

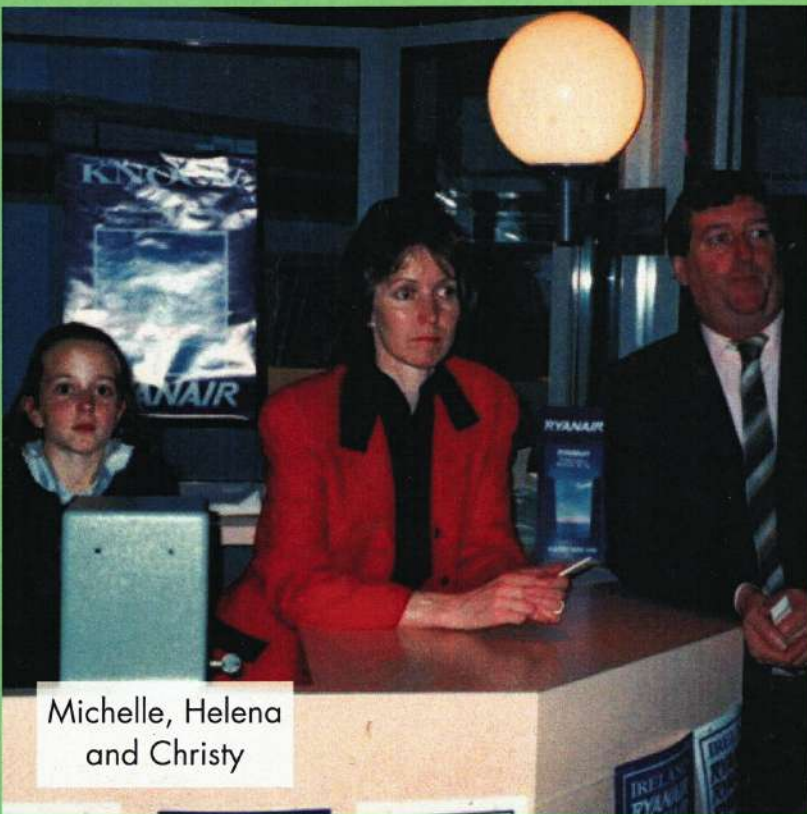
Nurse Helena, enjoying the sun on her afternoon break

St. Paul's Secondary School, 60 Year Commemoration

Helena Nolan (née Conneely)

28 July 1949 — 9 October 2013

Glengowla, London, Luton and the Glebe



Michelle, Helena
and Christy

Helena Conneely was one of the first pupils to enroll into the new school. As it wasn't yet open, a 7th class was introduced to allow Helena and Mikeo Gibbons to stay in Leam School a year longer. This was under the guidance of their principal Mary Kyne. After finishing in St. Paul's Secondary School she taught there briefly as a teacher.

After that, she went to London and trained as a nurse. Soon after arriving in London, she met John Nolan. They got engaged on the 2nd of January 1971 and married on the 27th of July 1974 in Galway Cathedral. They had a daughter Michelle.

Helena continued working in some of the major London hospitals. She later returned to live and work in Ireland shortly after the year 2000. Helena passed away in Oughterard in 2013. May she rest in peace.



"Bags are packed, soon
to leave for London"
(outside her homestead)

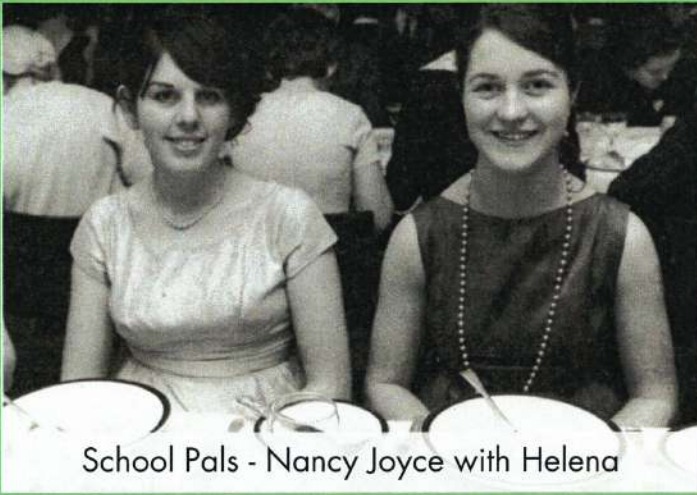


Helena's daughter Michelle at her wedding

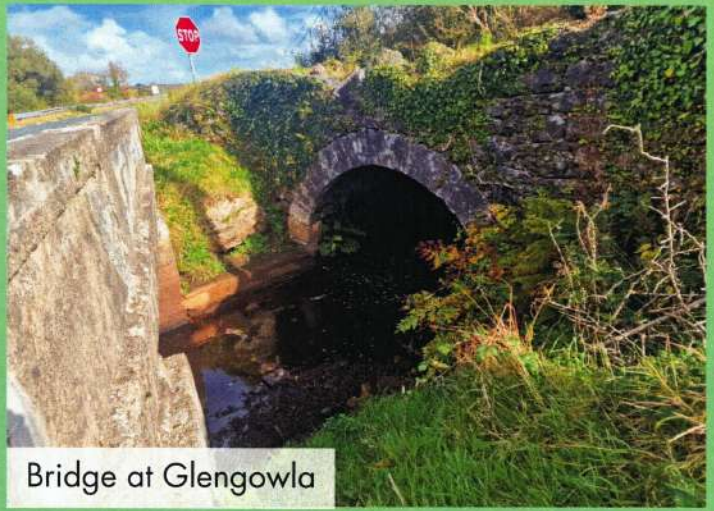


Helena and her grandchildren Eoin & Becky





School Pals - Nancy Joyce with Helena



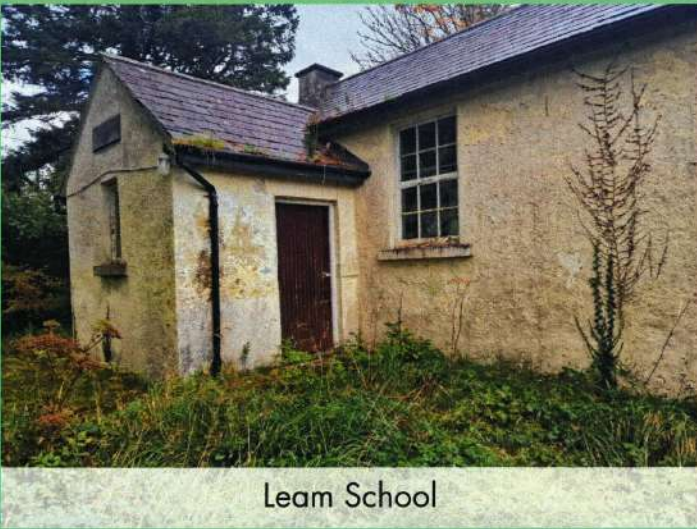
Bridge at Glengowla



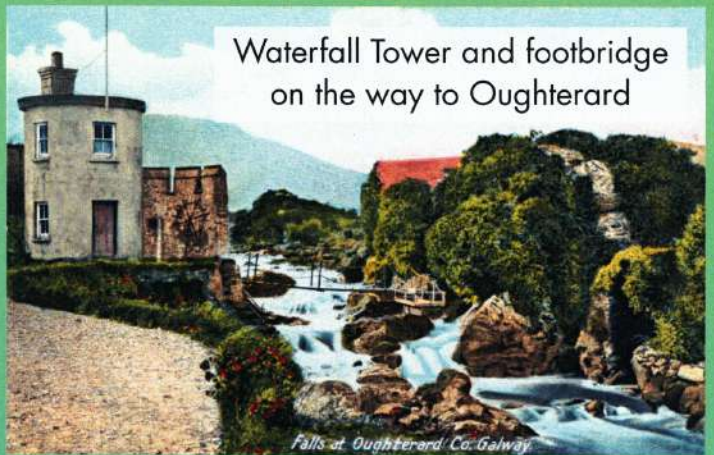
Quiet Man Bridge which Helena had to cross every day on the way to school



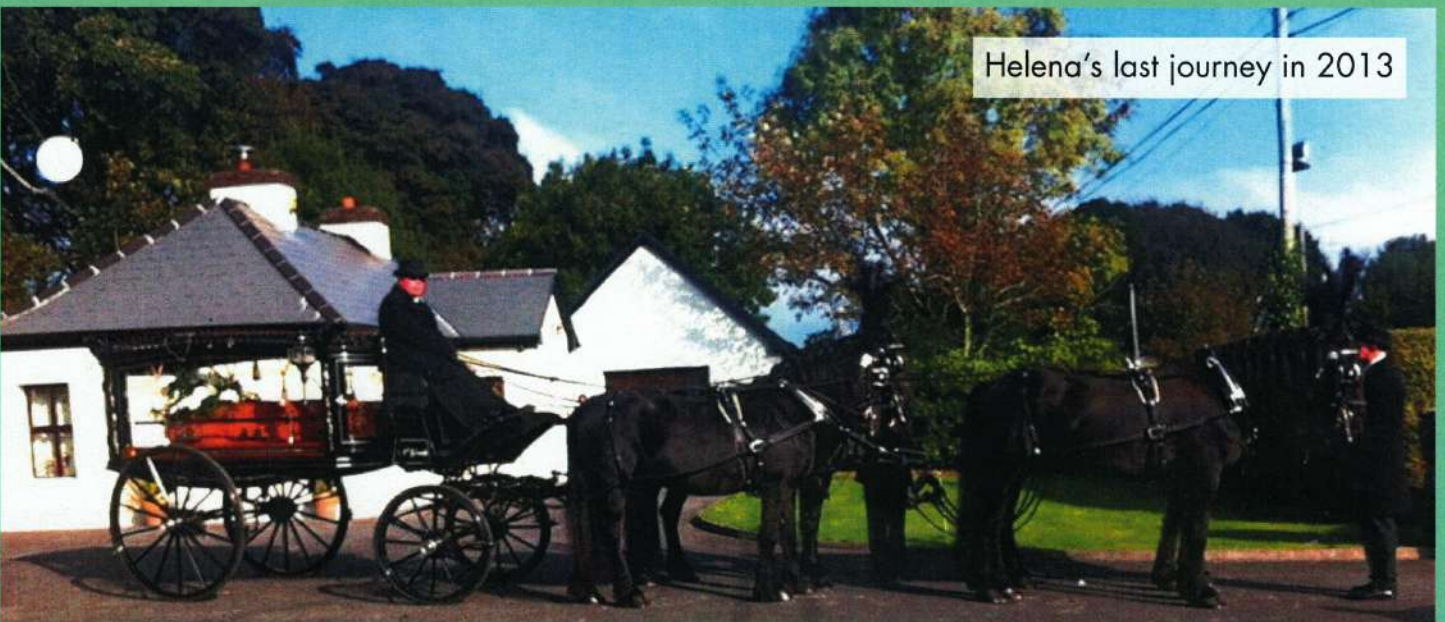
Helena and John on their wedding day



Leam School



Waterfall Tower and footbridge on the way to Oughterard



Helena's last journey in 2013