

FIJI LAND OF OUR FATHERS — TEMPLATE BY TONY SNOWSILL

The History of : _____

Date of Birth : _____ Date of Death : _____

By : _____

Email Address : _____ Date : _____

If I may respectfully suggest – one way to start writing this history is to use dot points and write more as recollections return

- George Alfonso Smitherington was born in ...
- He arrived in Fiji in ...
- He came to Fiji because – he was employed by the government -MH's, Burns Philip – Yangona Co-operative
- His father came to Fiji in ...because ...
- Grandfather was highly educated – a complete dill – chased crabs on the beach – was the executioner at Korovou
- Dad was educated at
- Dad was self educated and therefore smarter than most educated people
- His best friends at school were –
- His first job was
- He married
- Her maiden name was
- She was a cousin of
- She went to what school?
- Mum and Dad spoke some Fijian, Hindi, Urdu, Eskimo
- His children included
- He later worked for
- His friends were
- He attended the university at Naboro as a guest of His/Her Majesty because he.....
- Dad loved to play tennis, fish, tell stories, drink grog,
- He was a long time member of the RSYC- Defence Club – Lautoka Club – Golf Club
- When he was younger he use to ride horses – steal guava – throw mango - make tin boats – fish -
- Dad/Grandfather loved daruka in lolo – but it had to made in a particular manner –
- He used to take me sailing, fishing, canoeing, in
- We all built a boat together -
- Dad would hold hands with Mum when we went to the movies, seawall, this is really your call –
- Dad loved Mum because - this is again really your call
- Dad had two/three favourite stories that he liked to tell
- They included 1.....2.....3
- Dad always said that he worked hard to provide for his family because.....he was afraid Mum would beat him if he didn't – there was no social security in Fiji... he preferred to be at work rather than stay at home with his delinquent kinds
- His favourite movie was...

- Dad/Grandfather's was a master at making home brew –ika vaka lolo –girls swoon-
curry jungali murigi- Jaṅgala cikana- जंगल चिकन (with potato of course)–
- Dad/Grandfather's grew the best chillies – pumpkins – tomatoes, boils
- Family trips to....beach were a great occasion – we had a Austin 7 , Standard 10,
Morris Isis, used to go by bus, train, horse, walk
- Dad's favourite lines were
- I will thrash you with the donga stick, sasa, dilo if you use that language in this house
- Tabu Soro – never give up
- Seek and ye shall find –
- Go to church – maybe there you will be taught some manners
- Dad attendedevery Sunday
- When he retired he and Mum loved/detested looking after our kids - Dad/Grandfather
would teach them to ...what?
- I really enjoyed talking to Dad about.....
- Dad / Grandfather knew about all these Fijian/ Indian Chinese/ Rotuman customs and
including
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- Planting biscuits
- Dad became ill with
- He died in.and was buried at
- At his funeral different people said.....
- Dad/Grandfather's contributions to Fiji and Fiji Society included.....
- And
- And.....

Dad will be remembered by all his children for what exactly?

Dear Dr Mike Gosling

Please - Don't let Tony S edit this history because he is a complete lunatic and belongs in the asylum.
(St Giles)

Oh well ...at least you got this far....well done !

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