

Gemmell John McLEAN & Jennifer Margaret McLEAN, nee BODSWORTH

Biography as published in 1995

Gemmell John McLean, b. 14/7/1937, at Murrayville, Vic.

Parents : Johanna Frances McLEAN (nee O'Donnell) & James Ernest Hopetoun McLEAN

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

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

Married: Jennifer Margaret Bodsworth, b. 26/6/1940, at Melbourne.

Residence: 6 Norma Avenue, Hamilton, Vic, 3300.

Gemmell McLean occupied various accounting positions before becoming Assistant Accountant, at the Hamilton Base Hospital. He subsequently relinquished that position to enter business in Hamilton, as a Snack Bar Proprietor and Craft and Wool Shop owner. He has served on a variety of kindergarten, school, football and cricket clubs.

In earlier years he was a member of the senior Murrayville Football Team, premiers 1953, then left to live in Melbourne in June 1994 and played football in senior suburban football teams there. He was a member of Springvale Cricket Team premiers in 1954/55, and is proud of the achievement of his cousin's son, Jamie Siddons, in being Captain/Coach of the South Australian Sheffield Shield Cricket team from 1992/1993.

Gemmell says his greatest achievement in life was becoming a committed Christian 7 years ago.

Two children

1. Stuart James McLean, b. 15/9/1965, Dandenong, Vic. Married: at Hamilton, Jennifer May Sharam (b. 9/9/1965, Coleraine, Vic.) Occupations: Insurance Assessor and Telephonist respectively. Residence: 7 Bums Street. Hamilton, Vic, 3300. Child – Cassandra
2. Heather Jan McLean, b.9/10/1967, Dandenong, Vic. Occupation: Trained Sewing Machinist, and Painter. Married: Patrick Allan Foley, b. 15/5/1958, Warrnambool, Vic. Residence: 1099 Raglan Parade, Warrnambool, Vic. 3280.

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 302.
- 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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