



Diaspora Stories

Ancestor's Name: Michael Joseph Kearney
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Michael Kearney, my great grandfather, was one of sixteen children born in the building that is now "Casey's of Baltimore". Back then, the building was known as "Kearney's Pub" and was owned by his parents, Michael and ~~Michael~~ Sarah. Michael left Ireland on October 26th, 1924 on the Conard line ship "Samarica". He sailed from Cobh and arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, where he would soon meet his future wife, who immigrated from Cobh as well. Michael worked many jobs after landing in Boston, but one that seems relevant is his ownership of a bar in Everett, Massachusetts. Following in his father's footsteps, Michael opened up a bar with his brother-in-law. He never went back to Ireland, but many of his descendants have been back to the old pub, now named "Casey's of Baltimore".

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