

Christina (Tina) BLUNT, nee KEOUGH

Bertie George BLUNT

Biography as published in 1995

Christina (Tina) Keough b. 12/11/1900 at Wentworth, N.S.W.

Parents : Christina McPhee Keough (nee McLean) & James Stanley Keough

Grandparents : Margaret McLean (nee Tannahill) & Hugh (the younger) McLean

G-Grandparents : Christina McLean (nee McPhee) & Donald McLean

She was educated at Strathalbyn when her parents returned to the town and became a tailoress at Bell & Co. Strathalbyn until her marriage. Her husband was a clerk with the S.A. Railways when they married 8- left Strathalbyn in 1933 when he was appointed Station Master at Apamurra on the former Monarto-Sedan Railway.

Marriage: at Strathalbyn, to **Bertie George Blunt** (b. 10/3/1901 at Hanson, S.A. son of Edward & Ellen (nee Slough) Blunt.

The "Southern Argus" dated Thursday 17/3/1927 described the wedding:

"A pretty & popular wedding took place at St. Andrew's (Presbyterian) Church on Saturday afternoon when Miss Christina (Tina) Keough daughter of the late Mr & Mrs James S.Keough was united in holy matrimony to Mr Bertie George Blunt of the S.A.R. Strathalbyn. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. A. A. McKenzie B.A., the church having been beautifully decorated for the occasion by the girl friends of the bride who wore a beautiful gown of white silk with silk lace trimmings & a cap veil daintily arranged. She looked very sweet & carried the customary bouquet. The bridesmaid, Miss M. McLean, was frocked in very pale heliotrope with a cap to match. The bridegroom was attended by Mr H. H. Tiller. The happy couple were given a large number of beautiful presents, motored to Aldgate to join the Express there to Mt Buffalo, Victoria where they are spending their honeymoon."

Residence: 220 Seaview Rd, Henley Beach, SA. but at the latter part of his life, Bertie with Tina, removed to Brighton.

Death: Bertie died on 5/5/1975 aged 74 years at the Julia Farr Centre, Fullarton, S.A.

Obituary: from the "Southern Argus" 8/5/1975.

"The passing of Mr Bertie George Blunt announced this week in the daily press. Bert was employed as a clerk in the S.A. Railways and married a Strathalbyn girl Christina Keough, a sister of Hughie, Stan, Murray, Bob & Maggie, all well known Strathalbyn residents & since deceased. Ben joined the Lodge of St. John in 1926, was Master 1933 & later Master of Mark Lodge. He was also Scout Master of the local troop during his stay at Strathalbyn. Besides his wife he leaves a married daughter, Marie. After a service at the Norman Memorial Chapel his remains were cremated on Tuesday afternoon last."

Death: of Christina (Tina) Blunt (nee Keough) on 27/9/1988 aged 84 years at the Oaklands Nursing Home. Also cremated at Centennial Park.

One child :-

1. Marie Blunt b. 21/7/1928 at Strathalbyn. Married: Frank Leslie Keller (b. 19/8/1926). No children. Marie commenced her schooling at Yunta, thence to Caltowie (S.A.) followed by Croydon Primary, Woodville High School and finished at Miss Mann's Business College. In 1943 the family moved to Angaston where she joined the National Bank & later transferred to Adelaide. After marriage she her husband commenced a Cycle, Toy & Hobby business at Brighton, S.A. where they remained until retirement in 1976.

• SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 541 to 542.
 • 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.
 • CHANGES : Please contact us with additions, corrections or suggestions about any part of this family tree.
 • CONTACT : Visit our website www.christinaanddonaldmclean.com or Strathalbyn Museum phone 08 8536 2656 to discover more about your family – and about privacy and copyright.