

Violet May OTTASOFF, nee DAVIS & Allan OTTASOFF

Biography as published in 1995

Violet May Davis, b. 1/2/1922 at Chinchilla.

Parents : Jessie Maude Davis (nee McLean) & William Davis

Grandparents : Sarah Ann McLean (nee Milgate) & George Henry McLean

G-Grandparents : Ann Soward McLean (nee Janeway) & Archibald McLean

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

Married: Allan Ottasoff (b. 29/4/1919, Bundaberg). Residence. Now (1994) of Argyle Garden Village, Twyford \$1., Bundaberg.

History: written by Violet - see first section under Jessie Maude McLean.

"I received all of my education at Chinchilla State School. When my oldest sister Rose (Milly) married, mother decided to sell the farm and move into Chinchilla. Elsie did dressmaking at home until she married and Lucy worked in the house and later in the shop. When Lucy left her employment to get married, I worked in the same shop and later on I worked as a nanny to two small children.

After the war I married Allan Ottasoff. His father had a shoe store in Chinchilla. Allan worked for the newspaper as a linotypist and compositor. Allan served in the Air Force during the war. We left Chinchilla in 1951 to go to Ipswich where Allan worked for the "Old Times" newspaper. Janice was born in Chinchilla before we moved away and Dianne was born in Chinchilla even though we now lived in Ipswich. Both were educated in Ipswich and were employed as hairdressers in Ipswich and Brisbane. Now married and both have 2 children.

Allan retired in 1952 and in 1989 we moved to Bundaberg to live at "Argyle Retirement Village" which was the best move that we ever made."

Children:

1. Janice Lesley Ottasoff b. 24/9/1948, Chinchilla. Married: Peter Fairburn (b. 23/2/1943, Cairns). Residence: 44 Grafton St, Cairns, Qld. His occupation; Tugboat leading able seaman. Children – Khan (b. 20/1/1975) & Deion (b. 2/9/1977). Both were born in Cairns.
2. Dianne Lorelle Ottasoff b. 5/11/1952, Chinchilla. Married: Wayne Morris Risson (b. 1/3/1951, Brisbane). Residence: 13 Adams St. Bundaberg. His occupation: Manager of the Roofing Centre, Maryborough_ Queensland. Children - Toni (b. 21/10/1972) & Leisa Jane Risson (b. 11/3/1974).

- SOURCE : This biography is an extract from "The History of Donald & Christina McLean and Their Descendants" which was published in 1995 – page 421 & 422.
- 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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