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# THE BRYANT CLAN

The Bryant Clan stems from the original clan of O'Brien of Ireland. The O'Brien clan descends from Brian Boru, the High King of Ireland.

Centuries after Brian Boru, William M. O'Bryan moved from Canada to the United States of America in \_\_\_\_\_ and changed his last name to Bryant. All of his and Mary Jane Stacy's children bore the last name of Bryant.

Four generations later, Garry Eugene Bryant and DaLene Day were married on September 6, 1985, starting the last remaining family, descending from William O'Bryan/Bryant, with the name of Bryant at the time. Their interest in family history sparked going to Scottish games, learning the bagpipes, being granted a coat of arms, and ultimately resulted in the official formation of the Bryant Clan as outlined in these pages.

After participating in an O'Brien clan DNA study by \_\_\_\_\_. Garry Bryant can confirm that he is a direct male descendant of Brian Boru. One of very few in the study, like the O'Brien chief, who can make that claim.

The Bryant Clan was formed to address the needs of its members, specifically the children, in this modern day. The hope of the clan is to make sure members stay connected to their roots by bringing ancient traditions forward in a modern way, as well as teach essential principals for its members to become well grounded, kind, giving, and thriving citizens in the world. The clan also hopes to keep the family, and any who decide to join it, united as the generations pass.

# THE BRYANT CLAN CHARTER

*“Mar a chuirtear bainfear / As given it is taken [I reap what I sow]”*

Today the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2019 we set forth as the Bryant Clan, sub to the original clan of O’Brien of Ireland, consisting of Irish Armiger Garry & DaLene Bryant and their children & spouses & their children & spouses to the utmost generations.

We hereby organize ourselves for the purpose of adding to the eternal power of the priesthood with Irish culture, incentives and traditions.

As the founding clansmen, Garry & DaLene Bryant, Sterling & Emily Bryant, Ian & Victoria Bryant, Alexander & Ailene Kubricky, we wish to support growth in our children and encourage all future generations to join together as a clan & support each other in teaching one another’s children the ways of knighthood & righteous Christlike living.

Garry and DaLene Bryant having been placed as Chieftain and Tanist of the current organization we encourage all future generations to place the holders of the original coat of arms as the leader of the clan. If they will not lead, the clan is to elect someone to hold the position of Chieftain who will promote unity and the advancement of the members of the clan and uphold everything that office is to stand for. Upon the resignation or death of an elected chieftain, the clan is to return to the holder of the original coat of arms to see if they will lead, if they will not then a new chieftain is to be elected as before.

We have charged that the original coat of arms granted to Garry Bryant by the Chief Herald of Ireland, be passed down to his oldest son Sterling and his wife Emily then to their oldest son, Quinton at death. If he has no heir it needs to be given to the closest living male Bryant. (As example: if Quinton had no son but he had a little brother who had a son, the original coat of Arms would go to them) The son and heir(s) inheriting the original coat of arms are to carry the Label of three points on the coat of arms until they inherit the original. The coat of arms charged with the crescent moon will be given to all second sons and all their sons, as exemplified by Ian and Victoria. The coat of arms with the snowflake will be given to all daughters of the clan and their husbands and heirs, as exemplified by Alexander and Ailene.

Any who wish to foster into the clan, who are not descendants of the original founders or their bloodlines, may receive the Bryant coat of arms charged with the chain link. If anyone wanting to join the clan happens to have their own official coat of arms, previously presented to them, they can marshal their coat of arms with the Bryant on the left or Dexter side of the coat of arms, with their coat of arms on the right or sinister side, and have it approved by the leading Chieftain.

May we join as a clan in following a solid definable plan for the family and our descendants that encourages honor, respect, and teaches lessons and skills that will be valuable to everyone's future.

We hereby set forth our Charter:

# CLAN ROLES

Leadership positions in the clan are important. Those with assigned roles, as voted upon during the Clan Gathering Meeting, are to fulfill their role to the best of their abilities and help in guiding, leading, and improving the clan. Not every role needs to be filled. A chieftain and tanist are obviously required, but the other positions may remain empty if there is not a qualifying member of the clan. If this happens the other roles will need to share in dividing up the responsibilities of any unfilled position. New roles may be created as necessary.



## Chieftain

The chieftain leads the clan and promotes unity and the advancement of the members of the clan. The chieftain is to stand for light, honor, humility, righteousness, and a witness for God as best as their abilities allow. They preside at all clan ceremonies and gatherings.

## Tanist (2nd)

The tanist leads when the chieftain cannot. They backup and support the chieftain and the clan as well as coordinate all education classes for the advancement of members.

