

and was always cross-stitching, sewing, or doing crafts.

On August 30, 1997, Karen was married to Christopher Charles Darazsi of Birds Hill, Manitoba at St. Luke's Anglican Church in Winnipeg. Karen and Chris met at Brandon University where Chris was in the Music program. In the spring of 1998, Karen and Chris purchased a house in East Kildonan, Winnipeg, where they currently reside. Karen is currently working part-time as a Grade I teacher at Walter Whyte School and as a clerk for Manitoba Telecom Services.

On October 8, 1997, my mom passed away after a 3½-year battle with breast cancer. Mom was laid to rest on October 13 in the St. Andrews-On-The-Red Anglican Church Cemetery.

Dad is currently living in our family's home in Lockport enjoying retirement. He is spending his time rebuilding old cars, which was a hobby he had as a teenager.

I am currently living at home, working as a substitute teacher, part time for St. John's Music and Manitoba Health and Family Services. I am still playing the Euphonium as a member of two community concert bands in Winnipeg and I am an associate member of the Winnipeg Philharmonic Choir. I am also taking singing lessons.

### **Sutherland, Colin and Rosabel by Dorothy Burzuik**

Our dad and mom came to live in Cloverdale in 1912 and that's where we were all born; Lillian, Gertrude, Irene, Robert, Lorne, Dorothy and Maud. We are the children of Colin and Rosabel nee McDonald Sutherland, from Gonor.

They both worked at the Mental Hospital in Selkirk before making their home here at 4-14-4E Rural Municipality of St. Andrews. My dad passed away in 1931 and mom continued living there until 1946, when she moved to Selkirk with my sister Irene. Mom passed away in 1982. In 1946 Robert and Nellie nee Dewar took over the farm until he passed away in 1990. It was then that Bob's family sold the house.

We all attended the Cloverdale School. What stands out are the Christmas concerts and what makes them so lovely is that the whole school took part. I remember when I was in the lower grades the pupils in higher grades used to do a shadow comedy or play behind a curtain. Maybe that was one of the silent movies. I don't remember the grade it was but I made two blue dresses out of crepe paper for my sister and me to wear when we sang Alice Blue Gown. From grade 1 to 12, I would be on stage singing Christmas songs. Then there was hot choco-

late and lunch served after. One time, it was so cold and the horses had been standing outside for maybe three hours. Mom, Maud, the schoolteacher and I got in the sleigh and I couldn't hold the horses so I said to the teacher that you'll have to come home with us or jump. She jumped off the sleigh of course, as there was a lot of snow by the side of the road. She was okay. We had two miles to go and we had to turn the corner at the south road. We made it home safely. I still see some of the old school friends.

When I was young our roads were soil. When it rained we traveled on the grass beside the road with two horses, a wagon or a democrat, a one-horse driven vehicle. When walking, we took off our shoes because we didn't know if we could get a new pair if they were ruined. In winter we would take a short cut through the fields. Most of the time the snowplough didn't come to make a path to walk on the roads. The snowplough was just a "V" shape that came down the middle of the highway. If you could see anyone coming toward you one would stop for the other to pass on a widened area. The winter roads were to go through people's property to go to Selkirk and come out where Selkirk Avenue is now. The detour of Provincial Highway #9 around Selkirk and divided #9A into Selkirk was done in the 1950's.

I married Peter Burzuik in 1946 and I continued living in the Municipality. Then in 1960 we sold to the Manitoba Rolling Mills. We moved to Calder Road, still living in the Municipality. We had six children. Sharon married Len Panasky and they have one son, Wes. Len and Sharon live in the Municipality on River Road and Wes lives in St. Vital. Ken married Sherry nee Buziak and they have Denise (from a previous marriage, who has two girls, Crystal and Alyssa), Garet and Brandy. They live in Clandeboye, Manitoba. Terry married Diana



Sharon, Ken, Dorothy, Dale, Terry, Kim & Angela.



Back row – Len, Sharon, Lisa, Wes, Diane, Terry, Kendra, Angela, Dorothy, Dale, Marge, (Sherry & Brandy), Ken, Denise, Kim, Jackie & Josh. Front row – Karlene, Kelly, Jonathan, Jessica, Gare, Alepsa & Jordon.

nee Kinast and they have three daughters, Karlene, Kendra and Kelly. They live in Selkirk. Dale married Marge nee Groot and they live in my house on Calder Road, which was built in 1960. They have two children, Jonathan (from a previous marriage) and Jessica. Kim married Jackie nee Ward and they have one son, Shane (from a previous marriage). They live in Selkirk. Angela has two sons, Josh and Jordon, and they live in Selkirk.

Our children went to Mapleton School. The one thing I didn't like was when the School Board decided to move our Grade 7 and 8 classes to Selkirk. There were too many side-effects attending a larger school.

Bert and Jessie Dickenson operated our general store at Mapleton. Eventually they retired and sold the business. The new owners lived there for awhile and built further back on the property. They eventually donated the house to Habitat for Humanity.

I attend St. Clement's church but we still go to St. Matthew's Church in Cloverdale during the summer months, April to September, weather permitting, every third Sunday.

We bowl, my grandson plays hockey and I attend his games. The boys love their snowmobiles, curling and church suppers. We have holiday suppers together at Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. In 1998 there were thirty sitting at the tables put together to accommodate all of us. Everyone's birthday is a get-together of all the family.

My children loved living out of the busy town lifestyle. We put in a big garden when the children

were younger. More people are moving out of the city and they find it very enjoyable too. The children's father, Peter, always fixed bikes as a hobby. When he passed away in 1972, I heard his customers were sad because they didn't have anyone to fix their bikes anymore.

My mother Rose celebrated her ninety-fourth birthday on October 28, 1981. She passed away on March 3, 1982. The St. Matthew's church in Cloverdale will celebrate ninety-four years in April 1999. This is the root of my younger years. St. Clement's Church will celebrate one hundred and thirty-eight years this December, 1999. The parish had a big celebration for St. Clement's in 1996 on Friday, November 22. The children had sleigh rides and an evening of fun and games. They had a bonfire and Larry Fisher, storyteller, was there also. On November 23 there was a buffet dinner where Simpson's Folly entertained us at night. There was a remake of the November, 1861 church service with a lunch of stew and bannock served after.

I have lived in the Municipality most of my life except for the past five years.

### **Sutherland, Donna**

On April 9, 1961, Elizabeth Frances nee McKaughan Sutherland and Edwin George Sutherland were blessed with an 8-lb. 10-oz. baby girl. They chose the name Donna Gail. My auburn hair along with a galaxy of freckles displays my Celtic ancestry. I am Canadian, born and raised, but I am very proud to know that I come from a long line of maternal and paternal Celts.

I am number four in the birth order of six children: Ronald George (1954), Sandra Joy Baron (1955), Patricia Lynn Willis (1957), Donna Gail (1961), David James (1964), and Timothy Walter (1965). We lived on Number 8 Highway (formerly known as the Range Line), on the north side of Wavey Creek. My memories of childhood are good ones; growing up in a household of six children can best be described as a "blast". There was never time for boredom because there was always someone to do something with. We always had cows, horses, and dogs, so there were always chores to do. We used to love to fight over who would do what chores. Mealtime could be frightening, with eight people sitting down and reaching for bowls of food, pieces of bread, and jugs of milk. One had to hurry to fill one's plate before the food was gone. We had a little dog named Ready (a wire-haired terrier) who would sit under the table waiting for one of us kids to give him something to eat. Mom and Dad would go on a holiday together once a year and Grandma McKaughan would stay with us kids. Grandma loved to make porridge and make us eat it. The majority of us kids hated it. Grandma would tell us that we would not leave the table until our porridge was finished. Ready ate a lot of porridge in those days. He would come out from under the table with his little tummy bulging. Ready would be full, our porridge bowls would be empty, and Grandma would be happy.

I attended the old stone Clandeboye School for grade one (1967) and grade two was completed in a small building brought on to the school yard until the new school was completed. In grade three (1969), William S. Patterson School was finished and I completed grades three to six in William S. Patterson. I went to Selkirk Jr. High for grades seven through nine and attended the Lord Selkirk Comprehensive High School for grades 10 through 12, studying general clerical. I was sent out on "work experience", and landed myself a full time job, but this left me one credit short for grade 12 graduation; therefore, I did not graduate with the rest of my classmates.

I was hired by the Great-West Life Assurance Company (Winnipeg) in 1978 as a clerk in the Underwriting Department and worked for this company for two years. In 1980 I began working as a receptionist for Hill Security Van Lines (Winnipeg) and hated the routines of answering phones and typing. Through my position with Hill Security, I met a truck driver from Calgary who would become my future husband, John Mellof. Shortly after I met John, I quit my job and moved to Calgary. John and I were married in 1982 at St. George's Wakefield

Anglican Church. We were owner/operators for Allied Van Lines using Calgary as a home base until 1988. Our position with the Van Lines included loading, hauling, and unloading household goods. We traveled coast to coast within Canada. One trip gave us the good fortune to load in St. John's, Newfoundland, and deliver the load in Comox, on Vancouver Island.

We traveled together with the Van Lines until 1985 when Amanda Elizabeth Mellof was born on September 29. Amanda was born in the Holy Cross Hospital, Calgary, Alberta. She weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz., and was 21 inches long. Amanda was born with a full head of black hair and she was given her first hair cut at the age of 4 days. Grandma Fran came to Calgary for two weeks to help with our new little arrival. We drove Grandma back to Clandeboye bringing Amanda home to meet the family. Amanda was only two weeks old when she had her first big drive of 850 miles and she was a great little traveler.

In 1987 we were blessed with another little bundle, Nicholas John Mellof. Nick arrived five weeks earlier than expected so he was a little on the small side. Nick weighed in at 5 lb. 9 oz., and was 22 inches long. Nick spent the first two weeks of his little life in the Holy Cross Hospital until he was able to breathe properly and drink a bottle without falling asleep. Nick was so tiny that we fed him with a baby bottle no bigger than a bottle used for dolls. Within six months Nick had gained the necessary weight needed to be considered normal. Nick was born with asthma and has battled against this terrifying disease for 12 years.

In 1988 we moved from Calgary to Netley and purchased a concrete lawn ornament business from Charlie and Val Warwyk. We called the business Double Eagle Ornamental Concrete and we kept the business for five years. The business was successful and we staffed ten employees during the summer months. The business included manufacturing the ornaments, painting, retail and wholesale sales.

On December 10, 1991, our adorable little Kathleen Selina Mellof was born at the St. Boniface Hospital in Winnipeg. We call her Katie, and Katie weighed in at 7 lb. 11 oz. and measured 22 inches long. Katie refused to walk until she was about one-and-a-half. She would "bum hop" all through the house. She would sit on her little bottom and use her little legs as springs to push herself along the floor hopping on her bum with great speed.

In 1992 John and I separated. We sold Double Eagle to a firm in Winnipeg. The children and I rented a house in Petersfield and I purchased a balloon shop in St. Vital. The purchase of the balloon shop was not a sound investment and I was not able to

keep it going in a retail outlet. I worked out of my home, decorating weddings, social gatherings, and doing thank-you baskets. I decided I wanted to go back to school and do something with my life besides blowing up balloons. I needed to earn my grade 12 for acceptance to any University. I studied for six weeks and wrote the General Educational Development (GED) exam. I passed and enrolled at the University of Winnipeg in the fall of 1994. My major declared was psychology and I was determined to go all the way and earn a Ph.D. I soon found that psychology was not for me and I fell in love with anthropology. I had already taken two years of psychology with completed credits, so I declared a double major of psychology and anthropology. I graduated on June 6, 1999 earning a General B. A. with a double major in psychology and anthropology. I have six courses left to complete my Honours Degree in anthropology.

Anthropology was not the only love I found through my University studies. I also found the love and friendship of a wonderful professor named Bruce Bolster, who I now share my life with. Together we are raising the children, Amanda 13, Nick 12 and Katie seven.

### **Sutherland Family Tree**

Margaret (Nahoway) Norton married William Sinclair I sometime in the 1790's.

One of their daughters was Mary Sinclair. Mary Sinclair (1803) and John Inkster (1799 Orkneys, Scotland) were married June 20, 1826. One of Mary and John's daughters was Margaret.

Margaret Inkster married William Richard Sutherland (1833), the son of Elizabeth Calder and James Sutherland. Margaret and William had a son George.

George Thomas Sutherland (May 5, 1862) married Annie Leask (1864). Annie and George had a son Reginald.

William Reginald Sutherland (January 28, 1892) and Elsie Isabel McDonald (1898) were married July 26, 1927. Elsie and Reg had a son Edwin.

Edwin George Sutherland (July 23, 1928) married (August 8, 1953) Elizabeth Frances McKaughan (December 16, 1931). Frances and Ed had a daughter Donna Gail Sutherland (April 9, 1961).

### **Betts/Iverson Family Tree**

Robert Webster (1799) married-unknown. Robert and wife had a daughter Mary Anne.

Mary Anne Webster (1835) married David Betts. Mary Anne and David had a daughter Susan.

Susan Elizabeth Betts (July 25, 1866) married James Lawrence Iverson (September 13, 1852).

Susan and Lawrence had a daughter Hazel.

Henrietta Hazel Iverson (April 24, 1904) married George Wilson McKaughan (January 10, 1900). Hazel and George had a daughter Frances.

Elizabeth Frances McKaughan (December 16, 1931) married Edwin George Sutherland (July 23, 1928). Fran and Ed had a daughter Donna Gail Sutherland (April 9, 1961).

### **McKaughan Family Tree**

Angus McKaughan married Eleanor Haughney. Eleanor and Angus had a son Frank (1866).

Frank married Adaline Wilson. Frank and Adaline had a son George.

George Wilson McKaughan (January 10, 1900) married Henrietta Hazel Iverson (April 24, 1904). Hazel and George had a daughter Frances.

Elizabeth Frances McKaughan (December 16, 1931) married Edwin George Sutherland (July 23, 1928). Frances and Ed had a daughter Donna Gail Sutherland (April 9, 1961).

### **Sutherland, Ed and Fran by Frances Sutherland**

Edwin George Sutherland was born in Selkirk, "the old, old, Selkirk hospital," (a big old house that was converted into a hospital on River Road) on July 23, 1928. Ed was the eldest son born to William Reginald Sutherland and Elizabeth Isabel (Elsie) McDonald-Sutherland.

Ed received his schooling at Norwood, Meadowdale and Clandeboye Schools (they were three miles from each school). Ed completed grade eight but was unable to finish high school because he was needed to work on the family farm. Ed's parents had a dairy farm and Ed was required to seed crops, make hay and haul the hay to the farm. Ed and his Dad would spend a whole week in the Netley Marsh making hay. They would camp in a makeshift tent battling dust, heat and mosquitoes. It was very difficult to keep food from spoiling in this environment. Carnation milk was used a lot and Ed has been unable to drink Carnation milk since those days. In the late fall and early winter Ed began the very difficult task of hauling the hay home through the harsh cold and deep snow.

Ed earned his driver's license and began working as a spare driver for Interlake Co-op, working on Sundays for \$4.50 per day. Ed considered this "his" spending money and he was able to save enough money to purchase a Model A Ford car. It was shortly after this that I entered the picture.

I being, Elizabeth Frances McKaughan - Sutherland. I was born December 16, 1931 at 344 Notre Dame Avenue, Winnipeg. Home births were

quite common in those days. My parents were George Wilson McKaughan and Henrietta Hazel Iverson McKaughan. My brother Kenneth Webster McKaughan was born in the same house on August 7, 1933. My Dad was quite mechanical and ran a steam engine, called a Rumley for a Mr. Prince. They would do custom threshing around Rosser, Somerset and surrounding districts. Mom and Dad had a rooming house but these were the depression years and lots of people just skipped out without paying their rent, therefore they were forced to leave the city. They moved to Petersfield (34-15-3E) in the fall of 1934 with no money and two small children. I think there was an old team of horses and a few chickens on the farm, and from somewhere, an old cow turned up. I also remember a black and white dog called Patsy. Mom made butter which she sold for three cents a pound and sold eggs for twenty cents a dozen. Dad worked as tractor man for Mr. T. Vit and was able to use this tractor to break up some of his own land. Sages' (a grocery store in Petersfield, Manitoba) delivered groceries in the summer (roads permitting) but during the winter months Dad had to make a fourteen mile return trip to Petersfield with horse and sleigh to get supplies.

Ken and I attended Dunara School. When I started school Dad purchased an old Model T Ford. The distance between our family home and Dunara School was three miles and horses were our transportation in the winter. Mom would heat stones in the oven for us to use as foot warmers on our trips to school. In later years, we walked to school and by the time we reached school in the winter our sandwiches would be frozen. We would toast them over the flames in the school furnace.

The Christmas concert at old Dunara Hall was a big thing and we looked forward to Field Day (an inter-school track and field competition in June of each year) at Petersfield. At my first Field Day, it poured rain in the late afternoon and everyone ran for Sages' Store. It was packed with soggy wet kids.

In 1950 I went to work at T. Eaton's Mail Order for \$19.00 a week. I rented a light housekeeping room on Vaughan Street for \$24.00 per month and went home on week-ends on the Grey Goose bus. The return fare from, what was called "Crookshanks Corner" in those days, to Winnipeg was \$1.35.

Ed and I met in 1952 and were married August 8, 1953, at Knox United Church in Winnipeg. This is the same church in which Mom and Dad were married in 1930.

In March of 1953 Ed started driving bus in Winnipeg. The company was then called Winnipeg Electric. When he retired in 1986 the company was known as Winnipeg Transit. He trained on the old

street cars, then drove trolley and Diesel buses. The last eleven years he was with the Company, he drove Handi Transit, called the Wheelchair Bus. This was a job which was hard on the back. In 1967 we bought an old house which I think was built in 1920. Norman Kalk and Company moved the house from east of the Winnipeg River to a five acre lot which had been part of the Sutherland farm. The Highways Department has taken land from us twice since then, leaving us with a little over three acres of the original lot.



Ed & Fran Sutherland Family. Ron, Donna, David, Marianne, Tim, Fran, Ed, Sandra & Lynn – Sept 11/93.

We moved to the Clandeboye District in April 1957 with our two young children. Ronald George born May 30, 1954, in the original Selkirk Hospital, and Sandra Joy born August 24, 1955, in the new Selkirk Hospital. Patricia Lynn was born August 10, 1957, Donna Gail was born April 9, 1961, David James born on July 20, 1964, and Timothy Walter was born August 29, 1965. All were born in Selkirk with Dr. Easton attending.

We bought a pair of ponies named King and Queen for our children and although everyone liked to ride, Lynn and Donna seemed more interested in horses than the others. They competed in a lot of horse shows and won lots of ribbons and trophies. The boys seemed more interested in bikes and snowmobiles and of course, cars when they came of age and would maintain the same. After 4-H, hockey, skating, Sunday School, Boy Scouts, music, dancing and swimming lessons came graduation and then weddings. Lynn married Gary Willis and they have two girls, Jackie and Nicole. Ron married Brenda Slobodianek and they have Adam and Megan. Donna married John Mellof (Donna and John separated in 1992) and they have Amanda, Nick and Katie. Sandra married Terry Baron and they have two girls Jessica and Samantha. Tim married Marianne Szo and David is engaged to Tracy Schmidt who has two little girls Abby and Andrea.

Sandra is now living in Calgary and has a business selling University Scholarships. Ron, David and Tim all have Big Macks, trucks that is, not hamburgers, and each has his own business. Lynn works at Jostens as a camera operator and sometimes drives a highway tractor with her husband. Donna has finished five years of University and will graduate in June of 1999, completing a B.A. General with a double major in anthropology and psychology. We are very proud of our children.

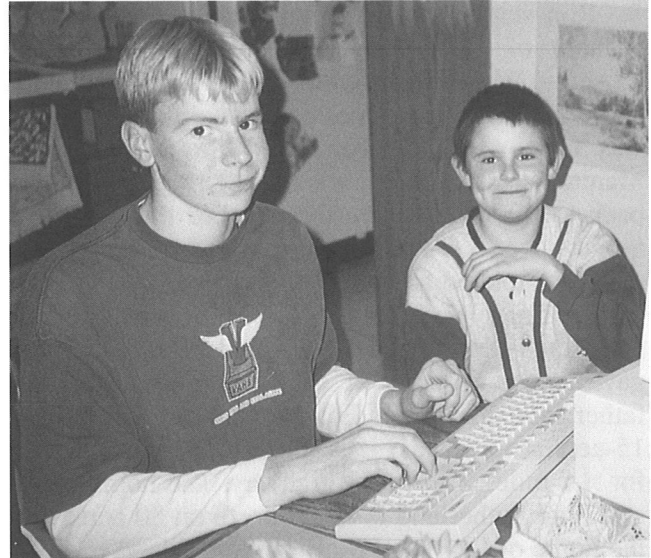
Ed and I have both retired, but Ed still does a bit



Granddaughters of Ed & Fran Sutherland. Back row – Megan Sutherland, Nicole Willis, Jackie Willis. Middle row – Jessica Baron, Amanda Mellof. Front row – Katie Mellof, Samantha Baron.



Ed Sutherland and grandson Nick Mellof. 1929 Chevy 3/4 ton sold for parts to Selkirk Fire Dept.



Ed & Fran Sutherland's grandsons – Adam Sutherland and Nick Mellof.



Eddie Boy (Ed Sutherland) – Brand new paint job on his 1952 John Deere. In Clandeboye Reunion Parade – July 1997.

of farming. We like to travel and have spent time in B.C. for several winters now. Ron and Ed like to fish and Ed is still driving his good old John Deere. When we go camping in the motor home, we can generally find some of the family to go with us. We have travelled from B.C. to Newfoundland, also made two trips to Alaska besides Florida and California. I have seen both ends of the Trans-Canada highway and have enjoyed every mile.

### Sutherland, Ron and Brenda

Ron and I met in the summer of 1975 in Teulon. We were married on September 2, 1978 and lived in Winnipeg for the first year while I completed my Laboratory Technology course at Grace Hospital. We moved to Keewatin, Ontario in July of 1979 after I graduated. I worked at Lake of the Woods District Hospital and Ron worked for Devlin Timber. We lived in Ontario for just over four years.

Ron started working in Waskada, Manitoba in January of 1983 with Newsco Well Services. I moved to Waskada in October when I finished work and waited for the birth of our first child. Adam Lee was born on November 10, 1983 at Deloraine, Manitoba. Just before Christmas of 1983, we moved back to the Clandeboye district. For the next nine months, we stayed with my Mom and Dad in Teulon while we looked for a house of our own.

We finally decided to get a ready-to-move home and Ron's Mom and Dad, Ed and Fran Sutherland gave us the property at 1-15-3E to settle on. His father gave this land to Ed. The property is a narrow 15-acre strip of land that runs along Wavey Creek for ½ a mile, west of #8 highway. The home of Ed and Fran Sutherland is to the north on 80 acres and the home of Lyall and Marjorie Sutherland is on 80 acres across the creek to the south. Ed pastured cattle and horses on this strip of land next to the creek for many years. Since he no longer had livestock he cleared the bush and grew wheat on the property for several years. When we had the backhoe come in to dig the basement, on July 28, 1984, wheat was the only thing in the way.

With the help of family and friends, we built the basement and waited for our new home to arrive from McDiarmid Lumber at Headingley. On August 30, our house travelled down #8 highway, was pulled onto the north creekbank and finally was settled on the basement. Again with the help of family and friends, we painted the inside walls, had carpets and flooring installed, had cabinets installed, and had electrical and water hook-ups completed. We spent the first night in our new home on September 30, 1984. A home grows and changes with its family and ours is still maturing with the growth of many trees in that windswept wheatfield.

On June 2, 1986 Megan Michelle was born in Winnipeg, joining and completing our family.

In November 1986, Adam started at Interlake Co-op Nursery School at Petersfield. He then attended school from kindergarten to grade 6 at Wm. S. Patterson School in Clandeboye, grades 7 to 9 at Lockport Junior High and is currently completing grade 10 at Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive High School. He has shown a talent for working with metal and is majoring in welding. Adam has been involved in sports over the years and has played hockey with teams in Selkirk and Winnipeg Beach and scrub hockey at Clandeboye Skating Rink. He played T-ball and has curled. He also played soccer in Clandeboye for many years and was fortunate enough to be a proud member of the Clandeboye 13 and under soccer team at the Summer Games in Morden in 1996. This team

earned a silver medal at the games for the Interlake Region. Adam has taken up golf in the last couple of years and enjoys swinging a club at Netley Golf Course. Adam was a member of the Clandeboye Combined 4H Club and was a member of the 1st Clandeboye Beavers and Cub Packs for several years. He now enjoys snowboarding in the winter and wakeboarding in the summer.

Megan started at Interlake Co-op Nursery School in 1989, attended kindergarten to grade 6 at Wm. S. Patterson and is currently completing grade 7 at Lockport Junior High. She was a member of the Clandeboye Brownies for several years. Megan has been very involved with the Clandeboye Combined 4H Club, as secretary and then president of the club. She worked on two projects a year and excelled at public speaking, winning either first or second place every year at club level and winning first place at District Level in 1999. She enjoyed sports and belonged to various teams in the area, such as T-ball, soccer and curling, and has enjoyed skating at Clandeboye Skating Rink. Megan volunteered at the Selkirk General Hospital and enjoyed working with the patients.

Ron drove highway truck for many years for several companies. He worked for the R.M. of St. Andrews as a heavy equipment operator for a couple of years and has since become self-employed with Sudsy's Backhoe Service. Ron volunteered as assistant leader with the 1st Clandeboye Beavers and Cubs. He also enjoyed playing hockey with the Clandeboye Oldtimers.

I worked summer relief at Selkirk Medical Centre, delivered mail for Petersfield RR #1, worked at Clandeboye Store and I am currently working in the laboratories at Selkirk and District General Hospital and at Stonewall and District Health Centre. I volunteered as treasurer for Interlake Co-op Nursery School, as assistant leader for Clandeboye Brownies, and continue to volunteer as project leader for the Clandeboye Combined 4H Club.

Our family has enjoyed living near Clandeboye. It is important to be near family for the support that is readily available and offered. Clandeboye, with the strength, values, and morals of a small community, has been a great place to raise a family.

### **Swirski, Tom and Maria**

Maria and Harry Swirski came to Canada in 1894 as citizens of Austria, first settling in the Foley (R.M. of Gimli) area. In 1896 they took a homestead at NE¼ 24-17-3E. They settled on this property with their young son Nicholas. In 1902, a son Wasyl (Bill) was born. Harry passed away in 1923 and son Nicholas passed away in 1929. Wasyl continued to farm with



Dad, Wasyl Swirski and son Thomas (with cap). Tom's cousins in background.

his mother. In 1935 Wasyl married Lillian Pertson also from the St. Andrews Municipality; from this union a son Thomas was born in July 1939. Grandmother Maria passed away in 1944. Wasyl and Tom farmed a small scale grain operation, but mainly beef cattle. Tom went away to work on construction at a very young age, first in Edmonton in 1956 and then on to the DEW line in northern Canada. Upon his return in 1959, Tom purchased NW¼ 29-

17E from Philip Zaboroski. Tom and his family still reside here. In 1963 Tom met Mona Hladky, from the Rembrandt area, whom he married in May 1964, at St. Peter and Paul Church, Arnes, Manitoba. Tom continued to farm and Mona worked at the Gimli Hospital until January, 1967 when their first child, a daughter Cynthia Anne was born. She was followed by three brothers; Thomas Paul in September 1969; Donald Steven in January 1972 and David Andrew in November 1974. The children attended school in Winnipeg Beach, upon completion of Grade six, they then went onto Gimli for their junior and senior high school days. Cynthia lives at home at the present time, working in Aspen Park (Gimli) as a caregiver in a group home for the mentally challenged. Her introduction to care giving was in Kenora, Ontario, where she worked for three years. She returned to Manitoba where she has been employed since; very rewarding. Thomas (Jr.) completed a Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Manitoba, where he also met his



The Swirski Family. Front row – Thomas Jr., Cynthia, David. Back row – Mona, Thomas Sr., Donald.



Left to right – Paul & Anne Hladky (bride's parents), Mona & Tom Swirski, Wasyl, Anne (Turkewich) Srutwa – Tom's great-aunt, Wedding May 1964.



Thomas Jr. & Susan Swirski, Aug. 20, 1994.



future wife, Susan Ballantyne. Upon graduating from the University, he went onto Red River College to attain a degree in Electrical Engineering Technology. Tom and Susan married in August 1994. They reside in Beachburg, Ontario and work in Pembroke. Tom is employed by a fibre board plant (owned by a firm from Dallas, Texas) as chief operating technologist. Susan is employed as a speech/language pathologist in the Pembroke area. Donald is employed at present by Reimer Transport as a long distance truck driver. He was involved in the family farm operation.

David, the youngest, spent a year working in England and then travelling throughout Europe. He presently lives in Edmonton, Alberta and works at a Chrysler dealership.

Tom (Sr.) sought employment outside the farm and in 1974 went to work for the Village of Dunnottar where he remained for twenty-two years, taking early retirement in 1996. In August 1998 he returned to the village where he is presently employed. The family began attending All Saints Anglican Church Whytewold in 1981; Mona and Tom still worship here.

Wasył passed away in 1981, after suffering from cancer for thirteen years.

Tom still owns the original homestead but presently leases the property to Don and Deron Skorupski.

### **Sylvester, William Blake and Patricia**

William Blake and Patricia Sylvester along with their only child Wayne, bought six acres of open field known as Lot 70A East, from John Paroznick in May of 1973. They had a house built on this property and moved in on October 31, 1973. Blake and Pat have since planted over 5,000 trees on this piece of land and enjoy working in their yard.

Blake was a volunteer fire fighter for St. Andrews hall #2 from 1981 to 1994, retiring as lieutenant. Blake retired from Canada Safeway in the spring of 1999. Summers you find Blake playing baseball for the St. Andrews Aces with Pat being the team's official score keeper. Curling and cross country skiing are their winter sports.

Wayne attended St. Andrews School for grades 8 and 9, he later graduated from Lord Selkirk Comprehensive with grade 12. Wayne now resides in Surrey, BC with his wife Joyce, daughters Rae Ann and Carla.

### **Tepper, Rudy**

My name is Rudy Tepper and I live on a farm NW 26-14-4E south of Clandeboye. My parents, sister Hildy, and I moved here from Headingley in the fall of 1949, having bought the farm from

George Goodwin. It wasn't easy for us. We had eleven hundred dollars to pay down on the farm and a mortgage on the rest. The machinery we had was an obstinate, cantankerous 1927 John Deere model D tractor on steel, a broken down seeder, and a harrow bar made out of two by six boards. Of the 320 acres, there were only 80 acres cultivated so it was quite a scramble to make it. We had a bit of everything, cows, pigs, chickens, turkeys, and a team of horses. In the winter I had to get jobs in Winnipeg, Toronto, and Brantford, Ontario.

Gradually we paid off the mortgage, bought better machinery, and more land to the present size of one section. My sister graduated as an R.N. and worked at the King George Hospital in Winnipeg during the big polio epidemic of the 1950's. She moved to the United States and married an American Air Force pilot in Phoenix, Arizona. They are now retired and live in Dallas, Texas. They have three sons, two of them doctors. My Dad passed away in 1985 at the age of 90, and Mother in 1995 at age 97.

I retired in 1996 and being single all my life, I married Nellie Rogers, a wonderful widow lady with four children and eight grandchildren in 1998. She still works at the Red River Place Nursing Home as a dietician.

So that's the story of us in a nutshell.



Nellie and Rudy Tepper – 1998.

## **The Terry's, our brief Canadian History**

In June of 1970, my dad Michael J. Terry, a Cabinetmaker by trade, immigrated to Canada from Eye, in Suffolk England. He came to Winnipeg where there was a shortage of qualified Cabinetmakers. He got a job at Jarvis Display Fixtures and on August 23, 1970, my mum Pearl, me Kym, my younger brother Roger and my youngest brother Stuart, came to Canada. We lived in Winnipeg until March of 1971 when my dad got a job in Selkirk at Universal Woodwork, a Cabinet and Pattern making shop. Dad worked there for several years and then he got a job at what was then the Manpower training Plant on Robinson Ave. as a Woodwork instructor.

During the years, my mum had several part time jobs. She worked at the Bingo variety store, the Eaton's catalogue office, Signet Realty and finally the Royal Bank.

Us boys had a great time growing up. We all had paper routes and when we weren't delivering papers we were fishing in the river, catching crayfish to sell at the docks or swimming in Selkirk pool. In the winter there was cross-country skiing and tobogganing at the Golf course.

In January 1978, I went to college in Lethbridge, Alberta for one semester. Upon my return in April, my brother introduced me to a new friend he had made, Mike Harris. He had just arrived in March from Bodmin, Cornwall, England with his parents, Brian and Deanna Harris, his sister Wendy, and brother Chris. It took until 1980 before I met Wendy at a New Year's Eve dance at Clandeboye Hall. That night, lying on the floor of Brian and Deanna's basement, I told Mike I was going to marry his sister. He politely told me I was crazy and we all fell asleep.

Well, on May 28, 1983, Wendy and I got married. We were the first couple to get married in the newly built Clandeboye United Church. We lived in Selkirk on Clandeboye Avenue for almost 4 years. It was a good location as Wendy could easily walk to work at the TD Bank and I could walk to work at Universal Woodwork.

In May of 1986 I got a job as a restoration craftsmen with Restoration Workshop at Lower Fort Garry. In July 1986 our first child, Mandy Nicole, was born. We started feeling that our 600 sq. ft house was getting too small and we decided to move out to Clandeboye, Manitoba where we already had a lot in the Schindler subdivision. We bought a house from Vidir Lumber in Arborg and had a basement dug and poured. Before the house could arrive though, we had a lovely snowstorm in November 1986; it filled half the basement with snow. We tried

to blow it out with Brian's snow blower, but in the end we had Buus Construction dig it out with a drott. In January of 1987 we finally moved into our house on Willow Crescent. About the same time, my parents built themselves a new house on Birston Road.

In 1988 our second daughter was born, Melissa Bethan. Several years went by until 1994, when our third daughter, Catherina Natasha came along. Now it is 1999 and Wendy still works at the TD Bank and I still work for Restoration Workshop. The Schindler subdivision has changed a lot since we first moved here and now there are only 3 empty lots.

## **Thomas, Charles (Chuck) and Wendy**

Chuck grew up in Selkirk with his parents Robert and Margaret and his brother Sean. His father left the military, went to school in Toronto and after driving across Canada, brought the family to Selkirk. Of Irish, Scottish, Welsh descent they finally settled in Selkirk. Robert worked as Chief in the computer division for the Manitoba Government, Margaret worked in various jobs, finally for the Health Department for the Manitoba Government.

Both are now divorced and remarried-Robert and his wife Val live in a secluded cabin in 'cottage country' in Southern Ontario, and Margaret and her husband Reg Blaschuk are planning to retire in a cottage they own in Grand Beach. Reg and his son Shawn are originally from Winnipeg. Shawn now resides in Alberta working on oilwells.

Chuck's brother Sean played for the Selkirk Fisherman hockey team while growing up. Sean works for Manitoba Hydro in the dispatch office now and previously was a journeyman lineman. He plays for the local adult St. Andrew's hockey team. He married Gill Marton from East Selkirk. They have two sons Scott and Jeremy and live in St. Clements (Lockport) on Rock Haven Road where they built their own home. Growing up, Sean was involved in hockey, beavers, cubs, scouts and fixing up cars.

During high school in Selkirk, Chuck was involved in band, life guarding, track and field, hockey, and scouts. After high school he worked as an Emergency Medical Technician for the Selkirk Hospital Ambulance Service. He then attended the University of Winnipeg towards a biochemistry degree. During this time, he became a Paramedic and is currently working for the Winnipeg Emergency Response Service. He is currently volunteering for the St. Andrew's Fire Department.

Chuck married Wendy Gavel from Lockport in

1995 on October 7 in the Old Stone Church by Lower Fort Garry. They built a timber frame home on twenty acres adjacent to Helen and Arnold Gavel, the original owners, at 32 Karabin Road. Wendy plans to raise and breed Arabian horses as her parents did. Wendy attended Misericordia School of Nursing and obtained her RN in 1996. She works at the Health Sciences Centre. When at home she likes to feed the deer and birds that come near the house.

### **Thomas, Lorne and Joanne**

Lorne Thomas and his mom moved to St. Andrews in 1945 from the farm in Foley. In 1950 they moved to 81 Hazel Avenue, which was then the RM of St. Andrews. Our area of town became a part of Winnipeg Beach when the town needed our tax money.

In 1972 we bought the property, section 21, township 17, range 4E. It had originally belonged to Frank Pasek. He had sold it to Mike Roga. We bought it from Mike's three daughters. It had been subdivided into two-acre parcels of land before we bought it. The home we had built from the CPR waiting room of the Winnipeg Beach station, on 83 Hazel Avenue, was moved to the west two acres. Interlake Movers (P. Kowerko and son) moved it there November 8, 1975. In 1999 the original log home by F. Pasek still stands on the west two acres (renovated by L. Thomas).

In 1961 our eldest daughter Lorna was born. Unmarried, she lives with us in Nanaimo, British Columbia. In 1962 we had our second daughter Rose Marie. In 1988 she married Darryl Hrechkosy, they live in Winnipeg on Burrows Avenue. On June 22, 1999 they became the parents of our granddaughter Amber Joanne. They also have two Golden Retrievers. In 1964 we had our third daughter Norma. In 1991 she married Alex Reinhardt. They live on Earl Grey Road, St. Andrews. They have two of our three grandchildren, Bryce who is five years old and Lindsay who is 2½. They were born in 1994 and 1996. They also have three Dalmatians. In 1969 we had our final child, our son, Lawrence (Buzz) Thomas. He is unmarried and presently living on 716 Thomas Road, St. Andrews.

Lorne has spent all the summers there since 1991 when he built the cottage, now totally winterized. In 1989 we moved to Nanaimo due to his getting arthritis in his hips. He had worked for the Petersfield Highway crew. In 1990 we sold the west and middle two acres to Bill and Barb Gauss.

I, Joanne, had worked in the Gimli hospital (JMH) from 1978 until we moved west where I worked for Nanaimo Regional General Hospital

until December 25, 1998. Now that I am retired I will spend time with my family. I have more time to get to know my grandchildren.

The thing that attracted us to the area was that it was close to where Lorne grew up, most of his friends were there. There are less every year as life goes on. Manitoba draws him back every year, now he has me to bring back, too. Winters in British Columbia are good for his arthritis.

One of the changes I have seen in 43 years is that we have better roads. We still need better drainage; but that's life.

Both Lorne and I were farm kids, I guess the country is in our souls. Our kids enjoy the country also, when the time from work allows them time away from the city.

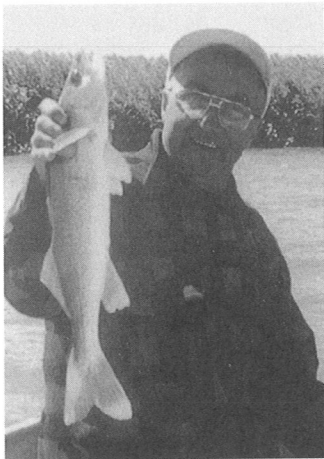


Joanne and Lorne Thomas – 1999.

### **Thomas, Vern**

Vern was born at Grand Marais, the eldest child of Harold and Olga nee Charney of Matlock, Manitoba. His father was a commercial fisherman at Grand Marais and also worked for Abitibi Paper Company at Pine Falls. Vern has one sister Jacqueline (Edgar Desautel) and one brother, Carson (Dodie). Both live in Pine Falls.

He was married in 1957 to Mona nee Palmer of Port Arthur. They raised three sons, Danny, Lee and Jody who are now all residents of Winnipeg. His wife passed away in 1978. Vern lives at 1798 Breezy Point Road and is now retired. He was a transport driver for Kleysens Tri-Line and others, for a total of



Vern Thomas from Breezy Point with pickereel at Maria Creek, 1997.



Vern Thomas' grandfather, centre, was a rescued and adopted infant, others unknown.

forty years. He drove cross Canada routes, into the North including winter road routes.

Vern's grandfather, Alfred Edward Thomas was an infant survivor of a smallpox epidemic in the Interlake in 1876-77. The story by W. Kristjanson, "This Icelandic Child's Mother Tongue was Cree", tells of Rev. Edward Thomas, an Anglican clergyman at St. Peters, later at St. Judes, Grand Marais. He was out visiting his parishioners and came to a home where a young couple lived. When his knock on the door went unanswered, Rev. Thomas went in and found the young couple dead of smallpox, but an infant was still alive. He took this child home and raised it as his own. He never told his adopted son any of the circumstances but years later, the son was to learn that he was of Icelandic descent. His real surname was Gislason.

### The Thurston Family by Dave Thurston

Harold and Margaret Thurston and their six children took up residence on SE-9-15-4E, 1¼ miles North of Clandeboye on #9 Highway, in the R.M. of

St. Andrews in 1945. Harold worked off the farm delivering milk for Crescent Creamery until a dairy herd was able to support the family. Marion, the eldest daughter, was the first to leave home and was followed by Sue, Fran, and Delbert.

John remained on the farm, married Wilma Grieve, then formed a farming partnership with his parents. John farmed until his untimely death in 1969 at the age of 29 years. David worked with the Provincial Government as a conservation officer stationed throughout Manitoba, while Delbert worked as an accountant in British Columbia.

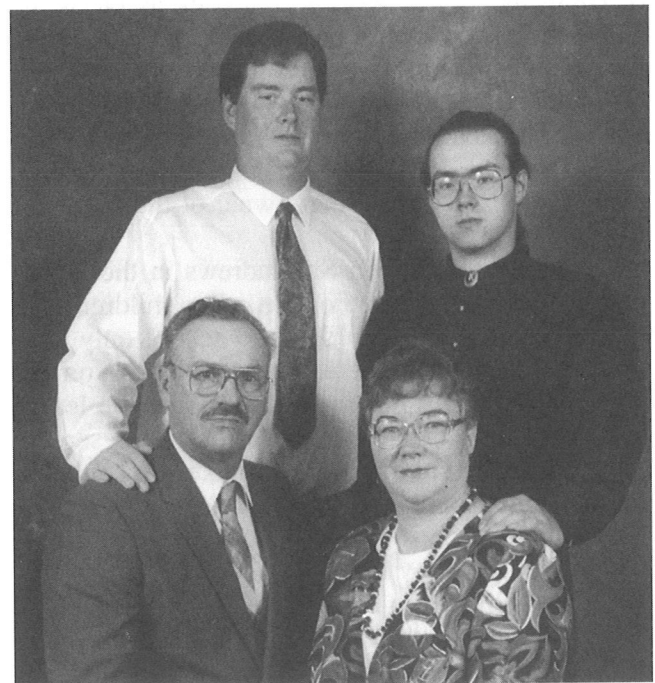
Delbert passed away January 11, 1995 and his wife Heather died December 1, 1996, leaving their two children, Jeff 16, and Annie 12 orphaned. Jeff and Annie presently live with Heather's sister Diane and Mike in Duncan, British Columbia.

Harold and Margaret continued to farm until their retirement in 1978.

Margaret passed away during the spring of 1986, followed by Harold in February of 1987. They are buried along with John in the Clandeboye United Church Cemetery.

In 1977, David, Lorraine, and sons Brad and Conrad purchased the family farm from Harold and Margaret, and are living in the original farmhouse on the property today.

Through the years 1977 to 1998, I also worked off the farm and slowly built up a beef herd. I retired from the Provincial Government Department of Natural Resources in the Spring of 1998. Numerous changes have taken place since we purchased the



Back row – Brad and Conrad. Front row – David and Lorraine Thurston.

farm, but the original barn still stands today as a tribute to the design of yesteryears. These barns are slowly disappearing, as are the country elevators.

The hog barn, where my father raised pigs has been converted into a machine shop. In past years all service and machine repairs were done outside as the buildings were occupied with livestock. I still remember changing the clutch in a Massey Harris 333 tractor in the middle of the yard. During the winter of 1996 cattle prices were down, I was getting closer to retirement and decided it was time for a change. For years we had to contend with the ever increasing traffic on #9 Highway, and with people driving in wanting to buy farm produce. I thought I would try growing corn to sell along the highway.

I did some research on growing corn, bought equipment, and as they say, "the rest is history". The corn did well so I pulled out a small building I used as a calf shelter, painted it up and we were in business. The response was favourable and we were able to sell all the corn I grew. We have added to the produce I grow, and each year it only gets better!

### **Tocholke, Ronald (Randle) Roy**

I was born in Green Bay, a community in the Municipality of Brokenhead, Manitoba, the youngest son of Rudolph and Heleen Tocholke. My parents moved to Winnipeg when I was four years old. In 1935 I moved to St. Andrews with my parents and three brothers, Edward, Bill and John.

The property that we lived on was the S½ of lot 43 and all of lot 44. It was situated on the west side of Highway 4 (now #9) and ran back as far as the CPR railway tracks. We had 15 acres of land with a four room house with an unfinished upstairs on a full cement basement. There was a small barn for cows, a chicken barn, a granary, a garage and a pig barn. The price of the buildings and land was fifteen hundred dollars. The former owner of the farm was Mr. Louie Buss.

I attended school in St. Andrews in the winter months only. Like some of the other children who lived on the farm, I could attend school only after the harvest was complete. My pet "hates" on the farm were picking potatoes and topping the leaves off the sugar beets in the later part of the fall season. Trees had to be cut down with an axe and hauled in for the winter supply and there had to be enough hay to last until spring for the cows. An education was not on the list of my father's priorities.

It was difficult to make a living on such a small piece of land, so at the age of 16, I left the farm to try and find work to help support my Mother and Father. I managed to find work in Ontario in a gold mine. The mine was located on McKenzie Island in

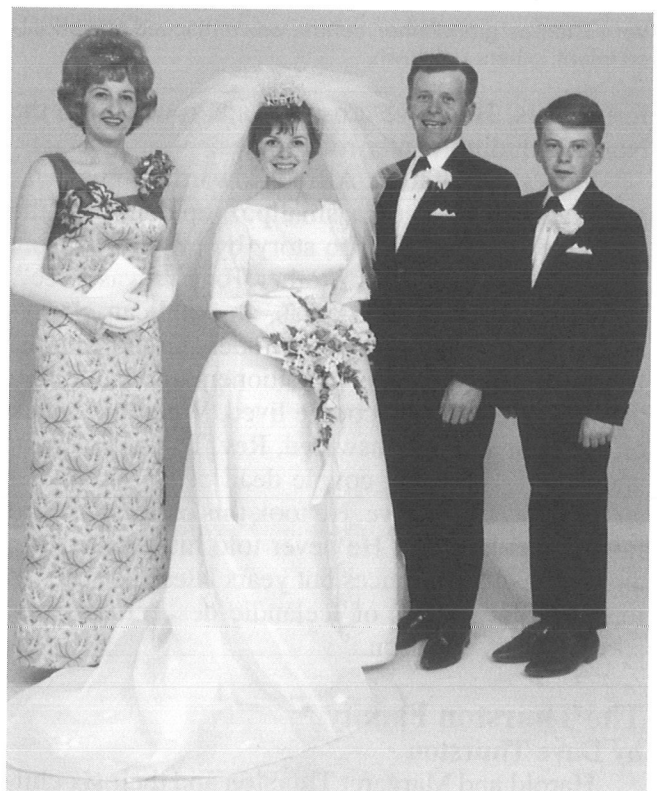


Ron Tocholke, 18 yrs old,  
1943.

the area of Red Lake. I worked underground, as a machinist helper for one year. In 1941 I left the mine to work in British Columbia where an airfield was to be built near the Town of Terrace. The airfield was needed to defend our west coast against a possible attack by Japan.

In 1942, at the age of 18, I left Terrace and returned to Winnipeg to enlist in the armed forces to serve my country. On July 7, 1942 I joined the army at Fort Osborne Barracks in Winnipeg. I was sent overseas in 1943 and saw service in England, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. I was married in 1946 to Elsie, the youngest daughter of Nicholas and Mary Wowchuk. Elsie attended school in St. Andrews. The wedding took place on August 17 with the reception taking place on my parent's farm.

Out of this union we had two children, Barbara



Elsie, Barbara, Ron and Gary at Barbara's Wedding, June 1,  
1969.

born on November 24, 1947 and Gary born on August 6, 1953. Both Barbara and Gary attended school in St. Andrews and Selkirk. Barbara married Sid Turner of Fort William, Ontario on June 1, 1969. Barbara and Sid now reside in Victoria, British Columbia. They have one son, Scott, born October 31, 1971.

Gary moved to Victoria in 1993 working for an electronic company for a number of years. Gary decided in 1996 to find work on Grand Cayman Island, where he still resides at this time.

I moved into Winnipeg in 1949 working on construction until 1954. For the next 30 years I was employed by Canadian Pacific Railway and retired in 1984 due to health reasons. One of the highlights while I worked for the CPR, was to be chosen, in 1970, to ride with the train as the electrician that carried the Royal Family, Queen Elizabeth, Prince Philip, Princess Anne and Prince Charles, on their visit to Winnipeg.

I always wanted to return to St. Andrews to raise my family there. In 1959 I started to build my house on Lot 44 on the east side of Highway 9. Money was scarce at this time so I did most of the building myself. I had \$10,000 available to complete my house at this time. I spent a lot of time shopping at various lumber companies for the best and cheapest prices that I could find. I finally completed and moved into my house in November, 1960. The cost to complete my home was \$8,700. I now live at 5439 Highway 9.

My hobbies are curling, golfing and decorating my house with lights for Christmas. Like most people do, I started with two strings of lights in 1960. As the years passed by, I kept adding to my display of lights to where it is now. I get a great deal of pleasure to be able to see my house when it is lit up, and from some of the comments that I hear, I think others do too. My house was pretty well known as *Santa's House* to most of the local children. I also play Christmas carols while I have the lights turned on, through speakers set up in the yard.

It was in 1959 that I met Elmer Keryluk, a young man who was teaching children at the St. Andrews School. I was impressed by his enthusiasm to organize a sports program for our children at our school. In 1960 I was elected to the board of directors of the St. Andrews Community Club. The president at this time was Nick Yuzark with Elmer Keryluk as treasurer, recording secretary and sports director.

In 1961 I was assigned to coach a girls baseball team. This was for 14 year olds who wished to play in an organized league.

In 1965 a hard-ball team was organized for

boys. It was called "The Red River Pony League". In this league we had five teams. One team was from Beausejour, one from Tyndall, and two teams from Selkirk. In 1967, St. Andrews won the Championship.

Another activity that I was involved with was to be elected to Vestry of St. Andrews Church, later to be the rector's warden and to be assistant superintendent of the cemetery for a number of years. November 30, 1991 I had the privilege, as rector's warden, to sign the agreement with the federal government, provincial government and Anglican Church, on a cost-sharing agreement to restore the church.

The stone walls around the cemetery were deteriorating and in need of repairs, so I, with other volunteers from the community, tore down and rebuilt the front part of the wall.

Note: Guardsman Ron Tocholke was in the Canadian Grenadier Guards during WWII. Excerpts from his diary are included in the chapter entitled "Lest We Forget".

### **Tomyk, Ken and Donna**

In the fall of 1984, Ken and Donna Tomyk purchased a home along Netley Creek in Petersfield. The house was built in 1976 and is situated on Warrens Road. Donna and Ken were both raised in Stonewall. Donna's maiden name was Brindley, daughter to Ken and Ann Brindley. Donna's father Ken worked in the Stonewall Quarries for many years, while Ann ran a dress shop in Stonewall. Ken was the son of John and Olga Tomyk, who lived and operated a dairy farm in the Stonewall area.

In 1987, Donna opened the door to The Flower Shed, a florist shop she operated out of her home till 1993. At the time, in 1987, Ken started B. Klean Ent. and carpet cleaning. Ken services most of the Southern Interlake, cleaning residential and commercial carpets. In 1990 Ken and Donna's first born, Kendall Dawn, arrived; twenty one months later, their second child, Brindley Amber, was born.

Ken and Donna have been active in the community. Ken has served as vice-president of both the Petersfield Curling Club and the Petersfield Community Club. Ken also helped establish The Flying Baboons Recreational Hockey Team.

### **The Townsend Family**

Townsend, George Sr., 1882-1966

Townsend, Elizabeth Osborne, 1885-1972

Townsend, Agnes Jane, 1917-1927

Townsend, George Howard Jr., 1915-1944

George Townsend and his brother Frederick bought River Lot #5 from Robert Begg in 1912.

Elizabeth Osborne immigrated to Canada in 1912 and married George Townsend, who she met in Winnipeg, in 1914. On the south half of lot 5 was a log home where George and Elizabeth lived until building their own home on the north half.

Frederick went to the war in 1914. He returned and lived in Old England then returned to England in 1922.

George was a market gardener until 1920. He then became the gardener in the summer and caretaker in the winter for the Motor Country Club. The Motor Country Club leased the Lower Fort Garry from 1913-1963. While there, George grew prize roses. In their home were many trophies from his roses.

George and Elizabeth were life long members of St. Clements Church. George held positions on the vestry and was active with the parish in raising the money for the Bell Tower.

In 1927, they lost their daughter Agnes Jane to typhoid. After that, the family ceased living at the Lower Fort during the winter.

From 1936-1939 George worked for Mr. Dingwall who was a jeweler in Winnipeg.

When war was declared in 1939, George Jr. joined the Winnipeg Grenadiers.

George Sr. started work at the Manitoba Rolling Mills. He remained there until he retired.

George and Elizabeth enjoyed many years of good health and spent many times traveling to Vancouver and California, driving their 1929 Ford and then graduated to a small beige colored "Prefect".

George Jr. died in Osaka, Japan, a prisoner of war in 1944.

Their two remaining children, Reg and family live in Pukokohe, New Zealand. Their daughter, Lillian Bjornson lives in Selkirk and her children David Bjornson and family live in Old England, Shelagh Glibbery and family in Dawson Creek, British Columbia and Lois Stewart and family in Nanaimo, British Columbia.

### **Trippier, Edward and Ellen**

Mr. Edward J. Trippier and Mrs. Ellen Trippier arrived in Canada in 1924. The way the story goes is; in 1925 while they were on their way from Nova Scotia to British Columbia by train Mr. Trippier got off the train in Winnipeg to phone a friend; that phone call changed their destiny and they decided to stay in Manitoba settling in the Netley area.

They had two children; James Edward who was 12 and Jennie who was seven years of age. They first settled in Netley on Highway 9 near the airport. They had a difficult time the first year in Manitoba, losing most of their cattle due to the harsh winter.

Mr. Trippier Sr.'s father had a dairy farm in England as well as a butcher shop in the Ackrinton area. He followed his fathers footsteps – farming all of his life. They shipped cream hauling it to the railway station in Petersfield with horse and buggy, or sleigh in the winter.

They moved to Petersfield a few years later buying 240 acres of land on highway #8, one mile north of Petersfield Road.

Jennie Trippier married George Patton in 1940. They had four boys; Jim, Raymond, David, Gordon, and a daughter Darlene.

Ed (James Edward) Trippier married Ingrid Christina Wick in 1942. After their marriage, Ed and Ingrid along with Ed's parents, moved to a house on Petersfield Road on their existing property, ½ mile east of Highway 8. They lived in the same location all their life.

Ingrid and Ed raised seven children; Edward Glen (Ted) born July 7, 1944; Joseph (Stanley), born October 3, 1946; (Helen) Jean, born November 20, 1948; Jennie born December 23, 1949; (Richard) Norman, born October 19, 1952; Elsie born May 29, 1955; and (Jack) Leonard, born January 29, 1957. Ingrid's parents retired to the Petersfield area from Winnipeg. Before she was married to Ed, Ingrid worked and lived at Lower Fort Gary in the summer, it was a Golf and Country Club at the time. Ingrid enjoyed her life raising the family and living a quiet life on the farm. When the children were older, Ingrid went back to work as a Nurses Aid at the Selkirk Mental Hospital; where she worked until her retirement at the age of 63.

Ed was known for his sales ability, buying and selling. He knew everyone for miles around, making a living bartering and trading horses and cattle. Ed had a special love of horses. He would buy young horses and spend hours training them. This was especially fun for his children, as we always had ponies, horses of every kind to ride. Sheep were another of Ed's passions.

Mr. Trippier Sr. died in 1949 of a stroke at the age of 54.

Ellen Trippier married a second time to Mr. Frank Heuvel. Ellen lived next door to Ed and Ingrid until her death at the age of 87.

The Trippier family flourished and multiplied. Ed and Ingrid had 18 grandchildren (11 boys and seven girls), when they died. Today they have nine great grandchildren, all girls. Ingrid died in 1982 at the age of 68. Ed married Nora Carter in 1985, they were married a short time when Ed died in 1987 at the age of 75.

Ed and Ingrid lost their youngest son Jack in 1976 in a car accident.