



# The **BOYDs** from Marlacoo, Tandragee, Co Armagh

This document contains a Boyd family tree, followed by gravestone inscriptions from Carnmoney Cemetery relating to the Boyd and Steen families.

The family tree was initially sourced online some years ago, c.2008, but the link to it has not been 'live' now for several years. Subsequently, I have since added a few extra details culled from other online sources and from the Boyd family gravestones in Carnmoney Cemetery.

The original tree was compiled by Lawrence H Boyd with information 'provided by Mrs. Henry Boyd (Louise), 680 N. San Pedro Rd., San Rafael, CA' for the *Ireland Boyds Database* on a RootsWeb site. Hopefully the original will be republished. Lawrence Boyd refers to the family as the *Richhill Boyds*. Marlacoo House is placed approximately half-way between Richhill and Tandragee, Co Armagh.

Cautionary note: I have checked as many details as I can of Robert and Mary Boyd (eventually of Bloomfield) and their immediate sons and daughters against newspaper notices and other websites. Beyond those listings, please treat others with caution and double-check against any other known sources for accuracy!

There is a memorial to Robert Boyd and Martha Turkington in Mullaghbrack Church of Ireland, close to Marlacoo House.

James Boyd (1726-????)

+Susannah Browne, (????- 1810), m: c.1765/6 (James and Susannah are both said to be from Coleraine)

Robert Boyd (1772-1846), b. Intina [Where's this? A mistake?], d. Marlacoo, Tandragee, Co. Armagh

+Martha Lina Turkington (1773-1843), d. Marlacoo, Tandragee, Co. Armagh, m: 22 October 1795

.....James Browne Boyd (1798-1866) (later of Balleer House, Co Armagh)

+Dorcas Jackson (1797-1874), m: 1825

Info from <http://www.thesilverbowl.com/familytree/JACKSONs-LisnaboeREPORT.html>

James Browne Horner Boyd (c.1826-1881)

Ellen McCullough Boyd (1828-1898)

Dorcas Boyd (1835-1924)

Alexander Jackson Boyd (c.1836-1877)

Mary Boyd (????-1863)

Robert Boyd (????-1886)

.....William Boyd (1801-????)

+Jane Miller, m. 22 March 1840, Charleston, South Carolina

..... Robert Boyd, (1803-1869), b. Richhill; lived Bloomfield House; d. Belmont, Kilroot, Co Antrim

+Mary Steen, (1805-1868), d. Bloomfield, Belfast, Co Down. Her parents married in 1791: James Steen (????- 1837) and Eleanor Ravenscroft (????-1830) – hence Ravenscroft Avenue. Mary's siblings were Alex., Eliz., Jas., Wm., Rich., John and Henry.

..... Elizabeth Boyd (1832-1837), died from whooping cough. Interred in Clifton St. Cemetery.

'Daughter of Robert Boyd, Great George's Street' – Graves purchased: G55, G56, G57

- .....William Boyd (1833-1901), d. Australia, but I've been unable to trace him or his family
- ..... Henry Boyd (1835-1913), d. Belfast
- +Anne Purdon (1843-1917), d. Holywood, Co Down, m: 26 April 1876
- Robert Boyd, (1880-1956), b. Belfast, d. Mill Valley, CA
- +Rosa Grace Jackson, (1888-1979), b. South End, England, d. Mill Valley, CA,  
m: 23 November 1920
- Henry P. Boyd, b. Mill Valley, CA
- +Louise S. Schaezlein, b. California (provider of much of this info.)
- Two Children
- ..... Martha Lina Boyd (1836-1922) 'Ohayo', Adelaide Park, Belfast
- ..... Ellen Boyd (1837-1837) Interred at Clifton St. Cemetery. Perhaps a whooping cough death.
- ..... James Steen Boyd\* (1838-1920)
- +Ellen Campbell (1854- ) m. 14 April 1875, St John Church of Ireland, Sligo. Ellen was the youngest daughter of Harper Campbell, Esq., JP, Hermitage, Sligo.
- \* In 1887 JSB had taken a court case against the Belfast Harbour Commissioners. JSB was managing director of both the Belfast Warehouse Company (which he founded in 1873) and the Discount Corporation of Ireland; both failed in 1894. He was also managing director of the Old Bushmills Distillery Company when it went into liquidation in 1896. His mansion and estate at Rosemount\*\*, Dunmurry, were sold in 1900 when his address was Gower Street, London; he died in 1920 in Ferndale, Sevenoaks, Kent.
- \*\* The 1890 Street Directory gives JSB's address as Dunmurry House.
- Mary Ellen Boyd (1876-1936) plus two other siblings (two still living in 1911)
- Mary Ellen was born 16 Jan at 20 University Square, Belfast.
- A son (1882-????) 4 Feb 1882 at Dunmurry House, Dunmurry
- (Presumably this is Ivan Campbell Boyd (d.1950), police superintendent, Bombay, referred to in the will of JSB.)
- ..... William Sinclair Boyd (1840-1911)
- +Amy Purdon (1844-1933)
- Kate Mildred Boyd (1872-1963) born at Rose Lodge, Bloomfield
- Mary Ravenscroft (Jan 1875-Aug 1875)
- Rosamond St Clair Boyd (1877-1966) born at Ravenscroft, Bloomfield
- Robert Sinclair Boyd (1884-1969)
- ..... Elizabeth Boyd (1842-1904) 'Ohayo', Adelaide Park, Belfast
- ..... Robert Boyd (1845-1917) also of 'Ohayo', Adelaide Park. Henry Boyd, 358 Antrim Road, made his brother Robert, 93 Ann Street, an executor of his will. James Steen Boyd, 'having renounced probate'. *Northern Whig*, 12 August 1913
- ..... (Still born) Boyd 1848 'Dead born, Child of Robert Boyd Esquire, Bloomfield, Born at Bloomfield, Belfast.' Interred at Clifton Street cemetery.
- ..... Susanna Priscilla Boyd (1807-1895) She died on 11 September 1895 at Northern Bank House, Belfast
- +William Steen (c.1796-1869) m. 23 June 1832 at Mullaghbrack Church. *Belfast News-Letter*, 2 Oct 1869, gives residence as 'Owen O'Cork'. *Belfast News-Letter* for 1 Oct 1869 gives death as 30 September 'at Beer's Bridge, Ballymacarrett'
- ..... Mary Peebles Boyd (1810-1891) The name clearly suggests a connection with the family's law agent, William Peebles, of Dublin and Dungannon

.....Francis Robert Boyd (1811-????)

Uriah Boyd (1774-????)

+Susannah Shaw

Robert Boyd, c.1795-

John Boyd, c.1795-

Uriah Boyd, Jr., c.1795-

James Browne Boyd (1777-????)

+Catherine Priddicone

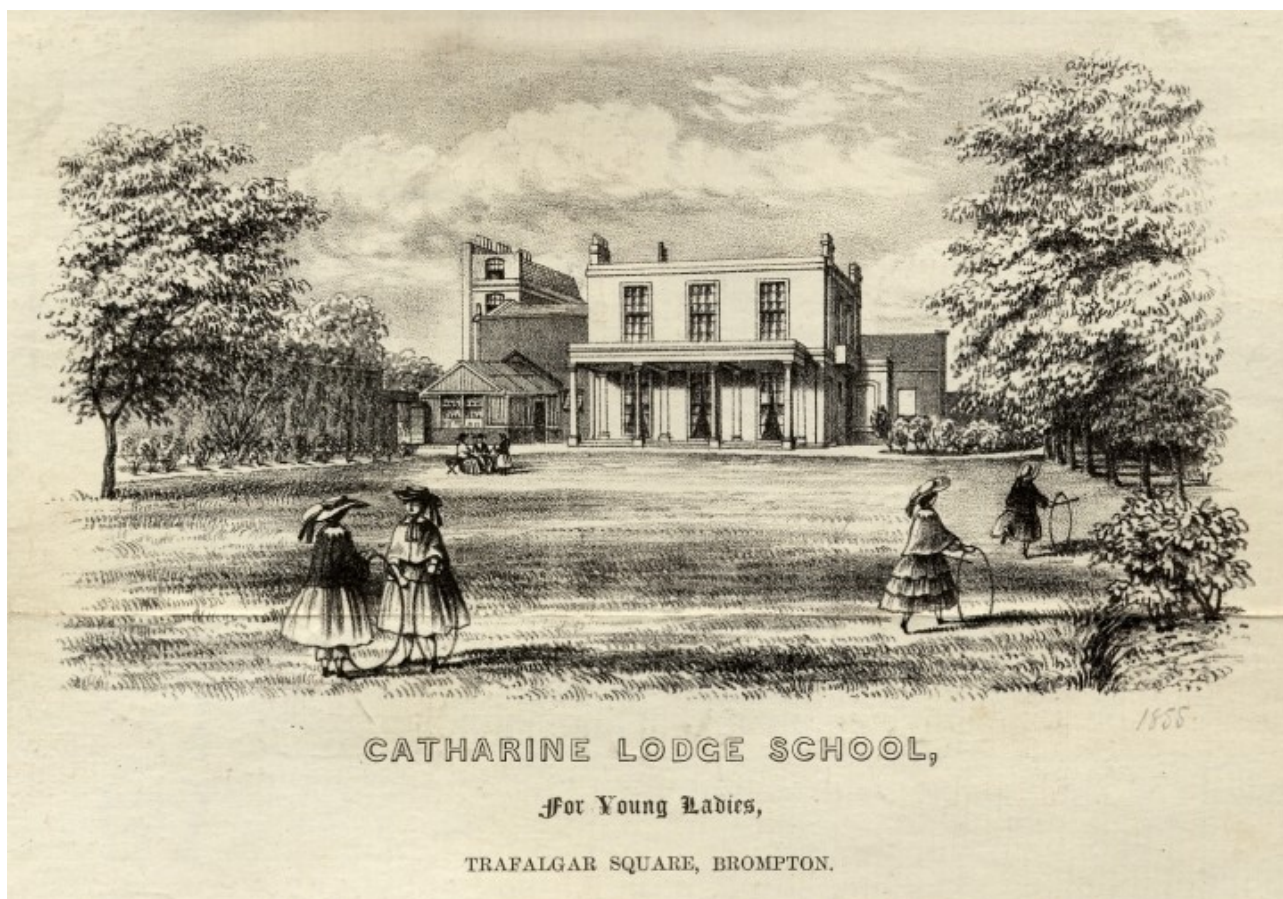
Three unmarried daughters

Note:

Mary Ellen Boyd, in Grave No. C048 overleaf, was the daughter of James Steen Boyd and Ellen Campbell.

In the 1911 National Census for England, James S Boyd, a 71 years old widower was living with his spinster daughter, Mary Ellen, aged 35, plus a cook and a servant, at Beau Site, Sevenoaks, Kent.

I reckon she was the same Mary Ellen Boyd, aged 15 and 'born in Ireland', at the fashionable Chelsea school for young ladies, Catherine Lodge, in the 1891 Census.



More information about the school at -

<https://rbkcllocalstudies.wordpress.com/2014/04/24/forgotten-buildings-catharine-lodge/>

- from whence comes the above fine illustration.

## Gravestone Inscriptions from Carnmoney, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim

(graveyard around the Church of the Holy Evangelists, Church of Ireland)

from *Carved in Stone*,

published by the Belfast Branch of the North of Ireland Family History Society,  
c/o School of Education, Queen's University, 69 University Street, Belfast BT7 1HL ©1994

Grave No. C046

BOYD

in memory of Robert Boyd of Bloomfield  
born 2 June 1803 died 26 December 1869

his wife Mary Steen

born 7 September 1805 died 19 May 1868

and their children

Elizabeth born 10 May 1842 died 6 May 1904

William born 23 September 1833 died Australia 9 November 1901

Elizabeth born 7 June 1832 died 10 December 1837 [whooping cough]

Ellen born 16 April [????] died 1 May 1838 Interred Clifton St. Cemetery, Belfast

William Sinclair born 25 October 1840 died 26 April 1911

Martha Lina Boyd born 31 March 1836 died 14 September 1922

Grave No. C047

BOYD

in loving memory of Wm Sinclair Boyd of Bloomfield

born 25 October 1840 died 26 April 1911

his wife, Amy C (Purdon) born 17 November 1844 died 13 March 1933

and their children

Mary Ravenscroft born 20 January 1875 died 10 August 1875

Kate Mildred born 20 September 1872 died 17 January 1963

Rosamond St Clair Boyd born 11 June 1877 died 12 August 1966

Robert Sinclair Boyd born 20 March 1884 died 23 February 1969

Grave No. C048

BOYD

*All live unto Him*

Robert Boyd died 28 October 1917

James Steen Boyd died 13 February 1920 interred at Wilmington, Dartford

Mary Ellen Boyd died 13 March 1936

Arnold Edward Thompson, loved husband of Amy C Boyd, died 11 December 1947

Amy C Thompson (nee Boyd) born 17 January 1874 died 27 July 1953

Grave No. C049

BOYD

*Hic Jacent*

Henry Boyd, son of Robert Boyd of Bloomfield

died 17 January 1913 in his 79<sup>th</sup> year

Anne, his wife, died 10 September 1917 in her 75<sup>th</sup> year

Phyllis Winifred Oonah, their daughter died 3 August 1885 in her 2<sup>nd</sup> year

*Requiescat in pace*

Grave No. C064

STEEN

in loving memory of William Steen of Belfast  
who died 30 September 1869 aged 73 years  
and of Susanna Priscilla Steen – his wife  
who died 11 September 1895 aged 88 years  
*Father, I will that they also whom thou hast given me  
Be with me where I am*

Grave No. C065

STEEN

in loving memory of  
Mary Peebles Boyd  
daughter of the late Robert Boyd of Marlacoo, Co Armagh  
who died 8 August 1891 aged 81 years  
*“I am the resurrection and the life and he that believeth  
in me, though he were dead, yet shall live.”*  
and of William Steen younger son of the late William Steen  
Owen O Cork, Belfast  
who died 28 May 1929 aged 79 years

Grave No. C066

STEEN

in loving memory of  
James Steen, son of the late William Steen, Owen O Cork, Belfast and  
dearly loved husband of Lina B. Steen who died 24 August 1916 aged 68 years  
and of Lina Boyd Steen, wife of James Steen and daughter of Oliver Anketell  
of Duncillick, Co Monaghan died 14 August 1930 aged 70 years  
also the younger daughter of the above, Susanna Priscilla Steen  
born 17 May 1888 died at Highgate, London 28 August 1941  
*“Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God”*  
v St Matthew 8<sup>th</sup> verse

Please let me know of any corrections or updates for this document. Contact via the website.

David Byers, *updated* 5 February 2020