

Conn Ó Dálaigh

Born c. 1740

Died 1802

Con O'Daly was one of the main progenitors of the Daly line found throughout the Killarney-Tralee area of County Kerry. Today, his descendants number amongst the thousands. Throughout his life, he would have been known by the Irish equivalent of his name, Conn Ó Dálaigh. His father's name was William O'Daly.

Con O'Daly and his brothers were the most important Daly landholders in Kerry during the late 1700s, and were very wealthy. Con lived in the townland of Rossmore, though his sons moved out and bought farms elsewhere. He died in 1802, aged around 60, and, unusually for the time, he made a will. This is very notable, as to make a will back then, one had to do so through the Church of Ireland courts; only very wealthy Catholics would make wills back then. In the entire of Kerry, between 1690 and 1858, only 12 wills were made out by Dalys, all of whom were directly related to Con O'Daly and his brother John.

He married around the year 1780 and had issue:

1. William O'Daly, born c. 1780.
2. Charles O'Daly, born c. 1785.