## Mullin Summary about Gavine – Given family

We do believe that our name was once Gavin, then Given, and now Givens. The Givens family, is without doubt Scotch-Irish in origin. It was believed for years that our family came from the Dungiven area but many years of research would be necessary to prove or disprove a connection to Dungiven in the 1500's. In the Limavady Library, I found the book, *Limavady And The Roe Valley*, by Dr. Rev T.H. Mullin. In this book, I found many references to our family, which appear on the surface to fit the dates that our ancestors departed Ireland to the East Coast of the America. The family emigrated from Northern Ireland by way of Philadelphia and other Northeastern ports of Pennsylvania, Delaware or possibly Maine. The family ended up settling in the Shenandoah Valley in Virginia in 1730's to 1740's.

Some background, our family patriarch is Daniel Givens, married Martha Camden in 1764 in Virginia. Daniel was born @ 1740's and may have Brothers by names of William, George, Andrew, Johanathn and Thomas. Daniel and Martha 's children's names were, Ann, Valinda, William, Isaiah, Elisha, Joseph, Daniel Susanna. The children were most likely named after uncles, aunts, grandparents and the like. I'm trying to find who Daniel Givens's, (Givin(s)?) parents were and where they lived in Ireland. Most of our family researchers to date believe that our family is from County Antrim, Northern Ireland.

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