Flora MCDONALD 1805 - 1841?

Flora MCDONALD's web page: <u>https://jansquire.com/tng/getperson.php?personID=I710&tree=squire</u>

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Origin of the Surname WEIR

Scottish: Anglicized form of Gaelic *Mac Domhnaill* 'son of *Domhnall*', a name derived from the Celtic elements *domno-* 'world' + *val-* 'might, rule'. *Donald* is an Anglicized form (via Latin) of this personal name used in Scotland, though the surname is also widespread in Ireland. The name is equivalent to Irish McDonnell and McConnell , and to Manx Cannell .

History: This is the name of the largest and most disparate of the Scottish clans (Clan Donald), associated in particular with the Hebrides and claiming descent from Domhnall mac Raghnaill mac Somhairle, who lived in the late 12th century. From that time until 1493 the head of the clan was known as Lord (or King) of the Isles. The reigns of the Lords of the Isles were always stormy, often in conflict with the kings of Scotland, and peppered with disasters. After a series of defeats in the 1480s, Eoin Mac Dhomhnaill a Ile (John Macdonald of Islay, Earl of Ross and Lord of the Isles) forfeited his lands, his power, and his title as Lord of the Isles in 1493 to King James IV of Scotland. By then, a branch of the family had settled in the Antrim Glens in Ireland and members moved between the southern Hebrides and Ireland throughout the 16th century.

Fig 1 – Flora was baptised at I, on the Isle of Mull. The Isle of Iona is at 2.



Archibald MCDONALD b -

I do not know much about Archibald, except for his name being on Flora's baptism record. I cannot find any records that can be definitely linked to Archibald. I did find a record that he married Cirsty MCLEAN in 1804, on the Isle of Iona in Scotland.

Flora MCDONALD b1805

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Flora MCDONALD is Anne SQUIRE's great x 3 grandmother. One of Flora's daughters was Christina MCARTHUR, who married Duncan BUCHANAN in 1857 in Mount Gambier.

The BUCHANAN surname has a narrative, and you can read it here: <u>https://jansquire.com/tng/showmedia.php?mediaID=98&medialinkID=99</u>

Facebook Summary

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Flora MCDONALD

♀ 1805 - 1841 (36 years)

Generation: 1

Less detail

1. Flora MCDONALD was born in 1805 in Kilfinichen and Kilvickeon, Argyllshire, Scotland, ; was christened on 18 Mar 1805 in Kilfinichen and Kilvickeon, Argylshire, Scotland (daughter of Archibald MCDONALD and Cirsty MCLEAN); died on 14 Feb 1841 in Creich, Argyllshire, Scotland; was buried on 15 Feb 1841 in Creich, Argyllshire, Scotland.

Flora married Peter MCARTHUR on 12 Mar 1833 in Iona, Argyllshire, Scotland. Peter (son of Edward MCARTHUR and Janet MCEACHERN) was born on 26 Mar 1805 in Isle of Mull, Argylshire, Scotland; died on 26 Aug 1892 in Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia.

Children:

- i. Dugald MCARTHUR was born on 11 Feb 1833 in Isle of Mull, Argylshire, Scotland; was christened on 15 Feb 1835 in Creich, Isle of Mull, Argyllshire, Scotland; died on 21 Apr 1908 in Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia.
- ii. Archibald MCARTHUR was born on 25 Nov 1834 in Isle of Mull, Argylshire, Scotland; died on 10 Jul 1911 in Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia; was buried in Cemetery, Mt Gambier, South Australia, Australia, Australia.
- iii. Neil MCARTHUR was born on 24 Dec 1836 in Iona, Argyllshire, Scotland; was christened on 8 Apr 1837 in Iona, Argyllshire, Scotland; died on 2 Jan 1878 in Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia; was buried on 4 Jan 1878 in Lake Terrace Cemetery, Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia.
- iv. Christina MCARTHUR was born on 3 Dec 1838 in Iona, Skye, Scotland; died on 11 Aug 1923 in Mount Gambier, South Australia, Australia.
- v. Flora MCARTHUR was born on 17 Oct 1840 in Iona, Argyllshire, Scotland; was christened on 20 Nov 1840 in Iona, Argyllshire, Scotland; died on 20 Feb 1924 in Prospect, South Australia, Australia.

Generation: 2

2. Archibald MCDONALD

Archibald married Cirsty MCLEAN on 1 Feb 1804 in Kilfinichen and Kilvickeon, Argyllshire, Scotland.

- 3. Cirsty MCLEAN Children:
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