

The Diefenbach Family

- **George Diefenbach (Snr) born Brisbane 1892**
- **Nellie Thorogood born Gympie 1901**

George worked with his bullock team in Beaudesert area until he sold the team and travelled to Brisbane to marry Nellie Thorogood in August 1920. The newlyweds moved to Yandina area to grow bananas and start their family. They had quite a few moves share farming around Imbil, Pomona, Cooroy, Kenilworth, Conondale and finally settling in Maleny in 1942.

By this time they were blessed with a family of **Nellie, Glad, Ivy, Ted, Violet, Norman, George and John**. They share farmed **W.A. Collard's** farm and then built a case sawmill on Collard's property. They hauled timber on a blitz truck and cut cases for pineapples etc. During the late 50's, Ted, Norm and George worked the mill supplying farmers across the range to Palmwoods. They closed the mill early 1961. The only children to attend Maleny State School were Norman & George from 1942 – 1956. John attended Witta State School. Teachers remembered at Maleny were **Miss Pollard, Miss Coutice, Mr. Matthews and Mr. Watt**.

George has his grand children **Jacob** and **Danica** attending Maleny Primary and High School for their education.

George and Nellie lived a long life, both passing away at 91 years of age in Maleny.



Back: George, Ted, John, Norm. **Front:** Violet, Nell, Nellie, Ivy, Glad (George decd.)