

**Name of memorial:** Rathcormac 1798 Memorial

**Inventory No. 404**

**Place:** Rathcormac, Co. Cork

**Address and map reference:** Old Church of Ireland, Rathcormac, Co. Cork. Map reference: W 808 918.

**Position:** Two plaques on gate piers.

**Description and dimensions:** Elliptical bronze plaques. Height 45cms, width 38cms. Also small oblong plaques beneath.

**Recorded by:** Michael Dolan, April, 2007.

**Text:**

**COMÓRÁDh 1798**

(Tree of Liberty)

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**Sa reilig seo tá iarsmaí  
Sheáin Uí Dhathail  
Éireannach Aontaithe  
a cuireadh chun báis  
i gCora Ghlas  
ar 18 Meitheamh 1798.  
Ar ordú ón a chlann  
tuairiscíodh é ar an gcloch chinn  
mar dhuine a  
“fuair bás ina mhairtíreach”.  
Ghlac roinnt dílseorí  
i Ráth Chormaic  
col leis na focail seo  
agus ar ordú uathusan  
gearradh amach na focail  
“ina mhairtíreach”  
gníomh nár dhein ach a chuimhne a  
bhuanú.**

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**BICENTENARY OF 1798**

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**Dhá chéad bliain i ndiaidh a bháis, d'athchóirigh  
Cionnaith Mac Tomáis, dealbhóir, a chloch chinn ar ordú ó  
Chomhairle Chontae Chorcaí.  
Dhein Tadhg Ó Dathail, Coronado, California, S.A.M. í a nochtadh  
ar 18 Meitheamh 1998.  
An lá céanna, nocht Cathaoirleach Chomhairle Chontae Chorcaí,  
an Comhairleoir Seán Ó Maoilmhichil, an phlaic seo don phobal.**

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**In this graveyard lies the remains of  
John Dahill**

**United Irishman**

**who was executed at Curraglass  
on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 1798.**

**At his family's order,  
He was described on the  
headstone as having  
"died a martyr".**

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**This phrase gave offence to  
some loyalists in Rathcormac  
at whose behest the words  
"a martyr"  
were excised  
which act served only to  
perpetuate his memory.**

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**On the bicentenary of his death at the order of  
Cork County Council,  
his headstone was restored by Mr. Ken Thompson, sculptor  
and unveiled by Mr Ted Dahill of Coronado, California, USA,  
on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 1998.**

**This plaque was unveiled on the same day by the  
Chairman of Cork County Council, Cllr. John Mulvihill.**

Inscription on the headstone:

Here lieth the body of  
GARRETT DAHILL who  
died july the 20<sup>th</sup> 1798  
aged 73 years.

Also the body if JOHN  
DAHILL who lived beloved  
closed his life with christi-  
an fortitude and died  
.....the 18 of june  
1798 Aged 38 years.

O Lord have mercy on their Souls.