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## About the Lougheed Name ... oh dear.

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Part of the problem is our name as a place name. And the numerous variants. The first record of the name is **Gilbert de Lakenheued of Lanarkshire.**

There are at least three story lines about lougheed:

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### [Lochheed Variations.](#)

Most common story is The Scottish variants,

a) *Lockhead* ... is a common Scottish name from the **shires of Lanark (Lanarkshire), Renfrew and Dumfries, Scotland.**

b) *Lochhead* ... at **Lochwinnoch, Scotland** with manor and estates in that shire.

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[MacDonald](#) - 1688 William of Orange

**3)**

[Boyd](#) ... 1746 Bonnie Prince Charles

NOT my FAVORITE!!! HOPE NOT TRUE!!!

<http://family.tfsb.org/family/lougheed.html>

## 1--History around Lanarkshire, Renfrew and Dumfries. Near Glasgow

\*The **Scottish** variant, Lockhead, referred to one who lived on or near lands situated at ... is a common **Scottish** name from the shires of Lanark, **Renfrew** and Dumfries. ... at Lochhead, **Lochwinnoch, Scotland** with manor and estates in that shire.

Early records of the name mention **Gilbert de Lakenheued of Lanarkshire**, and Wautier de Lagenheued of

Aberdeenshire, who were both documented in the year 1296. James Lochheid was burgess and guild-brother of Glasgow in the year 1626.

## 2--History as MacDonald

The Irish word for lake is Lough. The name was originally Scottish. The clan was originally Macdonald, some of them moved to the head of the Lake and they were known as the Locheed Macdonalds. Loch being the Scots spelling of Lake. When part of the Clan was transplanted to Ireland the Irish spelling of Lake was used making it Loughheed.

The transition from Scotland was in 1688 following the Battle of the Boyne from which King William the III (King William of Orange) emerged victorious and cemented his position by transplanting English but chiefly Scots to Ireland, we being among those transplanted. That is also why Orange day is celebrated and why so many Loughheeds are Williams.

## 3--History as Boyd

Loughheed, as a family name, is relatively young. The family is an offshoot of the Scottish Boyd family that settled (largely) in County Sligo, Ireland in the mid 1700's.

The story goes that one [William Boyd, 4th Earl of Kilmarnock](#), head of the Boyds of Scotland, switched his allegiance in the Jacobite Rebellion of 1745 to the Young Pretender, [Charles Edward Stuart](#). Bonnie Prince Charlie, as he was known, was on the losing end of his rebellion to gain the thrones of England, Scotland and Ireland, and Boyd himself was taken prisoner at the [Battle of Culloden](#), and subsequently beheaded on Tower Hill in 1746. His titles were declared forfeit.

Several of the Boyds – it is unclear exactly how many – decided this was a pretty good time to not be a Boyd in Scotland, and emigrated to Ireland. They changed their names to "Loughheed", which is traditionally translated as "Loch–heed" or "head of the lake", generally taken to refer to themselves settling at the head of a lake in Ireland.

At the beginning of the 19th century, a number of members of the family emigrated from County Sligo to Ontario, Canada, in some cases going through the United States. (See the "Progenitors" section below.) From Ontario, the families spread west and south, with contingents of the family resident in the 5 western Canadian provinces (British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario) and in the United States. There are still Loughheeds in Ireland, as well as some in Australia, and may be others scattered throughout the world.

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