

The **SORRENSEN** Family

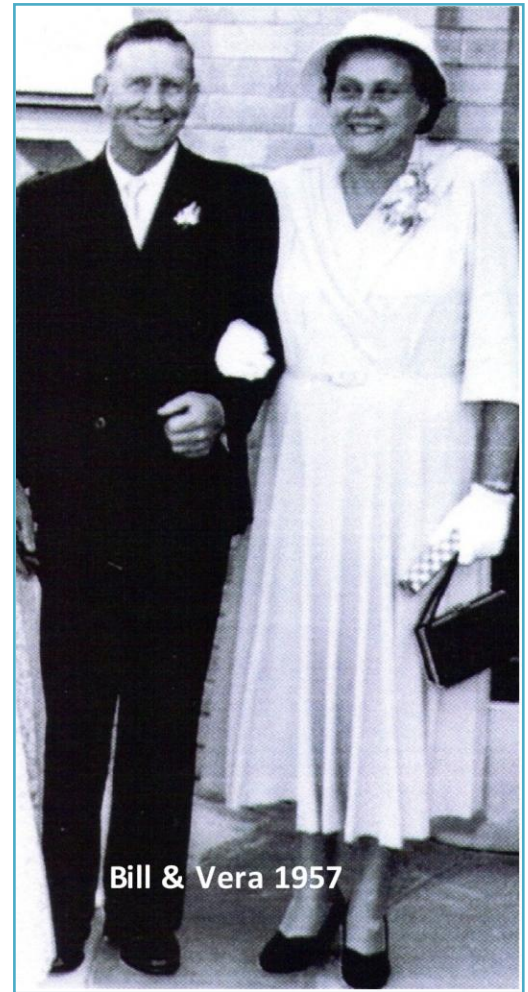
by **Maureen Morris (nee Sorrensen)**

William (Bill) Sorrensen came to the Maleny district seeking work in the 1920's starting as a farmhand, then a truck driver for Tesch's Sawmill at Witta. He married **Vera Vandreiike** in November 1933 and resided in Witta for a few years. In 1939 Vera and Bill built their home in Bunya Street, Maleny where they lived until 1960.

Bill worked as an owner/truck driver for Main Roads Dept. then bought the cream run to Wootha, carrying cream to the Maleny Butter Factory, later adding a second run towards Bald Knob to his business. Bill and Vera were active volunteers for Maleny State School, Bowls and Tennis Clubs and the Masonic Lodge. He donated his time and trucks whenever cartage of soil etc. to the school was required.

Bill and Vera had two children - **Maureen** and **Keith** who both attended Maleny State School - Maureen from 1943-1950 and Keith from 1953 - 1959. Bill and Vera retired to Caloundra in 1960 where Keith continued his schooling at Caloundra State School and Nambour High before becoming a Technician with the PMG at Petrie, living at Kallangur and Redcliffe. He married **Noleen Webb** and they had two children.

Maureen attended Nambour High then became a telephonist at Maleny, leaving the district in 1957 when she married **Allan Morris**, a Postal Clerk with the PMG living in Gympie, Ipswich, Cairns, Redcliffe and Gold Coast, retiring on the Gold Coast. They had two children. Maureen and Keith return to visit Maleny often and have many happy memories of schooldays and growing up in such a special place.



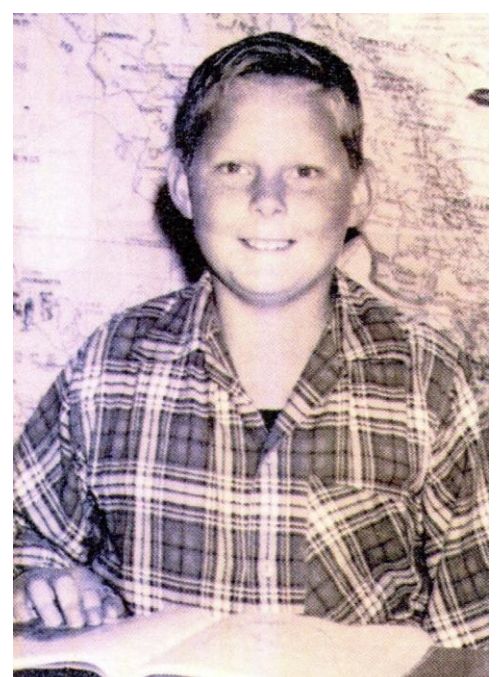
Bill & Vera 1957



Maureen & Keith 1949



Maureen 1950



Keith 1958