died September 8, 1944, and Annie died October 7, 1937. They are buried in Castelton Cemetery. Edward and Mary are both originally from Davidstow, Cornwall, England. Edward was born March 10, 1826. Mary Saltern was born January 16, 1829. They were married in Davidstown, Cornwall, on April 25, 1852. Edward's father is listed as William Hayne and Mary's father was Francis Saltern. Edward and Mary came to Canada in early 1860 and settled in Cramahe Township. Edward's younger brother, William, also came with them. While living in England, Edward's profession is listed as a slate quarrier. When he came to Canada, he became a farm labourer. Edward died May 3, 1916. Although his death was not registered in the appropriate manner, an obituary notice was found in the Cobourg World newspaper on May 12, 1916. Mary passed away on April 24, 1900. They are buried in the Castleton Cemetery in Cramahe Township.

Much of the information about Mary Saltern's parentage came from Glenda Davies in England who is a descendant of Mary's brother, George. Francis was born about October 1801 and died in Camelford, Cornwall, in the first quarter of 1876. He was married to Mary Jewell on September 21, 1826. Mary died January 23, 1840, from complications of childbirth.

This is as far as I have been able to find documented information on Ronald and Betty Williams' ancestors. Their descendants are another story.

Ron and Betty lived the first eight years of marriage on John Street in Stirling. They then took the plunge in 1963 and purchased property about a mile east of Stirling on the Ridge Road. Here they lived for almost 40 years. They had six children

- 1. Maureen Anne was born on June 19, 1956. She married Steve Elsey on January 11, 1975. They have two sons: Jason Ernest Elsey (born January 1, 1977) and Michael Ronald Elsey (born November 10, 1980).
- 2. Marilyn Eileen arrived 13 months later on July 10, 1957. She married Kenneth Douglas Milligan on June 19, 1982, and they have two sons, Kelly Gordon Roy (born August 31, 1985) and Joseph David Frederick (born September 6, 1988).
- 3. Sandra May was born on May 8, 1959. She married Gerald Wright on June 19, 1982 (That's right, the same day as Ken and Marilyn; it was a double wed-

ding ceremony at St. Paul's United Church and only the second double wedding that church's history.) They have a son Kevin William (born April 26, 1985) and a daughter, Michelle Joyce (born November 5, 1989).

- 4. Brenda Joan was born on September 9, 1961. She married Louis Westfall on September 19, 1984.
- 5. Ross Murray was born on November 9, 1965. It was a day that would go down in history for momentous events. It was the night of the East Coast blackout. To this day his siblings think that his entry into this world may have caused the blackout. He is a very special man to all his sisters. He married Sylvie Marie Renee Huot on August 13, 1988. They have two sons, Mitchell David Paul (born on December 1, 1990) and Daniel Robert Sidney (born July 28, 1994).
- 6. Linda Gail was born on December 21, 1968. She married Kevin Turner on September 21, 1992. They have two children Collin David Ross (born October 17, 1997) and Amanda Lynn Rose (born March 14, 2005).

Growing up on the Ridge Road meant that we attended SS #1 School and SS #4 School (one-room schools) until around 1968-1969. Then we were bussed to Stirling for our elementary schooling. We were all bussed to Centennial High School in Belleville. We learned to swim in the Rawdon Creek. We attended the local 4-H Club at River Valley and learned to bowl at the Stirling Bowling Alley. We would walk to Stirling at least once a week in the summertime to exchange books at the local library or bike up to Oak Lake for a dip. We biked all over the countryside with our friends. We learned to skate on the back ponds and it was magical to go tobogganing on nights of the full moon. The Stirling area was a great place to grow up in.

But times change and we move on. Ron and Betty have moved back into Stirling. Only two of their children live in the area, Maureen and Brenda. Sandra resides in Marysville. Marilyn is in Toronto, and Gail and Ross are living in Brampton.

Even though we have moved many miles away, the Stirling area is still very precious to all of us who grew up there.

We have good memories of our family and growing up in Stirling to tell the next generation.

## BRUCE AND GAIL WOODBECK

In September 1970 Bruce Woodbeck, son of Burton and Verna, married Gail Thompson daughter of Ken and Marjorie of Moira.

Before this date Bruce attended Brock University and was then working for his brother, Ron, in the family business their dad had started in 1939 (Stirling Auto Wreckers). He also had an avid interest in fire fighting and joined the local department in Stirling in 1968. Gail was Hastings County Dairy Princess in 1967 and 1968. She attained her Registered Medical Laboratory Technologists (RT) papers in 1970 from Peterborough Civic Hospital.