

# Beryl Salome McINTOSH, nee WARNER & Milton Robert McINTOSH

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**Beryl Salome Warner**, born 17/12/1893 at Lawloit, Vic.

Parents : Beatrice Mary Warner (nee Sturgeon) & Thomas Warner

Grandparents : Christina Sturgeon (nee McLean) & George Harvey Sturgeon

G-Grandparents : Mary McLean (nee Stacey) & John McLean

G-G-Grandparents : Christine McLean (nee McPhee & Donald McLean

Marriage: to Milton Robert McIntosh, (b.9/9/1889) HISTORY: Abridged from a lengthy account. Beryl was educated at Lawloit, and the Continuation School Melbourne, (later Melbourne High School). With the family she was a loyal supporter of the Methodist Church, playing the organ at Lawloit until she left in 1910. During Lawloit school time she had a severe illness which lasted over a year, so that her brother Harvey caught up with her.

She and Harvey left for Melbourne together, where Beryl in due course became a qualified school teacher, but due to illness Harvey was compelled to return home. Beryl loved hockey, she taught in Melbourne bringing her sister. Elsie to the city and paying for her education. In due course she became a teacher too.

Beryl was then transferred to Donald, where she met a local farmer to whom she was engaged for 5 years. Before their marriage in 1921, Milton McIntosh with his brother, Jack, were working at a selection in the Darling Downs area of Queensland. There the couple set about years of hard pioneering effort, 3 children were born but the 2nd died due to the difficulty of getting him to a doctor in time.

Beryl saved her eldest son, Bill, after he swallowed poison by her calmness, and general knowledge of first aid. Milton purchased one of the first motor cars in Queensland, took his family back to Nhill in 1926 and opened a fish shop. In 1929 he bought a farm near Euroa and moved to a large old farm house, where conditions were more favorable than in Queensland. In 1930 grandmother, Christina Sturgeon (nee McLean) joined them for a time, but was to die at Nhill before the end of the year at the Warner home.

The family did well at "The Willows". The children of Beatrice and Milton went to the Castle Creek State School, then onto the Euroa High. There are details in the family record of all that Beryl did at Euroa and her many local works. They prospered in spite of the 1944/45 drought until 1947, when due to an electrical fault the farmhouse they all loved so well burnt to the ground.

Their son, Bill, remained at a saved bungalow, while Beryl, Milton and daughter, Yvonne, moved into the town and took up many interests. In 1951, with time to spare, Beryl at last attained her teaching degree. Overseas trips followed. Eventually, due to Parkinson's disease Beryl's health failed - Milton nursed her faithfully to the end.

Deaths: Beryl died 17/10/1963, aged 69 years. Milton died 16/4/1979. leaving 4 children.

**THE McINTOSH FAMILY OF BERYL and MILTON** - (Beryl McIntosh - nee Warner) grand daughter of Christina Sturgeon nee McLean.

**McIntosh Descendants:-**

1. William Bruce McIntosh born at Dalby, Q. on 13/12/1921. Married: Audrey Ester Crichton (b. 3/2/1931). Residence: Euroa, Vic. When a child his parents farmed at Meandarra, Q. then at Nhill, where he was educated, followed by Castle Creek, 5 miles south of Euroa, then to Euroa High School. He worked the family farm at Castle Creek until 1984, where he had built a house for himself following the fire of November, 1947. Bill has been an active member, and Captain of the Gooram Fire Brigade, keen on bowls and a member at Euroa for than 40 years. Master, Secretary, Lodge Delegate and a member of the Masonic Lodge for more than 50 years. His Angus Stud, Border Leicester, Southdown and Ryeland Studs are well known in the area. Children – Cheryl, Susan & Andrew.
2. Aubrey Jackson McIntosh, born 3/8/1923 at Dalby, Q. Died: aged 6 months on 9/2/1924 and was buried at Miles, Queensland.
3. Ailsa Mary McIntosh, bom 7/1/1925 at Dalby, Q. Married: Henry Thomas Law, (b. 23/2/1921, Euroa, Vic). History: Was aged 2 years when her parents returned to Victoria from Queensland, and was happy to visit her grandparents' farm at Nhill, 4 miles from the town. Euroa came next when Ailsa was 4 years and with her siblings attended the local primary and high schools. During the war years she was at home seeing to the house, on behalf of her sick mother. Her husband Henry Law was engaged in the saw-milling business with his father until 1951. They then moved to Morwell, Victoria (in Gippsland) to begin dairy farming, and continued there for several years. A move to Traralgon, a milk bar and mixed business was conducted, until retirement to Trafalgar East in 1980 which is their present residence. Children : Deidre, Henry, Ailsa & Darryl.
4. Yvonne Dawn McIntosh, b. 30/11/1930, at Euroa, Vic. Married: Bruce Wilfred Devanny. [See biographies 5058](#)

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 276 to 278.
- COLONIALISTS : Christina and Donald McLean and their ten children migrated from Argyllshire to South Australia in 1837. This was in the earliest years of the colony. The McLeans initially settled near Adelaide where they grew the first wheat crop in SA. Then in about 1840 they pioneered the Strathalbyn area. There are now well over 20,000 descendants spread across Australia and elsewhere.
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