

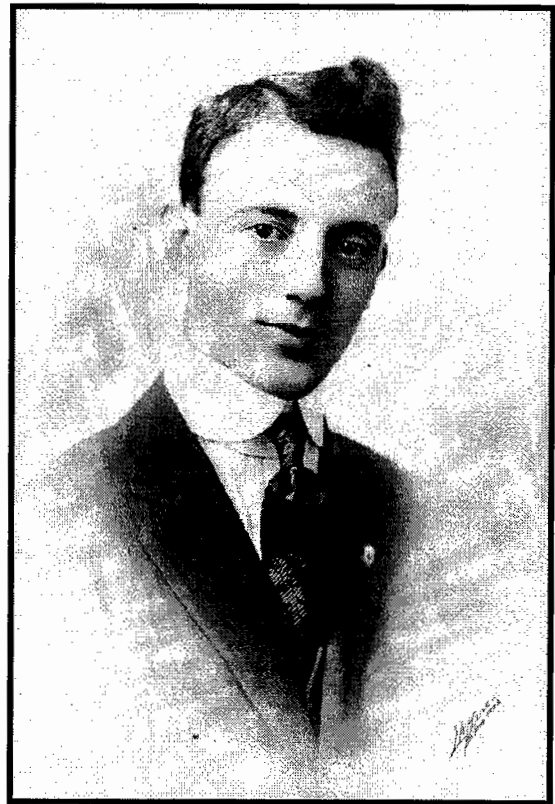
## **William Thomas Dorcy and Sylva Agatha Miller**

William was born in Harrison County, Mississippi in 1899 at a time when his father, John Carroll Dorcy, and his mother, Bridget Corr, were struggling hard to make a life for their family on a 160 acre homestead. Bill was the fourth of their five children. They grew sugar cane and potatoes and raised pigs and by the time William was born they were already thinking about pulling up stakes and moving on to something more promising. According to letters which have survived, times were not too good for farming and Bill's father, John, was away from home a good deal, as he had been when the family lived in Michigan. He was probably working in the logging industry to make extra money for the family. It was 1906 when the family moved to the Northwest, and the majority of Bill's youth was spent in the Skagit County, WA area.

Bill's mother died when he was 13 and he spent some of his youth working as "Bull Cook" or assistant cook in the logging camp where his father worked. Probably as a result of that experience, he became an excellent cook over the years. He developed many recipes, though he seldom wrote any of them down. Later, when he became a widower, his cakes were the envy of the ladies at the grange where he went to dances.

He went to school in Sedro Wooley and a neighbor of the family, named Morgan, thought Bill had great potential. They encouraged him and helped financially to send him to the Catholic high school at St. Martin's, in Lacey, WA. We find several mentions of William in the school records. He was awarded the Davis Cup in 1915 for contributing the best story to *The Martian*, the school newspaper quarterly. He also was named as "distinguished" for academic achievement in 1915. He was in two plays in his graduation year, 1916, and was a business manager of *The Martian*. Family stories say that he was at least considering going on to Gonzaga College, but we have been unable to determine that he did so. Bill had unusually beautiful handwriting, perhaps learned at St. Martin's, and when he was a senior he was awarded a Certificate for Proficiency in Penmanship.

He was small in stature with very dark hair and eyes, and he was proud of his Irish heritage. He maintained correspondence with cousins on his mother's side who lived in County Down, Ireland; and because of that, later generations have been able to exchange letters and visits with their Irish cousins.



**William T. Dorcy, about 1918**

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In 1917 and in 1918 he is listed in the Polk directory for the city of Seattle. In 1917 he was at 1207 Seneca and in 1918 he was a salesman for Armour and Company living at 908 Jefferson.

In 1918 Bill met Sylva Agatha Miller. They said they were married 11 Oct 1918, but the only record we have found is when Father Carmody married them at Sacred Heart Church in South Bellingham on 7 April 1923. They may have had a civil wedding in Seattle before that, but no record has been found. Their first address was 1900 34th St., Bellingham. In August of 1921 they bought land at 37th and Lindsay for \$30 and built a small unfinished frame house there. Bill called it a shanty! It had an old wood heater and an elk horn rack where Bill kept his gun. Hot water came from a copper boiler sitting on the stove and the necessity house was outside and as cold as could be. Sylva was a talented pianist and Bill moved her piano from Seattle to the shanty. This remained their address as the family grew until it caught fire in early 1931. For about five years Bill is listed in Polk's city directory as a "tally man"; but where or for whom, we don't know. It was probably for one of the many mills operating at that time. By 1929 he is listed as manager of Commercial Collection Company and remained there several years until in 1935 he is listed in Polk's directory as a road engineer. We know that he helped engineer and build some of the roads in the Fairhaven area of Bellingham and that he worked on the Mount Baker highway.



**"The Shanty," (Daisy on the porch)**



When Bill and Sylva's home at 3803 Lindsay burned down, they moved to 1614 McKenzie St. in Fairhaven, a district of south Bellingham. They remained at this address as their family continued to grow until 1938, when they bought the beautiful old Victorian house on Gambier Street. This was home to the family for many years to come, with its beautiful view of Bellingham Bay, and space for a garden and a small orchard.

During the depression of the 1930s Bill was employed as Secretary for The International Hod Carrier, Building and Common Laborer's Union. The union job brought the first telephone into the home and the children remember that they were among the first families in the neighborhood to have a phone. They all agree that permission for its use by the children was hard to come by!

When World War II started, Bill worked in the shipyards in South Bellingham as a sheet metal worker. After the war ended, he became a private contractor. He continued as a private contractor, mostly cement work, for many years until he retired. Bill did a lot of bartering, trading his skills for necessities, usually giving more than the required amount of work. He bartered for such things as doctor bills and the annual use of a horse and driver to till the huge garden he needed to feed his large family. He was a hard

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worker, a “jack of all trades”, and he was always helping friends and neighbors with their projects . Bill was devoted to the Roman Catholic church and as a staunch Catholic he helped keep his church in repair.

He was a “Union Man” and very proud of it. On Labor Day he would buy a new cap, put his union button in the center above the bill and proudly march in the Labor Day parade.

The garden was very much a family affair, remembered with varying degrees of fondness by each of his children. It was an event when the horses came in the spring to plow the garden next to the house. The produce was a major part of the family diet and what wasn't consumed fresh was put up in hundreds of jars for the winter. This included the fruit from the plum, apple, pear, cherry, and crab-apple trees in the back yard.

Bill's wife, Sylva, died in February of 1950 and he finished raising the four children still living at home. Judy was only 9 years old, Bonnie was 14, Bill was 15, and Aileen was 17. It was a difficult job for a man who thought that child care and housework were only for women, but he did it.

After the last child was married and settled, he sold the old Victorian house in Bellingham and moved to Everett to be closer to some of his family.

Bill died December 2nd, 1972, in Everett, WA.

### **Sylva Agatha Miller**

Sylva, born in 1899 in Bad Axe, Michigan, was the last of the five children born to John Franklin Miller (usually called Frank) and Laura Maila Doty. The Miller family had come from Scotland to Canada in the early part of the nineteenth century and John's family moved to Michigan in 1871. Laura Maila Doty's family was descended from the Mayflower pilgrim, Edward Doty. Her family also came to Michigan, where Frank and Laura were neighbors. They married in 1880. Prior to Sylva's birth they had three boys and also a girl, who died at age five months. When Sylva was born in 1899, Laura Maila remained in poor health and died in June when Sylva was about six months old.

In 1900 her father, Frank, left Sylva with his mother-in-law (Laura's step-mother, Maria Hyde Doty) and went to Washington to look for work, taking his three boys with him. About a year later his widowed mother-in-law, Mariah (Hyde) Doty, joined him, bringing along her two daughters, Sarah Cecil and Mary, and baby Sylva.



**Sylva, about 1905**

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Sylva had an unsettled childhood, living part of the time with her Grandmother and part of the time with her father and his third wife, Agnes, and some of the time with her two aunts, Cecil and Mary.

We don't know how or when Sylva met William T. Dorcy, but they were married in October of 1918. Her friend, Ethel Kelly, told us that Sylva always kept her home attractive and welcoming, even the old shanty. Their children were:

(4) **Laura Theresa Dorcy** was born in 1919 in Bellingham, WA. She was named for both of her grandmothers but soon after birth was nicknamed Daisy and that is what most of us called her. She attended schools in Bellingham and graduated from Fairhaven High School in 1936. While there she earned a Fairhaven letter with four stripes in sports and a Cum Laude scroll with a gold scholarship pin. These items were very precious to Daisy and just before she died in 1994 she gave them to the Friends of Fairhaven High. This group, which is dedicated to the preservation of the memory of the old Fairhaven High School, in turn placed Daisy's items in a time capsule at the dedication of the new Fairhaven Middle School in 1995. All the family can feel proud to be remembered in this way at the school near where so many of the family grew up. Daisy graduated from Bellingham Normal School with a teaching degree in 1943. She taught elementary school in Bellingham, Hobart, and later in Everett. She married David Freel King, son of Charles Philip and Grace (Bean) King, in 1942 in Everett, WA. David was born in New Hampshire in 1912 and was an electrician for most of his career. They lived in Seattle, Oak Harbor, Lynnwood and retired to Tyee Beach on Camano Island. About this time Laura became very active in the Catholic church in Stanwood, WA. She and Dave traveled quite a bit in their travel trailer and later bought some land on the Nooksack River. Laura really loved the peace and quiet of their retreat on the river. In those later years David worked with his bulldozer and truck and operated a small sawmill. Their children are:

(5) **Marilyn Bridget King** was born in 1944 in Seattle, WA. She attended Washington State University from 1962-66. She married George Patrick McGinnis, a veterinarian, in 1966. They were divorced in 1979 and Marilyn lives in Hood River, OR where she is Transcription Supervisor at Hood River Memorial Hospital. She enjoys pets, yard work and flowers, and driving and walking in the woods. They had:

(6) **Sean Patrick McGinnis** was born in 1967 in Seattle, WA. He graduated from Washington State University in Construction Management. In 1994 he married Kristina Noelle Whitmore, born in 1969 in Gresham, OR. Sean is currently employed by Kiewit Pacific in Renton, WA.

- (6) **Shani Patrice McGinnis** was born in 1970 in Mission Hills, CA. She graduated from the University of Nevada in Reno in 1992. She is currently earning her Doctor of Podiatry in San Francisco. In 1994 she married Joseph Wayne Loader (called Wayne), born in 1968 in Salt Lake City, UT.
- (5) **Lawrence Freel King** was born in 1945 in Seattle, WA. For the past fifteen years Larry has owned and operated a machine shop near Everett, WA which fabricates aircraft parts for Boeing Aircraft Company. Larry calls it a small business, but he presently has fifteen employees and an array of computerized and manual machines. He has a second business sharing the same premises specializing in rebuilding and restoring Harley Davidsons motorcycles. Larry has built several three wheeled road bikes for fun and business. He enjoys riding motorcycles and often attends the rally in Sturgis, South Dakota. He married first Jeannette Louise Colby in 1965. Their child is:
- (6) **Anthony Michael King** was born in 1968 in Lynnwood, WA. Tony is currently working for his dad in the machine shop. His dad says he is a good machinist and a meticulous worker. He enjoys playing the drums.
- Larry and Jeanette were divorced. In 1973 he married Annabel Gest and adopted her child, Jacqueline Marie (Gest) King in 1977 in Everett. Jackie was born in 1970 in Texas and is currently a hairdresser. Jackie's child is Skyler R. King who was born in 1989 in Everett, WA. Jackie married Mike Dunbar in 1994. Larry and Annabel's children are:
- (6) **Michele Ann King** was born in 1974 in Everett, WA. In 1996 she finished a course in photography at Edmonds Community College, and her dad says she is very good with a camera. She is living and working as a waitress in Everett in 1996.
- (6) **Darin William King** was born in 1977 in Seattle, WA. He graduated from Granite Falls High School in 1996. He is a very hard worker holding a full time job with his dad at the machine shop during the week and making and installing truck canopies for his mother's family business on week ends.
- (5) **Bradford Martin King** was born in 1951 in Seattle, WA. Brad has worked as an electrician and married first Tammy Lorraine Nedwick in 1980 in Everett, WA and they were divorced in 1986 in Everett. They had:
- (6) **Justin Gregory King** was born in 1981 in Seattle.

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(6) **Amanda Ellen King** was born in 1982 at Totem Lake, King County, WA.

Brad married second Dyanne (Horne) Van Valkenburg in 1989. They are living in northwest Montana in 1996 where Brad is establishing a business as a residential electrical contractor and they are building a home.

(4) **Bernard Thomas Dorcy** was born in 1926 in Bellingham and went to school there. During one summer while in high school, he worked on a cannery tender out of Ketchikan, Alaska for Pacific American Fisheries (PAF). He also worked at Fairhaven Drug Store after school and on weekends from junior high until he graduated from college. He joined the Navy in March 1944 with delayed orders which allowed him to finish high school. He graduated from high school in June, 1944, and served in the navy at Farragut, Idaho, Klamath Naval Air Station, and at the Bremerton Naval Ammunition Depot, where he was a boatswain's mate, 2nd class. His experience as a sea scout in his high school years helped him advance in Navy ranks. He was medically discharged in May, 1946, due to a heart condition brought on by scarlet fever he contacted while on boot leave. He worked for PAF again in Alaska in 1946, worked also for Bellco in Bellingham until the company's facility burned down in January, 1947. He then entered Western Washington College, earning his degree in education in 1950. He married Charlene Marie Colby, daughter of Merritt Colby and Mary (Winchell) Colby in Bellingham in 1946. Charlene was born in 1928 in Bellingham. After graduation Bernie taught in several schools in Mason County. He coached freshman football and high school varsity baseball while teaching special education. He earned his Masters Degree in Education in 1961 and in 1972 he organized the Mason County Extension of Olympic College of Bremerton. Bernie has enjoyed building and remodeling as an avocation and has always been active as a part time builder. He retired in 1981 and they began spending winters in Indio, CA where he spent five years as park manager at Happy Wanderer Trailer park. He retired again in 1995. Their children are:

(5) **Marcia Marie Dorcy** was born in 1947 in Bellingham and graduated from Shelton High School and from Central Washington College with a masters degree. She is presently working as a teacher/administrator at the New Market Vocational Skills Center in Tumwater, WA. She spends all of her spare time attending her boys sporting events. She married Alfred Thomas Lynch, Jr. of Boston, Mass, and their children are:

(6) **Sean Bartholomew Lynch** was born in 1982 in Olympia, WA.

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- (6) **Timothy Donald Lynch** was born in 1984 in Olympia, WA.
- (5) **Lane John Colby Dorcy** was born in 1950 in Bellingham. He graduated from St. Martin's College in 1972 with a B.A. in Physics and minor degrees in Secondary Education and Mathematics. He earned a Masters degree in Computers in Education in 1972. In the fall of 1972 he started teaching eighth grade science at Nisqually Middle School in Lacey, WA. North Thurston School District and still teaches there, now teaching math. He married Karen Monigle in 1972 and they adopted Hilleri Danielle Dorcy at her birth in 1977 at Madigan Hospital, Ft. Lewis, WA. Karen died in 1980 and in 1989 Lane married Barbara (Peters) Gill who is a professional counselor in the Tumwater School District. Barbara is the daughter of Leo and Helen Peters of Grand Rapids, Michigan. She earned a Masters in Special Education from Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1990 Barbara adopted Hilleri. Lane and Barbara enjoy boating fishing hiking, cross country skiing, reading and Mariners games. Hilleri enjoys hiking, skiing and being with her friends.
- (5) **Kevin Patrick Dorcy** was born in 1953 in Bellingham. He graduated from Shelton High School and attended Yakima Junior College. He is a general building contractor in Shelton, WA and he married Kathleen Ann Kelley in 1972 in Shelton. She is the office manager for Shelton Family Medicine. Their children are:
- (6) **Michael Kevin Dorcy** was born in 1975 in Olympia, WA. Mike is attending Westmont College in Santa Barbara, CA and works at Simpson Lumber Mill as well as Peninsula Savings Bank when he is not in school. In the fall of 1996 he will take an internship in some law offices for six months. Perhaps he will be a lawyer. He will graduate in May 1997.
- (6) **Matthew Thomas Dorcy** was born in 1977 in Olympia, WA. He is studying drafting at South Sound Community College in Olympia, WA and also works at Simpson's Lumber Mill.
- (6) **Aaron Avery Dorcy** was born in 1983 in Shelton, WA.
- (5) **Barbara Gaye Dorcy** was born in 1957 in Shelton, WA. She and her husband both graduated from Shelton High School in 1975 and Barb attended St. Martin's College. She has worked part time in the office of Shelton Family Medicine for sixteen years. David L. Herrick, whom she married in 1977, in Shelton is the son of Don and Mary Herrick. He drives a logging

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truck. The whole family enjoys boating, swimming and vacationing in the California desert in the winter. Their children are:

- (6) **Adam David Herrick** was born in 1980 in Shelton, WA. Adam enjoys mountain bike racing
- (6) **Andrew Benjamin Herrick** was born in 1981 in Shelton, WA. He plays soccer.
- (6) **Ann Marie Herrick** was born in 1984 in Shelton, WA and plays soccer too.
- (5) **Bruce Thomas Dorcy** was born in 1960 in Shelton, WA. He was always on various sport teams and played varsity tennis in high school. He graduated from Shelton High School and then from St. Martin's College in 1982 with a degree in mathematics and business. He worked for super markets all through his school years and he is presently director of the Port Angeles Stock Market. He met Susan Elaine Dekreon, at college and married her in 1981 in Shelton. Susan was born in 1960 in Bellingham. She works in elementary education and is presently a class room helper. She runs a day care center in their home, coaches basket-ball and soccer, and is a brownie troop leader. Bruce and Susan moved their family to Port Angeles in 1988. Their children are, "all doing very well in school and are all very active in sports and other activities". They are:
  - (6) **Christopher Ross Dorcy** was born in 1982 in Olympia, WA.
  - (6) **Nicholas John Dorcy** was born in 1985 in Renton, WA.
  - (6) **Rachel Susan Dorcy** was born in 1987 in Renton, WA.
  - (6) **Benjamin Thomas Dorcy** was born in 1989 in Port Angeles, WA.
- (4) **Maureen Alice Dorcy**, always known as Mickey, was born in 1928 in Bellingham, the 3rd of eight children. She graduated from Bellingham High School and after a year of hard work and saving money attended Washington State College. While there she met and married Wayne Hannah, son of Robert and Ethel (Johnson) Hannah of Tumwater, WA. Mickey worked as a key punch operator for the state offices and at the college while Wayne earned his degree. She continued to work as a keypuncher until their fourth child was born. When Wayne graduated, they moved to Seattle to begin his career with IBM. They lived in Seattle, Olympia, and Tacoma, WA and then in San Jose, CA. The family enjoyed playing together, camping and boating, and even took two camping trips across the country when Wayne was sent to New York for IBM. The family also enjoyed having perhaps a dozen, short term foreign exchange students over the years in San Jose. They were



from Switzerland, Japan, Holland, Brazil, and Italy. Mickey really enjoys working with flowers and playing tennis. Together with Wayne she has gathered many generations of genealogy. The genealogy hobby has sent them all over the country and to Ireland and Scotland looking for ancestors. Mickey was always and still is active in community work and especially in religious education where she earned her Master Catechist credentials at Holy Family Catholic Church in San Jose. She says she is a professional volunteer. Eight children were born to them:

**(5) Thomas Edward Hannah** was born in 1949 in Olympia, WA.

He attended the University of Washington for two years before going to Fairbanks, Alaska where he trained as a bank officer. He met and married Ingrid (Borchard) Peterson in Fairbanks in 1974. Ingrid was widowed and had two children, Ursula and Lisa Peterson. The family moved to Deer Isle, Maine where Tom worked as a stock broker. While there he earned his B.S. degree in finance from the University of Maine at Orono. Tom has been an accomplished musician since he taught himself to play the guitar at about age 12. He starred in musicals in school and in the community and sometimes sings & plays for church, weddings, etc. Ingrid's children are first Ursula Peterson who was born in Fairbanks, Alaska in 1967. She married Jonathan E. Sirois in 1985 in Eugene, OR. Their two sons are: Jonathan Tyler Sirois who was born in Eugene in 1986 and Jacob Paul Sirois also born in Eugene in 1988. Ursula and Jon were divorced and she married John Clayton Lind, Jr., in 1991 in Eugene, OR. Ursula and John Lind have two children, Heather Jo Lind, born in 1992 in Eugene and Clayton Christopher Lind, born in 1993 in Eugene. Ingrid's second daughter is Lisa Peterson who was born in Fairbanks, Alaska in 1970. Lisa has worked for many years as a private nanny for a professional couple in Newport Beach, CA. She has been working toward a degree in design in colleges in the Los Angeles area.

Tom and Ingrid's daughter is:

**(6) Heidi Carin Hannah** was born in Fairbanks, Alaska in 1974. Heidi attended colleges in San Diego and Oregon and lived for a time in Costa Rica. She is fluent in Spanish and Italian and is studying other languages. She is currently living in Walnut Creek, CA, where she is continuing her language studies. She sometimes works in ethnic restaurants to enhance her language skills.

Tom moved his family to Eugene, OR in 1981 where he became a stock broker for Dean Witter Reynolds Company. Tom and

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Ingrid divorced in 1986 Tom married Janet Louise Brey in Myrtle Creek, OR in 1986 and together Tom and Janet finished raising all three girls. Janet was born in 1961 in Iron River, MI, the daughter of Theodore and Alba Brey. Janet worked for Dean Witter before they were married. Tom has learned to fly so he can join his dad in airplane talk and has recently purchased his own airplane. Tom and Janet's children are:

(6) **Eve Maureen Hannah** was born in Eugene, OR in 1990.

(6) **Samuel Thomas Hannah** was born in Eugene, OR in 1993.

(5) **James Neil Hannah** was born in 1951 in Olympia, WA. Jim Attended Tacoma Community College and Washington State University before he married Jennie Irene Kimmel in 1973 in Pierce County. She is the daughter of Alan and Lou Kimmel. Jim has been in construction and remodeling for many years and recently sold his business so he could devote nearly full time to earning his University degree in Environmental Sciences from Evergreen State College in 1996. Jennie is a very successful professional caterer and receives help from Jim and the rest of the family. Jim enjoys backpacking and hiking more than anything else and he is in his element when he is in the mountains taking pictures. For his degree work he compiled hundreds of his photos of wildlife habitat into a file so that all state agencies can use them for publications and reference. Some of his pictures are now on wildlife brochure covers. Jim and Jennie have four children:

(6) **Heather Ruth Hannah** was born in 1974 in Tacoma, WA. She spent her Junior year of High School as an exchange student in Belgium and spent one semester, while in college, in England in University studies there. Heather was very active in Search and Rescue while in high school and College. She is attending Pacific Lutheran University in 1996. Heather is employed by the Campus Security. and usually holds another job as well.

(6) **Andrew Neil Hannah** was born in 1976 in Seattle, WA. Andy earned his Eagle Scout rank in March 1995. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps and while serving in Okinawa he met and married Meredith Lynn Collier, born in Alabama in 1975, who is also serving in the Marines. She is the daughter of Craig and Janet (Jefferson) Collier of Alabama. Both Andy and Meredith are specializing in field communications. They have one child:

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- (7) **Hailee Nicole Hannah** was born in June, 1996 in Camp Pendleton, CA.
- (6) **Bethany Ellen Hannah** was born in 1978 in Seattle, WA. Bethany was active in Search and Rescue. She graduated from Olympia High School in 1996, loves the outdoors, and is planning a career in park management.
- (6) **William James Hannah** was born in 1981 in Minnetonka, MN. He enjoys scouts and being involved in Search and Rescue.
- (5) **Daniel Jay Hannah** was born in 1953 in Olympia, WA. Dan graduated from North Seattle Community College with his credentials as a Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic. He served in that capacity and as a fireman in the Lakewood Fire Department and as a volunteer in the Brown's Point fire department. He is presently battalion chief in the Graham Fire Department and assistant chief of Brown's point. In 1986 He married Valerie Nadine Smith in Tacoma, WA. She was born in Puyallup, WA, in 1955, the daughter of Waldon Oliver and Dorothy Mae (Gallagher) Smith. Valerie is a department manager for the Bon Marche Department Store in Tacoma and they live in Brown's Point, WA. Dan is an excellent skier. They love their Sheltie dogs and they both treasure the times they can spend on their boat on Puget Sound or cruising to Canada.
- (5) **Teresa Mae Hannah** was born in 1955 in Olympia, WA. Teresa graduated with a degree in psychology from Washington State University and has since earned her masters degree in Systems Management. She has worked in the data processing field for Martin Marietta, IBM, Loral Corp., and now is a senior engineer and program manager for Lockheed/Martin Federal Systems in the Joint National Test Facility. Teresa married first Richard Brian French in 1975 in Tacoma, WA and second, David Drewery Crichton, III, an oral surgeon, in Colorado Springs, CO where they reside. David has two boys: David Drewery Crichton, IV, born in Fort Walton, FL in 1975; Danley Scott Crichton was born in New Orleans, FL in 1978.
- (5) **Jean Marie Hannah** was born in 1958 in Olympia, WA. Jean attended San Jose State University in San Jose, CA. She married Christopher Dower in San Jose, CA in 1977 and worked as office manager for his brother-in-law's drapery business. After their divorce Jean worked for several years for Digital Equipment Corp. as a customer service representative. Their children are:

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(6) **Sara Rebecca Dower** was born in 1977 in Los Gatos, CA. Sara graduated from Lewis Palmer High School in Monument, CO where she was a Pom Pom cheer leader for three years. She is presently studying fashion design in San Francisco, CA.

(6) **Nikolas Thomas Dower** was born in 1981 in Los Gatos, CA. Nik loved California and missed it when the family moved to Colorado. He returned to San Jose to live with his father in 1994 and is going to school there. He loves sports, especially biking.

Jean married James Sheehy in 1988 and fulfilled a lifetime dream of living in Colorado, settling in Monument, CO. She continued working for DEC until Caleigh was born in 1991. She is currently office manager for a Psycho-Therapy office and is trained as a mediator. Jean loves the outdoors and has studied wilderness survival including edible and medicinal plants. She enjoys rock climbing and traveling. Jean and Jim's daughter is:

(6) **Caleigh Maureen Sheehy** was born in 1991 in Colorado Springs, CO.

(5) **Joseph Jon Hannah** was born in 1960 in Olympia, WA. He graduated from University of California at Davis with a degree in International Agricultural Development in 1985. He has pursued an interest in Asian culture since his high school days, receiving his Masters degree in South East Asian Studies from Cornell University in 1989. He performed voluntary service in a Vietnamese refugee camp in Singapore for six months on two different occasions, in 1983 and 1985. He met Dieu-Hien Thi Hoang while they were both students in at UC Davis. "Hien" was born in 1961 in Saigon, Vietnam, daughter of (Mr.) Ngoc Dinh Hoang and (Mrs.) Liem Ngoc Nguyen. They were married in 1988 in San Jose, CA. Hien left Vietnam as a "boat person" refugee in 1979 at age eighteen, with friends of the family. She sponsored her parents' and brothers' immigration to the U.S. in 1991. Hien earned her Registered Nurse credentials while she and Joe lived in Ithaca, NY in 1988. Joe and Hien have traveled extensively in South East Asia and are presently involved in development work with non-governmental agencies in Vietnam.

(5) **Christopher Lee Hannah** was born in 1963 in Olympia, WA. Christopher spent most of his youth in California where he attended University of California at Irvine for a short time. He has since worked at a variety of occupations. He enjoys designing and making jewelry and is always involved with

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music in some way, but his chief avocation has, for some time, been writing. He recently published his first novel, *A Walk in the Garden*, (Tafford Publishing, Houston, TX). He presently lives in Eureka, CA. Christopher married Victoria Kinsey in 1985 in California, but they are since divorced. They had:

(6) **Lauren Rose Hannah** was born in San Francisco, CA in 1985.

(6) **Tristen Michael Hannah** was born in Roseville, CA in 1986.

Christopher had a third child with Cheryl Ingraham. Cheryl changed her name to Rainwood Hannah. Christopher and she were not married.

(6) **Sorcha Rois Aislinn Hannah** was born in 1991 in Roseville, CA.

(5) **Benjamin Wayne Hannah** was born in 1968 in Olympia, WA. He achieved his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Finance) from San Diego State University in 1991. He then moved to South Lake Tahoe, CA to pursue his love for the outdoors. He especially loves downhill ski racing. In 1996, at the home of his parents, in Shelton, WA he married his long time friend Stephanie Ann Harrison, daughter of Jack Harrison and Gail Ann (Swanson) Harrison. Ben and Stephanie make their home in South Lake Tahoe, CA and have a son:

(6) **Kyle Patrick Hannah** born in 1996 in Vallejo, CA.

(4) **Sylva Regina Dorcy** was born in 1930 in Bellingham, WA. Sylva was Secretary of the Associated Student Body in both junior and senior high schools and enjoyed drama in school. She finished high school in Bellingham in 1948 and went to live with her sister Daisy in Seattle to attend modeling school. She married James Leonard Bemis, (whom she met in the sixth grade) in Bellingham, WA, in 1949. Jim earned his degree in education from Western Washington College and got his first job teaching in the Mount Baker school district. They moved to Bremerton, where he taught for many years at the high school and at Olympic College, first as a teacher then as an administrator. Jim earned his Masters Degree at Washington State University in Pullman. While raising their own family, Sylva and Jim cared for thirteen foster children in eleven years. During the 1970s Jim accepted an assignment for Big Bend College to administer an education program for the U.S. Department of Defense for dependents of the service men stationed in Europe. This was a "lifetime high adventure" for the family. They spent four wonderful years in Germany and they traveled all over Europe while they lived there. After their return from Europe Jim worked in education administration for some time. Sylva took the training with Jim for four years and he was ordained as Deacon for the

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Roman Catholic Church in 1989 in Seattle. Jim now works full time for Star of the Sea parish in Bremerton. Sylva volunteers her service to the church with Jim and spends many hours as what she calls "a listening ear", mostly for elderly people and wives of Navy personnel. They have six children:

(5) **Kelly James Bemis** was born in Bellingham, WA, in 1950 on Mother's day. Kelly earned the rank of Eagle Scout as well as an R.O.T.C. scholarship while attending high school in Bremerton. He graduated from Washington State University in Pullman with a degree in Political Science. He worked as planner and estimator in the public works department in the Bremerton Shipyard. Kelly was a scout counselor and met his wife Nancy Louise Short, daughter of Morris and Laura Short of Chimacum, WA, at the scout camp. Nancy was born in 1950 in Port Townsend, WA. They married in Bremerton in 1970. They have built a log house on property they own in Canada and at home are avid gardeners and orchardists. The family keeps bees, chickens and dogs and the children have been active in "Old Time Fiddling". Kelly and Nancy have two children:

(6) **Jennifer Erin Bemis** born in Bremerton, WA in 1977. Jenny graduated from high school in 1995.

(6) **Sean Patrick Bemis** born in Bremerton, WA in 1979. Sean earned the scouting rank of Eagle Scout in 1994 and enjoys target shooting with his dad.

(5) **Burdette Regina Bemis** (called Birdie) was born in Bellingham in 1951 during a snow storm. She graduated from High school in Bremerton. Burdette likes hiking, scuba diving, and drama. She met her husband Benjamin Louis Robinson while singing in a church choir. They married in 1969 in Bremerton, WA. Due to Ben's career in the Navy submarine service the family traveled a great deal. After a twenty-four-year marriage Ben and Birdie divorced in 1994. Birdie earned her B.A. degree at the age of 40. She has worked as sales director, cook, school bus driver, secretary for the Washington State Department of Labor and in 1996 she is working as Parish secretary for Star of the Sea Catholic Church in Bremerton. Ben and Birdie's children are:

(6) **Regina Pauline Robinson** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1970. She attended Grossmont Junior College in Santee, CA. She married Christopher John Foster in 1993 in Las Vegas, Nevada. They are divorced.

(6) **Benjamin James Robinson** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1971. He attended school in Lakeside, CA and is

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currently attending Olympic College in Bremerton to earn an Associate Degree in Culinary Arts.

- (5) **Molly Lou Bemis** was born in Bellingham in 1953. Molly likes music, drama, singing and campfire girls, as well as scuba diving. She was born with scoliosis, curvature of the spine, and wore a back brace all through her high school years and eventually had surgery to place a steel rod along her spine. She was chosen to serve as "Miss Bremerton" in the annual pageant while attending Olympic College. Molly toured Ireland for three months after high school graduation. She married Dan Edward Markwick, son of Donald and Donna Markwick of Silverdale, WA, in 1974 in Bremerton. Dan was born in 1952 at Great Lake Naval Station, Illinois. He was in the army and they traveled extensively with the army throughout their married life. They were in Germany twice and their oldest daughter, Lyndsay was born there. Molly was active in Catholic church work in nearly every place the family lived and taught swimming in many places as well. Molly is an EMT and is attending college in Lake Charles, LA along with her daughter, Lyndsay. Molly is working toward a degree in History and a Masters Degree in Theology and Anthropology of the Church. Dan is retired from the army and has a degree in Electrical Technology from McNeese State University in Louisiana. He is employed as a civilian at Ft. Polk, Louisiana. Molly and Dan's children are:

- (6) **Lyndsay Colleen Markwick** (called Bitsey) was born in Landstuhl, Germany in 1975. The family calls her Bitsy. She earned several scholarships to Universities and is attending McNeese State University to earn a degree in Mathematics. Lyndsay's child by Paul Thomas La Rocque is:

- (7) **James Edward Markwick** was born in 1995 in DeRidder, LA.

- (6) **Megan Clair Markwick** was born in 1977 in Bremerton, WA. She is currently studying Consumer Affairs/ Public Relations at Louisiana Technical.

- (5) **Jeffrey Crompton Bemis** was born in 1955 in Seattle, WA. Jeff likes sports, mountaineering, music and scuba diving. He attended the World Scout Jamboree in Japan as a scout. He earned his Eagle Scout rank and an R.O.T.C. scholarship as his brother did before him. Jeff graduated from the University of Notre Dame with a 2nd lieutenant commission in the army. Jeff has served twice in Germany and is an Environmental Specialist for the U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers. He holds the rank of

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Lieutenant Colonel in 1996. Jeff is a marathon runner. Wendy Lynn Chapman was serving with the U.S. Army in Germany when Jeff met and married her in 1979 and their first child was born in Germany. The whole family has become intensely involved in competition swimming with Wendy coaching, the children competing, and Jeff helping whenever he can get away from work. Their children are:

- (6) **Brenna McGee Bemis** was born in 1980 in Heidelberg, Germany.
- (6) **Ryan Gregory Bemis** was born in 1982 at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.
- (6) **Corigan James Bemis** was born in 1983 at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.
- (5) **Loring Richards Bemis** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1956. Following the older kids Lory was a scout and counselor, a scuba diver and mountaineer. He loved music and taught younger kids drum lessons at school. Lory had two years of high school to finish when his folks went to Germany for his father's work, so Lory graduated from high school while in Germany. When he returned to the U.S., he attended Big Bend College in Moses Lake, WA, and earned a Degree in Agriculture. He met Martha Helen Iksic at Big Bend College and they were married in 1977. Lory was a farmer and worked on a grain elevator and formed a cattle company with Martha's brother. They moved to Chimacum, WA to find better schools for their children. He is now employed as maintenance supervisor for Jefferson County Parks and Facilities. Lory is also a marathon runner and is active in "Search and Rescue" both as a rescuer and as an instructor. He is also active in both church and school district affairs. Lory and Marty have three children:
  - (6) **Charlotte Rae Bemis** was born in Spokane, WA in 1980.
  - (6) **Trevor James Bemis** was born in Spokane, WA in 1986.
  - (6) **Mackenzie Robert Bemis** was born in Port Townsend, WA in 1993.
- (5) **Kathleen Sylva Bemis** was born in Bremerton in 1958. Katy graduated from high school in Germany, then attended Olympic College in Bremerton and Washington State University in Pullman. She was a waitress before she met and, in 1984, married Greg Daniel Leonard, born in 1958 in Mansfield, Ohio. They met while she was visiting her sister in Goose Creek, SC. When Greg left the Navy, they moved to Illinois,



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where Greg found work in a nuclear power facility in Clinton, IL. Katy is active in parish work, is a Brownie leader and is a pastry cook for the school district. They were married in Charleston, SC while he was in the Navy. Their children are:

(6) **Darcy Kathleen Leonard** was born in Decatur, Illinois in 1985.

(6) **Jason Glenn Leonard** was born in Decatur, Illinois in 1986.

(4) **Aileen Agatha Dorcy** was born in Bellingham, WA in 1932. She graduated from Bellingham High School in 1950 and worked at Columbia Valley Lumber company until 1956. She enjoyed baton twirling for parades and games during her school years. In 1956 she married Ronald Jerome Goetz, whom she had known since junior high school but didn't date till after they were both out of school. Ron's parents were Joseph and Julie (Miller) Goetz and the family had a wholesale meat business in Everett, WA. When Aileen and Ron were married, they started helping out in the business and eventually built up Goetz and Sons Western Meats to a thriving, successful company. The family enjoyed RV camping and Goetz family gatherings the most. Ron contracted cancer and the family had some very rough years. Ron died in June 1981 in Everett. Aileen married Robert Raymond Covert in 1987 in Everett. Aileen continued to work as office manager in the family business until 1996 when she retired. Bob and Aileen's favorite pastimes now are ballroom dancing and skiing. Ron Goetz and Aileen had these children:

(5) **Ronda Marie Goetz** was born in Everett in 1961. She graduated from Western Washington University in 1985 with a degree in Elementary Special Education from Seattle Pacific University. For many years she was a camp counselor and water-front director at Catholic youth camps and Easter Seal camps. She was teaching fourth grade at St. Mary Magdalen School in 1986 then substituted while going to graduates school. She earned a Masters Degree in Curriculum and Instruction in 1989. She married Dale Alan Martinis in 1990 in Mukilteo, WA, and they were divorced in 1996. Ronda is currently teaching for the Everett School District. She enjoys skiing, gardening and says her child is her fun time. Ronda coaches "Biddy" soccer and basketball. She and Dale have one child:

(6) **Della Marie Martinis** was born in 1992 in Everett, WA.

(5) **Rita Maureen Goetz** was born in 1962 in Everett, WA. She graduated from Cascade High School in Everett in 1981 and attended Western Washington College for two years. She joined the Navy in 1986 and became an Air Traffic Controller. She spent the first five years of her Navy career at Virginia

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Beach, VA, then one year in Crete, and the last four years at Whidby Island Naval Air Station. She loves all forms of outdoor recreation.

- (5) **Andrew Joseph Goetz** was born in 1964 in Everett, WA. He earned a degree in Physical Therapy in 1987 from the University of Puget Sound and in 1996 started his own business, "Smokey Point Physical Therapy", in Arlington, WA. He married his long time sweetheart, Dena Alyce Peasley, in 1992 in Santa Barbara, CA. Dena was born in 1964 in Everett, the daughter of Dennis and Diane (Howell) Peasley. She graduated from Cascade High School in Everett and currently runs a travel agency from their home. Andy likes to play soccer and together they enjoy skiing and traveling. Their child is:

(6) **Delaney Alyce Goetz** was born in 1995 in Everett, WA.

- (5) **Edward Anthony Goetz** was born in 1965 in Everett. He was born with Down's Syndrome. Ed graduated from an Everett High School Special Education program in June, 1986. He trained at Stevens Memorial Hospital in food services and worked at the hospital as well as at several fast food businesses. Sometimes he has held two jobs at one time. ED is able to live on his own with supervision and he currently (1996) works in the family meat business started by his father and grandfather.
- (4) **William Vincent Dorcy** was born in Bellingham in 1934. He graduated from Bellingham High School in 1952 and joined the U.S. Navy. He was assigned to the Sea-Bees, the Construction Battalion (CB's), and worked maintaining heavy construction machinery and equipment. He served in the Navy from 1952 to 1979 and traveled all over the world starting in California. The usual deployment was 6 to 9 months at a time but sometimes, as in Morocco, he spent up to three years in one place. He was in Alaska, Korea, Japan, Morocco, Virginia, Rhode Island, Cuba, the Caribbean, three tours in Viet Nam, as well as Oregon. He finally retired at Norfolk, VA, as a Chief Petty Officer. While serving in Morocco he performed some truly heroic rescue work after a major earthquake. He tunneled under a collapsed building, single-handedly rescuing several people. He was awarded a commendation and medal for his efforts. He was serving in Spain when his father died in December 1973. Bill married Elizabeth O'Dell in 1962 in Norfolk, VA. She was called Terre and had a large family before she met him. After retiring from the Navy, in 1979 Bill and his family moved to Burlington, WA. His wife, Terre, died in 1982 in Sedro Wooley. In 1988 in Bellingham Bill married Louise (McDaniel) Kristofzski, mother of Randy's wife, Teresa. Louise was born in 1937 in Clear Lake, WA, daughter of Hugh and Alice (Goode) McDaniel.

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Bill is helping to raise Louise's son, Michael Scott Kristofzski. There are no children from this marriage. Bill's woodworking hobby keeps him busy in his retirement. Bill and Terre had one child:

(5) **James Randall Dorcy** (called Randy) was born in 1963 in Norfolk, VA. Randy graduated from Burlington High School and went on to Western Washington University before going to law school at Gonzaga University. He married Teresa Diane Kristofzski, a friend from high school, in Bellingham, in 1984. She was born in 1964 in Huntsville Alabama, the daughter of Joseph and Louise (McDaniel) Kristofzski. Teresa worked at Payless drug store and at a nursing home as a Certified Nursing Assistant to help Randy through school. He is a practicing attorney in California in 1996. Their children are:

(6) **Stephanie Gabriel Dorcy** was born in 1993 in Spokane, WA.

(6) **James Randall Dorcy, Jr.**, was born in 1995 in Sherman Oaks, CA.

(4) **Bonnie Lougina Dorcy** was born in Bellingham in 1936. She attended Seattle University and Western Washington College of Education. She worked for a while at the cannery and for a doctor. Bonnie married her friend from high school, John Edward Meyer, in 1956. John graduated from Western Washington College of Education and taught shop and math in the junior high schools of Bremerton. Bonnie and John built their first home in Bremerton in 1966 and when their children were raised they built another one with the help of sons, Tony and Tim. The next house was a "berm" house for energy saving. Then they built a duplex for some retirement income. Now they are building what they say is their final home, their retirement home, to be finished in 1996. Bonnie volunteers many hours at her church arranging weddings and parties and bazaars. Since John retired from teaching they enjoy part of the winter months in the California desert. Their children are:

(5) **Lisa Agnes Meyer** was born in Bellingham, WA in 1957. After graduating from Gonzaga University in 1980 with a degree in Religious Studies, she moved to Portland, OR and worked at St. Rose Catholic Church as a music director. When she met Theodore Charles Hile, while answering personal ads in December of 1982, he graciously agreed to sing in the choir. In the spring of 1983 he was transferred to the Seattle area and they were married. Ted was born in Redwood City, CA in 1953 and he graduated from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, WA. Ted works in Tacoma for General Plastics as a contract administrator. The family now lives in Buckley, WA, where Lisa, who recently returned to the Catholic faith after

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“many years of wandering around in the maze of ‘eclectic spirituality’”, serves as cantor for St. Aloysius. The family loves “Vietnamese Pot-Belly Pigs” and Lisa and Ted home-school their children:

(6) **Danica Marie Hile** was born in Seattle in 1986.

(6) **Martin Theodore Hile** was born in Seattle in 1988.

- (5) **Diane Therese Meyer** was born in Bellingham in 1958. She worked for Kitsap County in the Building and Planning department where she met Greg Rimir Nelson. Greg was born in Bellingham in 1954, the son of Lloyd A. and Gene (Squire) Nelson, and he graduated from Washington State University in Pullman, WA. She married him in Bremerton in 1978 and they lived in Mount Vernon, WA for a while. Greg is the development and land planner for a residential developer. Subsequently the family settled in Redmond, WA. After a brief career at Nordstroms Department store, Diane is currently busy with both Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and raising their children. They bought land and built a vacation cabin in Chelan County which they call “60 Acre Woods”. This whole hill with their cabin was burnt in a forest fire in 1994. They are now rebuilding this dream of theirs. Their children are:

(6) **Cassi Diane Nelson** was born in 1982 in Mount Vernon, WA.

(6) **Andrew John Nelson** was born in Bellevue, WA in 1987.

- (5) **Peggy Sue Meyer** was born in Bellingham, WA in 1959. She went to work for the U.S. Navy in Washington, D.C., right after graduating from Central Kitsap high school in 1978. After returning to Bremerton she worked for Puget Sound Navy Yard in Bremerton and then for the Submarine Base at Bangor, near Bremerton. Peggy married Michael Dean Wagner in 1988 in Bremerton, WA. Mike was born in 1956 in Long Beach, CA. After they were married they spent three and one-half years in Italy and were able to explore most of Europe while stationed there. In 1996 they live in Idaho where Peggy works for the U.S. Department of Energy and Mike is finishing his Naval career. He is in the fast attack submarine service and is a Senior Chief. Mike is a volunteer fireman and both are trained EMTs. They have no children.
- (5) **Anthony John Meyer** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1961. He graduated from Central Kitsap High school and works as a technician for the telephone company. He taught scuba diving for a while and met Gail Venor Powell in a scuba diving shop. Gail is daughter of Roland Milton and Lois Ann (Rundell)

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Powell, and was born in Bremerton in 1964. Tony and Gail married in 1985 in Bremerton. They still enjoy scuba diving and gardening and are refurbishing their boat as well as building their own home in Bremerton. Tony is a Network Technician for U.S. West telephone company. They have two boys:

(6) **Charlie Edmund Meyer** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1989.

(6) **Sam Anthony Meyer** was born in Bremerton, WA in 1991.

(5) **Timothy Edward Meyer** was born in Bellingham, WA in 1963. He graduated from Olympic high school and attended Olympic College in Bremerton and Western Washington University. Tim played on the rugby teams for these schools. He now has a contracting business, building and remodeling houses. Tim married his friend from high school, Karen Marie Varnum, on Bainbridge Island, WA in 1994. Karen is the daughter of Ernest and Kathy Varnum of Bremerton and was born in Bremerton in 1964. She is a junior high teacher and counselor. They have no children as yet.

(4) **Judith Sue Dorcy** was born in Bellingham in 1940. She graduated from Bellingham High School in 1958 and attended Western Washington College for one year. She marched with the school bands as a majorette in junior high and high school and taught baton lessons from the seventh grade through her year at college. She played violin in junior high and high school as well. In 1959 she moved to Seattle and began her thirty-eight-year banking career. Judy worked for several banks and ended her career in 1996 as Vice-President of Operations at Evergreen Bank in Seattle. While she was working at the Federal Reserve Bank she met Bruce White and married him in Seattle in 1960. Bruce was an Airman in the U.S. Air Force at the time and they lived in Spokane where their first child was born. Bruce was born in Seattle in 1939 and is the son of Lois (Peterson) and Herbert Churchill White. He spent his thirty one year career in the Seattle Police Department and retired as a Lieutenant at the end of 1995. Judy and Bruce have three children:

(5) **Michael Jerome White** was born in Spokane, WA in 1961. He is a graduate of the University of Washington in Business and was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He is a CPA and Certified Financial Planner and owned his own tax and investment business. Mike is now in the restaurant business in California where he part owner of four establishments. In 1989 at Northridge, CA he married Gina Nicole Amoroso. Gina was

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born in 1959 in Granada Hills, CA, the daughter of Anthony and Donna Amoroso. Mike and Gina have three children:

(6) **Olivia Nicole White** was born in 1990 in Los Angeles, CA.

(6) **Branden Michael White** was born in 1992 in California.

(6) **Preston Scott White** was born in 1994 in Los Angeles, CA .

(5) **Scott Allen White** was born in Seattle in 1963. He is a graduate of the Western Washington University in Business Administration and Computer Science. In 1985 Scott married Leigh Anne Perry. She is a graduate of the University of Washington in Marketing. Leigh was born in Ft. Eusted, VA in 1965 and is the daughter of Col. and Mrs. J. W. Perry, Jr. Scott and Leigh lived in Michigan for a short time returning to Seattle in 1986. Leigh is employed in marketing for the Trans-Alliance Company. Scott is presently employed at Boeing Aircraft Co. He is an avid horseman and has won many ribbons at equestrian events. They now live in Seattle and have one child:

(6) **Noah Perry White** was born in 1995 in Kirkland, WA.

(5) **Bethany Ann White** was born in Seattle in 1965. She attended the University of Washington where she was a member of Delta Zeta sorority. She spent several years working in the marketing area of Family Life, a division of Merrill Lynch. She is now office manager of North Creek Analytical, a soil and water testing laboratory.