

Thomas & Ann Stone
“Descendants”
Reunion 200 (1819-2019)
Hobart-Tasmania 11th-13th October 2019
“Countdown - 78 Days remaining”

Geoffrey Colin Stone

Geoffrey was born in Northam on the 24th September 1952 the third child of Joseph Henry and Helen Forrest (nee McLean) Stone, having two older sisters, Suzanne and Delys Elizabeth. Geoffrey grew up on the family farm, “**Laanecoorie**”, in the Quairading shire having a carefree childhood.

One day when Geoffrey was in grade one at school the class was asked to draw a picture of what they would be when they grew up. Until then Geoffrey had not thought about what he would be when he grew up, but right away at age five he realised that he wanted to be a farmer and to farm the land that his grandfather, **Joseph Henry (I)** and father **Joseph Henry (II)** had so successfully farmed.

After completing seven years of primary schooling and the first year of high school at the Quairading Junior High School, Geoffrey then did the last four years of his secondary education at Wesley College at South Perth, starting life as a boarder on the same day as the country changed to decimal currency in 1966.

Geoffrey then went on to the University of Western Australia where he completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture. Then at the end of 1973 Geoffrey returned to the farm and after year or two his father took a step back allowing Geoffrey to make many of the decisions in running the farm.

In 1978 Geoffrey went on an exchange to the Young Farmers Clubs in the United Kingdom and spent eight months travelling around England, Scotland and Northern Ireland staying with farming families and learning about agriculture in the UK.

In 1986 Geoffrey married Ann McKinnon. Ann was born in Wollongong, New South Wales in 1961 and at age five moved with her family to live in Rockingham Western Australia. She attended Rockingham Beach Primary School, then went to Presbyterian Ladies College in Peppermint Grove as a day girl having a two hour bus trip morning and night to and from school. After leaving school Ann obtained a degree in Occupational Therapy from the Western Australian Institute of Technology, now Curtin University. Before getting married Ann worked for the Child Development Centre in West Perth and at Koondoola and Castlereagh Special Schools.



After getting married Geoffrey and Ann lived on a neighbouring farm while a house was being built in Quairading for Geoffrey’s parents, moving into the house on Laanecoorie in 1989 where they are still living today. Geoffrey is still farming and Ann works two days a week for the Health Department providing occupational therapy services to Quairading and a number of the surrounding towns.

(Photo) Jessica, Emily, Ann and Geoffrey

Ann and Geoffrey have two daughters, Jessica Ann born 14th April 1995 and Emily Grace born 15th March 1998.

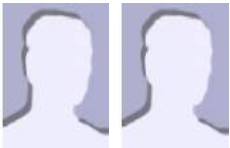
Both girls attended the Quairading District High School for their primary education, then Presbyterian Ladies College as boarders for high school.

After leaving school Jess studied Speech Pathology at Curtin University, graduating with honours. Currently she is working at the Child Development Centre at Albany.

Emily on leaving school went on to study at Murdoch University and is in the 4th year of a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine course. She also works part time as an assistant vet nurse/receptionist at Northam Veterinary Centre and at WAVES (Western Australian Veterinary Emergency and Specialty).

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The lineage of **Geoffrey Colin Stone** is: **Thomas & Ann Stone** (*nee Withers*); **Alfred & Sophia Stone** (*nee Broadway*); **Joseph Henry (1) & Edith Elizabeth Stone** (*nee Grylls*); **Joseph Henry (2) & Helen Forest Stone** (*nee McLean*)



Thomas & Ann Stone (*nee Withers*) who arrived in Hobart from Portsmouth (England) on 11th October 1819 along with and Ann's brother Joseph Withers. They were granted permission to stay in Hobart instead of going on to Port Jackson, Sydney.

Thomas was born on (Thursday) 28th January 1796, at Horfield, Gloucestershire, England and was christened on 24 July 1796, St James, Bristol, Gloucestershire. Thomas lived at Lawrence Hill, Bristol England. Thomas married Ann Withers on 13 July 1817 in St John, Bedminster, Somerset, England. Thomas & Ann had 10 children. [Emma Stone](#); [Anne Stone](#); [Thomas Stone](#); [Joseph Stone](#); [James Stone](#); [Edward Stone](#); [William Stone](#); [Alfred Stone](#); [Lucy Susannah Stone](#) & [Matilda Sarah Stone](#).

Ann Stone (*nee Withers*) was born on (Thursday) 30 August 1798, at Eugene Street, Bristol, England. **Ann** died on (Thursday) 24 April 1856, Green Ponds, Tasmania at the age of 57 years and was buried on (Monday) 28 April 1856, Congregational Churchyard, Bagdad, Tasmania. Thomas died on (Thursday) 27 November 1862, Green Ponds, Tasmania at the age of 66 years, and was buried at the Congregational Churchyard, Bagdad, Tasmania.



Alfred Stone was born on (Saturday) 18 January 1834, at Hobart, Tasmania, and married Sophia Broadway on 10 March 1860 in All Saints, Sandhurst, Victoria.

Sophia Broadway was born on (Saturday) 24 December 1842, at Missenden, Buckinghamshire, England. Alfred and Sophia's 10 children were: [Alice Matilda Stone](#); [Sophia Ann Stone](#); [Mary May Stone](#); [Alfred Withers Stone](#); [Edward Albert Stone](#); [David Brainard Ryland Stone](#); [Joseph Henry Stone](#); [Amy Rose Stone](#); [William Percival Stone](#); & [Raymond Vivian Stone](#).

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Sophia Stone (*nee Broadway*) died on (Monday) 18 December 1899, at Woodstock West, Victoria at age 56 years & was buried on (Tuesday) 19 December 1899, at Ed-dington, Victoria. **Alfred** died on (Saturday) 19 July 1923, at Woodstock West, Victoria at age 89 years and was buried on (Sunday) 20 July 1923, Eddington, Victoria.

Joseph Henry Stone was born on (Tuesday) 30 June 1874. **Joseph** married **Edith Elizabeth Grylls** on 26 July 1898 in Woodstock, Victoria. **Edith Elizabeth Grylls** was born on (Sunday) 2 August 1874, at Tarnagulla, Victoria.

The children of **Joseph Henry & Edith Elizabeth Stone** (*nee Grylls*) were: [May Mary Stone](#); [Walter Trenowth Stone](#); [Edith Victoria Stone](#); [Stanley Broadway Stone](#); [Bernard Hector Stone](#); [Albert Wilfred Stone](#); [Joseph Henry Stone](#) & [Mabel Alice Stone](#).

Joseph Henry Stone (1) died on (Wednesday) 15 December, 1948 aged 74 years and was buried at South Caroling, near Dangin in the Quairading Shire. This is within several kilometres of the property "**Laanecoorie**" that he farmed.

Edith Elizabeth Stone (*nee Grylls*) died on (Thursday) 6 October 1966, at York, Western Australia aged 92 years and likewise was buried at South Caroling, near Dangin in the Quairading Shire.



Joseph Henry Stone (2) was born on (Thursday) 16 May 1912 on the "Laanecoorie" farm at South Caroling. **Joseph Henry** married **Helen Forest McLean** in 1943 in Beverley, Western Australia.

Helen Forest McLean was born on (Friday) 6 September 1918. **Joseph Henry & Helen Forest Stone** (*nee McLean*) had 3 children: [Suzanne Stone](#); [Delys Elizabeth Stone](#) & [Geoffrey Colin Stone](#).

Joseph Henry Stone died in 1994 aged 82 years and was buried at South Caroling, near Dangin in the Quairading Shire. This is likewise within several kilometres of the family property/farm "**Laanecoorie**" that he farmed after his father.

Helen Forest Stone (*nee McLean*) died on (Monday) 1 January 2018 and was buried on (Friday) 12th January 2018 at South Caroling, near Dangin in the Quairading Shire a few kilometres from the family farm **Laanecoorie**."

It is interesting to observe that this country cemetery has more relatives graves of the **Joseph Henry Stone** and families than any other cemetery, followed by the Quairading cemetery. Geoffrey Colin Stone still farms the 3rd generation farm "**Laanecoorie**." This cemetery is unique in that the local residents including Geoffrey Colin for many years had been digging the graves.



Geoffrey Stone born on (Wednesday) 24th September 1952, married **Ann McKinnon** in 1986. **Ann McKinnon** was born in Wollongong, NSW on (Friday) 13th October 1961. Ann's parents are Raymond & Patricia Doris McKinnon (*nee Panckhurst*).

Geoffrey & Ann Stone (*nee McKinnon*) have 2 children: [Jessica Ann](#) was born on (Friday) 14th April 1995 & [Emily Grace](#) was born on (Sunday) 15th March 1998.

