

THE MCNAMARA FAMILY
OF
CO. CLARE, IRELAND, AND RICHMOND, VIRGINIA¹

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PATRICK¹ MCNAMARA was born about 1800 in Ireland.

He married BRIDGET TOUHY about 1829 in Ireland. She was born about 1802 in Kildysart (a subdenomination near the townland of Knockataloe), County Clare, Ireland,² and died 3 November 1882 in Richmond, Henrico County, Virginia.³

Bridget McNamara's obituary states that she was born in County Clare in 1802. Her tombstone indicates she was a native of Kildysart, County Clare, Ireland. Kildysart is in the townland of Gortadroma, between Enagh East and Knockatloe in County Clare, within walking distance of Enagh Cross Roads where Patrick and Bridget would live by 1855.⁴ Little is known of Bridget's background.⁵

The parish registers record the baptism entries of children born to Patrick McNamara and Bridget (nee Touhy) of Knockatloe as follows:

Patrick	christened 4 March 1838
Mary	christened 14 June 1839
Margaret	christened 29 November 1841
Sally	christened 3 February 1843

¹ Researched by Dwight Radford and Steve Motteshard.

² Tombstone inscription for Bridget McNamara, 3 November 1882, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

³ Death certificate for Bridget McNamara, 3 November 1882, Richmond City Deaths (1882), line 1180, Division of Vital Records, State Department of Health, P.O. Box 100, Richmond, VA 23208-1000. Her maiden name has several variations, such as Toumey, but it is believed to be Touhy.

⁴ Kildysart is a sub-denomination located in or near the townland of Enagh, Clonlea Parish, County Clare. This is based upon an entry found in the Catholic Parish registers of O'Callaghan's Mills. This marriage record, dated 15 February 1844, between a Thomas McNamara, of Kildysart, and Mary McNamara, of Enagh, was witnessed by Simon McNamara, of Kildysart, and Patrick McNamara, of Enagh. Kildysart should not be confused with the civil parish of Killadysert, County Clare, which is some distance away from O'Callaghan's Mills and the civil parish of Clonlea.

⁵ Extensive research in the records relating to the townland of Gortadroma and the neighboring areas of Derrynaveagh and Oatfield uncovered several Tuohy and McNamara families, but no positive genealogical conclusions. Based on research, however, the evidence points to the McNamara and Tuohy families having originated from the Derrynaveagh-Oatfield area of County Clare.

Bridget and perhaps four of her six known children emigrated from Ireland, possibly in 1855. The 1900 census showed that Daniel McNamara, son of Patrick and Bridget, immigrated in 1855.⁶ As of February 1855, Patrick and his family were still living in Knockatloe, but by September 20th of that year, Patrick no longer occupied the lot they rented, nor was Bridget listed.⁷ As no trace of Patrick has been found in Ireland (or America) since February 1855, he likely died in Ireland, giving Bridget the incentive to make a better life for her and her children in America.

The first mention of the family in American records was in September 1862, when Patrick and Bridget's daughter Margaret married in Richmond.⁸ Where the family was between September 1855 and September 1862 remains unknown. But once in Richmond, the family stayed there. By 1867, Margaret was a widow and married a second time to James Hartley.⁹

In 1870, Bridget McNamara was enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing with her son-in-law James Hartley, who was the second husband to her daughter Margaret. She was sixty-three, born in Ireland. Household members were James Hartley (head, thirty, born in Ireland, grocer), Margaret Hartley (twenty-nine, born in Ireland), Bridget McNamara (sixty-three, born in Ireland), and Hubbard Brown (fourteen, born in Virginia, house-servant).¹⁰

In 1880, Bridget McNamara was enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing at 313 Louisiana Street with her son-in-law James Hartley and his family. She was seventy-three, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. Household members were James Hartley (head, thirty-eight, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Margaret Hartley (wife, thirty-eight, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Bridget McNamara (mother, seventy-three, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Ellen C. Clancy (boarder, fifteen, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Archer Allen (boarder, eighteen, born in Virginia to Virginia-born parents), and Mike McNamara [probably Bridget's grandson, the son of Daniel and Mary McNamara], (five, born in Virginia to Ireland-born parents).¹¹

During 1882/1883, James Hartley, grocer, resided at 313 Louisiana. Morris H. Pennington was listed at this address in the cross-reference directory.¹²

On 3 November 1882, Bridget McNamara died of debility at the age of eighty. She resided at 315 Louisiana Street in Richmond at the time of her death. O.A. Crenshaw, physician, was the informant.¹³ Her obituary stated she was born in County Clare, Ireland.¹⁴ The death register of the Catholic Church of

⁶ 1900 federal census, Daniel McMarrow [McNamara] household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, e.d. 95, p. 285, sheet 20A, lines 42-47, 400 Louisiana Street, dwelling 345, family 398.

⁷ Perambulation (Tenure) Book, dated February 1855, Knockatloe, Clonlea Civil Parish, County Clare, held at the Valuation Office, Dublin, Ireland, shows Patrick as an occupier, whereas, Griffith's Valuation, Union of Tulla, County of Clare, Parish of Clonlea, townland of Knockatloe (Ord S. 35 & 43), 20 September 1855, (Dublin: Alex. Thom and Sons, 1855), 35, does not.

⁸ Marriage record of Charley Melvin to Margaret McNamara, 25 September 1862, Henrico Co. Marriage Register (1862), p. 28, FHL 31855.

⁹ Marriage record of James Hartley to Margaret McNamara Malvin, 21 June 1867, Henrico Co. Marriage Register (1867), p. 159, FHL 2048455.

¹⁰ 1870 federal census, James Hartley household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, Marshall Ward, dwelling 1062, p. 214.

¹¹ 1880 federal census, James Hartley household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, e.d. 91, line 38-43, p. 361C.

¹² City directory listing for James Hartley, 1882/1883 *Chataigne's Richmond City Directory*, J.H. Chataigne Publisher, FHL 1377373.

¹³ Death certificate for Bridget McNamara.

¹⁴ Obituary for Bridget McNamara, 3 November 1882, *Richmond Daily Whig*, Richmond, Va., 4 November 1882, p. 1, col. 1.

Saint Patrick recorded her death as 5 November 1882, and she was buried in the Catholic Cemetery.¹⁵ Her tombstone gave her nativity as Kildysart, County Clare, Ireland. The words inscribed on her tombstone were, "In memory of Bridget McNamara, a native of Kildysart, Co. Clare, Ireland, died Nov 3 1882."¹⁶

Children of Patrick and Bridget (Touhy) McNamara, all born in Ireland:

- i. NORA² MCNAMARA, d. 15 February 1871 in Richmond.¹⁷
- ii. DANIEL MCNAMARA, b. about 1832; m. MARY KELLY.
- iii. PATRICK MCNAMARA, christened 4 March 1838 in O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland; the family was from the townland of Knockatloe,¹⁸ m. possibly SARAH — , b. about 1837 in Ireland.¹⁹
- iv. MARY MCNAMARA, christened 14 June 1839 in O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, the family was from the townland of Knockatloe.²⁰
- v. MARGARET MCNAMARA, christened 29 November 1841 in O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, with Terin Touhy as sponsor,²¹ died 12 August 1892 in Richmond.²² Margaret m. (1) in Richmond, 25 September 1862, CHARLES MELVIN,²³ b. about 1817 in Ireland,²⁴ d. before 21 June 1867; m. (2) in Richmond, 21 June 1867, JAMES HARTLEY,²⁵ b. 22 July 1839 in County Kilkenny, Ireland,²⁶ d. 16 June 1913.²⁷

When Margaret married Charley Melvin, she was twenty-three, born in Ireland to Patrick and Bridget McNamara. She was single and resided in Henrico County, Virginia. Charley was forty-five, born in Ireland to Patrick and Ellen Melvin. He was a

¹⁵ Death record for Bridget McNamara, 5 November 1882, letter written by Rev. Robert B. Gloisten (213 North 25th Street, Richmond, VA 23223-7115), 18 November 1999, citing Roman Catholic St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Register of Deaths, 1:26.

¹⁶ Tombstone inscription for Bridget McNamara, died 3 November 1882, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

¹⁷ Tombstone inscription for Nora, daughter of Bridget McNamara, died 15 February 1871, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

¹⁸ Christening Record for Patrick McNamara, 4 March 1838, Roman Catholic Church Register, Townland of Knockatloe, O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, FHL 979694.

¹⁹ 1860 federal census, P. McNamara household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, 2nd Ward, p. 19, roll p. 225, line 4, dwelling 118.

²⁰ Christening Record for Mary McNamara, 14 June 1839, Roman Catholic Church Register, Townland of Knockatloe, O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, FHL 979694.

²¹ Christening record for Margaret McNamara, 29 November 1841, Roman Catholic Church Register, Townland of Knockatloe, O'Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, FHL 979694.

²² Tombstone inscription for Margaret Hartley, died 12 August 1892, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

²³ Marriage record of Charley Melvin to Margaret McNamara, 25 September 1862, Henrico Co. Marriage Register (1862), p. 28, FHL 31855.

²⁴ Marriage record of Charley Melvin to Margaret McNamara.

²⁵ Marriage record of James Hartley to Margaret McNamara Malvin, 21 June 1867, Henrico Co. Marriage Register (1867), p. 159, FHL 2048455.

²⁶ Tombstone inscription for James Hartley, born 22 July 1839, died 16 June 1913, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

²⁷ Tombstone inscription for James Hartley.

merchant, widower, and resided in Henrico County. The Reverend John Teeling performed the marriage ceremony.²⁸

Charley died before 21 June 1867 because Margaret married James Hartley on this date and the marriage record listed her as a widow.

In 1860, Thomas Hartley [the father of Margaret's future husband, James Hartley] and his family were enumerated in the federal census of Alexandria County, Virginia. They were all born in Ireland. He was fifty-four, laborer, and his personal estate was valued at \$30. Catherine was forty-five, James was nineteen, Ann was sixteen, Margaret²⁹ was eight. Anthony and Mary Dunn were also enumerated in Thomas Hartley's household. Anthony was thirty-one, born in Ireland, and a laborer. Mary Dunn was twenty-two, born in Ireland.³⁰

When Margaret married James Hartley, he was twenty-four, born in Ireland to Thomas and Catherine Hartley. He was single, railroad contractor, and resident of Alexandria, Virginia. The Reverend R. H. Andrews performed the marriage ceremony.³¹

In 1869, James Hartley, grocer, resided on 6th Street between Louisiana and Denny.³²

In 1870, James and Margaret Hartley were enumerated in the federal census of Richmond. James was thirty, born in Ireland. He was a grocer and his real estate was valued at \$1,800, with personal property valued at \$500. Margaret was twenty-nine, born in Ireland. Household members were James, Margaret, Bridget McNamara (sixty-three, born in Ireland), and Hubbard Brown (house-servant, fourteen, born in Virginia).³³

In 1880, Margaret and James were enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing at 313 Louisiana Street. James was thirty-eight, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. He was a retail grocer. Margaret was thirty-eight, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. Household members were James Hartley (head), Margaret (wife), Bridget McNamara (mother, seventy-three, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Ellen C. Clancy (boarder, fifteen, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents), Archer Allen (boarder, eighteen, born in Virginia to Virginia-born parents), and Mike McNamara [son of Margaret's brother, Daniel McNamara], (five, born in Virginia to Ireland-born parents).³⁴

On 12 August 1892, Margaret died and was buried in the Hartley plot of Mount Calvary Cemetery in Richmond. Her tombstone shows she was a native of Kildysart, County Clare, Ireland. The words inscribed on her tombstone were, "Sacred to the

²⁸ Marriage record of Charley Melvin to Margaret McNamara.

²⁹ Tombstone inscription for Margaret E. Stone, birth 10 July 1852, died 11 May 1933, Hartley plot, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

³⁰ 1860 federal census, Thomas Hartley household, Virginia, Alexandria Co., Alexandria Post Office, p. 775, dwelling 682, family 709, lines 13-19.

³¹ Marriage record of James Hartley to Margaret McNamara Malvin.

³² City directory listing for James Hartley, 1869 *Boyd's Richmond City Directory*, West & Johnston Publisher, FHL 1377370.

³³ 1870 federal census, James Hartley household.

³⁴ 1880 federal census, James Hartley household.

memory of Margaret beloved wife of James Hartley a native of Kildysart, Co. Clare, Ireland. Died August 12 1892. The Lord giveth his beloved sleep.”³⁵

In 1900, James Hartley was enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing at 311 Louisiana Street. He was born November 1842 in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. He immigrated in 1852. He was a widower, living alone, and was a landlord.³⁶

On 16 June 1913, James died and was buried in the Hartley plot in Mount Calvary Cemetery in Richmond. The words inscribed on his tombstone were, “Sacred to the memory of James Hartley, born in County Kilkenny, Ireland, July 22, 1839. Died June 16, 1913, Rest in peace.”³⁷

- vi. SALLY MCNAMARA, baptized 3 February 1843 in O’Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland.³⁸

DANIEL² MCNAMARA (*Patrick*¹) was born about 1832 in Clonlea Civil Parish, County Clare, Ireland³⁹ and died 22 July 1906 in Richmond.⁴⁰

He married MARY KELLY, a widow, 12 May 1863 in Richmond, daughter of Michael and Catherine — Kelly.⁴¹ Mary was born about 1837 in Ireland,⁴² and died 8 August 1910⁴³ in Richmond.⁴⁴

In 1869 Daniel, a laborer, resided on Louisiana Street between 6th and 6th.⁴⁵ [sic]

In 1870, Daniel and Mary were enumerated in the federal census of Richmond. Daniel, a laborer, was thirty-eight years old, born in Ireland. Mary was thirty-seven years old, born in Ireland. Their children, born in Virginia, were Mary J. (six) and John (two).⁴⁶

³⁵ Tombstone inscription for Margaret Hartley.

³⁶ 1900 federal census, James Hartley household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, e.d. 95, p. 290, sheet 25A or 30A, line 50, 311 Louisiana Street, dwelling 432, family 500.

³⁷ Tombstone inscription for James Hartley.

³⁸ Christening record for Sally McNamara, 3 February 1843, Roman Catholic Church Register, Townland of Knockatloe, O’Callaghan Mills Roman Catholic Parish, County Clare, Ireland, FHL 979694.

³⁹ Birthplace based upon other siblings being born in this same location. Daniel’s birth record has not been located. Obituary of Mary McNamara, death 8 August 1910, *The Richmond Times Dispatch* (Richmond, Henrico Co., Va.) 9 August 1910, p. 17, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va. Her obituary indicated that Daniel was a native of County Clare, Ireland.

⁴⁰ Obituary notices for Daniel McNamara, *Richmond Times Dispatch* (Richmond City, Va.) 23 July 1906., p. 8, col. 7, Library of Virginia microfilm 4; *The News Leader* (Richmond City, Va.) 23 July 1906, p. [?], col. 1, Library of Virginia. See also, Deed of sale to Mary McNamara from Margaret McNamara, Katie T. McNamara, Nora E. McNamara, John F. McNamara and Lou McNamara, Michael J. McNamara and Annie McNamara, 14 July 1910 (recorded 18 July 1910), Richmond City, Va., Deed Book 207D:506.

⁴¹ Marriage record of Daniel McNamara to Mary Kelley, 12 May 1863, Henrico Co. Marriage Register (1863), p. 92, Virginia, FHL 2048455.

⁴² Marriage record of Daniel McNamara to Mary Kelley.

⁴³ Obituary of Mary McNamara, death 8 August 1910, *The Richmond Times Dispatch* (Richmond, Henrico Co., Va.) 9 August 1910, p. 17, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va.

⁴⁴ Tombstone inscription for Mary Kelly McNamara, 8 August 1910, Lot No. 419, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.; burial record for Mary McNamara, died 8 August 1910, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

⁴⁵ City directory listing for Daniel McNamara, 1869 *Byrd’s Richmond City Directory*, West & Johnston Publisher, FHL 1377370.

⁴⁶ 1870 federal census, Daniel McNamara household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, Marshall Ward, dwelling 1096, p. 216.

From 1870 to 1872 Daniel, a laborer, resided on Louisiana Street at the corner of 3rd Street.⁴⁷

During 1874/1875 Daniel McNamara, a laborer, resided at 108 Louisiana Street.⁴⁸

On 23 May 1878, Daniel purchased a lot from George E. Harrison and Julieanna, his wife, and Isabella H. Harrison, widow of G.E. Harrison (the elder) for \$166.67. George E. and Julieanna Harrison resided in Prince George County, Virginia. The lot was located in that part of the City of Richmond called "Port Mayo" and bounded as follows: "Beginning at the northwest corner of Orleans and Fourth streets, thence running northwest along the west line of Orleans Street, fronting therein sixty-six feet and eight inches, and running east between parallel lines one hundred feet, bounded on the south by 4th Street. Being the eastern part of lot No. 32 in the plan of 'Port May.'" Recorded 17 June 1878.⁴⁹

In 1880, Daniel and Mary were enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing at 3829 6th Street. Daniel was forty-two, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. He was a laborer. Mary was thirty-eight, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. Their children, born in Virginia, were Mary J. (sixteen), John (twelve), Hanora (ten), Margaret (seven), Michael (five), and Agnes (three).⁵⁰

From 1876 to 1883, Daniel McNamara, a laborer, resided at 3829 6th Street in Rocketts. Rocketts was in the Fulton City area of Richmond. Daniel had previously resided on Louisiana Street, which was also located in Fulton City, a suburb of Richmond.⁵¹

On 4 May 1882, Daniel purchased from Michael McLaughlin and Jane, his wife, the property located at 400 Louisiana Avenue for \$200. An abstract is as follows: "This deed made this fourth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty two between Michael McLaughlin and Jane, his wife, of the City of Richmond, Virginia, of the first part, and Daniel McNamara of the same city, of the second part. Witnesseth that in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars the said Michael McLaughlin and Jane, his wife, doth grant unto the said Daniel McNamara with general warranty all that certain lot of land lying and being in that part of the City of Richmond known as Port Mayo, fronting twenty (20) feet on Louisiana Street at the northeast corner of 6th Street, and running back ninety (90) feet to an alley ten feet wide, being the same property which was conveyed to James Kerse by Timothy Kerse by deed dated October 10, 1865 and recorded in the Clerk's Office of Henrico County Court Deed Book 81, page 409 and the same conveyed to the said Michael McLaughlin by R.A. Mougher, Trustee for James Kerse, by deed dated 25 October 1878, recorded in the Clerk's Office Richmond Chancery Court Deed Book 113A, page 385." Recorded 12 May 1882.⁵²

From 1884 until his death in 1906 Daniel resided at 400 Louisiana Street.⁵³

In 1900, Daniel and Mary and their family were enumerated in the federal census of Richmond residing at 400 Louisiana. He was fifty-four, born January 1846 in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. She was

⁴⁷ City directory listings for Daniel McNamara, 1870-1872 *Richmond City Directory*, various publishers, FHL 1377371.

⁴⁸ City directory listings for Daniel McNamara, 1874-1875 *Richmond City Directories*, various publishers, FHL 1377371.

⁴⁹ Deed of purchase by Daniel McNamara from George E. Harrison and Isabella H. Harrison, 23 May 1878 (recorded 17 June 1878), Richmond City, Va., Deed Book 112A:480.

⁵⁰ 1880 federal census, Daniel McNamara household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, e.d. 91, lines 9-16, p. 358A.

⁵¹ City directory listings for Daniel McNamara, 1876-1883 *Richmond City Directories*, various publishers, FHL 1377371-73.

⁵² Deed of purchase by Daniel McNamara from Michael McLaughlin, 4 May 1882 (recorded 12 May 1882), Richmond City, Va., Deed Book 120C:437.

⁵³ City directory listings for Daniel McNamara, 1884-1906 *Richmond City Directory*, various publishers, FHL 1377373-84, 1605945-47.

fifty-eight, born November 1842 in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. They had been married thirty-eight years. She was the mother of eleven children, five of whom were still living. They owned their house, and he was a laborer. He immigrated in 1855 and she in 1853. Their naturalization status was left blank. Children, born in Virginia, were Nora (age twenty-six, b. October 1873), Margaret (age twenty-five, b. November 1874), Michael J. (age twenty-four, b. July 1875, bricklayer), and Katie (age eighteen, b. July 1880).⁵⁴

Daniel McNamara died Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock on 22 July 1906 in his home at 400 Louisiana Street in Richmond. He was a native of County Clare, Ireland. He left a widow, three daughters, and a son [Note: He had two living sons. John (d. 1919) and Michael (d. 1946)]. The funeral took place at Saint Patrick's Church at 10:00 o'clock on 24 July 1906.⁵⁵ Daniel was buried in grave 4, Lot 419, Section 7 of Mount Calvary Cemetery in Richmond. Those buried in the same plot include Agnes McNamara (grave #1), Helen M. Mann (grave #1), J. Bernard Mann (grave #2), Mary J. McNamara (grave #2), Daniel R. McNamara (grave #3), infant McNamara (grave #3), infant McNamara (grave #3), Daniel McNamara (grave #4), Mr. Mann (grave #4), Mrs. Mary McNamara (grave #5), John F. McNamara (grave #6), Nora E. McNamara (grave #7), Margaret McNamara (grave #8), Katherine McNamara (grave #9).⁵⁶ Daniel's tombstone is inscribed with the date of 22 July 1906.⁵⁷

From 1907 to 1911 Mary McNamara, widow of Daniel McNamara, was listed in the Richmond city directories at 400 Louisiana Street.⁵⁸

In 1910, Mary was enumerated in the federal census of Richmond, residing at 400 Louisiana Street. She was sixty, born in Ireland to Ireland-born parents. She was the mother of thirteen children, five of whom were still living. She was a widow. Three of her Virginia-born daughters were residing with her. Those listed were Mary (head, sixty), Norah (daughter, thirty), Margaret (daughter, twenty-eight), Katherine (daughter, twenty-three).⁵⁹

On 14 July 1910, Mary purchased two lots from her children for \$5.00. An abstract of that land transaction is as follows: "This deed, made this 14th day of July 1910, between Margaret McNamara, Katie T. McNamara, Nora E. McNamara, John F. McNamara and Lou McNamara, his wife, and Michael McNamara and Annie McNamara, his wife, all of the City of Richmond, Virginia, parties of the first part, and Mary McNamara, of the City of Richmond, Virginia, party of the second part. Witnesseth, that in consideration of the sum of five (\$5.00) dollars, and other valuable considerations paid to the same parties of the first part at, and before the signing and delivery of this deed, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the said parties of the first part, doth grant unto the said Mary McNamara, with general warranty. All that lot of ground lying in that part of the City of Richmond, Virginia, formerly called 'Port Mayo' and now known as 'Fulton,' and described as follows: Beginning at the southwest corner of Orleans Street, fronting thereon sixty six (66) feet, eight (8) inches, and running back from said front between parallel lines, one hundred (100) feet, and bounded on the south by Fourth Street and being the eastern part of Lot No. 32 in the plan of Port Mayo, of record in Henrico County Court Plat book 4 page 116, and being the same property conveyed to Daniel McNamara, by George E. Harrison and wife by deed dated 23rd May 1878, and recorded in the Chancery Court of Richmond in Deed Book 112A, page 480. All that certain lot of land with the frame dwelling No. 400 Louisiana Street, and all other improvements thereon,

⁵⁴ 1900 federal census, Daniel McMarrow [McNamara] household.

⁵⁵ Obituary notices for Daniel McNamara.

⁵⁶ Cemetery record for Daniel McNamara, Mount Calvary Cemetery Burial Records, p. 262.

⁵⁷ Tombstone inscription for Daniel McNamara.

⁵⁸ City directory listings for Mary McNamara, *1907-1911 Richmond City Directories*, various publishers, FHL 1605947-49.

⁵⁹ 1910 federal census, Mary McNamara household, Virginia, Henrico Co., Richmond City, e.d. 124, p. 16A, dwelling 266, family 309, lines 35-38.

lying and being in that part of the City of Richmond, Virginia, formerly called 'Port Mayo' and now known as 'Fulton,' fronting twenty feet (20) on Louisiana Street at the northeast corner of Louisiana and Sixth Streets, and running back between parallel lines ninety (90) feet to an alley ten (10) feet wide; being the same property conveyed to Daniel McNamara by Michael McLaughlin and his wife, by deed dated 4 May 1882, and of record in the Chancery Court of Richmond, in Deed Book 120C, page 437. The above named parties of the first part being all the heirs at law of the said Daniel McNamara deceased, who died on 22 July 1906." Recorded 18 July 1910.⁶⁰

On Monday, 8 August 1910, Mary died at 1:25 o'clock. She resided at 400 Louisiana Street at the time of her death. She was the widow of Daniel McNamara, and a native of County Clare, Ireland. The funeral was held at St. Patrick's Church in Richmond.⁶¹ She was buried in grave 5, Lot 419, Section 7, of Mount Calvary Cemetery in Richmond.⁶²

Mary's will was dated 21 July 1910 and proved 19 August 1910.⁶³

In the name of God, Amen:

I, Mary McNamara, of the City of Richmond, being of sound and disposing mind, do hereby make, publish, and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me at anytime made:

First: I desire that all of my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as conveniently may be and to that and charge my estate with the same.

Second: I give all my household and kitchen furniture including fixtures and other household goods, and all money I may have on deposit in Bank at the time of my death to my daughters, Margaret M.; Katie T.; and Nora E. McNamara.

Third: I give and devise to my daughters, Margaret M.; Katie T.; and Nora E. McNamara, in fee simple my house and lot at the North East corner of Louisiana and Sixth Streets in the City of Richmond, Virginia, and which same in designated by street number, as 400 Louisiana Street. I also give, and devise to my daughters, Margaret M.; Katie T., and Nora E. McNamara, in fee simple, a lot of land in the North Line of Orleans Street, beginning at the corner of Fourth Street and running westwardly along and fronting thereon twenty two feet and extending back from said front between parallel lines one hundred feet.

Fourth: I give, and devise to my son Michael McNamara in fee simple, a lot of land on the north line of Orleans Street, in the City of Richmond, Virginia, beginning at a point twenty two feet west of Fourth Street, thence running westwardly along said Orleans Street twenty two feet four inches and extending back from said front and between parallel lines one hundred feet, and adjoining the corner lot devised to my said daughters in the third devise of this will.

Fifth: I give and devise to my son John F. McNamara, in fee simple, a lot of land in the north line of Orleans Street, in the City of Richmond, Virginia, beginning at a point on said Orleans Street forty four feet and four inches, west of Fourth Street, thence running westwardly along and fronting on

⁶⁰ Deed of sale to Mary McNamara from Margaret McNamara, Katie T. McNamara, Nora E. McNamara, John F. McNamara and Lou McNamara, Michael J. McNamara and Annie McNamara, 14 July 1910 (recorded 18 July 1910), Richmond City, Va., Deed Book 207D:506.

⁶¹ Obituary of Mary McNamara, death 8 August 1910, *The Richmond Times Dispatch* (Richmond, Henrico Co., Va.) 9 August 1910, p. 17, Virginia State Library, Richmond, Va.

⁶² Tombstone inscription for Mary Kelly McNamara.

⁶³ Will of Mary McNamara, 21 July 1910 (proved 19 August 1910), Richmond City Wills (1910), p. 331, Office of Clerk of Circuit Court, City of Richmond, Va.. See also, Chancery Court Book 11:331 (1910), Federal Court House, Richmond, Va.

Orleans Street twenty two feet and four inches, and extending back from said front and between parallel lines one hundred feet. The lot adjoins the lot devised to my son Michael J. in the fourth clause of this my will.

Sixth: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Nora E. McNamara, a certain life insurance policy on my life, in the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of New York.

Seventh: I do hereby nominate and appoint my daughter Margaret M. McNamara, executrix of this my last will and testament, and direct that the said executrix shall not be required to give security upon her qualification as such.

In witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal to this my last will and testament at Richmond, Virginia, this 21st day of July, 1910.

Mary (her X mark) McNamara

Signed, published, and declared by Mary McNamara, and for her last will, in the presence of we two competent witnesses, who, in her presence and at her request, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto signed our names as witnesses thereto:

Mrs. J.E. McLaughlin

Ada Miller

Children of Daniel and Mary (Kelly) McNamara, all born in Richmond, Virginia:

- i. MARY JANE³ MCNAMARA, b. 22 September 1863;⁶⁴ d. 8 October 1883 in Richmond.⁶⁵
- ii. BRIDGET MCNAMARA, b. 25 December 1866;⁶⁶ d. May 1867 in Richmond.⁶⁷
- iii. JOHN F. MCNAMARA, b. 15 June 1868;⁶⁸ d. 10 May 1919⁶⁹ in Richmond;⁷⁰ m. in Richmond 20 January 1897 LUELLA B. GILMER.
- iv. HONORA MCNAMARA, b. 25 September 1870;⁷¹ d. 6 November 1953 in Richmond.⁷²
- v. ANNE MCNAMARA, b. 20 March 1872;⁷³ d. 28 June 1873 in Richmond, of infantine cholera at the age of one year, three months, and thirteen days.⁷⁴
- vi. MARGARET M. MCNAMARA, b. 26 November 1873;⁷⁵ d. 7 June 1955⁷⁶ in Richmond.⁷⁷

⁶⁴ Death record for Mary Jane McNamara, 8 October 1883, Richmond City Death Register (1883), p. 30, line 1152, FHL 2048592.

⁶⁵ Death record for Mary Jane McNamara.

⁶⁶ Birth record for Bridget McNamara, 25 December 1866, Richmond City Register of Births (1866), line 64, Richmond, Va., FHL 31856. *See also*, Birth record for Bridgett McNamara, 25 December 1866, Henrico Co. Birth Register, p. 106, FHL 2025329.

⁶⁷ Death record for Bridget McNemara, May 1867, Richmond City Death Register (1866-1867), line 36, FHL 2048591.

⁶⁸ Baptism record for John McNamara, born 15 June 1868, baptized 17 June 1868, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Baptism Register 1:12.

⁶⁹ Burial record for John McNamara, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

⁷⁰ Tombstone inscription for John F. McNamara.

⁷¹ Baptism record for Honora McNamara, 25 September 1870, baptism 8 October 1870, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Baptism Register 1:20.

⁷² Tombstone inscription and burial register for Nora McNamara, died 6 November 1953, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.

⁷³ Birth record for Hanora [Ann] McNamara, 20 March 1872, Richmond City Birth Register (1872), p. 241, line 12, Henrico Co., Va., FHL 2048445.

⁷⁴ Death record for Annie McNamara, 28 June 1873, Richmond City Death Register (1873), p. 31, line 1241, FHL 2048592.

- vii. MICHAEL J. MCNAMARA, b. 16 July 1875⁷⁸ in Richmond;⁷⁹ d. 6 April 1947 in Richmond;⁸⁰
m. ANNIE CORDAY MCGUIRE 24 November 1909 in Richmond, daughter of Hugh
McGuire and Margaret Rogers.⁸¹
- viii. AGNES MCNAMARA, b. 7 July 1877;⁸² d. 25 January 1887 in Richmond of heart disease at
the age of ten years and four months.⁸³
- ix. CATHERINE F. MCNAMARA, b. 24 July 1880;⁸⁴ d. 4 September 1956....⁸⁵

⁷⁵ Baptism record for Margaret McNamara, born 26 November 1873, baptized 30 November 1873, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Baptism Register, 1:34.

⁷⁶ Tombstone inscription for Margaret M. McNamara, 7 June 1955, Lot No. 419, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.; death record for Margaret McNamara, 9 June 1955, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Death Records Book 3:1.

⁷⁷ Tombstone inscription and burial record for Margaret M. McNamara.

⁷⁸ Tombstone inscription for Michael J. McNamara, 1876-1947, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Section 6A, Lot 159.

⁷⁹ Birth certificate for Michael McNamara, 16 July 1875, Richmond City Birth Register (1876), p. 383, line 1124, Division of Vital Records, State Department of Health, P.O. Box 100, Richmond, VA 23208-1000; birth record for Michael McNamara, 16 July 1875, Richmond City Birth Register (1875), p. 383, Henrico Co., Va., FHL 2026337.

⁸⁰ Death record for Michael McNamara shows a date of death as 6 April 1946, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Richmond, Va., Death Records Book 2. The year is in correct as his obituaries do not appear in local newspapers until April 1947.

⁸¹ Marriage record of Michael J. McNamara to Annie C. McGuire, 24 November 1909, Richmond City Marriage Register (1909), line 1060, Division of Vital Records, State Department of Health, P.O. Box 100, Richmond, VA 23208-1000.

⁸² Birth record for Agnes McNamara, 7 July 1877, Richmond City Birth Register (1877), p. 480, Henrico Co., Va., FHL 2048446.

⁸³ St. Patrick's Church death records record her death as 25 January 1887; her tombstone shows 10 December 1887; and the Richmond City death register (FHL 2048592, p. 36, line 1252) records 9 April 1888.

⁸⁴ Birth record for C.F. McNamara, 24 July 1880, Richmond City Birth Register (1880), p. 630, line 1148, FHL 2048446.

⁸⁵ Tombstone inscription for Katherine T. McNamara, died 4 September 1956, Lot 419, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Richmond, Va.