

The Milton ALCORN FAMILY



1936 - Elliot, Valmai & Milton (8yrs)

Norman Alcorn arrived in Maleny with his brother **Jack**, in the early nineteen hundreds (1906) and on returning from W.W.1 began dairy farming. Norman and his wife Ethel became Jersey stud breeders and Norman became the youngest director of the Maleny Butter Factory. They had three children, **Elliot, Milton** and **Valmai**.

Milton was born in the Maleny hospital in 1928 and died there in 2009 aged 80. Milton was educated at Maleny Primary School along with his cousins **Grace** and **Betty Alcorn** who rode their horses to the school from Witta. Milton's favourite teacher at school was Mr.Mogridge and his closest friends were Judy Henzell (nee McLean) and Keith Winning (Australian rugby union captain). Milton completed his education at Nambour High School but returned as a teacher in 1945 aged 17! Mr.Smith was the head teacher and Senator Stan Collard was one of his students.

Milton married **Helen Roff** in 1962 and had two children **David** and **Katherine (Kate)**. Kate moved to Melbourne, met and married **Andrew Stewart**. Kate and Andrew moved to Maleny in 2003 to raise their children **Alastair, Fraser & Owen**, under the positive influence of Milton and Helen. Both being teachers they took great delight in their Grandchildren's education at Maleny and taught them life skills with enthusiasm and love. Fraser was described in his grade 1 (2012) report as 'happy entertaining and fun'. Alastair's grade 5 teacher noted that he is a focused, well organized and hard working student. Upon graduation Owen was awarded the Principal's trophy.

Milton's advice to his children was '*Keep at things you find difficult – persevere-don't be a quitter with problems...I want all your dreams and ambitions to come true*'.



Sportsday 2007 - Helen & Milton Alcorn with their Grandchildren Alastair, Fraser & Owen Stewart