Family Group Sheet for Katherine MCNAMARA

Husband:		Joseph J MARTIN
'	Birth:	17 Mar 1847 in Ireland
	Death:	06 Apr 1921 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Burial:	09 Apr 1921 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Marriage:	23 Jul 1874 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Father:	Patrick Martin
	Mother:	Elizabeth Crofton
Wife:		Katherine MCNAMARA
	Birth:	01 Dec 1846 in Fanningstown, Fedamore, Limerick, Ireland
	Death:	11 Jun 1878 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Burial:	
	Father:	James MCNAMARA
	Mother:	Anne HASSETT
	Children:	
1	Name:	Irene Elizabeth MARTIN
F	Birth:	31 Oct 1876 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Death:	22 Jan 1953 in Huntington Park, Los Angeles, California, USA
	Burial:	24 Jan 1953
	Marriage:	06 Jun 1899 in Golden, Jefferson, Colorado, USA
	Spouse:	Thomas Francis CARROLL
2	Name:	James Henry Martin
M	Birth:	04 Sep 1875 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
	Death:	31 Dec 1902 in Chicago, Cook, Illinois, USA
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Joseph J MARTIN

Joseph Martin was born in Ireland in about 1845. His birth county is unknown. According to census records, he immigrated to America in 1867 and became a naturalized citizen in 1893. He has not yet been found in the 1870 census but sometime by the early 1870s he is in Chicago where he met Kate McNamara. Kate was born in 1846 in Fanningstown, Limerick, Ireland and immigrated with her family by 1850 to America. Kate and her family lived in Wisconsin initially moving to Chicago in the early 1850s.

Joseph and Kate were married 23 July 1874. Two children quickly followed but Kate sickened with TB which was always a scourge in big cities. She died in 1878 leaving behind a husband and two small children. Joseph must have had a tough time because the two kids when to live with Kate's mom, Anne McNamara. Eventually the daughter went to Denver to live with her aunt and the boy James went to live with his father who had remarried. Joseph remarried in 1890 but never had any more children. He became a naturalized citizen in 1893 and was listed on the voting rolls in Chicago. He held a series of jobs over the years and died in April of 1921. His son James had died earlier but his daughter is mentioned in his obituary.

Katherine MCNAMARA

Katherine McNamara (usually called Kate) was born in Ireland in December of 1846 while still very young she came to America with her parents. She lived a few years in Kenosha County, Wisconsin before the family settled in Chicago. It was there she met another young Irish immigrant Joseph Martin.

They were married in 1874 and had two children named James and Irene. Unfortunately Kate sickened with "consumption" (tuberculosis) and died in 1878.