

Early Origins of the lagneaux family

The surname lagneaux was first found in [Normandy](#) (French: Normandie), the former Duchy of Normandy.

lagneaux Spelling Variations

French surnames were subject to numerous spelling alterations depending on the region and time it was used. The early development of the French language relied heavily on borrowing elements and grammar from other languages. For example, Old French was infused with Germanic words and sounds when barbarian tribes invaded and settled in France after the fall of the [Roman Empire](#). Middle French also borrowed heavily from the Italian language during the [Renaissance](#). As a result of these linguistic and cultural influences, the name lagneaux is distinguished by a number of regional variations. The many [spelling variations](#) of the name include Laniel, Lagnel, Lagnez, Lagneau, Lagniet, Lanielle, Agnel and many more.

Migration of the lagneaux family

In the 1700s, land incentives were finally given out by France to 2,000 migrants. Early marriage was encouraged in New France, and youths of 18 took fourteen-year-old girls for their wives. The fur trade was developed and attracted migrants, both noble and commoner from France. 15,000 explorers left Montreal in the late 17th and 18th centuries, leaving French names scattered across the continent. The search for the Northwest passage continued. Migration from France to New France or Quebec, as it was now more popularly called, continued until 1759. By 1675, there were 7000 French in Quebec. By the same year the Acadian presence in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island had reached 500. In the treaty of Utrecht, Acadia were ceded by France to Britain in 1713. In 1755, 10,000 French Acadians refused to take an oath of allegiance to [England](#) and were deported. They found refuge in Louisiana. Meanwhile, in Quebec, the French race flourished, founding in Lower Canada, one of the two great solitudes which became Canada. Many of this distinguished family name lagneaux were prominent in social, cultural, religious and political affairs in France and New France. Amongst the settlers in North America with this distinguished name lagneaux were 80 individuals who arrived from France onto Canadian shores between 1600 and 1900. Among them, Julien Laniel married in Batiscau in 1689; Nicolas Laniel married in Sorel in 1719.

NOTE:

Though we can't connect to any of these Canadian Lagneauxs,
I thought it was interesting information.

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