## **KENYON, Thomas Sherrington Alexander**

Thomas Kenyon was born on 24th February 1863 at Watson’s Bay, Woollahra, Sydney, the son of George (1831-1892; law stationer) and Charlotte Cunningham (nee Graham; 1835-1911) Kenyon.**1**

On 2nd January 1895, at St. John's Church, Sydney, Thos. Sherrington Alexander Kenyon, law stationer, of Sydney, was married to Minnie Lavinia Warren Smith, second daughter of the Hon. L. L. Smith, F.R.G.S., of Collins-street, Melbourne. At the time Thomas Kenyon was living at “The Mansions,” Bayswater-road, Darlinghurst.2

Children of the marriage were:

Born 22nd March 1896 – Myee Stella, at “Fairlie,” Double Bay (1896-1985)

Born 14th January 1898 – Leighton Sherrington., at “Caruey,” Holt-street, Double Bay

Born 8th February 1900 – Nion Thelma, at Holt-street, Double Bay (1900-1982)**3**

By August 1908 the Kenyon family were living in Beecroft and were living at “Quambi,” Beecroft-road, Beecroft.**4**

In December 1910 Mrs. Kenyon was an honorary secretary to the Beecroft Musical and Dramatic Society.**5**

IN August 1911 Mrs. Kenyon advertised ‘Wanted, competent GENERAL, no washing, good wages. Apply Mrs. Kenyon, Quambi, Beecroft-road, Cheltenham.’**6**

In March 1912 Mrs. Kenyon again advertised ‘Wanted, a Superior Girl, all duties, no washing, three in family, 15s per week. Apply, Mrs. T. Kenyon, Quambi, Beecroft.’**7**

In April 1917 Mrs. Kenyon’s brother, Captain Louis Lionel Smith, was killed in action in France.**8**

In October 1918 their son Leighton would enlist for WW1 but was discharged as the war was coming to an end. At the time he was living at *Quambi*, and he worked as an orchardist.**9**

In January 1924 Miss Myee Kenyon, of Holt-street, Double Bay, was married at Darling Point to Dr. Daniel Harry Bodycomb, medical practitioner of Griffith. A son was born in April 1929.**10**

In March 1927 Miss Nion Thelma Kenyon, of “Quambi,” Double Bay, was married to Lieut. Marshall Plinsel Allsopp, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Allsopp, of Murrumburrah, at St. Mark's Church, Darling Point.**11**

In April 1929 Leighton Sherrington Kenyon, law stationer, of Double Bay, was married at Darling Point to Margaret Beryl Williams.**12**

On 10th January 1935 ‘Thomas Sherrington Alexander Kenyon, late of Holt-street, Double Bay, died on Thursday at a private hospital in Woollahra, at the age of 69. The funeral took place yesterday to the Northern Suburbs Crematorium. Mr. Kenyon was a Sydney law stationer. He was a member of the Rose Bay Bowling Club, and in his earlier years he was associated with the East Sydney Rowing Club, filling the office of treasurer for several years. He was also a member of the Royal Motor Yacht Club. He is survived by his widow, one son (Mr. L. S. Kenyon, of Sydney), and two married daughters (Mrs. M. Allsopp, of Sydney, and Mrs. D. Bodycomb, of Griffith).’**13**

Minnie Kenyon died on 5th August 1952 at a private hospital, Pymble, She was privately cremated.**14**

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