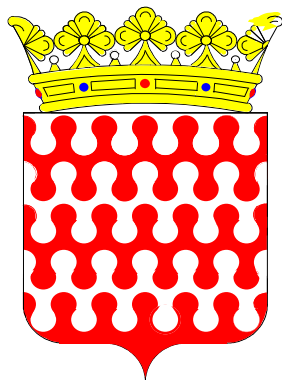


Mortemart



Description of Arms :

Fascé, ondé, enté d'argent et de gueules, de 6 pièces.

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Principal Title : Duke of Mortemart.

Creation : France, 1663.

Subsidiary Titles : Prince of Tonny-Charente (later authorised for eldest son), 1591 ; Duke of Vivonne (1668), Count of the Empire (1810), etc ...

Family Name : de Rochechouart, de Rochechouart de Mortemart.

Family History : Gérald de Rochechouart was Viscount of Limoges in 963. His son, Aymery (surnamed Ostofrancus) became the first hereditary viscount. He was also, according to a charter, dated 1018, described as a Prince of Aquitaine. Aimery IV, Viscount of Rochechouart was a crusader. Although the title of Mortemart goes back a long time, the name goes back even further; for this reason many members of the family put the two together - neither very easy for foreigners to pronounce.

Under Henri IV, the marquisate of Mortemar was erected to the rank of a duchy and with it a peerage. This was in 1650. At the same time Gabriel became Prince de Tonny-Charente.

Chérin, the distinguished genealogist, claimed the the family was one of the oldest in France - some say the oldest. There is also an old saying that *before the House of Rochechouart de Mortemar, the sea made the world but the Rochechouart carried the waves.*

Many members have distinguished themselves but students of history will note that Madame de Montespan also was of the family.

Mortemart

Aymeri VII de Rochechouart, Viscount of Rochechouart
 = (1205) Alix de Mortemart, heiress of House of Mortemart and Baroness of Mortemart

1st Line : Aymeri IX
 = (1251) Jeanne of Tonnay-Charente, d. of P. of Mauleon

2nd Line : Guillaume,
 Lord of Mortemart

Marquis of
 Rochechouart

Gabriel de Rochechouart, Marquis of Mortemart,
 Prince of Tonnay-Charente, Count of Vivonne & of Maure, 1st Duke-Peer of Mortemart

Jean-Baptiste-Victor (1712-?), Duke of Mortemart, ...
 = (1751) Charlotte de Manneville

Victurnien-Jean (1752-1812),
 Duke of Mortemart

Victurnien-Bonaventure (1753-1823),
 Marquis of Mortemart

Casimir-Louis (1787-1875), Duke of Mortemart, ...
 = (1810) Antoinette (?-1870), Countess of Sainte-Aldegonde

Victor-Louis (1780-1834), Marquis
 = Eleonore de Montmorency (?-1863)

Henriette
 (1814-?)

Cecile
 (1817-?)

René (1804-1893), Duke (1875), ...
 = (1829) Gabrielle de Laurecin

4 others
 children

Henri (1806-?), Marquis
 = (1832) Louise Borghese (?-1838)

Mathilde
 (1830-?)

Leonie
 (1833-?)

François (1832-1893), Duke
 = (1854) Virginie, Countess of

Charles (1908-1961), 13th Duke of Mortemart, Prince of Tonnay-Charente
 = Simone Brossaud de Juigné (1909-)

FRANÇOIS (1930-?), 14th Duke
 = (1959) Countess Anne de Laubespain (1937-)

Charles-Arthur
 (?-1961)

Isabelle (1960-)
 15th D.

Diane (1962-)

Sylvaine (1963-)

CHARLES-EMMANUEL (1967-),

Albane
 (1994-)

Gaëtane
 (1995-)

Solenne
 (1996-)