

Descendants of Edward Keegan

Generation No. 1

1. Edward¹ Keegan was born in Ireland. He married **(1) Jane Sheridan**, daughter of John Sheridan and Mary Minor. He married **(2) Unknown**.

Notes for Edward Keegan:

Edward Keegan was in the shoe business in Brooklyn, New York.

Notes for Unknown:

Edward Keegan remarried the widow of an Episcopal Minister when his first wife Jane died.

Children of Edward Keegan and Jane Sheridan are:

- 2 i. Edward² Keegan.
- 3 ii. Jane Keegan, died in New York at approx age 14.
- 4 iii. Nellie Keegan, died in New York at approx 2 years of age.
- 5 iv. Unknown Keegan.
- + 6 v. Michael E. Keegan, born 01 Jan 1843 in Brooklyn, NY; died 23 Jan 1930 in Lawler, Iowa.

Generation No. 2

6. Michael E.² Keegan (Edward¹) was born 01 Jan 1843 in Brooklyn, NY, and died 23 Jan 1930 in Lawler, Iowa. He married **Bridgett Folan** 1862 in Lyons, Iowa, daughter of Martin Folan and Catherin McKearen. She was born 21 Jun 1840 in Carrickmacross, County, Monaghan, Ireland, and died 25 Oct 1931 in Lawler, Iowa.

Notes for Michael E. Keegan:

Michael Keegan moved to Lyons, Iowa where he married Bridget Folen. Three years later he moved to Chickasaw county where he purchased a farm near Lawler resided there until 1903 when he moved to Lawler. The farm id is: Northeast Quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Fourteen (14), and the South One half (S 1/2) of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of Section Thirteen (13), all in Township Ninety-five (95), Range Twelve (12), West of the 5th P.M. Chickasaw County, Iowa.

From the New Hampton, Iowa obituary column January 29, 1930:

Michael Keegan Dies at Lawler

Pioneer man of Chickasaw County dies after a few months illness.

Mr. Michael Keegan, one of the long-time residents of Chickasaw county, passed away Thursday, January 23, 1930, at the age of 87 years. Mr. Keegan had been in failing health for a considerable time.

He bore his sufferings with Christian fortitude, sustained by an unwavering faith and when the final moment came he was ready for the call to new life beyond the grave.

Michael Keegan was born in Brooklyn, New York, January 1, 1843. When a young man he moved to Lyons, Iowa where in 1862 he was married to Bridget Nolen. Three years later he moved to Chickasaw county where he purchased a farm near Lawler and resided there until he moved to Lawler in 1902, where he has resided since.

Mr. and Mrs. Keegan were the parents of seven children. His aged wife and four children survive him. Three children preceded him in death. The living children are: Michael of Minneapolis, Matt, who resides on the home



farm, Mrs. Mary Jane Nolan of Ironwood, Michigan and Mrs. Nellie Leonard of Lawler. He leaves 16 grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Mr. Keegan always held to high ideals and was continually reaching out a helping hand to assist other on life's journey. To know him was to esteem and honor him. To his family he was a devoted husband and father, and to those who knew him, a faithful friend. He had many excellent traits of character, and his life was filled with many acts of kindness and love.

The funeral was held in Mr. Carmel church Saturday morning, mass for the dead being said by Rev. Father O'Donnell and interment was made in the Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

Those who attended the funeral from away are: Mrs. Mary Jane Nolen of Ironwood, Michigan, Mrs. M.E. Keegan and sons Basil and Cecil of Minneapolis, Miss Eileen Leonard of Chicago, Stewart Kane and Pat Folan of St. Paul, Mrs. Anna Donnelly and sons Paul and John and Miss Bessie O'Hollearn of New Hampton.

More About Michael E. Keegan:

Burial: 25 Jan 1930, Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Lawler, Iowa

Notes for Bridgett Folan:

Bridgett's parents and family were fishermen in Ireland.

Burial: 27 Oct 1931, Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Lawler, Iowa



Bridgett Folan

Children of Michael Keegan and Bridgett Folan are:

- 7 i. John³ Keegan.

Notes for John Keegan:

John killed in horse accident at age 19. Source: Nellie Keegan (Sister) Audio recording.

JOHN F. KEEGAN

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A SUDDEN DEATH

John Keegan and his sister came from Lawler to New Hampton Saturday, and when they were returning home in the evening, the colt, which he was driving, became frightened at a passing team, when opposite the fair ground, and kicked over the dashboard, striking him in the stomach. He was brought back to New Hampton and Dr. Gardner was summoned, but his injuries were of such a nature as to be beyond medical aid, and he died at the Fox Bros' restaurant, where he had been taken, Sunday evening.

Deceased was about nineteen years of age, a young man of fine appearance and was a favorite with all whom he was acquainted. He leaves a father, mother, two sisters, and four brothers to mourn his sudden and untimely demise.

The funeral services were held Tuesday at Lawler in the church of the "Lady of Mt. Carmel," Rev. Father Hawe conducting the services, after which all that was mortal of John was consigned to mother earth, to awaken to a better and more glorious life.

- + 8 ii. Matt Keegan, born 01 Sep 1864 in Postville, Iowa; died 12 Apr 1943 in St. Joseph's Hospital, New Hampton, Iowa.
- 9 iii. Mary Jane Keegan, born 1866. She married Noland.

- + 10 iv. Michael E. Keegan, born 26 Aug 1869 in Lawler, Iowa; died 17 May 1933 in Lawler, Iowa.
- 11 v. James Keegan, born 15 Sep 1875.
- 12 vi. Patrick Keegan, born 05 Apr 1878.

Notes for Patrick Keegan:
Patrick Keegan's given name at birth was Basil or Cecil.

- 13 vii. Nellie C. Keegan, born 08 Apr 1881 in Lawler, Iowa [[Go to the Phillip Henry Leonard Descendents file to see the marriage of Nellie Keegan and their lineage.](#)]

Generation No. 3

8. Matt³ Keegan (Michael E.², Edward¹) was born 01 Sep 1864 in Postville, Iowa, and died 12 Apr 1943 in St. Joseph's Hospital, New Hampton, Iowa. He married **Rose Elizebeth McFaul** 05 May 1891 in Lawler, Iowa. She was born 10 May 1872 in Pembroke, ME, and died 06 Mar 1940 in New Hampton, Iowa.

Notes for Matt Keegan:
Burial mass was held at St. Joseph Church, New Hampton, Iowa.
Lived in Iowa

MATT KEEGAN
April 13, 1943
Reprinted from the New Hampton, IA paper of the day

Matt Keegan Dies Monday; Services Today

Matt Keegan died in St. Joseph's Hospital New Hampton, Monday evening April 12, 1943 from a long illness with heart trouble. He was in his 79th year.

Funeral services will be held this Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock from St. Joseph's church and will be conducted by the pastor the Very Reverend J.J. Leen. Burial will be in Mt. Carmel cemetery Lawler, beside the remains of his wife and his children who have gone on before.



Matt Keegan

The deceased was born at Postville a son of the late Mike Keegan and Bridget Folen and has always resided in this part of Iowa, most of the years in the Lawler and New Hampton communities.

As he grew to manhood he received his education in the schools of this section and followed the occupation of farming.

In May of 1890 he was married to Rose McFall (McFaul) at Lawler and they moved to a farm southeast of New Hampton, where they resided until 1936, when they moved to New Hampton. Mrs. Keegan died March 6 1940.

Mr. And Mrs. Matt Keegan were the parents of eight children, John and Helen preceded their parents in death. The living children are Madonna (Mrs. Ray Landon), Claire (Mrs. Henry Mangan), Rose Keegan, James Keegan, Anna (Mrs. Ed Leeney) all from away from here, and Pat Keegan who lives on the old home farm. There are a number of grandchildren and other relatives left to mourn with the above.

Mr. Keegan was a good husband, father, and brother and a good neighbor and friend. He was highly respected in life and he departed this life well prepared by the rites of his church.

We extend sympathy to his children, grandchildren and other relatives.

More About Matt Keegan:

Burial: 15 Apr 1943, Mr. Carmel Cemetery, Lawler, Iowa

More About Rose Elizabeth McFaul:

Burial: 09 Mar 1940, Mr. Carmel Cemetery, Lawler, Iowa

Children of Matt Keegan and Rose McFaul are:

- 14 i. Helen⁴ Keegan.
- 15 ii. Madonna Keegan. She married Ray Landon.
- 16 iii. Claire Keegan. She married Henry Mangan.
- 17 iv. Rose Keegan.
- 18 v. James Keegan.
- 19 vi. Anna Keegan. She married Ed L. Leeney.
- 20 vii. John F. Keegan, born 25 Mar 1895; died 04 Jan 1932 in Portland, Oregon.

Notes for John F. Keegan:

Rev. J.J. O'Donnell officiating.

Attended Lawler High School and Columbia College, Dubuque

More About John F. Keegan:

Burial: 11 Jan 1932, Mr. Carmel Cemetery, Lawler, Iowa

- 21 viii. Patrick Henry Keegan, born 09 Oct 1906.

10. Michael E.³ Keegan (Michael E.², Edward¹) was born 26 Aug 1869 in Lawler, Iowa, and died 17 May 1933 in Lawler, Iowa. He married **Bridget Mullen** 18 May 1903, daughter of Michael Mullen.

Notes for Michael E. Keegan:

From the obituary in the New Hampton newspaper:

Michael E. Keegan, formerly of Lawler dies in Minneapolis. Former prominent businessman passed away May 18. Remains were brought of Lawler for Burial.

Michael E. Keegan passed away at the Northwestern hospital in Minneapolis at 11:30, May 18, after an illness of one week. Death was due to pneumonia.

Michael Keegan, age 63 years, was born August 26, 1869, on a farm near Lawler, Iowa. He was the son of Mr. And Mrs. Michael Keegan, pioneer builders of Chickasaw County His youthful days were spent on the farm which was located midway between New Hampton and Lawler. When a young man he left the farm to fill his place in the world and located in Lawler. His success from that time has been continuous and it is to the enterprise and progressiveness of business men like Mike Keegan that the citizens of Lawler can look back to at the civic development of the town.

On the 18th day of May, 1903, Mr. Keegan was united in marriage to Miss Bridget Mullen, a daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Michael Mullen, of Lawler, and they became the parents of two children: Cecil E. and Basil M., both of whom survive and live with their mother in Minneapolis. As a husband and a father he was above reproach and it was in the peace and contentment of the happy home circle that he found his great enjoyment. He held membership in the Catholic Church and to its teachings was most loyal. And it was this thought in the mind of Father O'Donnell in the funeral sermon when he said, "He was a Christian both in profession and practice." His was a nature that shed around him much of life's sunshine and to his fellow travelers, on extending a helping hand. Everyone who knew Mike Keegan loved and respected him, and his make friends in Lawler were shocked to hear of his death.

Besides his widow and children, two sisters and one brother survive. They are Matt Keegan, living on the old homestead at Lawler, Mrs. Nellie Leonard of Sumner, Iowa, and Mrs. Jennie Nolan of Ironwood, Michigan.

Funeral services were held from our Lady of Mt. Carmel church in Lawler, Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. The Requiem Mass was read by the Pastor, Rev. J. J. O'Donnell, who also preached the sermon. Interment was made in Our Lady of Mr. Carmel Cemetery. The casket bearers were O. B. Taylor, P.J. Martin, Earl Burke, Chas, Shepherd, W.J. Casey and C.H. McKone.

Relatives from away who attended the funeral were Melda and Cleo Mullen, and Mr. And Mrs. D.J. Keegan of Minneapolis and Mr. Nellie Leonard of Sumner.

Sincere sympathy is extended to the family of Michael E. Keegan.

More About Michael E. Keegan:

Burial: Mt. Carmel cemetery, Lawler, Iowa

Children of Michael Keegan and Bridget Mullen are:

- 22 i. Cecil E.⁴ Keegan.
- 23 ii. Basil M. Keegan.