

Genealogy Basics – Were You Surprised by the DNA Results?

By Joe Petrie

INTRODUCTION

My experience is with Family Tree DNA.

I had attended a few Genealogy DNA sessions. I concluded that I would not learn enough to make it useful.

In 2017, the Genealogy Library at the Irish Cultural Centre in Canton MA (where I volunteered on Friday nights) scheduled a Family Tree DNA session on a Saturday. I brought home the pamphlet. I told my wife that I wanted to volunteer for the session. She told me that we would attend the session, pay for it, and take the hand-out the DNA test kit.

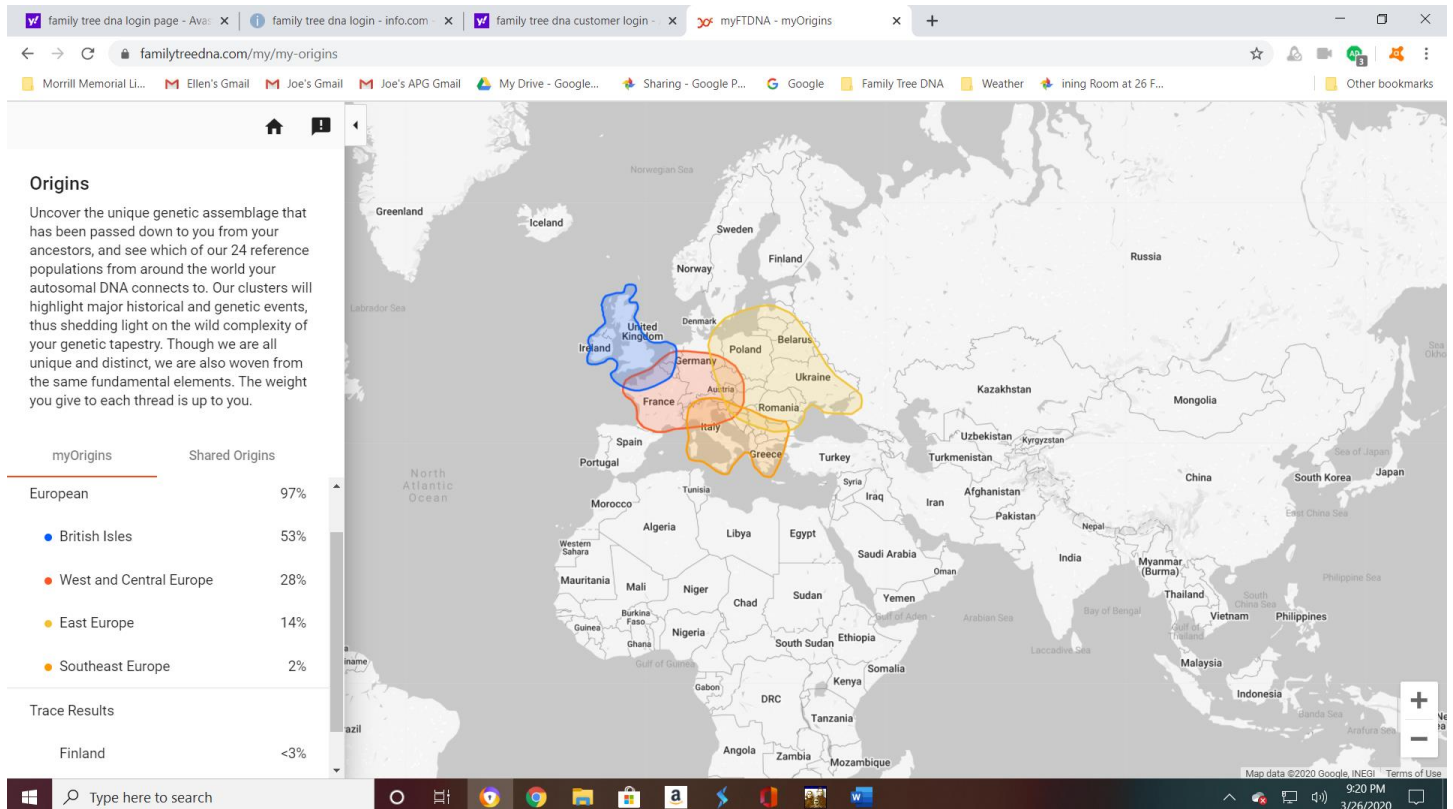
MY DNA RESULT

My DNA result was almost totally predictable. The Family Tree DNA Pie Chart showed that I was correct to tell other genealogists that I was mostly Irish, with Scottish, French, German and Swiss roots.

- My Casey, Cummings, Dooley, Hogan, Keefe, Laffan, Mackie, Maher, O'Brien, Ormond and Tobin ancestors were the source of my Irish root.
- Petrie is a sept in the Scottish Clan McGregor.
- Martin Adolph Camus and many Boutilliers are the source of my French root.
- My German root source was Anna Barbara Magdalena Hirtle who married Frederick Nicholas Boutilier in Lunenburg in 1779. Anna Barbara Magdalena Hirtle was the daughter of Johan Jacob Hirtle and Anna Maria Shuffleberger.
- My Swiss root source was Sarah (Grange) Boutilier.

My wife believed my Dad. My Dad always claimed that his Native American Indian roots explained his jet black hair. The Pie Chart showed that I did not have Native American Indian roots.

The following screen print is Family Tree DNA's My Origins. It is roughly equivalent to my Pie Chart.



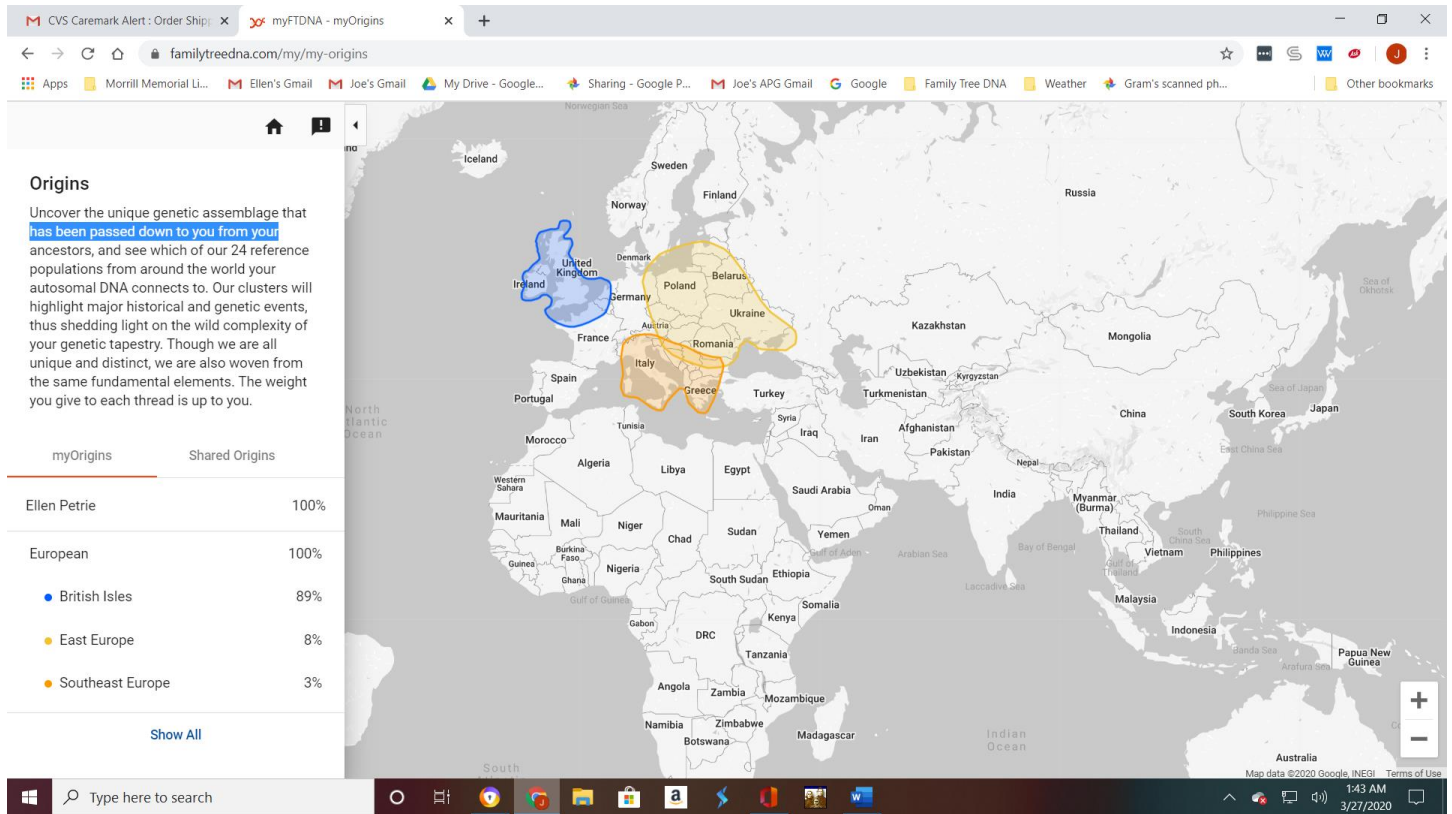
Many Irish people have Finish roots because of the Viking occupation.

MY WIFE'S DNA RESULT

I thought that my wife was pedigree Irish. Her Galway families' baptism and marriage records go back to the 1808. Her Waterford and Cork records go back to 1874.

My wife's pie chart showed roots in Iberia. I reminded her that her father's roots were in Galway. Her father's brother was a dark skin Irishman. Why Dark Skin? In 1598, when the British defeated the Spanish Armada, the fleet retreated by going around Scotland and Ireland. Storms off the West coast of Ireland wrecked a number of the ships. Some of the crew fled to Galway and other Counties both to the North and South of Galway and hid. Some eventually married Irish girls.

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The surprise: Iberia is gone. Italy and others replaced it.

SUMMARY

Genealogy DNA is being improved. Changes to results may change often.

The following page contains partial Family Trees for two of my great grandmothers. Mary Ann Boutlier Cummings was Dad's Grandmother. Lucy Boutlier Camus was Mom's grandmother.

Chart-no.-1

Pedigree-Chart

Completed-Ordinances:
B Baptized
E Endowed
P Sealed-to-parents
S Sealed-to-spouse
C Children's-ordinances

1 Mary-Ann-Boutilier
 B: 12-Dec-1844
 P: Cape-Breton,NS,Canada
 M: Abt-1878
 P: Bridgeport,CB,NS,Canada

2 Frederick-Edward-Boutilier
 B: 2-Apr-1824
 P:
 M: 4-Mar-1848
 P:
 D: Apr-1906
 P:

3 John-Peter-Boutilier
 B: 28-Oct-1773
 P: Lunenburg-County,NS,Canada
 M: 23-May-1803
 P: St-Paul's,Halifax,NS,Canada
 D: 18-Nov-1853
 P: Lingan,Cape-Breton,N,Canada

4 Frederick-Nicholas-Boutilier
 B: 17-Jul-1754
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 M: 27-Jul-1779
 P: S,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada
 D: 3-Jan-1831
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada

5 Hannah-Elizabeth-Boutilier-A
 B: 22-Jul-1784
 P: St-Margarets-Bay,H,N,Canada
 D: 30-Dec-1864
 P: Lingan,Cape-Breton,N,Canada

6 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 19-Aug-1691
 M: 19-Jan-1723
 D: 1752

7 Jacques-James-Boutilier-J
 B: 4-Aug-1735
 P: E,M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 M: 22-Dec-1765
 P: SJS,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada
 D: 27-May-1827
 P: Coxheath,CB,NS,Canada

8 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 P: E,M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 P: St-Paul's,Halifax,NS,Canada
 D: 12-Mar-1784
 P: Boutiliers-Point,H,NS,Canada

9 Suzanne-Elizabeth-Rigoleaux
 B: 1736
 P: M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 D: 8-Apr-1830
 P: Coxheath,CB,NS,Canada

10 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 11-Mar-1756
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 M: 4-Apr-1780
 P: SJS,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada
 D: 3-Jan-1831
 P: French-Village,H,NS,Canada

11 Catherine-Elizabeth-L'Eau
 B: 7-Oct-1759
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 D:
 P:

12 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 D: 12-Mar-1784

13 Anna-Catherine-E-Maillard-B
 B: 6-Jun-1733
 D: 1775

14 Jean-Frederic-L'Eau
 B: 1725
 M: Abt-1848
 D: 6-Jun-1792

15 Anna-Catherine-Currier
 B:
 D:

16 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 19-Aug-1691
 M: 19-Jan-1723
 D: 1752

17 Sarah-Grange
 B:
 D: 1752

18 Vernier-Frederick-Rigoleau
 B: 1712
 M:
 D:

19 Jeanne-Jodry
 B: 1716
 D: 13-Apr-1753

20 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 D: 12-Mar-1784

21 Anna-Catherine-E-Maillard-B
 B: 6-Jun-1733
 D: 1775

22 Jean-Frederic-L'Eau
 B: 1725
 M: Abt-1848
 D: 6-Jun-1792

23 Anna-Catherine-Currier
 B:
 D:

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Pedigree-Chart

Completed-Ordinances:
B Baptized
E Endowed
P Sealed-to-parents
S Sealed-to-spouse
C Children's-ordinances

1 Lucy-Boutilier
 B: 26-Jan-1827
 P: Cape-Breton,NS,Canada
 M: 27-Aug-1863
 P: Little-Bras-d'Or,CB,NS,Canada

2 John-Boutilier
 B: 4-Jan-1783
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 M: 9-Apr-1807
 P:
 D:
 P:

3 Anna-Barbara-M-Hirtle-B
 B: 1758
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 D:
 P:

4 Frederick-Nicholas-Boutilier
 B: 17-Jul-1754
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 M: 27-Jul-1779
 P: S,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada
 D: 3-Jan-1831
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada

5 Anna-Barbara-M-Hirtle-B
 B: 1758
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada
 D:
 P:

6 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 19-Aug-1691
 M: 19-Jan-1723
 D: 1752

7 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 P: E,M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 P: St-Paul's,Halifax,NS,Canada
 D: 12-Mar-1784
 P: Boutiliers-Point,H,NS,Canada

8 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 P: E,M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 P: St-Paul's,Halifax,NS,Canada
 D: 12-Mar-1784
 P: Boutiliers-Point,H,NS,Canada

9 Anna-Catherine-E-Maillard-B
 B: 6-Jun-1733
 P: C,M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 D: 1775
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada

10 Johan-Jacob-Hirtle
 B: 1733
 P: Wurttemberg,Germany
 M: 11-May-1756
 P: S,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada
 D: 7-Dec-1809
 P: Lunenburg,L,NS,Canada

11 Anna-Maria-LG-Shuffleberger
 B: 1735
 P: M,Duchy-of-Württemberg
 D: 7-Jul-1777
 P: MB,L,L,Nova-Scotia,Canada

12 Jean-George-Boutilier
 B: 30-Jun-1729
 M: 31-Aug-1752
 D: 12-Mar-1784

13 Sarah-Grange
 B:
 D: 1752

14 Jean-Frederick-Maillard
 B: 3-Jul-1707
 M: 9-Oct-1729
 D: 15-Dec-1771

15 Judith-Sugney
 B: 18-Jul-1707
 D:

16 Hans-Michael-Hirtle
 B: 14-Dec-1701
 M: 21-May-1731
 D: 10-May-1777

17 Anna-Maria-Bartin
 B: 1691
 D: 1757

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Please note that Friends of Irish Research is the repository for my published genealogy articles in the *Newfoundland Ancestor*; and in *EZINE*, the electronic magazine of the Cape Breton Genealogy and Historical Association. (Please see friendsofirisresearch.org specifically: the Tabs for Publications and Joe's Free Web Sites.) Also, please note that I am the author of the Genealogy Basics Series.

Membership in Ireland Reaching Out (irelandxo.com) is free. It has an Electronic Magazine named XO Chronicles (irelandxo.com/irelandxo/history-and-genealogy). One of the three XO Chronicles Series is XO People. XO People focus on the Irish Diaspora (people who immigrated and never returned permanently). XO People has seven of my XO People articles about ancestors. My relatives are: John Cummings (Thurles Parish, Tipperary, Newfoundland and Lingan, Cape Breton Island); Patrick Tobin (Gowran Parish, Kilkenny and Newfoundland); and Judith Keeffe (Gowran Parish, Kilkenny and Newfoundland). My wife's relatives are; John McGrath (Ballyphilip, Kilcockan, Kockanore, Waterford and Massachusetts); Helena O'Brien (Fermoy, Youghal, Cork, Boston); Peter Connolly (Kilcummin, Galway, Boston) and Mary A (Nee) Connolly (Kilcummin, Galway, Boston).