

# INTERESTING IRISH FAMILY NAMES

## Beirne

It is the anglicized form of 'O'Byrne,' meaning 'descendant of Bran.' In the Irish language, Bran refers to 'a raven.'



## Carey

It is an anglicized form of 'Ó Ciardha,' meaning the 'descendant of Ciardha.' Here, 'Ciardha' comes from the Old Irish word 'ciar,' which means 'black' or 'dark.'



## Deasun

It is derived from 'Deasmhumhain' referring to 'South Munster,' a region in Ireland.



## Farrell

It is an anglicized form of 'Ó Fearghail' referring to the 'descendant of Fearghal,' which means 'man of valor.'



## Gorman

It is an anglicized version of 'Ó Gormáin' referring to a 'descendant of Gorman.' 'Gorman' means 'little blue one.'



## Kelly

It is the anglicized form of 'Ó Ceallaig,' which means the 'descendant of Ceallach.' The word 'Ceallach' refers to 'bright-headed.'

