

Title: Stories of a Revolution

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Micheal Collins.

I am a distant relative of Micheal Collins. My grandad (Jack Collins) is Micheal Collins' relative.

Micheal Collins took part in the Easter Rising in 1916. He was arrested but later went on to fight for Ireland and helped achieve independence for Ireland as a result of the War of Independence.

He was born on October 16, 1890 just outside Conakilly (Witch is about 25 minutes drive from my home today).

In 1906 he went to London, England. He lived there for 10 years. He became active in various Irish organizations. That was including Gaelic football. His mother's name was Mary Anne Collins and his father's name was Micheal John Collins. He was the youngest out of eight children. His family were farmers.

He was the most successful and popular of all Irish nationalist leaders. He was only 31 when when he was assassinated but he had already done enough for his country's history.

The Easter Rising happened in the year 1916. Micheal Collins volunteered to be part of the battle and was captured in Dublin. Micheal was released after five months - emerged nationalist leader.

Sadly he died in August 22, 1922 in County Cork
Ireland.

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