

# Mary Margaret BRABANT, nee McLEAN & Albert BRABANT

Biography as published in 1995

**Mary Margaret McLean** - born 28/10/1885 at the "Rock Lily" Tavern, Mona Vale which was then the staging post for the northern coast.

Parents : Mary McLEAN & Donald 'Rover' McLean

Grandparents : Christina McLean (nee Black) & Hugh (the elder) McLean

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

Donald built a small wooden house at Narrabeen where there is now the median strip of a 6 lane highway. It eventually became the back scullery and laundry of the 2 storey brick house already mentioned as being both home and Post Office until the new P.O. was erected, (information from Betty O'Gorman, daughter of Kindor McLean).

Married: **Albert Brabant** c. 1911 and was of Narrabeen.

Death: She died in her 77th year on 22/9/1962.

## BRABANT CHILDREN:

1. Sheila Brabant b. 1/4/1912 (Mrs McCauley). Died: 21/10/1988 aged 76 leaving 5 children – John, Gregory, Jill, Peter & Patricia.
2. Jessie Brabant b. 3/5/1916. Married twice - 1 Brabant child and 2 Smith children (not listed).
3. Amy Brabant b. 18/1/1918. Married: Sydney Cusack, brother of her aunt Honor's husband John Cusack. Children – Patricia & Sydney.
4. Archibald Brabant b. 1/9/1919 - married with 2 children.
5. Florence Brabant b. 2/11/1922 (Mrs Leslie Cosser of Ryde N.S.W.) 2 sons.
6. Mary (Mollie) Brabant b. 17/9/1924 (Mrs Walker). Married twice - A son Thomas Walker'

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 220.
- 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.
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