USA.
Health Dept. City of Baltimore Certificate of Death #18282
DOD: July 5, 1899
Name: **Catharine Coffay**
About 80, White, Widow. Housewife
Born: Ireland
Resident of Baltimore for 48 years
Place of Death: 449 25th Street
Cause of Death: Old Age and Dysentery, Secondary: Collapse
Duration of Sickness: one week
Place of Burial: New Cathedral³
- 1899 Jul 8 Burial: Baltimore,,Maryland USA. Buried in New Cathedral Cemetery, Section H, Lot 269 Address: New Cathedral Cemetery, 4300 Old Frederick Road, Baltimore, MD 21229, USA⁴
- 1899 Jul 8 Death Notice: The Baltimore Sun. Baltimore,,Maryland USA.
Coffay - On July 5, **Catharine**, beloved wife of the late **John Coffay**. Born in **Roscommon County, Ireland**. Rest in peace. Funeral from her late residence, No. 450 West 25th Street, on Saturday morning at 8:30 o'clock, thence to **SS. Philip and James Church** where a Requiem High Mass will be offered for the repose of her soul.

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NOTE: Finding her county of birth in Ireland (**Roscommon**) in this death notice was an important clue to finding Irish records for the Coffay and Mannion/Manion ancestors.¹²

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