

## Shirley Marshall Monkhouse

Since a family reunion in 1967, Canada's Centennial year, Shirley has been interested in learning about all her ancestors. She grew up listening to her father explain family history to visitors in the farmhouse built by her Great Grandfather near Carp Ontario, which is located within 50 km of all her pioneer ancestors' farms in the Ottawa Valley. All thirty-two 3rd Great Grandparents were "Born in Ireland", Paternal from Leinster now Republic of Ireland and Maternal from Ulster mostly now in Northern Ireland. Shirley took her first DNA test in 2015, manages DNA kits for others, and is a Project manager for Projects at FamilyTreeDNA. She has taken several in-person weeklong certificate courses in Genetic Genealogy (DNA) and has given 15 presentations about Genetic Genealogy and Ireland Research to BIFHSGO, BIFHSGO DNA SIG, Ontario Ancestors DNA SIG and local groups. Shirley is presently working on finding all the Townlands for her ancestors and has had five adventurous fun-filled tours and successful research trips to Ireland.