

Where did we come from? Let's start with the Kewley name which is Manx and comes from the Isle of Mann (Man), a small island in the Irish Sea between Ireland and Great Britain. Aside from the original Manx bloodline it was occupied by Scandinavians, Irish and English. We have a Family Crest that will be put on the website in the future and more information about our relatives from the Isle. There's nothing real interesting about our Isle of Mann history unless you go back to the early years when King Olaf from Norway arrived, and the bloodlines started mixing. Wayne was traveling Europe a while ago and went to the port to visit the Isle, but the boat just left and only ran once a week, so he didn't make it. My favorite fact about the Isle is the TT motorcycle race around the Isle at 200 mph plus!

Next, the DuBray clan from France with a lot of different spellings of the name, which was not un-common I'm told. I haven't found much other than the family tree information and it gets complicated when the Indian bloodline is involved because the best records were kept by the Catholic

church and the Mormons in Utah. There are a few stories on this site about Chet or Chat DuBray that come from the book "The Mountain Men" but some facts are not clear to me. It looks like he was married 5 times in the Rosebud, Pine Ridge and northern South Dakota area and had somewhere around 15 to 22 children before he was told to leave the area because of gambling. We have a lot of relatives in the area you can connect with by looking at the family tree information. Apparently he also spent time with the mountain men in Colorado which I just found out and what a coincidence because I felt a calling to move here!

High Bear is obviously the Indian part of the family but there's not much information about Indians as mentioned above. You can however find graves of our relatives in Rosebud, St. Frances, Pine Ridge, and Cheyenne River. There were a few High Bear leaders and chiefs, but I haven't taken the time to find ours but if you visit the Rosebud Rez, you'll see a picture of Chief High Bear hanging proudly on the wall and there is a museum that will bring tears to your eyes. mk