

Ballyreddin Churchyard

Townland: Bennettsbridge
 Parish: Tullaherin
 Ownership: KK Co. Co.
 Rothe House No: TG07f
 BG No: 179
 RMP No: 24-31-02
 Geolocation: E 655640, N 649978 (ITM)
 52.598223, -7.178696 (WGS 84)
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Foreword: by Mrs M. M. Phelan

The Church (Protestant) was erected in the early 19th century by the Shees on the site of an old Catholic one. It was demolished in 1960 (O’Kelly, 1985). The surrounding graveyard is small and old and is located to the left of the old road to Bennettsbridge via Maddoxtown, near level crossing. There is a nice entrance gate. There are only seven inscribed monuments – 4 upright and 3 lying flat. All the tombs are on a raised platform about two feet high. There are many rough un-inscribed stones.

Inscriptions:

Name	Tomb No.	Inscription
Butler	1	(This stone is standing alone) Here lie the remains of Bridget Butler alias Lee who departed this life 3 rd March 1823 aged 65 years. May she rest in peace.
Fleming	2	(Upright stone) Erected by John Fleming of Newpark in memory of his wife Mary Fleming alias Bowe who departed this life November 1839 aged ? 28 years. Also one of their children who died young. <i>“Remember man thou art but dust.....”</i> <i>“May their souls rest in peace. Amen.”</i>
Brennan	3	(Upright stone beside Fleming above) Here lieth William Brennan who died 29 th September 1777 aged 23 years. <i>“May he rest in Peace. Amen”.</i>
Ryan	4	(Upright stone beside Brennan above)

		Here lieth the body of Marty Ryan. He died 21 st September 1765 aged 30 years (rest indecipherable) ---- "May they rest in Peace. Amen"
Shee (1)	5	(Slab lying down) Remains of Elizabeth Shee (name in large letters) underneath this plate (no date to be seen)
Shee (2)	6	(Slab lying down) Beneath this stone lie interred the body of Marcus Shee Esq. Doctor of Phisick who departed this life 23 rd December 1762 aged 37. On the right of this tomb lie also interred the body of James Shee Esq. son of the above Marcus, who died 8 th August 1783 (?) aged 37.
Shee (3)	7	(Slab lying down) Underneath this slab lie interred the remains of Hanora Mary, eldest daughter of Colonel Shee who died 30 th day of September, 1828 aged 28, and those of Anne Elizabeth his second daughter who died 17 th December 1816 aged 15 years.

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