

My Story is

about My Great -
Grandfather

Cornelius O'Mahony

1916

History Project

My name is Nicholas Curtis I am a fourth class student of Scoil Coir Inishannon

My Great grandfather was Cornelius O'Mahony of 25 Rocher Buildings Cork. He was a member of the old IRA from 1916 to 1923. He was only 18 years old when he joined.

Cornelius was a member of the A Company first Battalion Cork number one Brigade. Terence Mac Swiney was the Commandant of this brigade. Terence Mac Swiney was lord mayor of Cork at the time he was arrested and sentenced to prison in Brixton in London. Cornelius went to London to visit Terence in Prison but Terence died after 74 days of hunger strike when he got there. Cornelius reportedly helped to bring the body of Terence back to Cork for burial.

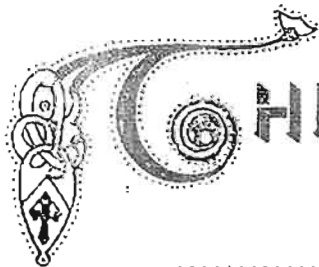
Cornelius was a train driver and he used to secretly transport Michael Collins in goods carriages from Cork to Dublin.

Cornelius died in 1976. At his burial soldiers played "The Last Post" and fired 3 shots as a salute at his graveside.

WAR of INDEPENDENCE

1916 — 1923

CERTIFICATE OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE



THIS is to

Certify

Cornelius O'Mahony

was a member of

A Coy.

1ST Batt.,

Cork No. 1 Brigade

Irish Republican Army



SIGNED

Tommy Crofts
Adjutant

Michael Murphy

Brigade
Officers.

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