

The Ryan Family

Les and Vera Ryan settled at Mt. Mellum Road, Mt. Mellum in 1936 with their two children. Four more children were born in Maleny. Their six children attended Maleny and surrounding schools over a period of thirty years. All travelled to Maleny School on the Bald Knob Bus (Larney's), which was originally a converted cream truck, later a more up market bus.



Graham Ryan started at Mt. Mellum School at the beginning of 1938, went to Glenview School later in the year (because his parents were working in that area for a time) and returned to Bald Knob School at the beginning of 1940 until its closure in 1945. He then attended Maleny School for his Scholarship year in 1946.



Kathleen Ryan attended Bald Knob School commencing at the beginning of 1940 until its closure in 1945. She then attended Maleny School until her Scholarship year in 1947, following which she completed her Junior at S. Joseph's School at Nambour.



Carmel Ryan attended Maleny Primary and High School for eleven years from the beginning of 1946 until completing her Junior at the end of 1956.



Veronica Ryan attended Maleny Primary and High School for eleven years from the beginning of 1950 until completing her Junior at the end of 1960.



Marilyn Ryan attended Maleny Primary and High School for twelve years from the beginning of 1956 until she completed her Senior at the end of 1967.



Thomas (**Tom**) Ryan attended Maleny Primary and High School for a period of ten years from the beginning of 1958 until his Junior at the end of 1967. He then completed his secondary schooling in 1968 and 1969 at Nudgee College in Brisbane as a boarder.